



## Emerald Coast Bead Society

ECBS meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, 6 PM  
at The Wright Place - 80 E. Wright St.  
For more information call Meredith Hartsfield at 850-932-9473

### JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

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MÖBIUS EARRINGS with  
Swarovski crystals

If you have ever wanted to try chainmaille, but have been intimidated by all those little rings...here is your chance. These earrings are a great beginner's project. You will learn the proper way to open and close jump rings and how to make a Möbius ring. By combining them and adding a bit of sparkle with Swarovski crystals, you'll have a cute pair of earrings to wear anywhere.

Kits will be available for \$2 with a variety of crystal colors. Tools to bring: 2 pair flat nose or chain nose pliers without grooves, pair of round nose pliers, wire cutters, beading mat/surface, supplemental light, if needed, with extension cord.

It's that time of year — the drawing for the bead jar will be held at the January meeting!



#### RULES:

*You must be a current member,  
you must be present to win and  
you must have contributed to the  
jar within the last year.*

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## Registration EXTENDED for Bead Retreat

Ramada Plaza in Fort Walton Beach \* February 16-18, 2018

See [emeraldcoastbeadsociety.com](http://emeraldcoastbeadsociety.com), Coming Events, for information and photos on classes, teachers, cost, registration and hotel reservations.

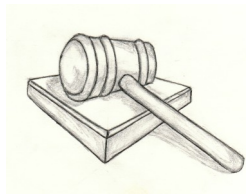
**Deadline for registration is January 15.**



EVERY MONTH—shopping is always available so feel free to bring your merchandise

FEBRUARY 16-18, 2018—ANNUAL BEAD RETREAT

\*We will include other shows in our newsletter and website, especially if our members are vendors or exhibitors. Please submit complete info to [sherri.stauffer@yahoo.com](mailto:sherri.stauffer@yahoo.com)



The slate for 2018 Officers & Board Members will be presented for approval at the January meeting: President-Mary Jordan, Vice President-Eleanor Cutts, Secretary-Bobbi Dorner, Treasurer-Meredith Hartsfield, Newsletter-Sherri Stauffer, Workshop Coordinator-Mary Jordan, Hospitality-Naita Peschel, Internet Coordinator-Laura Meyer and Programs-Deborah Wear-Finkle. We appreciate our volunteers!!

2018 membership dues are \$35 and payable at any meeting or by mail to ECBS, PO Box 582, Gulf Breeze, FL 32562. Please make checks payable to ECBS. Members receive a membership card good for discounts at any JoAnn Store and limited bead shows. Cards are available at the ECBS general meetings.

Items that are bead related are needed for the Retreat raffle, February 16-18. Even if you cannot attend the retreat, you can contribute to the raffle. Donate something you would like to receive. Raffle tickets are sold for \$1 each or a special bargain bundle. Thank you!!



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We also hold raffles at the monthly general meetings and welcome your contributions and ticket purchases — remember to bring cash to the meetings!

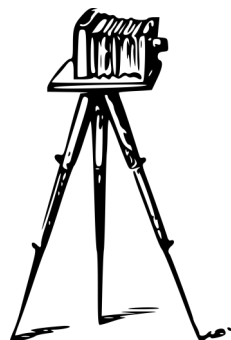


SNACKS for the general meetings are contributed by members, drinks are furnished by the Society. Please bring a snack to share every now and then. January snacks are provided by the 2018 Officers & Board.

Buttons!!



We are starting a button jar since so many have mentioned all the buttons at home. Don't know how it will be awarded — maybe an auction??



Our website is being renovated. Please contribute photos of our functions, classes, projects or completed pieces you'd like to show off.



The annual holiday party and gift swap was held in December with over 25 participants. We passed left, right, right, left many times and finally ended with each of us receiving a beautiful handmade gift. The buffet was full of delicious items!



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2018 membership cards will be available at monthly general meetings. Use your card to become a **Jo-Ann VIP** and save 10% on every purchase\*, including regular and sale price items, at any Jo-Ann store or at [joann.com](http://joann.com). \*some exclusions apply

INSTRUCTIONS: [joann.com](http://joann.com); at the bottom of the page, under SAVINGS & DISCOUNTS, click VIP PROGRAM, click ENROLL NOW, complete the sign up form, click SUBMIT. Your VIP card should arrive within 3-4 weeks. To activate your discount card prior to the first use, present your ECBS membership card and state issued ID card to Joann Customer Service.