

Loose Bead Society of Greater Milwaukee

Business Meeting

December 21, 2009

New Berlin Public Library

Board members in attendance: Kathy Brier, Cindy Collins, Ann Cook, Renee Corya, Helen Dahms, Kathy (Kat) Feldman, Nancy Langlas, Julie Miller, Brenda Schweder, Amy Smith, Kathy Willmering.

Call to Order

President Brenda Schweder called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and welcomed everyone to our last meeting during the year of our tenth anniversary.

Officer/Committee Reports

Special Events; Helen Dahms

- One-Day Retreat. A winter one-day event will be held on February 20, 2010 at New Berlin Public Library. There will be open beading all day and a good lunch; no classes will be offered. Copies of the flyer are available at the membership table.
- Spring Retreat 2010. Helen thanked Susan Duehl for the great job designing the brochure and the retreat committee for its hard work. She introduced Lynne Soto, who will teach at the retreat; Lynne showed samples of the class projects.

Special Events; Kat Feldman

- The fall one-day retreat will be held October 9 at New Berlin Public Library.

Secretary; Julie Miller

- We have received a large donation from the first treasurer of LBS, Sr. Julia Kress, who is no longer beading and wanted to give the beads to someone who would appreciate them. The donation will be used for various purposes and members will hear more in the future.

Treasurer; Ann Cook

- Ann reported the US Bank account balance as of November 30, the amount transferred to Amy for the new bank account, and the balance following the transfer.

Membership; Kathy Willmering

- It is time to renew for 2010.
- One new member was welcomed.
- Attendance at the program: 61 members, 1 guest.

Newsletter; Nancy Langlas

- The December issue has just been published. Contributions are welcomed for the next issue.

Community Service; Kat Feldman

- Chemo Cap Project. Kat thanked members for their hard work and artwork on the chemo caps.
- Kat and Brenda introduced Kathy Brier as Community Service Coordinator for 2010.

Programming; Cindy Collins

- The programming committee is looking for more members; see Cindy.
- 2010 program planning is underway.

The January program will be a hands-on project of right-angle weave crystal beads. Swarovski is providing the crystals. Members are asked to bring scissors to the meeting. In March, Jill Erickson will demonstrate torch-fired enamel.

Program

- Amy demonstrated Facebook and offered to help members set up Facebook accounts during the party.

Table Talk and Announcements

- Members showed their creations and made announcements.

Volunteer Recognition; Brenda Schweder

- Retiring Board Members. Swarovski star pendants were awarded to Renee Corya and Ann Cook in recognition of their years of service to LBS.
- Volunteers. Bead grab bags were given to members who volunteered during 2009. Toni Fohey was the lucky recipient of a drawing for a glass vase made by Amanda Paffrath of Funky Hannah's and Hot Shop Glass during the 2009 spring retreat, and generously donated by Brenda Schweder.
- Anniversary nuggets (beads) were distributed to all attendees.

Holiday Party

- Members enjoyed snacks and a cake decorated for our "decade of decadence."

Julia E. Miller, Secretary