

# GVR ARTS AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH 2025

## JANUARY 6 MEETING

We begin 2025 with a few changes! **First of all, for the months of January through April our meetings will be the first MONDAY of the month at Desert Hills—same time 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.** Due to some scheduling conflicts we are unable to have our meetings at our regular first Wednesday of the month. We will go back to our regular schedule with our May meeting.

Our January 6 meeting is going to be a very informative one! Patrice Ballew-Zubillaga and Jan Dees will be giving a presentation on the technique of making rope bowls! Both are true artisans, and their work is unbelievable! We know you will enjoy their program!

After their presentation, we will have a short business meeting followed by drawings for door prizes. Refreshments will be served, and you will have time to view the works of Patrice and Jan!

We will be giving an update on our February festival and also give members a chance to sign up to help in various ways with the festival.

Plan on joining us for our first meeting of 2025. Invite a friend/neighbor as all GVR members are welcome!



*WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS!*

We want to welcome these new members who have joined since our last newsletter:

- \* Nan Clarke
- \* Margene Crosland
- \* Jane “Annie” Jorgensen

Be sure to introduce yourself to them and make them feel welcome!

*2025 DUES  
ARE NOW DUE!*

Dues for 2025 can be paid at our January 6 meeting. Members have until March 31 to pay their dues which are \$5.00 for the year.

After March 31 the board will review the membership roster and notify those members who have not paid their dues that they will be removed from our membership roster.



## FEBRUARY 3 MEETING

We are going to have a fun project for our February 3 meeting! Vice President Geri Berry will be instructing us on how to make De Grazia Gallery tin flowers made from soda cans. We have been saving our pop cans so we are ready to go! Invite a friend to come with you to participate in this project.

We will also put the finishing touches on plans for our 2025 Festival which occurs on February 14 and 15. We will go over the list of volunteers to make sure we have plenty of help since it takes many volunteers to make our festival a success. Kathy Booth and Ann Brooks will go over the details for the raffle ticket sales. Laurie Wykoff will bring us up to date on the vendors' donations and what she will need help with during the festival.

As with all of our meetings, we will have a short business meeting, drawing for door prizes and refreshments.

Come be creative with us!!



MARCH 3  
MEETING

Our meeting on March 3 will feature Project LINUS with Rene and Mindy. We will be tracing fun patterns on muslin squares using light boxes. These squares will then be given to school children to color. After they are finished coloring, the Project LINUS team will take these squares and turn them in to quilts. These quilts will be given to needy children and/or children who are ill.

We love it when it is time for our March meeting as we have so much fun plus we know we are helping children in need! Mindy will also have fleece blankets for us to tie as well!

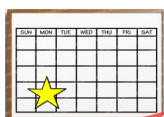
Members will also be given an update on our February festival. Treasurer Lyn Brown will provide members with figures for raffle ticket sales and vendors' commissions sales.

**Project  Linus**

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 January 27.** The Audit Committee will meet with the board at the beginning of the meeting.

The meetings are held at Desert Hills Center—Room A at **2:00 p.m.** Please note this time change. Members can attend these board meetings.



FROM THE  
PRESIDENT'S PEN



Looking back on 2024, we ended the year with our annual meeting in November. Geri Berry was elected as vice president, and I was elected as president. We did not have any volunteers to run for the office of secretary so at the November board meeting it was decided that the current board would take turns doing the secretary duties until the time we find someone for that position.

At our Holiday Open House and Gift Sale on December 4 we added a bake sale to the event—which turned out to be very successful.

It looks like 2025 is going to be a busy year! Our January 27 board meeting will be the second time our Audit Committee will meet with the board. During this meeting the 2024 financials will be reviewed by the committee. Members will receive a report from the committee at the February 3 member meeting.

On January 31, GVR is once again having the GVR Club Showcase. We will be having a table at this event and will be promoting the February festival and also our club.

We have fun and interesting meetings and programs lined up for our February through May meetings. Details can be found on the calendar on our website.

Tell your friends about us—invite them to a meeting, bring them along to help at the festival!

Come be creative with us!  
Happy New Year!!

THE FESTIVAL  
IS COMING!

It's hard to believe that we are talking about our 2025 Arts and Crafts Festival—it seems like we just finished our 2024 festival!

For those new to our club, we have been sponsoring this festival since 1974. It is our major fundraiser each year. The success of the festival allows us to give donations to non-profit organizations in the Green Valley community.

The festival is a “really big deal”, and that means we need many volunteers to help out in all of the different areas associated with the festival. We need volunteers to put flyers up in various businesses around Green Valley two to three weeks before the festival; we need volunteers to help on Thursday before the vendors start setting up; we need volunteers to sell raffle tickets on Friday and Saturday; we need volunteers to relieve the vendors while they take a lunch break during the festival. As you can see, **WE NEED LOTS OF HELP!**

Sign-up sheets will be on the Information Table at our January and February meetings, so PLEASE help us!

A CRAFTY  
MOMENT

