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The President's Pen

by Vicki Cartos

THANK GOODNESS IT'S SPRING



Even though I enjoy living in a state with four seasons, I am so glad that spring has sprung. We may have had cold weather the last three months, but we were blessed with warm weaving experiences.

(1) After the frigid, January "bomb cyclone," we enjoyed inviting temperatures inside the Marriott during our GW basket weaving camp. Basket makers basked in the warm fellowship of happy campers admiring their completed projects and the subsequent coveted badge.

(2) In February, we made friends with a little ladybug who warmed our hearts as we placed her on our baskets. In addition, the caning of chairs over the course of three Saturdays generated a warm glow of personal satisfaction and accomplishment in those of us who completed that project.

(3) In March, the little open-weave garlic baskets that were created will now store the bulbs that will eventually add a warm 'n spicy flavor to our spaghetti sauce.

The ensuing months are filled with weaving opportunities that will thaw any frozen, weaving anxieties that might be lingering from the winter season. A napkin basket, a flag basket, and a broom are just some of the fun, upcoming activities that Vice President Tina Plageman will elaborate on in her newsletter article.

Finally, get prepared for that flame from the Olympic torch to fan a burning desire to attend Guilders Weave 2019. Chairperson Susie Waters' newsletter article will have the latest GW information.

Get involved! Participate! Volunteer! The FUN grows exponentially when you do.

Vicki

Vice Presidents Corner- Tina Plageman

We sure have been busy in 2018 and it's only just the beginning!!

Our January guild meeting was cancelled because of a snowstorm and we are sorry to have missed the opportunity for Kristy Engel to talk about her White Oak basket making and show us some of her baskets. We hope to reschedule with her in the very near future.

January 11-14 took a large number of our guild members to Newport News, Virginia to enjoy GW18! We all left there Happy Campers!! Thank you so much to Jamie and her crew who made it a huge success!

At our February guild meeting we enjoyed Show and Tell from GW. The baskets were absolutely beautiful!! After the general meeting, members enjoyed making a mini Lady Bug basket. I want to thank Sherry Matthews for helping me teach this one!!

Originally scheduled for one class, we had Greg Barco teaching 8 members chair caning. That class filled up within minutes, and thankfully, he was able to get another class in for us. On February 17th, we had 10 members and on February 24 we had 7 members caning chairs. We all have beautiful chairs to be very proud of!!

The March meeting had members weaving garlic baskets taught by Jamie and Cindy!

If that doesn't sound busy enough, we continue to have our monthly UFO going on and 15 members have signed up to participate in the Challenge Basket. We started with an 8" round base. The next month we took it back to the guild meeting with spokes, locking row, and a few rows woven to get the basket shaped. At the March meeting, we drew numbers to take home a fellow member's started basket. Before the April meeting, we

will have to weave the sides or "create the basket" and take it to the April meeting for one more exchange. We will then take that basket home and finish it off with a rim, handle, embellishments, etc.

March will take some of our members to the North Carolina convention on the 22nd-25th.

On April 7th Cindy and Vicki will be representing the guild at the annual Gathering of the Guilds at the Francis Land House in Virginia Beach.

Tina

Wendy and Tina went out of their comfort zones and recently taught a class of 14 new weavers.



Way to go ladies!! Keep sharing your talents with new weavers!!

A few of our Guild members have journeyed down to Moyock, NC to weave with Tina.

Below Debbie and Alyce showing off their baskets.



Shannon and Wendy busy weaving



Vicki and Shannon show off their beautiful finished baskets.



Shirley finished her basket... beautiful!





Guilders' Weave 2019

We have started preparing for GW2019 at the Newport News Marriott on **January 17-20, 2019**.

Look for the link soon to reserve your rooms.

The Teachers' letters have gone out. Let me know if you would like me to send a letter to a new teacher.

I have started asking for volunteers but still have positions to be filled, so let me know if you are interested in helping.

We are doing something different this year –Basket Olympics. There will be 10 events for teams of 5 to compete for the **GOLD, SILVER** and **BRONZE** metals.

GO USA!

Susie Waters, Chairman
Tina Plageman, Co Chair

If you would like a Guilders' weave t-shirt- let Susie know- all \$10. Sizes available: small, medium, large and X-large.

Are you in need of a NEW TBG T-SHIRT?????

TBG t-shirts in short sleeve and long sleeve can now be ordered with embroidered logo through April meeting.

Please ask Susie if you need order form with color choices.

GUILDERS WEAVE LOST AND FOUND!

Please notify Susie Waters if you won the High Country raffle item. The items were in a white box with a sweet grass basket and tools. There was an additional bag of items that were left behind.

This beautiful basket was left in the hospitality room at Guilders weave. Please let Susie Waters know if it belongs to you.



Our Trip to John C. Campbell

In February I had the pleasure of attending classes at John C. Campbell Folk School. I hitched a ride with Christy Newman, our Cruise Director and we dragged along our friend, Jody. Christy and I took the Black Ash Miniature class from Joann Kelly Catsos, while Jody took the Penny Rugs and Wool Appliqué class from teacher, Penny Prichard. Christy had mapped out our weekend, so our trip to and from the school was full. We spent the first night in Asheville, NC. We visited the Woolworth Walk, Southern Highlands Craft Guild, cool antique stores, bookstores and ate, and ate and ate.

What fun we had being creative. The week at JCC was filled with weaving, food and fellowship. It is amazing how fast the week went by then it was time to head home. Again our Cruise Director was right on target with a fun filled return trip. We went home thru Black

Mountain and visited the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual Inc. –The Eastern Bank of Cherokee Indians. We spent lots of time there. All I can say is if you ever have the opportunity to visit JCC, take the chance. It is so much fun to attend an environment where everyone is being creative. There are no distractions, no dishes to wash, clothes to fold or dinners to make.

This was the second time I was able to attend and it will not be the last. Thank you Christy and Jody for a great week! -Cindy



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR!

Congratulations to Tina Plageman who received the TBG Volunteer of the Year award.



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Are you looking for new ideas in basket weaving?

Then you need to check out www.prairiewoodbasketry.com

This is the web site belonging to Annetta Kraayeveld. You can sign up for her blog and get wonderful basket ideas all year long.

Upcoming Events Calendar

- April 7-** Gathering of the Guilds at the Francis Land House in Virginia Beach
- April 8-** General Meeting 2:00pm at LUMC- Norfolk; Show and Tell, Napkin Basket part 1.
- May 6-** General Meeting 2:00pm, at FCC- Hampton; Napkin Basket part 2, Handle Wrap
- May 19-** Dye Party at the home of Tina Plageman
- June 3-** General Meeting 2:00pm, LUMC- Norfolk; Flag Basket

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Judith Saunders' "Serendipity" in the 40th Annual Frank Stick Memorial Art Show, Dare Country Arts Council.



TBG Membership News

Have you paid your dues?

We are updating our records and the website, 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 Wendy Holcomb, our membership chairperson.

Remember the new year will begin October 1st.

Mail it in to:
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