

February 2004

Mobile Tatter's Guild

Mobile, Alabama

Founded May 4, 1987

February meeting will be held at the West Regional Mobile Public Library.

The Editor's Corner

Where are the "missing" guild members that used to attend all the guild meetings? We miss you at the meetings very much.

REMINDER: If you have not yet paid your dues for the year, this will be your last issue of the Mobile Tatter's Guild Newsletter. Surely you do not want to miss out on "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", ... "Z" and all the other interesting information!

Have you moved? Has your telephone number or e-mail address changed? Please send corrections to Heidi Sunday at 342-0088 or at bikesun@aol.com. The latest guild member roster will be included in the March newsletter.

J.B. Locke

What's up?

The 2004 Friendship Doily will be a surprise doily. This means that the President is the only one who knows what the picture will look like. Each month will have the next doily round in it. This month the center cluster is included. There will be two groups. A group using size 20 thread and a group using size 80 thread. Anyone wanting to participate should bring their tatted center to the March meeting for exchange. If your name is not on the list, you can still participate by bringing your center to the March meeting.

In upcoming meetings this year, we will be hosting guest speakers to demonstrate different handmade arts. At the March meeting we will have a demonstration on "triangular weaving". Be sure to plan to attend. More details will be in the next newsletter.

A Tatter's Spotlight...



The spotlight is shining brightly on *Mrs. Elise Russell*. Elise is a very talented tatter who has been tatted since 1982. She learned to tat from her grandmother. Elise has taught some of her family and friends to tat, as well as, taught some classes.

Elise says size 80 in white and ecru is her favorite thread size and color. Her favorite shuttle is a bone shuttle without a point.

Elise is married with two children, Leah and Tony. She is a grandmother and great grandmother. Her daughter Leah has two children, Brent and Megan. Brent has a twenty month old baby boy named Dustin. Tony has two children also, Britney and Trevor.

She enjoys fellowshipping with other tatters. Elise is one of the designers this month featured in our "Patterns of the Month". She designed the beautiful trim on her socks.

Things to Remember:

At the next meeting....

At the February meeting there will be a Valentine Card Exchange. Please bring a tatted valentine to the meeting for exchange. This should be fun and exciting.

Birthdays!

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



Sandy Caminas won this lovely group of present in the birthday drawing. The items are: a tiny silky zippered bag—perfect to fit a ball of thread and a shuttle, a tiny doll with tatted trim, two ceramic boxes, two glass ornaments—perfect for covering with tating, a ball of coral thread, and a shuttle.



Coutie Reeves won this beautiful grouping in the birthday drawing. The items are: a handmade scissor holder, handmade scented soap, and a hand towel with tatted trim on it.



Grace Lee tatted the beautiful trim on this altar cloth for Providence Hospital. The sewn-in label reads "Edging tatted by Grace Lee Dec. '03 in honor of Annie Farrill and the Mobile Tatter's Guild 2003. The pattern for the trim is from the "Tatting with Visual Patterns" by Mary Konior, page 63.



Cathy Hayes received this nice GR8 Shuttle Brother Double shuttle for Christmas from her husband. It is made from Elk Antler.

Last fall, Cathy ran into Wes Ellis of Auburn, a tatter and an organist, at the Annual Historic Fair in Lochapoka, Alabama. He gave her this "improved" shuttle.

Notice the O-ring to the left of the thread bobbin. He had opened the shuttle, pinched a little ring together and soldered it near the bobbin and then re-closed the shuttle. This works wonderful to help with the tension.



PATTERNS OF THE MONTH

**2004 Friendship Doily
Surprise Doily**

Center Cluster
With Shuttle Only.



R: 4 ds, P, 3 ds, p, (2 ds, p) twice, ds, p, 4 ds, cl.

R: 4 ds, j to last p of last R, 3 ds, (p, 2 ds) twice, p, 3 ds, p, 4 ds, cl.

R: 4 ds, j to last p of last R, 3 ds, (p, 2 ds) twice, p, 3 ds, p, 4 ds, cl, RW.

Leave 1/8-inch sp between Rs.

R: 4 ds, join to first p of first R worked, 3 ds, (p, 2 ds) twice, p, 3 ds, p, 4 ds, cl, RW.

*R: 4 ds, j to last p of 2nd-to-last R, 3ds, (p, 2ds) twice, p, 3 ds, p, 4 ds, cl, RW.

Rep from * 3 more times. Do not reverse work.

R: 4 ds, j to last p of last R, 3 ds, (p, 2 ds) twice, p, 3 ds, p, 4 ds, cl.

R: 4 ds, j to last p of last R, 3 ds, (p, 2 ds) twice, p, 3 ds, j to last p of 3rd-to-last R, 4 ds, cl.

Cut threads and tie ends.

Size 20
Marilyn Shirey
Coutie Reeves
Sandy Caminas
Paula Nevison
Heidi Sunday
Nettie Cornelson
Sue Reed
Laura Miller
Elizabeth Birmingham
Gertrude Webb

Size 80
Ann Godwin
J.B. Locke
Charie Turner
Cathy Hayes
Janine Stebbins
Elise Russell

*But God demonstrates his own love toward us, in this:
While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*

Romans 5:8 NKJV

PATTERNS OF THE MONTH



Tatted Sock Trim

Designed by: Elise Russell, 2004
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1st row -- Join to sock while making; With a fine crochet hook, loop thread through edge of sock top, then pass shuttle through the loop. Ch 2 sets (4 first half of double stitch then 4 second half of double stitch) - picot- ch 2 sets (4 first half of double stitch then 4 second half of double stitch) . Join to top of sock 1/4" from previous join. repeat ch - p - ch sets . Work all around sock top- tie threads.

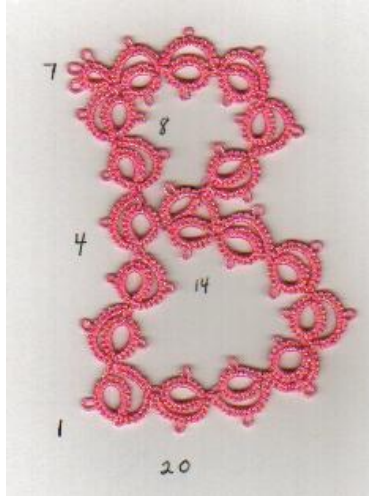
2nd row --ring 4 ds, p, 4 ds, p, 4 ds, p, 4 ds -- close ring
- leaving 1/4 " thread -join to any picot of 1st row- leave 1/4" thread, -- repeat 1st ring to work all around top of sock, joining first picot of next ring to last picot of previous ring. Join last picot of last ring to first picot of first ring then tie off threads.

MEETING PLANS:

Monday, February 2, 7:00 PM, at the West Regional Mobile Public Library, Grelot Road, Mobile.
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: **February 23rd**.

PATTERNS OF THE MONTH

“B” is for BEAUTIFUL



(Alphabet designed by Heidi Sunday, 2004)

In size 20 thread, it measures 2 ¼" wide by 3" tall.

Start at the lower-left, with 2 shuttles, continuously wound. You will need at least 8 yds on each shuttle. It is a good idea to use 2 different colored shuttles to tell them apart.

Ring 1: 5 – 5 – 10, close ring, reverse work (make 2nd picot very small), RW

Chain 1: 7 – 7, shuttle join to picot 2 of 1st ring (be sure to compress the chain before joining), then swap shuttles to start the next ring.

Continue as above, making sure the chain is on the opposite side each time.

Chain 3: 7 ds, switch to shuttle #2 to make the ring of 7 – 7, then continue ch with 7 ds

Ring 13 joins to the side picot of ring 4. The chain is short, 7 ds, then make ring 14, which also joins to the side picot of ring 4.

Ring 15 is made right after ring 14. Continue around making rings and chains until ring 20, which joins to the picot of chain 1, and chain 20 joins to the same picot.

Cathy Hayes says this is a neat trick to keep your thread clean. It is a Glad® disposable container with a small hole punched in the side to pull the thread through.



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- ⇒ Friendship Doily – Round 1
- ⇒ The letter “B”
- ⇒ Bobby Socks Trim

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