

WEAVING CONNECTIONS

The Newsletter of the *Tennessee Basketry Association*

Fall 2015

TBA President's Message

We are beginning to see a few signs of fall on the Plateau, pumpkins, some cooler temperatures, and a few leaves getting that hint of color. Fall is a time that I get into gear for Christmas with weaving. I am trying to think of what I need to make and for whom. We are heading to Boston in a few days to see a new grandchild so I have 5 Nantucket style things ready to begin weaving as we travel. Nantuckets are small enough that I don't hit my husband in the head while he drives.

I think everyone had a great time at TN convention in Kingsport in July and I would like to thank Candy and her team for the success of the convention. It takes many hours to put something like that together and she and her team did a great job. Thank you.

Speaking of conventions, got my Georgia book and I know others are already planning for next year. Please be open to saying YES if you are asked to help with the TN convention in July. Fran is already making preparation for selection committee and all the "pre" things that need to be done and she will need some help along the way. It takes lots of people to make this thing happen.

Making TBA a group that spreads the craft of basket weaving is a top priority for me. I would like to encourage you to teach the craft to friends and neighbors. Also, I want to challenge each one of you to please invite someone to join TBA this year. We have to have a big enough membership with willing participants to have a strong organization. Encourage the young to become weavers. Teach your children and grandchildren the craft. Have a class for kids at church or their school. This is the only way weaving will be a growing and sustainable craft.

Gwen Morris

Member-At-Large ***Sharon Seneker***

I really enjoyed our July 15th-18th "Woven Together" Tennessee Basketry Association Convention at the Meadowview Conference Center in Kingsport, TN. 2015 Convention Chair, Candy Alexander, the convention committees and everyone who volunteered or contributed in any way helped make this convention a success. The Basket Exchange and Marketplace from convention are pictured below.

If you have any questions or concerns about TBA or the TBA Board this year please contact me at senekers@comcast.net or 423-638-3888.



Where Did it Go? ***Candy Alexander***

The 2015 convention is now a thing of the past. Raffle boxes are folded back up. Table cloths are tucked away. The First Aid box is sitting idle. Two people asked, "What do you do with the items left over from the goody bags? Here's the breakdown for this convention: The Matchbox race cars were used at kindergarten screening at Church Hill Elementary. (I hear they were a big hit and they even had the parents talking!) The maps went to the new Tennessee Welcome Center in Kingsport. Surplus name tags were bought by someone who travels a lot on cruises and loved the smaller size of our name tags. Basket kits were divided among the TBA-affiliated guilds. The John C. Campbell catalogs went to the Senior Center art classes and the art department at ETSU. Reed yardage charts went to some of the guilds (if you want more, contact me - jalexander@charterTN.net). The water buckets are being used by the TBA board. Water spray bottles were given away. All in all, everything found a new home, where they are being used. The only things that went in the trash were the info packets. Everywhere we donated items, people met us at the door with big smiles and words of thanks. It also gets TBA's name "out there", which doesn't hurt either!

TBA 2015 CONVENTION RAFFLE PRIZES AND WINNERS!

Candy Alexander

RAFFLE ITEM

\$50
Laundry Basket
Strata Basket Kit
Christmas Goody Basket
Twill Bowl Kit
Tower of Baskets
Votive holders, 3 mugs, Fabric basket

Basket Drawing
Vertigo basket kit
Pink bag with Girl Scout cookies
Frog Bowl
Blues Music Award, poster, Mead
doTERRA Essential Oils Kit
Bucket of Tools
TBA Burned wood base and vase
Egg Basket
Summer Wine basket kit
Candles, Wooden pen, Basket towel

Patti English Small Market Basket Kit
Metal Tree of Baskets
Reedy Creek wine and holder
Green woven bracelet
Wooden bowl
Nathan Taylor's Berry Basket Kit
Bag and Liquor
2 baskets made in Columbia
Wooden shaker basket
Dunkin Donut basket
Woven cane vase
Convention bag and reed
Chocolate Twist basket kit
Reed and patterns
doTERRA Essential Oils kit
Brown woven bracelet
Market basket
Qtip & Cotton ball Holder Kit
Jack Daniels basket
Reed and Patterns
Summer Fun Cooler
Zigzag Elegance basket kit
Stitchers Companion Basket Kit
Moonshine Basket

Tub of handles
Ribbed egg basket kit and
Beaded badge holder
Pillow and towel
Figurine, wooden pen, earrings

Quilted Bag
Pillow and Towel
Wine basket and Wine

GIVEN BY

Tri-State Guild
Gwen Morris
Gwen Clark
Barbara Holt
Gina Kieft
Barbara Holt
April Harper, Sandi Miller
Barbara Nelson
Barbara Holt
Denise Robertson
Debra Martin
Fran Sorrel
Fran Sorrel, Kay Jones
Teresa Lindauer
Barbara Holt
D Handle Man
Barbara Holt
Suzanne Moore
Ellen Pfeil, Barbara Holt,
Amy Bell, Denise Robertson
April Harper
Barbara Holt
Ann Fairhurst
Barbara Holt
Royce Parman
April Harper
Barbara Nelson
Sandi Miller
Lisa Stanley
Barbara Holt
Pam Parman
Judy DeSarona
Suzanne Moore
Julie Kleinlein/Gina Kieft
Teresa Lindauer
Barbara Holt
Gwen Morris
Melinda Bartlett
Barbara Holt
Lisa Stanley, Gina Kieft
Denise Anthony
Melinda Bartlett
Scottie Jeffreys
Candy Alexander,
Ann Fairhurst
Julie Kleinrath
Mary McKenzie,
April Harper
Lori Fox
Barbara Holt,
Royce Parman, April Harper
Maria Goetz
Lori Fox
Sharon Krischner

WINNER

Barbara Holt
Cindy Lathem
Gayle Green
Mary Mullen
Sheri Burns
April McCartney
Linda Best

Gwen Clark
Marion Bertaut
Amy Bell
Mary Mullen
Belinda Bronson
Carolyn Wilks
Venus Aris
Kay Kortman
Lynn Nettles
Betty Bain
Linda Roberts

Mary Dresser
Gwen Morris
Brenda Hensley
Jeannie Mulligan
Jeannie Mulligan
Bruce Robertson
Denise Anthony
Joni Ross
Gayle Green
Linda Roberts
Linda Best
Deb Palk
Mary Dresser
Sue Williams
Linda Best
Gwen Morris
Lisa Stanley
Denise Robertson
Betty Bain
Charmie Justus
Sue Williams
Sue Williams
Suzanne Neas
Brenda Hensley

Gwen Morris
Sue Williams

Joyce Bolton Smith
Deb Lamine

Judy Davis
Charmie Justus
Gayle Green

RAFFLE ITEM

Handles
 Wooden pen, Basket cards
 Basket of weaving supplies
 Ceramic cups, purse liner
 Smoothies, Dragonfly mobile, Bag kit

Grape Metal Bowl
 Egg Basket
 Casserole Carrier
 Basket Kit
 \$25
 \$50
 Woven Chair
 Ribbons to Remember Kit

GIVEN BY

Melinda Bartlett
 Marion Bertaut, Amy Bell
 Honey McCleish
 Barbara Holt, Ginny Carr
 Lisa Stanley,
 Debra Martin, Kay Jones
 Fran Sorrel
 Greeneville Guild
 Suzanne Neas
 Suzanne Neas
 Odds N Ends Guild
 Odds N Ends Guild
 Patti English
 Patti English

WINNER

Teresa Humphries
 Pam Parman
 Kathy Buroker
 David Ross
 Kathy Buroker

Venus Aris
 Carolyn Wilks
 Kathy Buroker
 Pam Parman
 Ann Fairhurst
 Joyce Bolton Smith
 Mary Dresser
 Gayle Green

GOLD RAFFLE**RAFFLE ITEM**

Guild Basket
 TBA Board Basket and goodies
 Woven Ash Basket
 Pigeon Forge Package
 Mini Flower Pot Basket
 \$100
 Nantucket Basket Molds

John C. Campbell week
 Jill Choate Basket
 \$100
 Cooler Basket
 Robert Tino Print
 White Oak Basket
 Woven Ash Basket

GIVEN BY

West TN Guild
 TBA Board
 Kathy Tessler
 Karl Thomas
 Joni-Dee Ross
 Dixie Weavers Guild
 Charlene White, Virgil &
 Judy Davis
 John C. Campbell School
 Candy Alexander
 Odds N Ends Guild
 Barbara Vaughn
 Linda Best
 Billy Owens
 Joyce Bolton Smith

WINNER

Linda Roberts
 Mary Mullen
 Julie Kleinline
 Pam Parman
 Julie Kleinline
 Pam Parman
 Linda Best

Gayle Green
 Gayle Green
 Melinda Bartlett
 Amy Bell
 Sandi Miller
 Amy Bell
 Julie Kleinline

The Lucky Winners - TBA Convention 2015 Volunteer Raffle!
Fran Pierson and Anne Fairhurst

Over 751 tickets were given out in return for the donations and hours of volunteerism. Each member must recognize that the maximum allotted tickets for one person is 50 tickets. The reality of volunteer hours is probably triple of what was actually turned in. Our Convention could not happen without the tirelessness of the members. A heartfelt "Thank you" to all the members who pitched in to make the 2015 convention a wonderful experience.

Item	Donated By	Won By
\$25.00	Odds n Ends	Gayle Green
Bag with Kit	Brenda Hensley	Fran Sorrell
Kit	Brenda Hensley	Debra Martin
Kit	Brenda Hensley	Sharon Seneker
Kit	Brenda Hensley	Deborah Polk
Tote Bag with Misc Items	Brenda Hensley	Gwen Morris
Basket Book	Brenda Hensley	Fran Pierson
Lunch Bag with Misc items	Brenda Hensley	Gwen Morris
Tote bag with Book	Brenda Hensley	Sue Williams
Kit	Gwen Clark	Debra Martin
TBA Membership	Evelyn Ward	Candy Alexander
Protein Mix	Debra Martin	Candy Alexander
Assort'd Girl Scout Cookies	Debra Martin	Honey McCleish
Books and Lotion	Gwen Morris	Sue Williams
Books and Lotion	Gwen Morris	Fran Pierson
Books and Lotion	Gwen Morris	Ann Fairhurst
Basket Book	Barbara Nelson	Candy Alexander
Kindle Case	Barbara Nelson	Fran Pierson
Candle Set	Barbara Nelson	Sharon Seneker
Serving Tray	April McCartney	Fran Pierson
Headlamp	April McCartney	Sharon Seneker
Spotlight	April McCartney	Had Davis
Windchime	April McCartney	Debra Martin
Reslish Tray	Betty Bain	Fran Sorrell
Kit and Model	April Harper/Fran Sorrell	Laura Rushing
Clutch Purse	Barbara Holt	Debra Martin
Clutch Purse	Barbara Holt	Had Davis
Tray	Barbara Holt	Sue Williams
Kit	Barbara Holt	Marion Bertaut
Lidded Jar	Barbara Holt	Julie Kleinlein
Glass bag with Jewelry	Barbara Holt	Sharon Seneker
Basket	Barbara Holt	Sue Williams
UT Bear and Bracelet	Barbara Holt	Ann Fairhurst
Basket and Book	Barbara Holt	Ann Fairhurst
Glass with Bracelet	Barbara Holt	Sharon Seneker
Woven Bottle	Barbara Holt	Gayle Green

Item	Donated By	Won By
Basket Stamp and Tape	Barbara Holt	Brenda Hensley
Ink Pen	Barbara Holt	Candy Alexander
Ink Pen	Barbara Holt	Barbara Holt
Jewelry and Tray	Barbara Holt	Pam Parman
Kit	Barbara Holt	Debra Martin
Ink Drawing	Barbara Holt	Barbara Vaughn
Stitched Card	Sandy Miller	Pam Parman
Stitched Fabric Basket	Sandy Miller	Sue Williams
Tote with Reed	Sandy Miller	Honey McCleish
Cup With Misc items	Mixed Donors	Gwen Morris
Cup with Misc Items	Mixed Donors	Honey McCleish
Carolina Snowflake	Betty Bain	Barb Nelson
Kit and Model	Fran Sorrell	David Ross
Book and Kit	Fran Sorrell	Gwen Morris
Handles	Ann Fairhurst	Marion Bertaut
Shaker Box	Lisa Stanley	Lisa Stanley
Windchime	Julie Kleinlein	Sue Williams
Make up and Purse Liner	Linda Best/Ginny Carr	Sharon Seneker
Switch Flops and Journal	Teresa Lindauer	Brenda Kucharski
Switch Flops and Journal	Teresa Lindauer	Fran Pierson
Switch Flops and Journal	Teresa Lindauer	Sue Williams
Cheese Spreaders/Wine Topper	Teresa Lindauer	Deb Lamine
Paper Basket	Scottie Jeffries	Sharon Krischer
Insulated Bag and Patterns	Sharon Seneker	Barb Vaughn
Insulated Bag and Patterns	Sharon Seneker	Marion Bertaut
Cutting Board and Spatulas	Lori Fox	Brenda Hensley
Green Crock	Honey McCleish	Sharon Seneker
Cheese Crock	Honey McCleish	Lisa Stanley
Handles	Registration	Sandy Miller
Book of Patterns	Kay Kortman	Gayle Green
Kit	Kay Kortman	Carolyn Woods
Air Scent Infuser	Sharon Krisher	Candy Alexander
Kit	Suzanne Neas	Honey McCleish

Note from the Editor

THANK YOU to all who provided the tasty snacks and drinks in the hospitality room. And to those of you who cooked and baked the homemade goodies, THANK YOU FOR LOVING US SO MUCH. We have some fabulous cooks. The homemade treats were absolutely delicious and all of them were recipes that took lots of time to create. That is definitely a full expression of love for your fellow weavers.

Also, our Want Ad for the TBA Webmaster and Facebook page manager was answered by April McCartney. Many thanks to April for volunteering to take on these positions.

The TBA Weaving Connections Winter 2015 Issue is expected in December. Send me articles sharing your Guild information, pictures, recipes, patterns, anything you'd like our TBA Membership to know.

DESTINATION.....TBA

2016 Convention

Fran Sorrell and Debra Martin, 2016 Convention Co-Chairs

PLEASE VOTE!

Have you voted for your favorite Baskets yet? If you have not gotten the basket selection to vote on, it should be coming your way in the next few days. Your votes are due back to us by 10/19/2015. Please take this opportunity to vote! Without your input on what you want to see or do, we may not select the right baskets for the 2016 convention. Please let us know what you like, by voting Today!

The convention committees are working throughout the year to put together a great convention. If you have ideas or would like to help with the convention please contact us or e-mail us at tbaconvention16and17@gmail.com

Happy Weaving!

July 2017 Convention Site Set for Nationally Recognized State Park

Barbara Holt, Past President

The fall 2015 issue of "Tennessee Home and Garden", a Farm Bureau publication, reports that Fall Creek Falls State Park "was recently recognized as the No. 6 best state park in the nation by USA Today's Reader's Choice Awards". Fall Creek Falls is the largest and most visited state park in TN. The park is located near Spencer on the Cumberland Plateau.

The 2013 TBA convention was held at Fall Creek Falls, and the Board had the foresight to contract for the earliest date following, thus 4 years later. Fall Creek Falls is on the border of East TN and Middle TN according to the state's designation of the three sections of TN. The park is the farthest west we have met for conventions.

**MINUTES OF THE
TENNESSEE BASKETRY ASSOCIATION
MEETING THE TENNESSEE BASKETRY ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors
MAY 30, 2015**

The Tennessee Basketry Association met on May 30, 2015 at 10 a.m. at the 1st Presbyterian Church in Greeneville, Tennessee with the following members present: Barbara Holt, Gayle Greene, Suzanne Neas, Sharon Seneker, Brenda Hensley, Candy Alexander and Gwen Morris.

CALL TO ORDER

Barbara called the meeting to order with a welcome to all.

MINUTES

The minutes from the March meeting were read by Suzanne and the following corrections were made:

- re: the Webmaster search, Barbara wanted to clarify that Candy, Gayle and Barbara have been doing the webpage and the Facebook page, and the search is on for a webmaster who will be responsible for both, not just the webpage;
- re: the fiscal year dates, following discussion, the official TBA Fiscal Year will run from October 01 to September 30

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gayle reported the printer was out of service, so no report was available for today. She reported the audit had been completed, and the report would be available at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

President-Elect: Gwen had no report at this time.

2015 Convention Committee Chair: Candy reported 81 registrations at this time, and 20 more people would be needed to break even. She reported Laura Lee Zanger had bowed out due to not having enough people sign up for class, and Steve Zanger will not be vending this year, but there may be someone to fill in. She brought cording for the convention basket and showed the apron which will be at the convention.

She reported Ann Fairhurst is in charge of the raffle and is gathering items. There will be \$1 ticket items and \$5 ticket items available this year. Barbara discussed an idea of having a \$5 ticket item available from the Board.

Candy reported the raffle ticket boxes are missing and have not yet been located. Following discussion, Candy requested using the excess seed money from the printing and mailing to purchase new boxes. Gayle made the motion that in the event the boxes cannot be located, Candy be authorized to purchase new boxes using the excess funds in the printing and mailing account. Motion was seconded by Brenda and passed on vote.

Barbara suggested putting a box at the Registration Table labeled 'What Did You Forget to Bring?', and we could fill it with excess weaving items, scissors, tape, pencil, etc.

Past-President Report: Brenda reported on the Goody Bags from the Greeneville Guild, which will be black buckets with spray bottles included. Von Kaltenmark is scheduled to do water-proof labels for them containing the convention logo. She reported several people donating items to put inside.

Membership: Denise Robertson was unable to attend the meeting, but emailed a report to Barbara.

Sharon is doing the convention basket. Candy reported Suzanne Moore has sent raffle items, door prize item and pens for the "goody bags." Brenda will schedule a workday soon to assemble them.

Newsletter: Candy reported she had some photographs for the newsletter of delivering the angel baskets in Nashville and will send these to Teresa for the newsletter. Teresa was unable to attend the meeting. Gwen reported her Guild had a workshop and completed 10 more. Discussion was held on keeping them the same size, as some are coming in too small.

Member-at-Large: Sharon reported no contacts as of this date, and suggested her name and contact information be put on the Facebook Page.

Historian: Pam was not available for the meeting.

Outreach Coordinator: Fran was not available for the meeting.

Webmaster: No report at this time.

Finance: No report at this time.

2016 Convention Chair: Fran was not available for the meeting, but Barbara reported she will soon be searching for volunteers.

Nominating Committee: Barbara reported Deborah Palk has volunteered to run for Secretary. She took a moment to thank Suzanne for her 4 years of service. The following slate of nominees will be presented at the General Business Meeting at the convention in July:

- President Elect – Fran Sorrell
- Membership – Denise Robertson
- Secretary – Deborah Palk

New Angel Basket Committee: Nothing new to report, discussion on pattern and shaping and sizing.

Outreach Coordinator Duties: Further discussion and work will be completed before finalizing this.

Newsletter Deadline: Items for the newsletter should be sent to Teresa before June 07 in order for her to complete and distribute the newsletter by June 20.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion for adjournment was made by Sharon and seconded by Gayle, and the meeting was adjourned. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 18 at the convention.

Respectfully submitted

Suzanne Neas, Secretary

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