

# Madison Bead Society

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## President Letter – July 2017

*June meeting recap:* Thank you, Anna, for sharing with us some of the bracelets that will be in your next book. The variety of wrap bracelets alone was inspiring. And she a mini trunk show with her so that was a shopping opportunity. However, there was a miscommunication and Anna did not teach us how to make the beaded bead clasp, but she promises to come back and teach it. In fact, she joined that night. (She doesn't realize how often we ask members to lead a program, heh heh.) So stay tuned for the scheduling of the super duo ball clasp class [I'm sure there will be a better title for the project by then].

### July 26th Meeting: "Choices" Hammered Focal Beaded Necklace

We are meeting in Stoughton this month and if you've been to one of our meetings at Diakonos the last couple years, you've made a bracelet. This year, I asked for a necklace or pendant instead or metal letter stamping and Becky and Ed pleasantly surprised me by combining my request. You can see a picture on the next page.

*R.S.V.P. is required for this meeting so the kits will be ready to go. Please call Diakonos by Friday July 21<sup>st</sup>. 608-873-0210*

*Location:* Diakonos Designs, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

187 E. Main St., Stoughton (above Cheesers)

*Instructor:* Becky and Ed Guzman

*Fees:* \$25 plus additional fees if you decide to swap out beads; many choices of large beads, pearls, and natural stones will be available

The fee includes materials and instructions. In addition to the chevron portion of the necklace, students will hammer a word into the large disc, and texture and/or curve the leaf. If you haven't done a wrapped loop, or haven't done one in a while like me, they can help us with the pearl dangle. Have a word prepared in advance, 12 characters or less works best. It can be a single word or a phrase and can incorporate numbers. Remember, a space counts as a character.

And they are offering 20% off additional shopping, the night of the meeting only.

To close this month's letter, a reminder that membership renewal is coming up. Dues are the same as last year, \$25 for individuals and \$25 for businesses and families.

Happy beading!

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