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## Area Resident Attends Chain Link Crochet Conference



Carol Carlile with one of her creations

*Photo by Rachel Jenkins*

Carol Carlile, rural Greentown, attended the 10th Annual Crochet Conference, "Sweet Home Chicago," July 24-27, 2003 at the Radisson Hotel O'Hare in Rosemont, IL.

Sponsored by the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA), this annual gathering draws crocheters from all over the world. Extra special this year, the conference kicked off the Tenth Anniversary of CGOA and a year-long celebration that is expected to bring attention to crochet and to the Guild itself.

Unique this year was an informal pajama party in which participants showed off an interesting array of crocheted slippers with the best pair

winning a prize! Renewing old friendships, all of which share a mutual love of crochet, is always a highlight of the weekend.

Carol has been crocheting for about thirty-five years. Self-taught, she works full-time at her crochet occupation. She makes only her original designs, not buying patterns. She has had about twenty-five patterns published in crochet magazines. Carol learned a new stitch at the conference, chro-tat, and is eager to use it. The former Carol McAninch, she is a graduate of Eastern High School.

The next Crochet Guild of America annual conference will be July 21-25, 2004 in Manchester, New Hampshire.