

February 2012 Newsletter

Monthly Meeting ~ Wed, Feb. 8, 2012 @ 7pm



We meet at Old Mission United Methodist Church, 5519 State Park Rd, Fairway, KS 66205. The north door of the church is closest to the meeting room.

Donations for the church food pantry are a welcome way to give back for the use of the meeting room.

Incident Weather Policy

When schools and public events are closed, due to weather, guild meetings will not be held that month.

February Program

Midwest Weavers Conference Favor Workshop - Lolly Buxton

Lolly will conduct a hands on workshop to decorate needle cases for Midwest Weavers 2013. Please bring your sewing kit with needle, thread, scissors and any of the following: small buttons, beads, odds and ends of yarn, colored roving and needle felting supplies (if you have them).

We have been asked to make 400, so this will carry over to the Women's Fiber Retreat on Feb. 17 to 20.

Proposed increase in dues up for voting - from \$20 to \$25 for individuals & from \$25 to \$30 for families, effective retroactively January 1, 2012.

Mentoring Program

Need a Mentor?

Bobbin Lace, Crochet (including beginning, intermediate, interpreting old patterns, lace), Dying Yarn, Historic Clothing, Knitting (including beginning, socks, beginning lace knitting, knitting in the round, multiple needles and circulars, knitting socks two at a time toe up and top down), Sewing (including beginning, sewing hand wovens, intermediate, fitting, pattern alterations, matching fabric and pattern, interpreting old patterns), Spinning on Drop Spindle, Tatting (including beginning, with beads, advanced techniques, old patterns), Weaving. Please contact Stephanie Smith psunflwr@hotmail.com if you need a mentor, or are willing to help someone in the guild. Free meeting space available at Fabric Recycles if needed. Contact Page Burns, 913-385-0614 to schedule time.

Call for teachers Midwest 2013

We are now open to take class proposals. There are half day mini sessions, full day maxi sessions, and pre conference workshop spaces available. Along with the class proposal, a short biography and photos of your work is helpful. The submission deadline is March 1st, 2012.

Please submit your proposal to prairiewinds2013@gmail.com or mail to Sherri Pickett, 103 Main St, Wellsville KS [66092](tel:66092)

February Guild Newsletter Deadline

The newsletter is a great way to find out more about upcoming workshops and artist opportunities, to sell things you no longer need, to do a little bragging...and more. Get your voice heard! Please submit information for the March 2012 newsletter to me (your newsletter editor), Page Burns, by February 20 (customerservice@fabricrecycles.com or fabric-recycles@att.net). If your email changes...please let me know!! Be sure to give the old address as well as the new one.

Your Editor, Page Burns



Creative Hand News

More information can be seen on our website:

www.creativehandkc.org

New Member Update

Welcome to Jutta, Patricia, Terry, Diane, Melissa & Cheryl!

Treasurer's Report

General Fund = \$3588.96

Scholarship Fund = \$102.60

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Upcoming Fiber Events

February Retreat February 17-19, 2012

Reservations to debbielubinsky@gmail.com or 913-451-8737 for questions. The fee is \$50 per person and will be held at the Cohen Retreat Center, Cleveland, MO

Fiber Retreat 2012 March 9 - 11, 2012

<http://sites.google.com/site/fiberretreat2011/>

Jefferson City, Missouri
George Washington Carver Multipurpose Building
3804 Bald Hill Road
Jefferson City, MO 6510

Meet n Greet March 5, 2012

Let's get together at 11 am and maybe create a Crochet Guild! Hosted by Karen Follet at Fabric Recycles, 9268 Metcalf, Overland Park 66212. Please call 913-385-0614 to reserve your seat! FREE!

Beginning Temari Japanese Thread Ball March 12, 2012

Class is from 12pm-4pm and the fee is \$40 (includes kit and choice of 5 DMC flosses). Temari are embroidered with floss and metallic threads to create complex designs. They can be used to decorate your home or make lovely gifts. Please bring your scissors and a box of colored head pins. Taught by Lolly Buxton at Fabric Recycles, 9268 Metcalf, Overland Park 66212. Please call 913-385-0614 to reserve your seat!

The Olathe Quilter's Guild Quilt Show March 17 & 18, 2012

The quilt show will be held on the 17th from 10am - 6pm and on the 18th from 12pm - 5pm at the Great Mall in Olathe, KS. The exact location in the mall has not yet been determined. The quilt committee for the guild will have a key and the location will be locked when the show is not open. The Olathe Quilter's Guild would like to invite you to come vend at the show. Two years ago the guild charged \$50 per space. And with the increase in prices, the guild will still be keeping vending space at \$50.

If you are interested please reserve a spot by sending a check made out to the Olathe Quilter's Guild to: Arlene Banks, Olathe Quilter's Guild, 15522 W. 80th St, Lenexa, KS 66219

Color Horoscope Weaving March 23-25, 2012

Weaver Bonnie Tarses will be in Wichita conducting a 3-day workshop Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Bonnie will assist each workshop participant in developing their personalized Color Horoscope. You will purchase your warp and warp your loom prior to the workshop. If you need a loom, contact Diana or Janet to make arrangements. During the workshop you will weave your shawl and receive additional instruction from Bonnie. Cost of the 3-day workshop is \$300 and includes the supply fee and lunch each day. If you are interested in participating in this workshop, send a \$150 deposit by February 1 to Janet Hamous, Treasurer, 2615 Wilderness Court, Wichita KS 67226. Any questions, contact Diana at 316- 264-1081 or Janet at 316- 260-6396. Also, the pattern can be purchased for only \$50 on the blogspot link below if economics are tight.

<http://weavingspirit.blogspot.com/2008/02/inspired-by-bonnie.html>

Tunisian Crochet March 26, 2012

This intermediate class is only \$25 per student and is being offered by Karen Follet from 1pm to 3pm at Fabric Recycles, 9268 Metcalf, Overland Park 66212. Please call 913-385-0614 to reserve your seat!

The Weaver's Guild

Meetings are on the second Thursday of each month at 10am
Rose Room at Loose Park
5200 Wornall Road
Kansas City, MO 64112

If you're in the Fiber Guild, you're welcome to attend Weaver's Guild meetings!!

Be sure to check out their website:
www.kcweaversguild.org

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Upcoming Fiber Events

MOPACA Invitational Alpaca Show March 24-25, 2012

American Royal/Hale Arena - Kansas City , MO

Calling all fiber artists!! Let's show off our North American Natural Alpaca Fiber. The spotlight at the 2012 MOPACA Invitational Alpaca Show will be focused on fiber and we need you to help showcase our fiber in the Fiber Arts and Skein Competition. Last year, the Fiber Arts display shared the spotlight in the show rings with the animals themselves, highlighting the incredible beauty of our products. It was such a success that we are duplicating the venue again... looking to double our entries this year. We can't do this without entries, so an invitation has been extended to anyone who wants to be part of this show. Spin, knit, weave, crochet, felt and ENTER!! See how many ribbons OUR Guild can bring home!! Demonstrators are also needed for the fiber ring – can you spare a few hours in Kansas City, MO to demonstrate your craft? You are welcome to hand out business cards and network with customers, public and alpaca breeders. Vendor spaces are also available. Registration ends March 9th, 2012. For a list of rules and categories, go to the MOPACA website: www.mopaca.org/showinfo.shtml Entries can be submitted online or by downloading the entry forms from the MOPACA website. Contact Sara Morris for more info at 316-258-4036 or mias-fiberarts@mopaca.org. Volunteers will be coordinated by Laura Mayes.

Knitting In the Heartland April 14 & 15, 2012

The Sunflower Knitters Guild Conference featured instructor is Franklin Habit. Any questions can be directed to fibertrian@gmail.com (Teri Plemel)

All Missouri Spin-In April 24, 2012

This will be at the Oak Grove Civic Center from 9 to 5. There will be vendors and a keynote speaker, but mostly it's an informal spinning gathering. Everyone is welcome.

KAWS 2012

The dates for KAWS 2012 will be April 27-29, 2012, and will be held in Emporia, KS. Many fun events are planned, as well as a tour of the University campus, where we will host Midwest Weavers 2013. <http://kansasweavers.com>

Lake Area Fiber Arts Festival April 28, 2012

We will be sponsoring our 7th annual Lake Area Fiber Arts Festival at Harper Chapel United Methodist Church Community Hall, 5567 Highway 54, Osage Beach MO 65065. Our new website, www.lakefiberarts.com has all the information. We are inviting you to reserve a booth now for the 2012 festival. Make your reservation soon. Lila Rudolph, Festival Chairperson, lakefiberarts@gmail.com

Fiberfest May 5, 2012

Join us as we celebrate the fiber arts at the mission. Fiber artists and area fiber guild members will demonstrate their crafts and handmade items will be available for purchase. A "Make and Take" workshop will be offered for an additional fee. Shawnee Indian Mission is located at 3403 W 53rd in Fairway (Kansas City area). For more information call 913-262-0867. <http://www.kshs.org/event/shawnee-indian-mission-fiber-fest-1/17216>

Salida Fiber Festival September 8-9, 2012

In beautiful Salida, CO Riverside Park. Please visit www.salidafiberfestival.org for details.

KAWS 2012 Midwest Weavers Conference Prep

**April 27-29, 2012
Emporia West Presbyterian Campus
1702 W 15th Avenue
Emporia, Kansas**

As many of you already know, KAWS will be hosting the Midwest Weavers Conference in 2013. Plans have been made, committees have been formed, and many volunteers have stepped forward to help. But much work is still ahead. Because of the work to come, your KAWS board has decided to use our annual conference this year to prepare for the MWC.

Making 'Prairie Winds' a great success and showing pride in our state requires the help of all KAWS members. Therefore your attendance in Emporia on April 28-29, 2012 is very important.

Activities for the fun weekend will include:

- Felting Sunflower brooches for KAWS members to wear at MWC
- Making nametag decorations
- Touring ESU Facilities
- Committee Reports
- Guest Speaker from Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Spin In, Knit In, Demonstrations, Fiber Fun!
- Assisting guilds with goodie bag items

Our Midwest Weavers Association Board Representative, Betty Huttner, will be coming from Iowa to view our progress, offer suggestions, help in anyway, and answer any questions we may have. This will be a great opportunity for KAWS to show the MWA board what an awesome group of volunteers we have and how enthusiastic we are about hosting the Midwest Weavers Conference.

Schedule:

Fun Night- Friday April 27-

6:00 pm – close

Spin In, Knit In, Demonstrations, Snacks and Yarn Cocktails

Conference- Saturday & Sunday April 28 & 29-

9:00 am – close

Work on MWC Projects

Tour ESU facilities

Reports from MWC Committees

Report from MWC Board Rep- Betty Huttner

Guest Speaker from Convention & Visitors Bureau

KAWS General Meeting

Show & Share

Lunch at ESU (Dutch)

Items to bring (If you have):

Brown Buttons:

1/2"-3/4" , 1"- 1 1/2", Felting Needle, Sharp Scissors (smaller size), Handspun thrums in shades of orange/brown, Locks of Mohair or Wool in shades of orange/brown, towel

To keep cost at a minimum, the KAWS board decided to have individual guilds assist with providing meals.

Friday Evening Snacks & Drinks- Flint Hills

Saturday Breakfast- Flint Hills

Saturday Lunch- Dutch @ ESU

Saturday Dinner & Sunday Lunch-

Deli Tray- KAWS

Chips/Crackers- Manhattan

Salads- Kansas City

Desserts- Wichita

Veggies - Fleece & Fibers

Fruit- Smoky Valley

Sunday Breakfast- Kaw Valley & Topeka

Sunday Lunch- KAWS

Registration:

\$25 fee payable at registration in April to Kansas Alliance Weavers & Spinners

Please RSVP to your guild representative by April 14, 2012.

Questions: Barb Say - bmsay@osprey.net 620-343-6283

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Links to share

Huge Granny Square project in Finland <http://www.knittingparadise.com/t-54558-1.html>

Spinners, check out the iSpin toolkit. It provides information and charts on grist, twist angles, and wraps per inch when you are on the go.

Guild Classifieds

- If you are interested in repairing a crochet blanket or teaching the owner how, please contact Page Burns (913-385-0614) for the contact information.
- Northland Knitters need yarn for Hat Project. They can use dark synthetic yarn(no wool) if you have extra. Must be weight for knitting hats. They gave over 500 hats to City Union Mission & Northland Children's Clothes Closet in 2011. Please bring to either Guild at any time this year and Lolly will deliver to this group of senior knitters.

Email the details & a picture of the items you are wanting to sell to customerservice@fabricrecycles.com.

This listing will be deleted every newsletter to ensure items are available month to month.