



CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA BASKET WEAVERS GUILD

MEETINGS

1:30 PM
2nd Sunday of
every month

East Shore
Library
4501 Ethel St
Harrisburg, PA

The Library is located at the rear of the Colonial Park Mall, near the intersection of RT 83 and RT 22. Please park in the Mall Lot near the rear of the Boscov Store. The meeting is in the Lower level of the Library Bldg.

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Newsletter can be
found on the WEB
at:

[http://basketry.
homestead.com
/index.html](http://basketry.homestead.com/index.html)

Presidential Musings...

As I write this I am in Wilmington, NC visiting my daughter, son-in-law and 4 granddaughters. The temperature is in the 80's and we plan to go to the beach tomorrow. I love this weather because you can sit outside to weave. That way there isn't any mess to clean up!

It has been really great to see new faces at the meetings and have them join the Guild. Hopefully they will bring new ideas, tips, hints and more friends. The bigger the guild becomes the better for all of us.

The hearts we made in January and the birdhouses in February were something a little different from the regular basket. I think we all enjoyed weaving these new items. Have any other ideas for us to use as a program this next year? What would you like to learn - or teach? Bring your ideas to the June meeting, and help plan an exciting year for 2000-2001. If you can't make it to the meeting call or e-mail one of us with your ideas.

Along with new programs it is also time to be thinking about new officers for the coming year. Volunteers are welcome! Elections are in June with the nominations in May.

Hope to see you at one of the next meetings!

Billie

Upcoming Programs

APRIL 9, 2000

PEANUT BASKET

with JEFF SHIELDS

Supplies

1/2" flat reed
1/4" flat reed
#2 seagrass
#2 round reed

Pattern is available on the web at Basket Class. You can print it at:

<http://basketclass.com/peanut.html>

Before class cut 20 spokes from 1/2" flat at 22.5" and 8 spokes from 1/2" flat at 11".

MAY 14, 2000

COLLEEN'S

COLLECTIBLE BASKET

with COLLEEN SKELTON

DESIGNED BY DEB HAMMOND

Supplies

#2 round reed for twining
3/8" flat
1/4" flat (You will need two colors or
can be done all natural)

1/2" flat

seagrass

1/4" flat for lashing

3 x 10 D Handle

Upcoming programs (continued)

This is a fairly small basket. Base measures 2 3/4" by 6 1/2".

Patterns will cost \$3.00 each and the handles will cost \$2.59.

Cut spokes from 1/2 inch flat :

3 spokes @ 22" long

6 spokes @ 18" long

JUNE 11, 2000

PICNIC AND PLANNING

with **JUNE BLAKE**

The Guild's annual picnic, elections and planning will be hosted by June Blake. The Guild will furnish meat, drinks and tableware. Bring a covered dish and come for an afternoon of fun and planning. Bring along any basket, pattern or idea you may have for our planning of activities for next year.

To get to June's home take I83 South to Exit 19. Turn west and travel approximately 1 block, turn left on West Shore Drive. June lives at # 19, the 4th house on the left.

MEET A FELLOW MEMBER

LYN LEVAN

MIDDLEBURG, PA

How long have you been weaving?
What was your first basket?
What is your favorite basket?
What is your least favorite?
What is your favorite tool?
Where do you like to purchase materials?
What is your favorite material to weave with?
Do you teach basket weaving?
Where?

How far do you travel to meetings?
What kind of meeting do you enjoy most?
Personal/family information....

EXHIBIT SCHEDULED

Be sure to remember to stop by the New Cumberland Public Library during April to take a look at the Guild's Exhibit in the display case. If you have baskets that may be included be sure to call either Linda Clifton or Jeff Shields to arrange pickup or delivery. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase our creations.

SURF'S UP

The featured Web site for this newsletter has already been listed on the front page. It is the page for the Central Pennsylvania Basket Weavers which has been developed and is maintained by Jeff Shields. If you haven't had a chance to stop by and take a look you are missing a real treat. The page is located at: <http://basketry.homestead.com/index.html>. This page will have all the information that is included in our newsletter as well as including up to the minute news about guild activities and plans. Drop by and send Jeff an email thanking him for all the work he is doing on behalf of our organization.

10 years +
egg basket
Cabin Boy
ribbed baskets
bone awl
Gratiot Lake, Carolina Basketry, P L Butte
black ash
yes
employees of my school district, at 5 elementary schools
approx. 55 miles one way
weaving
2 dogs, 1 cat, 5 goats, 1 husband (20+ yrs)
2 children (Mike and Sarah)