

# Newsletter

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Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts

November 7, 2024 10 am—3 pm Sparks Masonic Center

Our general meeting will be at 10:00, followed by show and tell, and sack lunch. We plan to discuss classes for next year—so please bring your great ideas of styles, techniques and materials you want to learn about.

For our afternoon program April Barber and Karen Olson will teach a great wire medallion.



## Colorful Wire Medallions

With April Barber and Karen Olson

Come make a beautiful wire medallion or small basket. All the wire and beads will be supplied to make one medallion. You can bring flat and round-nosed pliers and wire cutters if you have them, plenty of tools will be available to share. A narrow awl may be helpful.

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January newsletter by
December 12



#### Winter 2024

What a great time we had with Cael Chappell at Virginia City making waxed linen baskets. Cael is an instructor that shares his knowledge and ideas with enthusiasm and clarity. And we have his book with so much information and design possibilities for future references. It was a special experience for me to share with you.

Now, 2025 is coming soon! As guild members there are the programs and classes to plan. Your ideas are important as the Board puts pen to paper in the scheduling of these activities. Would you like to teach a class, team-teacher? We will explore more ideas at the next meeting.

Autumn has various meanings and memories for each of us at Halloween and Thanksgiving. Cleaning up the gardens, collecting colorful leaves as they fall, jumping in the pile of raked leaves, and so many more fun times. Enjoy your moments with friends and family. Betty

#### November 21 class will be Open Studio -

Bring your favorite unfinished project and members will help you. You can check with the instructor for detail problems.

Holiday Lunch—December 5 at Sparks Masonic Center Bring your favorite holiday dishes and join us at noon.

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**Donate to the Meeting Raffles**— The fun raffles at our meetings help pay for the room rental. Please contribute basketry related items so we can continue the fun. Baskets, materials, books, tools, etc.

## GBB Members Have Been Busy in October -Garlic Basket with Karen Olson



Karen showing Mary how to make her handle



Gloria's lovely finished basket



Jen and Laura happy with their work

## Nettie's Tule Treasure Pouch class -









### Cael Chappell in Virginia City

Ten of us enjoyed class at St. Mary's Art Center in Virginia City with waxed linen fiber artist Cael Chappell of Albuqueque. Cael is the current president of the National Basketry Organization, a fabulous and fun teacher.





Nettie's in progress



Cael and Pam Morton of the NBO examining a Datsolalee basket with curator Anna Camp at the Nevada State Museum



#### Minutes of GBB Oct 3, 2024

Meeting was called to order by President, Betty Hulse at 10:10 p.m. 13 members & 1 vistor present; 3 members on zoom. The minutes were approved as printed. Karen gave a treasurer report. Programs and Classes: Karen O. to teach a garlic basket class after lunch today. Nettie described her upcoming Oct. 17th class, a small pouch. April showed project for Nov. 1 meeting—a colorful wire medallion or small basket. The Nov. 21st third Thurs class time is open weaving for unfinished projects. Class with Cael Chappell on Oct. 8-10 was discussed-2 open spaces remain. Nettie, Sue Ann & Karen answered logistic questions. Sue Ann invited members to NV State Museum vault event for Cael.

Christmas potluck is Thursday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Other Business: Library Exhibits. Janelle has arranged for a GBB basket exhibit at the Spanish Springs Library for 2 months, May to June 20225. Mary is checking at South Valley Library for later 2025 and there may be possibilities of programs too.

Discussion of ideas for basket classes & programs were shared. More ideas & conversation at next meeting. Electricity outage moved garlic basket making to entrance area. Betty, recorder.

#### TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT 2025.

WHAT KIND OF CLASSES DO WE WANT TO OFFER?

NEW OFFICERS? CAN YOU PLAY A BIGGER ROLE?

SHOULD WE HAVE MORE FIELD TRIPS?

PLAN EXHIBITS FOR THE LOCAL LIBRARIES?

OFFER DEMONSTRATIONS AT COMMUNITY EVENTS?

JUST THINKING ABOUT STARTING THE CONVERSATION FOR 2025!!!!

## 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.

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#### **2024 Officers and Committee Members**

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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

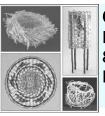
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#### Great Basin Basketmakers Established January 1987

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:

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or check our website at: www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org.

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.

