



LET'S EAT!

Please remember to bring something tasty to share at the next meeting – AND *please* sign up at future meetings to bring a dish of delectable morsels.

RAFFLE

We're having one at the next meeting, and there are some pretty unique items (we'll even bring the raffle tickets this time!) Please donate something exquisite or useful for future raffles, because those in the know, know that we all like to win great items. Also, *thank you* to all who have been generously donating wonderful things for our raffles!

Current Officers:

President: Meredith Hartsfield
 Vice President: Eleanor Cutts
 Treasurer: (*Meredith Hartsfield pro tempore*)
 Secretary: Mary Jordan
 Program Chair: Susan Marie Molloy
 Hospitality: Naita Peschel

CLASS: EASY PEARL CLUSTERS – JUNE 20th

Did you know that pearls are one of June's birthstones? What a creative way to recognize this by learning how to create Easy Pearl Clusters, taught by our own Tahnja Pyle. You will need to bring:

Supplies:

- Pearls – 12 of the same size for each cluster, and they can be glass, plastic, or genuine
- Fireline[®] – 10 to 20lb (Use light colored Fireline[®] for light colored pearls; dark for dark pearls.)
- Scissors
- Bead mat or other work surface
- Bead reamer and task light (optional)
- No needle is needed!



ECBS 2017 RETREAT

Get ready! Our retreat is scheduled to be held in Fort Walton Beach, Florida, February 24-26, 2017. There will be some new changes and improvements to the retreat, which we will share in the letter we are sending out soon to the members, former participants, and to former and new teachers.

ECBS WEBSITE

This fall we will be releasing our new and greatly improved website. We are excited about all the new features, its design, and the almost effortless navigation, and hope that you will be, too. (We say that navigating the website *will be almost effortless* because, well, you'll have to move your computer mouse around to get around it. Ha ha.) OK – back to business:

ECBS FACEBOOK GROUP PAGE

In addition to our upcoming new website, we will be making changes to our Facebook group page so that it, and the new website, will complement each other and function as a more cohesive unit.

BEAD AND ART SHOWS? HELP SPREAD THE NEWS

You can help spread the news about other bead and art shows by letting us know of any shows of which you are aware, and letting us know what shows you'll be in, too – let's share in our creativity and love of the bead world! We will put the information in our future newsletters, or in special emails, as appropriate, and as timeframes allow.

A NOTE TO EMAIL NEWSLETTER RECIPIENTS – Didn't get your newsletter? If you think so, *please check your spam folder first*. Otherwise, contact **Susan Molloy** (at SMarieMolloy@gmail.com) to have it resent to you. But, more likely than not, your "missing" newsletter is in that irksome spam folder.

A NOTE ABOUT CLASSES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016

We have teachers scheduled from August through November to teach us a new technique, help us hone our skills, and refresh methods. Keep watching the newsletters and our Facebook group page for the monthly announcements. We will *not* have a class in July (it's our Bead Swap Meeting), nor will we have a class in December (Party Time!).

Thank you very, very much to those who taught a class this year, and to all of those who are scheduled to teach. You want to know something? We got some very wonderful feedback about all of you! Thank you again! You're tops!

AND TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS . . .

See you at our June 20th meeting.