Fireworks on a Paper Clip © Ellen Lai, Apr 2009

Material: Gauge 28 wire

4 star sequins (with a hole in the center of sequin) in

assorted sizes & colours for a gala effect

1 large paper clip



When working with wires, it is important to avoid kinks (a short tight twist or curl caused by the wire doubling up) which can cause the wire to break. If you do break the wire, try to make good what you have already tatted and then move on and start another chain.

You may want to tat the normal way with the wire (in this case, you will need very little wire on your shuttle), or you may want to tat the reverse way like tatting split ring (in which case, you will need to wind more wire on your shuttle).

Loop wire over the hole in the small star sequin to hold sequin in place, tat over loop.

How many ds to tat will depend on how tight you pull up the ds and the length of chain preferred in relation to the size of the sequin. Well, I tat about 6 ds for the first chain.

Tie wire to large paper clip by pulling up "ball thread" and passing shuttle through the loop.

Tighten up and make sure it does not flip around the clip, make second half ds.

Continue chain (about 10 ds) and loop wire over another bigger star sequin. End off by twisting ends together and wire it back to a few previous ds. Clip off ends.

Repeat [] to put in another 2 star sequins. Adjust no. of ds to achieve the desired length for each

chain.

