



NEWSLETTER May 9, 2024

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**President's Report:**

Dear Guild members,

Merry May! The next few months we have so much going on. Be sure and look on our website, follow our emails, and read your newsletters so you can keep up with us.

Remember to update your personal calendars so you don't miss even one event!

Thank you Janet and all of the members of the 70th anniversary committee for the tasks that they have accomplished to help us celebrate this 70th monumental year. We hope that members can attend the gallery show on May 2 and participate in the demonstrations at the event on June 15th at the Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center.

April's event at KCAI was fantastic. Thank you Sylvia for arranging it. Upon arrival we met Olivia Mills and she gave us a personal introduction. Olivia uses natural dyes and since she wanted us to experience using those dyes she prepared cotton skeins for all of us to dye in one of three natural dye colors. While we toured the warehouse, viewed the Junior show in the foyer, and watched her presentation of her works, theories, and future plans, our cotton skeins were changing colors. It was really fun to go home with a natural dyed small skein of cotton.

Be sure to attend our meeting on May 9th for a program by Becky Gaskill about the workshop she participated in with her scholarship money. We will also be updating everyone on the 70th anniversary event and reminding people of the important dates. Thanks to all members who attended the weaving kit making event on the 18th so that we have enough kits for our anniversary event and Convergence.

Thanks,

Lynette Beebe and Cynthia Smith

**Upcoming Programs:**

**May:** In 2023, Becky Gaskill was awarded a scholarship to attend a Madelyn van der Hoogt workshop. Becky will be presenting on this during our meeting.

**June:** Swap and Shop

**July:** NO MEETING DUE TO CONVERGENCE

To suggest a program, contact Sylvia Crawford at [crawfordsylvia56@gmail.com](mailto:crawfordsylvia56@gmail.com).

## **70th Anniversary Plans (Janet Meddings)**

We hope you have marked your calendar for **May 2, 6-8 p.m.** to attend the opening reception of our Showcase exhibit at the JOCO Arts & Heritage Center, 8788 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS. Everyone is invited.

Our next event is on **June 15**, and there is room for more makers. Sign up by sending an email to [janetmeddings@gmail.com](mailto:janetmeddings@gmail.com)

During this event, we will show how we make fiber works on Sat., June 15 from 10 am - 4 pm at the JOCO Arts & Heritage Center. We will be demonstrating a wide variety of fiber art making techniques and are asking members to bring looms of all kinds and sizes, as well as spinning wheels, crochet, knitting, rug hooking, needle felting, etc. to show the public how it's all done. The Arts Center will advertise the event, and we are expecting a large crowd. If you would like to participate or have questions, send an email to

[janetmeddings@gmail.com](mailto:janetmeddings@gmail.com)

Please visit the Guild events page for a calendar of events and more information >

<https://www.kcweaversguild.org/education-events>

## **Convergence Reminder**

You can still join Handweavers Guild of America and participate in Convergence. The last day to register for Workshops is June 19, 2024. The last day to purchase a meal plan or register for Seminars, CVPs, Events, Tours, etc. without a late fee is June 28, 2024

## **Calling volunteers for Goody Bag help at Convergence in Wichita!**

WHEN: Wednesday, July 10, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Bob Brown Expo and Convention Center, 225 West Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67202

WHAT: stuffing 800 Convergence Goody Bags

I need 14-20 volunteers for this project. There will be some volunteers coming from Wichita, so I need about 8-10 from Kansas City. If you are able to help, you will receive a free day pass to the exhibits and vendor hall. (If you have a CVP, your unlimited pass to the exhibits/vendor hall is included). So if you can come down to Wichita on Wednesday (before the convention gets started) and want to help, please contact Sandy Cahill (913) 709-1923 call or text.

THANKS CONVERGENCE TEAM!

## **KAWS**

KAWS 2024 will be the weekend of **October 18-19** at the Roeland Park Community Center. Future locations are:

2024 – Kansas City Fiber Guild-

2025 – Manhattan

2026 – Greater Kansas City Weavers Guild

2027 – Wichita

2028 – Topeka

2029 - Lawrence

## **Community Outreach**

The next **Maker's Social** is **June 13**, which obviously, is close to our Johnson County event, and I could use 3-4 volunteers to help. After all, your portable looms should be dusted off and ready to go.

## **Coming This Fall.**

Our October challenge this year will be “Opposites Attract.” Thanks to Lynette for the suggestion.

### **Creative Hand:**

We will be having a meeting for all Creative Hand Artists early in May. The date, time, and location of this meeting will be announced soon. I would like everyone who is interested in the show to please attend this meeting. At the meeting, leadership positions will be discussed and hopefully filled. Many of the task oriented positions are filled so we have a good nucleus of helpers already committed to the individual show tasks. What we need are coordinators and leaders to manage the people already in place.

Applications for this year’s Creative Hand are in the process of being revised and will be available at the May guild meetings.

The show dates for this year are:

Friday, November 22: product delivery 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. and set up 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday, November 22: show hours 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 23: show hours 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 23: tear down 5:00 -6:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 23: all artist meeting 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

THANK YOU! Please contact me if you have any questions. Sandy Cahill (913) 709-1923 call or text.

### **About Town:**

If you like fabric, quilting and travel, then Hamilton, Missouri is the place for you.

Missouri Star has blossomed from a small family dream in 2008 into a sewing and crafting oasis with 15+ shops! Click on <https://www.missouriquiltco.com/> to check out our website. Whether you're a seasoned quilter or just starting, we have something for everyone.

Our little quilt town is located in NW Missouri just north of Highway 36 and is most known for being the boyhood home of JC Penney as well as the headquarters of Missouri Star Quilt Company. You will also find the Missouri Quilt Museum just two blocks from all our shops. Click on [www.missouriquiltmuseum.com](http://www.missouriquiltmuseum.com) to check it out. We are always excited to have visitors and would love to have you come see us.

**For Sale:**



Andrea Huerter (Stitching Change)

Email: [stitchingchange@gmail.com](mailto:stitchingchange@gmail.com)

Phone: 913-271-4800

Description: Harrisville Designs Floor Loom.  
Weaving width 40 inches

Approx. age and condition: Unsure of age and working condition. We received it in 2018 but we haven't used it. It was used by the previous owner. It is located at the Stitching Change classroom building at 1303 Central Avenue, Kansas City, KS (The Stables KCK). It can be accessed from the back side of the building which is on ground level.

Price: \$100



Jane Lackey

Email: [lackey1992@yahoo.com](mailto:lackey1992@yahoo.com)

Phone: 620-343-9557 leave message

Description: Spinning wheel with spools etc.  
plus bonus total 8 oz of roving.

Approx. age and condition: very good condition,  
like new.

Price: 450.00



Lorraine Masse

Email: Ldmass2@gmail.com

Phone: 719-502-5857

Description: Ashford Inkle Loom

Approx. age and condition: Like new condition, about 3 years old,

Leavenworth KS

Price: \$50



Lorraine Masse

Email: Ldmass2@gmail.com

Phone: 719-502-5857

Description: Ashford Inkle Loom

Approx. age and condition: Like new condition, about 3 years old, Leavenworth Kansas \$30



Margie Shay, 816-547-8270

\$800.00

Kessenich Loom Company's standard foot loom is built of Red Oak with a hand rubbed oil finish. Its reputation has been built on being strong and heavy enough for rug weaving. The loom has easy access to the pin and chain tie-up system. Treadles are hinged at the front and are separated sufficiently to ease treading actions. Rear hinged treadles are optional. Weaving width 30", 4 Shaft with 6 treadles. Heddles are 12" in length to assure a large shed. Extra space is allowed for storage of unused heddles in Shaft frame to avoid interference with the full weaving width of the loom. The beater bar is extra heavy. A steel pin is used to stabilize leg arms. Loom is collapsible for storage and moving, even while warped.

I have included 3 reeds, 2 lease sticks, Rag Shuttle, extra heddles, loom shelves that attach on each side of the leg arm, matching storage bench, and cardboard for warping. It is a really nice loom.