



Newsletter

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Celebrating 32 Years of Weaving

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The May 19th meeting will be a picnic at Golden Beach at 6:00. Bring your picnic basket with paper & plastic products, your beverage of choice **and** a dish to share.

There will **not** be any cooking this year.

Directions to Golden beach are on page 2.

Next Board meeting: May 14, 10:00 at Jacaranda

Officers for 2016-2017

President: Barb Hower
Secretary: Linda Sharp

Vice Pres: Eleanor Langlois
Treasurer: Marge Schemanski

President's Message...

Hello weavers,

We are winding down our season already.

This year we saw an increase in meeting attendance and have gained eight new members.

We will finish the season with a picnic at Golden Beach in Venice. More information will be sent in an email when we have ironed out the details.

Directions to beach pavilion at Golden Beach can be found in the newsletter. It is a lovely spot on Venice's newly renourished beach.

Many thanks to all of you who helped make this year so successful by joining us at our monthly meetings to enjoy the programs VP Eleanor Langlois put together for us.

We look forward to planning next year's programs, workshops and shows, anticipating good attendance and much enthusiasm from members.

Happy weaving!

Barb

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April 21, 2016 meeting minutes...

President Hower opened the meeting with 17 members and 4 guests present.

The slate of officers for next year: President- Barbara Hower; Vice President - Eleanor Langlois; Secretary - Linda Sharp; Treasurer - Marge Schemanski. There were no nominations from the floor and the above slate was elected.

Secretary's report was posted and the treasurer reported an operating balance of \$2,896.00. She reported that at the March meeting the raffle brought in \$88; the most ever gained from a raffle.

Vice President reported that the May picnic would be at Golden Beach and details would be posted in the newsletter.

Sue Garland has consented to be our webmaster. She stated that the site needs to be updated.

Sue Davis announced that we have one new member.

Linda Sharp reported that for the October meeting members need to bring a used hardcover book approximately 6 1/2 " wide and 9 1/2" long. Weaving at Spanish Point is Tuesday from 1- 3 and continues through May.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:39 P. M.

Eleanor Langlois taught the group how to make a Plant Basket. Lots of fun and lots of baskets were being created. We want to thank Eleanor for her diligent work on this project.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Sharp, Secretary



Direction to Golden Beach

From N. Business 41 or By Pass 41: west on Venice Avenue, turn left on Harbor Drive, turn right on Spardo Dr.

From S. Business 41: west on San Marco Drive, turn left on Harbor Drive, turn right on Spardo Dr.

Extra parking, if needed, will be available at Ali Hick's home, 448 Baynard Dr.

Membership Updates: Additions and Changes

Please Welcome New Member

Nova Jean Grande
11666 Aucilla Dr.
Venice, FL 34293
C: 770-668-6977
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Address change

Martha Williams
6000 Aston Gardens, Apt #1
Venice, FL 34292
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Member Teaching Schedules and Weave-in

...**Kathryn Erickson** ~ Private or group lessons on your timeline in Punta Gorda. Contact Kathy at kathye1745@exede.net

...**Patty Feather** ~ Private or group classes. Contact Patty at patty@featherbaskets.com

...**Jennie Baas** ~ Lime Tree Baskets ~ Classes can be found on the events page at Limetreebaskets.com
 Classes now through July 2016 at Art Center Manatee, Bradenton, FL will be on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-8:00
 Find class descriptions at artcentermanatee.org under special interest. Beginning Classes can be found at The Artful Giraffe Sarasota & G.T. Bray Bradenton. Home parties can also be arranged. Questions, please contact Jennie Baas at 309-721-3532.

...**Sandy Frick** ~ create an Accordion Folded Book at Selby Gardens on Wednesday, July 27, 10:00 - 2:00.
 Students will make a nature inspired "flag book". So cool...like a 3-D book ~ www.selby.org

...**WEAVE-IN** at Historic Spanish Point (HSP) ~ **every Tuesday, through May from 12-3**. Bring your lunch. Please meet at the Visitor Center at 12 noon for a wonderful, relaxing place to weave and visitors are welcome! **Cost:** One year HSP membership \$50 or \$3.00 each weave-in. Contact: Grace Guidice at 412-0935 or at guid@comcast.net. If the weather is in the 70's, windy or raining, please contact Grace.

...**Weaving at Nokomis North Jetty Park** ~ suspended and will resume at a time to be announced

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Weaving at meetings ~ Year in Review

**October ~ snowflakes
Hex Weave**



**November ~ Billy Owens
weaving with White Oak**



**January ~ weaving a
Mash Potato Basket**



**February ~ Speaker
Julia Bennett**



**March ~ weaving a
Josephine Knot Basket**



**April ~ weaving a
Plant Basket**



Weaving in our community

Weave-in at Historic Spanish Point



So You Want to Weave a Basket



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Next VSBW newsletter
will be sent
October 1
Submission deadline:
September 24th



Weaving Suppliers

The Country Seat	610-756-6124	http://www.countryseat.com
H. H. Perkins	800-462-6660	http://www.hhperkins.com
N. C. Basket Works	800-338-4972	http://www.ncbasketworks.com
Royalwood	800-526-1630	http://www.RoyalwoodLtd.com

VSBW has been organized for many years to share, learn, and celebrate a variety of basket weaving activities. The current officers and chairpersons are listed above.

VSBW is a member of the National Basketry Organization.

The VSBW newsletter will be sent out the 1st day of the month. VSBW newsletters are electronically sent (PDF Adobe Reader) via e-mail or mailed to members without email.

Dues: \$30 single; \$35 family and shall be paid by January 1st.

2015-2016 Meeting dates: October 15, November 19, December 17, January 21, *February 11, March 18, April 21 and May 19

VSBW exchanges newsletters with approximately 20 basketry organizations across the US and is available to guests at the meetings.

Newsletter Exchanges: Please send your newsletter to VSBW, Box 1411, Venice, FL 34284-1411. Feel free to use our information, but please credit appropriate source.

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