

Loose Bead Society of Greater Milwaukee

Business Meeting

May 10, 2010

New Berlin Public Library

Board members in attendance: Cindy Collins, Helen Dahms, Michele De'Brabant, Kat Feldman, Nancy Langlas, Julie Miller, Traci Otte, Brenda Schweder, Amy Smith, Kathy Willmering.

Call to Order

- President Brenda Schweder called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Officer/Committee Reports

President; Brenda Schweder

- Community Service Chairperson. Michele De'Brabant is the new Community Service Coordinator.
- The Global Bead Society meeting during the Bead&Button Show will be an exchange of ideas among bead societies. The theme is "go global."

President-Elect; Helen Dahms

- Library Display. Please notice the display in the cases at New Berlin Public Library.
- Bead&Button Show. Volunteers are needed for Saturday and Sunday, and table captain slots are available. Free tickets will be given to volunteers. If interested in volunteering during the Bead Social, let Helen know; she will draw names this week.
- Loominosity. We will participate in the Wisconsin Handweavers' show and sale during the last week of October. Challenge participants will be encouraged to exhibit their pieces. Members can sell their work; those who do so will be asked to take a shift during the sale.
- Rummage Sale. Helen introduced Ruth Maegli, who is chairing the sale. The sale will be August 7, with set-up on August 6 from 3:00 until 5:00 pm and for an hour before the sale on Saturday. Sale hours will be from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm. Beads and bead-related items may be sold. Members are responsible for items at their own tables. Tables may be shared. Displays may be up to 6 feet high. The fee will be \$10 per table; chairs will be included. Lunch can be ordered for \$10.

Special Events; Kat Feldman

- Challenge. The theme is Metamorphosis: a stage in the life a butterfly or moth. Information is available at the handout table and on the website.

Community Service; Michele De'Brabant

- Anyone is welcome to join the committee.
- Chemo caps. More caps are available to be picked up during the meeting. Outrageously decorated caps are requested.

Treasurer; Amy Smith

- Amy reported the March beginning and ending balances, revenues and expenses.
- Brenda noted that the board is putting together a budget.

Membership; Kathy Willmering

- 1 new member and 2 guests were welcomed.
- Attendance: 56 members, including 1 new member and the speaker, and 4 guests.

Website; Traci Otte

- Facebook. Membership is now 97, which surpasses the goal of 90 for May. The goal for July is 120.
- Global Bead Society. The Facebook page has 56 fans and the goal for July is 100.

Programming; Cindy Collins

- Future programs:
The June 14 program, one week earlier than normal, will feature a representative from Beadalon teaching how to use their products. The program will begin at 7:00 sharp and the library will allow us to stay late, so the program may run until 9:30. There will be no table talk because of the lengthy program.
August – A representative of Blue Buddha Boutique will talk about new materials being used for chain maille

Table Talk

- 7 members showed items made with buttons.

Program

- Maggie Roschyk, writer of the blog “Maggie’s Musings” for Bead&Button.com, talked about the transition from executing designs and patterns by others to creating your own designs.

Julia E. Miller, Secretary