

MINI REFLECTIONS

Newsletter

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JUNE MEETING

Our June 11 meeting is our annual Birthday Party at Ginny Newell's house (directions are below).

Ann Bejcek - Salad
Donna Blair - Hamburger/Hot dog buns
Rachel Bonney - lettuce, tomatoes, onions, cheese
Lynn Frank - dessert, drinks
Renea Goodin - dessert, 2 drinks
Pat Mantione - chips, relish, pickles
Susan Matson - Paper plates, etc.
Ginny Newell - hamburgers and hot dogs

I don't have food information/confirmation from Donna Deal, Jan Sylsberry. Those who are not coming: Terri Correll, Marilyn Jones, Jan McCandliss, Jane Payne, Amy Rauch, Liane Rowe, Who have we forgotten?

And since this is a birthday part, once again we'll be doing the birthday gift swap. Bring ONE wrapped gift valued at \$10 if you want to participate in the exchange. Remember, it's optional, but you can go home with a pretty neat gift.

Directions to Ginny's: from the north, take I-77 to Exit 36 (NC 150). East on 150 to Williamson; turn right on Brawley School Road (Harris Teeter plaza on right, new shopping center on left, Ginny's big church on southeast corner). Stay on Brawley School Road to Chuckwood -- turn right on Chuckwood, go 1/4 mile to Seagrove - right on Seagrove. Dead-ends -- turn left. Her address is 151. If you get lost, her number is 704-663-7892. OR, to avoid all the congestion on 150, go south to exit 33, turn right onto Williamson Road, left on Brawley School Road (which is a large intersection with a large Methodist church on your right, left turn lanes, etc., and follow the above directions.

From the South, exit 33, turn left onto Williamson Road, left on Brawley School Road. Follow above directions the rest of the way.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Elections. New club officers to serve for the next two years:

President	Rachel Bonney
Vice President	Pat Matione
Treasurer	Donna Blair
Secretary/Newsletter	Jan McCandliss

And thanks to out-going officers, President Lynn Frank and Treasurer Marilyn Jones, for their dedicated service and efforts to keep Mini Reflections strong.

Web Sites to Check Out. Don't forget to check out our various web sites. The Mini Reflections web site is

www.minireflections.org, The 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.

Susan should have State Day pictures up now. 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. Marilyn will have the final financial report for us at the July meeting. Donna B. sold \$947 worth of raffle tickets, with money being raised for NAME's general fund, Region E-3's Gold Treasures Fund, Scholarship Fund, and general fund, for the Club Committee Fund, and for the State Rep/newsletter fund.

Lynn is compiling the final report to send to the hosting committees for 2009 and 2010.

E-3 Small Scales Houseparty. "Hail to the Chief," Greenville, SC. Registration opened for "Hail to the Chief" April 25. Events will kick off Thursday, September 18, with pre-convention workshops and the special Oval Office workshop Thursday night. Friday's schedule includes workshops, the opening luncheon, sales room, auction, round tables. Saturday night will be capped off with the banquet in the "White House dining room" and the drawing for Houseparty Helpers, and Sunday will close up the event with the Sunday morning brunch, though the sales and exhibit rooms will be open Sunday afternoon, which is also Public Day. So, if you can't get in as a registrant (but please do - there are still openings!), you can still come to Public Day to see the exhibits and to shop.

2008 Christmas Show. The registration forms and letters of invitation will be going out in June, and we need to have Mini Reflections well-represented again (remember, it helps our treasury, among other things!). The dates for the show are set-up Sunday, Nov. 9, exhibits come in Nov. 11, Preview opening Nov. 12, show runs from Nov. 13-23. Susan will also put the forms on the Piedmont Carolinas NAME Group and NC NAME web pages.

Our Guest Artist feature this year will focus on a history of NC state days (22 of them!), and we're asking clubs that hosted a particular state day provide the exhibit for that state day. Mini Reflections now has hosted three state days -- 1995 - "Behind the Scenes" (stage dressing room), 2001 - "New Beginnings (nursery), and 2008 - The 50s Diner. Who would like to exhibit their dressing room and their nursery? Remember that the Guest Artist category is not eligible for cash prizes. I'm sure all of us

want to enter our diners in the regular room box category to be in the judging. Right?

Also, we need 1/4" buildings for our O-gauge railroad exhibit. Ed Brasfield from Concord is bringing the train and, I think, a train station. We need to provide the houses and shops. I know a number of you have been working on 1/4" things, and this is a chance to display them. For those of you who participated in the long-ago Miniboro village, the shops would work well here.

And don't forget we'll also need people to help with set-up Sunday and Tuesday, with monitors, and with move-out on the last Sunday. Thanks, everyone.

CALENDAR

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.

June 18, 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"

October 2-4 2009 Region N-1 Small Scales Houseparty, Salt Lake City, UT. Theme: "Weekend in Paris - La Vie en Rose."

July/August, 2010. NAME National Convention, Seattle, WA. Theme: Merrie Olde England, Then and Now.

June, 2012. Region N-3 Small Scales Houseparty, Portland, OR. The theme has something to do with the Four Seasons.

July/August, 2012. NAME National Convention, Charlotte, NC. Theme: NAME's 40th Birthday Celebration.

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July 9, 2008 Dinner at Sonny's. Project: Garden accessory.
Aug. 13, 2008 Dinner at Shiki. Project: Flowers
Sept. 10, 2008 Dinner at Showmar's... Project - Edwardian Pouf
Oct. 8, 2008 Dinner at O'Charley's. Project: Ice Cream
Nov. 5, 2008 Dinner at Texas Steak House.
Dec. 10, 2008 Christmas Party. Dinner at Soiree's?
Jan. 14 2009 Dinner at Teddy's (also known as Lew's

Fine Food).
Feb. 11 2009 Dinner at Chili's.
Mar. 11 2009 Dinner at Cracker Barrel.
April 8, 2009
May 13, 2009
June 3, 2009 Birthday Potluck Picnic
July

CLASSES and EVENTS AT PJS

Aug 25-27, 2008 Ray Whitledge class - "Le Jardin Secret - Butler's Pantry. Cost: \$780.

MEMBER NEWS

Happy June birthdays to Donna Deal (June 6) and Amy Rauch (June 27).

Memorial - Linda Ostlie

Our miniature family is again mourning the loss of one of its own, Linda Ostlie, of Memphis, TN, who passed away June 1, on her way home from Alabama Fun Day in Birmingham.

Linda served as E-3 Regional Coordinator from 1998 – 2001 and served us well. She has also served on house party committees, state day committees, almost any time she was asked to help, she was there. Her quarter inch scale scenes, buildings, vignettes and ideas were legion. She could literally make something out of nothing, and often did. If you needed help on a project, Linda could always be counted to help, making even the most difficult of things seem easy.

Linda was a most unassuming person, and seemed happiest helping in the background. However, when she was needed, she had the skills and was happy to share them. For those of you who did not know her, you may remember the Thursday night party at the first Greenville Small Scales House party. That party was her doing, and she not only planned and executed it in an exemplary manner, she also provided a number of the prizes for the event.

This lady will be missed by the members of E-3, as well as a number of us who have left the region. I am proud to have been her friend. NAME will not soon have another member of her caliber. Linda is survived by her husband, Paul and her son, Martin.

Jan McCandliss