

Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers

<http://weave-spin-centraloregon.org/wp/>

Central Oregon Spinners and Weavers (COSW) is an active guild growing daily. We have many new weavers and spinners. By today's count we are now at 90 members.

November - We celebrated the holidays with our first annual sale. All who participated in the event felt like it was well worth repeating.



We also celebrated our annual membership end of year potluck. We presented the projects created from the 2016 challenge; we drew 5 colors out of a bag without looking. We could add brown, black and/or white. Our mission was to create a fiber project using those colors.

Guild members created wonderful items, some of which were donated to Bethlehem Inn a shelter for those in need. Our second challenge of the year was for a spinner and weaver to work together on a project. The spinner created the yarn and weaver wove two items. Both participants were happy with the results.

December – guild takes a holiday. Merry Christmas

January – Snow to our ... the Wednesday meeting was cancelled, but the Saturday group met to learn to weave baskets.

February – Tools of weaving. Various members brought their favorite tools to talk about and share with new weavers.

March – Summer and Winter was the educational topic presented by our own Linda Davis.

April – Loom and Wheel care by Liz Moncrief who is also doing a Deflected Double Weave Workshop and a Warp Painting cellulose yarn workshop.



We also encourage study groups. We have two weaving study groups, one for exploring tapestry and one for exploring weave structures. The weave structure study group finished lace weaves and went right into supplemental warp without a second warp beam. The tapestry study group is just beginning exploring tapestry in preparation for our fall tapestry workshop with Kathe Todd Hooker. The spinning study group is exploring color and blending. We were exposed to a method that by using the primary colors in 55 different combinations to create a yarn that is reproducible even after a length of time as long as you have the three primary colors you started with.