



# Madison Bead Society Newsletter

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July 2013

## July Meeting: Earring Workshop for MBS Fundraiser

**When:** July 22nd, 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Pinney Branch Library

**Supplies:** Please bring your own tools

At this meeting we will be making simple, dangling earrings to be sold at the MBS show in November and any other vending opportunities that come along; proceeds go to MBS.

Some supplies will be provided but if you have materials you would like to donate, please bring them along.

We'll also learn more about the MBS show in November and our busy August meeting.

## Head Bead Column: July

Summer is in full force, and if you are like me you have outdoor activities competing with beading for your time. In past summers I've been so busy with yard work and gardening that only when the bugs get so bad that it's almost impossible to be in the yard do I finally get around to my hobbies. And, this year is no exception. But, with all the rain we've had, the skeeters are already out there, and I'll be staying inside safe and sound starting ... like, probably this week.

I'm not sure how many of you have been playing around with the two-holed beads that are out there now. I'm amazed at how many shapes (and colors) there are of them, but be aware that they vary slightly according to the manufacturer. There are endless possibilities of what a beader can do with these new lines of beads, and I've purchased some and played with them a bit. One thing I didn't need was a totally new line of supplies that I must find room for. Oh, what is a bead-a-holic to do! Well, just take over some space from something else, I suppose. Anyway, I would encourage you to at least give these new things a try. There are lots of examples on the internet of things to make with them along with tutorials, etc.

I hope to see many of you at the Pinney Library for our earring creation meeting where we will make earrings for MBS to sell for fund raising purposes. You can bring supplies you'd like to donate to the cause or you can just show up and use supplies that will be there. Just be sure to bring your favorite tools to use.

Then in August we'll have a Bead Swap just after our annual meeting. There we will elect officers for the next year and review who will be doing what duties for MBS during the next twelve months.

See you at the July 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting! As always, there will be an officers meeting at 6pm and all members are welcome to attend.

Gail Piper, Head Bead

### ***Sisters in Spirit: Native American Stories in Rocks and Beads***

This new exhibit at the Wisconsin Historical Society Museum runs from July 2 to November 2, 2013 and highlights the work of two contemporary artists whose works speak the ancient stories of Wisconsin.

Geri Schrab uses her petroglyph- and pictograph-inspired watercolors to share stories she sees in ancient rock art.

Karen Ann Hoffman's traditional Iroquois beadwork demonstrates the continued influence of Native Americans on Wisconsin art. She uses her tribe's traditional Iroquois Raised Beadwork to celebrate the legends of the Haudenosaunee.

The Wisconsin Historical Museum is on the Capitol Square and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit [www.WisconsinHistoricalMuseum.org](http://www.WisconsinHistoricalMuseum.org) for more information.



*Jim's Medicine Bag, Traditional Iroquois Raised Beadwork by Karen Ann Hoffman*

### **UW Hospital Display Update and Pinney Library Display (Aug. & Sept.)**

Our display at the UW Hospital was a great success! 14 artists had submitted 95 pieces. Every artist sold at least 1 piece. 31 pieces sold for a total of \$1331.00. Compare that to our previous display at which 23 pieces sold for a record total of \$900-well, we have another record!

If you did not pick up your pieces at the June 24 meeting, and you did not indicate you wanted them held for the Pinney Library display, you can pick up your items at the bead store where you submitted them.

A quick reminder: The UW Hospital asks for a 20% donations from sales to its art fund. Wally is sending them a check for \$266.20 (which is 20% of the total sale). So please remember to send/give to Wally your share of the 20%.

#### **Pinney Library Display**

We will also have a display at the Pinney Library in August and September. If you are participating in both displays, thank you. Wally (who is also coordinating this display) will keep the items you submitted to the UW hospital display through June and July. If you are participating in **both the UW hospital and the Pinney Library** display:

Wally Brinkmann will return all unsold items, as well as checks or cash for items sold, at the October MBS meeting. Let her know if you need your items before that date. Any items not picked up at the October meeting will be available at the bead store where you dropped off your items a couple of days after the meeting.

Email Wally if you have any questions ([wabrinkm@wisc.edu](mailto:wabrinkm@wisc.edu)).

## A Second Use for Dental Floss, Sort of

Well, not the dental floss itself, but the little box it comes in. One day I was about to throw out an empty, trial size box that the dentist gave me when it occurred to me that a spool of Nymo thread might fit inside. It worked -- but not without a little tweaking first.

First, you need trial size dental floss.



Then, pry it open (which can be hard to) and remove the core.



Trim the spindles that held the core until the Nymo spool fits. In some cases, you may have to cut out everything but one small piece.



It's a tight fit but it works. For a finishing touch, write the size on the box. Now you have a handy dandy Nymo thread keeper and cutter in one.

Pat Reichert, Newsletter Editor

[Please note that the spool of floss was removed for demonstration purposes. ADA recommends daily flossing. ☺]

## Beaded Crazy Quilt

A reminder that the first round of the quilt squares are due at the annual meeting in August. This is an ongoing project but we would love to see what you've got so far at the August meeting.

Details are in the March newsletter or under the Bead Challenge tab on the MBS Web site  
[http://www.madisonbeadsociety.org/uploads/crazy\\_quilt\\_info.pdf](http://www.madisonbeadsociety.org/uploads/crazy_quilt_info.pdf)

## August Meeting: Bead Swap II, Annual Meeting, and more

We have a lot planned for August. It's our annual meeting, Bead Swap II, an update on the Beaded Crazy Quilt, elections, and door prizes.

See you on August 26<sup>th</sup> at Oakwood Village University Woods!

## Bead Inspired!!

Okay, sorry about the pun.

But if were inspired by something you made or a technique you learned at a meeting we want to see what you made.

Bring it to a meeting to share and let me take a picture of it to post to our Facebook page.

Thanks!

Pat Reichert, Editor

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## MBS and Facebook

Are you on Facebook? Go to <https://www.facebook.com/madisonbeadsociety> and send MBS a friend request (you may be prompted to log in, close that window and you'll see "Beadsociety Madison" and a button "Add Friend"). When accepted, MBS postings and links to the newsletter will show up on your Facebook page.

## 2012-13 Schedule

**July 22\*\* Earring workshop to benefit MBS**

**August 26\* Annual Meeting and BEAD SWAP 2 and Beaded Crazy Quilt Squares**

**August & September Pinney Branch Library display**

**[The 2013-14 schedule will premier in the August newsletter.]**

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**\$ – There is a fee for this workshop**

### \*\*Pinney Branch Library

204 Cottage Grove Rd.

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### \*Oakwood Village University Woods (formerly Oakwood Village West)

6201-6225 Mineral Point Rd.

Madison, WI 53705

Heritage Oaks Building

<http://www.oakwoodvillage.net/downloads/campus-map-uw.pdf>