

GVR ARTS AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 2021



OCTOBER 6 MEETING

Our new year of member meetings starts with our October 6 meeting! We will have a representative from Hands of a Friend speak to us. This organization runs the local Genesis House shelter which is partially funded by DaZee's consignment shop. Hands of a Friend provides additional services which will be highlighted at our meeting.

After this presentation we will have a short business meeting followed by our drawing for door prizes and refreshments.. Mindy Zech, our Project Linus coordinator, will have fleece blankets available for us to tie.

As a reminder, members who took Christmas stocking napkin rings to work on during the summer should bring them to the meeting. We will start inserting napkins into these stockings so we have them ready at our Holiday Open House in December.

We look forward to seeing you at our meeting on October 6 at 1:00 pm at Desert Hills Social Center. Our meetings are open to all GVR members so invite a friend! Don't forget to bring your GVR membership card!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following new members who joined at our March meeting:

- * Patricia Vincent
- * Barb Wentz

Please introduce yourself to these new members and make them feel welcome!

Welcome!

THANK YOU!!

We want to thank Brenda Zenan for her work as our Membership Chairman. Because of family commitments, Brenda had to resign from this position. Brenda did a great job for us, and we appreciate her hard work!

Iris Sapovits volunteered to be our new Membership Chair, and we thank her for volunteering! Iris has served in this position in the past so she is familiar with the duties.

GVR ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL IS HAPPENING!

The dates have been set for our 2022 GVR Arts and Crafts Festival. **February 18 and 19 are the dates with February 17 for set up.** The festival will be held at West Center.

We are excited that we will be able to once again hold the festival. We will keep you posted on all of the details. Lots of volunteers will be needed to help make this festival a success so think about helping us out! Rebe Philip and Iris Sapovits are co-chairs for this event so they will be talking about the festival at our meetings and will be having sign-up sheets for volunteers.

Information will be sent out to our previous festival vendors to let them know of the dates and registration for the festival. We anticipate that this information will be sent out sometime in November.

The festival is our major fund-raising project so we need to do everything possible to make it a success.

THANK YOU, LINDA!!

Linda Stein has been our Hospitality Chairman for several years and has done a terrific job. Linda has resigned so we are looking for someone to fill this position. The Hospitality Chairman makes sure we have members signed up to bring refreshments and table decorations, sets up the refreshment tables and makes sure everything is ready before our meetings. Contact Janis if you would be interested in this position.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rebe Philip, our Vice President, has been busy lining up topics/speakers for our meetings in 2021-2022.

* November—make ‘n take craft project with a Thanksgiving/fall theme.

* December—Holiday Open House open to the public. Valley Players will be the entertainment. More details will follow.

* January—make ‘n take project.

* February—Cliff Philip will be presenting his martial arts and self-defense awareness program.

* March—Project Linus, we will be using light boxes to trace fun pictures to use on quilts for the Linus Project.

* April and May—to be determined

If you have heard good speakers, saw fun craft projects, let Rebe know!

FROM THE PRESIDENT’S PEN



We hope everyone is having a good summer! Doesn’t seem possible that we are almost in to August!

We are excited about returning to more “normal” member meetings beginning in October. It will be great to see our members, enjoy our programs and be able to have refreshments so we can fellowship together!

As mentioned in another article, we will be having our Arts and Crafts Festival in February 2022. I hope you will consider helping us with this event as it takes many members to make it a success!

We look forward to seeing you in October—let’s make this a great year!

AVIVA PROJECT LEADER

Over the years we have had Aviva Children’s Services as one of our projects. Aviva’s mission is to improve the quality of life for children who are victims of neglect, abuse and poverty and are in the care of Arizona’s Department of Child Safety.

Our project is to make tote bags for the children so they have something to put their belongings in when they move or go to a foster home.

Sandy Miller was always our project coordinator until her unexpected death in 2020.

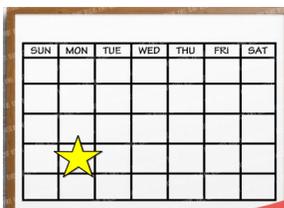
If you would be interested in helping us coordinate this project, please contact Janis or Rebe. You can email us at gvrartsandcrafts@gmail.com. Remember, too, that we can use trial-size bottles of toiletries to fill the tote bags.



BOARD MEETINGS

Our monthly board meetings are held the fourth (4th) Monday of each month—January through April and September through December. The next board meeting will be Monday, October 25.

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



A CRAFTY MOMENT



DO YOU HAVE CRAFTY FRIENDS?

We would love to have them be a part of the GVR Arts and Crafts Association. Why not invite them to our next meeting?

GVR requires us to have a certain number of members so we are always looking at our membership and ways to get more new members to join us!

In 2022 we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary so let’s make it a goal to concentrate on making our membership grow!