

The Basket Art Guild was established to perpetuate the art of basketry and to stimulate public interest, appreciation, and knowledge of basketry.

The Basket Art Guild meets approximately every other month in Decatur, Illinois.

All workshops are held at the Long Creek Community Center unless otherwise stated.

We also host workshops that are taught by accomplished basket artisans.

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Special points of interest

- Have something for the newsletter? Send it in to Bonnie!
bonnierideout17@gmail.com
- Don’t forget to register for the upcoming workshops!
- Be sure to check out our Facebook page.





Important Friendly Reminders

We have a very busy 2024 planned for our guild. The board would like to remind members to please register by the deadlines given for each event. This not only helps us but also helps the teacher to have the materials prepared in plenty of time for the event.

A lot of time and effort has been put in to planning these events for our members. If we don't have enough people registered by the deadline, events are cancelled.

It has come to the guild's attention that members have been calling workshop teacher's directly. Members are asking the teachers if they can weave baskets offered on different days than they are offered. Please don't do that! Changing the workshop schedule can be a hardship on the teachers and the event coordinators. We hope you understand.

We want to keep offering quality events for our guild!
Any registration questions should be directed to our Treasurer, Deb Lonsdale at dslonsdale@yahoo.com or (309) 264-1275.
We appreciate your cooperation with this request.



The Basket Art Guild would like to welcome the following new member to the guild. We hope to see you soon!

Lisa Schweitzer



As Deb Lonsdale's time on the Basket Art Guild Board draws to a close, we wanted to express our sincere gratitude for your service. Board service is the toughest volunteer role, and you took on your Board duties with dedication, grace, and seriousness.

We appreciate you and hope to continue to see you at BAG events.





2024 Basket Art Guild Events

Bev Larson Workshop

April 13 & 14

Long Creek Community Center

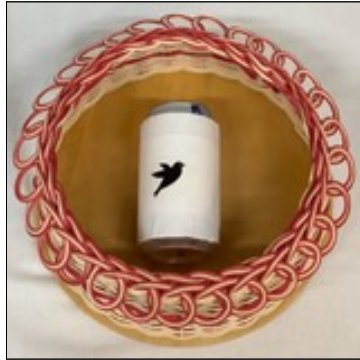
The brochure will be out soon! Be sure to visit Bev's website at beebeebaskets.com.

Dani Sue Anderson Workshop

June 8 & 9

Long Creek Community Center

The brochure will be out soon!
In the meantime, be sure to visit her website at danisuecreations.com.



Pictured is "Poppins"
By Dani Sue Anderson

Marjorie Kennedy Workshop

August 10

Long Creek Community Center

Details will be out soon. In the meantime, be sure to visit Marjorie's website at sweetanniesbasketry.com.

Marilyn Wald Workshop

October 19 & 20

Long Creek Community Center

Stay tuned for more information!
In the meantime, be sure to visit her website at xyzbasketworks.com.

Annual Christmas Weave

December 7

Long Creek Community Center

Information will be out later this year.



We have door prizes at most of our workshops. Feel free to bring anything to contribute. It does not need to be basket related!





President's Letter to the Guild

Happy New Year weavers. It seems like 2023 just flew by. As we say goodbye to Deb Lonsdale, we welcome Marilyn Scarbeary as our new treasurer. Deb has done a fabulous job and has offered to help Marilyn with the transition. I have great confidence that Marilyn will also do a great job.

We have four wonderful teachers lined up for 2024. I think two of them are new to our guild. I'm pretty excited about all of the teachers that are bringing their amazing talents to us. As you all know, you can't make just one basket. This craft is very satisfying, and of course very addictive. It's always evolving and we're always learning new techniques. I look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new weavers this year.

Becky King, Madame President

Meet Your New Treasurer/Advertising Chair!

Hello,

My name is Marilyn Scarbeary and I will be serving as the new Treasurer/Advertising Chair for The Basket Art Guild.

I was told I needed a hobby for my upcoming retirement. So, in April of 2017, my friends introduced me to the art of basket weaving. I was hooked!

I live in Streator, IL with my husband. I have two grown children and three grandchildren.

I am looking forward to seeing you at this year's weaves!

Marilyn



Do you know what makes a great newsletter? YOU! Be sure to send in projects you are working on, upcoming events that may interest BAG members, tips and tricks you may have picked up at a retreat - you get the idea!

We want to hear from you!
Send to Bonnie at:
bonnierideout17@gmail.com



Marilyn Scarbeary



The National Basketry Organization is a non-profit organization that unites people interested in basketry to provide education and to promote basket making. Founded in the late 1990's, the organization now has approximately 600 members, most of whom live in the United States and Canada. Although most of NBO's members are basket makers, membership includes collectors, gallery owners, scholars, craft and art schools and museums.

Visit www.nationalbasketry.org for more information.



MISSOURI BASKETWEAVERS GUILD

Visit www.basketweavers.org for more information

Find them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MissouriBasketweaversGuild/> .



QUAD CITIES BASKETWEAVERS GUILD

For more information about the Quad Cities Basket Guild contact Susan Walters, President at gcbasketryguild@gmail.com.
Phone: 309/781-7228.

IOWA BASKETWEAVERS

For more information about the Iowa Basket Weavers contact Pamela Brown at pamela.brown@countryfinancial.com or Maribeth Woolsey at mwoolsey117@hotmail.com.



BLOOMINGTON BASKETWEAVERS (BLOOMINGTON, IL)

The Bloomington Basketweavers meets once a month on the 4th Monday night from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Bloomington, Illinois. Weavers alternate "teaching" duties. Contact Jennifer Schrof at 309-862-1663 or jenpurdue@comcast.net or Mary Ann Ford at 309-663-4926 or maf82350@gmail.com.



SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS BASKET BUDDIES (O'FALLON, IL)

This new guild will meet at 1 pm on a Saturday, once a month, in the basement at Blessed Savior Lutheran Church, 1205 N Lincoln Ave, O'Fallon, IL 62269. Contact us for specific meeting dates. We currently have 8 members and are growing! Meetings are open to all basket weavers. Dues are \$15 per year.

Facebook page is: [Southwestern Illinois Basket Buddies](#).

For more information, contact Charla Morton on 618/604-3292, or by email: sw-ilbasketbuddies@basketweavers.org.



Don't see your local guild listed? Drop us a line and we will add it!



News From Iowa

The Iowa Basket Weavers Guild will host Marilyn Parr July 12 & 13, 2024 for a weaving workshop. The Fall workshop date has been set for November 8 & 9. Details for both workshops will be announced when they become available. The workshops will be held at Grace Lutheran Bible Camp just outside of DeWitt, IA. For more information email Pamela Brown at Pamela.Brown@countryfinancial.com.

Recipes

What goes hand in hand at weaving events? Great food! Please share your favorite recipe to be posted on our website. Send recipes to Christine Poland at christinepoland@hotmail.com.

Also, be sure and check out the yummy recipes already out there!
www.basketartguild.com.

Frosted Banana Bars

Elaine Manion

Ingredients

1/2 cup butter, softened
2 cups sugar
3 large eggs
1-1/2 cups mashed rip bananas (about 3 medium)
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp baking soda
Dash of salt

Frosting

1 package (8oz) cream cheese, softened
1/2 cup, butter softened
4 cups confectioners' sugar
2 tsp vanilla extract

In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs, bananas and vanilla. Combine the flour, baking soda and salt; stir into creamed mixture just until blended..

Transfer to a greased 15x10x1-in baking pan. Bake at 350° for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool in pan on a wire rack.

For frosting, in a small bowl, beat cream cheese and butter until fluffy. Add confectioners' sugar and vanilla; beat until smooth. Frost bars.





Highlights from the Christmas Gathering



Many thanks to Carol Osborn and Bonnie Rideout for leading the Christmas Weave. Three different baskets were offered. Also, many thanks to Bev Dondeville, our workshop chair for putting it all together!

Members also enjoyed the gift exchange, door prizes, food and of course fellowship!

Woven Spokes

If you would like to contribute to our newsletter please send information and or pictures to Bonnie Rideout at bonnierideout17@gmail.com. The more you send in the more interesting the newsletter is!

Membership

Not a member? Dues are \$20/year. The membership form is in this newsletter and on our website.

Website

Visit our website at any time for up to date information on meetings and



BAG is on Facebook!
Be sure to check our Facebook page. Just search for The Basket Art Guild!

What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year.

VERN MCLELLAN

Save the Date!
Get Your Weave On Route 66
MBG Annual Convention
St. Louis, Missouri
August 1 - 4, 2024

From our Webmaster—

All of our registration forms, membership form & newsletters can be found on our website.

Did you know we have a dedicated advertisers' page on our website with a direct link to each business's website? We do! Contact Deb Lonsdale to advertise with BAG.

Any questions about our website, please contact Christine at 217/521-2339.



Treasurer's Report as of December 26, 2023

Beginning Balance:	\$5,426.54
Income:	
Dues	\$ 305.00
<u>BAG Advertisers 2024</u>	<u>\$ 90.00</u>
November Total:	\$ 395.00
Dues	\$ 155.00
<u>BAG Advertisers 2024</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
December Total:	\$ 185.00
Income Total:	\$ 580.00
Expenses:	
Long Creek Rental (Christmas)	\$ 150.00
BAG Christmas Party Supplies	\$ 176.60
<u>BAG Business Cards</u>	<u>\$ 56.89</u>
November Total:	\$ 383.49
Dues Overpayment	\$ 5.00
December Total:	\$ 5.00
Expense Total:	\$ 388.49
Ending Balance:	\$5,618.05



Basket Happenings

- January 11 - 14 Guilder's Weave, Newport News, VA
For more information visit www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org
- January 18 - 21 Texas Basketweaver's Association, Houston, TX
For more information visit texasbasketweavers.com
- Jan 30 - Feb 1 Weaving in the Sunshine State, Ft. Myers, FL
For more information visit www.weavinginthesunshinestate.com
- February 22 - 25 Upper South Carolina Basketmakers Guild, Greenville, SC
For more information visit <https://basketweaversofsc.com>
- February 24 - 26 Wildwood Basketry Guild's Winter Weave, Mentor, OH
For more information visit winterweave.com
- March 1 - 3 GBA Annual Convention, Marietta, GA
For more information visit <https://proformaprana.wixsite.com/ga-basketry>
- March 7 - 9 WTKY, Falls of Rough, KY
For more information visit <https://wtwky.shutterfly.com/2023retreat>
- March 14 - 17 NCBA 2024 Convention, Raleigh-Durham, NC
For more information visit www.ncbasketmakers.com
- April 6 - 7 LLBWA'S Spring Fling Event, Normal, IL
For more information visit www.llbwa.com
- April 13 - 14 BAG - Bev Larson Workshop, Long Creek, IL
Information coming soon! www.basketartguild.com
- April 17 - 20 Stateline Weaving Friends Retreat, Richmond, IN
For more information visit contact Debbie Cates at statelinefriendsweavingretreat@gmail.com
- April 27 Wolf River Spring Event, Shawano, WI
For more information visit www.wolfriverbasketryguild.com
- May 7 - 11 Stowe Basketry Festival, Stowe, VT
For more information visit www.stowebasketryfestival.com
- June 8 - 9 BAG - Dani Sue Anderson Workshop, Long Creek, IL
Information coming soon! www.basketartguild.com
- June 25 - 29 Bluegrass Area Basket Maker's Seminar, Carrollton, KY
For more information visit www.babasketmakers.org
- July 12 - 13 Iowa Basketweavers Retreat with Marilyn Parr, DeWitt, IA
For more information contact Pam Brown at Pamela.Brown@countryfinancial.com
- July 17 - 20 Tennessee Basketry Association Retreat, Cookeville, TN
For more information visit www.tennesseebasketryassociation.org

**Know of a basket happening?
Send information to Bonnie at bonnierideout17@gmail.com!**



Fellowship

Our guild consist of weavers of all different skill levels and experience. Our meetings allow all of us to learn new techniques, hone our skills and discuss basketry. Much can be learned by an exchange of ideas by others who share a love of basketry.



Instructor Line-Up!

Karen Tembreull
Barks & Roots Basketry
March 4-10, 2024

Jo Campbell – Amsler
Step by Step Willow Baskets
April 29-May 5, 2024

Judith Saunders
Exploring Design Through Basketry
April 1-7, 2024

Annetta Kraayeveld
Diagonal Twill Immersion
May 13-19, 2024

JoAnn Kelly Catsos
Black Ash Basketry
April 8-14, 2024

Anne Bowers
Basketry with Anne Bowers
October 15-21, 2024

Anne Bowers
Basketry with Anne Bowers
April 22-28, 2024

Lois Russell
New Uses of an Ancient Technique
October 22-28, 2024



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Deb can be reached at dslonsdale@yahoo.com or 309/264-1275.

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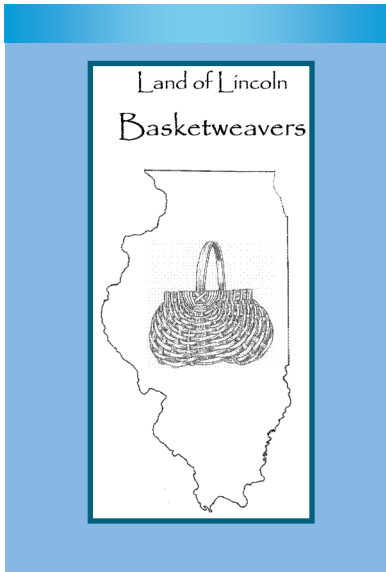
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Land of Lincoln Basketweavers Guild

LLBWA is our state guild. They hold three events a year plus weaving opportunities for brand new weavers.

Be sure to visit their website for detailed information on all upcoming events. Visit www.llbwa.com for detailed information.

Spring Fling April 6 & 7	Starved Rock Event June 5 Starved Rock Lodge Utica, IL	Camp Tuck-A-Basket September 8 - 10 Community Center Normal, IL
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Not sure if you are a current member of BAG?
Check with Deb Lonsdale. She will let you know!
dsjonsdale@yahoo.com

Basket Art Guild Membership

The Basket Art Guild membership runs from *January 1st to December 31st*.

**Renewal Membership Dues for 2024 are \$15 if paid by January 15th.
New Members \$20.**

You will receive your newsletter via email.
Newsletters are also available on our website www.basketartguild.com.

Have you renewed your membership yet? Not sure? Contact Deb and she will let you know. If you need to make any changes on contact info, please fill this out and send to Deb.

Name _____

Business name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Make checks payable to The Basket Art Guild

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Peoria, IL 61604**

