

## Meeting Minutes: May 2009

**Meeting Date:** May 3, 2009

**Meeting was called to order by Melissa Villadiego at 2:15 PM.**

**Thank our host(s)/hostess(es):** Katie Elrod

**Welcoming of new members or visitors:** No new members or visitors

**Attendees:** Not recorded

**Review of previous meeting's minutes:** Recorded and read by Karla Lester

**Treasurer's Report:** Gail Crozier was appointed as the new Treasurer, no report available at this time.

### Announcements (Old/New Business)

- Glass Galore - Discussed if we should move back to the smaller gym since the large gym is probably too big. Everyone agreed to move to the small gym, and Melissa Villadiego took the action item of calling Kirkwood to request the move.  
Members discussed how a committee needs to be assembled to begin planning for Glass Galore.
- Tamara Hawn informed members about the Third Degree Glass Factory beginning 3rd Degree Thursdays where people can torch for \$5/hour.
- Glasshopper Studio has fusing on Wednesdays.
- Melissa Villadiego announced the Crestwood Art Space is now open. The grand opening was on May 2nd.
- Melissa Villadiego also mentioned how there was a store at the Crestwood Art Space where you could pay to get a bag full of various materials for low price. Other members mentioned the Teachers Recycling Center and Leftovers (in St. Charles).
- Katie Elrod discussed how she would like to have a bead sale in her store's parking lot. She wants to rent a large tent and tables that SLLS members would pay for. We could have this show whenever we'd like.

### Q-Tips (Question and answer period for members with problems/issues or questions related to lampworking)

- Emily Glynn asked how to use and tie Stretch Magic cord. Members talked about using superglue to "secure" the knot and hiding it in a bead hole.
- Emily Glynn also had a question about her dots. She wanted to know if they are melted in enough. Members then discussed how "good" dots are melted over halfway in. If the dot is larger on top than the portion connected to the bead, it will pop off.
- Melissa Villadiego had a question about how to use a cabachon mandrel. No other members had used one before.
- Peri Hogroebe mentioned that CiM Tuxedo black is stiffer than Hades black or any other black she's used. Members then discussed what blacks they prefer from Moretti (dark purple) to Vetrofond (dark blue).
- Teri Wathan shared how CiM Pink Champagne encased by Clockwork orange makes a gorgeous pomegranate color.

### Bead Challenge & Bead 'n Tell

Bead Challenge for June: Black & White

Various members shared bead challenge beads and other creations.

**Bead Drawing (Donor/Winner)**

Winner from previous meeting was not available for bead drawing.

**Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM**

**Demo / Activities**

- Cinco de Mayo Mexican fiesta
- No demonstration took place at this meeting, though members used Katie's studio to try their hand at making shards.