

A NAUTICAL YARN

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING MAKER'S RETREAT—APRIL 2026

Beginning this year, the retreat will be held in Ludington. The event will be spread out over three days in 2026 (Tuesday Evening, All-Day Wednesday, Wednesday Evening, and Thursday Morning, April 21, 22, and 23). The prices will be ala carte, so you can pick and choose which events you wish to attend.

EVENT 1

Dinner Together Tuesday, April 21 6:00—7:30 \$40.00
Price includes dinner at an area restaurant and includes dinner, tip, and your choice of beverage (coffee, tea, soda). Limited capacity.

EVENT 2

Maker's Meetup - Harborview Marina Wednesday, April 22 9:00—4:00 \$75.00
This event includes time to work on projects with other knitter's, crocheters, paper crafters, you name it! We will play games, have lunch, open SWAG bags, and win Door Prizes! We will have the Great Room and Ward Room at Harborview Marina. We'll spend the day working on projects and spending time with friends.

EVENT 3

Dinner Together Wednesday, April 22 6:00—7:30 \$40.00
This dinner will be held at an area Ludington restaurant. You will have your choice of entrée choices plus tip and a beverage (coffee, tea, soda). Limited capacity.

EVENT 4

Morning Maker's Meetup Thursday, April 23 8:00—noon \$25.00
This event includes a delicious breakfast at **Next Chapter Café** followed by maker's time in Book Mark's new All-Purpose Room. Price includes breakfast, beverage voucher for Book Mark, and time spent with friends in comfortable surroundings.

LODGING OPTIONS

Lodging arrangements will be made by you. Many local hotels will be available as well as area Bed & Breakfasts. Members of the Ludington Historic B & B Association will be offering discounted rates, as will the Book Mark Loft Apartments. Tell the B & B that you are booking for the Spring Maker's Retreat in April. The Ludington House is available for Full Home Rental at \$1,500 per night for 8 rooms that house 16 people. Participating B & Bs include:

Candlelite Inn
www.candleliteinnludington.com
231-843-0101

Lamplighter Inn
www.ludington-michigan.com
231-852-3535

Cartier Mansion/Ludington House
www.cartiermansion.com
231-843-0101/231-843-9792

The **Book Mark Lofts** feature cute, comfortable, modern apartments with 2 or 3 bedrooms per unit. **Book through Nautical Yarn** and tell us that you are booking for the Spring Maker's Retreat in April. 231-845-9868.

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| Apartments 1 & 7 | 3 bedrooms | Sleeps 6 | \$250/night |
| Apartments 2, 4, & 5 | 2 bedrooms | Sleeps 4 | \$200/night |

View listings at <https://bookmarkludington.com/boutique-hotel/>

JANUARY 2026

No Events or classes scheduled in January

FEBRUARY 2026

Super Bowl Sunday Gumball Sale—Sunday, February 8, 2026 (Super Bowl Sunday)

We will hold our annual Super Bowl Sunday Gumball Sale on February 8, 2026. The color of the gumball you select determines your discount (anywhere from 15% to 100%). Store hours on Super Bowl Sunday will be noon—4 PM.

Sunday Supper Club

We will host Sunday Supper Club during Super Bowl Gumball Sale. **February 8 at 1:00 PM**
Bring a dish to pass. Nautical Yarn will provide table settings and beverages. We're excited to get together with you again. In addition to great food and fun with friends, we will have door prizes for lucky winners. You will be home in plenty of time for the game!

Olympic Hat Class (Free—limited to 12 people)

Sunday, February 8 at 10:00 AM

Utilize your Fair Isle knitting skills and make your very own hat to wear during this year's Olympics. Kits available at Nautical Yarn that will work for Beanie or Earflap versions. Kits include yarn (red, white, blue) and pattern for \$25.

MARCH 2026

Sunday Supper Club

March 8 at 1:00 PM

We will host our Sunday Supper Club **March 8 at 1:00 PM**. Bring a dish to pass. Nautical Yarn will provide table settings and beverages.

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BOB AND CAROLE'S NEXT CHAPTER!

I mentioned the Next Chapter Café in a recent newsletter. We planned for a late fall launch of the **Next Chapter Cafe** at 205 S Rath in the Book Mark building. However, due to some technical difficulties with the exhaust hood over the cooking equipment the location of the kitchen had to be changed which is delaying the opening date until late winter or early Spring.

But we are moving forward! Initial Health Department approval has been granted for necessary changes. Flooring installation is scheduled, about half of the restaurant furniture has arrived, software and computer system has been selected but not installed, dishes are here and all cooking and dishwashing equipment has been ordered. Still lots to do, but it's fun!

KNITTER'S WEEKEND FALL OF 2026

NOV 6-8, 2026

Next year during our **Fall 2026 B & B Knitter's Weekend** we will be working on a skill set that seems scary to many people—BRIOCHE! We will be making a simple headband plus your choice of a hat, mitts, or cowl. The headband will be simple two-color Brioche and the second project will be more elaborate with cable effects. More information is included on our website at <https://nauticalyarn.com/event/2026-b-b-weekend/>



Registration for the weekend is made directly through the B & B where you wish to stay. Prices vary depending on the B & B and room you choose, so we cannot state a firm price. You will need to check with the B & B. Make sure to inform them that you are registering for the Fall 2026 Knitting Weekend. Links to participating B & Bs are on our website listed above.

ON & OFF THE NEEDLES

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| ON 95% done | Need a little bit of finishing on my Avenue Vest . |
| ON 50% done | DRK Everyday Card by Andrea Mowry in Debbie Bliss tweed with strand of Kaffe Fawcette color KidSilk Haze |
| ON 25% done | Fair Isle Sweater by Marie Wallin |
| ON Just begun | Brioche Swatches for Fall B & B Weekend |
| ON 15% done | CAL from Sirdar (Summer Picnic Crochet Afghan) |
| ON 10% done | 2026 Olympic Earflap Hat |
| OFF 100% | Martin Storey cable hat using Jody Long Ciao yarn |
| OFF 100% | Simple hat using Meridian Mills worsted weight yarn with strand of KidSilk Haze |



DRK Everyday Card



Marie Wallin Fair Isle Sweater



Summer Picnic



Martin Storey Hat