



Spring Fling

March 28-29, 2014

The Center.....Palos Park, IL

We will be gathering in a new location for Spring Fling this year. Join us at The Center located at 12700 Southwest Hwy, Palos Park, IL 60464. The Center is an amazing place. Run by an interfaith organization, programs include classes in fine and folk art, a children's farm and preschool, a chapel, a sobriety program and summer camps. We will be holding classes in the log cabins nestled at the edge of the woods.

Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch are included in the registration fee of \$50.00. Menu will be included with the class confirmation.

We welcome the following teachers to Spring Fling 2014. Visit them on their websites:

Bonnie Rideout.....www.bonniesbaskets.biz

Karen Caldwell.....www.picturetrail.com/karencaldwell or www.yessy.com/karencaldwell

Pam Talsky.....www.pamtalsky.com

Marlys Sowers.....www.piniconfarmcrafts.com

Denise Arzberger.....Pewaukee, WI

Please read the class descriptions carefully, noting the days, weaving levels and if any special tools are needed. All weavers are expected to bring their own basic supplies. If you have any questions please contact: Michelle Burns (708)301-5530 or ourpetzoo2@comcast.net.

Your registration form must be received by January 10, 2014 to be considered a first day registration. Classes will be assigned then from the registration forms received. Classes may fill quickly, so don't delay. All late registrations will be placed in classes where space is available. Class assignments will be returned by January 17, 2014 or as received after first day registration ends.

Door Prize Donations

If you have any donations for door prizes or information on where to get basket-related door prizes, please contact Jane Dwyer (708)732-0143 or jdwyer7752@gmail.com. Bring your donations with you the day of the event.

Spring Fling Schedule

Friday

1:00 pm Set-up
4:00 pm Registration and tours
of the Children's Farm
5:00 pm Dinner
5:30 -9:30 pm Classes
9:30 pm Bonfire and snacks

Saturday

8:00 am Registration
Breakfast
9:00 am Classes
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00-5:30 pm Classes

Hotel Information

Country Inn and Suites

(708)560-9300

18315 S. LaGrange Rd, Tinley Park, IL

The hotel is just north of I 80 on LaGrange Rd.

We have reserved a block of rooms for our group at a rate of \$109 plus tax. This is a non-smoking hotel. **Rooms will be held until February 28, 2014.**

The Center

(708)361-3650

There are 5 single and 5 double rooms available in the lodge at The Center for \$63 per person. They are dorm style with a shared bathroom and shower down the hall. The Center is "dry", no alcohol is allowed. Sorry guys, ladies only for these rooms. First come, first served.

Directions to The Center

From the North:

Take I 294 South to I 55 North to Chicago. Exit La Grange Rd South to 131st Street. Turn left (east) to Southwest Hwy. Turn left and The Center will be on the left. Parking on the lower level. Please use the upper level for handicapped parking and drop offs only.

From the South :

Take I 55 North to I 80 East or I 57 North to I 80 West. Exit La Grange Rd. Turn North to 131st Street. Turn right (east) to Southwest Hwy. Turn left and The Center will be on the left.

Friday Night Classes



Oval Seagrass Market Basket

Denise Arzberger

Experienced Beginner/Intermediate

This basket is sized perfectly for a variety of uses. Twined seagrass and dyed reed in your choice of colors add texture and fun. Techniques include weaving a filled base, twining and shaping to fit the swing handles.

Dimensions: 14”L x 6”W x 6.5”H

\$50.00



India Bangles

Pam Talsky

All Levels

Tools required: good small sewing scissors and an Ott light may be helpful

Learn the joy and art of coiling with specially prepared pine needles to create two bangle bracelets inspired by my students in India. Choice of waxed linen will be available. Different sizes of wire forms to fit everyone. You will finish one in class and start a second with materials to finish.

Dimensions: 1 ¼” x variable

\$50.00



Pot Belly Basket

Marlys Sowers

Intermediate

Students will glue prebent and pretapered cherry wood staves into a cherry wood base and weave with cane over a pot belly puzzle mold. The turned cherry rim will be glued on and topped with a cherry lid.

Dimensions: 6”H x 4” at opening and 5” at widest

\$80.00

Friday Classes continued



Spring Fling Tote

Bonnie Rideout

Beginner

Easy enough for a beginner, but fun for everyone! Weave this classic market basket with a burst of spring colors, purple and green. The pretty floral arrangement and metal Spring Fling tag is attached with wire. Techniques include a filled base, twining, start/stop weaving and overlays.

Dimensions: 7 ¾" H (handle 14") x 14 ½ L x 8" W \$45.00



Gourd Bowl and Embellishments

Karen Caldwell

All Levels

Explore the possibilities that gourds and gourd shards can bring to your baskets. Use the gourd as the base for a basket, insert weaving between parts of the gourd to add interest, weave a rim on a gourd or weave gourd shards into the design or use them to embellish.



We will learn the basics of cutting and cleaning gourds, become familiar with the many gourd shapes and create a gourd bowl as the starting point. We'll turn gourd shards into jewelry, ornaments or embellishments for a basket.

The gourds pictured are only examples of Karen's work; you will design your very own gourd using Karen's extensive supplies.

See her gourds at www.picturetrail.com/karencaldwell.

Dimensions: 7-9" gourd \$32.00

Saturday Classes



Half and Half Tote

Denise Arzberger

Intermediate

The use of different sized spokes in natural and your choice of dyed reed creates a unique design element for this functional tote. Shaping techniques with materials of varying strengths are emphasized. Finish with a pair of braided handles.

Dimensions: 15”L x 7”W x 8”H

\$80.00



Ocean Currents

Pam Talsky

Intermediate

Tools required: small sewing scissors and an Ott light may be helpful

Starting with a beautiful finished base, enjoy coiling with specially prepared glycerin pine needles and artificial sinew. Learn how to add beads and create the “motion” of the ocean currents in the pattern. Several bead choices will be available.

Dimensions: 6”W x 7”L x 3 ½”H

\$105.00



Plaid Bowl

Marlys Sowers

Intermediate

Students will taper natural and dyed brown reed staves and insert them into a walnut wood base and weave over a mold using dyed brown and natural Hamburg cane to create a bowl. The turned walnut rim will be glued on.

Dimensions: 8” W x 6” H

\$95.00

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

LLBWA Membership Application

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Newsletter preference:	E-mail _____ Traditional mail _____
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Note: Be sure to check your newsletter label for information about your membership. You will find the year you are paid through. If you find "2014, your membership is paid through December 31, 2014. Others may see COMP or LIFE, if they have received a complimentary copy or have been granted a life membership, respectively. The membership year runs from January 1 to December 31. Dues are \$15 per year. No partial year payments are accepted. Dues are not refundable or pro-rated. Land of Lincoln Basketweavers Association membership information is intended solely for LLBWA members and is not to be sold, rented, or reproduced in any form.

Write your check for \$15 payable to LLBWA . Send your check and application to:	Marcia Hammerstrand 16 Fountain Lake Court Bloomington, IL 61704
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