

Latest Arrivals for the 2006 AFMS ENDOWMENT FUND Drawing As of 4/20/06



Prize #13.

Rhyolite Necklace and Pierced- Earring Set. This strikingly beautiful set of beads and earrings was hand-crafted by co-producers, Marve and Kitty Starbuck especially for the 2006 Endowment Fund Drawing.

As many of you know, Marve is an AFMS Past President, and Kitty has served as AFMS Club Publications Chairman for a number of years. The 18" necklace features 41 beautifully polished, 6-mm to 8-mm rhyolite beads, made from material collected by the Starbucks near Deming, NM this past winter.

The picture-perfect rhyolite pendant drop was created, polished and set in a delicately bezeled sterling silver mounting by Marve. The clasp, accent pieces and pierced earring settings are also sterling silver.

Kitty says, " Marve did the silver work, I did the stringing." This excellently-executed set of lovely jewelry is valued at \$100. (MWF)

—(Photo by Norman Hanshu)



Prize #14.

Waving Flag Bracelet, hand-beaded and graciously donated by Anna Christiansen CFMS artist and regular ZYZXX instructor. Anna chose tiny colorful Delicas to create this beautiful patriotic piece of jewelry especially for the 2006 AFMS Endowment Fund Drawing.

Delicas are very tiny sliced tube-beads, each measuring only 1 mm x 1mm, and the actual beading operation is described as somewhat like working with blocks, instead of balls. These beads are widely used in the making of amulet purses, pins and bracelets where designs are curved or patterned. Anna's lovely design contains ten waving flags, each made up of a golden Delica-beaded mast on the left followed by 68 red, white and blue Delicas, in a stylized United States flag configuration.

The ends of the bracelet are bounded by four rows of shining gold Delicas, demarking the two parts of the easy-to-use magnetic closure. Overall measurements of the bracelet are 1/2" wide and 7" long. A real treasure for some lucky lady, the bracelet is valued at \$100. (CFMS)