

TIDINGS

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The President's Pen **by President Cindy Stanton**



Wow, the snow, ice and cold weather has really made for an interesting winter this year, hope you were able to stay warm, sit inside and weave. Another Guilders Weave has come and gone and again it proved to be a great time. I would like to again thank Dawn West and her crew of

volunteers on a great job. Now GW16 Chairwoman, Kim Voska and her team of volunteers have started their exciting year-long adventure of putting on a great event. Be sure to check out Kim's article for more exciting news.

We have many events coming up in the next few months...

Visiting teachers: Judy Wobbleton will be with us on April 18th at the Larchmont United Methodist Church in Norfolk. Judy comes to us from North Carolina and is teaching us her creative reed baskets.

Dona Nazarenko comes to us from Vermont on May 16-17, will be teaching at the First Christian Church in Hampton. Dona will be teaching us her creative reed and birch bark baskets.

I look forward to seeing many of you at both of these events. It's a great way to experience teachers we don't see often and out of a convention experience. We are so honored these teachers can come to our area to teach us what they love... weaving. Make sure you sign up today to support the visiting teachers.

Open to the Public will be taught on April 18th at the Larchmont United Methodist Church in Norfolk. Our new Chairperson, Sherral Nelson and her volunteers will show/teach brand new weavers the fun of weaving. This is a great opportunity to start teaching. If you are interested in volunteering, please let Sherral know.

There are a few events in the area that members will be demonstrating: Gathering of the Guilds is a great event to be held April 4th at the Francis Land House in Virginia Beach. I will be chairing this event. If you would like to come out and weave with me, please let me know. I welcome the company. Virginia Beach Farmers Market has asked us to come out and demonstrate. Please look at the dates and plan to volunteer. April 11, May 2-3, May 30, June 20, July 11, Aug 15, Sep. 12, Sep 26, Oct 10, Oct 24, Nov 7, Nov 21 Dec. 12. Do any of these dates appeal to you? Let me know if so.

Virginia Beach Spring Craft Show was held on March 20-21, Rami McKinney and her volunteers demonstrated and talked to future TBG members. Thank you to Rami and crew for doing what we love...talk about weaving.

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

I wish you all a Happy Spring and Happy Weaving,
Cindy

TBG at NCBA

Member News



Carol VanDerzee and Judith Saunders

received 3 ribbons each at NCBA

Carol won 1st in Ribbed, General

1st in Miniature, General

2nd in Coiled, General

Judith won 2nd in Miniature, Professional and Teacher

1st in Mixed media, P + T

2nd in Wires and Textiles, P + T



Cheryl



Laura and Diane



Carol and Judith



Trudi



Mary Jo

Judith Saunders had one of her creations *Elegant Containment* selected for All Things Considered VIII. This one of 55 selected from 281 submitted entries by jurors JoAnn Kelly Catsos and Perry Price. Entries selected were a balance of traditional and contemporary works that demonstrated superior technique and original concept and design. The exhibit will be held in conjunction with the NBO Biennial Conference at Macalester College in St. Paul, MN, July 9 - August 9 then it will travel to Fruitlands Museum in Harvard, MA.

Weaving Across Hampton Roads



Tina's Moyock class

Tina Plageman offers a beginning basket class in Moyock, NC. She's teaching a couple of classes a month. Tina says it's been a great success. One woman even brought her 10 year old son along so he could earn a Boy Scout badge!

Tales from John C. Campbell Folk School

Cindy Stanton and I had a wonderful week at John C. Campbell Folk School weaving miniature baskets with JoAnn Kelly Catsos. Our journey began by spending “Valentine’s Day” together in Asheville, NC. We had a wonderful dinner and even saw a pillow fight in the town square.

On Sunday we arrived at the Folk School for registration, orientation, dinner and then off to our classes. We had signed up to be in the dorm room and it turned out all of our room mates were in the basket class too.

Sunday evening we were able to get a basket started and ready to begin weaving the next morning. Cindy had her first experience with a basket 1” in size and she did a beautiful job. Monday afternoon we had hoped for a tour of the campus but cold weather (3 degrees), wind and rain caused a cancellation. We spent a wonderful week weaving, doing yoga, weaving, getting a massage, more weaving, eating (sometimes a little too much of that), blacksmith demonstration, more weaving and more yoga.

Morning Song everyday was a great variety of musicians and stories about the Folk School. We had a special treat for lunch devotions on Wednesday as Pattie Bagley (resident basket artist at the Folk School) sang Amazing Grace in Cherokee.

Friday afternoon was a wonderful show and tell of all the classes at the Folk School that week, woodcarving, blacksmiths, felt hats, enameling, cooking class (soup and bread of which samples were provided on Friday!), wood boxes, pottery and photography. I think our baskets turned out beautiful and we can’t wait to share them with you at the next meeting.

Christy Newman



JoAnn Kelly Catsos’
John C. Campbell class



Sally and Jerry
representing TBG at the
Va. Beach Spring Craft
Show



Guilder's Weave 2016 Rockin' and Weavin' round the clock

January 14 – 17, 2016 NEW LOCATION !



- Meeting room rental fee waived if total food, beverage, and sleeping rooms' requirements are met (\$3,000)
- Sleeping room rate honored three (3) days prior/post event
- Meeting Rooms all on ground floor, all together in one area (banquet area, class meeting rooms, separate hospitality room, separate vending room for Suzanne and Phil Moore of Suzanne Moore's North Carolina Basketworks, separate room for masseuse, luxurious restrooms, and wide lavish hallways with high-quality furniture for our convenience)
- Potential to increase enrollment and teacher participation (in years to come!)

Newport News Marriott at City Center

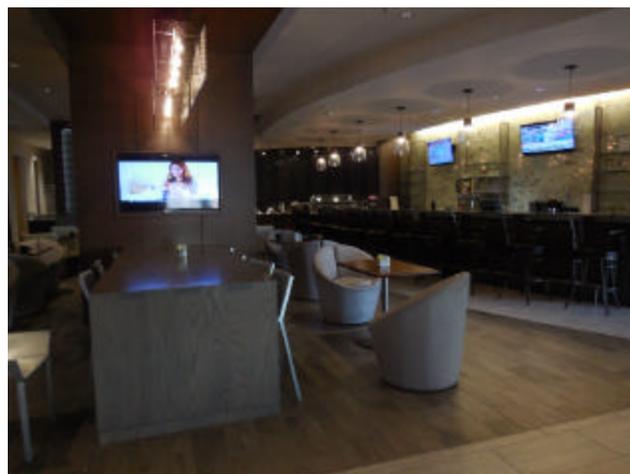
740 Town Center Drive
 Newport News, VA 23606
 (Only 1.6 miles (4 minutes) away from previous location, Point Plaza Suites at City Center)

This location has everything we need in one place, with many restaurants and shopping choices within walking and eye-distance of the hotel!

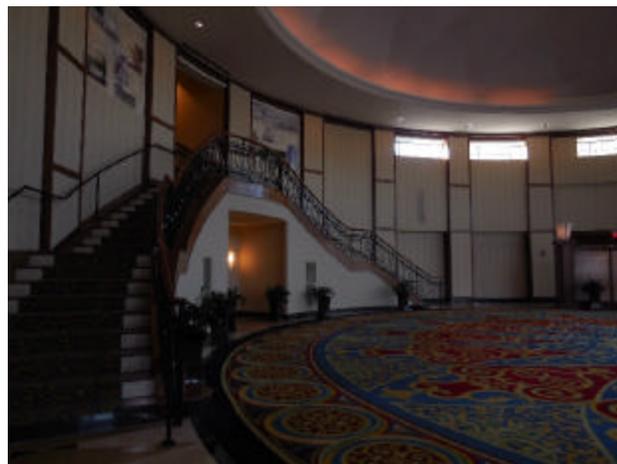
Newport News Marriott at City Center offers:

- Beautiful, quality accommodations – completely **NO SMOKING!**
- Deluxe Rooms (two double beds or one king) – same price (\$109/night)
- Free breakfast vouchers included with each room guest (up to four per room)
- “Chiller” refrigerator in each room
- Restaurant and Bar on premises
- Room service
- Security on premises and agreements with Newport News City Center Security hotel exterior
- Indoor Swimming pool
- Fitness Center
- Laundry (complimentary soap and dryer sheets)
- Complimentary self-parking – inside parking garage, connected to hotel (total value \$2,370)
- Complimentary Wi-Fi in all guest rooms and meeting rooms (total value \$2,745.25)

Let's take a digital tour:



View of Restaurant and Bar



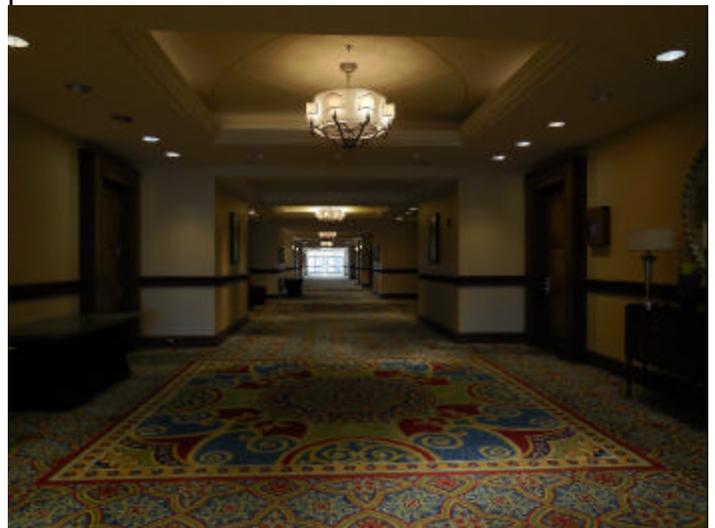
View of “Rotunda” area – We will walk through this area to get from sleeping rooms to the weaving rooms and “overflow” breakfast tables will be set up here for us



Main hallway outside the three main meeting rooms (left side - classroom space, center – set-up for lunches and banquet, right side – with partitions, additional classroom space)



View of right classroom space before use of partitions



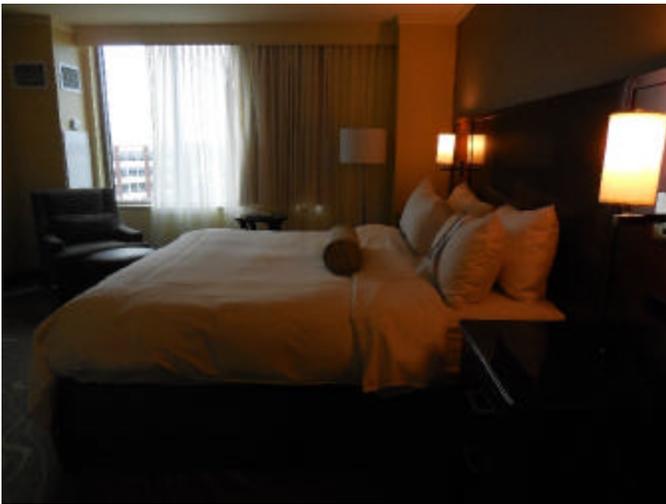
View of hallway around the corner of right-side classroom



View of inside center banquet area and left class-room space



View of one of the two additional rooms on the right side of hallway (one vendor area, second hospitality room)



View of King Room



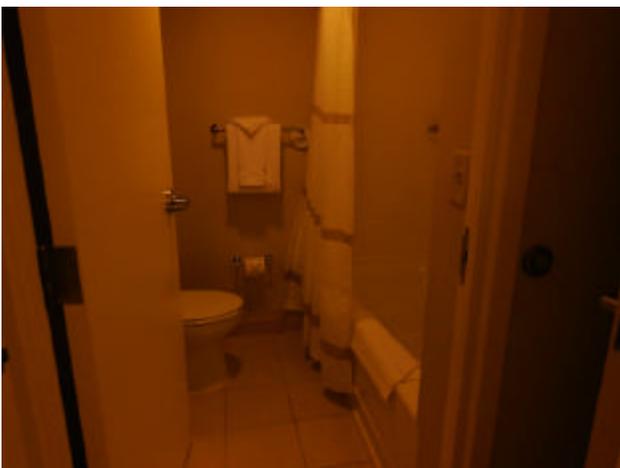
Guest Laundry



View of "Chiller" Refrigerator



Exercise Area



Bathroom

Make your reservations NOW! Marriott hotel(s) offering a special group rate:
Newport News Marriott at City Center
for 109.00 USD per night
Use the link: [Book your group rate for Tidewater Basketball Guild](#)
Or call 866-329-1758 and mention Tidewater Basketball Guild and Guilders Weave 2016

Upcoming in 2015

No General meeting in April

April 4: Gathering of the Guilds
Francis Land House, Virginia Beach

April 18: visiting teacher Judy Wobbleton

April 18: Open To the Public class, Larchmont UMC.

May 3: General meeting at Larchmont UMC, next UFO due.

May 16-17: visiting teacher Dona Nazarenko (deadline for sign up and payment is April 20. http://www.tidewaterbasketryguild.org/Nazarenko_2015.html)

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Guilders Weave 2016..... Kim Voska

Creed for Beginning Basketweavers

1. Thou shalt never weave with dry reed, lest thy reed break, nor soggy reed, lest it turn hairy.
2. Thou shalt not overlap weavers on corners; too much corner thickness a clumsy basket makes.
3. Thou shalt identify the rough and smooth surface of each piece of reed and place the rough surface inside the basket.
4. Thou shalt inspect thy kit and be sure that thy weavers and thy stakes are correctly identified.
5. Thou shalt remember that the position of the spokes determines the shape of the

- basket; spokes, like infants, require constant care and attention.
6. Thou shalt read thy pattern completely before beginning.
7. Thou shalt obtain and use sharp pointed tools for cutting, sewing scissors are for cutting fabric.
8. Thou shalt not become easily discouraged; keep practicing.
9. Thou shalt pack down before turning down.
10. Thou shalt cut thy longest reed first, lest thou come up short.
11. Thou shalt cut one entire length of reed first before starting another, thus preventeth waste.
12. Thou shalt always buy patterns with colored pictures, or if without color photos, then from their creator or shop that guarantee-eth the authenticity of then pattern, lest thou purchase bootleg patterns which are stolen property.
13. Thou shalt not store thy reed or thy baskets in plastic bags, lest they become mildewed. Likewise, leave them not outdoors at night, lest the dew fall on them and mildew bloom.
14. Whenever possible, thou shalt mark thy tools with thine own name, lest they become lost.
15. Thou shalt always remember an experienced weaver is just a phone call or e-mail message away. Ask for help.

From *Basket Reeder* (and Rami McKinney)

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