



WEAVERS GUILD *of Greater Kansas City*

www.kcweaversguild.org

February, 2021 Newsletter

A note from Janet Meddings, President

Yea, February! Spring will come, I'm sure of it. I have spoken to several people recently who are frustrated with the continued isolation due to the pandemic. Hang in there. We're all in the same situation and we will make it through this. I strongly recommend that we endeavor to use our creativity to minimize stress. Attending Guild meetings is a great way to feel connected and minimize isolation. We want to see you and learn about what you've been doing. So plan on joining us on the 11th.



At our January meeting, we voted in favor of adopting [reStart](#) as our community service project. I am thrilled that we will work as a group to ease homelessness in the area. Recently, I spoke with Daisha Kimbrough, Volunteer Coordinator at reStart, and there are a wide variety of activities in which we can participate over the next year. I will work on summarizing those opportunities and communicate them soon. The Guild is registered as a reStart volunteer organization, and this designation provides a way to collectively track our volunteer efforts. We're off to a good start. In January, we donated 195 cotton crocheted washcloths (pictured left).



Support in February

We can participate in their February blanket and towel drive. They will accept new or gently used blankets and/or towels for distribution to individuals and families. This is an easy way to continue our support of the homeless by giving the gift of warmth during these cold months.

There are two ways to donate:

1. Drop off your blanket/towels at my front door anytime during February. There's a large collection box on my front porch. At the end of the month, I will take them downtown in one trip on behalf of the Guild. I'm at 7917 Park St., Lenexa, KS.
Or
2. Email Daisha (dkimbrough@restartinc.org) to schedule a drop-off. You need an appointment so that the gate behind the building is unlocked and a greeter is there to assist you. They are located at 918 E. 9th St., KCMO.

Thank you for your support and please let me know if you have any questions.

2021 Weavers Guild Officers

- Janet Meddings, President
- Vicki Raynes, 1st Vice President, Programs
- Rachel Rose, 2nd Vice President, Newsletter
- Cindy Smith, 3rd Vice President, Workshops
- Pamela Jenkins, Secretary
- Kate Webb, Treasurer
- Gail White, Scholarship



February 11th Meeting Program



Our February 11th program will be an overview of sectional warping by Vickie Raynes and Janet Meddings. A link to the Zoom meeting and agenda will be sent to members via email a few days before the meeting. Please invite a guest. The meeting schedule is as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Show & Tell
- 11:30 a.m. Program

Future Programs

- **March:** Becky Rawls-Riley, owner of Rawls-Riley Creations, will present on her business of making creative headwear. See her website at creativeheadwear.com and foliesheadwear.com.
- **April:** Daryl Lancaster will present “Leftovers Again” what to do with left over handwoven fabric. Daryl Lancaster received her BA in Fine Arts from Montclair State College in New Jersey and has been actively working as a weaver/fiber artist for many years. Comfortable with the sewing machine, she spent 10 years as a production craftswoman, selling her handwoven clothing in craft markets and galleries throughout the United States. She teaches garment construction and related topics to weavers and other fiber enthusiasts. <https://www.daryllancaster.com/>
- **May:** Swap & Shop live in Shawnee Mission Park, Shelter #8.

Community Service

We will be supporting reStart, an organization that for 40 years has provided Kansas City’s most vulnerable population with housing services. Their programming is the only homeless agency in Kansas City that serves all homeless populations including singles, families, couples, individuals experiencing mental health illnesses, LGBTQ+ identifying individuals, veterans, unaccompanied youth, non-traditional families and persons with HIV/AIDS. Throughout February we will be collecting new or gently used blankets and/or towels. Other volunteer opportunities will be identified as the year unfolds.



Mentoring

Contact Rebekah Foote if you would like to volunteer to be a mentor or need a mentor to help you with a fiber art related question or issue.

Library & Weaving Tools

Contact our librarian, Debbie Buddish, for any library material you would like to receive. Or, contact Kathy Landers to borrow any of the tools that she warehouses for the Guild. A list of items is on the Guild website:

<https://www.kcweaversguild.org/library-equipment>



Care Connection

Contact Karen Neal if you would like a card sent to a member in need to let them know we are thinking of them.

Scholarships

We offer an educational scholarship for which any Guild member in good standing may apply. The purpose of a scholarship is to enhance the applicant's personal growth, and to enrich creativity within the Guild. The Scholarship Committee, in cooperation with the applicant, will determine how much the award will be and how the applicant will satisfy an obligation of sharing their learning with the Guild. An application form is on the Guild website at kcweaversguild.org and will be reviewed on a quarterly basis. Download a scholarship form [here >>](#)

Guild Website

Be sure to check out the new document [Handling Used Looms>>](#) that you can share with anyone who has come into possession of a loom and wants to know how to proceed. Contact Janet Meddings to suggest content for our website.

Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter deadline is the 28th of each month.

Classified Ads

Blue Bonnet Spinning thimble wheel, made of red oak with 2 whorls with 8 ratios. Fourteen inch wheel, double treadle, scotch tension, 3 bobbins with Lazy Kate. Bought in 2017 but has had very little use. Price: \$450.00 Contact: Diane Dory, email: dianedory3@gmail.com, phone: 913-481-8202



Large weaving loom made by Edwards Studios in the 1980s. Comes with bench titled "TPI's Adjustable Studio II Bench." Loom is disassembled and located in Merriam KS. Assembly instructions are included. We believe all parts are present. Some cleaning would be in order. Price: \$500.00
Contact: Gary Groening, email: gigroening@gmail.com, phone: 913-961-4929



Description: Handcrafted oak tapestry loom. 22" x 36"
\$25.00 or best offer.
Contact Jean Hartley at 816-695-8308



Brittany walnut tapestry loom. 21" x 23" with stand and reed. \$30.00 or best offer. Contact Jean Hartley at 816-695-8308



1840's antique walking wheel, 63" diameter, excellent condition.
Includes spindle & distaff. \$250 or best offer.
Contact Jean Hartley at 816-695-8308



An automatic shuttle Weavers Delight loom #2688 approximately 40 years old. There is also a Red Pony and extra shuttles and canisters. Price \$700 or best offer. Contact Samantha Johnson, email: samantha.johnson@raytownschools.org, phone 816-868-0895

