



2626 South Pasfield, Springfield, Illinois 62704
Organized May 21, 1924 Celebrating 95+ years

The Club was founded in 1924 and held meetings in members' homes, at churches or hotels with a focus on ceramics. The Club now owns its own studio located at 2626 South Pasfield in Springfield, Illinois.

- The recently renovated studio is a beautiful, bright and cheerful building with abundant space for workshops, classes and meetings. It is also available for rentals and is handicap accessible.
- Our membership is limited to 150 active members who are engaged in arts and crafts of all kinds.
- We share information through our newsletter, The Studio News, which includes member news, calendar listings of upcoming events, classes, meetings, etc. We also have a website: <http://www.springfieldceramicsandcraftsclub.org> and a Facebook page.

Purpose

The purpose of the Club is education, social engagement and community service. To those ends, we provide a large variety of art and craft classes to our members; engage in Community Outreach to promote arts and crafts, especially in the area schools, and hold fundraisers to allow us to carry on our mission. In addition, we promote the spirit of friendship and community among members.

- Workshop classes offer a variety of arts, crafts and instructions throughout the fiscal year, led by our very talented members in media such as: painting, knitting, crocheting, jewelry making, scrapbooking, weaving, ceramics, sewing, quilting, basket making, beading, paper crafts, fused glass and copper enameling, to name a few. Members may sign-up for classes during the sign-up dates in May, September and January.
- Annual fundraising highlights include our Table Setting Luncheon (TSL) in April, and the Holiday Market and Sweet Shop in November. Other fund-raising events are planned throughout the year to supplement the Club revenue, as needed. Social events include a New Member Tea in June, a Fall Luncheon in September, and the Christmas Tea in December.
- Community Outreach focuses primarily on students in our area schools. Each year the Club awards art grants to art teachers who apply for funding for a project they have planned. Members prepare and execute art/craft projects with students at Blackhawk and Harvard Park schools during the school year. We are also assisting Sojourn House by providing needed supplies thru member donations. In addition, the Basket of Hope work group provides requested craft items to local hospitals and other entities.

Member Requirements

- Pay annual dues as established by the Board (currently \$40).
- Attend at least three classes (2 hours each) per fiscal year. (Assisting with Blackhawk or Heart Warmers projects or tending the Memory Garden for a minimum of two hours counts as 1 class.)
- Complete a table setting at the Table Setting Luncheon (TSL) in either the 1st or 2nd year of membership.
- Exhibit one or more pieces of art/craft at the Table Setting Luncheon, completed at a class during that fiscal year.
- Purchase a minimum of three tickets for the TSL each year (currently \$10 each).
- Bring a **home-baked** item for sale at the TSL or pay the no-bake fee (currently \$25).
- Donate a craft item(s) with a total value designated by the Board (currently \$30) for sale at the Holiday Market/Sweet Shop.
- Donate **home-baked/cooked** item(s) for sale at the Holiday Market and Sweet Shop or pay the no-bake fee (currently \$25).
- Support all designated fundraisers by chairing or co-chairing a committee or volunteering to help.
- Hold a position of responsibility within the first five years of membership, i.e. hold office, chair/co-chair a committee or teach a class.