



# Newsletter

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*Celebrating 31 Years of Weaving*

<http://www.venicebasketweaver.com>

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*The October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting* at the Venice Chamber of Commerce building will begin with gathering time at 6:00, *Sharing Creations* at 6:15 and followed by a brief business meeting. The program will include Book Art Project, Christmas Tree Basket and Florida Snowflake ornaments. Bring a 6X9 hardcover book, weaving tools, water bucket, small towel, small clothes pins and tacky glue.

There will be tables for Raffle, Free items and For Sale.

**Next Board meeting:** November 12<sup>th</sup>, 10:00, at Jacaranda Trace Board Room.



VSBW has a newly designed Website

<http://www.venicebasketweaver.com/>

Check it out as there are some wonderful new features



## *President's Message...*

Welcome back weavers!

A new season of meetings starts in just a few weeks. VP Eleanor Langlois has come up with some great programs for us as well as a workshop in January. There will be more details coming as they are worked out.

We will once again have time at the meetings for some Show and Tell. We need to see what you have been working on over the summer and at various conferences and classes.

Many thanks to Sue Garland for taking over website duties. We are in the process of adding new photos to gallery page. Sue has done a great job of posting meeting photos and keeping website current.

This year we will be represented at Venice Sun Fiesta after a long hiatus. We will have a booth on Friday October 21 to distribute Guild information and have some hands on activity for children. Many thanks to Jo Page for her dogged pursuit to give us a presence there.

New website is: [www.venicebasketweaver.com](http://www.venicebasketweaver.com) Take a look if you have not already done so.

In the meantime, happy weaving!

Barb

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## **2016 ~ 2017: MEETING DATES & PROGRAMS MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**October 20** ~ Book Art Project, Christmas tree  
basket & Florida snowflake

**November 17** ~ Continue Book Art Project,  
Sled Ornament

**December** ~ TBA

**January 19** ~ Char Ciammaichella, guest teacher

**February 16** ~ Gourds with Doris Crocker

**March 16** ~ Random Weave

**April 21** ~ TBA

**May 18** ~ Picnic ~ Carolyn Thomas' home

### **2017 VSBW WEAVING CLASS**

Teacher: Char Ciammaichella

Date ~TBA

### **2016-2017 VENICE AREA EVENTS**

**Sun Fiesta ~ October 21<sup>st</sup>, 5-8, Centennial Park  
Venice, FL**

**1800's Christmas ~ December 3<sup>rd</sup>, North Port Public Library  
North Port, FL**

**Venice-Nokomis Fine Art and Craft Festival ~ TBA  
Venice Airport Festival Grounds**

**Fabulous Arts Boutique ~ March 1-4  
Art Center Sarasota ~ Sarasota, FL**

### **Facebook and Basket weaving Group**

If you have a **Facebook** account, there is a wonderful group for basket weavers about basket weaving and more. You will see many beautiful baskets, gourds and weaving from weavers all over the world. You can also add a weaving creation of yours to share with the group after joining the group. Many of the weavers share where to get a pattern for their creation: books and/or teachers. A few teachers also demonstrate weaving techniques by video.

Go to **Facebook** and do a search:

**Facebook Basket Weavers; basketry, gourd weaving & more!**

### **2016 – 2017 VSBW MEMBERSHIP BOOK**

Membership Books will be available at the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### Member Teaching Schedules & Weave-in

...At the Venice Art Center ~ Nantucket Basket Class with Marge Schemanski and Peter Finch ~ TBA.

...Patty Feather ~ Private or group classes. Contact Patty at [patty@featherbaskets.com](mailto:patty@featherbaskets.com)

...Kathryn Erickson ~ Private or groups lessons on your timeline in Punta Gorda. Please contact Kathy at [kathye1745@exede.net](mailto:kathye1745@exede.net)

...Sandy Frick ~ classes TBA

...Jennie Baas ~ teaches at Art Center Manatee & ACE - Sarasota County School District. Also, private or group classes. Contact at [Limetreebaskets@gmail.com](mailto:Limetreebaskets@gmail.com)

...WEAVE-IN at Historic Spanish Point (HSP) ~ Every Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:guid@comcast.net). **If the weather is inclement, please contact Grace.**

...Weaving at Nokomis North Jetty Park ~TBA

### October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting weaving



6 X 9 book



Christmas Tree Basket



Florida Snowflake

Hard covered Book for the Book Art Project should have about 200-400 pages.

All materials and directions for the basket & snowflake will be provided at no charge.

### 2016 Picnic at Golden Beach



#### Potluck Picnic

Great food  
Great friends  
and a  
Wonderful  
Time



**Note from the editor...** My laptop stopped working on October 4<sup>th</sup> while I was working on the October newsletter. Thank you to Sue Garland for helping me get a copy of the 2015 October newsletter so I could start all over again.

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Next VSBW newsletter  
will be sent  
November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Submission deadline:  
October 25<sup>th</sup>



#### Weaving Suppliers

**The Country Seat**  
**H. H. Perkins**  
**N. C. Basket Works**  
**Royalwood**

**610-756-6124**  
**800-462-6660**  
**800-338-4972**  
**800-526-1630**

<http://www.countryseat.com>  
<http://www.hhperkins.com>  
<http://www.ncbasketworks.com>  
<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 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month. The newsletter is 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 1<sup>st</sup>.

**2016-2017 Meeting dates:** **October 20, November 17, December 15, January 19, February 16, March 16, April 20 and May 18**

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

**New VSBW website ~ <http://www.venicebasketweaver.com/>**