

Madison Bead Society

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President Letter – November 2018

Pinney Library Display --- Thank you!

Our display at the Pinney Library went up November 1st and comes down November 29th. We collected 42 pieces for the display. Since the next meeting after the display goes down isn't until February, please contact Wally if you need our pieces back before the Feb. 25, 2019. (wabrinkm@wisc.edu)

Meant to Bead has reopened – in temporary location

In case you haven't gotten Shannon's email, her temporary location is now OPEN! 215 Angell St. Sun Prairie WI 53590 is steps away from the old location, on the backside of the Bank of Sun Prairie.

November 26th Meeting: Kumihimo candy cane ornament

Location: Sun Prairie Public Library, 1350 Linnerud Dr., Sun Prairie

Presenter: Lynn Sterud

We will make a candy cane with a beaded kumihimo technique. Members can make either a chenille fiber braid or a beaded braid. Red and white chenille yarn will be available at the meeting for anyone who wants to use it, cut and ready to go for \$2.00. Supplies and a pattern for the beaded ornament will be available at Meant to Bead before the meeting for \$5.00 and Shannon will have patterns at the meeting too. Here's the supplies you'll need and some steps you'll need to take before the meeting:

9" Chenille Fiber Candy Cane - Supply List (no pattern needed)

- 1, Round kumihimo disk (A thin or used disk is good for this fiber)
- 8 Bobbins
- 1, 2 oz. counter weight
- 4 yards of chenille yarn (2 yards each of 2 colors)
- 12" length of firm wire or a pipe cleaner
- No pattern is needed for the chenille ornament. I have chenille fiber available and can provide it to members for \$2.00.

6" Beaded Candy Cane - Supply List (pattern needed)

If people want to make a beaded ornament they should purchase the pattern and the supplies and then string the beads before the meeting. Previous experience will be helpful for this project.

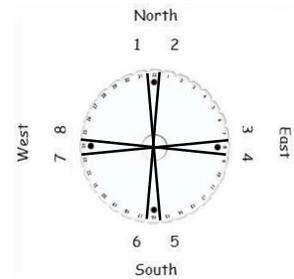
- Size 8/0 seed beads: Red, 160 and White, 160
- 4 yards of .5mm nylon bead cord (S-lon/C-lon Tex 210)
- 12", firm wire or a pipe cleaner
- 1, Round, thick, kumihimo beading disk with 35mm center opening
- 1, 2oz counter weight
- 8, Stop beads or cord locks
- Size 10-12 beading needle with leader thread



- Large eye sewing needle to stitch cord ends back into project.

Before the meeting:

1. Cut 4 lengths of bead cord 36" long.
2. Align all the cords and tie a knot in the center.
3. Place cords on the kumihimo disk: 2 cords on either side of the 4 black dots on the disk.
4. Use a size 10 or 12 beading needle with a 3" leader thread of Fireline or Nymo. If the knot of the leader is centered in the loop away from the needle or bead cord you can string size 8/0 beads onto the folded Tex 210 C-lon. Or you can stiffen the ends of the bead cord with Fray Check or nail polish. Let dry for 10 minutes and string the beads directly onto the cord.
5. Put a Stop Bead or Cord Lock at the end of each cord to keep the beads in place.



This is the last meeting of 2018. The next meeting is February 25, 2019. Send us your questions, program suggestions, or volunteer to do a program. We want to hear from you.

Call for Presenters/February meeting teaser

I'm still looking for presenters for 2019 but we do have a program for February. Mary Jo will do a face pin workshop for us.



February workshop: Face pin

There will be a full supply list in the next newsletter but it all starts with a button with a face on it. I found a bunch at JoAnn Fabrics and will bring them to the Nov. meeting

2019: February 25, March 25, April 22, May 20 [third Monday], June 24, July 22, August 26
If you want to teach a project or do a demonstration or lead a discussion, let me know. If you know someone who should be a presenter, please pass on these dates and my email.

Closing thoughts

I am so behind on Christmas projects. I'm thinking of making face pins for next Christmas; getting started in February is appealing right now. 😊 And I keep buying yarn for scarves or hats ... that I don't have time to make. <sigh>

Thanks for listening and happy beading!

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