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The President's Pen by Vicki Cartos



STAYING HOPEFUL

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I imagine your last few months have been disappointing and challenging to say the least.

Indeed, the stay-at-home orders, cancellations, restrictions, uncertainties, isolations, illnesses, and deaths—all stemming from this potent virus—have been unprecedented experiences for our country. I pray that all of you and your families are doing well and that you continue to successfully adjust to this current, new normal as the states loosen restrictions. I encourage all members to **STAY HOPEFUL** as we move forward in 2020.

TBG Calendar. Of course, our guild has been affected by the virus, too. Shockingly, basketry guild activities are considered non-essential. Consequently, it has been so disappointing to cancel all of our events during April, May, and June. More importantly, I realize that we all miss the fellowship that comes with meeting and weaving as a group. Trust me when I say that I feel your pain.

The Board remains **HOPEFUL** that our activities will resume before the summer fades with the pool party and visiting teacher, Jenny Elzy, in August.

The Board maintains **HOPE** that our meetings, classes, OTP, festivals, and holiday party will come to fruition as scheduled throughout the coming months.

In addition, the Board is vigilantly **HOPEFUL** that GW 2021 will proceed as planned with all the necessary safety protocols.

September Election. During the September 13 meeting at First Christian Church in Hampton, members will be electing a new vice president and treasurer. I want to thank Judy Townsend for agreeing to run for treasurer. Of course, additional nominations for treasurer can still be accepted through August 1.

Unfortunately, the Board is having a difficult time finding someone to run for vice president. I know that there are talented members in our guild who possess the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully serve as vice president. I am holding on to **HOPE** that someone will contact me soon requesting to run for vice president.

STAY HOPEFUL that our days of weaving at home in isolation will end and that we will be weaving with one another very soon.

Vice Presidents Corner Tina Plageman

Happy Summer/Happy Weaving Guild Members

What a depressing last several months we have had with all of our event cancellations. I hope this newsletter finds you able to fill those empty dates with some weaving on your own. If you were planning to attend a convention and it has been cancelled, please reach out to those teachers and purchase a kit. Many of our basket weaving teachers are not otherwise employed and depend on the conventions and sales to keep their businesses up and running. Let's show our support!!

We are working on getting the Small Rainbow Tote with Sybil that was going to be held after our May meeting rescheduled for possibly September.

Susie and I were happy to be able to meet with those of you who signed up for the Candy Dish and hand out kits. Let's see those finished pictures on our Friends of TBG Facebook group!!

It was unfortunate that we had to cancel the Mandela Dot classes with Diane Frankenfield, but she is very much interested in rescheduling with us.

The Portsmouth Seawall Festival that takes place in August has been canceled, as well. They were not able to get enough vendors registered by the deadline and had no other choice than to cancel for this year.

EVENTS STILL ON FOR 2020

The POOL PARTY will go on unless we are in the middle of a major hurricane!! This annual event is scheduled for Saturday, August 1st at 10:00 at my house. Sybil will be teaching a "Toilet Tank" Catch All basket, but don't let the name of this one fool you!! It has many uses, but the size of it fits perfectly on the toilet tank to hold all of your bathroom goodies. You must sign up with me AND attend the pool party in order to weave the basket. This is a FREE event!! NO kits will be available!!

This year we have added an extra activity that you may be interested in participating in. We will be doing a KIT SWAP. Bring a kit you have that is valued at \$20 or more. Make sure it is complete and the materials are still good.

Susie will handle the swap by giving your kit a number. Each of us will draw numbers and go home with the corresponding kit.

Jenny Elzy is still planning on being our visiting teacher for August 14th and 15th. She will be teaching two classes each day. Right now, we are scheduled to have her at LUMC in Norfolk, but we are unsure if the church will be opened at that time. We are looking in to other options for a facility and will keep you up to date. Look for more information on her classes to be on the TBG website.

We don't have a date yet, but as a special Saturday class in September, I will be teaching Pauline Hasbury's CHERYL'S LEGACY basket. This is a HUGE one!! It's on a 14" round wooden base to start with, so just imagine finished size!! Cost and location will be put out soon.

October takes us to the Newport News Fall Festival. As of two weeks ago, this event is still ON!! I will need a few volunteers to sit with me at our Guild booth. Let me know if you are interested!!

With all that's going on in our country these days, it can be very depressing. WEAVING IS THE BEST THERAPY!! Take care of yourselves, be safe when you go out and HAPPY WEAVING!! Hope to see you all at the pool party!!

Tina



Pool Party Basket

Guilders Weave 2021

Presents



The Jurying Committee has met, and many difficult decisions were made. We are going to have a GREAT GW21!! A special Thank You to everyone who Juried for your time and effort towards making this a FANTASTIC Guilders Weave! Look for more information in the beginning August. Don't forget to make your reservations TODAY! Go to the Tidewater Basketry Guild website at tídewaterbasketryguíld.org Click on the Guilders Weave for the reservations link If you have any questions about Guilders Weave, please email me at holcombehi@gmail.com

Happy Weaving!!

Wendy Holcombe, GW21 Chairperson Sybil Magrill, GW21 Co-Chairperson Trudi MacMillan, GW21 Co-Chairperson





Kids National Weaving Day

Postponed until June 26, 2021

Mark your Calendars!

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN WEAVING AT HOME?

Please continue to share all of the awesome projects you are working on at home. Here are just a few of the things we've seen.



Beautiful Baskets by Nancy Geddes

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Cheryl Tilley completed her set of Snowflake Baskets Designed by JoAnn Kelly Catsos

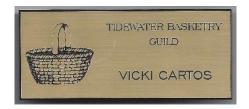
Basket Mugs by JoAnn Kelly Catsos UPDATE



I still have some of these **FABULOUS** mugs designed by JoAnn. If you would like one please don't hesitate to contact me and we can make arrangements to get it to you. Please make the check to JoAnn Kelly Catsos for \$15 for each mug.

Christy Newman bchcrzn@yahoo.com

NAME BADGE ORDERS



Orders will be taken for name badges at the **POOL PARTY** and the **SEPTEMBER MEETING**.

Payment is required when you sign up.

Make checks payable to TBG.

PIN BACK \$8.56

MAGNETIC BACK . . . \$10.70

Questions? Contact Vicki Cartos at vmcartos@cox.net

TBG Membership News

Have you paid your dues?
Because we are updating the notebook, we also ask that you **print a membership form** and send it in with your \$20. This can be found on the TBG website under the CONTACT US tab. If you're not sure please contact Cindy.

The new year begins October 1st, 2019.

Mail memberships to: TBG 107 Brady Loop Ct. Maple, NC 27956 Attn: Membership/ C. Stanton

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Any news, corrections, comments, suggestions, ideas, or

photos should be sent by the designated deadline dates. If you have any articles please forward them to bchcrzn@yahoo.com Thank you!

Christy Newman Newsletter Editor



Are you keeping up with Friends of TBG on FB?

Check out our FB page for great pictures of baskets and updates about TBG activities!