

MOBILE TATTERS GUILD

"Playing With String Since 1987"

August 2008

From the Editor

The July meeting was so interesting. We had a good time talking about all kinds of tatting tips and techniques — for example, this little gem from Vincentine: Tape a copy of the pattern inside a clear Ziploc® bag and keep all the project supplies in the bag. Many other fun things were discussed. Be sure and come to the August meeting. We will be watching a DVD of Mrs. Annie teaching Vincentine how to do a split ring. It will be so neat to remember our dear Guild founder. Sue has graciously agreed to provide a DVD player.

Additionally, Vincentine will help us learn how to "Dip and Slip." Can't wait to see that!!!!!!

Toodles!

JB

Upcoming Meetings

Mobile Tatters Guild

Monday, August 4, 7:00 p.m.

Blacksher Hall
1056 Government Street,
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Knitter's Guild of Mobile

4th Monday of each month

Blacksher Hall
1056 Government Street,
251-433-3875.

Next Meeting is Monday,
August 25, at 7:00 p.m.

The Book Corner

TATTING, Carol M. Winandy, 1989, reviewed by Vincentine Williams

Including the six students in my current class at the Eastern Shore Institute for Learning, I have taught 62 adults and one child since I began teaching in 1999. I don't know how many are still tatting but I consider Mary Ann Pugh and her good friend Karan Rogers to be my most prize students! Feedback from both of them confirmed that my technique works. The method I use follows the easy step-by-step illustrated instructions found in Carol M. Winandy's book. Entitled simply *TATTING* it has helpful designer ideas and hints by TATSY®. Their recommendations include the use of a large shuttle and large thread until the technique of the double knot is mastered. Of all the books I've seen, the pictures here are the best. They are in black and white but are large and plentiful, 23 pages in all, and accurately depict the steps involved.

The book is 6x9 inches in size with 81 pages that are

comb-bound, two of which are blank for notes, and has a blue cover with pictures of many tatted items. The book includes a glossary of terms used in tatting, pattern abbreviations, information on pressing, laundering, blocking and stiffening as well as diagrams on how to attach sequins and beads and how to finish off ends.

There are numerous patterns for jewelry, ornament motifs, collars, cuffs, edgings and insertions. I have made many of these items in my earlier days of tatting when this was the only book I owned.

Ms. Winandy is to be commended for her contribution to preserving the art of tatting by publishing this book in 1989. I recommend it highly for anyone wanting to learn tatting.

The book can be obtained from Handy Hands. (current price \$13.95, Library of Congress Catalog Card number 89-090160)

Consider this:

- MOST ACTIVE TATTERS ARE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 5 AND 95, THOUGH THERE ARE DOUBTLESS EXCEPTIONS.
- LYDIA PINKHAM'S "VEGETABLE COMPOUND" WAS REPUTEDLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ESTABLISHING OF THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION. ADVERTISEMENTS FOR HER "MEDICATIONS" WERE ONCE PRINTED ON TATTING SHUTTLES.

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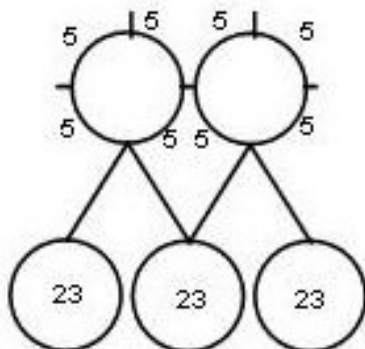
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Lace Edging by Sue Reed Printed with permission.

I made up a pattern of some lace I saw at a lady's house on Dauphin Street. She added the lace edging to some tea towels for one

of her daughters and her step-daughter. I used size 30 thread.



THIS MONTH'S PATTERNS ARE EXTRA SMALL SO YOU CAN WORK ON THEM JUST ABOUT ANYWHERE. HAVE FUN!

Bobby Socks Edging made by J.B. Locke

Size 20 thread and 6mm pearl beads were used.

Base: Single crochet around sock top

Rnd 1:

R: 4-4-4-4 clr rw.

*Ch: 6-6

R: 4+4-4-4 clr rw.

*Repeat around top of sock joining last ring to first ring.

Rnd 2:

Join to any picot.

Ch: 5 B 5 + (join to next picot)
Continue around sock.



Show and Tell



Vincentine brought two of her doilies that she had tatted. Both are so beautiful. She tatted the cross and is working on the garland for the Laura tree. The insertion is crotchet and rickrack.



J.B. tatted the purple heart for the sixth one in the Round Robin she is participating through the internet. Here is her Mother and Father that she tatted from Jane Eborall's TIAS. Stay tuned for the rest of the family.



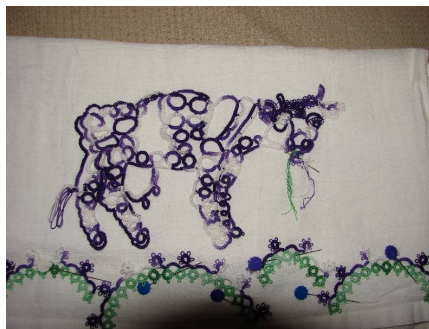
Here's a new tool that can be used while tating. It's a mini light called "I-sight" and it fits over the ear to shine its bright light directly on your project.. There are so many times when such a tool would be useful.



Mary Ann tatted the beautiful doily and matching cross. This doily pattern is one of our previous friendship doily patterns.



She also tatted the square doily, from *Vintage Tating*, copyright 2001 Cherie Wheeler. Pattern name is Cecelia Doily named for "Nana".



Elizabeth tatted the purple cow from the *Tatted Animals* book. She made the grass and hills from the Forget-me-knot pattern in Mary Konior's book. The cow had to have something to eat!



Sherron Moseley tatted the two pansies—very pretty.



Check out the bag Elizabeth made from the book *It's in the Bag*.

2008 Friendship Doily Rotation

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Pattern: Blue Doily, designed by Eileen Stafford

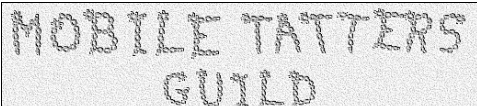
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2	J.B. L.	Sherron M.	Mary Ann P.	Karen R.	Vincentine W.	Elizabeth B.
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5	Karen R.	Vincentine W.	Elizabeth B.	J.B. L.	Sherron M.	Mary Ann P.
6	Vincentine W.	Elizabeth B.	J.B. L.	Sherron M.	Mary Ann P.	Karen R.

Here is the 2008 Friendship rotation. The Pattern appeared in the March issue. We should start seeing to finished doilies soon.

Announcement:

Vincentine will be starting a tatting class at the Fairhope Eastern Shore Institute for Lifelong Learning beginning July 18. So far there are six students enrolled. How wonderful to add more tatters to our fine art.



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