

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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NOVEMBER MEETING

Our November meeting will be held Wednesday, November 3, 2004, at 7:30 at the depot, one week early because of the Christmas Show. Marilyn Jones will teach making a small scale Southwestern house. You will need to bring Tacky or wood glue, sand paper, small to medium paint brushes, a gluing jig, and tweezers.

Dinner will be at 6 p.m. at Cracker Barrel, exit 36 off I-77, on the west side of the interstate; turn right at the first stop light across the interstate onto the access road and turn right into the first roadway (goes to BJ's, etc) - Cracker Barrel's driveway is the first one you come to.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Log Cabin. Wanna buy some raffle tickets? We'd really like to have all club members buy tickets to support our own project, please? \$1 each or six for \$5, etc. Remember, the money goes to a worthwhile cause -- and if your number is drawn, and you don't want to win the cabin, you can let someone else win! Pictures of the cabin and information about the raffle are on the E-3 web page (go to the NAME web page, click on Regional matters, then E-3, then newsletter ... It would be nice if individual club members took tickets and pictures and to try to sell more. We really want this to do well. Our information is now on the Victory Junction web site, if you want to look it up: www.victoryjunction.org.

2004 Christmas Show Reward Workshop. The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, February 12 with a snow date February 26. We will have it Donna Deal's club house again (thanks, Donna!). Those who indicated that they thought they would take the class are Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, Donna Deal, Sarah Duffy, Lynn Frank, Marilyn Jones, Debbie Love, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Ginny Newell, Amy Rauch, and Liane Rowe. Did I miss anyone? Because of the expense as well as the time involved, we decided to make this a two-year project. We'll do one doll this year, the second one for next year's reward class. Preference seems to be the waitress first, and I need to know what color hair you want her to have and what color outfit you want her dressed in so that I can customize your dolls.

2004 Christmas Show. Prototypes from our various workshops for 2004 will be provided as followed: twig bed - Debbie Love, sleeping bag - Rachel Bonney, leather pillows - Lynn Frank, glowing embers for stone fireplace - Debbie Love, Adirondack chair -- ??, fishing creel - Terri Correll, and State Day totebag favor suitcases (Rachel Bonney).

For the Larkspur Cottage teacups for the club exhibit I have entries from Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, myself, Donna Deal, Lynn Frank, Susan Matson. The club

should be well represented. I have received exhibit forms from Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, Rachel Bonney, Terri Correll, Sarah Duffy, Lynn Frank, Marilyn Jones, Debbie Love, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Jan McCandliss, Ginny Newell, Amy Rauch and Liane Rowe, and Gladys Schuster.

Don't forget we will be setting up on Sunday, November 7, beginning about 1 p.m. and will need some warm bodies to help.

Exhibits are to be brought in on Tuesday, November 9, beginning about 10 a.m. All exhibits must be in place by 6:30 p.m. that day in order to be eligible for judging. Judging will begin Tuesday at 6:30, so if things aren't in place at that time, they won't be judged.

We also need monitors -- lots and lots of monitors. Please let Debbie Love know what hours you can monitor (again, more points for Mini Reflections!).

E-3 Club Presidents' Retreat and New Club Project. The E-3 club presidents retreat scheduled for September 18 in Atlanta was postponed because of hurricane Ivan (most inconsiderate of him!). The rescheduled date is January 22, everything else remains the same (room rates, hotel, etc.). We are still planning the baby cabinet to be a new club workshop and will ask Jeff to cut out about ten sets for us.

We also need to get started on the prototypes of the fifties' diner. Jeff Love has volunteered (or been volunteered?) to cut out the kits for us, with the help of Debbie and David Love, for which we are exceedingly grateful. So how soon do we want to get going on these?

NC Round Table Day. It was decided to send kits for the luggage we made as totebag favors for the 2003 state day for the round table day that the folks at New Bern are planning for the second weekend in January. They also would like a head count on approximately how many of our group are planning to attend.

NAME Houseparty Centerpieces. We are waiting to hear from the chairs of the National Convention centerpiece committee about our club centerpiece and to receive the base for making it. We still need a theme: any American writers -- novelists, poets, playwrights, which leaves a lot of room for possibilities.

Great Christmas Gift Exchange. Okee dokee. Names are starting to come in for the Great Gift Exchange, and it looks as though we will have seventeen people participating. Thus far we have: Ann Bejcek, Donna Blair, Rachel Bonney, Terri Correll, Donna Deal, Sarah Duffy, Lynn Frank, Marilyn Jones, Debbie Love, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Jan McCandliss, Marilyn McCarthy, Ginny Newell, Amy Rauch, Liane Rowe, and Gladys Schuster. The party will be held at Ann Bejcek's home in Statesville,

and she'll have directions for us by the November meeting.

We also need to decide who is bringing what to eat.

Another Round-Tuit Day. It was decided that should wait until after the holidays to try another Round Tuit day, probably February or March.

SHOW BUSINESS

CALENDAR

March 17-20, 2005. Gulf South Miniature and Dollhouse Event: "New Orleans Hidden Treasures ... Patios and Courtyards." Landmark Hotel, New Orleans, LA.

April 2, 2005. NC State Day. Cary, NC. Theme: "A Picture in a Picture" (museum).

May 13-15, 2005. Region E-3 Houseparty, Charleston, SC. Theme: "A View from the Veranda."

July 21-24, 2005. NAME National Convention Houseparty. Pittsburgh, PA. Theme: "All Across America"

Sept. 22-24, 2005. "Fall Follies in Tennessee." Third annual fall/Halloween weekend sponsored by the East Tennessee Mini Makers, DuBose Conference Center, Monteagle, TN.

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

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

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

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Dec. 8, 2004 Christmas Party, Ann Bejcek's home, Statesville
Jan. 12, 2005 Sink, Ginny Newell
Feb. 9, 2005 NC State Day Totebag favors
Mar. 9, 2005 Twig table, Ginny Newell
April 12, 2005
May 11, 2005
June 8, 2005 Birthday party?

MEMBER NEWS

Happy birthday wishes to November birthday celebrants Nov. 2, Gladys Schuster; Nov. 4, Bill McCarthy; Nov. 11, Judy Burdick; Nov. 19 -- Debbie Love; and Nov. 23, Bill Newell. Happy birthday, guys and gals.

We were glad to have Jan McCandliss with us again at the October meeting -- she's now back in St. Louis, no doubt wishing she could be at the Christmas Show, helping with all the things that have to be done. Ho, Jan!