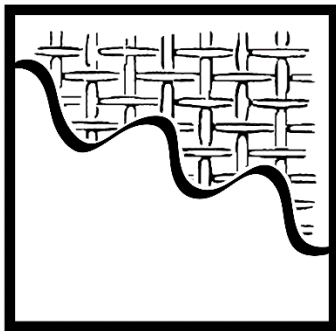




Columbia Weavers and
Spinners' Guild

The Tie-Up

January 2020

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Next Guild Meeting:

January 21, 6:30 pm
Broadway Christian Church
2601 W. Broadway, Columbia

Hospitality for January Meeting

Sorry – I can't find this
information. Hopefully you
know who you are. ☺

Newsletter

Submissions:

Deadline for the February issue
is January 25th. Email anything
you want included in this issue
to tpmann123@gmail.com
using "February Tie Up" as the
subject line.

2019- 2020 Officers:

Ginny Wallace, President
Deb Wilson, Vice-President
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Me? Creative?

By Deb Wilson

January 21, 6:30 pm

How do you feel about your art when it comes to creativity? We know how to improve our skills – practice, practice, practice – but do we know how to venture into our world of creating unique projects?

This program and group activities will spark our inner, creative selves and share what works for our members too. We are our best teachers... isn't that one of the reasons why we joined the Guild?



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President's Corner

The end of one year and beginning of another is a natural time of taking stock and planning. For me, it's a lot like the feelings I have between the time I've finished a project and when I have started a new one. It's a brief period of anxiety, of feeling unmoored, adrift. What will I do next? I think the anxiety stems from a self-imposed expectation to create something perfect, and that I should know what it is NOW! But the creative process can't be rushed. New ideas seldom come to me until I stop obsessing and open my mind to exploring. Sometimes I just warp a loom and start weaving without knowing where it's going. Sometimes an idea comes to me fully formed in a flash of inspiration. The creative process is a mystery to me. I look forward to learning more about it at our January meeting.

- Ginny Wallace

For Sale:

Ashford 48" rigid heddle loom.

Includes loom, stand, 3 heddles 7.5-10-12.5, 2 stick shuttles, packing sticks.

The loom is practically new and is great for couch throws, baby blankets, etc. Price \$700

I will deliver to Columbia, MO. If interested, please contact me at mshesse@socket.net using "loom" in the subject line.

Thank you!

Marjory Johnson

Amy Preckshot In Memoriam

Long-time guild member and weaving mentor Amy Preckshot passed away on Thursday, December 26th at the age of 105.

Amy joined the Columbia Weavers and Spinners Guild in the late 60's. Meetings were held in members' homes and members were required to have a loom. Amy didn't have one at first, but that soon changed. Her husband, George, bought her a Macomber loom which had 4 shafts and room for 6 more. Amy soon added those extra shafts and George "did some engineering" on it. For her later weaving, Amy made the jump to a 24-shaft computer-operated Toika loom.

Figuring out how patterns work and how to get just the right hand to her fabric kept her going. Felting, weaving and spinning grew naturally from a lifetime of designing and sewing her own clothes. She moved easily from silk to wool to bamboo, and if she couldn't find the right yarn commercially, she just spun her own. Her handwoven clothing appeared in several Convergence Fashion Shows, but it's the animals that Amy was most known for.

Amy's "zoo" was her collection of stuffed animals which she designed, wove, and sewed during the late 1990's. She came across an 8-shaft draft that reminded her of a turtle's shell. She wove some fabric, drew out a pattern, and hatched her first turtles. The turtle draft, with some changes, became an alligator. Lions, giraffes, zebras, tigers, armadillos all followed along with several other designs. Guild members suggested some designs while other ideas have come from family, but they all had to be wild animals. At George's suggestion, Amy published her animal designs in "Weaving A Zoo" (2002 Amy D. Preckshot). It was her way to get others to try their hand at animals as well.

Besides her animals, Amy was the driving force behind other guild projects and the More Than Four Study Group. In 1995, she served on the initial Verna Wulfekammer Memorial Trust committee.

Later, a member of the community offered Amy a large supply of needle point wool. Amy's challenge to guild members: take some wool, make something beautiful, and put it in the Holiday Exhibition and Sale with the proceeds to benefit the guild's scholarship fund. That project raised over \$1500 to support fiber education.

Amy inspired her two daughters, Judy and Nancy, to become weavers, dyers and spinners. They both live in the Minneapolis area and are active in the Weaver's Guild of Minnesota in teaching and demonstrations at the State Fair. Her son, Geoff and daughter-in-law Rita

also share the family appreciation for handwork, whether it's sewing, felting, or weaving, and supported Amy in all her creative endeavors.

Per her wishes, there will be no services. Memorials may be made to the CWSG Educational Scholarship Fund, PO Box 124, Columbia, MO 65205 in honor of Amy.

Holiday Exhibition and Sale

The HES Steering Committee will meet Feb 2 at 2:00 at Paula's house. Due to the large increase in facility rental cost, we will need to make important financial decisions. The meeting is open to all Guild members. Please let me know if you are coming. Paula pmcfarli@mchsi.com

Library News

At our January Guild meeting the Library Committee will ask those present to vote on a preferred day and time, once a month, for the Guild library. The choices are as follows:

Saturday Morning
Saturday Afternoon
Sunday Afternoon

We will start with whichever choice is most popular. It is also possible to alternate days from month to month.

Thanks for helping us decide!
The CWSG Library Committee

Guild Equipment Rentals:

Columbia Weavers & Spinners Guild has the following equipment available for members:

NEW – Tablet Loom: \$10/month
Four-shaft table loom: \$10/month
Eight-shaft table loom: \$12/month
Spinning wheels: \$10/month
Drum Carder: \$10/month
Fiber Picker: \$10/month
Wool Combs: \$10/month
Triangular frame loom and stand: \$10/month
Hat blocks: \$2/week
Hat brim blocks: \$2/week

Most items are stored at Access Arts. Contact Jenny Sennott or Rune Mussett-Sharp, 573-875-4836, to rent this equipment.

Advertising Rates for The Tie-Up

Business card size - \$5.00/issue or \$25/10 issues

Quarter page - \$10.00/issue or \$50/10 issues

Half page - \$20.00/issue or \$100/10 issues

Full page - \$40.00/issue or \$200/10 issues

Members may advertise extra equipment or goods at no charge. Email Tammy Mann, The Tie-Up editor, for more information at tpmann123@gmail.com.



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Youth Fiber Art Exhibition

Reception Date - Wednesday April 1, 2020, Daniel Boone Regional Library, 6:00 - 7:30

Guild member participation is needed. If you are interested in any of the activities/duties listed in the December Tie-Up, contact:

Cindy Kilfoyle, ckilfoyle@centurytel.net, 573-228-2555
Rebecca Bergfield, dancingfiber@gmail.com, 573-864-6529

Bex Oliger, bexoli@gmail.com, 573-474-1013



Member News

Note: Rebecca Bergfield's email address was listed incorrectly in the last newsletter. Her email address is dancingfiber@gmail.com

For anyone who needs to renew, please use the Google link for the online membership form and mail your renewal check to the address on the first page of this newsletter. The link to the Goggle form is goo.gl/jIC62b If you have any issues with the online form, contact Tammy Mann at tpmann123@gmail.com.

NOTE: Membership paid April 1 or there after covers the remainder of the current year and the entire following year.

Metal magnetic nametags will be ordered just once a year. The treasurer will order on Nov. 15 each year. Payment in advance is required.



Study Groups

Crocheters and Knitters

Facilitator: Pam Haverland
Pamabbyelly@yahoo.com

Meeting date/time is second Thursday each month at 12:30.

Next meeting is Thursday January 9, 12:30 at Castaway Yarn, 3600 Interstate 70 Drive SE, suite E, east of Mosers. Discussions on the answer to the questions--wood, bamboo, carbon, metal, plastic and round or square for your needles/hooks; service project ideas and workshop topics and field trip locations.

Future meetings may alternate between Hillcreek Yarns and Castaway Yarns. Check the Tie-up each month for the location. Please join us.

More than 4

Facilitator: Jean Williams
jeanweaves@gmail.com

In honor of our long-time member and one of the founders of our study group, the More Than Four Study will devote its January meeting to Amy with stories, show-and-tell of items Amy made or inspired, and photos. We will meet 7 pm on Tuesday, January 28 (our usual time) but **we will meet at Jean Williams' home, 108 Dundee Drive in Columbia.** All are welcome to come and share a story or two. For information, contact Jean at jeanweaves@gmail.com.

Feltmakers

Facilitator: Bonnie Ahrens
angoramom@hotmail.com

Feltmakers will meet noon on January 12 at Access Arts. UFO day, bring any unfinished or need more help projects to work on.

Designing Weavers

Facilitator: Debbie Schluckebier
dschluck@live.com

January 14 we will meet at 12:30 at the Eleven/Eleven Restaurant on Broadway. After lunch we will visit the new building of the State Historical Society of Missouri located at 605 Elm Street on campus. We might also go the Art League to see what exhibits it might have.

Contact: Debbie Schluckebier, dschluck@live.com

The Business of Art Group

Facilitator: Ann McGinity
annmcginity@yahoo.com

Sunday, January 19th, 2 – 4pm

Gathering at the CWSG Board Meeting, so no January meeting scheduled. For a pop-up discussion and February meeting, please email or text annmcginity@yahoo.com or 573-268-6660.

Fiber Arts

Contact: Vicki Smith
smithvictori@gmail.com

The Fiber Arts Study Group will meet on Jan. 8, 6:00, in the MU fibers studio. We will continue on the topic of dolls with Kate Shipova leading us in the construction of dolls. Hope you can join us.

Happy New Year, everyone.

Dyers

Facilitator: Bex Oliger
bexoli@gmail.com or (573) 449-5648

Bex will be leading three dye groups this year. Dates to be announced.

Spinners

Facilitator: Deborah Wilson
debcwilson@gmail.com
No meeting information for this month.

Events that Might Interest You

Twining Workshop with Darcy Holtgrave

On Saturday February 1, Darcy will conduct a twining workshop. Want to know more about twining—go to <https://www.facebook.com/gravymakings/> You will twine a 10" x 10" piece using a choice of materials - cotton & cotton blend fabrics my material of choice, but Darcy will also have felted strips, yarn, jute, and other bendy materials to try.

The workshop will be held at in the Environmental Education Room at the Big Muddy National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Headquarters, 18500 Brady Lane, Boonville, MO. 65233 (The Refuge Headquarters is west of the Missouri River, take the Highway 179 exit, turn north, then at the T intersection, turn left and watch for the Refuge signs—the Headquarters building is off the highway on a gravel road near the river).

If you are interested, email Pam Haverland at pamabbyelly@yahoo.com with WORKSHOP in the subject line. Include your name, phone, and email address. The workshop is limited to 12 participants—the sign up will be first

come. If there is additional interest, we will consider another workshop later in the year.

If the weather is bad, March 14 will be the backup date.

2020 MoFA KAWS Conference



To register for the conference sponsored by Missouri Fiber Artists and Kansas Alliance of Weavers and Spinners go to:
<https://ezregister.com/events/30937/>

Roll a Ball, Felt a Hat Workshop with Ruth Walker

On Saturday April 18, Ruth will conduct a “roll a ball, felt a hat” workshop. The workshop will be held at in the Environmental Education Room at the Big Muddy National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Headquarters, 18500 Brady Lane, Boonville, MO. 65233 (The Refuge Headquarters is west of the Missouri River, take the Highway 179 exit, turn north, then at the T intersection, turn left and watch for the Refuge signs—the Headquarters building is off the highway on a gravel road near the river).

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Funding Assistance

Thanks to a generous donation by long-time guild member Verna Wulfekammer, the Verna Wulfekammer Memorial Trust Fund was set up to provide support for fiber-related educational activities for the benefit of guild members and other artists. The trustees meet four times a year to appropriate funds to applicants.

For information or applications, contact 2019-2020 Wulfekammer Trustees: Susan Burpo – correspondent (2017-20); Jean Williams – secretary (2018-2021); Rebecca Bergfield – treasurer (2016-2019)

Applications can also be obtained at the Guild Library housed at Access Arts or electronically by requesting them from one of the trustees: susanburpo@msn.com; jeanweaves@gmail.com; or dancingfiber@gmail.com. The completed application may then be sent to the three trustees electronically.

Educational Scholarship Fund

This fund honors Lois Watkins, Helen Carter, and Helen Solter, who were active and important long-time members of the Guild. This memorial fund provides funding for scholarship for guild members to attend fiber-related activities. For information and applications, contact current administrators, Shelda Eggers, Meg Bartlett, or Bex Oliger, or pick up an application at the guild library housed at Access Arts.

CWSG TREASURER'S REPORT

January 2, 2020

88 Members

Checking	\$3,852.41	
Money Market	\$3,607.32	
Bond - LPL Financial	\$25,407.50	
CD (Matures 10/2020)	\$11,794.38	
Total CWSG Assets		\$44,661.61
Funds Allocated for Special Purposes		Location of funds
Library Insurance Fund	\$11,794.38	CD
CWSG Scholarship Fund	\$2,105.62	Money Market
Workshop Fees		
Service Appreciation Award Fund	\$583.38	Money Market
Wulfekammer Funds for:		
Preckshot Bond 9/26/16 - 3/15/35	\$25,407.50	LPL Financial
Total Allocated Funds	\$39,890.88	
Total Available Assets		\$4,770.73

Notes: HES 2019 added \$433.20 to the Scholarship fund

Jenny Chicone
CWSG Treasurer