



OCTOBER 2025 NEWSLETTER



Baskets are like People

Our practical and functional baskets may reflect the daily grind of the worker. But like people who bring you closer into relationships, baskets have a chance to turn the functional into inspiration. Perhaps you will find inspiration as you look inward in your basket and fellow weavers.

-Mark Boyce, Co-President

Newsletter Highlights

Welcome Message

Upcoming Class Dates
for 2025-2026

Membership Updates

New Board Members

October & November
Classes

2025-26 SCHEDULE

October 4, 2025

November 1, 2025

February 7, 2026

May 2, 2026

NEWS & UPDATES

New Board Memebbers

Please welcome two new board members to our guild, Dana Gilbertson & Patty Ziburski. Both come to the board with some fresh ideas and lots of basket experience! We know there are some changes this year, and hoping that the input of these two can help make a better Basket Guild for all!

Membership Dues - \$25

Membership dues will be \$25 for the 25/26 year. It is a one-time fee for the season. Cash or Check can be brought to any meeting you attend or it can be mailed in. Membership form attached or find it online at: <https://forms.gle/Qn5dVB7GTGcdfdZr8>

\$10 Non-Member Fee

Continuing again this year, if any non-members want to attend one class without joining the Guild, with a \$10 fee paid to the NSBG. Paid members get priority. This \$10 fee is in addition to any class fees to the instructor.

Sign-In Sheet

When you arrive to the meeting, please use our sign in sheet so we can keep track of both members and non-members. It helps us with who has paid/needs to pay membership as well!

18 & Under Membership

We are offering a membership for those people who are 18 & under for \$15 for the season. This option is on the membership form.

NEW on Facebook

We've added a business page on Facebook for North Shore Basket Guild, where we will also be adding events to that page for any upcoming classes/etc. Our hope is to grow the guild by reaching more people - so please like our page and share if you want!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580383497107>

Online Form for Instructor Proposals

We're always looking for instructors to teach a class. And new this year, we have an online form to fill out in addition to a PDF that is online under the Classes tab.

<https://forms.gle/xUC25LGSfUvb8G3U6>

Supply Closet & Raffle

The NSBG has a supply cabinet which contains basket supplies for sale. The price list is on the cabinet door. Patterns are in a three-ring binder to borrow along with books. There are molds and a pony shaver to rent. The cost is \$20.00 for a deposit, which will be returned, less a \$5.00 charge for the use. The money will be payable to the guild.

We will still have raffles during meetings. Please bring any supplies you can spare, basket related, for a donation. If you are interested in running the raffle, please email us at northshorebasketguild@gmail.com!

Meeting & Location Info

Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue until 2:00 p.m.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
410 North Arlington Avenue
Duluth, MN 55811

Information & Updates can be found online too:
www.northshorebasket.org



OCTOBER CLASSES - 10/4

To register for a class, and if you have questions, communicate directly with the basket instructor.

CATTAIL BASKET

by: Dana Gilbertson

Send questions to: danainduluth@gmail.com

Cost: \$30 + (\$10 for non-members / \$25 membership for the year)

Class Size: 10

Kits Available: No

Register by: 10/3/25

Level: Advanced Beginner

Additional Info: During the class you'll be making a smaller basket - between 4-8 inches in diameter, with the exact size chosen when you arrive. A smaller basket will likely take 2.5 hours, while larger ones going up in time. The basket style is beginner-friendly, but cattail leaves can be finicky -- slippery and tricky to work with -- so those with prior basket-weaving experience may find it easier to complete. We will also discuss how to harvest and prepare this common wetland plant! Please email Dana with any questions or inquiries to sign up.



LUNCH PAIL BASKET

by: Kathy Melton

Send questions to: frarobmel@yahoo.com

Cost: \$30 + (\$10 for non-members / \$25 membership for the year)

Class Size: 6

Register by: 10/3/25

Level: Advanced Beginner

Additional Info: This basket is 8-9 inches tall with a leather handle. The base is 3"x7" roughly. You'll be doing stop and start rows along with an over under weave with a little tree decoration put on last.



Please email Kathy with any questions or inquiries to sign up.



NOVEMBER CLASSES - 11/1

To register for a class, and if you have questions, communicate directly with the basket instructor.

TITLE OF BASKET

Patty Z. class?

by:

Send questions to: EMAIL

Cost: \$

Class Size:

Register by:

Level:

Additional Info:

TITLE OF BASKET

Mark another class if needed?

by:

Send questions to: EMAIL

Cost: \$

Class Size:

Register by:

Level:

Additional Info: