

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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OCTOBER MEETING

Our October meeting will be held Wednesday, October 12, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. We will be starting to work on the diner prototypes for our state day in 2008. You will need to bring wood glue, clamps, a small hammer, and if anyone has any vinyl fabric for seats for the booths, we need that too. Otherwise, your regular tool box will do just fine.

The Munch Bunch will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. at the Texas Steakhouse, which is off Highway 150 on the west side of I-77. Turn right at the first stop light on the west side of the interstate and go past the Wingate Hotel. The Texas Steakhouse will be ahead of you on the left.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2005 Enchanted Village. The deadline for the Enchanted Village entry forms was September 15, absolute deadline Oct. 1. We have a grand total of 112 exhibits from 43 exhibitors. Of those, 56 are from Mini Reflections members. Well done! Although we didn't ask for forms for your low- or high cleavage '50s waitresses, we do want to include them in a club exhibit. Please let me know how many of you will be exhibiting yours so that I can provide labels for all of you. Don't forget the drawing for a special vignette for monitors again -- each time you monitor, your name will be put in the pot. And the more you participate as exhibitors, monitors, set-up, move-out, the more money we bring to our treasury. Debbie will have the monitor sign-up sheet at the October meeting. Please, please help out by monitoring and also by coming on Sunday, November 6 to help with the set up, beginning at 1 p.m. Many thanks! Exhibit pictures don't have to be turned in until the end of October ...

North Carolina Roundtable Day. The New Bern club (Coastal Miniatures) is hosting a second roundtable day February 6 in New Bern. Cost is \$25, and registration is limited to 40 people. They are asking for roundtable kits (42), and we decided to send them the frames we made up for totebag favors for 2005 State Day, cut a few more, and print a different set of pictures. If you have any others to donate or are interested in going, contact Jan Sylsberry, President, at ourtoy@esisnet.com.

South Carolina Roundtable Day. According to Rhonda Keef, there are openings for the South Carolina Roundtable Day, Saturday, November 5. The registration fee is \$25.00 and covers the use of the facility, coffee and donuts, lunch and at least 10 kits, which are small scale this year. There will also be a mini mart for an additional \$5.00. Send your registration to Rhonda Keef, NAME South Carolina State Representative, 16 S. Antigo Court

Greer, SC 29650, 864 268-0816 email: minicollector@charter.net. A registration form is attached to your address label.

Centerpieces for 2007 NAME National Convention. I think it was decided that the club would do a centerpiece for the National in Orlando in 2007?

Totebag Favors. At the September meeting we discussed various ideas for totebag favors for NC 2006 State Day. The theme is the "Necessary Room" -- in the prototype from Greensboro, it was a bathroom, but it could be a laundry room, mud room, or whatever you consider necessary in a house. The suggestions for totebag favors included a clothespin bag, a toilet brush and holder, a bag of tub toys, a basket of towels and soap, a robe for the back of the door, clothes hamper, kiddie potty chair, kiddie step stool, waste basket, a shelf (or shelves) with towels,, bottles, etc. A basket of shells, a Kleenex holder. It was decided that everyone would make a prototype of something they liked and would bring it to the November meeting, when we'll make a decision about what we will do. We discussed making a composite gift (one with several components) to make it a little more special.

Totebag Favors for 2007 National Convention.

We also discussed making totebag favors for the Orlando National in 2007. The theme is "That's Entertainment!" which gives us a lot of leeway in terms of what we can contribute. We agreed to think about various possibilities for what we could contribute.

Web Sites to Check Out. The Mini Reflections web site is www.minireflections.org, Enchanted Village web site is www.enchantedvillage.com, and the new 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.

2006 Presidents' Retreat. The next Presidents' Retreat, will be held January 20-21, 2006, in Atlanta. You saw the photos of the prototype, an elegant room box with a daybed. The cost for this workshop will be \$35 plus expenses for the delegates from each club. We need to know who wants to represent Mini Reflections -- each club can send two representatives, and since I'll be doing the box in November at the E-3 Team retreat, that means we also have one additional space for Piedmont Carolinas NAME Group. Any takers?

E-3 Fundraiser. The E-3 shop/boutique fundraiser for E-3 will be on display at the Christmas Show in November, and at PJ's. Funds raised are for the E-3 newsletter. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and are available from Barbara Schmidt (beminiart@aol.com) or from me.

Great Christmas Gift Exchange. The following folks will be participating in the great Christmas gift exchange: Ann Bejcek, Rachel Bonney, Terri Correll, Donna Deal, Lynn Frank, Debbie Love, Pat Mantione, Susan Matson, Jan McCandliss, Marilyn McCarthy, Ginny Newell, Amy Rauch, and Liane Rowe. Donna Blair and Marilyn Jones regret that they will not be able to participate this year. So, right now that makes a total of 13.

E-3 Mini Swaps. Don't forget the holiday-theme regional mini-swap being organized and coordinated by Donna Eckel. Refer to the September newsletter or the state web page for details. Also, if you are members on the On-Line Region, a 1" mini-swap has just been started up. Check the on-line web page for information. Remember, you have to be a member of E-3 to participate.

SHOW BUSINESS

Spring 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

Molly Cromwell Shows.

Sun., Oct. 16. Tysons Corner Miniatures Festival. Marriott Court Yard, 9160 Chain Bridge Rd and International Drive. 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Jan. 15, 2006. Sarasota Festival of Miniatures. Sarasota Cay Club, 7150 N. Tamiami Trail. 11 a.m.-4 p.m.. Pre-registered workshops Jan. 11-14, 16-18.

Feb. 18-19, 2006. Orlando Festival of Miniatures. Holiday Inn, International Drive Resort, 6515 International Drive, Orlando. Sat. Feb. 18, pre-registered show preview; Sun. Feb. 19, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Pre-registered workshops Feb. 15-22.

April 6-14, 2006. Tulip-Time Tour of Holland and the Arnhem Dollhouse Show.

CALENDAR

Oct. 22, 2005. Roundtable exchange, Gingerbread House, Greensboro, NC. Business meeting at 11 a.m., lunch at noon (bring your own sandwich or whatever -- they will provide beverages and appetizers), 1-4 or so, roundtable swap, sale, giveaway or work on kits you want to finish and social time. Albert asks that you bring a TV tray and folding chair, just in case ... He also asks that you RSVP at 336-854-0074 or by post card. The address is 2416-B Spring Garden Street, Greensboro NC 27403 To get there -- I-40 East to Wendover Road, east on Wendover to Spring Garden exit, turn left on Spring Garden. Follow Spring Garden; the second stop light is Holden Road, and the shop is 9 blocks past Holden Road. If you are going up I-85, take the Holden Road exit and turn right on Spring Garden, following the directions above. We can arrange to car-pool if a group of us is planning to go.

Nov. 10-20, 2005. Enchanted Village, Southern Christmas Show, Charlotte Merchandise Mart, Charlotte.

January 20-22, 2006. Presidents' Retreat, Atlanta. Elegant Daybed and room box..

February 4, 2006. Round Table Day, sponsored by Coastal Miniature Club, New Bern, NC.

March 19-22, 2006. Gulf South Dollhouse and Miniature Event, New Orleans, LA. Theme: "Surprises in the Attic." Whether or not this will take place is currently in question. . We've been told they still plan to hold the event. We'll keep you posted.

May 6, 2006. NC State Day. "Necessary Room." Greensboro Miniature Club, Greensboro.

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.

July 2008. NAME National Convention/Houseparty, North Shores/Danvers, MA (Boston). Theme not announced yet.

Fall 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!)"

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Nov. 2, 2005 2008 State Day prototype

Dec.14, 2005 Christmas Party

Jan. 2006 Totebag Favors for State Day?

Feb. 2006

March 2006

April 2006

May 2006

June 2006

July 2006

CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJS

Oct.8, 2005. Christmas Box. Taught by Debbie Love. Cost (See NC NAME webpage for a picture)

Nov. 13-17, 2005. Water Mill. Taught by Rick Pierc, Cost \$700. Call PJ's to reserve your space, 704-821 9144.

Summer 2006. Row of shops, Ray Whitledge.

MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday wishes to our two October birthday folks, Marilyn McCarthy on the 18th and Sarah Duffy on the 22nd.

We are happy to report that Debbie Love's mother is doing much better and that the prognosis is good. Please keep Debbie and her family in your thoughts and prayers.