



Madison Bead Society Newsletter

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August 2013

August Meeting: Bead Swap, Annual Meeting, Officer Elections, and Membership Renewal

When: August 26th, 6:30 p.m.

Where: Oakwood Village University Woods

Bead Swap!!

We have a full agenda for the August meeting. If you missed the February Bead Swap you're in luck – we're doing it again! Bring your leftovers, books, U.F.O. (un-finished objects), and anything bead related to swap with or sell to other members. But we have to take care of business first.

Annual Meeting: Elections

This is also our annual meeting where we elect officers for the 2013/2014 program year and discuss programming. Please consider running for an officer position. You can speak up at the meeting or if you can't make it, you just have to contact a current officer to throw your hat into the ring. Our current Head Bead, Gail Piper, is stepping down. Consider running for Head Bead and bring your vision to MBS. We also have committee chair positions available. The most urgent need is for someone to apprentice under our current Show Promotion Chair, Liz Jones, to take over for the 2014 show.

Annual Meeting: Programming

If you have some program ideas or want to volunteer to lead a workshop there are still some open dates. At this point September and October are scheduled and one more that is almost pinned down. There is no meeting in December and January and the May meeting is the 19th, the 3rd Monday in May.

Annual Meeting: Membership Dues

The Membership Chair has proposed raising the dues by \$5.00. The last increase, also \$5.00, was in 2005. If passed, the increase will go into effect for the 2013/14 program year. Renewal notices will go out after the August meeting.

Beaded Crazy Quilt

Bring your square to the August meeting. That's not the end of the quilt project, it is ongoing and an end date has not been set. We took a break from the annual bead challenge this year to kick off the crazy quilt but the challenge will return next year. 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

Door Prizes!

As if the swap weren't enough, toward the end of the meeting we'll draw names for some door prizes.

MBS Fine Art Show: November 23 & 24, 2013

It's that time again! If you are interested in being a vendor at our 2013 show, the vendor forms are now available online at http://www.madisonbeadsociety.org/Bead_Shows.php.

We need volunteers to staff the MBS table. There will be more information in the next newsletter but we need 4 people who can commit to at least one 2 hour shift.

Our members make this show a success – by vending, volunteering, or spreading the word. Thank you.

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 for more information.



Where Spirits Walk, Watercolor Painting by Geri Schrab

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).

Head Bead Column: August

By Gail Piper

I hope your summer has been enjoyable. I can't believe we are almost half way through August. I was at a store yesterday that has the Christmas decorations out for sale already. Personally, I think that shows lack of respect for the holiday. But putting my opinion on that aside, autumn will be here before we know it. My how time does fly!

Speaking of time, have you taken the time to finish all your beading projects or are you like so many of us surrounded by UFO's (unfinished objects)? Ever wonder why that happens and what's going on that we start things and they don't get done?

I have a storage drawer in my bead room marked "unfinished projects; if not completed by March 2013 they get torn apart". Well, here it is August and that drawer has not been touched!!! So, my UFO's collected in a drawer has its own new identity as unfinished – the entire group of them is an unfinished thing! Now, that's scary.

I know why that didn't get done and it has to do with my schedule, but I hope that will be changing so I'll have more time to do my beading. But, we will all always have those things that get started because we see a pattern we like or have some great idea. We get it started, get interrupted or run into a problem with it and it just doesn't get finished. Take heart in having UFO's around, though. I'm positive you are not alone! If there is a beader or crafter/artist in any other medium who says they don't have them, they are not telling the truth! Personally I believe it's a symptom of being creative and just fall-out of the creative process.

I hope to see you at the August 26th meeting, which is also our annual meeting where we will elect our officers for this next program year! As always, there will be an officers meeting at 6pm and all members are welcome to attend. Regular meeting begins at 6:30 and we will be at Oakwood (West). Bring your most current projects (finished or unfinished) to show everyone and your "once wanted but now not so wanted" beads, equipment, books, etc. for our Bead Swap! It should be a fun evening. And, we will have door prizes!!! Don't miss it.



Project from the November meeting



Project from the October meeting

2012-13 Schedule

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

August & September Pinney Branch Library display

2013-14 Schedule

September 23 – Acrostic Beading presentation

October 28 – Iron Age beads presentation

November 23-24 MBS Show at the Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center

November 25
No meeting in December and January 2014

February 24

March 24

April 28

May 19 (Third Monday)

June 23

July 28

August 25

Message from the Membership Chair:

We have not raised the membership dues since 2005. I have proposed raising the dues \$5 – to \$30 for individuals and \$35 for businesses and families – and the members at the annual meeting will vote on it. An email notice will be sent to everyone with the results of the vote and renewal notices will be mailed out shortly after the annual meeting. I hope you will attend and share your thoughts on my proposal. Thank you. *Pat Reichert, Membership Chair*

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2012-2013 Officers

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\$ – There is a fee for this workshop

**Pinney Branch Library

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<http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/pinney>

*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>