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## No meeting in December

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This is to remind you that the San Diego Bead Society is dark in July and December. Our regular meetings will resume on January 16, 2016 at our usual meeting room at the Mingei. The Board of Directors wishes you a joyous holiday season and a new year filled with peace.

### Farewell and Thanks

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Dear Members and Friends,

It is with mixed emotions that I write this message. I have truly enjoyed being President of our beloved organization and working with such an extraordinary team. Yet, the time has come to move on.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to my amazing colleagues on the Board. I have learned a great deal from you and it has been a great pleasure working with you all. Thank you for all the support, insights, and help you have provided me over the past 2 years. I know I could not have done it without you.

I also want to express a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who have done so much over the past two years to keep the Bead Society the vibrant and friendly organization that it is.

I hope you have all enjoyed being part of Bead Society over the past two years, with wonderful speakers, extraordinary workshops, and our special events such as the Del Mar Fair, the Bead Bazaar, and our anniversary and holiday lunches.

However, of all the things that have been done over the past two years, the one I'm most proud

of is the launching of our community outreach program, Bead-A-Good-Neighbor, aimed at helping others in our community through the joy of beading. Thank you to all the volunteers that have offered their time, hearts and smiles to assist sick or under privileged kids in the creation of lovely bracelets and necklaces.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. I wish you all a very happy holiday season and I am looking forward to a wonderful 2016.

Best,  
Agnes Montano  
Outgoing President



### Looking Forward to 2016



Dear Members,

Thank you for putting your faith in me as I step into this new role as the incoming President of the San Diego Bead Society. Agnes has done so much to expand the Society and its outreach programs, and I am so thankful for her support -- as well as for the warm encouragement of the Board members -- as I make the transition into this new position and all that it entails.

One of the things I'm most excited about is getting to know all of our members better over the course of the coming months, and I promise to do my best to meet your expectations and to continue the wonderful work that the Society has been doing.

I won't be at our January meeting due to a prior obligation, but I'll be working closely with the Board in the meantime to make sure that all goes smoothly with the transition. I hope that you and your families have a wonderful holiday season!

Warmly,  
Leanne Maunu  
Incoming President

### Membership Renewals



If you haven't yet paid your 2016 membership dues, you can do so today by clicking on one of the buttons below, or by [filling out the form at this link](#). Please note that the SDBS no longer offers prorated rates for membership renewals (as reflected in the revised Bylaws approved at the November 2014 meeting), so renew today to take advantage of all the [benefits of SDBS membership](#).



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