

Freeway Lace Guild Newsletter

The Freeway Lace Guild

Charter Chapter of
International Old Lacers, Inc.

The guild's purpose: Promote interest in fine old laces and to preserve them for posterity; study the history of lace; learn the names of laces; make laces; and hold lace exhibits.

Meetings are held from 9:30am to 3pm on the third Saturday of the month at:

Pasadena Christian Church
789 N. Altadena Drive • Pasadena, CA 91107

There are two exceptions: Annual FLG Lace Day replaces the November meeting and the December meeting is held on the first Saturday of December.

President: Julia Brock
Membership VP: Joanne Andre
Program VP: Maria Provencher
Secretary: Lynn Oliver
Treasurer: Alan Brown
Historian: D'Ann Barton
Refreshment Coord: D'Ann Barton
Demonstrations: Bill McConnell
Demo Hour Queen: Rita Taylor
Lace Day Co-Chairs: Julia Brock
Joanne Andre
Newsletter: D'Ann Barton
Librarian: Vibs Clausen
Website: Rayne & Lance Wilcox

Please submit newsletter information:
Phone: 818.891.1526 or dannbarton@gmail.com by the 4th Saturday of the month.

For more lace information, see our website at
FreewayLaceGuild.org and our IOLI website at
InternationalOldLacers.org

Upcoming Meeting June 18th

"Knit/Crochet Necklace" with Virgadean Richmond



The pattern demonstrates a technique for making knitted or crocheted jewelry. One skein of Bonsai will make at least 2 necklaces. The edging and the neckband of both necklaces are crocheted. Included is the material list to make the necklace as it is in the pattern.

Materials:

- Berroco Bonsai 1 skein (77 yds - 71 m 97% Bamboo, 3% Nylon)
- Size H (5.0 mm) and size I (5.5 mm) crochet hooks, or size 7 (4.5 mm) knitting needles and size H and I hooks
- 32 donut beads (or preferred bead - bead holes have to be large enough to accommodate the yarn)
- One centerpiece type bead
- 1 button

Body

Bead stringing order:

- 7 donut beads (for edging)
- Centerpiece bead (for edging)
- 7 donut beads (for edging)
- Rest of the beads (body of the necklace)

If you use different size yarn/thread and different beads, please be sure to bring the beads and start stringing them at the meeting early, especially if they are small. Please also bring needles or hooks appropriate for your yarn/thread. For the larger crochet hook please bring one appropriate for your thread doubled. When substituting with yarns, please consider the weight of your beads and the drape of your yarn. If the yarn is too "drapery," it will not support the beads properly.



Nancy

President's Notes:

Dear Lacers,

Big thanks to Lucie, Alan, Fran and Maria for the great Lace Retreat at Highland Springs Resort, on Memorial Day weekend. It was so relaxing to have the uninterrupted time to create. It was fun watching the many weddings in the glade and lavender fields. New horizons in gastronomic creativity were explored with the lavender pancake syrup, muffins, salad dressing, and organic cuisine. Thanks also to all who helped behind the scenes and to the wonderful teachers. I saw many interesting designs and learned some new techniques.

We can return for demonstration hours available on June 11,12,18,19, at the Highland Springs resort for their Lavender Festival.

Thanks also to Betty Jo and Marilyn for being hostesses to Alex for the extra days of lacing. I know she enjoyed the visit and we enjoyed her teaching.

June is here and some of us are enjoying the longer days, small vacations and warmer times to make more lace. As we work, we will think of those who are getting ready for the convention in Baltimore, in July.

Hope to see you at the June meeting for show and tell from your exciting weekend.

THANK YOU to Priscilla Hawthorne and Nancy Buchner for teaching the tatting class this month!

Julia

Please be sure to wear your nametags for *all* meetings. There are rumors circulating of charging \$.25 for those without a nametag beginning with our June meeting.

Minutes:

President Julia Brock called the May 21, 2011 meeting of the Freeway Lace Guild to order at 10:30am. She announced that Membership VP Joanne had completed the 2011 FLG Directory and it would be distributed today. As new members are added, stickers with their info will be handed out. Just paste them in—couldn't be easier.



Treasury: Alan reported a balance of \$20,593. Spring Retreat still owes about \$7,000. Lucie has \$3,625 in Retreat funds to be deposited.

Kathie Schulz Estate: Distribution of "gifts" will be handled by Rita. Joan Turner has other items which will be shared next month. Joan's husband Frank is ill. We send them our best wishes for his speedy recovery. In addition, the Guild decided to create the Kathie Schulz Service Award. This award will be presented at Lace Day to a member who exhibits meritorious service. It would be equivalent in value to a one day class.



Library: From Vibs Clausen Guild Librarian - Nine issues of the Lace express, plus one Lace Express pattern sheet are being added to our collection. These issues are a gift from the estate of Kathie Schultz and contain patterns at all levels. In addition, the Guild purchased a one-year subscription of the magazine at a cost of \$100. This is 1/3 of our library budget of \$300.



Demonstration Hours: Rita collected demo hour sheets from those not in the demonstration book. They will be turned in to IOLI. These records help us to maintain our non-profit status. Please keep your page updated.

IOLI Form: Bette requested information for the annual IOLI Guild form.

Lace Day: Brief discussion was made regarding the need or desire to revamp Lace Day: is the added \$500 cost for the extra rooms feasible if they are not being fully utilized? Are lace supply vendors other than Provo Enterprises possible; are other kinds of vendors available? Should the location be changed? Will it affect the number of walk-ins? etc....to be continued.

FLG Spring Retreat: Lucie could use volunteers for check-in at meals, raffles, 1 gofer per class.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50am. Rita distributed Kathie's gifts to Guild members by lottery.

Priscilla Hawthorne and Nancy Buchner held a fantastic tatting class covering split rings, split chains, lock joins and even "dead spiders!" Nancy and Priscilla are still laughing.

Submitted,
Lynn L. Oliver, Secretary

Maria's Corner:

Program notes with a Recap on our Retreat

Wow! We had 44 people attend the Spring Retreat ranging in age from 9 to 95. The facility did their best to meet all our needs and even though this was a bit rustic, the surroundings were a wonderful change of pace for us all. Lucie Cofield surprised us all with a wonderful handmade bookmark at the banquet.

All the classes were fantastic with many people finishing projects and exercises. We learned lots and lots, and those that took extra days with Alex were pleased with the opportunity. Alex made it home safely on Tuesday and thanks all her hostesses. If there is enough demand, she may be able to come back next year.

At the retreat each of the four teachers shared a bit about their early lace careers and it was fun to get to know them all a bit better. Watch for a separate email with lots of pictures.

There is a **wonderful program opportunity** coming up with the Hedgehog lacers who are offering a Lace-In **September 10-11** in nearby Buena Park. **Louise** will be back to teach; **Ragmila Zuman** will teach Lace Pendants and Earrings; **Elizabeth Peterson** will teach Bedfordshire, **Bobbie Donnelly** will do Tønder Lace; **JoDee Kane** is doing a 3-D flower for all levels; and **Sylvia Fellows** will be doing wire lace. Participants can choose to do one or two days and with the great teachers listed we will all have a wonderful time. **Don't forget to send your registration in early so that you will get the class of your choice!** The Hedgehog Website will have the registration form and we will also send one to you via email. **No snail mail copies are being sent so if you need a hard copy contact:**

carolyn_callaway@yahoo.com

There is also a **Milanese class** being offered at the **Lace Museum** in Sunnyvale **Oct. 8-10**. For more info contact:

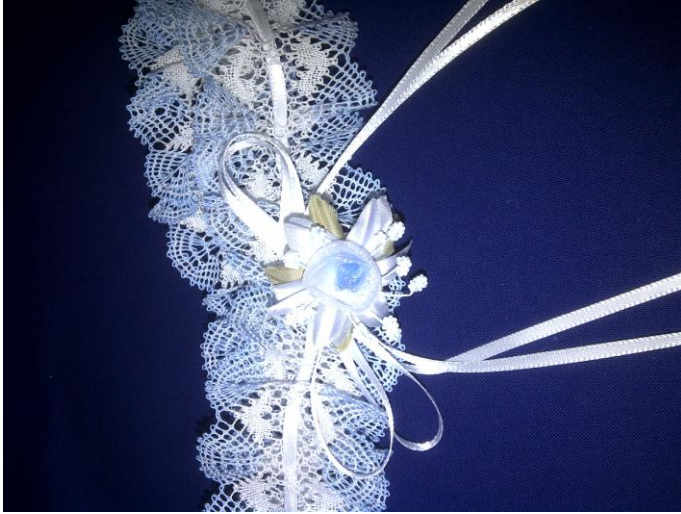
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Show 'N Tell Pictures:



Bette C. tablecloth



Lupe A. Torchon wedding garter



Ceramic lace



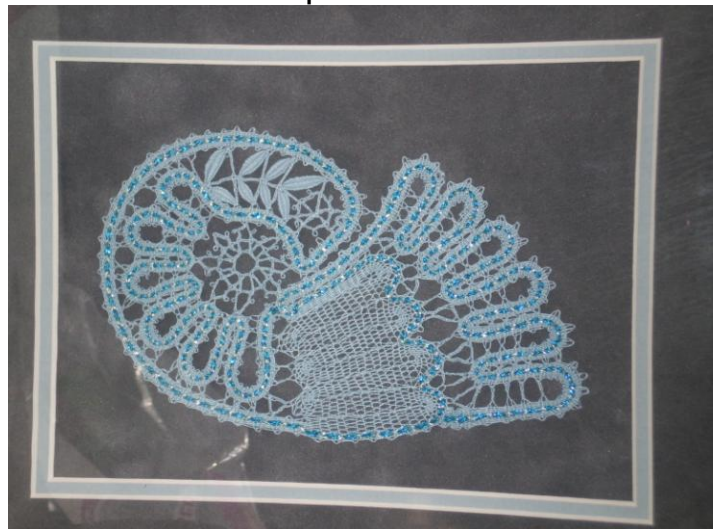
D'Ann B. Torchon spider bookmark



Karen H. machine-knitted baby blanket



Lupe's shawl



Vibs C. Russian Tape Lace bird



Adrienne M. using clothes pins. It works!



Ramza S. enjoying tatting class



Nancy and Lynn enjoying tatting class

Sunshine and Sorrows

[Jean Brown's email]

I had planned to attend Kathy's Memorial service, but as I got on the freeway, my brake light came on and stayed on for the next few miles. I decided to turn around and come home. So, three hundred dollars later (ouch!), I got my car back. I wanted to say a few words had I been able to attend her service but since I did not have the opportunity I decided to write it instead. Would you please print the following in our Freeway Lace Letter? It would mean so much as her death has been difficult for me. Thank you.

Remembering Kathy

After reading the newspaper article on Kathy Schultz, it was difficult for me to comprehend what had happened to our friend and fellow lacer. I had gotten up early and proceeded to read my Freeway Newsletter. Since I had not heard about Kathy, I immediately sent an e-mail to a friend, asking what had happened to her. I then researched the internet for whatever I could find out about the fire.

I remember the first meeting that Kathy attended. It seemed as though she had been there but a minute when she volunteered to keep our books for us. As a charter member, my first position was to be the first Librarian (or was it Publicity Chair?). At any rate, I did not hold another office until the nineties and then had to resign due to my second bout with cancer. There are some of us who join groups and absorb everything that is offered and never volunteer their time. There is room for members like that, also. That certainly was not Kathy. She joined



Priscilla and Alan in tatting class.

and never stopped giving of her time and effort. She was our Treasurer until the end of last year. Her reason for resigning was so she could spend more time making lace.

Kathy's death touched me on many levels. Not the least of which was that I am an animal lover. The fireman said he thought she was trying to save her dog and was only five feet from her front door. She was found with her dog beside her.

I will miss Kathy even though we rarely connected in recent years except for our Lace Day. I am sure that when Lace Day comes around this year, I will for one split second look for my friend until I remember that she is making Lace in a much better place with her furry friend beside her.

Safe journey, Kathy!

Jean Brown, Freeway Lace Member



Future Programs (all classes \$5):

Bring finished and unfinished UFO projects or come prepared to get help to finish one so you can have that free pillow for the retreat. Let Maria Provencher know if you need help with your project and we will try to hook you up with a teacher.

Maria Provencher
maria@provolace.net or 714.961.8698

June 18- Knit/Crochet Necklace, Virgadean R.

July 16 - TBD

July 23-24 - Lia Baumeister-Jonker - Bobbin Lace

Lia from the Netherlands will be teaching bobbin lace at Marilyn Niven's home. The cost: \$35/day. Save your pennies! She is a fabulous teacher. **Registration forms will be out at the June meeting.**

August 20 - Show and Tell from Convention and help with unfinished projects.

September 17 - Bobbin Lace for the UFO Candleholder.



UFO Candleholder

November 5 - Lace Day

December 3 - Annual Potluck and Gift Exchange