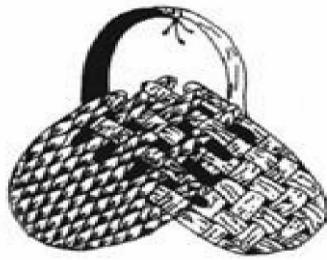


Great Basin Basketmakers

Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



Thursday, May 3

Join us at the First Congregational Church of Reno, United Church of Christ located at **627 Sunnyside Dr. Reno.**

All are welcome.

Our program this month:

RETREAT BASKET RAFFLE CONTEST & ANNUAL MATERIALS SALE

During the May meeting we will be holding the contest to vote for the best basket submitted for the retreat raffle. All those attending the retreat are strongly encouraged to submit at least one basket for the raffle (you may bring more than one to better your odds at winning.) The winner of the contest will receive \$100 to apply toward his or her retreat fee. In order to keep the entries anonymous, please bring your baskets in a bag or box with your name on a separate card or tag. KayLee and Sandy will check-in the baskets as you arrive at the meeting. All those attending the meeting will receive a ballot with the numbers 1, 2, and 3 on it; you can make a selection of your three favorite baskets in that order and return your ballot to KayLee or Sandy.

You will also have an opportunity to buy raffle tickets for a chance to win one of the retreat baskets. The drawing for all raffle baskets will be held during the last evening of the retreat. If you are not attending the retreat, be sure to put your name & phone number on your raffle ticket. The top 3 basket choices will be held for the silent auction during the retreat. If you would like to participate in the silent auction, but are not attending the retreat, please contact Sandy or Kay Lee to make bidding arrangements. All proceeds from the retreat raffle help pay for future retreat workshop instructors which helps keep the costs down for everyone.

The annual materials sale will be held prior to the business meeting at 10:45 AM...so bring your unused materials that need a new home. Please have everything tagged with a price and your name—remember to give GBB 10% of your sales. We will be opening the doors to the meeting room at 10:15 AM to give people time to set-out their materials for the sale. We will begin the business meeting at 11:30 AM, after the sale hubbub is over. **Remember to bring your Retreat Raffle Baskets and turn them in to Sandy or KayLee prior to the materials sale.** You will be able to vote after the business meeting and buy raffle tickets for the baskets on view.

Welcome

New member, JoAnn Sadler from Glendale CA and returning member Gina Holmberg from Fremont CA.

May Calendar

May 3 Program Meeting

May 15-18, 2012
Retreat At Lake Tahoe

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GBB Retreat Update May 15th-18th, 2012

Packets with all the retreat information (schedules, directions, parking permits, etc.) will be distributed at the May meeting. For those not attending the May meeting, the packets will be mailed to you. Billie Walker will be available with cards for Spite & Malice games in the evenings. We also have the "Embellishment Fair" on Wednesday evening—bring your embellishment ideas. For more info on the fair, please contact April Barber at (775) 849-1985 or email ecologeo@yahoo.com. Bring your yoga mat for the early morning stretch sessions with KayLee Mayne. Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share with the group. We usually have more than we can eat, but we always try to finish everything. People have brought: chips, candy, fruit, nuts, popcorn. For those of you who are taking the half-day workshops you will be able to pay your material fees when you check in on Tuesday, May 15th at 3:00 PM. The material fees are paid to the instructors, so cash would be preferable, unless you plan to write several checks one to each instructor. Also remember to bring cash for purchasing lots of raffle tickets. If you have not already sent your donated basket for the retreat raffle, please bring it with you. You can give it to Sandy Zoerner when you arrive. If you don't have a basket for the raffle, you can donate any other basket related item, but we encourage everyone to participate. See you all there...

Karen Olson

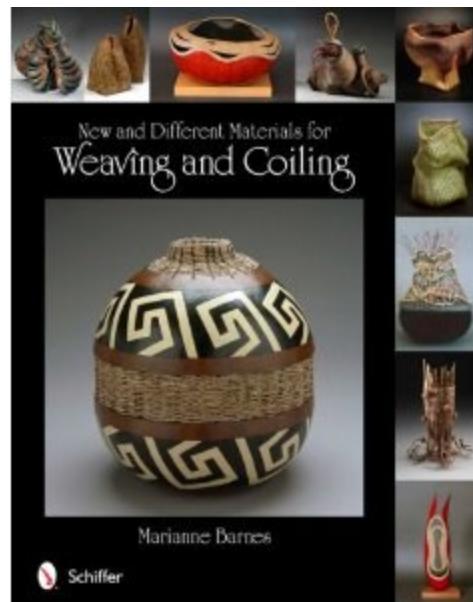
New Book

"I'm going to have an instructional article and photos in this book that's coming out the end of April", said Donna Sakamoto Crispin.

New and Different Materials for Weaving and Coiling

Publication Date: April 28, 2012

An ever-widening range of materials is being used by today's crafters to weave and coil baskets and to decorate gourds. Over 350 color images display the raw materials, techniques for their use, and final works of art created with them. Along with traditional materials such as reeds, white oak, ash, vines, plants, grasses, and bark, kudzu, grapevines, iris, sweetgrass, paper and wire provide new possibilities. Information is included on where to find natural materials, and how to collect and prepare them for weaving. Exciting uses for alternative materials are also explored, including wire, mesh, and recycled materials. Tutorials and projects from well-known weavers and gourd artists, along with an extensive list of resources, make this book a must have for weavers, crafters, and anyone with a passion for handcrafted fiber art.



A Glimpse at the June 2012 Workshops

Saturday June 16, 2010: Waxed Linen
with Lauren Lampe



Over the past few years I have been exploring the art of basket making through an in-depth study of miniature waxed linen baskets. I was first attracted to the scale of these objects and their finished look. Then to the waxed linen itself and the portability of these projects while they are in progress. Little more is needed than a plastic baggie with my basket and some nail clippers to keep my baskets portable and thus my hands busy at any spare moment. Join us in exploring waxed linen miniature baskets. I have experimented with and designed a new base for us to try and share in addition to the traditional start method. We can have lots of fun and demystify some of the questions you may have about working in this scale and material. I can't wait to see everyone again.
Lauren



Thursday June 21, 2012: Melon Basket with KayLee Mayne

THIS BASKET IS GOOD FOR EVERYONE, BEGINNERS ON UP! THE GODS EYE ONLY LOOKS HARD BUT IS SIMPLE TO DO. ALL THE MATERIALS WILL BE IN KITS AND SPOKES WILL BE PRECUT AND POINTED. THIS IS A FUN BASKET. BASKET IN PHOTO WAS MADE WITH SOME OLD EMBROIDERY HOOPS. I WILL HAVE BETTER ONES IN THE KITS. KayLee



More details on these workshops will be in the June newsletter.

GBB Meeting Minutes April 5, 2012

First Congregational Church of Reno

Submitted by Susan Lester.

Meeting was called to order @ 11:05 pm by Karen Olson.
There were some returning members present and welcomed back.

Membership report by Karen Olson – Membership stands @ 130 members . 115 have elected to receive the newsletter electronically and 17 requested it to be mailed. Cost of newsletter went from apx. \$156.00 to \$22.00 per month

Treasurer's Report by Bonnie Kennedy– Balance checking and savings \$13,754.60

Special Workshops Report by Pat Westcott—Donna Crispin is confirmed will need to pay in full in June. Judy Zugish is a possible guest in 2013. Those present were asked to show their interest by voting on 2 possible baskets and choose a date in February. The group went with Feb. 22-24, 2013

Meeting Program Report by Karen Olson –Material sale prior to business meeting and retreat raffle contest

Library Report by Karen Olson - If you desire a book, just let Connie know. Working on a rolling cart for the library at our new location.

Monthly Workshop Report by Carol Thomas– *April 19* Nancy MacGillivray teaches a Felted Bunny with Basket – *April 21* April Barber teaches a Double Wall Twill Basket with Recycled materials. *June workshops:* Kaylee Mayne teaches Melon Basket and Lauren Lampe Waxed Linen Basket..

Exhibits/Shows Report by Margaret Marshall– The Northwest Library April27 last day for exhibit. Bonnie Kennedy reported on the Elko exhibit, Aug. 20 to Oct 5 \$10 entry fee and need a digital image and artist bio, by Aug 1.

Old Business- Karen W. asked members to donate items for the monthly raffle drawings.

New Business- Karen Olson N. Lake Tahoe Arts is looking for exhibit items that are 2 dimensional with an American Black Bear theme. Remember retreat raffle items at next month's meeting.

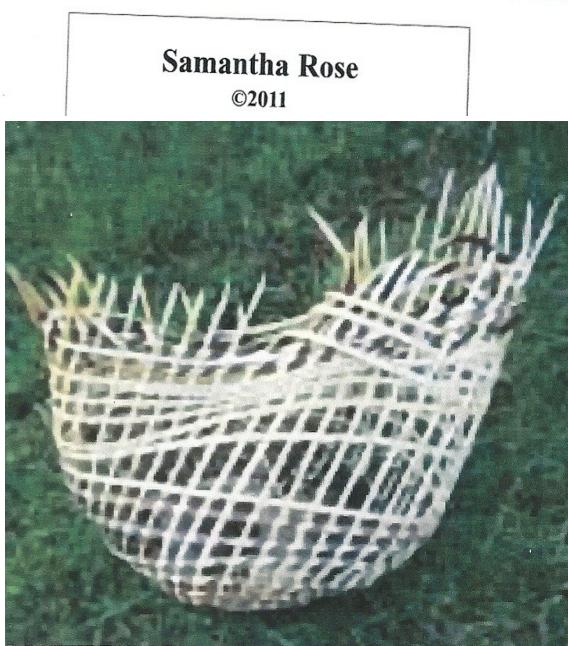
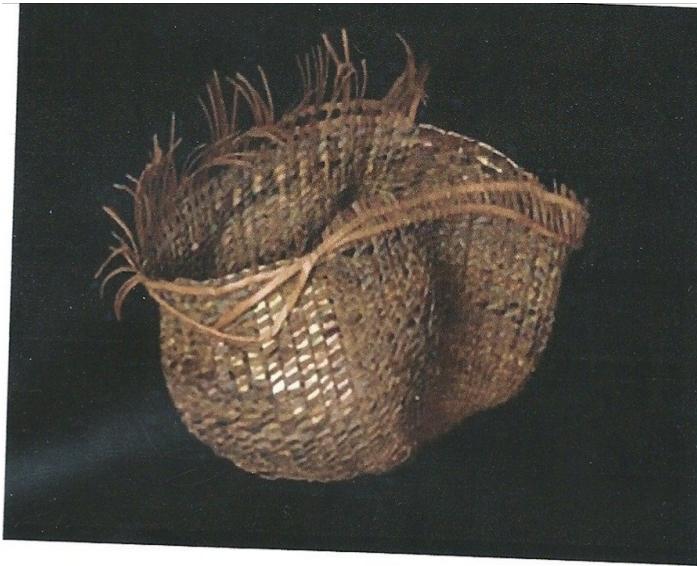
Announcements - Linda Havens announced two scholarships were awarded to members for this years retreat.

Meeting was adjourned 11:45 –For a great Show and Tell followed by Mug Rug from old tee shirts with April Barber.



GBB Library Reminder

Our guild library is a great resource for all GBB members, but it depends on us as members to use it responsibly. You can check books out for one month, but then please return them so others can use them. Take a look around at home and see if any of our GBB books have gotten misplaced among your own books and basket making materials, and bring them back to their library home. We hope to soon have our library available again at our first Thursday meetings. If there's a book that you'd like to checkout in the meantime, please call or email me, Connie Douglas, 425-1305, nevadaconnie@sbcglobal.net Our library holdings are now available for your viewing on the website.



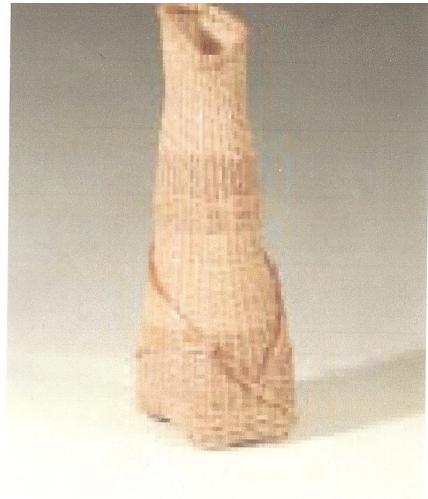
Samantha Rose

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Discoveries - ©2011

2013 Workshops by Judy Zugish

Pat is already working on getting a guest teacher for 2013 workshops . She has contacted well known basket maker Judy Zugish. She needs to hear from you concerning your interest in her classes. Please read the descriptions of the above baskets and let Pat know ASAP which basket workshop you might want to attend. The cost is yet to be finalized. Please choose as many as you are interested in. Contact Pat Westcott 775-465-2769 or graybadgers@gmail.com



Bamboo Interplay

Samantha Rose

This basket is woven with willow skins, peeled spruce roots and copper . It is patterned with a twill base.

A two day workshop for intermediate / advanced weavers.

Apx. \$115 supply fee

Bamboo Interplay

The class is spent exploring weaves, textures, shape and design. No two will be alike.

A two day class for those who want to learn about the character of bamboo.

Apx. \$95 supply fee

Discoveries

A transparent vessel made with skeined willow and willow skin.

A one day class for experienced weavers wanting to explore design.

Apx. \$95. supply fee

You can check out her website

www.twigtwisters.com

Guaranteed to inspire you.



Show And Tell April 2012



2012 GBB Officers and Board Members:

President.....Karen Olson, 852-5401
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Scholarship Committee.....Linda Havens 329-5223
Billie Walker 626-6767

Treasurer's Report for the Newsletter as of
4/12/2012

Total Cash includes checking & saving	13,849.51
Income from dues	\$90.00
Income from Workshops	\$40.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$39.75
Expenses to Date	<u>-\$264.66</u>
New Balance	13,754.60

Submitted by Bonnie Kennedy

Great Basin College Art Gallery Show

The Great Basin College show will be held from August 20 through October 5, 2012. Bonnie Kennedy will be delivering items to Elko the week of August 13. All entries will need to be to her no later than August 10. The entry fee has been changed to \$10.00 to cover the cost of transportation. Please have your work at the July meeting so KayLee can take pictures. A signup sheet will be at the June meeting.

We need a volunteer to help Bonnie get everything ready to transport to and a volunteer to pick up the exhibit in Elko on October 5. If you are interested, please contact Bonnie at 775 762 6583.

Next Month's Newsletter Editor :

Sandy Zoerner zoerware@sbcglobal.net or 786-2165
Please submit articles no later May 12 due to retreat.

Great Basin Basketmakers Membership Application/Renewal

Annual Membership Dues: \$20/yr., \$35/2 yrs., \$50/3 yrs. (Renewals due in January)

Date _____ Amount: \$ _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Name _____

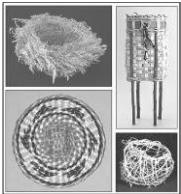
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Established January 1987

- * Meet the **first Thursday of each month** at the First Congregational Church of Reno, United Church of Christ located at 627 Sunnyside Dr, Reno.
- * Open business meeting at 11:00 AM. **All are welcome.**
- * Bring a sack lunch.
- * Show & Tell/Lunch 12-1 PM. Program starts at 1:00 PM
- * Membership dues for Great Basin Basketmakers are \$20/yr., \$35/2 yrs., \$50/3 yrs. \$5 extra per household member per yr. Dues are to be paid annually in January. Membership includes monthly newsletter, access to large library and reduced workshop rates.
- * Please direct address, email changes, membership dues, and requests for membership to PO Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510-1844
- * Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to GBB president, Karen Olson at 775-852-5401 or kvolson@charter.net or check our website at:

www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org

E-Bulletin board: Contact Margaret Marshall at gmlmarshall@aol.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.

