

Newsletter

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Wishing you all a Creative Happy 2021!!!

GBB January 2021 ZOOM

GBB January 7, 2021 meeting via ZOOM will be held at 10:00 AM

You must **RSVP** if you want to join the **ZOOM** meeting.

If you want to attend you will need to pre-register to receive the invite to the meeting. Please send a reply asking for an invite when you receive your newsletter, this will act as a registration request.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, January 5.

We will discuss upcoming programs then enjoy "Show and Tell."

Hope to see you at the Zoom meeting!!!!



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

By Eva Seidenfaden

December 21st The Shortest Day of the Year

I am hopeful that as the days slowly lengthen in daylight that our spirits will also rise. Sometimes it seems we've passed through the dark night of our life the last few months. We look forward to the coming spring because it is better than thinking about the past. We count on our ingenuity and cheer for those who have gotten the covid vaccine and know our turn will come in the coming months. There will be a few more months of hibernation in our homes as we continue to depend of Zoom, telephone, and email to keep in contact with family and friends.

I hope you will continue to join us for GBB Zoom meetings. It is an opportunity for us to giving encouragement to each other and share tidbits of helpful information about basket making. I look forward to a time we can be together for classes and good times.

Thanks all of you for your continued support of our guild. Over the past few years Nancy Strickland has organized, borrowed, delivered, and executed the basket displays in local libraries. Thank you, Nancy, for this service to GBB.

Betty Hulse, President

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******** **GBB Dues for 2021**

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In the October GBB newsletter, we hope you noted the Board voted to defer membership renewals for 2021, excluding new memberships for 2021 which will be collected per the regular schedule.

One of our members, Susan Lester, suggested we donate our dues to a charity. The GBB Board thought this was a great idea. If you wish, the Board urges you to send ★ your GBB dues amount to a charity of your choice.

IF ANY OF YOU HAVE PICTURES OF CURRENT PROJECTS PLEASE SEND THEM TO MARGO DUARTE FOR FACEBOOK—WE STILL NEED SOME JOY!!!

The GBB Facebook page

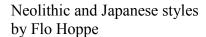
is a platform for members and interested folks to share their love of basketry by sharing photos of their projects.

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 -Margo Duarte

Inspirations from the Internet







Danish weaver Eva Seidenfaden—

About Burkina Weave

In 2002 the village Boulma in Burkina Faso became the start of a long number of experiments and initiatives in the universe of the spiral weave. In Burkina Faso the simple technique was used in hats, sieves, and very light baskets made of millet straw.

<u>Eva Seidenfaden</u> has transformed the technique into willow and used it in many different kinds of baskets. Latest she has lanced a more free form, where different kinds of bark compliment the lines and the spirals have developed into whirls. The movement in these whirls she associates with power, expansion, and opportunity. Not only concerning the level of weaving, but also the potential that life opens when you dare throw yourself in the whirls.



The GBB Website

Be sure to check our website greatbasinbasketmakers.org for information regarding our organization. Information will be posted as it comes in. Check back regularly for updates about our retreat, classes and programs.

Hi Weavers,

It's time to start thinking about what Great Basin Basketmakers will look like during the coming year of 2021. Covid-19 does not seem to be done with us yet and the vaccines are on the way, but unknown when we will all be free to meet again in person. We will be starting off the New Year with a Zoom meeting in January. I would really like some feedback and suggestions for next year; which might include programs, classes, basketry kits, and shows or exhibits. We may be able to have some events outside this spring when the weather gets better; also a willow gathering event in January or early February depending on the winter weather and the budding out of willow. We do like to gather willow before it buds and leafs out.

I'm hoping for some feedback prior to the Zoom meeting on January 7th, or at the meeting. Some ideas to consider: What's the best time to have our monthly Zoom meeting? Morning, afternoon, evening? Is the 1st Thursday still a good day or would another day be better? Are people interested in having a class via Zoom? Could we have several short sessions where people could ask questions or get help with a project and would people like to have a kit made up for the class? It's really hard to plan a schedule for the coming year with so many unknowns, so please think about what you would like to see our group try to accomplish this coming year. Please email me with your comments prior to the Zoom meeting at kymikesell@hotmail.com (trying to move all correspondence to this email.)

Just a reminder that we are not collecting dues this coming year, since we have not needed to spend funds over the last year. If you would like to donate your dues to a worthy cause; we applaud you.

Cheers, Karen Olson



From the Internet



A new piece by Peggy Camp

GBB General Meeting Minutes 12/3/2020

The Zoom Meeting came to order at 2:00 p.m. by Betty Hulse with 14 people in attendance.

Regarding next year's annual retreat, Jo Campbell-Amsler is still uncertain about traveling due to the pandemic. She will notify GBB by January 2021 if she will be flying to Nevada. Karen reported that Zephyr Cove is planning on being open next year but not sure on opening date due to Covid.

There was continued discussion about alternative ways of the group getting together especially if there won't be a retreat next year. A suggestion was the possibility of holding classes outside next spring or summer. Also, there was additional discussion about holding classes on Zoom.

Nancy Strickland will not be setting up the exhibits at the libraries next year. Since the libraries are still closed there was discussion about having an exhibit at the Sparks Museum.

The meeting adjourned approximately 2:05 p.m.

Next meeting: January 7, 2021

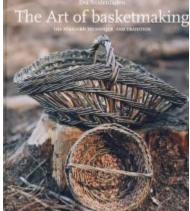
Minutes: Mary Hickman







More by Eva Seidenfaden, and lower left by Beth Hester and Scott Gilbert.
Check out her website - http://www.vissinggaard.dk/
Eva+Seidenfaden_UK.aspx
Or buy her book through The Basket Makers Catalog.





Fabulous Antlers!

Here is Victoria James' antler basket in progress, then the finished masterpiece.



Below Is Ann Taylor's stunning version.



2021 Officers and Committee Members

President: Board Chair: Trisha Work Betty Hulse Margo Duarte Vice President: Board At Large: Paula Pennington Guild Secretary: Vacant Board At Large: Pam Wilcox Karen Olson Treasurer: Board At Large: Margo Duarte Membership: Janice Johnson Board At Large: Lorrie Moore

Committees: Classes: Bonnie Kennedy, Ann Taylor; Library: Pam Wilcox; Special Workshops: Lorrie Moore; Exhibits & Shows: vacant; Grants: Betty Hulse, Susan Lester, Karen Olson; Raffle: Sandy Zoerner; Website: Susan Lester; 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

Arnies Arts N Crafts Located Houghton Lake, MI www.basketpatterns.com 800-563-2356 Reed, cane, tools, patterns, gourd patterns & tools, books and many wooden bases.

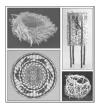
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Great Basin Basketmakers Established January 1987

Meetings the first Thursday of each month at Sparks Masonic Center located at 2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV. Open business meeting at 11:00 AM. All are welcome. Bring a sack lunch. Show & Tell/Lunch 12 PM. Program starts at **12:30 PM.**

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, PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510.

Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to GBB president, Betty Hulse at betty.hulse5@yahoo.com or check our website at: www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org.

Information to be exchanged among GBB members may be directed to: gbbreno@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.

