

Newsletter

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WE MAY HAVE FOUND A NEW PLACE TO HOLD OUR MONTHLY GUILD MEETINGS.

**NOVEMBER 3, 2011** 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF RENO 627 SUNNYSIDE DRIVE, RENO, NV 89503

As you all know we have had to change our meeting times when the Larry D. Johnson Center began changing their hours of operation. We are trying on the First Congregational Church of Reno for size. This facility seems to fit our needs: large room, kitchen facilities, plenty of parking, and maybe a place for our library (April and I will be working on this issue.) We can also return to our old meeting times which can include lunch.

Directions: Take I-80 to Keystone off-ramp, go north on Keystone crossing Seventh St and University Terrace. Take the next left (third street from I-80) onto Sunnyside Drive—go all the way to the end of the street into the church's parking lot. We will be in the first building at the bottom of the parking lot.

The program for today's meeting will be a "Program Planning Session" for next year's calendar—so put on those thinking caps and help us generate ideas for next year. Don't forget your lunch and your "Show and Tell" items. We will be having a raffle—as well. See ya'll soon and if you need help with directions call me at 852-5401...Karen Olson

### Calendar at a glance:

Nov 3rd—Guild Meeting at the First Congregational Church at 627 Sunnyside Dr. Reno 11 am—3 pm

Nov 17th—Random Weave Bird's Nest Basket with Betty Hulse

Nov 19th—Twill Weave Painted Paper Basket with Karen Olson

Nov 24th—Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec 1st—GBB Christmas Potluck & Exchange Party

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## WORKSHOPS

### Random Weave Bird's Nest Basket

Instructor: Betty Hulse November 17, 2011 Sky Peaks Community Room, 1520 Sky Valley Rd, Reno 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Bring your creativity and imagination to this random weave class. You will need: A twig, branch, or small piece of driftwood; various weaving materials such as small willow, flat & round reed of various sizes & colors; other natural material such as rush or honeysuckle. This is a good project to use those short pieces of material you may have saved.

Betty will have some materials to share, but you will need to bring most of your own materials. Class fee is \$15.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. For more information or to sign-up for the class contact Betty Hulse at 747-5794 or email her at betty.hulse5@yahoo.com. Bring a sack lunch.



BASKET WEAVING TIP from Nadine Spier When your pine needle basket is completed, take an old "knee-hi stocking" and rub it all over the basket. It will remove all those pesky, sharp points. You'll be amazed how many sharp tips end up in your lap! Idea came from Kaye Burlason, posted on <a href="https://www.pineneedlegroup.com">www.pineneedlegroup.com</a> (GREAT website and resource for pine needle basket weavers.) Marilyn Loop, puts a wadded up terrycloth washcloth inside the knee-hi, which makes it easy. Thanks to these two for sharing their clever ideas.

### **Twill Weave Painted Paper Basket**

Instructor: Karen Olson November 19, 2011 Sky Peaks Community Room 9:30 AM — 3:00 PM

We are going to weave a twill patterned basket out of acrylic painted water-color paper. This size will hold the cocktail napkins; however, you will learn how to adjust the size of your basket to hold other items. These little baskets are quick and easy to make and they are great gift boxes. The paper will be pre-painted and cut, so we can spend out time weaving and decorating the rim with waxed linen, buttons, and/or beads. If you have any special color preferences, please let me know so I can have them on hand. You will need to bring scissors, large tapestry needle, and small copper clips for holding the rim on while sewing.

The class fee is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members, with a \$10 material fee. For more info please contact Karen Olson at 852-5401 or email kvolson@charter.net.

Don't forget your lunch!



This class was originally scheduled for October, but was postponed until November—so if you had a conflict last month, now's your chance to sign-up and join the fun!!!

### GBB 2012 BOARD, OFFICERS, & VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

The annual meeting and election of officers for 2012 was held at the October 6, 2011 meeting. The following team was approved by members attending that meeting. We are still in need of someone to step up as the Treasurer for our group. Team members are also looking for other volunteers that are willing to step in and help keep our organization working. We have mentors for every possibility. Future newsletters will have contact info for board members, officers, and workshops.

**GBB BOARD:** Betty Hulse, Kaylee Mayne, Donna Newlin, Paula Pennington, Mary Lee Fulkerson (Advisor), Judy Scribner (newly elected), Meg Price (newly elected)

**GUILD OFFICERS:** Karen Olson (President), Kaylee Mayne (newly elected) Vice President, Cat Mena (Secretary), *Treasurer—Vacant Please Express your interest!* 

#### **VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:**

**CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY:** Billie Walker

**E-BULLETIN:** Margaret Marshall

**EXHIBITS:** Margaret Marshall, Cheryln Bennett (newly appointed), Phyliss Lewis (newly appointed)

**GRANT COMMITTEE:** Linda Havens, Billie Walker **HISTORIAN:** Anne Bacon (newly appointed)

LIBRARIAN: Connie Douglas, Pam Wilcox & Susan Lester (newly appointed backups)

**MEMBERSHIP/ROSTER:** Sandy Zoerner

**NEWSLETTER EDITORS:** Sandy Zoerner, Cornelia Kallerud, Susan Lester (newly appointed)

**NEWSLETTER LABELS/DISTRIBUTION:** Karen & Jeff Olson **PROGRAM COORDINATOR:** Susan Lester (newly appointed)

**PUBLICITY:** Connie Douglas (newly appointed)

RAFFLE: Karen Winberg

**RETREAT COMMITTEE:** Karen Olson, April Barber (newly appointed), Meg Price (newly appointed),

Kaylee Mayne (newly appointed)

WEBSITE: Sallie Moore

**WILBUR MAY ARBORETEUM LIAISON:** Sandy Zoerner

WORKSHOP COMMITTEE: Carol Thomas, Betty Hulse, Sandy Zoerner

Submitted by Sandy Zoerner



**Tom Hare, Willowman** creates willow sculptures of giant animals, plants, bees, furniture, and swirling treelike designs. His exhibit, *Seed Walk* at the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew in England is spectacular. Enjoy this site for the imaginative creations of yard art, <a href="http://itomharewillowman.blogspot.com/">http://itomharewillowman.blogspot.com/</a>

Craft Revival: Shaping Western North Carolina Past and Present. A project of the Hunter Library at Western North Carolina University, the website describes those hand crafts which were preserved and the history of the crafts revival in the southern highlands (1895 to 1945.) Contains a section with photos of the patterns used in Rivercane Baskets. Browse the extensive on-line collection. http://www.wcu.edu/craftrevival/crafts/baskets.html

Museum of the Aleutians features slides of very finely woven grass baskets.

http://www.aleutians.org/basketSlideShow.html

### OUTDOOR BASKET SCULPTURE

at the

MAY ARBORETEUM September 17, 2011

Member Sue Ann Monteleone demonstrates weaving with tule (at right)



The

The finished basket with members Carol Thomas, Ann Bacon, and Betty Hulse along with their helpers.

Choosing
the proper
size
materials
and adding
to the
structure



# Meeting Minutes

GBB Meeting Minutes Submitted by Cat Mena. October 6, 2011

SunVilla Estates

Thanks to Molly for the meeting place @ SunVilla Estates as Larry Johnson was locked. Meeting was call to order @ 1:16 pm by Karen Olson. There were 20 members present - Pot Luck lunch enjoyed

### New Business Report by Karen Olson and Sandy Zoerner:

- \*Election of officers was discussed and voting took place.
- \*New GBB monthly meeting location Many places were explored by Karen and Sandy and reported on; additional venues were discussed. At our November meeting we will continue discussion.

Membership - Glance at your newsletter label to see when your dues are due.

Treasures Report by Karen Rosselli – Balance approximately \$4,000.00

Correspondence Report by Billie Walker: Get-Well and Sympathy cards were circulated.

Meeting Program Report – November 3<sup>rd</sup> – Baskets from around the World – Everyone bring in samples from their collections. November 17 – Random weave with Betty Hulse. November 19<sup>th</sup> Twill Painted Paper Basket with Karen Olson

Monthly Workshop Report – Lets all brainstorm for next year. What would you like to see/do/teach?

Exhibits/Shows Report Margaret Marshall – The Sparks Library Show was a success – we are scheduled for next September. November 15<sup>th</sup> Classic Residents will have its sale 9am–3pm. 10% of sales will go to the Guild. Get your things to Margaret @ our November Meeting or bring them to Classic Residents. Cheryln Bennett reported on the fun & successful Artist Co-Op. "It's Snow Wonderful" is next, contact Cheryln for more information

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm. -

### IT'S SNOW WONDERFUL! (in Nevada)

Artist's Co-Operative of Reno presents their annual Holiday Show. Last year's show was the largest selling show in 45 years. So bring your paintings, photos, wall hangings, baskets, gourds, pottery, quilts, 3-dimensionalart, jewelry, glass items, wood work, hats, etc. Especially Christmas ornaments (they are our biggest sellers.) All items must have hang tags with numbers (corresponding to an inventory sheet), your full name, and price. Art work is due by **Wednesday, November 9th**, from 11 am to 4 pm (You may bring items in earlier than this date)

Opening Reception will be Sunday, November 13, 2011 11 am to 4 pm

Plan to attend and bring wine and goodies

End of show is Wednesday, December 28, 2011, please pick-up from 11 am to 4 pm.

### "HOLIDAY SALE" HOSTED BY CLASSIC RESIDENCE, RENO

Every year the Classic Residence (3201 Plumas, Reno) hosts a "HOLIDAY SALE" for their residents. This year GBB has reserved two tables for this event. Guild members have signed up to display and handle sales on **Tuesday**, **November 15th** from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will begin setting up at 9:15 a.m.

All members are welcome to partake in this one day sale. Artists must supply an inventory and each piece of art must have a hang tag. GBB members may display baskets, jewelry, gourds, recycled art, quilted pieces, etc. Cheryln Bennett will provide a small Christmas tree to display holiday decorations.

There is no entry fee or commission for this event. Checks for sold art will be sent to the artist within the week. Unless other arrangements have been made, unsold artwork will be delivered to the artist at the December 1st meeting.

For your convenience, you may bring your artwork to the November 3rd meeting. If you are working and/or delivering artwork to the residence on the 15th, please use any **uncovered parking space**. All covered parking spaces are designated resident parking. If the November 3rd, 15th or December 1st dates are not convenient, please e-mail me at <a href="mailto:gmlmarshall@aol.com">gmlmarshall@aol.com</a> to make other arrangements for artwork delivery and/or pickup.

Thank you, Margaret Marshall

Next Month's Newsletter editor is: Cornelia Kallerud at (530) 581-4672 or cktahoe@hotmail.com



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### Great Basin Basketmakers

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 and 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 family member.
- \* Dues are to be paid annually in January. Membership includes monthly newsletter, access to large library and reduced workshop rates.
- \* Please direct address or e-mail changes, membership dues and requests for membership to P.O. Box 11844, Reno, NV 89510-1844.
- \* Questions regarding workshops, events, etc. may be directed to GBB President, Karen Olson at <a href="mailto:kvolson@charter.net">kvolson@charter.net</a> 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 traditions and techniques of basketry and to pass this knowledge on along to others.

