NEWSLETTER OF THE MADISON BEAD SOCIETY

APRIL 2023

More UFOs and Bead Swap Back: Monday, April 24

Location: Sequoia Library, 4340 Tokay Blvd.

Time: 6:30 to 8:30, p.m. (Board meeting from 6:00-6:30)

Supplies: Any projects you are working on

I'll be bringing in some beads that were donated to make grab bags. Since MBS will not have a table at the Art Glass and Bead Show going forward, it seems only fair to make the beads available to members.

Going forward, programming will be decided by the members at the meetings. If you see something you want to try, bring it up and we can work it out as a group.

University of Wisconsin Hospital Display - May 2023

Drop off at the April 24^{th} meeting OR

Drop off at Meant to Bead: April 20 to 27 (Mon. to Sat.)

Can't get to Meant to Bead? Email me (houseofpat2@gmail.com), I'll pick up your pieces

18 item limit (an earring and necklace set counts as one, but only if selling as a set)

Form: Please fill out the form at the end of this newsletter (or when dropping off).

Cards are available at Meant to Bead. *Please supply your own small plastic bags.

To have a decent display, we need around 75 pieces (more is better).

This is the 17^{th} time we have displayed at the hospital. It is a chance for the society to reach out to potential new members and gives us an opportunity to sell. Display items are sold through the Hospital's gift shop (20% of sales are donated to the Hospital's art fund).

Each item needs to be accompanied by a card giving the artist's name, title or name of the piece, technique used, and the price (tax not included). If you do not want to sell a piece, write NFS (not for sale) in the price line. We need a value for all pieces, even those not for sale, for insurance purposes. Each item, plus card, needs to be in its own small plastic bag, and the small plastic bags need to be in a larger plastic bag (available at Meant to Bead). This permits the exhibitor to pick and choose items for the display.

If you have questions about the display, you can contact Wally at wabrinkm@wisc.edu

Pieces can be picked up at Meant to Bead in early June (specific date to be determined). If I picked up your pieces, I can also bring them back to you. Wally pays the hospital 20% of all sales. DO NOT FORGET to reimburse her.

Future of the Madison Bead Society

The Board is working on the plan to complete the dissolution of our nonprofit status by the end of 2023. Already, the P.O. box will expire at the end of this month, March 31^{st} .

We will continue to meet. You will continue to get emails. Members who come to the meetings will help decide what we do at the next meeting.

When the plan is formed/finalized it will be presented to members in the newsletter.

I would like your feedback on what to do with MBS going forward. Do we change the name? Do we meet on a different day? Earlier in the day? On the weekend?