

# Through the Shop Window

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Wool, Warp & Wheel

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## *Three Dog's-Right!*

*Since our Mollie departed, we've struggled to make Tootsie a good shop dog. After years of work, we have come to the realization that our red collie will not submit to the requirements. She was once and will always be a "house dog". Work is just not her thing.*

*Thankfully, there have been those who recognized our dilemma and have searched out a shop dog for us. So, Thank you Jean and welcome Lulu. Lulu is a border collie coon hound mix. She is friendly, gentle, and young enough to learn the job. She is smart, loves attention, and so far, has been excellent with customers (she had been sleeping through their arrival).*

*Like any hound, the sight of a rabbit, bird, or squirrel will cause temporary amnesia-but that's the breed. She will forget her name, any command that involves ending the chase and returning to her master. But, when the distraction is gone, so is the lack of memory.*

*I'm sure customers will fall in love with our Lulu. So, consider this your invitation to stop in and meet her. Don't be shocked if she checks your knitting bag for treats-she knows what she likes.*

*FYI-she has already tried to climb the bird cage, and I don't think she realizes that Mrs. Bucket is a rabbit-but the hutch is a safe place and all is well in the shop.*

*And so begins what we hope will be a happy and healthy New Year for our shop, our family, and all our customers.*

*And, Lulu is waiting to meet you!*

## **Winter Hours**

Tuesday and Wednesday 7 PM – 9 PM

Thursday and Friday 11 AM – 9 PM

The First and Third Weekends of the Month  
10 AM – 5 PM

Open Workshop will still be on Sundays of the first and third weekends of the month. Bring your project and get it done! And remember, the help is always free!

The shop will be closed Jan 23-28 for the 2019 Winter Retreat.

We offer one-on-one customized classes as well as individualized help on the projects you have "in process". We can help you with knitting, crochet, spinning, weaving, felting, as well as other fiber related art forms.

We are also scheduling felting classes for both beginners and intermediate skill levels. Contact Penny at the shop to see samples of the projects and sign up. Felting is all the rage right now-and you can do it, too!

## **2020 Winter Retreat**

The 2019 Winter Retreat is SOLD OUT-but tickets for the 2020 Winter Retreat are on sale now-so if you are interested, please contact Penny and get your place reserved. Space is very limited. There are no private rooms, but there is a lot of fun! You never know what we'll come up with. Don't wait until the last minute, plan now for January 23-26 of 2020. If you have never gone to one of our retreats, you don't know what you're missing.

The cost is \$150 and included 3 night of lodging. Each participant will be assigned to help provide a specific meal for the group. Those attending should bring their own snacks and beverages. Coffee will be provided.

The event begins on Thursday afternoon, and ends at noon on Sunday. The common Room is warm, well lit, and large enough to accommodate all kinds of activities. The retreat is limited to 18 participants. Don't miss it!