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Hi Everyone - the Fringe Tatters have been very busy over the past couple of months

August Field Trip

In early August, three of the Canadian members ventured south of the border for a tatting weekend at Ruth Perry's. It was great to see Ruth and the Boniface's again, and to meet new tatting friends from Ohio. We learned the Balanced Double Stitch, tatted the Celtic Knot Heart from Ruth's book Celtic Tatting: Knots & Patterns and conquered her Wild Tatted Fringe Boa.

Website News

The next step was to get our website up and running. It is currently still a work in progress (we plan to add pictures and other information) and value your opinion as to how we can improve. Please check us out at www.FringeTatters.ca and let us know what you think. We are hoping by mid to late November to have photos up from the tat weekend. Your comments can be sent to our e-mail address fringetatters@gmail.com any time, we love hearing from you!

Tat Weekend September 25 & 26, 2009

In a word - WOW ! (but we're biased) A lot of very positive energy was happening in Cambridge that weekend. There was such a variety of classes and wonderful teachers, everyone was busy and 'happy tired' by Saturday evening.

It was great to welcome members from England, the States, local Canadians and many new people joined us this year. We also noticed a lot of needle tatting going on!

Whether or not you were able to attend this year, we would appreciate your comments so we can improve future events. It is important for us to know if that time of year or location does not work for you. You can get a copy of our survey from our website home page.

Tatting Exchanges

Soon the Fall'oween Exchange will be complete. If you haven't mailed your item out yet, remember the October 31 deadline. I've heard about ghosts and spooky pumpkins making their way through the postal system!

If you would like to send photos of your 'treasure' to gmail, we can add them to the website.

Because the current exchange is coming to an end, I think it's time to start a new one.

This will be our WINTER FROLIC ! Tat something for winter: snowflakes, snowmen, mittens, a toboggan?

You can use an existing pattern or create your own. Recipients like to know where your pattern originated.

Important dates for the new Winter Frolic exchange:

1. Please request that you want to be included no later than November 15 (to Ruth at this e-mail address).
2. By November 30, you will be sent the name and address of the person you will make an item for.
3. Please make sure that your item reaches your recipient by January 15, 2010.
(if that's too tight a timeline over the holidays we can extend it, but please let me know).

I'm always looking for ideas for exchanges in terms of topics, the best time to have them or if you would like something more complex such as a small group swap of an item or a round robin.

Tat 'n Chat

We are organizing a Tat 'n Chat to be held in south Mississauga on November 14, 2009. The tatting fun starts at 10:30 am. Bring your "Holiday UFO's" and lunch. Contact us at fringetatters@gmail.com for more details.

Let us know if you would like us to help you with a Tat 'n Chat in your area.

Tat Weekend 2010

Would you believe plans are already underway for our 5th tat weekend !
Please mark your calendar for September 24 & 25, 2010.

The "viewer's choice" challenge for our 2010 event is to decorate the plastic heart box that was included in the 2009 goody bag. Please let us know if you need one to participate in the challenge. We will also be bringing some of the hearts to Hector in April.

Happy Tatting and Happy Holidays until the next e-news

The Fringe