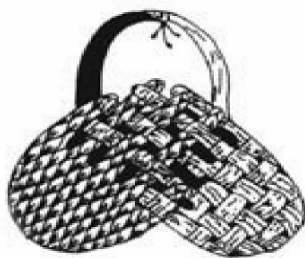


# Great Basin Basketmakers

Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



## Newsletter

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### SUMMER SCHEDULE

**July 18—Abby's Tote Workshop with Nettie Fox**  
**at the Sparks Masonic Center, 9:30-3:00**

**August 1—Monthly GBB Guild Meeting**  
**at the Sparks Masonic Center, 10:00—3:00,**  
**Open Studio—Bring those unfinished baskets to**  
**work on or start a new basket,**  
**Good time to catch up after the summer break.**

**August 15—Tule on Willow Tray**  
**with Sue Ann Monteleone and Betty Hulse**  
**at the Sparks Masonic Center, 9:30-3:00**

**A Dye Day (sometime in August) may be scheduled**  
**and a Tule Gathering Day may also be scheduled,**  
**please let Sue Ann (Tule) and/or Karen O (Dye)**  
**know if you are interested in participating.**

**September Newsletter Editor:**  
**Sue Ann Monteleone**  
**[samonte@charter.net](mailto:samonte@charter.net)**  
**Please submit articles for the**  
**September newsletter by**  
**August 12**



**Abby's Tote**  
**July 18, 2024**  
**Nettie Fox**  
Sparks Masonic Center  
9:30 to 3:30

This versatile tote was designed by Marilyn Margrave. The approximate size is 13 inches long, 6 inches wide, and 9 1/4 inches tall, which makes it great for shopping, carrying supplies or carting anything your heart desires. This basket can be made in a day and the handles are made of shaker tape. Color choices for the handles are black, blue, maroon, and green.

Fee—\$55 members/\$65 non-member

Tools—Spoke weights, sharp scissors, spray bottle, pencil, clothes pins or large clips, packing tools, needle and thread. Don't forget your lunch and drink.

Please make your check payable to Nettie Fox and mail to 4363 Lakeridge Drive, Pollock Pines, CA 95726. Should you have any questions please contact Nettie at (530) 906-0038 (cell #) or email at [keepitwild@gmail.com](mailto:keepitwild@gmail.com)



ZARZO BASKET CLASS  
AT BONNIE'S HOME  
BEGINS WITH A TOUR  
OF THE WILLOW USED  
FOR THE BASKETS.

VEDA'S ZARZO BASKET  
ALREADY IN USE.



JANELLE, NETTIE & SUE  
ANN BUSY WORKING







**Tule on Willow Tray**  
**August 15, 2024**  
**Sue Ann Monteleone and Betty Hulse**  
 Sparks Masonic Center  
 9:30-3:30



We will create a shallow tray about 12 inches across using willow warps and tule wefts. Students can work in Japanese weave or twining.

Fee—\$50 members/\$55 non-members

Tools—rose pruners, scissors, dull awl preferably bone or wood, towel, spray bottle.

Remember a drink and your lunch!

Sign up sheet will be available at the August meeting, or contact Sue Ann 775-721-1817, [samonte@charter.net](mailto:samonte@charter.net).

**MILK CARTON—T-SHIRT BASKETS MADE  
 BY THE 4TH GRADERS AT ALICE TAYLOR  
 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.**

**THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS THAT  
 HELPED WITH THE PROJECT  
 AND A SPECIAL THANKS  
 TO APRIL BARBER**







ANNA



KAYLEE



ELI & BONNIE

## ELI'S IRISH CREEL CLASS



NORMA



BARBARA



NETTIE

NORMA

ELI



JEN & BEN SURVEYING HER BASKET





## **Special Event**

### **Cael Chappell—Waxed Linen Twining October 8, 9, 10, 2024 at St. Mary's Art Center, Virginia City, Nevada**

*If you've never twined with waxed linen thread before, or if you want a refresher, or you are experienced and want to learn more advanced techniques ... this is the class for you.*

*You can pick your colors, thread sizes, techniques to get the difficulty level you want. We will start with my particular method of reverse twining and making bases and continue on to the sides of the basket and rim finishing.*

*Instruction is individualized as we go so that you can learn and practice exactly what you want. Lots of demonstrations for more experienced weavers will help you decide what to focus on.*

*Experience weavers can also bring pre-made bases, or projects in process to also weave and learn on. Each student's work will vary from the photo and depends on which techniques you choose to use.*



**Cost of 3-day class, materials & lodging— \$430.00**  
(\$215 deposit with registration, balance due September 5, 2024)  
Contact Sue Ann Monteleone—samonte@charter.net or  
Karen Olson—kvmikesell@hotmail.com for more information.  
The event is limited to 12 participants.



## June 6, 2024, GBB General Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Sandy Zoerner. Regular meeting at Sparks Masonic Center. The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by Karen Olson. Today's meeting was in person and zoom with 13 attendees in person and 7 on zoom.

- \* Prior minutes approved.
- \* Treasurer's report by Karen Olson. Retreat income \$12,270 minus \$11,588 in expenses indicated we are good again for another year. We took in \$240 from the raffle and \$1212 from the silent auction for a total of \$1452. Paid the deposit for 2025 Retreat of \$1170 leaving us with a balance of \$964. Reports are next year's fees have gone up significantly, but still good value for our location. The retreat was a success and a wonderful time had by all. Karen also reported there are grants/scholarships available in the amount of \$100 to assist those that may want to attend other classes. You can obtain a form from our website.
- \* For today's program, Eli & Ben Goodwin from Oregon will be giving a talk and demonstration of their Fitching techniques in Irish willow woven baskets. Several attended their special workshop given at Karen's the past couple days. What beautiful baskets have resulted from this workshop.
- \* Next workshop is June 20 with Bonnie & Betty teaching the "Zarzo Basket". This will be held at Bonnie's home and the cost is \$50 for members. July 18, Nettie will be teaching "Abby's Tote" here at the Sparks Masonic Center. Cost approximately \$40.
- \* There will be no July meeting. No date scheduled at this point for tule gathering. The August meeting will be an open studio so bring your unfinished projects to work on.
- \* Jennifer reported that you are allowed to gather tule at Rosewood Nature Area. Sue Ann also reported there are areas for tule gathering at the Nature Conservancy area of River Fork Ranch. Sandy reported there is a possibility of gathering coyote willow at Valley Wood Park.
- \* Some members brought in materials for an exchange. Lorrie reminded us to wear our name tags or pay \$1.00. Beautiful baskets were shared during Show and Tell.

### **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](mailto:GBBFBpage@gmail.com)

Peggy Camp has agreed to manage the Facebook page.

## 2024 Officers and Committee Members

President: Betty Hulse  
 Vice President : Vacant  
 Guild Secretary: Vacant  
 Treasurer: Karen Olson  
 Membership: Betty Hulse

Board Chair: Trisha Work  
 Board At Large: Nettie Fox  
 Board At Large: Jennifer Jay  
 Board At Large: Sue Ann Monteleone  
 Board At Large: Lorrie Moore

Committees: Library: Lorrie Moore; Special Workshops: Sue Ann Monteleone; Exhibits & Shows;; Grants: Betty Hulse, Karen Olson; Raffle: Lorrie Moore; Website: Jennifer Jay; 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](mailto:betty.hulse5@yahoo.com)

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 Books, patterns, weaving materials, reed, waxed linen, caning supplies, shaker tape, Spend \$100.00 or more and qualify for wholesale prices.

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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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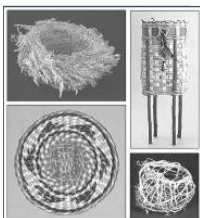
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*Send this completed form and check payable to Great Basin Basketmakers and mail to:*

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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  
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 8175 S. Virginia St. #850  
 Reno NV 89511

Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to our email at [gbreno@gmail.com](mailto:gbreno@gmail.com) or check our website at: [www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org](http://www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org).

If you would like to submit to GBBs Facebook page please send to [GBBFBpage@gmail.com](mailto: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.

