

ASGB Meeting Minutes
Sunday, May 17, 2009

Attendees: Candace Mackey, Heather Walterson, Kathryn Guler, Sabrina Young, Christine Sutter, Penny Dickinson, Blair Revak, Michelle Parchinski, Celeste Sotomayor, Diane Sepanski, Tina Kulinovich, Karen Sherwood, Vee & Shauna Lamb, Triscia Schaffer, Kiersten Kern, Lisa Hamilton & Gail Finney

Karen Sherwood brought 2 friends from SCA (an international organization dedicated to researching and re-creating the arts and skills of pre-17th-century Europe.)

April's meeting minutes were accepted.

Old Business:

Heather Trimlett's class wonderful. Heather has agreed to return to Phoenix to teach marbles and buttons in January 2010.

New Business:

Deposits for Melanie Moertel & Sara Sally's classes are now due.

There are 4 openings for Melanie Moertel's classes – August 20 & 21 OR August 22 & 23, 2009.

Sara Sally LaGrand's Friday Sept 18, 2009 "Get a Reaction: Color Theory & Reactive 104 glass" class has 1 opening \$135.

Demo Day will be June 14th from 10am to 5pm at Fire & Friends Z Art Studios in Peoria. Admission will be \$30 per person, which includes refreshments, a full lunch, and one raffle ticket for a chance to win one of the items made that day. On the schedule to demo: Nancy Pilgrim – variations on a crown bead, Lori Greenberg, Lisa Hamilton - vessels, Laurie Nessel, Vee Lamb - marbles and Diane Sepanski - PMC demonstration. Kristina Logan's new DVD will be shown during the lunch break.

We will also be holding an additional raffle with beads from John Olson, Pati Walton, Kate Fowle Melaney, Heather Trimlett and some beads from previous bead exchanges too! Raffle tickets are \$2 each and all the proceeds from this raffle will be split between the Beads of Courage charity and our education fund. If you are unable to attend Demo Day but would like to purchase raffle tickets, please make your check payable to ASGB and mail to:

Penny Dickinson
9013 W. Daley Lane
Peoria, Az. 85383

Penny will send you your raffle stubs and enter you in the drawings. Please include your phone number in order for her to contact you, if you win any of the items on Demo Day.

As with previous Demo Days, there will be a "garage sale" where members can bring items to sell. If you have any glass, equipment, tools, jewelry supplies or whatever, please mark them with a price and bring them with you. We will designate a table to put all garage sale items on.

Go to the ASGB website (www.azsrgb.org) to see the beads to be raffled, as well as the Demo Day schedule.

Demo Day is a fund-raiser for our group, and this year the proceeds are going towards the Melanie Moertel classes in August. With significantly higher travel expenses than usual, we will use the funds raised to help pay down the expenses and help make the class fees as affordable as we can for our members.

Demo Day is open to everyone, so please feel free to bring family and friends for a great day of demonstrations!

Diane Sepanski is teaching a beginner PMC class on Saturday, July 11th @ Fire & Friends Z Art Studios in Peoria. The \$165 class fee includes all materials for 4 projects. Sign up through the FFZ website: <http://www.ffzstudio.com/>

Diane is thinking of offering a class on the "Art of Etsy"; a 2 - 4 hour "how to Etsy" class. Participants would bring their laptops; class cost will be \$25 - \$50. More info TBA.

Diane also talked about an upcoming art show "A Taste of Art & Wine" on October 24 & 25, 2009; 10am – 6pm held at Fire & Friends Z Art Studio. This is a fundraiser to benefit FFZ Beyond Basics. The show will feature food and wine tasting along with 30 artists and their work. The cost to participate for ASGB members will be \$50 and deposits are due by August 2009.

Diane stated there will be a Spring 2010 competition at the Stained Glass Shop in Glendale to celebrate Art Glass Month. Lampwork will be one of the categories included in the contest. Work will be judged on design, workmanship and creativity. All pieces will be displayed for a week and judged by independents artists.

Lisa Hamilton announced she has 62 lampwork monsters in the new "Monster" show at the AZ Museum for Youth in Mesa.

Tina Kulinovich mentioned she has several items for sale including an Arrow Springs kiln.

ASGB schedule for summer: See website for times and directions.

May 30th – ASGB Club at Kathryn Guler's

June 6th – ASGB Club at FFZ studio
June 14th – Demo Day at FFZ
June 20th – ASGB meeting at Mesa Arts Center
June 27th – ASGB Club at Christine Sutter's
July 4th – Holiday
July 11th – ASGB Club at FFZ

A majority of the ASGB members present voted to donate \$500.00 to the Bead Museum.

It's ASGB postcard time! Members who want a photo of one of their beads on the postcard must have the bead ready at the July 19th ASGB meeting. Cost is approx. \$27. David Orr will photograph each bead; it will be printed with all the other participating members on a postcard. Each member participating in this year's postcard is required to donate that bead to the ASGB Fall and Spring Raffles at the Best Bead Shows. Your work will be raffled along with the great lampwork teacher beads: Patty Walton, John Olson, Kate Fowle Meleney, Heather Trimlett, Nancy Pilgram, Melanie Moertel and Sara Sally LaGrand just to name a few. Proceeds from those 2 raffles will be split 50/50 between the ASGB Education Fund and Beads of Courage.

For informational purposes, here's the guidelines we set for last year's postcard: Each ASGB member interested may submit one bead. No jewelry or beads with wire wrapping will be accepted. Each bead will be photographed for placement on the 4" X 6" double sided, color postcard. Our ASGB logo and website will also be included on the postcard and if there is enough space, submitting artist's names will be on the card too. Each ASGB member will pay \$26.00 and receive 75-100 postcards and a digital copy of David Orr's photo of their bead. Note: Long beads will appear smaller on the postcard, so select a bead that will fit into a square photo without sizing it down.

Education:

Kristina Logan class date has changed tentatively to: April 18 & 19, 2010 and Heather Trimlett will teach marbles on Friday, January 22 and buttons on January 23 & 24, 2010

Bead Challenge/Exchange:

June – Quarterly stretch – butterflies
July - monsters

Treasurer's report:

\$ 4390.43	Beginning balance
\$1393.55+	Deposit - \$375.00 Heather Trimlett class fees & balance from bulk buys
\$ 185.41-	Debit – Tube Service Co. – bulk buy 1/4" heavy-walled tube mandrels
\$ 331.95-	Debit – Arrow Springs – bulk buy tools & filigrana for H. Trimlett class

\$ 31.82-	Debit – Sams Club – refreshments for H. Trimlett class
\$ 86.69-	Debit – Einstein Bagels – Saturday class lunch for H. Trimlett class
\$ 2.60-	Debit – bank service charge – deposited check fee
\$.36+	Dividend
\$ 28.03-	Debit – Party City – bowls, serving spoons & plates for group
\$ 31.66-	Debit – Heather Trimlett meals
\$ 221.54-	Debit – La Quinta – H. Trimlett hotel accommodations
\$ 264.28+	Deposit – bulk buys
\$ 81.00-	Debit – Samurai Sams – Sunday class lunch for H. Trimlett class
\$ 23.75-	Debit – Shipping for The Gathering postcards & Kate Fowle bead repair
\$ 370.62+	Deposit – bulk buys
\$ 800.00-	Check – FFZ studio – studio rental for H. Trimlett class
\$1439.20-	Check – Heather Trimlett class fees and airfare reimbursement
\$ 397.50-	Check – Beadspinner Lady – bulk buy
\$ 2758.09	Ending balance

Next Meeting dates: Saturday, June 20th at Mesa Arts Center
Sunday, July 19th – Lisa Hamilton’s home