

August 2016 -- PITTSBURGH LACE GROUP MINI-NEWSLETTER/EMAIL BLAST

Welcome to the first Pittsburgh Lace Group Email Blast!

The PLG has made some plans for the upcoming weeks and months. Here is a quick overview of what will be happening.

The PLG will NOT be demonstrating at the Pittsburgh Folk Festival this year, due to the lack of parking and the potential for extremely hot weather in the outdoor venue during the Labor Day weekend. We may participate in the future, but not this year.

October 1, 2016 – Annual Make Lace in Public Day.

We will be demonstrating at Yarns by Design in Oakmont, PA. Please let Amy know if you can participate. More details will follow.

October 2, 2016 – Heinz History Center Italian Heritage Day

Please consider coming to demonstrate at the Heinz History Center in downtown Pittsburgh. The Heritage Day takes place from 10 to 3 on October 2nd. You don't need to be Italian to show your love for lace. Please contact me if you are able to demonstrate.

October 14-16 – Fall Lace Weekend and Workshop featuring Trudy Scholten of Lacy Susan
More details will follow soon.

November 11 – Demonstration/Presentation to the FiberArts Guild at the 6th Presbyterian Church in Squirrel Hill. Please let Amy or me know if you can attend and demonstrate. Times, etc., will follow.

We have some sad news to report. Our friend and former teacher, Radmila Zuman, passed away in July. She was a true expert at making Czech lace, an excellent and personable teacher, and a wonderful person. She will be sadly missed.

On a lighter note, Arachne has informed its members of a new international torchon lace design competition. The rules for the competition can be found at this link:

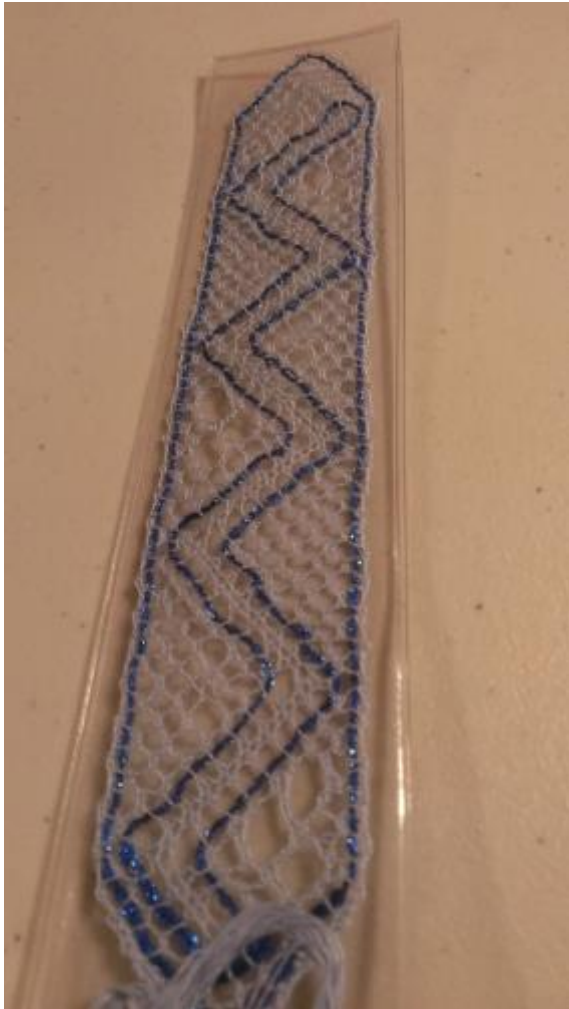
www.brandis.com.au/design

All are welcome to participate. All submissions must be made by August 30, 2016.

SUPPLEMENT:

PLG SUMMER CAMP 2016

On July 11 through 14, 2016, the Group met at the Churchill Borough Building for our yearly Summer Camp. This year's camp focused on a design challenge. Amy gave each participant a "blank" torchon grid, and challenged them to design a bookmark. Some are still working on their projects, but below are a few photos of Amy's bookmark design, featuring a lovely use of metallic gimp. As always, a good time was had by all!



OAKMONT SIDEWALK SALE FESTIVAL

On July 30, Amy and Suzanne wowed the crowds at Yarns By Design in Oakmont, PA, as they demonstrated lacemaking at the annual Oakmont Sidewalk Sale. Many folks stopped by to chat and ask a few questions. Below are photos of Amy as she demonstrated at the event.



That's all for now. Hope to see you all soon!