

Great Basin Basketmakers

Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



Newsletter

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Zoom

**April 6, 2023 — GBB Guild Meeting
Sparks Masonic Center 10 AM—3 PM**

We are planning an in person meeting for April. We will have the business meeting, with show and tell available on ZOOM for those members not attending the meeting.

The program at the April meeting will be a folding scrap catcher made from fabric. Handy tools to bring if you have them are: iron, scissors, cutting mat, rotary cutter, plastic ruler.

No need to purchase them - Trisha will bring hers to share. She will also bring an assortment of fabric and fusible interfacing. If you want to use your own fabric, you will need a piece that is 20" x 12".

Questions - contact Trishawork2846@gmail.com



**Please remember your Retreat Silent Auction donations!
Bring them to the April meeting. You can download a submission form
from the website, or Lorrie will have forms at the meeting.**

Next Month's Newsletter Editor:
Karen Olson
kvmikesell@hotmail.com
Please submit articles for
May newsletter by April 12

Have too many baskets
around the house?
Please bring donations
for our monthly meeting raffles!

We have all missed Betty Hulse's letters to the guild in the last few issues, her husband, Jim Hulse, has been ill recently and has been recovering at Life Care Center in south Reno. Jim is expected to return to his home, the Promenade on the River, next week. Betty has indicated there will be an adjustment period before scheduled care will become evident, so considering this development she needs to focus her attention on Jim's health and care. Until they can obtain a daily routine of care, she has decided to take a leave of absence from her GBB presidential duties. We will miss her leadership and wish her the best during this time of uncertainty.

One of the best ways to support Betty at this time is to absorb whatever duties we can to continue to support the basket community and GBB.

Thank you,
Karen Olson

Two Spaces Still Available for our Special September Workshop

Jennifer Zurick Black Willow Bark Workshop September 26-28, 2023 at St. Mary's Art Center Virginia City, NV

Openings still available— Contact Sue Ann Monteleone samonte@charter.net for registration form. Submit registration form with your deposit of \$250. It will be first come/first serve, after receiving the first 12 registrants we will begin a waiting list. A notification will be sent out to all registrants. The balance of \$245 is due by June 10, 2023. Please make checks payable to: GBB, 8175 S. Virginia St. #850, PMB 293, Reno, NV, 89511.



Next Month—The program for the May meeting will be a **Branch Basket**. If you are pruning any of your trees or shrubs that have been damaged by the delightful winter weather we have experienced -
- save any branches or twigs with interesting shapes and we will weave baskets around them.

"April Showers" Rainstick

Sunday, April 16, 2023

9:30 am to 3:30 pm

Sparks Masonic Center

Kaylee Mayne



This is a great beginner's class. We will weave in several different styles using seagrass, yarn, round reed, flat & flat-oval reed. Leather, feathers and beads will finish off the stick. This is an easy project to get finished in class.

Tools/Supplies: Spray bottle, towel, scissors, tape measure, packing tool, (or flat short screwdriver.) Please feel free to bring your own embellishments. Don't forget your lunch!!!!

Fees: \$30 members and \$40 non-members

Material fee: \$15

*If you have any questions please contact Kaylee
at 775-781-9356*

or email her at elftory@gmail.com

**Kaylee taught
this class 10
years ago.
This photo
was taken
in 2013.**



The GBB Facebook page

is a platform for members and interested folks to share their love of basketry by sharing photos of their projects. It is also to share upcoming events including workshops, classes, meetings, and exhibits that would be of interest to GBB members and the public. It is meant to be an encouraging, supportive, positive and safe place for all to use and enjoy. Please submit photos, news, events, etc. to

GBBFBpage@gmail.com

Peggy Camp has agreed to manage the Facebook page.



May 16 – 19, 2023 GBB Retreat at Zephyr Point Conference Center

We have had some cancellations—creating available openings, please come join us at beautiful Lake Tahoe for three days of weaving.

This year's retreat fees for a shared room are **\$355**, this is only \$118 per night which includes all meals. What a bargain!! And what a location!!! If you prefer a single room the fee is **\$550**. Confirmation email will be sent when payment is received. Please make checks payable to: GBB, 8175 S. Virginia St. #850, PMB 293, Reno, NV, 89511. Please complete one form per student. For more information call or text Nettie at 530-906-0038.

Cancellation/Refund Policy: A full refund of fees paid minus a processing fee of \$15 for one class and \$25 for 2 classes if cancelled before the 4/14/2023 deadline. No refunds after 4/14/2023 unless GBB cancels the retreat. Any cancellation must be in writing and mailed to: GBB, 8175 S. Virginia St. #850, PMB 293, Reno, NV 89511, or emailed to Nettie Fox at keepitwild@gmail.com.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Membership of \$25 required if not a current member: _____

Diet Restrictions: _____

Roommate: _____

Class request/Sign-ups, classes are limited to 12 students per class. No phone-in registrations accepted. Classes are based on a first come first serve basis.

Wednesday Class _____ with _____ class fee \$ _____

Thursday Class _____ with _____ class fee \$ _____

I understand that a refund, minus an administrative fee, may be obtained until April 14, 2023. After this date, no refunds will be issued.

Participant Signature (required): _____

Date: _____

2023 GBB Retreat Classes

All class fees include the materials fees.
Included in the class description are the
tool requirements

Openings Still Available



Dimensions: approximately 13" wide by 9" tall

Wednesday, May 17, 2023
Josephine Knot Basket
Jennifer Wool
Class Fee \$55

This is an intermediate class making a hen basket with a Josephine knot using round reed as the forming framework.
Tools: Basketry scissors and packing tools.

Wednesday, May 17, 2023
Twined Reed Tray
Leah Brady
Class Fee \$45

Make a 13"-15" reed basket tray using twining and waling techniques with a trac border. Learn different designs and 3 rod waling. Tools: Water bowl, small clippers, awl, spray bottle, towel, clips or clothespins.



Thursday, May 18, 2023
Cedar Bark Purse
Jennifer Wool
Class Fee \$65

This plaited cedar bark purse is woven over a wooden frame and has a leather cover and a braided strap.
Tools: Basketry scissors and packing tools.

Thursday, May 18, 2023
Twined Reed Bowl
Leah Brady
Class Fee \$45

Make a 12"-15" reed bowl using twining and 3 rod waling techniques with a trac border. Learn to turn up sides using a trac border. No two baskets will look the same. Tools: Water bowl, small clippers, awl, spray bottle, towel, clips or clothespins.



Board Meeting - 3.1.2023

[Sandy, Nettie, Lorrie, Betty, Karen, Trisha, Lorrie]

- ~ Retreat - We have rooms filled and teachers ready. The deadline for the final fees is March 15. Nettie will email a reminder to individuals who still owe. We need to set up a time this month to package the materials kits that will be available.
- ~Lorrie - Forms for the retreat silent auction items will be available at the April and May meetings.
- ~March meeting will be via Zoom, with Bonnie giving beginning instructions for her Antler Basket Class to be held on March 19.
- ~ There are only 3 spaces left for the September special workshop.
- ~ Book Sales [tabled]
- ~ Monthly class will transition back to Thursdays beginning with Nettie's June class.
- ~April 6 program will be those fabric scrap boxes .
- ~ April Class will be Kaylee's rain stick on April 16.
- ~ May 4 program will be have a 'recycling' theme - making baskets from branches and natural and recycled material. We will also collect the Retreat Silent Auction items [Bidding for those not attending the retreat will also be on the program.
- ~June class will be Nettie's Williamsburg basket.
- ~July will include cutting tule in Sierra Valley and the Convergence gathering at the Stewart Indian School.
- ~August will include a reed dying workshop.

GBB General Meeting March 2, 2023 Minutes submitted by Sandy Zoerner Due to inclement weather and a number of out-of-towners still trying to dig out of snow, the meeting was held via zoom. This recorder tuned in with the meeting already in session along with a few other members. The meeting was led by Trisha Work and included a total of 16 members online.

Trisha reported on upcoming programs and classes. The April program will be led by Trisha teaching a scrap fabric basket. The Sunday, April 16 will be a rain stick taught by KayLee. The May program will be weaving natural materials on a branch. Bring your cool branch cuttings. Of course, the big event in May will be our retreat at Zephyr Point. June classes will go back to the 3rd Thursday of the month with Nettie teaching a Williamsburg basket. During the summer we hope to be cutting willow and tule and meeting up again at the Stewart Indian School with the native basketweavers. Tentative date for that is July 15. In August, we hope to meet at Karen's to dye reed. September 26-28 is the special workshop at St. Mary's Center in Virginia City. Rooms are full and classes scheduled for the retreat to be held May 16-19 at Zephyr Point Conference Center. An email will be sent to participants with the amount still owed. Members are asked to contribute items for silent auction of which monies received will help pay the deposit for next year's retreat. Several members shared some of their cool projects they have been working on including the rag baskets made at last month's meeting. Gayle Still shared a basket she made of banana peel which was very interesting. Bonnie demonstrated drilling an antler for spokes. This was a very cool presentation via zoom and I hope we can find a way to record this type of demonstration for future reference. Bonnie will be teaching the antler rib basket on March 19.

Diesel watching Bonnie's demonstration



2023 Officers and Committee Members

President: Betty Hulse
 Vice President : Vacant
 Guild Secretary: Sandy Zoerner
 Treasurer: Karen Olson
 Membership: Vacant

Board Chair: Trisha Work
 Board At Large: Nettie Fox
 Board At Large: Sandy Zoerner
 Board At Large: Sue Ann Monteleone
 Board At Large: Lorrie Moore

Committees: Classes: Vacant; Library: Lorrie Moore; Special Workshops: Sue Ann Monteleone; Exhibits & Shows:; Grants: Betty Hulse, Karen Olson; Raffle: Lorrie Moore; Website: Karen Olson, Newsletter Editors: Sue Ann Monteleone, Karen Olson.

If you are able to volunteer your service to help out GBB in any way, please contact Betty Hulse at 775-747-5794 or email to betty.hulse5@yahoo.com

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Annual Membership Dues:

Electronic newsletter recipients: ☐ Individual: \$25/year (\$10 additional/year for family membership)
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Date _____ Amount: \$ _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Name _____

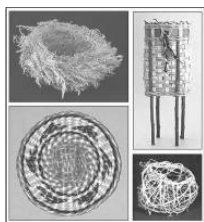
Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Email _____

Send this completed form and check payable to Great Basin Basketmakers and mail to:

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Great Basin Basketmakers Established January 1987

Meetings the first Thursday of each month at Sparks Masonic Center located at 2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV. Our new hours for meetings are 10 AM for our business meeting, followed by show and tell,, then a mini workshop. All are welcome and we will be providing ZOOM access for those members who can't attend the meeting.

Membership dues for Great Basin Basketmakers are \$25 per yr, \$10 extra per yr. for family membership (living at the same address), \$10 extra for a mailed newsletter. Membership includes monthly newsletter, access to large library and reduced workshop rates. Dues are to be paid annually in January.

Please direct address, email changes, membership dues, and requests for membership to GBB, 8175 S. Virginia St. #850, PMB 293, Reno NV 89511

Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to Karen Olson at kvmikesell@hotmail.com or check our website at: www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org.

Information to be exchanged among GBB members may be directed to: gbreno@gmail.com.

If you would like to submit to GBBs Facebook page please send to GBBFBpage@gmail.com

Our Mission Statement

The main focus of the Great Basin Basketmakers is to make baskets, to learn everything possible about the tradition and techniques of basketry and to pass this knowledge along to others.

