

# *Freeway Lace Guild*

## Charter Chapter of International Organization of Lace, 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.

[freewaylaceguild.org](http://freewaylaceguild.org)

[internationalorganizationoflace.org](http://internationalorganizationoflace.org)

September 2016

Meetings are held from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM on the third Saturday of the month at:

### **Pasadena Christian Church 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.

## **OFFICERS**

**President:** Sylvia Fellows

**Membership VP:** Kate Ryan

**Program VP:** Maria Provencher

**Secretary:** Lynn Oliver

**Treasurer:** Louise Rozansky

**Historian:** Lucie Cofield

**Demonstrations:** Bill McConnell

**Demo Hours:** Rita Taylor

**Lace Day Co-Chairs:** Sylvia Fellows Maria

Provencher & Louise Rozansky

**Newsletter:** Francesca Moore Miller

**Librarian:** Vibs Clausen

**Hospitality:** Brigitte Bergman

**Website:** Rayne & Lance Wilcox



## **President's Message**

Happy September, lacers!

It's not cool enough for me yet, but it is Fall and maybe it'll cool down soon...good excuse to stay inside in the AC and make lace! I'm working on a swan and some Bucks Point and finishing a yellow (strange color for me—hey, it made me think of a sunflower) doily. There's not enough time to do all of the lace that I want to do, for sure, though.

Mr. Bill says that our demo at the Chaffie-Garcia House is on November 19 from 10:00 am (9:30 setup) to 3:00 pm. Come on out and join us! I'll have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. That's in Victorian costume, right Mr. Bill?

I mentioned making the swan and that reminds me: the reason I'm making it is for the swan display we'll have at our Lace Day, carrying out the theme for this year. It's not a competition, no stress, just a display. There are a lot of swan patterns out (Lucie says that swans are all over the place in Brugges—ask her about her trip!). You can just query my friends Mr. Google or Miss Pinterest to find a pattern...lol.

Thanks, Julia, for teaching the lovely Brugges heart last month—great idea, by the way, working right over the picture of the lace. That works very well!

Keep the 5-Yard Club in mind when you choose your next project. Don't have enough pillows? No roller pillow? Easy-peasy: a yoga roll into shorter segments makes great bolsters...just sayin'.

Alrighty then, happy lacing and see you September 17!  
Sylvia

## ***Lace Opportunities***

**Tuesdays with Vibs** 10:00am – 12:00pm

Scandinavian Center 26 Faculty Road

Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

**Moonlight Lacers Guild** Meetings

First Monday of each month from 7:00

p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at various locations **Cross-**

**Twisters** Every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00

p.m. at the San Bernardino

County Museum, Redlands, CA Contact Lolly

Kjolsrud (909) 553-

7900

**NOTE: the NEW VENUE for our LACE DAY!!**  
**Pasadena Christian Church**  
**789 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107**  
**(Our monthly meeting place)**

## Minutes

The August 20, 2016 meeting of the Freeway Lace Guild was called to order at 10:27a by President Sylvia Fellows. The minutes were approved as printed.

### COMMITTEES

**Membership:** Kate says we have about 56 members. She will send an email with the Lace Day form and a membership form to recent drops.

**Treasury:** Louise notes that Bank of America will not let her access the account online. Current balance is \$11,975.79.

**Demonstrations:** Vibs and the Tuesday Group will be at Vasa Park on in Triunfo Canyon in Agoura Hills on Sunday, September 18, 9-3p. Parking is free to demonstrators. There are many kids activities.

**Library:** Louise has offered to take the library when Vibs moves the end of October. Librarian also needs to change the IOLI Bulletin contact and the Lace Express contact. She brought a few pattern freebies and has decided to delete the novels from the library.

**Volunteer Hours:** Please turn them in monthly to Sylvia. There is a form in the August newsletter.

**Program:** Today's class is a red bobbin lace heart by Julia. September features a bobbin lace design of a lacemaker with cat in a wooden teardrop frame. Cost for that class will be \$10 to cover the cost of the frame. October is tentatively scheduled for tating maven Kathy Lowe. November 5 is our 32d annual Lace Day. December 3, first Saturday, will be our holiday meeting.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Lace Day:** November 5, first Saturday, is our 32d annual Lace Day. The venue for the event has changed. This year we will be at Pasadena Christian Church, 789 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107. This is where we hold our monthly meetings.

Attendance is free this year for those age 26 years and under. Get raffle items to Sylvia. Julia and Joanne who are doing consignment would like tagged items by the October meeting along with your consignment list. It's impossible to check in everything the morning of the event. They also have created a \$1 Grab Bag. In addition, it was decided to put the Elizabeth Zimmerman knitting videos on the consignment table. Registration table is Lucie & Fran. Lunch is Louise & Lynn. Goodie Bags for preregistrations is Sylvia & Maria. Get items to Sylvia by October meeting. Currently she has sanity savers, divider pins, clips and a special item.

Free mini classes are: Bill-Tatting, Jean Doig-Needle Lace, Hardanger-Sharon, Continuing Bobbin Lace-Vibs (limit 8). She will see that her design is posted on the website. Someone is needed for Beginning Bobbin Lace. Perhaps Betty Jo would be able to do it? The theme this year is a "swan." Velancy will do the bobbins again. Belinda Belisle is doing a presentation on Conservation at 1p. Priscilla Atwell has offered to demonstrate Computer Designing.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** " Julia brought newest beginning bobbin lace book, Let's Begin Making Bobbin Lace, \$30 from the Lace Museum." "Cross Twisters sold 6 beginning lace kits this month. "Lucie shared Bobbi Donnelly's new Tønder book. "FLG has a Facebook page courtesy of Julia in addition to our website. "Ana Ptasinski's youngest sister, Montserrat Marti, passed away July 4 in Spain. We offer Ana our condolences. "Sylvia brought festive cupcakes in honor of Maria's birthday. "A big FLG shout out to Joan Turner, longtime member. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Submitted,

*Lynn L Oliver*, Secretary



Freeway Lace Guild

5 Yard Club Challenge is here!  
Get those bobbins moving; are you next to receive the certificate and commemorative bobbin??

## SHOW 'N TELL

Julia-brought the framed oval Milanese lace piece from Indianapolis representing the Indy 500 race track complete with car.

Kate says that Grace's & Alice's Kiwi and Cat went over spectacularly with the Grands. It was requested that she post photos on our Facebook page.

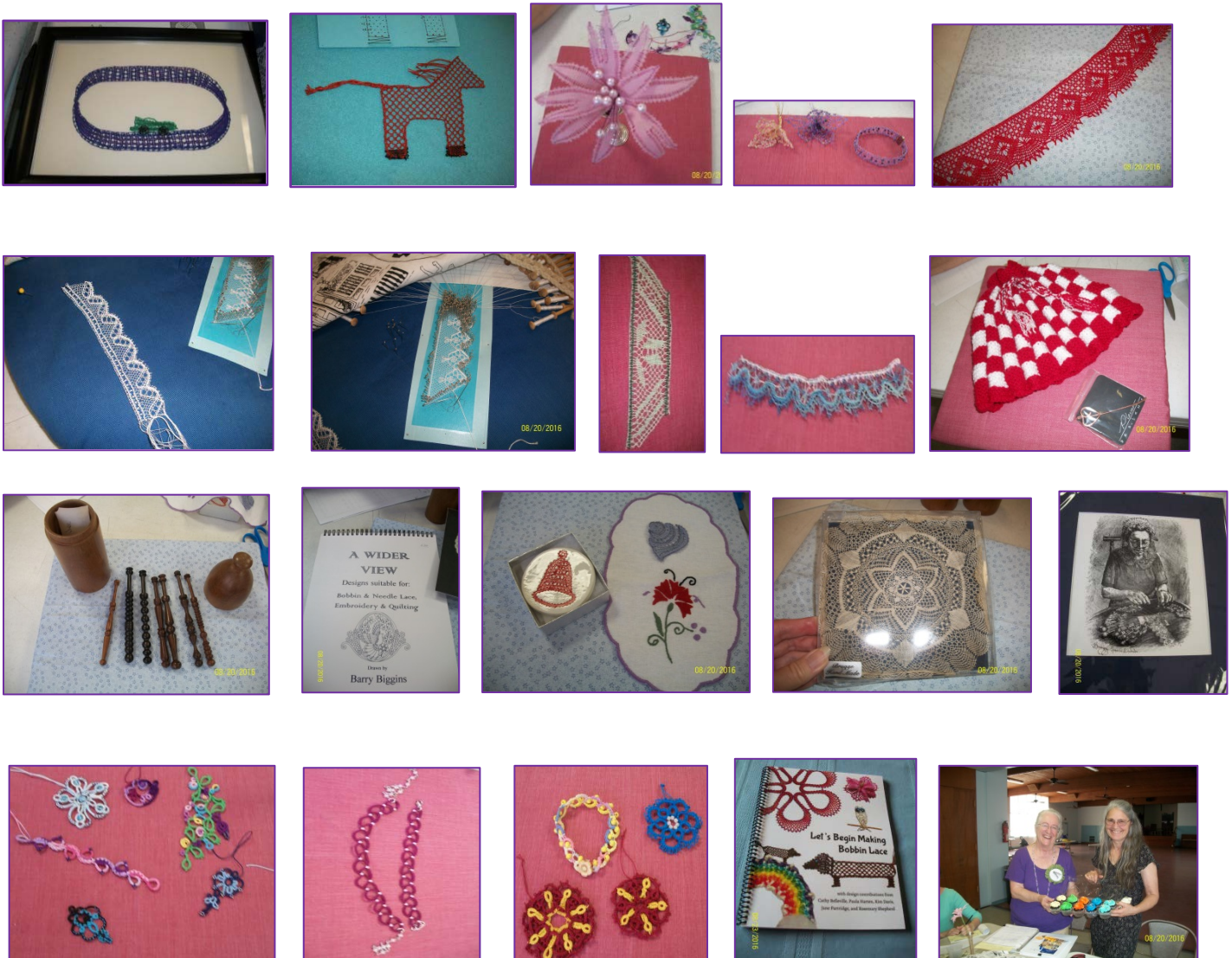
Louise Pomes-make a lovely knitted lace cowl.

Maria brought Katherine's finished horse from Vib's class.

Sylvia-3d flower with wire, 4 yards of red roseground with fans and spiders edging, bucks samples from Susie Johnson's class at IOLI, one with cucumber foot, and also a beds edging.

Lucie-who has been traveling around Europe brought treasures to show; a heart shawl pin, pattern, 2 skeins of yarn, red & white checked tea cozy, wooden box with bobbins, bruges lace, Binche lace, pattern book, lace red bell paperweight, embroidered doily, lavender snail, 2 wire flowers & needle tatted bracelets with beads, beaded wire bracelet and assorted pieces!

Susan-Needle tatted interwoven circular motifs in yellow and red.



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**(See registration form in this month's newsletter)**



**Please remember there is a \$5 fee for all classes. This helps defray the teacher's expenses. Some of our teacher's travel over an hour to come teach.**

**September 17** - UFO's Do you have any other projects that you need to finish? Please contact Sylvia 714-501-9864(text) or Maria 714-961-8698 Julia is also available to work on your Bruges heart

**October 15** - Possible Snowflake star with beads in tatting – Kathy Lowe

**Note: there are 5 Saturdays in October so our meeting seems to be very early**

**November 5th** - Lace Day at our regular meeting place not in Torrance. See the flyer

**December 3rd** - Annual Christmas party

**Demonstration Opportunities:**



**Dominguez Rancho Adobe Museum:**

**October 8th & 9th, 2016**

**Saturday and Sunday, 10am to 4pm**

**170th Anniversary of the Battle of the Old Woman's Gun & Living History Reenactment**

**Etiwanda Founder's Day Celebration**

**Saturday, November 19, 2016**

**10 am- 3 pm**

**Tour both the Chaffey-Garcia House and the Chaffey-Isle House. Food and activity booths make this a fun day for the whole family**



**Please contact Mr. Bill McConnell for information regarding participation 626-966-4763/email:traumadr@verizon.net**



**Vasa Park in Triunfo Canyon Agoura Hills**

**Sunday, September 18, 9am-3pm**

**Parking is free to demonstrators. Contact**

**Vibs Clausen for information**

**805-482-9569**

**vibsc3@gmail.com**

**Demo Hours Reporting Chart**

Date	Location	Demo hrs	Paperwork	Prep	Driving	Sample making	Teaching

**Turn in your hours to Sylvia at every meeting, please.**

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### **Thread Miser!**

Are you a thread miser? Is it hard for you to throw away perfectly good thread left on your bobbins after you've finished a piece of lace?

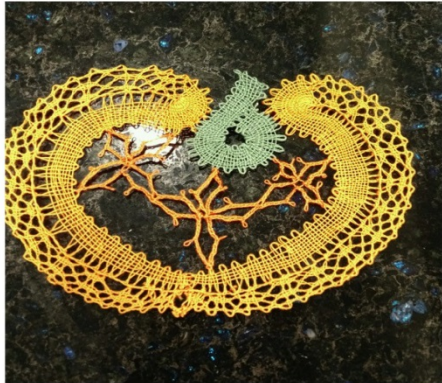
When I have leftover thread in a color I like, or a thread I like (especially silk), I have found several ways to use it up. My favorite is simply to start a pattern, any pattern, using the number of pairs I have left, and work it until the thread is completely gone, then finish the piece off (or not!). I mount that small piece on some folded cardstock, and voilà! custom stationery! Sometimes I have enough thread to wind half of it off onto a second bobbin, allowing a nice clean start to my new piece of lace; but other times I just tie all the threads together into a single overhand knot and pin that to the pillow, starting from there. This raw end later gets buried on the backside of the stationery. To mount the lace on paper or cardstock, I mark the insertion point with pencil, then carefully slit there using an X-Acto Knife. The slit needs to be two-dimensional, say, 1/2" x 1/16" (a skinny rectangle) because the lace actually does have thickness that must be accommodated. Scotch tape holds the raw ends in place. Sometimes I also tack the lace down with a needle and matching thread.

If I only make one inch, so what? It's still an inch of lace that can adorn my stationery. Or if I try an experiment and find there's an ugly spot, that's another place to hide behind the cardstock; or I can put a stick-on bow there, or hot-glue a small craft flower.

Sometimes I test out a bit of a pattern to see if the thread I've chosen is a size match for the pricking I've made. My assessment of the size match may lead me to change the size of the pricking or my choice of thread, but no matter what, I'll have a small snippet of something pretty to mount.

When the thread is running so short I can't keep it on the bobbins, I use specialty tools I bought from Susan Groh at Unique Expressions in Kansas City, MO. I tried making my own, but hers are so much better. They are fine electronic connectors from Radio Shack, spring-mounted, that have been set into bobbin-like handles. I went through a phase of trying many variations of roseground for my leftover thread. I went through a phase of making two headsides joined in the middle. I also used to make shapes from the Flowers, Flames, and Fantasy pattern here: <https://www.laceguild.org/ylm/versInstr.html> Many variations can be made by changing the stitch, adding or taking away pairs, adding beads, or choosing different colors. So even your short ends of thread can still be made into works of beauty!

# Freeway Lace Guild's 32nd Annual Lace Day **November 5, 2016**



**Saturday, November 5,  
2016  
10 AM - 3  
PM**

Join us for a fun day of learning about lace, shopping  
& visiting with your lace making friends

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

Lace Displays, Free Classes & Vendors offering all those hard-  
to-find Lace Books & Supplies

Commemorative bobbins (Swan) are available  
for \$15.00 with **pre-registration**

Admission is \$5.00 children and students  
- under 26 years of age=**free**

- There will be a special presentation on Lace Conservation by Belinda Belisle at 1:00 pm.
- Mini classes will be taught by experienced lace makers.
- Please send us the pre-registration form so that we will have supplies ready for you.

**Mail to: Maria Provencher 3868 Grandview Dr Brea CA 92823 (checks payable to Freeway Lace Guild)**

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## **32nd Annual Lace Day Registration Form** (one registration per form please)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ I am under 26 \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Registration @\$5.00 (includes goodie bag-with pre-reg only) \_\_\_\_\_

Commerorative Bobbin @ \$15.00 **Midlands**\_\_ or **Danish** \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

Sandwich Lunch (+ chips & drink) @ \$8.00 Turkey \_\_\_ Cheese \_\_\_ Ham \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total payment enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Please register me for free mini workshops : ( Limit 3 )**

Bobbin Lace \_\_\_\_\_ Needle Lace \_\_\_\_\_ Shuttle Tatting \_\_\_\_\_ Needle Tatting \_\_\_\_\_

Continuing Bobbin Lace \_\_\_\_\_ Hardanger \_\_\_\_\_ Teach me \_\_\_\_\_?(tell us what you want)