

# Newsletter

**December 2022** 

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December 1, 2022 — GBB Guild Meeting Sparks Masonic Center 10 AM—3 PM

Time to Pay Dues

We will have a short business meeting and Show and Tell, followed by our HOLIDAY PARTY POTLUCK (bring a dish to share.) Then we will have a make-up day for the projects we missed at the November meeting (due to snow.) We will be making holiday ornaments. Trisha Work will have materials for making stars and Nettie Fox will be bringing materials for the reindeer. We may also have some bark materials available. There will be a small materials fee to be paid to the member providing them.

If you have any cold weather accessories such as socks, gloves, hats, or scarves and would like to donate to the less fortunate folks in the area, please bring them to the meeting. They can be new or gently used, either would be greatly appreciated.



Don't Forget your items for the Sparks Library Exhibit

ਕੇ ਕੋ Welcome New Member ਪੈਂ Luana J. Ritch, Sparks , NV ਪੈਂ ਕੋ 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

### The End of 2022 is Approaching!

Wishing you all a fabulous Thanksgiving. Now we are into the winter holiday season.

Due to snow and our instructors not able to travel, we will make holiday decorations at the December 1 meeting.

At the November meeting we had a variety of basket examples of weaving projects we might want to have classes for in the coming year.

There was lively conversation and an opportunity to look at the baskets in detail. Post-it notes for each basket were available so everyone could mark their preferences. The top choices were: Red-cedar bark with wire or waxen linen; Coiling with fabric; Rain stick; Cordage basket; Breadbasket; Double wall basket; Cheese strainer; and Broom with a long handle.

There were also votes for: Cat-head basket; Pine-needle turtle necklace; Egg, Melon, & Antler baskets; Willow stake and stand; Farm and Star baskets.

To make these classes a reality will take planning and instructors. I hope we will have volunteers who can teach or team-teach these classes. Please contact me or Board chair Trisha Work to help make an exciting year of basket weaving.

Betty Hulse, president



around the house?

Please bring donations
for our monthly meeting raffles!

Next Month's Newsletter Editor:
Karen Olson
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Please submit articles for
January newsletter by December 12

# Many wonderful baskets and ideas were shared at the November meeting.



#### 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 <a href="mailto:GBBFBpage@gmail.com">GBBFBpage@gmail.com</a>

Peggy Camp has agreed to manage the Facebook page.

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#### November 3, 2022 GBB General Meeting Minutes submitted by Sandy Zoerner.

Betty called the meeting together and announced the snowy weather caused 2 members from out of town, Trisha and Nettie to cancel for today. We will not make Christmas decorations today, but will reschedule for next meeting, December 1. There were 13 who attended which included 3 of our newest members plus a new member who joined today. Welcome!

Karen Olson who just had hip surgery was not in attendance. We wish her a speedy recovery. Betty began the meeting with several examples of various types of baskets showing different materials and techniques.

Others sharing were: Estelle Sandler, showed several reed baskets that she had made when she lived in New York. She also provided the guild copies of instructions for each one. Kaylee Mayne showed a variety of baskets and other woven items too. Our newest member, Luana Ritch, shared a couple of her coiled paper baskets and gave a wonderful presentation of the background of her artwork. Those in attendance were able to indicate what kind of baskets they were interested in learning to make. This will help us plan workshops for next year.

There were several baskets and ornaments submitted for the next exhibit to be held at Sparks library December 5 through the end of January. Susan Lester will also be collecting baskets and ornaments at the December meeting for the exhibit.

#### GBB ZOOM Board Meeting, November 11, 2022

Attendance: Nettie Fox, Betty Hulse, Sue Ann Monteleone, Lorrie Moore, Pam Wilcox, Trisha Work

December meeting will be December 1 with a Holiday Potluck. There will be a brief business meeting, with Show and Tell; followed by the Christmas Ornament mini-workshop which was previously scheduled for the November meeting.

Members should be reminded to bring their coiled baskets and ornaments to the meeting for the Sparks Library exhibit. We discussed donating cold weather accessories to local shelters: includes new or gently used hats, scarves, gloves, and socks.

Betty reported on the November member's group interest for next year's mini-workshops and classes. Following is a list of suggested projects:

Fabric coiled basket – Karen Olson

Cedar or birch bark - Betty Hulse

Hexagonal cheese basket - Karen Olson

Bread Basket - Pattern from Estelle Sandler

Double wall Cherokee basket

Egg or melon basket with God's eye - Karen Olson

Antler basket

Brooms - Full length handle

Rainstick - Kaylee Mayne

Pine Needle Turtle Necklace - Kaylee Mayne

Cordage or Braided Basket

Cat Head Basket

Star Basket - Pattern from Estelle Sandler

Some other thoughts for next year: Williamsburg basket with Nettie, Dying Workshop at Karen Olson (Summer), rocks with a hamburg cane woven design.

We scheduled the first three months of 2023:

January 5 meeting - Preparing Cedar bark and making new name tags

January class - Cedar bark Basket - Betty Hulse

February 2 meeting - Coiled Fabric Basket - Karen Olson

February class - Hexagonal Cheese Basket - Karen Olson

March 2 meeting – Rainstick – Kaylee Mayne

March class - Egg Basket or Easter Basket

April 6 meeting and class – possibly an antler basket

Sue Ann is pursuing Black Willow Bark instructor Jennifer Zurick to come and teach in 2023

Nettie reported that Jennifer Wool and Leah Brady will be the instructors at the 2023 Retreat, with information going out in the January newsletter. Their teaching fees will be \$45 per student with additional materials fees of \$20-\$40 depending on the project..



Long time member and master basket weaver Tish Kendrick has donated a great collection of handles, antlers and more basketry materials and supplies - Many on our wish list for 2023! Many, Many Thanks Tish!





Leah Brady's shiny woven ornaments

<u>Two Native American arts and craft fairs at Reno</u> Sparks Indian Colony this December -

December 1 and 2, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm—The 2022 Nevada Christmas Sale & Indian Art Market and

December 16 and 17, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm—The 4th Annual Christmas Craft Fair 2022

#### **More Ornament Ideas**



Birch bark tree idea from Karen Tembreull's Barks and Roots Facebook Story



#### PAPER BALL ORNAMENT



Cut out 12 circles from double sided colored paper, use a glass as a template (2-3".) Fold each circle in half and nip each end off at a slight angle creating a "V" shape at the fold. Open the circles and stack with same colors facing each other. Wrap a piece of wire around the center, twisting at the top securing the stack of circles.



Use six Old Christmas Cards, cut two circles from each card front.
Stack the two card fronts facing each other—backsides are white. Continue until there is a stack of twelve circles.
Proceed making the ball with adhesive dots.



Use a clear adhesive dot placed in the upper third of the circle, press together. Next step place adhesive dot on the next circle at opposite end. Continue around following alternate ends until a ball is formed.

Think of other types of paper: foil wrapping paper, Sunday comics, old maps, etc.

#### 2022 Officers and Committee Members

President:Betty HulseBoard Chair:Trisha WorkVice President:VacantBoard At Large:Nettie FoxGuild Secretary:Sandy ZoernerBoard 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: Karen Olson, 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. 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 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: qbbreno@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.

