DELWARE VALLEY BEAD SOCIETY

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DELAWARE VALLEY BEAD SOCIETY PRESENTS "HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2011 TUCSON BEAD AND GEM SHOWS" TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 AT 7 PM IN FLEMINGTON Press information: Karen Cummins, (215) 862-7364 kgcpenguin@verizon.net February 6, 2011 For immediate release

The Delaware Valley Bead Society (DVBS) will present "Highlights of the 2011 Tucson Bead and Gem Shows" on Tuesday, February 15 at 7 pm in the Café of the Hunterdon County Senior Center, 4 Gauntt Place - Building #1, Flemington, NJ. The free program will be presented by three members of the Society: Bead Society president Marti Brown of The Odyssey and Bead Expressions, Inna Dzhanibekova and Patti Rinderle.

Each year, hundreds of vendors assemble in Tucson, Arizona, to sell beads, gems, tools, equipment and other products used in the production of fine and artisan jewelry. Simply known as "Tucson," this is the largest event of its kind in the world. This year, from January 29 through February 13, public spaces in and around Tucson became showrooms for glass and ceramic beads, crystals, minerals, fossils, precious metals, kits, gadgets, storage units and finished jewelry. Additional displays were set up in tents and participants flew in from foreign countries or arrived in campers. This jewelry-making extravaganza is the single best place for jewelry-makers to get insights on what materials, colors, and styles will be in fashion during the coming year and make purchases accordingly. Marti Brown selected the "hottest" new beads and tools and will offer them for sale at the meeting.

This program will be presented during the regular two-hour DVBS meeting. Interested individuals should preregister. Email your name, address and phone number to odyssey5@ptd.net or call (908) 996-6930. To learn more about the Bead Society, visit the DVBS website at www.delawarevalleybeadsociety.org.