

# GVR ARTS AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022



## OCTOBER 5 MEETING

**WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!** Our first meeting of our 2022-2023 season will begin on Wednesday, October 5, and we hope you will be able to join us! Our meeting starts at 1:00 p.m. at Desert Hills Center.

To get ready for Halloween, Georgia Telfer will be presenting a Make 'n Take project—Halloween Treat Bags/Boxes.

If you took Christmas napkin rings to work on during the summer, please bring them with you to the October meeting. This year we will be attaching a gift tag to each napkin ring before packaging them for the senior living/care centers. We will start working on this beginning with our October meeting.

As in the past, we will have a short business meeting beginning at 1:00 p.m. followed by drawings for door prizes. Refreshments will be served after which Georgia will lead us in our Make 'n Take project. Let's have a great year! All GVR members are invited to our meetings so bring a friend or two with you!



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

In this section, we always list new members who have joined since our last newsletter was published.

**We need more members!** So, we are asking you, our current members, to help us out! Invite a friend or neighbor to a meeting; take some of our information brochures and give them to someone who might have an interest in arts and crafts. We have updated our information brochure so be sure and get a copy from our Information Table.

Our association is a very important part of the community so let's keep it going and growing!

## LAPIDARY FESTIVAL

Mark your calendars! The annual Lapidary Artisans' Festival will be held on November 18 and 19 at West Center.

The Lapidary Club always sponsors the festival in November, and we (GVR Arts and Crafts Association) sponsor the festival in February.

## NOVEMBER 2 MEETING

Doodles anyone?? Get ready for some fun because Johnna Bryant and Susanne Phillips will be teaching us "doodles" at our November 2 meeting. It should be fun!!

Before learning to doodle, we will have a short business meeting which will include our annual meeting and election of officers.

We will also be finishing up the tagging and packaging of our Christmas napkin rings so they will be ready to distribute at our Holiday Open House in December

Project LINUS fleece blankets will be available to tie. Refreshments will be served. All GVR members are invited!

## SUMMER PROJECT

A big "thank you" to Sandy Conklin for making all of the packets for our Christmas napkin rings. Thanks also to Brenda Zenan for being a co-chair of the project.

A special thank you to Georgia Telfer and the GVR Card Crafters Club for helping us with this project. Members met every Wednesday during June and July in the Desert Hills Art Room and worked on this project.

We also appreciate all of our members who took packets home and worked on the napkin rings during the summer.

This year we will have made 534 napkin rings for residents of six senior living/care centers in Green Valley.

WITH SYMPATHY

It was with deep sadness when we heard of the passing of Helen Clarkson on July 16, 2022. Helen was 96 years young!

Helen had been a long-time member of the GVR Arts and Crafts Association. She made countless quilts for ABC Quilts and Project LINUS. She will be truly missed but never forgotten.

As per Helen's wishes, the GVR Arts and Crafts Association made a contribution in her name to Bates College.

We are planning on doing something special to honor her at our March 2023 meeting when we work on Project LINUS.



BOARD MEETINGS

Our monthly board meetings are held the fourth (4th) Monday of each month—January through April and September through December. **Note that September's board meeting will be held on Friday, September 30, 2022.**

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



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN



I hope everyone had a good summer! I heard Green Valley had lots of rain, storms and hot temperatures!

Here we are starting another year for the GVR Arts and Crafts Association—our 51st year! We have meetings planned with new and different projects for the 2022-2023 year.

GVR is planning a GVR/Green Valley Showcase on January 26. The purpose of this event is to "showcase" the various GVR clubs. We have already signed up to be a part of this event!

We hope you will consider inviting friends/neighbors to our monthly meetings. We also hope you will volunteer to help us with our February festival as it requires a lot of volunteers!

A CRAFTY MOMENT

I CAN'T CLEAN MY CRAFT ROOM BECAUSE I GET DISTRACTED BY ALL THE GOOD STUFF I FIND AGAIN.



HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE MEMBER GIFT SALE

Our December 7 Holiday Open House will include a member gift sale this year. Information and registration forms were sent out to all members in August. Those interested in having a table at the gift sale are required to have an Arizona Tax Permit and also be a member of GVR. Registration forms are due back by October 15. The number of tables available will be limited.

The Valley Players will provide entertainment, and the board will furnish meat and cheese trays with members providing appetizers and/or dessert items.

Our December event is special because the public is invited to see what we are all about. Mark your calendars and invite a friend or two!



ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL 2023

Our 2023 festival will be held on February 17 and 18, 2023 at West Center so mark your calendars!

The board is putting their heads together to come up with some new and different ideas for the festival so we will keep you posted! We would like to see this festival have a real "festival" atmosphere. Any ideas, let us know! Susanne Phillips and Cathy Tewksbury are co-chairs of the 2023 Festival.