

NAME E-3 REGIONAL NEWSLEETER SUMMER 2017 http://e3.miniatures.org/





From Your RC - submitted by Lynn Frank

As I was getting the newsletter ready and was just about to send it out, Hurricane Irma was churning up in the Atlantic. My wishes are that all are well and that the damages to your homes and lives were kept to a minimum.

On to the newsletter . . . I was so pleased to see our region so well represented at the Alexandria National this year. Here's a group picture of those who attended the Regional Meeting on Thursday. We had a chance to talk about shows on the calendar, a hint of the retreat project for 2018, and to celebrate our award recipients! Congratulations to Johnnie Aranda and Beckie Champion, our volunteers of the year. Johnnie was such a great help on the retreat this year with all the 3-D printed items she provided and Becky continues to be my go to person for all things related to our website. The Tri-City Miniature Enthusiasts of the Johnson City, TN area was recognized as our club of the year. They have been actively supporting and promoting miniatures in the area for more than 10 years. Our Lifetime Achievement Award was given to Carolyn Peck of the Palmetto Club in Columbia, SC. Carolyn is a creative artisan, a great volunteer and an enthusiastic supporter of the hobby. Congratulations to her and thanks for her many years of service to NAME. The E-3 ambassador Award was given to Bev Simmons of Miniature Designs in Lawrenceville, GA. As a shop owner, Bev has been a loyal supporter of NAME and the clubs in the region but most of all, she has been the go-to person for help with the regional retreats for years. Thank you Bev for all you do to help keep miniatures alive and miniaturists engaged!

The Regional Meeting also offered an opportunity to celebrate a few anniversaries for club and members in attendance at this year's convention. Shannon Moore, Margaret Lowery, and myself received 30 year pins, Rhonda Keef received a 25 year pin, and Marie Bird and Billie O'Klatner received 15 year pins. The Round-Tuits (NC) and The Other Club (GA) are celebrating 10 year anniversaries, Augusta Area Miniature Enthusiasts (GA) are celebrating 15, and Birmingham Area Miniature Association (AL), Miniature Memories (FL), and Nashville Area Miniature Club (TN) are celebrating 25 years. And two of our oldest clubs, Tampa Bay Miniature Enthusiasts and Mini-De-Lights, both in Florida are celebrating 40 year anniversaries! Congratulations to all these individuals and clubs! And thanks to Shannon Moore for the picture of all of us!

Earlier in the convention, Donna Eckel of Gainesville, Florida was presented as one of the new Academy of Honor Recipients. Unfortunately, Donna was not at the convention so we could not congratulate her in person so I wanted to make sure that we let her know how proud we are for receiving this recognition. Congratulations!

Finally, several clubs in E-3 submitted paperwork for the Blue Ribbon Club recognition. Thanks to each club and its membership for all they do every year to promote NAME and the miniature hobby. Below is a list of the E-3 clubs recognized this year:

C-127Le Petite Collecteurs of South FLC-789Mini Reflections of MooresvilleC-185Mini-De-Lights of Ft. MeyersC-946East Tennessee Mini MakersC-325Chattanooga Miniature SocietyC-977Palmetto Miniature ClubC-524Raleigh Miniature GuildC-980Indian Trail Mini MakersC-672Lakeland Miniature ClubC-1021 Merry Mini Makers of the TriadC-701First Coast Miniature GuildC-1033 Miniature EnchantmentC-1043The Simply Awesome Miniature Enthusiasts (S.A.M.E.) Club

Once again, I had a wonderful time in Alexandria. It always so much fun to get to touch base with all my mini friends. I know there will be more of you in Charleston next August as we meet for "Sweet Tea and Sunshine: A Southern Celebration!". I am certainly looking forward to this event!

High Point Miniature Show - submitted by Sharon Johnson & Cat Wingler

Linda Fry hosts a wonderful show. She gave gifts to everyone who attended and had extra gifts for the children. A wide range of vendors in all scales (even half inch!) kept us shopping. The hotel was grand with an excellent wait staff in a nice restaurant for both breakfast and dinner.

Exhibitor winners included the following: Best of show, People's Choice and Juried went to Ann Rhoades' Carousel (it turned and played music – wow!) Second place Juried and People's Choice went to Pat Hartman, a wonderful potting shed. I was able to catch her being awarded her ribbon. Third place People's Choice went to Debbie Love's kitchen. Third Place Juried went to Lynn Montgomery's reindeer barn.



On this trip, I also toured the Spencer Doll & Toy Museum but THAT story will have to wait until next time!

NAME DAY in E3 - submitted by Sharon Johnson, E3 newsletter editor



Please don't miss NAME Day this year! Here are some of the E-3 locations:

Asheville, NC – Calvary Episcopal Church Hall, Fletcher, NC. Contact: Lissa Loosemore at <u>eloosemore@att.net</u>

Atlanta, GA – Miniature Designs, Lawrenceville, NC. Contact: J.P. Sligh at jpsligh@gmail.com

Augusta, GA – 1305 Interstate Parkway, Augusta, GA. Contact: Amy Rauch at <u>rauchfam@aol.com</u>

Memphis, TN – TBA – registration required. Contact: Libby Agee at 900-323-8653

Lakeland, FL – Red Elephant, Lakeland, FL. Contact: Bill Crittenden at williamcritt@centurylink.net

A special note:

Katrina Bailey, Ga State Rep, would like to thank Joan Goodwin, Rhonda Gilpin, Phyllis Williams and Jackie Bekkouche members of the Atlanta Miniature Club, Kathy Hammonds and Bettie McClendon from Augusta Miniature Club for helping her man the NAME Table at the Tom Bishop Show. Also JP Sligh for all the help he gave me with the set-up of the NAME Table.



Calendar - CHECK the E-3 website for more information on these events!

SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2017

"The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" - 2017 Scranton Small Scales Houseparty; Scranton, PA - Go to the NAME website for more information. <u>https://miniatures.org/2017Scranton</u>

SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2017

38th Annual Atlanta Miniature Show and Sale, Atlanta, GA - Marriott Pkwy NE, Atlanta, GA. Friday, September 22; 7-9:30PM - Admission \$15 for Adults, \$8 for children; Saturday, September 23; 10AM-4:30PM - Admission \$8 for Adults, \$7 for children. Contact Jackie Bekkouche at 913-593-6220 for more information.

OCTOBER 7, 2017

NAME Day all over the world!!! Hope you join one of our groups or have your own celebration of NAME! <u>https://miniatures.org/NAMEDay2017 or e3.miniatures.org</u>

OCTOBER 19-22, 2017

Trick or Treat in Tennessee – Monteagle, TN- Dubose Conference Center, WONDERFUL weekend all-inclusive weekend retreat, complete with three delicious meals a day, great classes, trick or treating, more goodies than you can imagine and campfires. Please Contact Becky Lipscomb for more information at <u>RealMag1945@gmail.com</u>

OCTOBER 21, 2017

3 Blind Mice Show – Largo/Tampa. FL- Honeywell Minn Reg Building, 6340 126th Ave. North, Largo, Florida 33773. First 100 people get a FREE gift each day! Strollers and wheelchairs welcomed. 1-Day Sale, Saturday 10am – 3pm. Admission \$5.00 for adults & \$2.00 for kids ages 5-15. For more info: Linda Frye, 407-397-0852, <u>lindafryeminis@gmail.com</u> or http://www.3blindmiceshow.com/

October 27-28, 2017

Tom Bishop Show, Williamsburg, VA –Clarion Hotel – Historic District, 351 York Street, Williamsburg, VA 23185. Saturday, October 28, 2017 10am– 4pm, admission \$7 adults, children under 12 \$3 (no strollers). Exclusive Preview Show & Sale Friday, October 27 7:00pm to 9:30 pm, tickets \$15 and includes hors d'oeuvre party from 6:30 – 7:00 and 2 day admission. <u>http://www.bishopshow.com/williamsburg</u>

October 28, 2017

Fourth Annual Mooresville North Carolina Dolls & dollhouse Miniatures Show & Sale, Mooresville, NC – Hilton Garden Inn, 159 Gateway Drive, Mooresville, NC 29167. Admission: \$2 plus a gift with NAME Card. Door prizes and free workshops for children. Handicap accessible and free parking. All inquiries contact Maria Cannizzaro (704) 230-0569.

November 9-19, 2017

Enchanted Village at the Southern Christmas Show, Charlotte, NC– The Park Expo and Conference Center, Charlotte, NC. Exhibit and win prizes, volunteer to monitor, spend the rest of the day shopping in three buildings of real life vendors. Contact Lynn Frank at <u>Imfrank.e3name@outlook.com</u> for miniatures information. You can also visit the Southern Christmas Show website for more information about the real life vendors here: <u>http://southernchristmasshow.com/</u>

JANUARY 13, 2018

E-3 Retreat in Atlanta, GA – Hyatt Place, 3530 Venture Parkway, Duluth, GA. Look for details in our next newsletter!

January 13-14, 2018

Venice Fun in the Sun, Venice, FL (formerly Sarasota) Minituria Unlimited 2018 – workshops January 12-14. Preview Saturday January 13, Show Sunday January 14. Ramada Venice Resort, 425 US 41 Bypass N, Venice, FL 34285. www.miniaturiaunlimited.com

February 16-18, 2018

Orlando Miniatures Festival, Orlando, FL – workshops February 16-18. Preview Saturday February 17, Show Sunday February 18. Hilton Garden and Homewood Suites, 11400 Marbella Palm Court, Orlando, FL 32836 www.miniaturiaunlimited.com

March 2-3, 2018

Tom Bishop Show – Atlanta, GA – Double Tree by Hilton Atlanta Northlake, 4156 LaVista Road, Tucker, GA 30084. Saturday, March 3, 2018 10am-4pm, admission: Adults \$8, Children under 12 \$4 (no strollers). Exclusive Preview Show & Sale, Friday March 2, 2018 7:00pm – 9:30 pm, tickets \$15 and includes hors d'oeuvre party from 6:30 – 7:00 and 2 day admission. http://www.bishopshow.com/atlanta

MAY 18-20, 2018

"Jockeys and Juleps" 2018 Louisville All Scale Houseparty; Louisville, KY -https://miniatures.org/node/155

AUGUST 23-26, 2018

"Sweet Tea & Sunshine, a Southern Celebration" 2018 Charleston National Convention; Charleston, SC – Embassy Suites, Charleston, SC. Contact Marie Bird (<u>ambird3@sc.rr.com</u>) or Janet Chase (<u>flomac@embargmail.com</u>) <u>https://miniatures.org/2018Charleston</u>

<u>July 18-21, 2019</u>

2019 National Convention; Nashville, TN

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