

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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JULY MEETING

Our July meeting will be held Wednesday, July 12, 2006, at 7 30.m. Debbie will have the materials for us to work on the stools for our diners for our 2008 state, so you will need to bring pliers, scissors, and glue. Lynn also says to bring any ideas you've come up with about State Day. She has the souvenir book prototype that Jan McCandliss has created already. Some of you saw it at the June meeting, but maybe she'll bring it to the July meeting, too?

The Munch Bunch will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. at Izzy Bell's, which is on North Main Street (WAY north) in the little strip mall at the intersection with Linwood School Road.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centerpieces for 2007 NAME National Convention. The decision was made at the May meeting to make the centerpiece for the 2007 National a scene from Cinderella, probably the pumpkin scene after the ball, when the coach has reverted.

Totebag Favors for 2007 National Convention. The following ideas were suggested for tote bag favors for 2007: boxes of popcorn, Comedy/Tragedy masks; Movie scene board. More discussion? Boxes of popcorn are out, since someone already is doing that.

Web Sites to Check Out. 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. Check them out!. If you have anything you want on the web page, send the information to Susan at smatson@carolina.rr.com.

2007 Presidents' Retreat. The 1/2" scale cottage for the 2007 Presidents' Retreat will still be taught by Debbie Love with the help of Mini Reflections member. We need to set up the special meetings to work on it.. Right now those who want to do the cottage are (besides Debbie): Rachel, Lynn Frank, Marilyn Jones, and Susan Matson. We need to have a definite number so that Jeff knows how many to get ready for us. We'll be discussing it at the July meeting.

Mini Flea Market, Picnic, and Workshop Day. Saturday, July 17 a good number of folks turned out for the mini flea market. Roundtable workshops were taught by Chris Ernst, Peggy Long, and Cat Wingler, and six new NAME members were recognized in the afternoon. The food and companionship were good, and we're now planning a Christmas party for the first Saturday in December. Cat Wingler will teach a Santa workshop on Friday and Saturday (Dec. 1 and 2), and Rachel Bonney

will teach a Santa's elf workshop on Sunday, December 3. The day will feature making a lycopodium Christmas tree and hopefully we'll get some volunteers to teach roundtable workshops making Christmas tree ornaments. So, mark your calendars for that date, folks.

E-3 Get Away Weekend, "A Low Country Bed and Breakfast." The registration forms for the Get-Away Weekend September 15-16 in Greenville South Carolina are now out. If you want one, let me know ASAP, and I'll e mail it to you (a picture of the prototype is on the form) -- there are only 100 spaces available. The project is an elegant bed and breakfast, complete with a spa, and the costs is \$50.00, which includes dinner and breakfast.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the AmeriSuites in Greenville for those needing overnight accommodations. The activities will begin Friday evening with a simple dinner and games at John Knox Presbyterian Church, less than a mile from the hotel. Friday activities include two fashion shows, a "Coffee Cup Fashion Show" -- where you bring your favorite coffee cup down their "liquid highway runway." This will be followed by the "Bedroom Slipper Fashion Show." Prizes will be awarded in several categories.

Other party activities include a gift exchange and shoe box sales. If you have an suggestions for additional activities, contact Rhonda or Cat.

2006 Enchanted Village. The forms have gone out for the 2006 Enchanted Village and are due back in by Sept. 15. If you were at the Presidents' Retreat, State Day, or any of a number of workshops, remember that those make good exhibits and that the more we have the better off we are. I'll have additional forms at the July meeting, and they are also available on the PCNG website.

The special contest for this year's Village is Christmas songs, sacred or secular, any scale (miniature, of course!), maximum size 12" square. That leaves you a lot of leeway and lots of choices.

Set-up of the area is, as usual, Sunday, November 5, beginning about 1 p.m. Exhibits come in on Tuesday, November 7, and, as usual, we need monitors. Talk to Debbie about that. Our location is just about where it was last year.

SHOW BUSINESS

Fall 2006. Annual Columbia Miniature Show and Sale, Columbia, SC. Showcase Promotions Miniature Show, Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: Adults \$3.00, children under 12 free. No strollers please. Information: R. Keef (864)268-0816, 16 S. Antigo Ct. Greer, SC 29650 E-mail: minicollector@charter.net

CALENDAR

July 20-23, 2006. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, Anaheim, California. Theme: "Tell Me a Story."

Sept. 15-17, 2006. E-3 Weekend Getaway, Greenville SC. Elegant contemporary master suite in a Low Country B & B in 1/4" scale.

Oct. 19-22, 2006. "Trick or Treat in Tennessee," Fourth annual fall/Halloween weekend sponsored by the East Tennessee Mini Makers, DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, TN.

Oct. 28, 2006. South Carolina State Day, SC Society of Miniature Collectors, Columbia. Theme: "Rendezvous on the Veranda." Registration opens in July, 2006. The main project is a revision of the Charleston houseparty centerpiece in either 1/2" or 1" scale.

Nov. 9-19, 2006. Southern Christmas Show, Enchanted Village, Charlotte Merchandise Mart, Charlotte.

April/May, 2007. North Carolina State Day, hosts, Theme: "Once Upon a Fairytale," Raleigh Miniatures Guild.

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"

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

July 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: "Way Back Home (in Indiana!)."

Sept. 2006. the Guys from Texas.

Sept. 2006. 1/4" and 1/2" scale food trays and fruit baskets for the 1/4" Bed and Breakfast and for the Presidents' Retreat 1/2" Scale cottage, Jan McCandliss.

December 1, 2, 2006. Santa Claus workshop taught by Cat Wingle. Sculpt and dress your doll. Cost: \$100.

December 3, 2006. Santa's elf doll. Dress a 1" scale porcelain doll as Santa's elf, taught by Rachel Bonney. Cost: \$50.00.

January/February, 2007. 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.

November 2007. Rick Pierce will be returning to teach another class. Details will be available in the fall.

MEMBER NEWS

Happy July birthday to Marilyn Jones, July 21.

And congratulations to Susan Matson and her family on the birth of her second grandson, which hasn't occurred as this is written but should happen tomorrow (Thursday, the 6th).

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August 9, 2006 Dinner at the Pizza Hut; Diner.

Sept. 13, 2006 Dinner at Cafe Italy; Diner.

Oct. 11, 2006 Dinner at the Little Spaghetti House; Diner.

Nov. 1, 2006 Dinner at the Golden Corral; Diner.

Dec. 13, 2006. Christmas Party

CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJ'S

August 14-16, 2006. Kitchen, Ray Whitledge and Scott Burgess. \$695.00. Class is almost full.

August 17, 2006. Curtains, Ray Whitledge and Scott Burgess, \$100.00.