



# Not-A-Newsletter

## May 2009

Web site: <http://scpcg.org/>

### =====TAKE NOTE

**The Guild Challenge is:** A Bowl: A bowl is a common open-top container used in many cultures to serve food, and is also used for drinking and storing other items. They are typically small and shallow, although some, such as punch bowls and salad bowls, are larger and often intended to serve many people.

Anthropologist Vincas Steponaitis defines a bowl by its dimensions, writing that a bowl's diameter rarely falls under half its height.

Personally, I don't think we're such a fussy group. And I've seen many an artistically made bowl that was made never intending to hold anything.

Soooo.... put your thinking caps on...call to your muse.... get out your clay ..... and craft a BOWL.  
Deadline: June 20th Guild Meeting.

**Demo Volunteers Needed:** We need volunteers for demos. Also need a volunteer to demonstrate Faux Mother of Pearl. Are there any demos you'd like to give / any you'd like to see? Please let us know. Email Sharon [sharchar@gmail.com](mailto:sharchar@gmail.com) or we can discuss it at the meeting.

### =====Suggested agenda for May 16, 2009

Demo: Paint Pigments -Tricia Hamel  
Raffle-chain Raffle Item donated by Sharon Mihalyak  
Show-n-tell - Bring your treasures from the Weekends of Clay to show off!

### =====Looking Ahead

#### Demos:

June - Faux Wood grain Techniques- Lynne Ann Schwarzenberg

August (?) - Extruder Mania – Marilyn Malcarne

*Date to be determined* – Wire Working – Libby Mills

Fall – *Demo to be announced* -Lisa Gauthier

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Bead Bazaar – North Haven, Sept 13 & 14

### =====Guild Library

To borrow any items from the Guild Library, please email your request to:  
The library list can be found in the Membership Brochure.

(Please note that you **MUST** sign out all books with Sharon before taking them, even if they do not have a sign out card attached. Thank you)

Sharon Mihalyak  
[sharchar@gmail.com](mailto:sharchar@gmail.com)

### =====Welcome New Members

Welcome to Lisa Palmquist a new member from Wallingford

## ===== Traveling Exhibit

The Traveling Exhibit reflects who we are as artists and as a guild, with this in mind we are asking you to please contribute something new to display in the exhibit. You can donate the item for as long as you are willing to part with it. Our goal is to inspire and create interest in the medium we all love so well. Any contribution you can make will be greatly appreciated.

Traveling Exhibit items should be given to Wendy Oestreicher

Recommendations for Traveling Exhibit venues should be emailed to Gerry Pieper at [Gerryssilver@aol.com](mailto:Gerryssilver@aol.com)

The Traveling Exhibit is scheduled to appear in the following locations:

May: Cromwell Belden Library

June: Branford James Blackstone Memorial Library

July: North Haven Library

August: Cheshire Library

## ===== Classes

### Diane Villano

Jo-Ann Fabrics, Hamden

May 2<sup>nd</sup>, "Contemporary Cameo"

June 13<sup>th</sup>, "Woven Beads"

July 11<sup>th</sup>, "Swirl Heart Pin"

August 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, "Mini Album Pendant"

Bead & Button, Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

June 3, "Woven" Beads

June 6, Enchanted Garden Caned Beads

June 7, Balinese Allure Necklace Slide

### Lynne Ann Schwarzenberg

Bead & Button, Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

June 1, "Tone on Tone Floral Pendant"

June 2, "Hurray for Poly-Wood!"

June 3, "Awesome Blossoms" (dimensional cane work flowers)

Polymer Clay Express in August (date to follow)

Donna Kato's Clay Carnival in Vegas in Nov/Dec (date not yet set)

Tommie and Lynn were invited by Maureen Carlson to teach in CA in October

### NYCPG Workshops (from Ilene Goldman):

I just wanted to let the SCPCG know about an upcoming workshop at the NYCPG. Members of the CT Guild pay the membership price for any of our workshops. More details are on our website at [www.nycpg.org](http://www.nycpg.org). If anyone is interested in one of our workshops, they can contact me at [pcclayer@aol.com](mailto:pcclayer@aol.com).

Lindly Haunani - June 6-7, 2009

Dayle Doroshov - Oct 3-4, 2009

## ===== Other items of Interest:

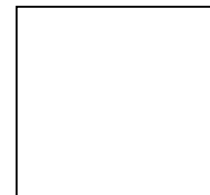
News:

Jody Bishel has her painting on exhibit at Greene Gallery in Guilford. The opening was Friday and Sharon was able to stop by. Her husband Dan also is exhibiting with her. Both are so talented. Here's a link:

<http://greeneartgallery.com/Artist.asp?ArtistID=13815&Akey=4J224MTA> (The exhibit will be on through June)

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**" 1 inch Tiles" due by November:** The Annual Bead strand has been replaced by 1inch Tiles. Diane Villano will be collecting 2 1-inch tiles from each member. She requests that they actually measure 1 inch (on all sides) and be no thicker than the thickest on your pasta machine (or a bit thicker if sculptural).

1" template to use →



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Klay Karma 09 will be held July 24 - 26, 2009, on the campus of Rivier College in Nashua, NH. Registration opened on April 1st. Their yahoo group is [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/klay\\_karma](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/klay_karma)

Klay Karma is a polymer clay retreat sponsored jointly by the Massachusetts and New Hampshire Polymer Clay Guild. Every other year (2005, 2007, 2009) it brings together some of the most talented polymer clay artists in New England for 3 days of inspiration and creativity.

#### **Note from the Klay Karma Planning Committee**

Dear Diane and Sharon,

It's great to see that several members of your guild will be attending Klay Karma 2009 at Rivier College. Registration is still going on, if anyone else is interested!

I'd like to send our request for raffle donations to your entire guild. Even if not attending, a donation by any guild member will be highly appreciated, will generate attention and publicity for the donor, and will help support the continued existence of this fun event. I know that past donations by many of your members have been enthusiastically received.

Anyone who is attending the retreat may bring their donation and donor information with them. Those not attending may send items along with attendees, or mail them by July 1. Please include your contact information and a business card or any other bio/information that you would like to include with the item when it is presented in the raffle.

If mailing, send to:  
Cami Frager (attn: KK'09 raffle)  
10 Weathervane Rd  
Canton, MA 02021

Thank you very much for forwarding this message to your group. I would really appreciate a quick email/reply from anyone who plans a donation, if possible. Of course, on-the-spot decisions to donate at the event will be gladly accepted, too!

I look forward to seeing you all in July.

Sincerely,

Anne Russell

Central Mass. Polymer Clay Guild

Klay Karma 2009 Planning Committee

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#### ====Minutes

Minutes from the April 2009 Meeting 4/18/09

13 members in attendance

Demo - 9 Block Cane - Debbie Goodrow

Discussion about the Weekend of Clay

Discussed possible instructors for class in the fall

Magic Wand Challenge

Having a 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Bottles of Hope day, notifying all guilds in October

Show-n-tell

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