

# Through the Shop Window

...the "little shop around  
the corner" on Mill Street



"From the unique to the  
antique!"

**5605 Mill Street, Richmond, IL 60071 (815) 678-4063**

November 2009

## *The Light Within*

*The walls are made of stone and brick,  
A century now they've stood,  
And 'round about the inside  
They are dressed with oaken wood.*

*And windows on the north and west  
At times bring sunshine bright,  
But outward in the evening shines  
A brighter inner light.*

*And from the stately iron stove  
Light flickers soft and low,  
And warms the kettle, shop, and those  
Who've gathered in its glow.*

*As autumn turns to winter  
And the air turns crisp and clear,  
The evenings are still bright and warm  
For those who gather here.*

*The sounds of Celtic music old  
And laughter fill the night,  
And all who enter through the door  
Are warmed by inner light.*

*It is not flame or lamp nor wick  
That shine a light so bright,  
But it is from the Master's soul  
That shines the inner light.*

*So if you're troubled, weary, tired  
And feel life pressing down,  
Or if you need encouragement,  
Stop in when you're in town.*

*For from the hearts that He's indwelled  
A peaceful light shines bright,  
To help those traveling down life's path  
Who's way is dark as night.*

*So seek that warming inner light,  
Its healing brightness feel,  
For it is given freely at the shop,  
Wool, Warp & Wheel.*

*Thanksgiving 2009*

## **December Classes**

In keeping with our tradition, there are no classes scheduled for the month of December. Instead, every night will be an open workshop. We encourage you to come out and finish those last minute Christmas gifts. Penny and I will be available to help and answer any questions you might have.

Also, if you have not filled out a "Christmas Wish List", you still have time. Lists will be mailed out on the week of Thanksgiving. Don't leave people guessing, fill out a list and we'll do the rest.

For those of you who need quick last minute gifts, we have all sorts of inexpensive gifts, even for those who don't knit or spin. And, as always, we offer gift certificates in all denominations.

Don't forget the needy this winter. We are again collecting hats, scarves, and mittens for the giving tree at northern Illinois Medical Center. Please get your donations in before the weather gets too cold.

Rob & Penny

## *Please note:*

**The shop will be closed Nov 26-27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.  
We will reopen Nov 28 to begin our 7<sup>th</sup> year in business.**

## ***Celebrate Christmas Past Richmond business Partners will sponsor "Christmas of Yesteryear" December 5-6***

*Come visit our unique shops, spend a little time with Santa, and help find the lost treasures of the Twelve Days of Christmas. You can even enjoy breakfast with Santa at Memorial Hall. And, for those of you with long lists, there will be an express mailbox to the North Pole located at Skoopers.*

*Make this Christmas one to remember at Richmond's  
"Christmas of Yesteryear 2010"*

## ***The 2010 Winter Retreat is January 29-31***

There are still a few tickets left for our trip to the Little Switzerland Inn in McGregor, Iowa. The cost is \$80 per person, and includes 2 nights lodging, two breakfasts, and lunch on Saturday. Don't delay, sign up today! Start the new year by taking some time for yourself and finishing a few of your projects. If all your projects are done, then start a new one!