

I can't believe how fast this year is going. Here it is February already. We had a wonderful Holiday Party at Briarwood, and the Bling Fling is just under our belts. But we do not have any time to relax because coming up is...

..... the bus trip to the Tucson Gem and Mineral Show, the chili party, and the Craft Fair. The Tucson trip bus is all filled up and I know they will have a wonderful and probably very spendy time buying beads and beads and beads and....well, you get the gist. Club will be open for those not traveling to Tucson.

This brings us to the next phase. On Saturday February 22nd from 8-12, there will be a big Bead Sale by members of our very own club. If you are interested in a table just let Karen Osmond know. The club got a very large donation and will be selling it to make money for our club to help host parties and buy gift certificates. In addition, you can sell from your own stash. You can sell anything related to beads, but NO,NO,NO finished jewelry, no pieces that did not sell in the last Craft Fair or the Bling Fling. Any member of the club can have a table, at no charge. Just bring your stuff and sell, sell, sell. This is a great way to get supplies and beads at great prices. Come with some friends!! Karen will fill you in on the details, the time, set up, etc.

If February weren't busy enough, the Chili Party is on Monday February 10th, and our group of intrepid planners has all in hand. It starts around 5:30-6:00. The food is great: lots of kinds of chili and all, and I mean ALL of the fixin's. Be there, get fed and go home full of beans.

March and the Craft Fair are just around the corner--- March 21st to be exact---more details to follow. I don't want your brains to explode with all of this information.

Just so you don't get too complacent, here is the information for the Beaders Spring Picnic. The Picnic will be held outdoors in the courtyard (weather and wind permitting) on Wednesday April 1st starting at 11:30 am, or inside, if the weather does not cooperate. No, you did not see the wrong date---it is April 1st, so don't be a fool and remember to sign up. Sign up starts on March 11 and the last day to sign up is March 25th. If you are "Gluten Free" please mark GF when signing up. It is a "lettuce wrap." We are serving sandwiches from "Jimmy Johns."

At the Picnic we will have a silent auction of all kinds of things, not just bead-related items. The silent auction pays for all our gift certificates at the Holiday Parties. Please consider donating something. Give your item(s) to Laura Hankin.

If you have any questions about the Spring Picnic, please see Pat Coontz or Sharon Pryor.

I haven't even had time to mention Raincharmer Beads (4212 W Cactus Rd.). They have expanded their space, and they give us a big discount, and they are open extra hours. Check out their website and see all they have to offer:
www.raincharmerbeads.com

Another great place for some of us to buy beads is Bead World. They have two locations: 6068 N. 16 St Phoenix and 10820 N. 71 Place, Scottsdale. They also give us a discount.
www.beadworld.com

CLUB HOURS AND RULES

Monday 6-9pm
 Wednesday 10-4pm

We are a non-smoking, pets, scent, and especially at this time of year no politics club. Be kind to members with severe allergies, wipe off that perfume. Come as you are.

CALENDARS:

FEBRUARY 2020

| Monday | Wednesday | Saturday |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| | | 1- Bling Fling |
| 3- bead | 5- Tucson Trip & bead | 8 |
| 10- Chili Party, bead & Brd. Mtg. | 12- bead | 15 |
| 17- bead | 19- bead | 22- Big Bead Sale at Club |
| 24-bead | 27- bead | 29 |

MARCH 2020

| Monday | Wednesday | Saturday |
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| 2- bead | 4- bead | 7 |
| 9- bead & Board Mtg. | 11- bead | 14 |
| 16- bead | 18- bead | 21- Craft Fair |
| 23- bead | 25- bead | 28 |
| 30- bead | | |

APRIL 2020

| Monday | Wednesday |
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| | 1-Picnic & beads |
| 6- bead | 8- bead |
| 13- Bead & Board Mtg. | 15-bead |
| 20- General Mtng & bead | 22- bead |

