

December 2005

# Observations

## **Officers:**

### **President**

Nancy Wilson

### **Programs**

Marsha Gulick  
Cynthia Hubbard  
Joyce Sandifer

### **Treasurer**

Sharyl Landis

### **Secretary**

Dee Schwanhausser

### **Newsletter/Website**

Lori Belknap

Hi Beading Buddies,

It's been a good year. But it is almost over. We have nearly doubled our membership thanks to our wonderful board members.

My thanks to Dee Schwanhausser for all her help showing me what to do as OBS president. She will be our President for 2006. I am sure she will do a wonderful job.

We missed a lot of you at our Christmas Party, mostly due to bad weather. I'm sorry you weren't there.

This is my last letter, but I will be around.

Keep on beading happy!

~ Nancy Wilson

## **OBS Beading Calendar**

January: Peyote Stitch lesson.  
Taught by various instructors.

February: Beaded Dragon Fly.

March – May: TBA.

June: Annual Salad Supper. TBA.

July – November: TBA

December: Annual Holiday  
Dinner. Location, date, and time  
TBA.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Income:  
\$420.00                      Memberships (21)

Expenses:  
\$180.00                      Library Prizes  
100.0                          gifts of \$50 each,  
   President &  
   Newsletter  
44.14                          Ink & Stamps

Balance as of 12/19/05:  
\$2,241.78

## **Oklahoma Bead Society Agenda**

Agenda for monthly meeting is as follows:

- Introduction – New members and present members
- Vice President/Programs
- Secretary/Librarian Report
- Treasurer Report
- Newsletter
- Old Business
- New Business

## ***B'ville Beaders***

**Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month**

Check their website at:

[bvillebeaders.tripod.com](http://bvillebeaders.tripod.com) for more info and supplies needed.

Bring a lunch or do lunch on your own.

We would love to see you bead there.

## **Minutes for OBS Board Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 6pm on 12/19/05 at Panera's restaurant.

In attendance were Teri Burress, Debra Massey, Angela Harshaw, Maureen Casteel, Sharyl Landis, Dee Schwanhausser, Lori Belknap and Nancy Wilson.

We exchanged duty obligations and information from 2005 officers to 2006. Discussed programs. We have January and February set and will get the rest of the year organized and the January meeting.

We still need a Secretary....Dee will ask for a volunteer at the January meeting. Teri Burress and Deb Massey told us about their website observations and that we should take a vote at the January meeting. Then set up a meeting with Steven Copely and start the ball rolling on our new website renovations. Discussed having an OBS first ever Bead Bazaar in April. More info to follow from Deb Massey.

We also need to set up a charity for 2006. Meeting adjourned.

## **OBS Library Displays**

Well, the Library displays were a resounding success !!! Everybody received votes and it was very interesting to see how different each library voting turned out. When counting the votes there were also business cards and notes thrown in. Some of the notes said things like:

"All too great to choose from"

"Can we buy any of these?"

"I'll be at the January meeting!"

One other thing I would like to mention before telling you who won what is that the libraries were so appreciative and love having us do our displays. They each want us to come back again in 2006 !!! All of your items can be picked up at the January meeting. A beady well done to all! So without further ado.....drum roll please.....

### **Helmrich Library for October, 2005**

First place and a \$ 40.00 check with a certificate of acknowledgment was won by **Cynthia Hubbard** for her Indian feather fan done in peyote.

**Shara Mattern** took Second place and a \$ 30.00 check with a certificate of acknowledgment for her frog amulet bag.

Third place went to **Nancy Wilson** for her light blue cube bracelet with silver clasp.along with a \$ 20.00 check with a certificate of acknowledgment.

### **Brookside Library for November, 2005**

First place and a \$ 40.00 check with a certificate of acknowledgement was won by **Helen Ege** for her necklace, bracelet and earring set of chain, peridot and assorted crystals.

Second place and a \$ 30.00 check with a certificate of acknowledgement went to

**Teresa Davis** for her netted peach necklace.

**Dee Schwanhausser** won third place along with a \$ 20.00 check and a certificate of acknowledgement for her poinsettia necklace and bracelet.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU !!!!**

## **OBS Website News**

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Members, please advise us of any info you would like added to the website format. Such as special links.

We will be taking these suggestions at the January meeting.

A good website to visit is:

[www.nwbeadsociety.com](http://www.nwbeadsociety.com)

We thought we would do something a little different this year with our show and tell at each meeting.

January has the birthstone of a garnet. Please bring something you made that has either garnets or something close to their color.

### **Characteristics: Loyalty, Faithfulness and Truth**

The brilliance of the Garnet makes this gemstone a most prized possession. During the 18th century, genuine Garnets were considered the most treasured jewel to own, and it was worn by only the most wealthy and influential people of the era. It is said in mythology that anyone who possessed a Garnet would enjoy long life, good health and fortune.

Genuine GARNETS are found in Africa, India and North America, specifically Arizona, California and Idaho. South America, Madagascar and Europe (Czechoslovakia).

## **Weather Alert:**

If it snows on the day we meet and Tulsa schools are closed.....so are we.

## OKLAHOMA BEAD SOCIETY

MEMBERSHIP DUES COUPON:       **ANNUAL**        DUES AMOUNT: \$20\*  
PAYMENT DUE: JANUARY 1, 2006

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: OKLAHOMA BEAD SOCIETY**

**MAIL TO:** Angela Harshaw

DATE PAID \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT PAID \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

\* After June dues are reduced to \$10 for remainder of the year

### About Our Organization...

#### **Statement of Purpose**

The Oklahoma Bead Society is an organization of bead artists who have joined together to enhance their skills and further their knowledge of the cultural, historical, functional and technical aspects of beads. The Oklahoma Bead Society also serves to promote the education and appreciation of the fine art of creating beaded jewelry, clothing and other beaded items.

#### **Membership**

Membership dues are \$20 per calendar year (Jan. – Dec.). Members receive first priority for shows and classes; non-members pay a slightly higher fee. Participating bead stores offer a discount to OBS members when they show their membership card.

#### **Scheduled Meetings**

Meetings on odd numbered months are held at Brookside Library located at 4515 S Owasso, Tulsa at 6:30 pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings on even numbered months will be held on Saturdays, please check the OBS website or contact one of the OBS officers for meeting location and time. There is not a minimum age limit as long as a parent accompanies child.