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# The President's Pen A by President Cindy Stanton



Summer has come and gone and the cool fall weather is blowing in. Now it's time to think about all those exciting upcoming weaving events. TBG volunteers will be demonstrating at many events in the month of October- see page 2. Lots of

opportunities to volunteer your time.

Open to the Public will be held Oct. 18 at the First Christian Church, pass the word around and we will spread our love of weaving. If you can help teach we need you.

Back by popular demand is the 7-7-7 UFO series. A great way to get those pesky unfinished baskets off your shelf, those gifts or kits, completed, and a great way to just try out a new pattern. Check out Susie's article with all the details on page 2.

Our new 2014-2015 Calendar is out. We have a few visiting teachers coming, a few new members teaching and some exciting happenings. Thank you to those that helped and those volunteering your time. We really appreciate you!!



Have you seen us on FaceBook? Friends of TBG. Check us out.

Elections for Vice President and Treasurer were held and congratulations to Susie Waters, Vice President and Sherry Matthews, Treasurer, for being elected onto the board, thank you ladies for volunteering your time.



New Officers Susie, VP and Sherry, Treasurer

Guilders Weave 2015 is almost here!!! So much excitement and so much to do.

Big THANK YOU's go out to all our volunteers over the last few months. I hope you all don't get tired of me saying thank you over and over again to all our volunteers, because I really do feel that way. You all make a huge difference in our guild and I am very proud of that. I have had many other guilds comment to me that our guild has so many volunteers and we are so welcoming, that is all because of you!!! As I look back over this first year of my Presidency, volunteering is what makes our guild so strong. A huge THANK YOU shout out to all our volunteers. You ROCK!! I wish you all a happy fall and Happy Weaving,

Cindy

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Tis' the season to collect dues for the 2014/2015 TBG year!! Many thanks to those who have sent renewals through the mail or gave them to me at the September meeting. If you have a question about your status, please e-mail me and I will check on it. Jaime



We welcome the following new members:

Shirley O'Donnell from Cary, NC

Cheryl Parker from Havelock, NC

Linda and Thomas Smith from Manassas, VA

Jane Tolar from Easton, MD

#### Upcoming TBG Events

October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>--Newport News Fall Festival

October 11<sup>th</sup>--Virginia Beach Farmers Market

October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>--Waterways Heritage Festival

October 18<sup>th</sup>--Open to the Public will be held at the First Christian Church.



Marcie Murphy's Indian Corn decoration



### 7 projects – 7 months – 7 dollars

UFO: We are doing this a little different this time- you pick your basket for each UFO month.

First basket (something for Christmas or Christmas gift) due at November meeting with \$7 and list of other six baskets. I have a sheet for you to fill out and for you to keep a copy with the month that they are due. There will be a monthly prize of those who participate, a prize for those who complete all seven baskets and the grand prize of cash (each completed UFO gives you a chance for this drawing-so more completed-more chances). If you cannot attend the meeting, please email a picture of your completed basket to me at watersx4@cox.net or text to me at 757-819-1064.

Thank you, Susie Waters

#### Christy's journal

#### Billy Owens Classes July 25, 26, 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

What a wonderful 3 days the guild recently had to weave with Billy Owens from the Ozarks of South West Missouri. For those of you that don't know Billy is a 2<sup>nd</sup> generation White Oak Basket Maker. He starts with cutting and processing the tree in order to give us the wonderful material that was needed to make the small apple basket, large Williamsburg basket and square pie baskets. Billy's classes started on Friday and he must have had a great group of weavers because by the time the rest of us arrived on Sunday morning he only had **3** of his own baskets left for sale. (Don't worry, he has promised that he will have a large variety when he returns for GW in January). Billy is a wonderful instructor, lots of tips and tricks as well as my favorite a *mold* to weave on.

During Saturday's class I kept looking at my pile of scrap materials and wondering what to do with them, I just hated to waste them. Most of you know that I am a miniature weaver and so I went home and made Billy his own "little" market basket out of my white oak scraps. If you ever have an opportunity to take a class with Billy it is a great experience. Be sure to stop in and check out all of Billy's baskets at GW in January.

Christy





Billy and Christy



Billy and Cindy



Billy, Rami and Tina

## Summer in review, TBG style

**June: Kim Voska**, thank you for reinforcing our round reed techniques by teaching the twopart round reed basket, everyone loved it!



Kim demonstrating to Tina

August: The rain didn't stop us at the Annual Pool Party hosted by Billie Dorris. We wove Christmas Bells in the garage, ate lots of delicious goodies and had lots of laughs. Thank you Billie!



Cindy teaching at the pool party

September: More hot weather still to come. We still need these attractive water bottle totes that we made during the September TBG meeting!



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July bought us visiting teacher, White Oak basket maker Billy Owens. Billy's classes were a huge hit. All the baskets he brought for sale were sold! Wow! Great baskets Billy!



**Billy Owens**