

August 2003

Mobile Tatter's Guild

Mobile, Alabama

Founded May 4, 1987

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow. You should have been at the meeting just to see the show and tell. It is amazing what beautiful things our members make. The newsletter doesn't do them justice.

Elizabeth Birmingham

The Editor's Corner

This month's newsletter includes round 5, which should be completed for the August meeting and Round 6, to be completed for the September meeting.

A special "Thanks" goes to Becky Dempsey, for allowing us to use her beautiful designs in our newsletter, and, Georgia Seitz for allowing us to use the antique snowflake pattern. These are two very talented ladies. J.B. Locke

A Tatter's Spotlight....

This month the tatter spotlight is shining on *Mrs. Laura Miller*. Mrs. Laura is a delightful lady whom has brought so much joy to the ones who have known her. As a self taught—from a book—tatter, she has been tatted for 48 years. She has taught many (approximately 30) friends and relatives in North Alabama and Florida to tat. Mrs. Laura has no preference to the size and color of the thread she uses; however, her favorite color is red and the metallic threads. Her favorite shuttle is the Susan Bates "Metal" shuttle. The strangest place that she has tatted is in a bar room. She states that she is a nut and she does all types of lace work. Mrs. Laura is a widow with one son aged 54. Mrs. Laura, we love you and enjoy all that you have done for the guild and for the tatted art. You are a very important member of the Mobile Tatter's Guild.



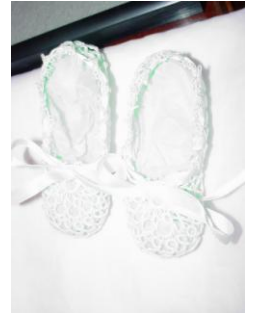
Show & Tell



Sue Reed tatted this beautiful yoke and all the tatted lace for the skirt and sleeves. She is making this heirloom dress for her precious granddaughter. We hope she brings the finished dress to the next guild meeting.



Sharon Thomas tatted the beautiful bonnet and booties. They are so delicate and dainty.



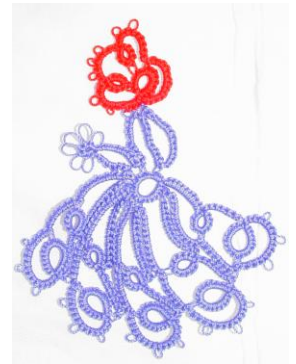
The fancy Bible covers were made by Cathy Hayes (left) and Janine Stebbins (right).

Pictured above in the first photo, are two pairs of earrings. The Star shaped pair were made by Cathy Hayes and the round pair were made by Janine Stebbing.



One of our new guild members tatted this pretty crinoline lady. We also wanted to welcome her to the Guild.

Vincentine Williams tatted the beautiful edging and trimmed these nice tea towels. They would make a great gift.



Elizabeth Birmingham tatted both the dragon and the collar. The dragon will look nice hanging in her home.

The collar always brings tons of compliments for the beautiful tating and bead work. Elizabeth wore this collar to work several times. Beautiful!



J.B. tatted the trim on this pair of socks. The pattern appeared in a previous newsletter.



At the next meeting....

Be sure to decorate your flower pot to bring to the meeting. It is going to be so much fun seeing the different creative ideas that will be flowing through those pots.

Also, bring your ideas on hiding thread ends. Be prepared to explain your techniques to us. We are always looking for an easier and faster way to hide those threads.

It's new...The "Mobile Tatter's Guild" tatting shuttle.

The shuttle will be made of Tulipwood. It will be engraved with "Mobile Tatter's Guild" on one side and will have an "azalea" engraved on the other side.

The cost is: \$20.00 without a point
\$25.00 with a point

Deadline for ordering is at the August meeting. You can email Elizabeth your order at Levert92@aol.com, or you can order at the meeting.

It's a different-feeling tatting with a wooden shuttle. You will enjoy it. It would also be a great addition to your shuttle collection.

Here are examples of what the shuttle will look like.



Color photos available at: <http://www.graci.org/tatting/>

**2003 Friendship Doily
Rotation**

- 1 Marilyn S.
- 2 Janine S.
- 3 Paula N.
- 4 Sandy C.
- 5 Cheryl M.
- 6 Nettie C.
- 7 Laura M.
- 8 Coutie R.
- 9 Cathy H.
- 10 Elizabeth B.
- 11 Heidi S.
- 12 J.B. L.
- 13 Sharon T.
- 14 Elise R.
- 15 Jackie A.
- 16 Vincentine W.
- 17 Becky T.

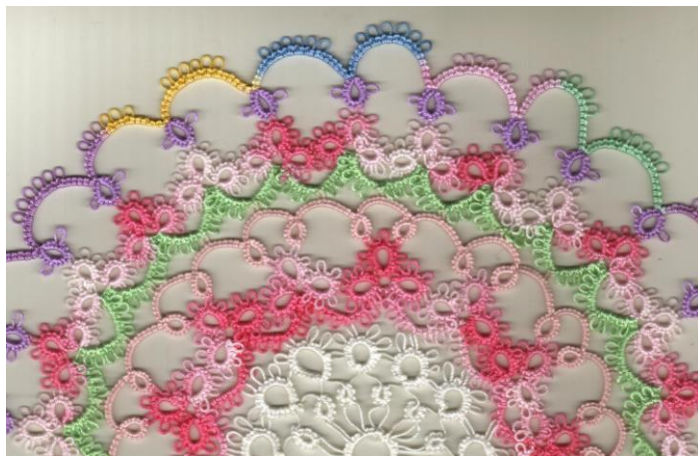
*For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking,
but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,
because anyone who serves Christ in this way
is pleasing to God and approved by men.
Romans 14:17-18*

PATTERNS OF THE MONTH

Friendship Doily 2003

August, 2003

Round 5



This doily is based on one by Ada Colegrove of Belfry, Montana, from *Old Time Crochet*, Winter, 1996.

It is rewritten by Heidi Sunday. Changes in the pattern are intentional.

ABBREVIATIONS USED:

R – Ring SmR – Small Ring IR – Inner Ring
Ch – Chain DS – Doublestitch P – Picot
LP – Long Picot J – Join CLR – Close
Ring Space – sp RW – Reverse Work

ROUND 5:

Using shuttle #1 for the rings, and ball thread or shuttle #2 for the chains.

Ring: 4ds, p, 4 ds, J to center p of any center ring on round 4, 4 ds, p, 4 ds, CLR, RW

Chain: 6 ds, 6 p, separated by 2 ds, 6 ds RW

Work rings and chains around, until there are is a ring attached to each center ring of round 4. Work last chain, cut & tie to base of ring 1.

Please finish off ends and press lightly if necessary before bringing to the next meeting.

At this point you need to exchange doilies with the next person, before proceeding with Round 6.

7 yds on shuttle #1, and 7 yds on ball thread (or shuttle #2). This doily is based on one by Ada Colegrove of Belfry, Montana, from *Old Time Crochet*, Winter, 1996.

ROUND 6:

Using shuttle #1 for the rings, and ball thread or shuttle #2 for the chains.

Ring: 7ds, J to 2nd p of any chain on round 5, 7 ds, CLR, RW

Chain: 5 ds, 3 p separated by 1 ds, 5 ds RW

Ring: 7ds, J to 5th p of same chain on round 5, 7 ds, CLR, RW

Work rings and chains around, until there are 2 rings attached to each chain of round 5. Work last chain, cut & tie to base of ring 1.

Please finish off ends and press lightly if necessary before bringing to the next meeting.



PATTERNS OF THE MONTH

"Field of Clovers" Heart

Designed and © **Becky Dempsey**,
dbdempsey@triton.net 2001

Flower motif

R 10-8-6+8-10 clr

Repeat 4 more times joining 1st picot to last
picot on previous ring

Leaf motif

R 2-2-2+2-2-2 clr

Repeat 2 more times joining top picot between
dimpled rings

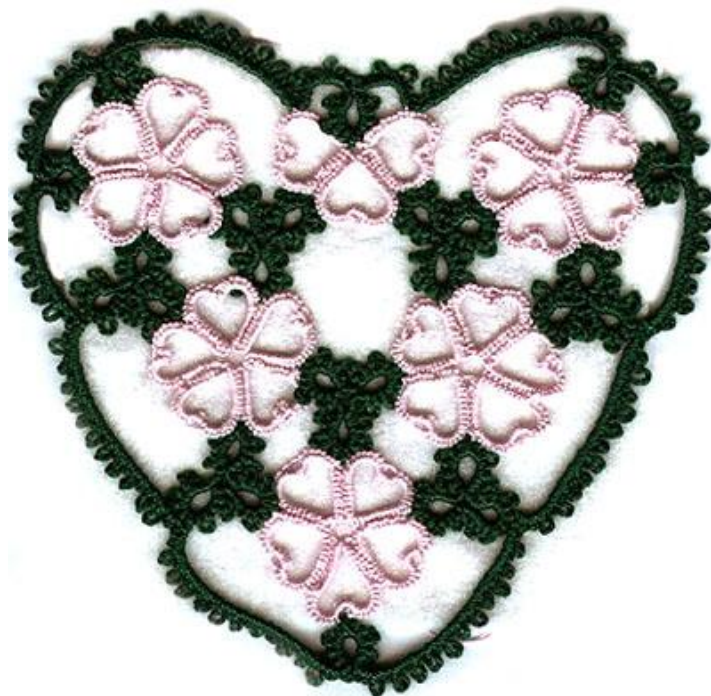
Make 5 flower motifs and one flower with only
3 dimpled rings. Connect with 7 leaf motifs
(note: outer 4 leaf motifs will only join to 2
flowers)

Outer ring

Note: All rings are the same as in the leaf motif singularly and all chains have 2 ds at beginning and ends as well as between the picots. RW before and after rings.

Start at top of heart with 3-ring flower

Ring, chain with 2 picots, join,
chain with 11 picots,
ring, chain with 6 picots,
ring, chain with 7 picots, join,
chain with 11 picots, join,
chain with 11 picots,
ring, chain with 11 picots, join,
chain with 11 picots, join,
chain with 7 picots,
ring, chain with 6 picots, ring,
chain with 11 picots, join,
chain with 2 picot, join to beginning ring.

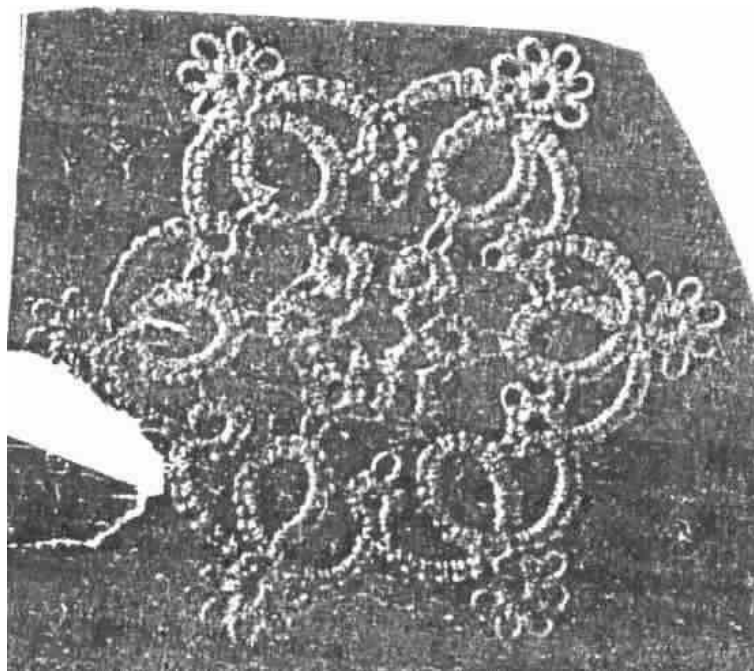


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Snowflake of the Month: An Antique Pattern from *Anna Valeire* Book #3

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This antique pattern originally called for the first round to be tatted, cut and tied with the second round attaching to it. This creates two sets of ends to hide and tatters hate ends! So let's look at this pattern in terms of creating the inner six rings by throwing them off a self-closing mock ring (SCMR).



Begin by winding two shuttles CTM. Work a small outer ring first. If you want to create a definite front side be aware that it may mean tating some elements of the design in reverse half stitch order.

SH1 R 2 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 2 Do not RW Rotate 180 degrees and hang a space holder on the foundation cord (SH1) and begin to chain SCMR

CH 7 - 4 Do not RW

SH2 R 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 Do not RW

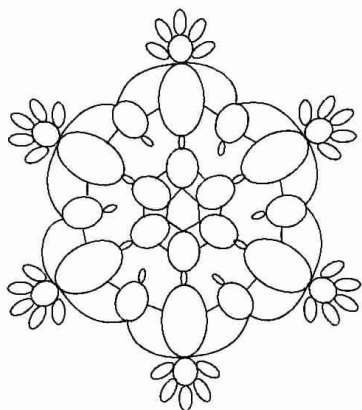
CH 4 - 7 close SCMR securing to the space held in reserve by the space holder. RW

CH 7 RW

SH1 R 2 + 2 - 2 - 2 RW

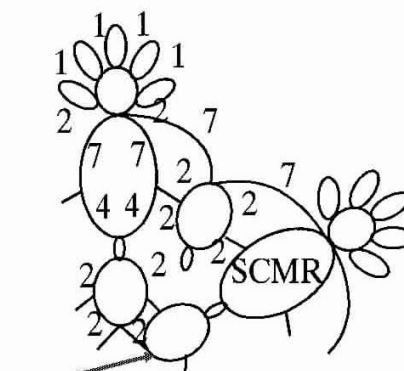
CH 7 RW

Repeat motif five more times joining as indicated in diagram.



Anna Valeire #3

Detail with stitch count



Throw off ring from SCMR AV#3

Things to Remember:

Birthdays!

If your birthday is in August, don't forget to bring your birthday gift for the drawing. That is always an exciting part of the meeting.

The June birthday drawing was won by Jackie Angle. Jackie won a pinky hanky, pink thread, a shuttle, and a clear plastic project bag. What a nice birthday present.

There were three drawings at the last meeting.

- Coutie Reeves won a bag of antique thread.
- Cathy Hayes won a book, *Tatting Heart* by Terri Dusenbury
- Sue Reed won a basket pin cushion.

What's up?

Last chance! LindaKaye will be making one last order for Tatting Ferns. If you missed out the first time and would like one please let her know at the next meeting. Cost for the plant is \$12.00 plus \$2 shipping.



You Might Be a Tat-aholic if...

You call in sick to work because you just have to finish that doily . . .

You named your pet dog Picot . . .

Your idea of a wild night out is going to the Guild Meeting . . .

You plan your vacations around guild meetings and Tat-N-Chats

The seatbelts in your car are edged in tatted lace . . .

Your favorite family heirloom is your framed round-robin collection . . .

Your Christmas tree is totally decorated with tatted ornaments . . .

The only fight you've had with your husband of 10 years is when you edged his briefs and he refused to wear them! :) LindaKaye

MEETING PLANS:

Monday, August 4, 7:00 PM, at Miss Annie's house, 5800 Summit Avenue, 251-344-9555.

Tat & Chat: ANY **Saturday 12 noon**: Heidi's YarnHaus 251-342-0088.

Knitter's Guild of Mobile meets the 4th Monday each month at Janine Stebbin's House: 1056 Government Street 251-433-3875. Next Meeting: **August 25th**.

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- ⇒ Field of Clovers Heart
- ⇒ Antique Snowflake

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