

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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MARCH MEETING

At our March meeting on March 12, 2008, we will be working on the French fry cookers -- you will need to bring old scissors (you will be cutting aluminum mesh and trimming fuzzies off the wood), pliers, sandpaper, and glue -- and the bar stools (you need scissors and LoTite Glue plus white glue. And Lynn still needs a picture of yourself the way you looked in the 50s you WILL get them back!).

Again, if you have been working on your diners and have ideas about how to do the work area behind the counter, we need diagrams, instructions, supply/materials lists to provide to our guests in the instruction packet and/or the souvenir book. We'd like to have at least four different possible ways to finish that area to show our guests. And we need them this month so that they can be printed up and possibly sent to Jan to be included in the souvenir booklet. (Also, bring your diners to show us the progress you are making, gang! You ARE making progress, aren't you?)

If you are creating a tote bag favor that typically would be in multiples, please provide a list of materials used with simple instructions for assembly (BRIEF so we can include them in the souvenir book). These are DEADLINES, gang. Also, if you haven't sent Susan the paper telling her what tote bag favor(s) you are doing, please could you do that? If you have them ready, bring them to the meeting, too.

The Munch Bunch will meet at the Golden Corral Restaurant at 6 p.m. for dinner. The Golden Corral is behind the Wingate Hotel, just off Highway 150 immediately west of I.77. Turn at the stop light as though you are going to Cracker Barrel.

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, 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. 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. Saturday, April 19, 2008, at the Charles Mack Citizens Center on Main Street in Mooresville. Be sure to finish your diners -- we need a minimum of ten in order to have one completed example on each table. To help some of us out (read inspire us to get cracking on finishing them), we are trying to meet on

weekends to work on the diners. The next meeting is planned for Saturday, March 8, at 10:30 at Rachel's house.

Donna B. wants to know if we need more ice cream containers, but we'll wait until we see how many raffle items we have before bringing her more containers until and if Donna needs them! Does that make sense to you?

Lynn is planning on a couple of meetings during Easter break to work on the centerpieces, assembly-line fashion. Since the work will be messy, we will work in the warehouse at the Depot -- and hope that the weather is neither too hot nor too cold. The dates will be decided at the meeting Wednesday.

Tote bag favors have started coming in (even before registration opened), and these are being turned over to Susan as they arrive. If you have yours done, please bring them to the March meeting so that Susan can get them into the bags.

Items we know about that should be taken off the list are on the minutes from the January meeting.

The schedule or time-line right now is as follows:

Registration confirmations and packets have been going out as registrations come in. We still have openings -- encourage friends and folks you know to come.

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

Mar. 15, 2008 Date to send Jan McCandliss the

lists of door prize, tote bag favor, raffle donors, mini mart dealers, exhibitors, for the souvenir booklet.

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

April 9, 2008 Ten-day count-down to State Day.

April 18, 2008 Last-minute scramble

April 19, 2008 THE DAY

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

Tote Bags- Susan Matson

Workshop teacher - Lynn Frank

E-3 Small Scales Houseparty. “Hail to the Chief,” Greenville, SC. You won’t want to miss this small scales houseparty, gang. It’s in our backyards (well, almost), at the same hotel where we had our “Autumn Elegance” Houseparty in Greenville in 2002, the theme is a tribute to the White House, and there are some really terrific events planned. The Thursday night workshop is a 1/4” replication of part of the Oval Office, designed by our own Jane Payne (and a couple of others), and it is fantastic. (You can see the finished but empty vignette as well as three ways of finishing it off on the Houseparty web page on the NAME web site -- go to Events, then the “Hail to the Chief” Houseparty, and scroll down to the bottom of the page. I can hardly wait! The souvenirs are wonderful, and the committee has lots of great surprises in store. So, when April 25 rolls around, be sure to send in your reservations for your visit to the SC version of the White House -- please note that the opening date for registration has been changed. (Hopefully the NAME Gazette will be out in time for you all to get you forms in time -- if you don’t, you can get the form from the Houseparty web site) And remember, we have several Mini Reflections members on the steering committee who will hold you to attending!

CALENDAR

April 19, 2008. NC State Day, Charles Mack Citizens Center, Mooresville, NC. Theme: Fifties’ Diner.
April 25-26, 2008. Chattanooga Fun Day. "Someone's in the Kitchen."
May 24, 2008. Annual Flea Market/Potluck Picnic, PJ’s Miniatures, Indian Trail.
May 30-31, 2008. Alabama Fun Day, Birmingham.
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.”
October 16-19, 2008. Trick or Treat in Tennessee, DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, Tennessee. Theme: "Harvest Time/County Fair."
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.
April 18, (tentative) 2009. NC State Day, “The Wine Cellar.” University Methodist Church, Charlotte. Sponsored by Indian Trail Mini Makers.
July 16-19, 2009. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, Indianapolis, IN. Theme: “Our Family Reunion”

April 25, 2008. Registration opens for Greenville, SC Small Scales Regional Houseparty

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April 9, 2008 Dinner at Sousa. Work on name tags and other last-minute business.
May 14, 2008 Dinner at Lone Star Steak House. Regroup?
June 11, 2008 Birthday party potluck picnic. Location TBA
July 9, 2008 Dinner at Sonny’s.
Aug. 13, 2008 Dinner at Shiki.
Sept. 10, 2008 Dinner at Showmar’s.
Oct. 8, 2008 Dinner at O’Charley’s.
Nov. 5, 2008 Dinner at Texas Steak House.
Dec. 10, 2008 Christmas Party. Dinner at Soiree’s?
Jan. 2009 Dinner at Teddy’s (also known as Lew’s Fine Food).
Feb. 2009 Dinner at Chili’s.
Mar. 2009 Dinner at Cracker Barrel.

CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJ’S

Spring 2008. Suzanne and Andrew class -- TBA.
August 2008 Ray Whitledge class -

MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to lots of March birthday babies: Liane Rowe, March 12; Lynn Frank, March 14; Rachel Bonney, March 28

DATES TO REMEMBER