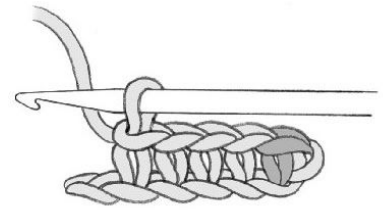




Encore Needle & Craft

<http://needlecraft.sewclubs.com/>



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Reminders:

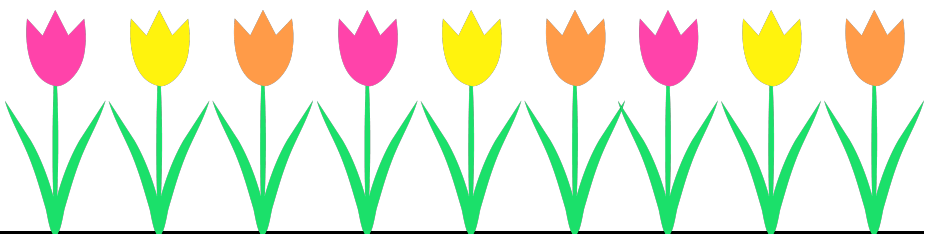
Craft Show is coming up soon. Please sign up to work the show. You must also sign up for selling items.

We still need monitors. Sign up with a friend and get your monitor duty done.

Encore March Calendar

1st	Ash Wednesday; National Women's History Month
3rd	Encore ; Crocheted Shawl crochet along
8th	International Women's Day
10th	Encore ; Pizza Day
12th	Daylight Saving Time begins (not for us)
17th	Encore ; St. Patrick's Day
18th	Spring Craft Show
20th	First day of Spring
23rd	Create art day
24th	Encore
31st	Encore

Spring



Knit / Crochet tips:

When making crocheted hats I wasn't liking the gap produced by the ch3 at the beginning and slip stitch into the top of the ch3 at the end of the round. After experimenting a bit, I discovered that if I ch2 then dc in the same stitch, crochet my round and then joined at the top of the dc NOT the ch2, there was no gap! Looks great and you don't have an increase to worry about.

When you buy bedding or other items that come in the plastic packaging with zipper closures, save the packaging. You can store your project in them—yarn, pattern, and hook / needles. And store the finished item too.

Many times, a crochet pattern will tell you to make the beginning chain loosely. If you make the chain using a hook one or two times larger than the pattern calls for, you can make a looser chain and still maintain a nice tension for the project.

Use a bathroom toothbrush holder for holding crochet hooks and/or knitting needles.

If you are right-handed and teaching a left-handed person to crochet, set up a mirror so that they can watch you in the mirror.



Quotable Quote:

Education is what you get when you read the fine print; experience is what you get when you don't.

Pete Seeger, musician
