

# MINI REFLECTIONS

## Newsletter

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### DECEMBER MEETING

Our December meeting is our annual Christmas party, December 12, 2007, but we will be meeting at 6 p.m. at Soiree's Restaurant on the corner of Main Street and catty corner from the Depot. Please let Ginny know for sure that you will be coming to dinner because she has to let the restaurant know exactly how many will be there. Right now it looks as though there will be 12 of us: Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, Rachel Bonney, Donna Deal, Lynn Frank, Renea Goodin, Marianne Jokubaitis, Marilyn Jones (everyone call and remind her to come this year!), Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Ginny Newell, and Jan Sylsberry.

After dinner we'll go over to the Depot for dessert, drinks, and to open our goodies. Ann Bejcek has offered to provide hot cider, and Marianne Jokubaitis and Pat Mantione will bring dessert.

Those participating in the Great Gift Exchange are Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, Rachel Bonney, Terri Correll, Donna Deal, Lynn Frank, Renea Goodin, Marianne Jokubaitis, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Jan McCandliss, Ginny Newell, Amy Rauch, Liane Rowe, and Jan Sylsberry, a total of 15. Remember to gift-wrap your goodies and put your name on them!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Web Sites to Check Out.** Don't forget to check out our various web sites. The Mini Reflections web site is [www.minireflections.org](http://www.minireflections.org), Enchanted Village web site is <http://piedmontcarolinas-name.org>, and the NC State web site is [www.ncname.org](http://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](mailto:smatson@carolina.rr.com). Also check out the E-3 web page (go to the NAME web page - [www.miniatures.org](http://www.miniatures.org), check onto regional information, then click on E-3).

**2008 State Day.** Saturday, April 19, 2008, at the Charles Mack Citizens Center on Main Street in Mooresville. Boxes for the diners will be assembled for our guests, courtesy of Jeff Love of PJ's Miniatures, so our guests can start decorating as they see fit. We should have additional boxes for our members who haven't received them yet at the Christmas party, and you can register at that time if you haven't already done so.

Club (Committee members) will be wearing special aprons and caps generously made by Ginny Newell. Most of us already have them, but if you don't, I think it may be too late -- check with Ginny.

Donna Blair says she has enough Blue Bunny ice cream containers for raffle ticket containers. We have

three raffle items in hand already, thanks to our Regional Coordinator, Judi Smith, and Syd Wagner of Syd's Shoppe, with more promised.

Lynn has the kits for the centerpieces -- we have set the Martin Luther King holiday, Monday, January 21, as a special workday to assemble the centerpieces. Everyone will take one home to finish them, and hopefully we'll have them all finished in time!

Tote bag favor suggestion lists have been sent out to clubs, and some of them have forwarded them to their members. I've received confirmation from several clubs that they are making TB favors for us, and I now have three sets of favors in hand. Items we know about that should be taken off the list:

- Calendar
- Pair of dice to hang from car rear view mirrors
- Grill with hamburgers cooking
- Grilled cheese sandwich plates
- Ice cream in bowls
- Ketchup and mustard dispensers
- Menu board
- Onion ring fryer and onions
- Order pads and pencils
- Salt and pepper shakers
- Slices of pie
- Tongs and spatula

The schedule right now is as follows:

Late December - Registration packets sent to clubs (Forms were taken to the Raleigh and Cary clubs in early December, and Pat will get the CMS forms at the party).

Jan. 3, 2008 - individual mailings go out.

Feb. 3, 2008 - Postmark date for registration for NC Club members and NC folks in general

Feb. 10, 2008 - Postmark date for registrations from non-NC guests and non-NAME members. (FYI, we had about 50 people sign up at the Christmas Show for information about our State Day.

Mar. 1, 2008 Deadline for returning tear sheets to appropriate committee chairs.

April 1, 2008 Tote bag favors due to Susan Matson.

The registration form will also be available on our club and state web pages. Information is already on the NAME web page and in the Gazette.

We will ask for door prizes and table favors but we decided that we will not have table exchange gifts.

State Day assignments:

Chairperson - Lynn Frank

Centerpieces - Pat Mantione  
 Exhibits - Donna Deal  
 Hospitality (meals and snacks) - Ann Bejcek,  
 assisted by Ginny Newell.  
 Door Prizes - Amy Rauch, Jan Sylsberry  
 Local Arrangements - Rachel Bonney  
 Mini Mart - Chris Ernst  
 Raffle - Donna Blair  
 Registration - Rachel Bonney  
 Roundtables - Marilyn Jones  
 Souvenirs, Souvenir Book - Jan McCandliss (Jan  
 has the souvenirs and is gift-wrapping them)  
 Tote Bags- Susan Matson  
 Workshop teacher - Lynn Frank

**2007 Christmas Show.** Thanks to all our members who exhibited, helped with set-up, and monitored. We need all the help we can get to continue to make the show a success. Some of you have asked -- the 2008 show will be at the Merchandise Mart again and possibly 2009. After that, they assure us that they will have found a new location. And you need to know that our Guest Artist feature next year will be NC State Days -- so keep in mind that we may be calling on you for a State Day project to exhibit. (A history of NC State Days will be provided at a later date unless you ABSOLUTELY MUST have it now!)

**Presidents' Retreat** (Now Called E-3 Retreat). Registration for the retreat now is not limited to just club presidents and another club member, so if any of you are interested in going, the project is a 2-1/8" doll (which you will dress) in a trunk (which you will finish). Mini Swaps and Gift Exchange will be items and accessories to go into the trunk. The cost is \$50, the date is January 25-26, 2008, the location La Quinta-Dunwoody/Medical Center in Atlanta. Registration forms are attached, in case you're interested. The deadline for registration is December 20 -- you should have received the form with your "mini E-3 newsletter" about a week ago.

**AIM Form.** The AIM award forms are in the latest issue of your NAME Gazette. In order to earn your AIM pin for 2006, these need to be in the NAME office by January 31, 2008. Let's all turn them in this year and see if we can't be 100% AIM this year. I'll try to remember to bring copies of the form to the Christmas party, and we can all fill them out there -- we'll mail them in as one big happy batch, okay? (I KNOW you all can come up with 100 points!)

### **CALENDAR**

**January 25-26, 2008.** Annual Club Presidents' Retreat, La Quinta - Dunwoody/Medical Center, Atlanta, GA.

**March 13-16, 2008.** First Annual Round Tuit Weekend, DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, Tennessee.

**April 19, 2008.** NC State Day, Charles Mack Citizens Center, Mooresville, NC. Theme: Fifties' Diner.

**April 12-13, 2008.** Alabama Fun Day, Birmingham, AL.

**May 24, 2008.** Annual Flea Market/Potluck Picnic, PJ's Miniatures, Indian Trail.

**July 24-27, 2008.** NAME National Convention/House Party, Nashua, NH. Theme: "Castles and Cottages."

**October 16-19, 2008.** Region E-3 Small Scales Houseparty, Greenville, SC. Theme: "Hail to the Chief."

**November 13-23, 2008.** Enchanted Village, Southern Christmas Show, Charlotte Merchandise Mart.

**December 6, 2008.** Third Annual Carolina Christmas Party, PJ's Miniatures, Indian Trail..

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

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Jan. 31, 2008** Deadline for mailing in AIM forms  
**Feb. 1, 2008** Registration opens for NAME National Convention  
**Mar. 21, 2008.** Registration opens for Greenville, SC Small Scales Regional Houseparty

### **MINI REFLECTIONS MEETINGS**

**Jan. 9, 2008** Dinner at Japanese restaurant; State Day  
**Jan. 21, 2008** Special meeting at Depot to work on centerpieces.  
**Feb. 13, 2008** Dinner at the Lotus; State Day  
**Mar. 12, 2008**  
**April 9, 2008**  
**May 14, 2008**  
**June 11, 2008** Birthday party potluck picnic  
**July 9, 2008**  
**Aug. 13, 2008**  
**Sept. 10, 2008**  
**Oct. 8, 2008**  
**Nov. 5, 2008**  
**Dec. 10, 2008** Christmas Party

### **CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJS**

**February 9, 2008.** Fred Cobbs will teach a garden with potting shed class from 9-5. The cost of \$115 includes lunch.

**February 25-27, 2008.** Ray Whitledge class, "A Georgian Shop" Cost: \$750.00. (For pictures, refer to their web site, [www.whitledge-burgess.com/gallery/album18](http://www.whitledge-burgess.com/gallery/album18)).

**February 28, 2008.** Ray Whitledge class, A Tufted Ottoman.

**Spring 2008.** Suzanne and Andrew class -- TBA.

### **MEMBER NEWS**

Happy Birthday to Pat Mantione, December 11.  
 Check out the pictures of exhibits from the National Convention in Orlando in the latest issue of the NAME Gazette. Lynn Frank's "Night Before Christmas"

exhibit (a Christmas Show special contest entry in 2005) is one of the exhibits shown there. Congratulations, Lynn!

We have several roster changes:

Marianne Jokubaitis - her phone number should be 704-460 9471. She also has a new address, but I don't have it yet.

And Liane Rowe's email address is cottagehill@tds.net.

**AND BEST WISHES FOR AN ABSOLUTELY  
WONDERFUL HOLIDAY TO ALL OF US!**