

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](mailto:bonnierideout17@gmail.com)
- Don’t forget to renew your membership for 2025!
- Be sure to check out our Facebook page!





## Friendly Reminders

We have a very busy 2025 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. Which no one wants!

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, Marilyn Scarbeary at [marilynsarbeary@gmail.com](mailto:marilynsarbeary@gmail.com) or (815) 673-3165.**

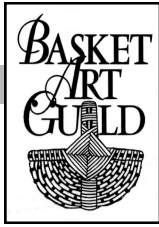
We appreciate your cooperation with this request.



IN LOVING ♥  
*Memory*

Beloved basket teacher/designer Candace Katz passed away November 14th, 2024. Her presence in the basket world will greatly be missed. <https://www.westfieldchapel.com/obituaries>.





## 2025 Basket Art Guild Events

THE  
Time  
IS  
Now

If you haven't paid your dues yet, now is the time! You don't want to miss out on any BAG workshops in 2025. Dues are only \$20/year.

You can find the membership form on our website and on the last page of this newsletter.

Don't delay!  
Send them in today!

# 2025



**May 3 & 4 -**

workshop with Peggy Boyd

**June 28 & 29 -** BAG Weave with Julie Cundiff and Marilyn Scarbeary

**August 9 & 10 -**

workshop with Mary Price

**October 18 -**

workshop with Marjorie Kennedy

**October 19 -**

BAG Weave with Christine Poland

**November 8 -** Christmas Weave

**November 9 -**

BAG Weave with Bonnie Rideout

**More 2025 dates will be  
announced as they are booked.**

*www.basketartguild.com*

**Visit our website!**

For details and to register for any of our workshops visit our website at [www.basketartguild.com](http://www.basketartguild.com). Information for the 2025 Workshops and Weaves will be posted as soon as it is available!



## A Note From Our President

Happy New Year weavers!  
I hope everyone had a safe and Merry Christmas. I'm pretty excited about the weaves we have planned in 2025.

All of our teachers are so easy going and easy to work with. Brand new weavers to experienced weavers, you're all welcome to our guild.

We have a great group of members who will step up and help if its needed.

I hope to see you to several of our weaves.

*Becky King*



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

Sue Haenchen  
Vicke Wakeland

Current Membership is 24.

## A Note From Our Workshop Chair

Some exciting classes coming up for 2025.

Will be getting info soon so watch for upcoming newsletters!!

*Ber Donderville*



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

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

**VERN MCLELLAN**



**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](http://www.nationalbasketry.org) for more information.



#### **MISSOURI BASKETWEAVERS GUILD**

Visit [www.basketweavers.org](http://www.basketweavers.org) for more information

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



#### **QUAD CITIES BASKETWEAVERS GUILD**

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Phone: 309/781-7228.

#### **IOWA BASKETWEAVERS**

For more information about the Iowa Basket Weavers contact Pamela Brown at [pamela.brown@countryfinancial.com](mailto:pamela.brown@countryfinancial.com) or Maribeth Woolsey at [mwoolsey117@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:jenpurdue@comcast.net) or Mary Ann Ford at 309-663-4926 or [maf82350@gmail.com](mailto: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.

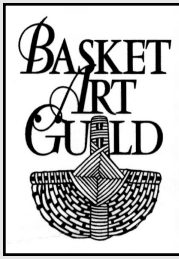
Facebook page is: [Southwestern Illinois Basket Buddies](#).

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



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Drop us a line and we will add it!





## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CHRISTMAS WEAVE!

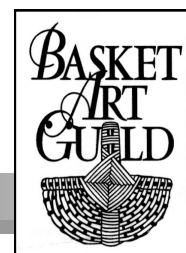
A fun time was had by all! Many thanks to Carol Osborn for coming to Long Creek for a fabulous Christmas Weave. Everyone left with beautiful snowmen!





## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE DECEMBER 8TH WEAWE!

Bonnie Rideout led the weave with her design of “Oh Christmas Tree”. Everyone did a fabulous job weaving the basket. It was a fun day with fun, yummy snacks and fellowship. Thank you all for attending! Look for more weaves like this in 2025.



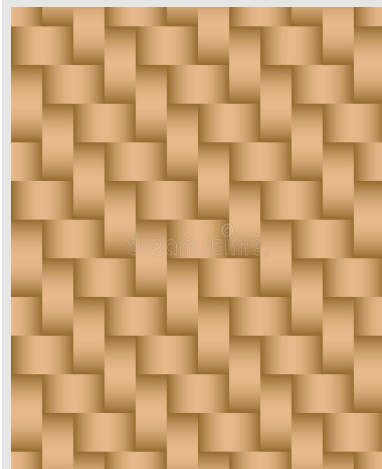
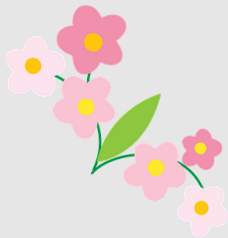


**Land of Lincoln Basketweavers  
Spring Fling Event  
March 29 - 30, 2025**

**Teachers -**

Steve & Sandy Atkinson  
Linda Elschlager

For more information visit:  
www.llbwa.com or contact  
Michelle Burns at  
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(708) 227-5525.



# WEAVING FUN!

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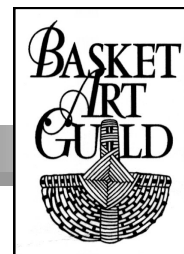
Find the word in the puzzle.

Words can go in any direction.  
Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

## Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate Angie Wagner on the Country Seat, Inc.'s 50th anniversary in business in 2025. That is a HUGE accomplishment! In the month of January almost everything is 10% off. Be sure to visit their website at <https://www.countryseat.com/>. You can also find them on Facebook.

Country Seat is one of the oldest and largest basket suppliers in the United States. They are located in Kempton, PA.





## Woven Spokes

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

BAG is on Facebook!  
Be sure to check our Facebook page.



Just search for The Basket Art Guild!

## 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 events. [www.basketartguild.com](http://www.basketartguild.com)



## From our Webmaster—

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

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



## Bag Gear

Bag Gear is available through Wallstreet Embroidery & Silk Screening at 109 N. Front Street, Macon, IL 62544.

If interested, contact them directly at 217/764-3501.



## Treasurer's Report as of January 3, 2025

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>		<b>\$4,466.22</b>
<b>Income:</b>		
	Room Rental	\$ 70.00
	Membership dues (19 dues, 4 snowmen)	\$ 390.00
	Registration fees	\$ 240.00
	50/50 Drawings	\$ 108.00
	Nov/Dec	<b>Total: \$ 568.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
	Community Center Rental (Dec)	\$ 200.00
	Pizza for Christmas Weave	\$ 105.97
	Carol Osborn (4 snowmen kits)	\$ 60.00
	Flower for Deb Lonsdale	\$ 41.35
	Nov/Dec	<b>Total: \$ 407.35</b>
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$ 4,626.87</b>

# Basket Happenings

## 2025

- January 16 - 19 Guilder's Weave, Newport News, VA  
For more information visit [www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org](http://www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org)
- January 23 - 26 Texas Basketweaver's Association, Austin, TX  
For more information visit [texasbasketweavers.com](http://texasbasketweavers.com)
- February 20 - 25 Wildwood Basketry Guild's Winter Weave, Mentor, OH  
For more information visit [winterweave.com](http://winterweave.com)
- February 28 - March 2 GBA Annual Convention, Duluth, GA  
For more information visit <https://www.georgiabasketry.com/>
- March 6 - 8 WTWKY, Falls of Rough, KY  
For more information visit <https://www.wtwky.com/>
- March 13 - 16 NCBA 2025 Convention, Raleigh-Durham, NC  
For more information visit [www.ncbasketmakers.com](http://www.ncbasketmakers.com)
- April 3 - 6 Florida Tropical Weavers, Orlando, FL  
<https://ftwg.org/>
- April 2025 LLBWA'S Spring Fling Event, Normal, IL (Date TBD)  
For more information visit [www.llbwa.com](http://www.llbwa.com)
- April 10 - 12 Stateline Weaving Friends Retreat, Richmond, IN  
For more information visit contact Debbie Cates at [statelinefriendsweavingretreat@gmail.com](mailto:statelinefriendsweavingretreat@gmail.com)
- April 12 Wolf River Spring Event, Shawano, WI  
For more information visit [www.wolfriverbasketryguild.com](http://www.wolfriverbasketryguild.com)
- May 3 - 4 BAG Workshop with Peggy Boyd, Long Creek, IL  
Details soon! [www.basketartguild.com](http://www.basketartguild.com)
- May 13 - 17 Stowe Basketry Festival, Stowe, VT  
For more information visit [www.stowebasketryfestival.com](http://www.stowebasketryfestival.com)
- June 2 LLBWA's Starved Rock Weaving Day, Utica, IL  
For more information visit [www.llbwa.com](http://www.llbwa.com)
- June 17 - 21 Bluegrass Area Basketmaker's Seminar, Carrolton, KY  
For more information visit <https://www.babasketmakers.org/>
- June 20 - 22 Weavin' in Winona, Winona, MN  
For more information visit <https://www.weavinwinona.com/>
- June 28 - 29 BAG Weave with Julie Cundiff and Marilyn Scarbeary  
Information coming soon! [www.basketartguild.com](http://www.basketartguild.com)
- July 16 - 19 Tennessee Basketry Association, Lebanon, TN  
For more information visit [www.tennesseebasketryassociation.org](http://www.tennesseebasketryassociation.org)
- July 24 - 27 Missouri Basketmaker's Convention, Independence, MO  
For more information visit <https://sites.google.com/basketweavers.org/missouribasketweaversguild/home>

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*Know of a basket happening?*

*Send information to Bonnie at [bonnierideout17@gmail.com](mailto:bonnierideout17@gmail.com)!*

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## 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.



## 2025 Instructors

**Weavers:** Jo Campbell-Amsler, Peeta Tinay, JoAnn Kelly Catsos, Judith Saunders, Anne Bowers, Annetta Kraayeveld, Karen Tembreull, Char Ciammaichella & Kathy Petronzio

**Shoemaker:** Molly Grant

**Painter:** Catherine Hillis



Would you like to advertise with the Basket Art Guild?

Just contact Marilyn Scarbeary for more information!

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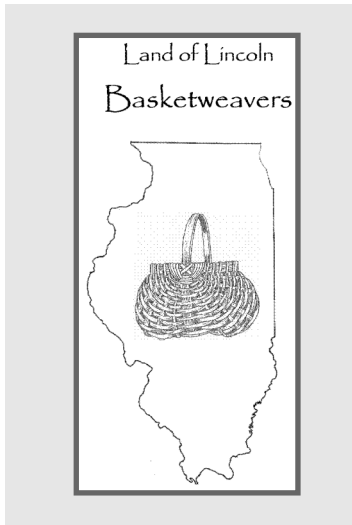


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# Land of Lincoln Basketweavers Guild

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](http://www.llbwa.com) for detailed information.

<b>Spring Fling</b>	<b>Starved Rock Event</b>	<b>Camp Tuck-A-Basket</b>
March 29 - 30	June 2, 2025	September 2025
Frankfurt, IL	Starved Rock Lodge Utica, IL	Community Center Normal, IL



Not sure if you are a current member of BAG? Check with Marilyn Scarbeary. She will let you know! [marilynscarbeary@gmail.com](mailto:marilynscarbeary@gmail.com)

## Basket Art Guild Membership

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

**Membership Dues for 2025 are \$20.**

You will receive your newsletter via email.  
Newsletters are also available on our website [www.basketartguild.com](http://www.basketartguild.com).

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

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