

GVR ARTS AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

APRIL-MAY 2024

APRIL 3 MEETING

We will have a special speaker at our upcoming April 3 meeting.

Deb Brunner will give a presentation on Japanese Boro—Past and Present. Deb is a fiber arts instructor and collector. She will provide an introduction to this age-old technique of utilitarian mending and its evolution to an artform. Her program will also show contemporary examples of Boro clothing and accessories. We think you will enjoy this special presentation!

After Deb's presentation, we will have a short business meeting. As part of our meeting, members will hear a report from our newly-formed Audit Committee. We will also have the final figures from our festival. Drawings will be held for door prizes and refreshments will be served. Also, members who have not yet paid their 2024 dues may do so at the meeting.

All GVR members are invited so invite a friend to come with you!

The meeting will start at 1:00 p.m. at Desert Hills Auditorium.

~ FESTIVAL COUNT ~

2,120—Logo stickers handed out
Additional 600 people counted with a hand counter



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We welcome the following new members to the GVR Arts and Crafts Association since our last newsletter:

- * Kandise Andrist
- * Charlotte Crawford
- * Linda Touzeau
- * Anita Von Oppenfeld

When you see these new members at our meetings, say hello and introduce yourself to them.

We encourage you to invite a friend or neighbor to our meetings so they can see what we are all about!



OUR NEW BOARD SECRETARY

Laurie Wykoff has been appointed by the board to fill the secretary position. She is also our Hospitality Chairman.

MAY 1 MEETING

HAPPY MAY DAY! Our May 1 meeting will be the last one for the season. We will enjoy a potluck luncheon and a time of fellowship. Members who are working on something special, found new techniques, etc., will have a chance to tell the other members at our “show and tell” time.

Also, some members have asked if they can wear a “spring bonnet” and the answer is yes! If you have a fabulous hat that you want to show off, or want to make one for the meeting, feel free to do so!

There will be a very short business meeting as the board will present to the members the list of non-profit organizations they are suggesting receive donations from some of our 2024 festival proceeds. The board will also talk about the 2025 festival and certain changes that will be made relating to the financial part of the festival.

As in the past, our final meeting comes with great food and fellowship so invite a friend or two and join us at 1:00 on Wednesday, May 1!

P.S. Do you remember what you did on May Day when you were a kid??



SUMMER PROJECT

The meetings for our Summer Project will begin on June 5 and will be held in Room A at Desert Hills.

Members will meet every Wednesday through August 28 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We will be making Christmas napkin rings—over 600 of them so we need all of the help we can get! We also need two members to chair this special project!

A sign-up sheet will be on the Information Table at our April 3 meeting so sign up and let us know that you will be able to be a part of this project.

These napkin rings will be given to residents at several of our senior living/care centers in Green Valley. We always present these napkin rings at our Holiday Open House/Member Gift Sale in December.

More will be said about this project at our April 3 meeting.

COME BE CREATIVE WITH US!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN



Our 2024 Arts and Crafts Festival was a **HUGE** success!! First of all thanks to all who helped!

* A special thank you to Cathy Tewksbury for all of her work with advertising/publicity!

* Ann Brooks and Kathy Booth were in charge of raffle ticket sales. Thanks to several members of the Lapidary Club and our members for helping with ticket sales.

* Laurie Wykoff was in charge of the vendor donations and great display set up in the lobby. Thanks to Lynn Shea for her help as well! Laurie also was in charge of making sure our caterer, Madera Sunrise, had all of the information he needed. She just kept an eye on everything and made sure things were running smoothly!

* Thanks to several members of the Artisans' Shop for greeting the public and handing out our logo stickers!

* Thanks to Wendy Runstrom and Sharon Toal for putting the numbers on the tables. Thanks also to Linda and Mike Touzeau for helping with the front bulletin board display!

* Thanks to my fellow board members for all of their help and support. Thanks to our Vice President, Geri Berry, for updating all of our banners and signs! If I have missed someone, I apologize! Just a BIG thank you to everyone who helped!

OUR 2025 SEASON

Our 2025 season looks to be a busy one! The board is already working on a few items and programs.

First of all, the board is reviewing and revising our association bylaws. Plans are to have the revisions to GVR in May. Once approved by GVR we will bring the revised bylaws before the members for a vote.

The November meeting will have members making and decorating Christmas trees.

Our December meeting will be our Holiday Open House/Member Gift Sale. More details about this event will be sent to members during the summer.

The Audit Committee (Kathy Booth, Lynn Shea and Laurie Wykoff) will meet in January 2025 to review the 2024 financials.

The 2025 GVR Arts and Crafts Festival dates are February 14 and 15. The board has established a time line for planning the festival.

Our March meeting will see us working on Project LINUS!

As we have information about other meetings, we will let you know!

BOARD MEETINGS

Our monthly board meetings are held the fourth (4th) Monday of each month—January through April and September through December. The next meeting is Monday, April 22, 2024.

The meetings are held at Desert Hills Center—Room A at 1:30 p.m. Members can attend these board meetings.



A CRAFTY MOMENT

IN A PERFECT WORLD...
paper + fabric are free
glitter never makes a mess
chocolate makes you thin
+ there is no such thing as
A CRAFT FAIL