News from our President

Hello Guild Members!

I hope you are all having a wonderful summer. Thank you so much for a very good first year as President, I believe we have accomplished a lot. It is wonderful to see so many more of you coming out for meetings, new members joining, and classes selling out! I thank everyone that has commented that meetings are inviting and that we feel like a family. Thank you to those who are "recruiting" new members and thank you everyone for making new members feel welcome. Guild members, you come, linger, and enjoy each others company. I hope that this next year we will be just as wonderful and our Guild will continue to grow even more!

I want to take this opportunity to ask each and every member to consider giving your time as a volunteer. I would also ask you to consider stepping up to participate on the Board. We are the best Guild in the country and we are unique. We are able to provide educational opportunities with 10-12 national teachers a year with the lowest class cost nationally. We are able to do this because of all the work that happens behind the scenes to make everything run smoothly. Bead Bonanza is our primary source of ongoing financial support, in addition to annual membership dues. We are growing in numbers again because of the increase in public awareness due to your efforts to spread the word. Thank you! Your personal endorsement is more powerful than any advertising. The metro area communities are more aware of us because we have energetically promoted our Guild to the public. It is more important than ever to give your time to the Greatest Guild in the country. We need more volunteers for everything that we do. Speak to one of our Board members to find out how you can become more involved. We need you to give throughout the year in any way you can.

I have informed the Board that I will not seek reelection next year. The Board is seeking candidates for President. Please contact Sue Schwartzbenberger or myself for more information. I am willing to
organization of about 300 members in Southeast Michigan. We meet monthly (with the exception of December) for activities and classes to learn more about all aspects of beadwork.

**Membership**

by Sue Vogen  glbg.membership@yahoo.com

It's never too late to become a member of GLBG or to renew your membership. Dues are $30 a year from January through December. You can pay for your membership on the web page:

http://greatlakesbeadworkersguild.org/membership.html

PayPal or credit card renewal is available. Fill in the drop downs and select Buy Now. If you have a PayPal account proceed as you normally would. If not, just select "Don't have a PayPal account" and enter in your credit card information.

You can also print out the membership renewal form at the bottom of web page. Please take the time to complete the form clearly (especially your email address) so that we can continue to contact you with all the exciting workshops and meetings that are planned in the future.

Any questions feel free to contact me at glbg.membership@yahoo.com

**The Beader Reader**

Welcome to the official publication of the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild. The newsletter is published bi-monthly by this schedule:

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or email at: glbg.newsseditor@yahoo.com

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**News Editor**
Susan Kolovson

do a mini internship with anyone interested.

I will also resign from the Exhibits Chair position May 31, 2014, in order to pursue other opportunities. It would be unfortunate for Exhibits' events to cease if the position is vacant. The following Exhibits events have raised the Guild's public presence and we are repeatedly invited back to share your work; Library Exhibits, Guild Presentations, Maker Faire, The City Gallery installations, and Synergy (beyond 2014).

As with all organizations, people come and go, leadership, goals, and directions change, that is as it should be. If you are pleased with the momentum that we have right now and want it to continue, it is very important that you determine to become more involved now.

Beads Ahoy!
Sharon Wagner

Volunteering can be an exciting, growing, enjoyable experience. It is truly gratifying to serve a cause, practice one's ideals, work with people, solve problems, see benefits, and know one had a hand in them.

Harriet Naylor

**Programming Nixon**

by Cynthia Nixon

Boy oh boy, how time flies.....by the time you receive this issue of the Beader Reader, Bead and Button 2013 - check; June Pizza Party and Strut your Stuff - check; next up Treasure Sale on July 16. Please place your table reservations by June 30 with Cynthia Nixon at 248.647.7945 or email - glbg.programming@yahoo.com or Cynni49625@aol.com.

If you have an accumulation of treasures to sell and are reserving a six-foot table, please remember to bring your own change and table covering. As a vendor, you will be able to set up your display beginning at 5:30 on July 16 and also shop the other vendors before the doors open at 6:30.

Nikia Angel will be here in early August for three days of classes. Please check the article in this newsletter for class information and registration.

At the general meeting on August 20 there will be a fun Make and Take. Please bring your usual beading supplies: thread of choice, scissors, #11 or #12 needle and a mat or other beading surface...free kits to be provided for this project!

The program for September 17 will be a presentation and explanation of our 2014 Synergy Project, which will be great fun. It is a joint project between GLBG and the glass makers guild, Glass Act. Do plan to join us.

Have a great summer and bead on!

**Membership News**

by Sue Vogen - glbg.membership@yahoo.com

**Drawing for membership recruitment**

We had the drawing at the June meeting for the membership recruiter. The recruiter winner is----Joanne Goldberg----for recruiting Barbara McGonagle. Joanne won a free class. And a big welcome to Barbara!
Monthly Meetings

Monthly general meetings for members of the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild begin with socializing at 6:30 pm and programs from 7 - 8:30 pm, on the third Tuesday of the month (exceptions are indicated with an asterisk) at:

First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham
1669 West Maple
Birmingham, MI 48009

General meetings will be canceled for inclement weather when evening classes at Birmingham Schools are canceled according to local radio and television stations.

No State Tax ID's will be accepted in Guild classes or meetings. No private arrangements will be allowed with any instructor for this issue. There are no exceptions.

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PO Box 1639
Royal Oak, Michigan 48068
586.997.7043 8:00am-5:00pm

GLBG Bead Bonanza
Bead Show

October 13, 2013
Southfield Pavilion
Southfield, MI
10am - 5 pm

Book Of Fame

by Gay Dries
gaydries5@yahoo.com

Members, please let me know when members of our Guild get published or are otherwise acknowledged. I would like to add them to our Book of Fame. It is nice to know the famous among us.

A Day at the Library
by Linda Darmes

On Saturday, June 8th, Orion Twp. library had their 'Summer Reading Club Kickoff' and GLBG was invited to participate.

It was an outdoor event, held in their lovely gardens. Several other organizations were also present, including Heritage Spinning and Weaving. A woman dressed in Civil War era clothing from the 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry showed how games were played in that era. Additionally, there was a jazz combo, face painting, and henna tattoos. Of course there was food! The library had a table next to ours teaching beaded bookmarks - it was fun watching future beaders!

If you are in the area, stop in to visit this lovely library and its beautiful gardens, but most of all, check out the GLBG display!!

Nikia Angel Workshops
August 8, 9, and 10
by Gail Frederickson

Nikia Angel has been beading since birth (relatively speaking), creating is as natural to her as breathing - and just as necessary! She has been beading since she was a child, and obsessively since 1988. Teaching since 1990, Nikia has instructed at many major bead and jewelry shows, as well as in bead stores across the country. Constantly working to come up with new and innovative designs to share with her fellow beaders, she enjoys sharing her passion and love for all things beady and inspiring students of all ages to share her love of jewelry making. When she isn't busy beading or traveling the country, Nikia resides in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Moroccan Nights Necklace Thursday 8/08

Start thinking about who you can recruit in 2014. Shortly the membership applications will be asking if someone referred you. The paypal application already asks referral information. Our current membership is at 262. Let's see if we can increase our membership in 2014.

For more membership news, see sidebar at left.
21st Century Slide Bracelet Friday 8/09

Crystal Clay Cuff Saturday 8/10

For class descriptions and registration please click here

Exhibits Update
by Sharon Wagner
Are you working on your challenge pieces? Remember we have two themes: Pantone Color Challenge (use at least 3 Spring & Summer Pantone colors in a project) and Nature's Gallery (any beadwork project inspired by nature). I have reports from several members that their pieces are complete or nearly complete. Hey! Why not make several entries? You may enter as many pieces as you can manage. Also, if you have beadwork pieces made before this challenge, fitting either theme, by all means submit them! Also remember you may submit beadwork made from patterns and classes too, your work does not have to be original. New members and anyone who has never participated in the Guild Challenge you are invited to submit your pieces in the "First Time in Any Challenge" category of EACH theme! All challenge pieces are due at the August 20th general meeting and will be voted on at that time.

Maker Faire is right around the corner, July 28 & 29. We need more volunteers! We will be making a simple wire wrap ring with the teens and adults and the pony bead kid projects from last year. We need your help! I hope to have a quick wire wrap ring class for the volunteers at the July meeting. You must be a volunteer to participate. Also, if you have a ring mandrel that we may borrow for Maker Faire, please bring it to the July meeting! We will return your mandrel to you at the end of Maker Faire or the August meeting if you are not volunteering on Sunday July 29. We always have a great time so why not join the fun this year? You receive free entrance to the Maker Faire for volunteering one shift! Last chance to sign up to volunteer will be at the July meeting.

New this fall! The Costick Center has invited the Guild to have an "Artist Sale" during our Exhibit "Beadify Your World" in the City Gallery. Remember the City Gallery display this year consists primarily of the challenge entries this year, with curated items by request as needed to fill the gallery. The date for the artist sale is set for Saturday, September 21, 2013. Time of sale has not been set as of the date of this newsletter, although a possible time of the event is 11:00AM to 4:00PM. Each artist may reserve one table for the sale. Artists are required to remain with their items, conduct their own sales, and pay 30% commission to the Gallery. Members, you may participate at your own risk, GLBG will not be responsible for any items or sales during the sale. More information will be provided at the July and August meetings.

In the meantime, If you have any questions please contact Sharon A. Wagner at glbgexhibits@yahoo.com

Exhibits
Calendar of Events
July 1 - 31
Display, Warren Public Library
July 11
Guild Presentation, Warren Public Library
July 26-28
Maker Faire Booth, The Henry Ford Museum (set-up Friday afternoon)
August 20 Guild Challenge Deadline

Have your Own Bead Page on the GLBG Web site
by Liz Thompson

Here is your chance to have a link to a web page that features you!! Check out our current beaders who have a page on the GLBG website, it could have links to your personal web page, Etsy store, or Facebook page - a great way to self promote. Check out some of the pages that have been created at http://greatlakesbeadworkersguild.org/featured.html

Answer the following questions:

When did you start beading and bead-weaving (or metalwork or.....) and why?

How much time do you spend beading a day?

What is your favorite stitch to work with and why?

What does your beading space look like?

What's your goal when you teach?

Describe your excitement when you find that one of your pieces is going to be published.

Please copy and paste the questions in an email to (ethomps1@gmail.com), send me a picture of you and your beadwork. If the piece is something designed by another artist, please let me know the name of the pattern and the artist so I can appropriately credit them. Do not worry about the sizes of the photos, I can resize them when I create your page.

Thanks! If you think of some other questions, just add them in to the mix! Thank you for stepping up - we all do such great stuff! I'd love to see YOUR name on YOUR page.

Tradewind Bead Cruise
June 6, 2013

Dear Members of the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild,

The good news is it is not too late to sign up for the Tradewind Bead Cruise!!!! I have been on many cruises but the Alaskan cruise takes you to some of the most beautiful country you will ever see. It is a seven day cruise round trip from Seattle, September 6-13, 2013. Marcia DeCoster will be teaching her Cassandra bracelet. Nancy Cain created a special piece for this cruise called Northern Lights. I will be showing you how to create pattern art pieces called Zentangles and have you create a leather journal for storing your art pieces. I hope you will consider going with us. All the prices, the itinerary and the class projects can be found at www.tradewindgallery.com/dallas_lovett_bead_cruise.

We have just arranged with the Cruiseweb people a pre-cruise offer which is optional. This is an extra expense, not included in the price of the cruise. You would need to come into Seattle on September 5, the day before the cruise. The package based on double occupancy would include: transportation from the airport to the hotel, overnight accommodations, (breakfast on your own) 9:00 am transportation to the Chihuly Glass and Garden Museum (with luggage) 10:00 am admittance to the the Museum, (free time with lunch on your own) 2:30 pm transportation to the cruise ship terminal. The price of this pre-cruise package would be approximately $130-$140. If you haven't seen the Chihuly Glass and Garden Museum, it is spectacular.

For every two members your group can recruit for this cruise, I will donate $50 to your group. I am looking forward to meeting more of your membership as they travel with us. As a member of the Great Lakes Beadworkers Guild and receiving your emails, I am inspired to see what many of you are creating with beads.

Sincerely,

Dallas Lovett
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*Please note these events occur outside of the normal meeting and workshop schedule (usually the third week of the month).
"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

John Quincy Adams (1825-1829)