

Great Basin Basketmakers

Continuing 10,000 Years of Basket Arts



Newsletter

December 2011

Volume 25 Number 12

**Edited by
Cornelia Kallerud**

www.greatbasinbasketmakers.org

The December 1st meeting will be our annual Christmas party, gift exchange and potluck.

It will be held at the Sunvilla Estates Clubhouse across the street from Molly Gardner's home in Reno beginning at 11 AM .

If possible please try to carpool since the parking is limited.

If you wish to join in on the gift exchange please bring a homemade basket or item, or you may purchase something related to basketry in the \$10 range. Put your name inside the package before you wrap it to enhance the surprise. There is a kitchen at the clubhouse so hot dishes for the potluck will be appropriate as well as salads, desserts, etc. Beverages will be provided as well as plates, utensils, cups and napkins.

However, don't forget to bring serving pieces though.

Directions: Sunvilla Estates Clubhouse, 91 Cabernet Pkwy, Reno, NV 89512

There is limited parking so carpool as much as possible.) Directions: From I80 & 395 interchange, go north on 395 and take exit 70A for N. McCarran Blvd, turn left at N. McCarran and go about .6 mile and turn right on Sutro St. at the KOZZ radio station , go about .3 mile and turn left at Sunvilla Blvd where you see the flags and main entrance to Sun Villa. Clubhouse is at the top of Sunvilla Blvd on Cabernet Pkwy.

If you are coming from the west on I80 eastbound, you can take Virginia St exit and turn left on N. Virginia and go about 1 mile to N. McCarran Blvd, then turn right and go about 1 mile to Sutro St and turn left, then to Sunvilla Blvd to Cabernet Pkwy. Call Karen at 852-5401 for more information.



See you there!!!



**It's that time of the year
again—if your newsletter
label reads “2012”
you need to renew your
membership now!!
Thanks very much.**

In this issue

2012 Program Lineup.....	page 2
November Meeting Minutes.....	page 3
Small Gourd Project	page 4
Christmas Shopping and more.....	page 5
Call to Artists and more.....	page 6
Call for Entries.....	page 7

2012 Program Lineup

We have some very interesting programs lined up for 2012. Starting it all off in January will be Larry Wahrenbrock's very interesting presentation on the history of beads. Larry has traveled all over the world studying beads. He will be sharing some of his vast bead knowledge with us, as well as letting get a glimpse of his private collection.

- January: History of Beads presented by Larry Wahrenbrock
- February: St. Bridget's Cross Sue Ann Monteleone
- March: Split Twig Figures Sue Ann Monteleone
- April: Recycle Project April Barber
- May: Material Sale/ Retreat Raffle
- June: Josephine Knot Kaylee Mayne
- July: Silk Scarf Dyeing Susan Lester
- August: Round Reed Basket Base Carol Thomas
- September: Sewn Card Box Nancy MacGillivray
- October: Cordage Betty Hulse & Pat Westcott
- November: 2013 Planning meeting
- December: Holiday Potluck



GBB Meeting Minutes November 3, 2011

First Congregational Church of Reno

Submitted by Cat Wahrenbrock.

Meeting was call to order @ 11:12 pm by Karen Olson.

There were 30 members present

New Business Report by Karen Olson: First Congregational Church of Reno is our NEW Home, monthly meeting time will return to 11am. December's meeting will be the Christmas Potluck and Gift Exchange held @ Sun Villa Estates. Bring a gift it you want to play and food to share.

Membership report by Sandy Zoerner – Membership stands @ 187. Glance at your newsletter label to see when your dues are due - if it says 2012 your dues are due in January – Yearly dues gladly accepted now.

Treasures Report by Karen Rosselli – Balance approximately \$4,196.78. Bonnie Kennedy has accepted the treasures job for 2012 – Thanks Bonnie.

Special Workshops Report by Joan O'Brien - A coordinator was needed and Pat Westcott volunteered – Thanks Pat!

Meeting Program Report – We discussed ideas for monthly meeting programs – WOW – 2012 will b a great year, watch for the list to be presented.

Publicity Report - Connie Douglas has accepted the duties for 2012 – Thanks Connie.

Library Report by Connie Douglas - Susan Lester and Pam Wilcox will be helping with the library. A mobile library is in the works for next year. If you have a title you want Connie to bring to the next meeting, just let her know.

Monthly Workshop Report – November 17 – Betty Hulse teaches Random Weave Bird's Nest Basket. November 19 – Karen Olson teaches Twill Weave Painted Paper Basket.

Exhibits/Shows Report by Margaret Marshall– November 15th Classic Residents will have its sale 9am–3pm. Get your things to Margaret ASAP or bring them to Classic Residents.

CherylN Bennett reported on "It's Snow Wonderful " contact CherylN for more information

Announcements by Karen Olson – Spring Retreat dates are set

Meeting was adjourned at noon - Show and Tell got underway followed by a brainstorming session for Meeting Programs and Monthly Workshops.

Here's a simple little project to do at home.

The instructions are for a pendant, but if you have long hair you might want to glue a hair clip to the backside (shown)
It looks absolutely beautiful and misleadingly difficult to do.



Gourd pendant with Tricia Sutton

Supplies needed:

5" or larger gourd	
36" cord	awl or electric drill
clear spray	pail or dishpan
paper towels	plastic gloves
sand paper	saw (hand or electric)
scouring powder	scrubber
table covering	toothpicks
water	Wet Ones (or other wipes)

Alcohol Inks (Michaels/Hobby hobby)

- Directions: Cover work surface. Clean a gourd using water, scouring powder & scrubber. Remove all surface dirt and skin. Allow to dry.
- Cut gourd into pendant size pieces and remove dried material from back of piece
 - Sand edges. Drill hole for cord $\frac{1}{2}$ " from edge.
 - Clean with wipe. Put on gloves.
 - Choose ink color. Insert toothpick in hole, to hold piece while working with ink.
 - Working in small (1") area, slowly apply inks in "dot technique."
 - Remove mistakes with wipes
 - When ink is dry, spray surface with clear spray (12" away) and allow to dry.
 - Fold cord in half. Insert into hole in pendant. Tie cord to wear.

Don't have time to make your Christmas presents??

You'll find anything you heart desires at the Co-op Christmas show. You'll even find things you neither want nor need, but they are so beautiful, you just have to have them.

Join the **Artists Co-op of Reno** for **It's Snow Wonderful**



One of a kind unique gift and decorating items including paintings, drawings, photography, and a large assortment of hand made ornaments, jewelry, pottery, gourds, hats, scarves, original holiday cards, and more!

November 13 - December 28
Opening Reception November 13
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

The bearer of this coupon is entitled to a one-time 10% discount on any purchase at the Artists Co-op Gallery during the Christmas Holiday Show. This coupon is to be surrendered at time of purchase. Expires 12/28/2011.

10% Discount Coupon

ACR artists are feverishly painting, drawing and photographing especially for this holiday show. Also, shop for one-of-a-kind unique gifts and decorations created by Nevada artists.

Artists Co-op of Reno
627 Mill Street • Reno, Nevada 89502 • 775-322-8896
Open 7 Days a Week 11 am - 4 pm • www.artistsco-opgalleryreno.com

Upcoming Local Craft Fairs

Crafts for Christmas at John Ascuaga's Nugget

Friday - Sunday, November 25, 26, 27 - This holiday gift festival will feature over 100 craft and gift booths, cooking and baking demonstrations, flower arranging exhibitions, children's Christmas craft making, and lots more. It will be in the Nugget's Rose Ballroom. Free admission and parking. Hours are Friday from noon to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Nugget is located at 1100 Nugget Avenue in Sparks.

Magic of Santa Arts and Crafts Fair

Saturday - Sunday, November 26 - 27 - This big show will feature juried crafters at the Reno-Sparks Livestock Events Center, 1350 Wells Avenue in Reno. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$4 per person. Get \$1 off admission by donating a can of food for the Northern Nevada Food Bank. Parking is free. Get more information from Gay Elliker at (775) 747-0905.

December 2011

Holiday Harvest Farmer's Market

Saturday - Sunday, December 3 - 4 - Come to The Summit shopping center in south Reno for seasonal, locally-grown produce like pomegranates and persimmons. There will also be handcrafted holiday decorations and goodies to eat like pies, breads, and sauces. The market will be next to Yankee Candle. Call (775) 853-7800 for more information.

Native Tommo Craft Fair

Friday, December 16 - Support Nevada's Native American crafters. The fair will be at 10 a.m. at the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Gym and Park, 34 Reservation Road in Reno. Admission is free. For more information, call (775) 336-8896 or (775) 560-9965.



December Call to Artists

Call to artists, crafters and collectors for the Victorian Holiday Faire at North Tahoe Arts for the month of December upstairs in the Corrison Loft Gallery. We are looking for; arts & crafts, jewelry, fine art, ceramics & wood, gift items, fabric art or accessories /clothing, ornaments, cards soaps, oil/essences, candles, teas, salts and collectables; antique store quality, vintage. Generic Application available online: www.northtahoearts.com, email: info@northtahoearts.com. North Tahoe Arts, 380 N. Lake Blvd. Tahoe City, CA 96145. Deadline for Application: November 18th. (530) 581-2787. Artists Reception: Friday , December 2nd. Call or email for details.

You can most likely still get in if you want to.

Here's a list of more local holiday craft fairs.

If for no other reason, but to get some new ideas for projects.

12/03 to 12/03 2011 - Band Boosters Craft Fair

Damonte Ranch High School - Reno, NV

12/02 to 12/03 2011 - Sparks Hometowne Christmas

Victorian Square - Sparks, NV

11/26 to 11/27 2011 - Magic of Santa Christmas Faire

Reno Livestock Event Center - Reno, NV

11/25 to 11/27 2011 - Kandy Kane Craft Fair

Carson Valley Inn - Minden, NV

11/25 to 11/27 2011 - Crafts for Christmas

John Ascuaga's Nugget - Reno, NV (sounds too commercial?)



Need a project to work on over the holidays??

With no classes in December you may need your basket fix.

Check out the patterns and supplies at Basketpatterns.com(Arnie's)



Or check out **Cat and Larry's shop in Carson City** to save on shipping costs.

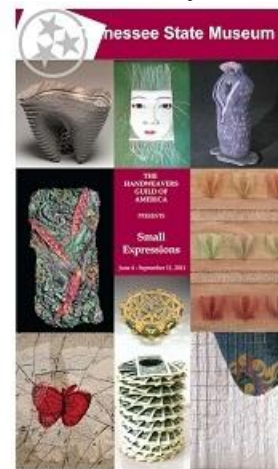
On Hwy 50 just before the Hwy395 overpass on the left.

sweetwaterbaskets@gmail.com

**Call for Entries: HGA Small Expressions 2012 – Deadline February 1.
Exhibition Dates: May 10–August 12 at the Long Beach Museum of Art in Long Beach.**

Small Expressions is an annual, international juried exhibition that features high quality, contemporary fiber art. The artworks showcase various fiber techniques such as interlacing, felting, paper, beading, and embellishing done on a small scale. All works are smaller than 15 inches in any direction. The exhibition is sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. (HGA) and will be juried by Carol Shaw-Sutton, Chair of the Fiber Program at California State University, Long Beach.

Small Expressions is an annual international juried exhibit sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc., to showcase fiber art on a small scale, not to exceed 15 inches (38cm) in any direction. Small Expressions was established at the 1984 Convergence® conference in Dallas, Texas. The late Diane Itter wrote in her juror statement that year:



“Fiber artists working on a small scale must pay special attention to the limitations involved. In order to succeed, a small scale work must maintain an identity and integrity of its own which excludes works which might be viewed as maquettes for larger works or the sense that the work is cut from a larger work. Careful attention must be paid to choice of design, materials, techniques, and craftsmanship. This does not mean a simplification of ideas or image but rather very careful attention paid to all details, without the risk of becoming precious.”

For more info see
<http://www.weavespindye.org/?loc=1-00-00>
click on “small expressions”

2012 GBB Officers and Board Members:

- President.....Karen Olson, 852-5401
- Vice-President.....Kaylee Mayne
- Secretary.....Cat Mena
- Treasurer.....Bonnie Kennedy

- Board.....Meg Price
- Board.....Donna Newlin
- Board.....KayLee Mayne
- Board.....Paula Pennington
- Board.....Betty Hulse
- Board.....Judy Scribner
- Membership.....Sandy Zoerner 786-2165

- Scholarship Committee.....Linda Havens 329-5223
Billie Walker 626-6767

Next Month’s Newsletter Editor is:

Sandy Zoerner
zoerware@sbcglobal.net

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 _____

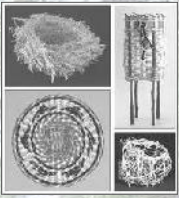
Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Send this completed form and check payable to **Great Basin Basketmakers** and mail to:
Great Basin Basketmakers * P. O. Box 11844 * Reno, NV 89510-1844



Great Basin Basketmakers
 Post Office Box 11844
 Reno, Nevada 89510-1844

Non-Profit Org
 U.S.POSTAGE
 PAID
 Reno, Nevada
 Permit 300

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Time-Dated Material
December 2012

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 & 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 pr 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.

