

Great Basin Basketmakers

Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



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September 1, 2022 — GBB Guild Meeting

Sparks Masonic Center 10 AM—3 PM

ZOOM to the meeting from 10-11am for Business Meeting and Show and Tell

Hope to see you there



Our
next
exhibit will
be Dec/Jan at
the Sparks Library.
There are two cases
to fill: One case will be
devoted to Coiled baskets,
primarily projects made with
pine needles and the other
case will feature Holiday
Ornaments
Be thinking of
your contribution!!!



We've had a long hot summer and we will be glad to return to weaving with our friends, some new and some longtime. Some of us started a garlic basket back in July at the summer convergence, however it was a very windy day and trying to keep spokes from blowing away became futile. Therefore, we are going to finish those starts as our mini-workshop. For those of you that weren't there, you will have an opportunity to make a garlic basket. It's a good beginner basket, and even if you've made one before you can take it to a higher level as Kaylee has shown us. They make wonderful gifts. There will be a material fee of \$5 for the reed. Tools: scissors, old towel, tape measure, small awl, spray bottle, apron.

And last but not least your lunch!!!!

Welcome New Members

**Jim Gaskill, Reno, NV
Laura Johnson, Reno, NV
Shelley Kresyman, Reno, NV**

SUMMER WANES AND AUTUMN BEGINS

- Summer has been full of Great Basin Basketmaker's activities----Great Basin Weaver's Convergence in July (another planned in October), installation of basket exhibit at the South Valley Library and 3 programs at the library, gathering tule and basket classes.
- September 1 is a new beginning. Instead of a third Thursday class, the Board plans to have classes on Sunday at the Sparks Masonic Building. We hope this will be a more convenient time, particularly for those who work during the week.
- A highlight in November is having Polly Adams Sutton in Reno to teach three classes. Polly is an excellent instructor and I urge you to take advantage of her classes. They are a real bargain. You don't have to pay a conference registration fee or pay room and board. Consider signing up at the September 1st meeting!
- Recently the guild sold books "Weaving Naturally in the Great Basin" to a former member and collector of baskets. She wrote, *"I have always felt the group of women in the GBB Guild was a unique "gathering together" group. I especially love the creativity of using the found materials and the way they go together to make a basket. I think I have more of their baskets than wall art."*
- The guild has been fortunate to have members and friends who have supported our woven basket making these many years. Look forward to being together soon.

Betty Hulse, president



Leah Brady's water jug (left) and other shared baskets at the July 16th Convergence at Stewart Indian School Cultural Center and Museum.

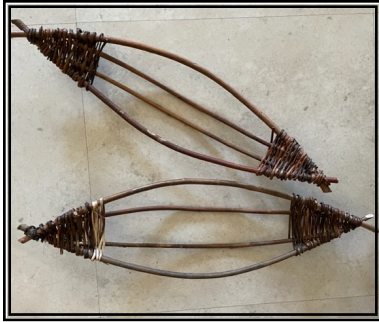
The GBB Facebook page

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.

Rib Constructed Leaf Shaped Basket
Sunday, September 18, 2022
9:30 to 3:30 at Sparks Masonic Building
Betty Hulse, Instructor



Willow is used for the frame, ribs and much of the weaving. Bark, sea grass and cordage you make can be added for contrast and interest. Iris and daylily leaves will be available for you to make cordage. All materials provided. If you want to use iris or daylilies leaves from your garden, pick them after they have dried and bring them. Information about material preparation will be discussed in class.

Class Fee: \$30 (includes \$5 for classroom rental)

Materials Fee: \$10

Tools needed: clippers, old towel to keep materials damp, apron, awl, sharp knife, spray bottle



Class sign-up available at September 1st GBB meeting or betty.hulse5@yahoo.com
Don't forget your lunch and be ready to start at 9:30.

A hot day gathering tule



TULE IN SIERRA VALLEY, CA



Next Month's Newsletter Editor:
Sue Ann Monteleone
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Please submit articles for
October newsletter by September 12

Great Basin Basketmakers



Great Basin Weaver's Convergence

October 15, 2022

Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum

1 Jacobsen Way, Carson City, NV 89701



The Great Basin Native Basketweavers Association and the Great Basin Basketmakers are meeting together for a day of basketry appreciation.

Join us from 10:00 to 4:00 for discussion and comparisons of weaving techniques and materials, lunch, and a short workshop.



Morning Introductions & sharing
Noon Potluck lunch
Afternoon Workshop - Tule Basket

Please RSVP by Oct 9 to reserve your \$ bundle of materials

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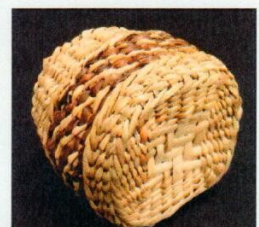
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Bring your favorite basket—one you made or a family basket
Share how it was made and why you love it



Polly Adams Sutton comes to Reno

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Cedar in Many Colors

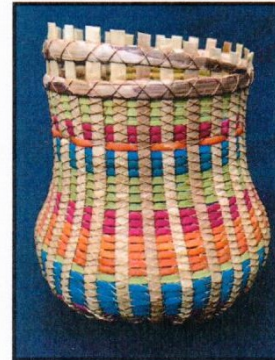
A variety of dyed hamburg cane creates the backdrop for this colorful cedar bark basket. The technique is twining with easy Xs and finished with a slanted lashed border.

4 3/4" X 3 1/2" x 3"

Intermediate to advanced weaving level

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Class is \$135 (includes \$85 materials fee)



Thursday, November 10, 2022

Chasing Bear Grass

Chase twine Northwest sweetgrass over prepared cedar bark while simultaneously weaving bear grass. The finish is a sawtooth or traditional folded border.

3 3/4" X 3 1/2" X 2 3/4"

Intermediate to advanced weaving level

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Class is \$125 (includes \$75 materials fee)

Friday, November 11, 2022

Waves on Cedar

Using cedar bark for the spokes, this sculptural basket uses basic twining to undulate the cedar with the placement of the wire.

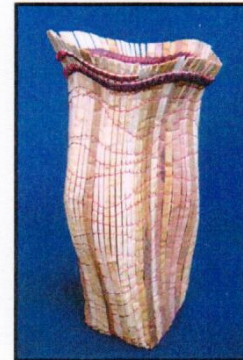
The finish is an easy lashed border of yellow cedar outer bark.

5 1/2" X 3" X 2 1/2"

Intermediate weaving level

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Class is \$135 (includes \$85 materials fee)



All Classes will be held from 9 am to 4 pm at the **SPARKS MASONIC CENTER**
2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV. Sign-ups begin August 1, 2022 for GBB members.

Send your check made out to **GBB**: PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

If you are not a current member of GBB, please include \$25 for an annual membership.

Please direct any questions or for additional information to: **gbbreno@gmail.com**

To reserve your space in a class please send an email, prior to mailing your check.

GBB Board Minutes - for Sept 1, 2022 meeting

Zoom - August 15 - 1:00 pm

Members present: Betty, Karen, Nettie, Lorrie, Pam, Sue Ann, Trisha

- Policies and Procedures.... the board discussed some changes to the wording in the "Policies and Procedures" to update current practices. Trisha will update the document and send it out for any additional changes or corrections needed.
- 2023 Retreat - Discussed questions asked by prospective instructors. We have one instructor - Jennifer Wool - and are in the process of adding a second instructor. All of the photos submitted look wonderful - interesting materials and techniques.
- We reviewed the schedule for the remaining months of 2022:
 - September 1 - Business meeting and Mini-workshop [garlic baskets]
 - September 18 - Betty Hulse - willow leaf shape tray
 - October 6 - Business meeting and Mini-workshop [4x4 flat & oval reed basket]
 - October 15 - Tule Convergence at Stewart with GBNBA
 - November 3 - Business meeting and Mini-workshop [Christmas Ornaments]
 - November 9, 10, and 11 - Polly Adams Sutton Workshops
 - December 1 - Christmas potluck
 - December 5 - Sparks Library Exhibit Install

Below is an excerpt from our book— "Weaving Naturally in the Great Basin:
A Guide to Harvesting and Preparing Plant Materials for Basketry."

If you don't already own this book they are available to purchase from the guild for \$16.

Leaf fiber – not retted			
cattail	leaves	ponds, streams, ditches	cut below water line when still green
iris	leaves	ponds, streams, parks, gardens	when leaves have died down and turned brown
gladiolus	leaves	gardens	when leaves have died down and turned brown
day lily	leaves	gardens, parks	mature leaves after plant has bloomed
tule	stalk	ponds, lakes, ditches	while still green and standing tall
cornhusk	inner husk	garden, grocery store	when available

2022 Officers and Committee Members

President: Betty Hulse	Board Chair: Trisha Work
Vice President : Vacant	Board At Large: Nettie Fox
Guild Secretary: Sandy Zoerner	Board At Large: Pam Wilcox
Treasurer: Karen Olson	Board At Large: Sue Ann Monteleone
Membership: Vacant	Board At Large: Lorrie Moore

Committees: Classes: ; Library: Pam Wilcox; Special Workshops: Lorrie Moore; Exhibits & Shows: Susan Lester; Grants: Betty Hulse, Susan Lester, Karen Olson; Raffle: Lorrie Moore; Website: ; 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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Great Basin Basketmakers Membership Application/Renewal

Annual Membership Dues:

Electronic newsletter recipients: ☐ Individual: \$25/year (\$10 additional/year for family membership)

Hard Copy newsletter recipients: ☐ Individual: \$35/year (\$10 additional/year for family membership)

Date _____ Amount: \$ _____ New _____ Renewal _____

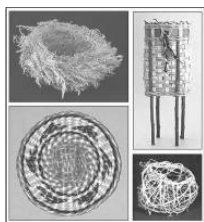
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Great Basin Basketmakers Established January 1987

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 make it to 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, 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 web-site 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.

