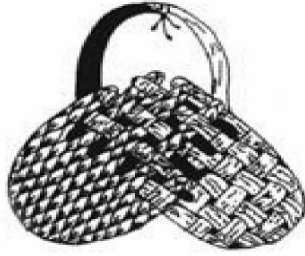


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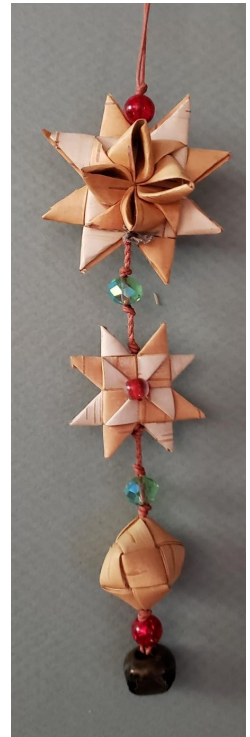
**November 3, 2022 — GBB Guild Meeting
Sparks Masonic Center 10 AM—3 PM**

Our project for the day will be making Christmas 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.

**Don't Forget your items for the
Sparks Library Exhibit**



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!!!



Welcome New Members

**Jennifer Jay, Reno, NV
Janelle Snow Raabe, Sparks, NV**

Reflections of our workshop...

I want to thank everyone who attended the mini-workshop on October 6. The photo below is Sue Ann Monteleone's finished Friendship Note basket. We had several beginning basket makers trying their hardest to make this basket.

Unfortunately towards the end of the session, I realized that the dark brown flat oval reed that everyone chose to weave with was not very flexible. Some of you were struggling with trying to pack your rows without much luck. I'm sure there was some frustration with this process and I would like to apologize for having some materials that were too inflexible. Usually these materials are much more flexible to weave with. I also became aware that baskets were being dunked in the water more than necessary, resulting in mushy spokes. A suggestion for future weaving, use a wet sponge or spray bottle to dampen the spokes and weavers as you weave.

There is a time to place your basket upside down in a water bucket. When you are ready to turn down your spokes to finish the rim, then you will need to soak your spokes to make them more flexible. Flat reed has a smooth (right) side and rough or hairy (wrong) side—some reed is hard to determine the right or wrong side, but when you begin to fold down your spokes for the rim, you may find out whether or not you got your reed all going the same way. If not, your spokes may crack when folded down.

Karen Olson



Sue Ann's



Left: Estelle Sandler & Jim Gaskill hard at work



Above: Nettie Fox & Janelle Snow Raabe show off their baskets



Shelley Kresyman's finished basket filled with banana peppers

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.

POLLY ADAMS SUTTON CLASSES CANCELLED

THOUGHTS FOR 2023 CLASSES...

- Coiled basket using larger coiling material
- Learning fancy stitches for pine needle baskets
- Hexagonal cheese basket
- Round basket with reed – a sampler with a variety of weaves
- Double wall Cherokee basket
- Egg basket with God's eye
- Antler basket
- Brooms with Bonnie
- Pencil jar with wooden base
- Williamsburg basket with Nettie
- Painted thunder gourds
- Woven birdhouse
- Cedar or birch bark
- Braided handle basket

Next Month's Newsletter Editor:
Sue Ann Monteleone
samonte@charter.net
Please submit articles for
December newsletter by November 12

There were a lot of good ideas for next years classes discussed at the October meeting. Our next step will be to organize the schedule and the intended instructor. For those of us that have made and taught any of the baskets mentioned, we would welcome your participation at your convenience. In other words, pick your month for teaching.

At the next meeting, November 3, please bring sample baskets we could make. Maybe by the December meeting we will be able to formulate a schedule for next year.

There was also a request to Betty to organize a willow gathering time after the leaves fall with an explanation and demonstration of sorting, preparation and storage of willow.



Back Row: Hexagonal cheese, Embellished Hex, Antler basket

Mid Row: Coiled Rag Baskets, Egg basket

Front Row: Coiled rag hot pad

**DON'T FORGET YOUR
COILED PINE NEEDLE
BASKETS AND YOUR
CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS
FOR THE SPARKS LIBRARY**

**OCTOBER 15TH — TULE CONVERGENCE AT
STEWART INDIAN SCHOOL CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM**



Norma Darrough
modeling Leah
Brady's Cedar bark hat
Trisha Work admiring
Leah's tule tote bag



Sharing
Circle



Cedar
Bark
Visor
And
Cedar
Bark Hat



Norma begins weaving her tray, and voila a beautifully finished tray



Leah Brady weaving her tule tray



Merry Honda's first tule tray



Weaving a tule tray, beginning weavers and experienced weavers

GBB Board Meeting - for Oct 5, 2022 via Zoom

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

October 15 Convergence with GBNBA: Around 30 are signed up to attend. Sue Ann will set up a work day to help prep materials.

Polly Adams Sutton's classes: have been cancelled due to a medical issue. We will discuss other options at tomorrow's meeting.

Updated brochure: Discussed a few changes to be made to the update, and decided to add info about our May retreats.

Policies and Procedures: Reviewed the document and made additions and corrections as observed. Trisha will print hard copies for Board members for final review for the meeting tomorrow.

Remaining schedule for 2022: November - discussed alternative to elections that are meant to be held. Need for Vice President. Possibility for members to assist with caretaking our Library Bookcase at the meetings (maybe just one month per member?) Plan for forming nomination committee next June to prepare for the November 2023 elections. Will ask for members to sign up tomorrow for the ornament they plan to teach at the November meeting. Will start planning for 2023 meeting programs and workshops at the November meeting - what do we want to learn, and who wants to teach, and when.

Retreat teachers: Nettie sent info and Board agreed to plan for Jennifer Wool and Leah Brady as instructors for May 2023 Retreat.

Nevada Arts Council grant: applying for proper UEI number for application unavoidably delayed.

Oct. 6, 2022 GBB General Meeting Minutes submitted by Janelle Snow Raabe

Janelle is a new member who volunteer to take minutes.

There were 15 members present & 1 on Zoom.

Betty Hulse called meeting or order at 10:00. September minutes were approved.

Betty welcomed new members Janelle Snow Raabe and Jennifer Jay.

Meetings & Programs: Saturday, Oct. 15, a gathering, 10- 4 at Stewart Indian School in Carson City of GBB and GBNBA. Sharing baskets we love, a potluck lunch, and an afternoon of weaving a tule basket, with Sue Ann Monteleone as instructor.

Nov. 3rd regular GBB meeting to make Christmas decorations. Trisha will teach a "star" ornament from paper & Nettie will teach a "reindeer" from reed. Bring coiled baskets and other Christmas ornaments for the December-January exhibit at Sparks Library.

We are sorry to report Polly Adams Sutton has cancelled, for health reason, the Nov 9,10,11 classes. We wish her well. Discussion followed about a possible substitute classes for these dates using cedar bark. There was interest. Will keep you posted about future plans.

Brainstorming for programs and classes for 2023. We would like to offer full day classes once a month on Sunday, 9:30 to 3:00. Bring samples of baskets to next meeting. Need instructors for classes. If you would teach any of these classes, please contact Trisha or Betty.

Trisha mentioned that the Board has completed a revision of the GBB policies and .procedures that will be posted on the GBB website. The GBB Brochure has been revised and copies will soon be available.

After Show and Tell, lunch and raffle, Karen Olson taught a small reed basket for post it-notes for our program.

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: 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

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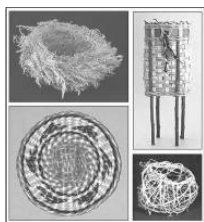
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Meetings the first Thursday of each month at Sparks Masonic Center located at 2425 Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV. Our new hours for meetings are 10 AM for our business meeting, followed by show and tell,, then a mini workshop. All are welcome and we will 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: 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.

