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It' A Boy! Congratulations Gustine and Adam

ADDISON JULES was Born May 24, 2006 at 2:46am He's beautiful & healthy & everything went smoothly.
Greetings Fiber Friends,

We just got back from our long weekend on the coast and we had a wonderful time. Like all family trips it had some challenges that made it an experience we won't soon forget. Friday was a soaking wet day at Marine World but we had fun anyway and got to our campground as it was getting dark that night. Maya and Daniel set up camp and we enjoyed dinner around the fire. Arwen and Phoenix loved being loose in the woods and I know I'm a bit biased but they were such good little troopers all weekend. Saturday was a wonderful day spent at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Besides all the spectacular exhibits there were cooking demos all day and food samples everywhere. We enjoyed barbequed fresh salmon on the terrace mmm! Our big plans for Sunday morning breakfast in camp were modified by rain so we packed up and went into town for breakfast at a great little cafe before heading off to the beach. I don't know what it is about standing in the waves and running in the sand but we just love it. It was just what we needed.

Thanks to all of you who wished us well before and after our adventure. We feel such a wonderful circle of support and friendship from the community that has grown around our shop. You truly are our friends.

One thing I didn't forget to bring along over the weekend was a knitting project. It was so relaxing to be working on an emerald green linen hand towel out of Mason Dixon Knitting in the peace and quite of the forest. Will you be traveling this summer? Maya and I can help you pick out a nice carry along project for you to enjoy on your trips away from home.

EXCITING WORKSHOPS this month:

LEARN KUMIHIMO taught by Karen DeSousa

Cost \$40 kit sold separately \$39.95 June 5 from 5:30pm – 8:30pm

HAIRPIN LACE as seen in patterns from **STITCH DIVA STUDIOS** taught by Babetta

Cost \$40 includes materials June 24 from 10am – 1pm

It's time to start thinking about those Christmas Creations. To help you get started on your Holiday projects we'll be featuring “20% off” in store specials through out the summer months. There will be something different each week starting each Monday. Come in or give us a call to see what's on sale that week. Check out all the new patterns we've been receiving if you need some inspiration. We also have lots of free patterns available with yarn purchase.

Classes for June 2006

In our project classes you can learn to knit anything from scarves to socks to felted purses to lace shawls to hats to sweaters. Pick your project and join in the fun. Our knitters inspire each other to try new things by sharing ideas and showing off their latest creation. Sign up for one of our classes and you will receive a coupon for %10 off your next purchase

Children's Beginning Knitting – Ages 8 to 12 Sat. 2pm – 3:00pm June 10, 17, & 24 Materials included cost \$40

Learn to Knit Thursdays from 6pm – 7:30pm June 8, 15, & 22 cost \$40

Advanced Beginning Knitting Wednesdays from 11am – 12:30pm June 7, 14, & 21 cost \$40

Intermediate Knitting Project Tuesdays from 6pm – 7:30pm June 6, 13, & 20 cost \$40

Intermediate Knitting Project Wednesdays from 1pm – 2:30pm June 7, 14, & 21 cost \$40

Intermediate Knitting Project Saturdays from 4pm – 5:30pm June 10, 17, & 24 cost \$40

Learn to Crochet or Work on a Project Wednesdays from 5:30pm – 7pm June 7, 14, and 21 cost \$40

Private knitting and crochet lessons for individuals or small groups available by appointment.

KNITTING GROUP SATURDAYS June 3 and 17 from 10am – 2pm come join the fun

Free Pattern for June 2006: Hip Crocheted Belt

Materials – Crochet hook size G & One Ball of FAUVE from Louisa Harding & Beads optional.

Gauge – 4 single crochets per inch. Glossary; CH=chain, SC=single crochet, DC=double crochet

Sizes - 20", 25", 30" This yarn has elasticity and ties so belt length does not have to be exact to work. It's very cute worn with Hip Hugger Capris or Ruffled skirts.

To begin CH 80, 100, 120 – Row 1: skip first CH and work SC across to end of chain.

Equals 79, 99, 119 SC. CH 1 and turn.

Row 2: Work 79, 99, 119 SC across, CH 3 and turn.

Row 3: Work 79, 99, 119 DC across, CH 1 and turn.

Row 4: Work 79,99, 119 SC across, CH 1 and turn.

Row 5: Work 79, 99, 119 SC across and fasten off.

Cut 3 lengths 26", 30", or 34" of yarn for each end. Fold in half held together and loop through middle of belt end. Draw ends of strands through loop and tighten. You can make knots in the ends of the strands or string beads on the ends to help them hang better.

Knitting tip of the month: Before you assemble that sweater you've been working so diligently on, make sure to block the pieces first. You'll have a nicer edge to work with and you can use your measuring tape to make sure the seams match. Wet blocking by spraying works on almost all fibers. Cotton and Linen can take warm steam pressing and animal fibers can take warm steaming but not pressing. After assembling it's good to block the garment as a whole so that the seams relax and any parts that have been worked after assembly (collars and the like) will even out as well.

Happy Birthday Maya June 14th

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