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The SHORT Report

by President Diane Short



<u>Calendar Activities</u>. With summer comes the time for us to start deciding on activities for the upcoming year. Our calendar year runs from October 1, 2013, to September 30, 2014. Several years ago we

created the opportunity for our own members to offer classes for our guild. If you are interested in teaching, please complete the teacher application and submit an actual sample of the basket you will be offering by August 3. The board needs to review all offerings and to determine where we have openings for each basket. Don't wait too long to request an application form from **Cindy Stanton** or myself. We can email the form to you. This is your chance to try teaching to a small group of your understanding peers.

Other great ways to help the guild are as follows: (1) volunteer to teach or help teach a class at a time that is convenient for you; (2) submit an idea for a two-hour class for Sunday's general meeting; (3) suggest an idea for a weaving technique that you would like to see presented; and (4) recommend various types of basket classes and visiting teachers to be offered on Saturdays. Please share your thoughts with us before August. **Elections.** Elections for the positions of president and secretary will be held at the September 8 meeting. If you are interested in running for one of these offices, please contact **Billie Dorris** who is in charge of the nominations. Look for additional election information and job descriptions on page 3 of this newsletter. We hope to have a bio on each of the candidates for you to review by the end of August.

July, 2013

Pool Party. *"Christmas in August"* is the theme for the Pool and Volunteer Awards Party on Saturday, August 3, at the home of **Billie Dorris** starting at 10:00 a.m. We will weave a Christmas basket with a make one/take one format. Please let **Cindy Stanton** know if you will be attending so that we will have a kit for you. Remember if you are not able to come, we will provide just the pattern at the September 8 meeting. Only those members in attendance at the August pool party will receive the complete kit.

September 8 Meeting. The September 8 meeting will provide the perfect opportunity for you to sign up for various activities. Also, elections for president and secretary will be held, and we will be creating kits for future OTP classes. The renovations to the fellowship hall at Larchmont UMC may or may not be completed; therefore, check your email and the TBG website regularly for the latest information regarding the meeting's location.



TIME MANAGEMENT & CIFT CIVING

Each year about this time I start to think about the upcoming Christmas holiday. My mother will remind me on June 25 when she says, "Only six more months 'til Christmas." I cringe when she says that because: (1) I already feel behind on my gift making, and (2) I know my mother has already made or purchased half of the gifts on her list!

Each year do you say to yourself, "Ok, if I finish one project a month, I will have 12 completed by Christmas." Every year I say that to myself, and every year I just blow it. I either forget to weave, (How could I even say that?), or I forget my list, or I change my mind, or I just find something else to do. With all this being said, this year I have completed a few projects thanks to the UFO event. They are sitting in my basket room, and I vow to use them as gifts. Also in my basket room is a pile of UFOs and kits to be completed, and next to it is my list of people who will be the recipients of these gifts. Just like Santa, I am making my list (done) and checking it twice.

Proposal: I'm thinking next year we should instate a Christmas Club so that each month we can get together to weave our Christmas gifts. Let me know what you think about that because I am truly interested.





GUILDERS WEAVE 2014 FLOWER POWER January 16-19 From Kim Voska



Jurying was completed on June 8, and the team selected 80 baskets (with some that are make one and take one options) out of over 130 baskets! We have a wonderful selection

to choose from including many "Flower Power" inspired selections. There were 24 teachers who submitted baskets for consideration, and we selected 20 teachers' works. This year we are "clumping" classes; meaning, you will have the option during sign-up to select one or another similar-but-different basket taught by the same teacher(s) to learn and weave during the class time. This provides more choices for you.

A special thanks goes to the jurying team: Susie Waters, Diane Short, Cindy Stanton, Mary Giles, Carol Van Derzee, and Dawn West. Extra special thanks to our Cindy Stanton who effortlessly and expertly photographed every basket prior to jurying.

I am on the lookout for basket related items that can be packaged and offered as door

prizes (kits, patterns, weaving tools, and miscellaneous). Please bring them to upcoming meetings, send them with a friend, or contact me and we can arrange a pick-up.



SEPTEMBER ELECTIONS

At the September 8 meeting members will be electing a new president and secretary. **Billie Dorris**, election facilitator, will manage the voting process.

Prior to the September 8 meeting, you may nominate yourself or someone else (after obtaining his/her consent) by contacting **Billie Dorris** at 757.430.1254 or at

basketsbybillie@verizon.net.

Also, nominations from the floor will be accepted during the general meeting at the August pool party.



Below are the position descriptions for president and secretary to help you make well-informed nominations:

PRESIDENT

Presides over all meetings of the board and the general membership. Appoints all committee chairs with board approval. Prepares a written agenda for all meetings. Assists with creating the annual budget and calendar. Communicates with the meeting location's representative regarding dates and use of facilities.

SECRETARY

Records the minutes of board and general meetings. Submits the minutes of the previous meeting to the board members at the current meeting. Maintains and files all minutes and transfers files to his/her successor. Prepares correspondence and mails greeting cards as directed by the board.



mark your calendar

 August 3, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.; pool party at the home of Billie Dorris

BRING:



--lawn chair --small table --a dish to share --weaving tools and materials --bathing suit

- August 3; deadline for submitting basket proposals to Cindy Stanton for teaching classes during the next TBG calendar year
- August 23-25; Deb Hurd, visiting teacher; LUMC Great Room
- ✤ Sept. 1; mail your GW 2014 registration
- Sept. 8; general meeting; location TBA; elections, volunteer sign-ups, and creating kits for future OTP classes; consider paying your dues at this meeting since membership dues are due in October, and there is no October meeting.
- ◆ Oct. 5-6; Newport News Fall Festival
- Oct. 12-13; Chesapeake Waterways Heritage Festival





Congratulations to **Jean Poythress Koon** whose signature basket—marsh grass with



oyster shell center was selected to be displayed at the *Small Expressions* 2013 annual juried exhibition sponsored by the Handweavers

Guild of America. The exhibition is in St. Charles, Illinois, from June 1 through September 7. It features 34 contemporary, small-scale art works (from more than 200 entries) by 31 artists from 17 states and 3 countries.

Jackie Church and Judith Saunders were the "leading ladies" of a two-person exhibition at the Dare County Arts Council Gallery



where they displayed their exceptional art works during the month of May.

New Member . .



Jeanne Pettersen

IN MEMORIAM

DOROTHEA (DOTTIE) GOMEZ



Sadly, TBG lost one of its members. **Dorothea (Dottie) Gomez** passed away on April 7 at the age of 79. Dottie lived in Lake Monticello, Virginia, and was also a member of the Lake Monticello Basket Cases.

Basket weaving was a passion that she nurtured later in her life, and we were blessed to have her in attendance at last January's Guilders Weave.

A New Home for Special Items. Richard

(Dick) Moff passed away in 2011 and was well

known for his Shaker boxes. His wife, **Carol Moff**, a TBG member, is now hoping to find a new home for her late husband's equipment (molds,



saw, etc.) that he used to make the Shaker boxes. If you are interested in obtaining any of these items, contact Carol at 757.503.4364.

TBG Officers/Board Members 2012-2013

| President | Diane Short |
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| Vice President | Cindy Stanton |
| Secretary | Vicki Cartos |
| Treasurer | Susie Waters |
| Membership | Sherral Nelson |
| Historian | Alyce Bargamin |

A GLANCE AT THE PAST



In April **Judith Saunders** taught a wall pouch class, and **Jan White** (above) took advantage of the opportunity.

the guild's traditionally-offered round basket so much that this pattern may be used in the future.



At the May meeting, **Susie Waters** taught a woven placemat to the members including **Sue Legault-Davidson** and **Lynn Ryan** (above).



Jeanne Pettersen (above) attended the April Open to the Public session and chose to join our guild after making this basket which, by the way, was her design. Trudi MacMillan, OTP chairperson, liked Jeanne's modified version of



At the June meeting, **Jamie VanOekel** (left) showed **Trudi MacMillan** and **Tina Plageman** how to weave curls onto the red, white, and blue Williamsburg-handle basket.





Slap rulers – 2 for \$5 Playing cards - \$4 per deck Contact Susie Waters <u>susan.waters@ubs.com</u> **<u>T-SHIRTS</u>**. Throughout the summer, TBG is selling 100% cotton preshrunk T-shirts with the TBG logo in short or long sleeves, in sizes small through 3X, and in a large array of colors. Prices range from \$10-\$14. The order



will be placed after Labor Day. Contact **Susie Waters** at

susan.waters@ubs.com for an order form and color guide information.

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