

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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FEBRUARY MEETING

Our February meeting will be held Wednesday, February 14, 2007, (Happy Valentine's Day!) at 7:30 p.m. at the Mooresville Artist Guild Depot on Main Street -- as usual -- and, yes, we now have a key that works! Since we didn't get to work on the totebag favors for NC State Day at the January meeting (which ended up at Panera's) we will be finishing them up this time (we hope). You will need to bring glue, tweezers, scissors, and maybe some paint brushes? We will also be planning our year's activities -- at least roughly - and where we will meet for dinner before each meeting, so have some suggestions in mind, please? (See the blank schedule below!)

The Munch Bunch will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. at O'Charley's, on highway 150, west of I-77, directly in front of Target. Go west on 150 off of 77, past Lowe's and Walgreen's and the stop light at Williamson Road. It's at the next stop light. See you there.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2007 Presidents' Retreat. The Presidents' Retreat was a success and thanks to all our club members who participated as teachers -- Ginny Newell, Susan Matson, Debbie Love, Marilyn Jones, Lynn Frank, and Rachel Bonney. Pat Mantione also was there (as president of the Charlotte club). About 54 people were there to learn techniques, and another 10 to 15 were there as members of the E-3 team and from Mini Reflections to teach and help out. And special thanks to Jeff Love for designing and cutting and assembling all the houses and especially for his work there, cutting additional windows and doors for those who wanted them. Judi Smith already is planning next year's retreat, but you can all relax, it will be another club's turn. But thanks for this year's help -- the houses were GREAT!

Centerpieces for 2007 NAME National Convention. We really need to set a date to get to work on the centerpieces for National. They are due to Barbara Schmidt April 1, but she has given us an extension until April 15, when I'll be taking them to Gwen Stiles at a 2008 Greenville Houseparty steering committee meeting. Lynn has been collecting goodies for the centerpiece (she's found a fantastic coach), now we need to get together to get ours done.

Our tote bag favors were completed by Marilyn J. and Ginny in Atlanta and have been taken to the steering committee already (they were delighted with them). Thanks to Donna B. for cutting them out, special thanks to Terri, Marilyn and Ginny for finishing the boxes and to Marilyn and Ginny for the final finishing and packaging.

Web Sites to Check Out. Susan has been working on up-dating the various web pages, so you might want to check them out and see the pictures from some of the events we've been participating in. The Mini Reflections web site is www.minireflections.org, Enchanted Village web site is <http://piedmontcarolinasname.org>, and the NC State web site is www.ncname.org. We'll be adding pictures from the Retreat soon, but if you have anything you want on the web page, PLEASE send the information to Susan at smatson@carolina.rr.com. Also check out the E-3 web page (go to the NAME web page - www.miniatures.org, check onto regional information, then click on E-3).

2008 State Day. We're planning to resume working on our state day projects at the March meeting -- juke boxes for the counter and table tops, the booths and the stools -- and possibly some at the February meeting as well. Lynn will try to have her diner done enough to display it at State Day March 24.

We still need a logo - and we need to make invitations to hand out at state day.

2007 State Day. State Day 2007 now has a waiting list. A number of our group will be there and should have received confirmation packets by now. If you are planning to exhibit, give a raffle item, door prize, donate a personal totebag favor, or have a mini mart table, get those forms mailed back ASAP. Thanks.

SHOW BUSINESS

Feb. 17-18, 2007. Orlando Festival of Miniatures. Holiday Inn International Drive Resort, 6515 International Drive, Orlando, FL. Saturday, 5-8:30 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Molly Cromwell Show.

CALENDAR

Mar. 3, 2007. Garden Party, Augusta Area Miniature Enthusiasts, Augusta, GA.

Mar. 24, 2007. North Carolina State Day, hosts, Theme: "Once Upon a Fairytale," Raleigh Miniatures Guild.

May 19, 2007. Mini Flea Market, Picnic, and Workshops, PJ's Miniatures, Indian Trail, 10 a.m.- noon; class from 1-4 or 5 p.m.

July 19-22, 2007. NAME National Convention Houseparty, Orlando, Florida. Theme: "That's Entertainment."

September 7-9 2007 . Region E-1 Regional Houseparty. Hyatt Regency Hotel, 1800 Presidents St., Reston Town Center, Reston, Virginia 22090. (Washington DC suburbs, near Dulles Airport.) Theme: "Faraway Places"

October 18-21, 2007. “Trick or Treat in Tennessee.” Fifth annual fall/Halloween weekend sponsored by the East Tennessee Mini Makers, DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, TN.

Dec. 1, 2007. 2nd Annual Christmas Party, PJ’s Miniatures, Indian Trail, NC.

April, 2008. NC State Day, Mooresville, NC. Theme: Fifties’ Diner.

July 24-27, 2008. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, Nashua, NH. Theme: “Castles and Cottages.”

September 18-21, 2008. Region E-3 Small Scales Houseparty, Greenville, SC. Theme: “Hail to the Chief.”

July/August, 2009. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, Indianapolis, IN. Theme: “Family Reunion”

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Mar. 14, 2007. Dinner at ; Diner - juke boxes.

April 11, 2007. Dinner at; Diner - booths and tables.

May 9, 2007

June 13, 2007 Annual Birthday Party?

July 11, 2007

Aug. 8, 2007

Sept. 12, 2007

Oct. 10, 2007

Nov. 14, 2007

Dec. 12, 2007 Christmas Party and Great Gift Exchange

CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJ’S

April, 2007. This class has been postponed until April for a variety of reasons. But it will still be a short-order cook/baker/chef porcelain doll class taught by Rachel Bonney. Although the class is designed as a short and chubby short order cook for the 2008 North Carolina state day project, students can dress the doll as a baker or chef or whatever else they might choose, providing the instructor is notified sufficiently in advance. Cost \$65.00.

May 19, 2007. Morning glory workshop by Chris Ernst at PJ’s Flea Market, afternoon. Cost is \$10; bring your own container.

May 20, 2007. Wheelbarrow (already assembled) full of flowers, Chris Ernst, PJ’s, all day, cost \$90.00.

June 9, 2007. 1/4" scale house (companion piece to the Villa) workshop by Suzanne and Andrew. Lunch is included in the price of \$130.

November 2007. Rik Pierce will be returning to teach another class. Details will be available later.

MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to all of our February birthday folks: Feb. 7, Terri Correll; Feb.12, Ginny Newell; Feb. 13, Susan Matson; and Feb. 17, Donna Blair. Mini happy returns!