



Newsletter

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Celebrating 30 Years of Weaving

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The October 16th meeting at the Venice Chamber of Commerce building will begin with gathering time at 6 PM and followed by a brief business meeting at 6:30. The program will be weaving the Snack Tray which we will be teaching to youth at the Venice Public Library on October 18th. Please bring scissors, cutters, water container and a towel. Kits will be provided by VSBW.

There will be tables for Raffle, Give Away and For Sale.

Next Board meeting: 10 AM, October 11th at Marge Schemanski's home.

VSBW Membership Books

Available at the October meeting and will be mailed after the October meeting

VSBW Library Collection

Look for the list of our library books, with a description about each book, on our website this fall.

President's Message...

We are excited to be joining with "Friends of the Venice Library" to be teaching basket weaving to some younger members of our community. 15 kids, 8 years old and up, will be learning how to make a snack tray and a pencil holder. "Friends of the Venice Library" is paying for all the materials. The library staff is supplying the students and facility. We're already having fun putting the kits together. At our October 16 meeting we'll be honing our skills to teach the snack tray (tension tray). We hope you are able to take part in this outreach program. A big **thanks** to Sue Davis and Barb Hower for their leadership.

Please consider taking part in our commercial show. It's a great venue to show case your work and hopefully be rewarded with some \$\$\$.

Keep you lasher damp,
Donna

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VSBW Meeting September 18, 2014 minutes...

President Donna Naylor called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. She asked the 9 members present to introduce themselves to new member Kathi Poyneer and briefly share how they came to be basket weavers.

There were no minutes read from previous meeting and no Treasurer's report.

Vice President Barb Hower introduced the program for the evening which was making the pencil holder basket we will be teaching at the Venice Public Library on October 18th for Weaving with Kids Day, sponsored by the Friends of the Venice Public Library and the VSBW. Barb also reported that at the October 16th meeting we will make the snack tray, the second basket to be made at the library that day. Additionally, Barb is in touch with Patty Feather in Punta Gorda to arrange a class at her studio there.

Jan Hartvigsen will be taking over membership in November. We have 51 single and 3 family memberships for a total of 54 members.

Sue Davis reported the newsletter was sent with 8 being sent by mail.

Librarian Jeanette Johnson will provide the list of library books and a brief synopsis of each book to be added to our website in the near future.

Sixty five membership books have been printed and 300 new flyers for distribution.

Elaine Cunningham reported that $\frac{3}{4}$ of the Howard Allen application process is completed for both the November and March shows. The VSBW member entry fee is only \$10 and she is encouraging members to participate.

FAB rule books will be available in 2-3 weeks. A couple of slots for VSBW remain open and she is hoping to see more basketry represented.

Weave-in has started at Historic Spanish Point. Cost is \$3.00 each weave-in or \$50 one year HSP membership. Pack a lunch and join the weavers!

Sharon Schneider has updated the web site with new board member information.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 6:56.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Hower for Eleanor Langlois, Secretary

LOOKING AHEAD ~ EVENTS

Scarecrow Festival ~ October 10 & 11~ Historic Spanish Point

Downtown Art Festival ~ November 1st & 2nd

It's time to get out your beautiful pieces you'd like to sell. There are always many visitors to our booth who view and purchase VSBW various creations... creations made from various fibers!



If you have questions, please contact Elaine Cunningham at elapet@comcast.net

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Member Teaching Schedules & Weave-in

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

....Kathryn Erickson ~ Private lessons: contact Kathy at pineneedleart@gmail.com

...Sandy Frick ~ classes at ACE: 941-361-6590 and Selby Botanical Gardens: 941-366-9807

Decorative Papers at ACE, Oct 16th 1-4, Apply surface design techniques of paste papers, bubbling and suminigashi; **Paper Making** at Selby Botanical Gardens, Oct 22nd, 10-4, Create original sheets of paper from cooked plants used to make pulp; **Sea Shore Journal** at ACE, Oct 30th, 9:30-4:00. Use direct & indirect printing methods to decorate pages & covers, then assemble book.

...at the **Knitting Place**, 258 West Miami Place, Venice ~ for all your knitting needs and classes at all levels ~ for information, please call 941-486-1584; www.veniceknittingplace.com

....**WEAVE-IN** at Historic Spanish Point (HSP) ~ **Every Tuesday, September-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 inclement, please contact Grace.**

September 18th meeting ~ Gathering Time, Meeting, Raffle and Weaving Pencil Baskets



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will be sent
November 1st
Submission deadline:
October 27th



Snack Tray

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
The Knitting Place	941-486-1584	http://www.veniceknittingplace.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 Sarasota County Arts Council, and the Art and Cultural Alliance (serving south Sarasota County).

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

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

2014-2015 Meeting dates: September 18 ; October 16; November 20; December 18; January 15; February 19; March 19; April 16; and May 21

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

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