

Hillcreek Yarn Shoppe Now Open on Sunday Afternoons!

Sundays have become a time to kick back and relax — at least at the Yarn Shoppe! Two clubs — the Sock Knitting Club, and the Spinning Club — are both meeting Sundays at the Shoppe. And other knitters bring projects on which to work. It's become quite the gathering place! If you're passing through Columbia, the Shoppe is just one-half block off Interstate 70 at Exit 127. Take a driving break, bring in one of your knitting projects, and sit a spell! See more on Page 8.

Sarah Natani Returns for her Tenth Year Teaching Intermediate and Advanced Navajo Weaving
Sarah is now family. She will be returning in November for a full week of class. Have you ever wondered how a Two-face weaving is done, where there is an entirely different pattern on the back side of the weaving than on the front, or how Twills are woven on the Navajo loom? If you have had an introductory Navajo weaving class anywhere, you are welcome to join us in November and work on your basic techniques or learn these more advanced techniques using four sheds on the Navajo loom. See Page 6 for more info on workshops.

In May, daughter Rose and I will be at Sarah's for a mother/daughter teaching exchange. Sarah will work with Rose on traditional Navajo pottery techniques of coiling, wood firing, and pinon pitch glaze, while I work with two of Sarah's daughters, Tahnabaa and Sharon, on four-shaft weaving. This will be Rose's first experience on Reservation.

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Spring Cleaning at Hillcreek Fiber Studio
You can well imagine, after 25 years in business, that we have accumulated several items which have been sitting on the shelves for awhile. Well, it's time to move them out at great savings to you. Below are just a few!

- ***Ashford Electric Spinner** - never used. New price \$965, sale \$685
- ***Beautiful Handmade Walnut Saxony Wheel with Distaff** - perfect working order (picture on pg 9) \$550

- ***Fricke 15-inch Drum Carder, \$695** — thought I would use this extra wide carding drum, but don't do much fiber preparation any more. Used maybe twice.

- ***Schacht/Reeves Saxony Wheels** — over stocked:
 - 24-inch Ash double treadle**, reg \$995, sale 895
 - 24-inch Ash single treadle**, reg \$880, sale \$780
 - 24-inch Cherry DT**, reg \$1250, sale \$1095
 - 30-inch Cherry Production**, reg \$1500, sale \$1350

- ***SpinWinders**, reg \$47, sale \$39 — great battery-operated hand-held tool upon which you can wind bobbins or pirns for your boat or end-feed shuttles and, with a little practice, spin fine yarns very quickly.

- ***Hemp Rope and webbing** — while they last. various weights, call for availability

Hemp is rot-resistant and very strong. Back in 2000 the Museum of Natural History in New York City ordered from us all the hemp rope for rigging a replica viking ship for the 1000th year celebration of Leif Erikson's discovery of North America. We support the hemp industry and carry fibers for spinning, webbing for belts and straps and hemp paper for re-enactors.

- ***"Triangle Frame Loom Weaving Magic for Shawls, Blankets, Jackets, and More"** 90-minute how-to video. VHS format on sale \$27.95. DVD format still \$34.95.

Floor-Space Issue

We need more space for the new Cherry 8-shaft Wolf floor loom joining our wolf pack soon. **Schacht Wolf Pup** and **Schacht 8-shaft Table Loom on Stand** have gotta go. Both looms have sample projects threaded on the loom, ready for you to explore!

- ***Schacht Wolf Pup**, 18-inch four-shaft direct tie-up folding floor loom, **reg \$845, sale \$750**. Great for small floor space, with the convenience of treadles.

- ***Schacht 8-shaft 15-inch Table Loom w/Stand**, reg \$741, sale \$656.

- ***Howell Tablet Weaving Loom**, was \$58, now \$49
- ***Ashford Folding 12-inch Rigid Heddle Looms for Knitters, \$198**, with bag, \$238 — well, they're not just for knitters. But since knitters enjoy portable projects, Ashford has designed a great folding loom which fits in a carry case (kinda like your knitting bag) to introduce knitters, and others, to the fascinating world of weaving. They've developed a fast, easy way to thread the loom (20 to 30 minutes max) and have written a book with easy beginning projects, **Weaving for Knitters, \$19.75**. Weaving takes less yarn than does knitting for the same amount of fabric, and goes much faster than knitting.

- ***Bargain Bin** of mostly cotton yarns from estates at bargain prices. Call for availability of colors.