

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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APRIL MEETING

Our April meeting will be held April 8 at 7:30 p.m. We will continue working on our indoor-outdoor vignette and will be doing the work with the balsa wood for this meeting. Your walls, floors, and stonework should be glued in place by the time of the meeting. The next step will involve gluing the timbers in place. You will definitely need to bring the your balsa wood (1/4 thick by 3" wide by 36" long) for this meeting, and possibly we'll get to using the light-weight cardboard (like the backing of note pads - 2 pieces 8-1/2" by 11"). Tools needed: X-acto knife plus long cutting knife to cut through the foam, cutting mat, scissors, sandpaper or (preferably) black emery boards, ruler, pencils, glue like Tacky or WeldBond ("Rita" used a hot glue gun, which certainly sets up faster than our white glues, but it also melts under extreme temperatures -- like those in cars in the summer -- so using it is your choice).

Please also bring your completed (and potted!) and packaged geraniums as well (as the game boxes for the National Convention totebag favors) so we can get them to Susan to get them ready for State Day. Thanks

The Munch Bunch will meet at 6 p.m. for dinner at Café Italy, which is located in the strip mall at the intersection of NC 150 and McLelland, across from Rite-Aid and Burger King -- close to Block Busters.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Web Sites to Check Out. Susan reports that she has updated our various web sites, so you are going to want to take a look at them. The Mini Reflections web site is www.minireflections.org, The Enchanted Village web site is <http://piedmontcarolinas-name.org>, and the NC State web site is www.ncname.org. Don't forget that if you have anything you want on the web page, PLEASE send the information to Susan at smatson@carolina.rr.com. And we've sent her some photos from the Small Scales Houseparty to add to them, so stay in touch.

Reward Workshop. The date for the Suzanne and Andrew workshop is June 20 at the clubhouse at Donna Deal's subdivision (Salisbury). As you all know by now, the project is the TeaRose cottage, a quaint 1/4" cottage with a thatched roof. While this is a "reward" workshop for club members who participated in the Christmas Show, it's open to all our members; for those who participated in the Christmas Show, Mini Reflections will pay half of your registration cost (\$50); for others the cost is \$100. S & A want a minimum of 12 people (to cover their costs), so we may open it to non-Mini Reflections members if we can't get 12 of our own. So far: regrets: Donna Blair, Ginny Newell, Jane Payne, Amy Rauch, Jan Sylsberry.

Acceptances: Ann Bejcek, Rachel Bonney, Donna Deal, Marianne Jokubaitis, Marilyn Jones, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, and Jan McCandliss. We've extended the invitation to some non-club folks as well and are waiting to hear from them.

Funny Money and Silent Auction. As soon we get our Mini Money printed (our mint hasn't gone into functioning mode yet), we'll have it for you, but we do have records of who has earned how much. Once you get it, though, you will be responsible for keeping track of it until the birthday party, when we'll have our silent auction or sale. Remember to collect those goodies you want to get rid of/swap/donate so that we have something at our sale. The only person who brought anything to the December meeting for Show and Tell was Lynn Frank, with the magazine she shared with us. Remember to bring something to earn some mini money!

NAME National Convention Tote Bag. Donna Blair brought the cut-out and folded game boxes (our tote bag favors for the National Convention) to the March meeting and these were farmed out to club members present to be glued together by the April meeting. Please bring them with you so we can package them and ship them off to the Convention folks by their May 15 deadline. Many thanks.

State Day Tote Bag Favors. Hopefully everyone will have completed their 17 geraniums by the April meeting and will have them with them at that time or will have sent them to Rachel to be given to the Indian Trail folks.

PJ's Miniature Store. PJ's opened officially March 7 in Albemarle, one day a week (Saturday) and by appointment. Jeff will continue doing custom-work for customers and will develop the online business.

CALENDAR

April 18, 2009. NC State Day, "The Wine Cellar." University Methodist Church, Charlotte. Sponsored by Indian Trail Mini Makers.

June 20, 2009. Christmas Show Reward Workshop, 1/4" TeaRose cottage, taught by Suzanne and Andrew.

July 16-19, 2009. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, Indianapolis, IN. Theme: "Our Family Reunion"

October 2-4 2009 Region N-1 Small Scales Houseparty, Salt Lake City, UT. Theme: "Weekend in Paris - La Vie en Rose."

January, 2010. E-3 Retreat, Atlanta, GA. 1/2" Scale "Secret Garden."

April/May 2010. NC State Day, "My Little Corner of the World," Cary, NC, hosted by Small Wonders Miniature Club.

July 15-18, 2010. NAME National Convention, Seattle, WA. Theme: Merry Olde England, Then and Now.

April/May 2011. NC State Day. "As Time Goes By." Charlotte, NC, hosted by Charlotte Miniature Society.

July 21-24, 2011. NAME National Convention, Cleveland, OH. Theme: A Song in My Heart.

May 4-6, 2012. Region N-3 Small Scales Houseparty, Portland, OR. Theme : Winter, Spring, Summer Fall -- Celebrate Them ALL!

July/August, 2012. NAME National Convention, Charlotte, NC. Theme: NAME: 40 Years of Sharing

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 1, 2009 Registration opens for Small Scales Houseparty in Salt Lake City, Weekend in Paris.

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May 13, 2009 Joe Fish, Step 4 of project
June 10, 2009 Birthday Potluck Picnic and Silent Auction, location TBA
July 8, 2009 Sousa's, Project
Aug. 12, 2009 Chili's, Project
Sept. 9, 2009 Golden Corral
Oct. 14, 2009 Monterrey
Nov. 3, 2009 Fusion
Dec. 9, 2009 Soiree's (?), Christmas Party
Jan.13, 2010 Lancaster's
Feb. 2010 Cracker Barrel
March, 2010 Lone Star Steak House

MEMBER NEWS

No April birthday celebrations for our members -- oh, well.