

NAME REGION E-3 REGIONAL NEWSLETTER



November 2015

A MESSAGE FROM OUR REGIONAL COORDINATOR

Greetings Everyone: I hope you are all enjoying the cooler weather that means Fall is here in the Southeast. I love this season of cool, crisp days, football games, and miniature events! Did you participate in any of the events surrounding NAME Day or to celebrate National Dollhouse Miniatures Month in October? I hope you were able to celebrate NAME Day with your mini friends. The theme for South Carolina in early October was "Rain, Rain, Go Away!" As a result, South Carolina's NAME day had to be cancelled as a precaution for those who would be traveling. It was a good call, but we were all sad to miss playing minis with our friends!

As I think about November and the upcoming holiday season, I always think about the people and things in my life for which I am thankful. First, I am thankful to live in the United States. I am thankful for my faith, family and good friends. I am thankful that I can enjoy a hobby that is as diverse and exciting as our miniatures world. Where else can we meet such wonderful people and participate in events that stimulate our minds, our creativity and make us happy with laughter and joy! To all of you, I am thankful for your participation in our wonderful NAME organization!

As always, we have lots of events coming up in the Region in the coming months. The Clubs and groups who plan events for our Region work hard to bring us lots of choices. While we would all love to do everything, I know that is not realistic. Hopefully, though, you will find some events in the coming months that will spark your interest! There is the annual E-3 Retreat in Atlanta in January, shows in the Region in January in Sarasota, FL, February in Orlando, FL, and March in Atlanta, GA for the annual Atlanta Miniatures Show, State Days and Fun Days – all sorts of wonderful things to do! Check out the Calendar in this Newsletter for more information.

Finally, I hope that you and your family enjoy a peaceful, joyful Holiday season. Have fun with family and friends and don't forget to make time for minis!

Marie Bird, E-3 Regional Coordinator

RECENT E-3 EVENTS.

Dollhouse Show and Sale in Mooresville, NC On October 10 the three Charlotte area NAME miniature clubs Mini Reflections, Indian Trail Mini Makers, and Miniature Collectors Society of Charlotte hosted the Second Annual North Carolina Dollhouse Miniature Show and Sale at the Hilton Garden Inn on Gateway Blvd in Mooresville. Members from all three clubs served on the committee, had dealer tables, brought exhibits and welcomed almost 200 guests. Free workshops for children took place all day and many door prizes were given out due to the generosity of dealers and club members. Two area shops had dealer tables, PJ Miniatures of Albemarle, NC, and Miniature Designs of Lawrenceville, GA. Artisans came from Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Additionally, the charity of the event was New Eyes For the Needy and 46 pairs of used eyeglasses and 20 eyeglass cases were collected and given to the Mooresville Lions Club. Since this was a nonprofit event, after expenses, money will be given to each club and to NAME.

Trick or Treat in Tennessee, Monteagle, TN. The East Tennessee Mini Makers gathered for trick or treating and mini-making at the DuBose Conference Center in Monteagle, TN, October 15-17. We couldn't have had a nicer weekend weather-wise! The fall colors were approaching peak, the temperature was crisp, nice for the bonfire and marshmallow roasting. This year we had five new attendees...Sharon Johnson, Denise Hollingsworth, Ann Parker and Lisa Thompson, and Marti Icenogle. We had participation from the dining and office staff at DuBose, sweet ladies who take care of our meals and reservations. They made us wonderful treats at our evening meals. We welcome them as Trick or Treat family and hope we are encouraging new miniaturists.

This year we had so many great raffle items, many of them anonymously, that we had to have an extra table to hold all of them! The Christian Appalachian Project's Hungry Kids Fund is the recipient of over \$1,200 to help feed the poorest of the poor in our country during times when no free breakfast or lunches are available. Thank you all who brought items for the raffle and those who bought tickets. We were all winners!

Our classes were varied in scale and subject. We had over 20 classes that included dolls, landscaping/flowers, foods, vignettes, decorative items, and structures. Look for our 2016 classes next spring. Our dates are October 20-23, and we will be trying a new theme...Christmas Markets. For a while people have been encouraging us to do something on the Christmas theme, and we have over 25 wonderful classes lined up, many of which have a Christmas holiday theme. Watch for the information in March/April! Inquire at <u>RealMag1945@gmail.com</u> phone (423) 899-2444 Becky Lipscomb or Winifred Holloway.

If you haven't come before, reserve the date for next year. We'll be working hard to show you a really good time!

Becky Lipscomb

The Old Mill, Unicoi Mini Weekend, Unicoi State Park, Helen< GA, November 13-15, 2015. For the third time about 100 miniature enthusiasts gathered at the Unicoi State Park Lodge in Helen, GA, to work on a small-scale miniature project. The first Mini Weekend, "Little Cabin in the Woods," was held at Unicoi in 1999, under the leadership of Marilyn Oakes and Jane Payne, The project for the second Mini Weekend in 2010, chaired by Rhonda Keef and Michelle Martinez, was a ¼" scale Bavarian structure by a stream, particularly appropriate for Helen, which is known for its German (Bavarian) architecture and attractions.

The 2015 weekend, under the leadership Rhonda Keef and Janet Chase, was a ¹/₄" scale mill inspired by the Nora Mill, a working grain mill on the Chattahoochee River in Helen, Georgia. The mill, dating back to 1876, continues to grind and produce such corn and wheat products as grits, cornmeal, and mixes for pancakes and waffles. The project was designed by Janet Chase, Jane Payne, Cat Wingler, and Debbie Young.

Participants came from all over the country, most from E-3, but also from as far away as the West Coast.

Work began Friday evening about 6 p.m. as participants assembled their structures, working until about 10 p.m., and we resumed work at 8 a.m., working until about 9 or 10 p.m. Saturday, with breaks for meals and for other activities such as roundtables, shoe-box sales, demonstrations of techniques useful in finishing the projects (Cat Wingler taught water techniques, Marie Bird how to make plaster rocks, Donna Brewington how to age with India ink, and Sandy Whipple texturizing insulation foam). There were also tote bags, exhibits, raffles, door prizes, mini-swaps, including a swap of mini-kits, and homemade refreshments appropriate for an autumn event. A special part of the workshop were the little committee gifts handed out at intervals during the workshop, including the ASSEMBLED water wheel for the mill. It was a great weekend, a great project, and everyone seemed to be having a wonderful time.

As far as we know another Unicoi weekend isn't in the works at this time because the committee, after a brief respite, is now tuning its attention to the E-13 Small Scales Houseparty, "Gals, Gangsters, & Gatsby" September 16-18, 2016, in Greenville, SC. See you there!

REGIONAL AND CLUB NEWS

This section is for individual E-3 members and for E-3 NAME clubs. If you have something you want to share with other E-3 members, please send it to me, and I'll try to fit it in. Remember, if you want to see your club's activities mentioned, you need to send me the information (and pictures!) as soon as you have it. If there is nothing about your club in this section it is because nothing was submitted for inclusion. Reports from individuals are also welcome. If you are sending photos, please do not send them all in one file and please send them as jpg attachments; do not mail paper copies. Deadlines are February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. And please note my email address: <u>rabonney@windstream.net</u>. Thanks! RB

Alabama.

Mobile Miniature Club (C-).The Mobile Miniature Club held a successful Fun Day event on September 19, 2015, in beautiful Gulf Shores, Alabama. It was great to see old friends who came from Louisiana and North Alabama to be with us to make minis! The project was a quarter scale "crown house", so-called because it uses a piece of full-size crown molding as the structure. Our attendees finished the corner vignettes in a variety of ways, so that was fun for everyone to see.



Our next events involve December displays at the History Museum of Mobile and the Daphne Art Center. Club members will exhibit Christmas-related miniatures at the History Museum (where the fabulous Friedman Houses are on permanent display). Any type of miniature will be displayed at the Daphne Art Center (Daphne is a neighboring town just across Mobile Bay). This will be a great opportunity for us to expose the art of miniatures to communities on both sides of the bay. Happy Holidays to all!

Roxann Dyess, President

Florida

Les Petits Collecteurs of South Florida. (C-). Les Petits Collecteurs are preparing for our March 12, 2016, show at the Boca Raton Community Center

We prepared our colorful bags for scenes for our theme Put On A Show. One member, Elaine Scobey, has already completed her scene, a toy store in a Halloween themed bag. The club members were so impressed with her finished project, and we hope to do scenes of equal quality. We have seven workshops scheduled for the day before the show, March 11, 2016, and dealer contracts are coming in.

We celebrated NAME Day by working on the NAME project at our October meeting. Shannon Moore led the project, and the main part was finished by the end of the meeting. The storefronts will each feature a specific display being presented by the store. Mine is Ye Olde Hat Shoppe, and it features fancy ladies hats and some men's hats from an earlier era - the late 1800s. The storefronts will be

featured in our display room at our show.

Our club will have a holiday dinner in December. In January our meeting will be a yard sale. We all have so many items we no longer need. Many of us have moved to smaller scales. One person's trash can become another person's treasure, and we hope this meeting will be a success.

We are planning activities for future meetings, and are working on a theme for next year. We are welcoming some new members who have attended three meetings and are now officially in our group. We also have a few openings for other new members, which we will discuss at our next meeting. Our busy club continues to expand and enjoy the wonderful world of miniatures. *Marilvn Freedman, President*

North Carolina

Raleigh Miniatures Guild (C-524). The Raleigh Miniatures Guild is working on a Market Stall Project. Club members are building a stall structure and members have different ideas of how they will finish their stalls... a Christmas market stall. A vegetable stand, a beach stall and a toy market are a few of the ideas. Plans are being made for our annual Christmas celebration and gift exchange. We will be making tote bag favors for State Day and National after the first of the year and discussing our next project at upcoming meetings.

Carla McIntyre, President,

Mini Reflections Miniature Club (C-789). Mini Reflectons members are starting a new project at the November meeting in preparation for the annual reward workshop (for participation in the Enchanted Village at the Southern Christma Show). The reward workshop will be a lighting workshop taught by the folks from Miniature Designs, and the project members are working on is a kitchen vignette to be lighted with techniques taught in the reward workshop. In November we began with a tiled floor.

Most of our members are sharing their mini treasures in three exhibits, one at the Mooresville Public Library, which started out as an exhibit in October for Dollhouse and Miniature Month, then expanded to include November, and this year will run through December for the Christmas holiday. Members are also exhibiting in the Enchanted Village in November and are sharing Christmas-themed minis at the China Grove, NC, Public Library in December.



Some of our members attended Trick or Treat in Tennessee - and some taught workshops (Rachel Bonney, Jan McCandliss, Amy Rauch, Jan Sylsberry), and are attending Unicoi this month (Rachel Bonney, Lynn Frank, Jan McCandliss, Amy Rauch, and Jan Sylsberry).

Our annual Christmas party and "Great Gift Exchange" will be held again at Big Daddy's Restaurant in Mooresville in December, and a number of our members are also planning to attend the Regional Retreat in Atlanta in January.

Rachel Bonney, Secretary

Asheville Miniature Enthusiasts (C-851). The Asheville club has been busy of late. We celebrated NAME Day on October 3, in spite of the weather. The warmth and camaraderie more than made up for the nasty weather outside. We had a few out-of-the area folks who had planned to join us have to cancel because of the weather but all the locals made it. We made good progress on our windows, some of which are going to be displayed at the Fletcher branch of the Henderson Library.

We were beat out for October by another group so we're displaying our miniatures at the library in November instead. Hopefully we'll be forgiven for celebrating National Miniature month a month late! A major component of our display is a variety of Suzanne & Andrew Market Stalls. As a club project we each chose different market stalls to make and display. They're wonderful!



We've been rotating the project leader each month so we've had a lot of variety in our monthly meetings. One month we played with fimo and made silly plants. We used painted metal another month to make wonderful flowers! We did a quarter scale room box as one of our projects – we'll be making furnishings in the future. Another month we made acorn cap centerpieces. Because so many of our members travel and don't always attend every month we've found we do better with projects that can be pretty well completed in a given meeting



That said, we've decided that going forward we'll plan our monthly meetings around a theme, to be determined. Each project will be self-contained but will reflect the theme so that at the end of the year we can use them in a room box or vignette if we choose to do so. It'll be interesting to see how they come together – they just might end up being the basis of next year's library display!

We're also looking forward to our annual holiday celebration at the home of member Sigrid Hess. She has a gorgeous glass wall that overlooks the beauties of nature. Their Christmas tree is placed in front of those windows with a winter village displayed around the base. There isn't a store in the world, I don't think, that has a more inclusive collection of Department 65 style buildings! Amazingly, her cats traverse the village without knocking everything over. It truly sets the mood for a holiday celebration!

Lissa Loosemore, Club President

Merry Mini Makers of the Triad (C-1021). Even with the threat of flooding, NAME Day was still a success in Jamestown. However, we forgot to take pictures, so you'll just have to imagine the awesome windows.

At this time, we are getting ready for Unicoi. Marion Haerle from Indianapolis and Jean Monk from SC will be joining, Sandi Coble, Michelle Buccini, Lori Williams, Martie Tyler and me for the weekend. We will be the group having the most fun! We will be bringing displays and lots of swaps, too. Martie has a shoebox under construction, with her usual marvelous inventory. Shop early and often!

Next on our agenda - Dinner and a Mini in December. We are really looking forward to the project.

Lynn Montgomery

Miniature Enchantment (C-1033) formerly Piedmont (C-862) - Miniature Carolinas NAME Group. Enchantment. The Southern Christmas Show, held in November at the Park Expo (formerly Charlotte Merchandize Mart) on Independence is considered by many the kick-off for the holiday season, and one of the big attractions and draws for the show is the miniature and dollhouse exhibit, the Enchanted Village. Under new leadership, the club is continuing its tradition of bringing a variety of miniatures ranging from one inch scale dollhouses to micromoinis to share with the public. This year exhibits have come from both North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Missouri, including several large one-inch scale houses. The show began November 11 and runs through Sunday, November 22, so you still have time to get to Charlotte to see both the Enchanted Village and Christmas Show, which features over 500 exhibitors (and some fantastic food!) Show hours are from 10 a.m. to :30 p.m. except for Sundays, Monday, and Tuesday when the show closes at 6 p.m.

As always, E-3 members won ribbons in the judged cagtegories are.



Best of Show – Marie Bird "Birdsong Vineyards and Winery"

Residential Structures:



- 1st Place, Earline Garrett, "Welcome to My Hone"
- 2nd Place, Lissa Loosemore, "At Home on the Beach"
- 3rd Place, Carolyn Peck, "Stepp Drive, 1964"
- 1st HM, Marianne Jokubaitis, "Beach House on Sullivan's Island"
- 2nd HM, Maria Cannizzaro, NC Beach House

Non-Residential Structure



1st Place, Gayle Hansen, "Weathervane Stables
2nd Place Marianne Jokubaitis, "Ready for a the Wedding"
3rd Place Michael Hansen, "Hope'

Room Boxes



1t Place, Sue Brauer, "Halloween Witch's Room" 2nd Place Sharon Johnson, Little Ones Run Amuck 3rd Place Earaline Garrett, "Bedroom by the Sea" 1st HMJan Sylsberry, "50s Diner" 2nd HM Carolyn Peck, "Cakery Bakery"

Small Scales



1st Place, Lissa Loosemore, Christmas Tree Shop and Treats 2nd Place Lynn Frank, "Nautical Emporium"

- 3rd Place, Donna Deal, "Tea Rose Cottage"
- 1st HM, Jan Sylsberry, The Hunting Lodge"
- 2nd HM, Marianne Jokubaitis, "Professor Baraby Warren's Den"

Outdoor Scenes



1st Place, Marie Bird, "The Secret Garden"

- 2nd Place, Sam Perry (age 12), "Garden Shed"
- 3rd Place, Gayle Hansen, "Lopuis' Haven"
- 1st HM, Maria Cannizzaro, Sidewalk Peddler Lady and Sales Table"
- 2nd HM, Susie Hines, "Miss Minnie's Peddler and Wares"

Unusual Containers



1st Place, Susan Coyne, The "Estate Parlor"
2nd Place. Sue Brauer, "Found Home in the Woods"
3rd Place, Gloria Cormick, "Joyeux Noel"
1st HM, Lynn Frank, "If the Hat Fits, Wear It"
2nd HM Earline Garrett, "My NYC Condo"

Thanks to all our exhibitors and everyone who has contributed in some way to making this year's Enchanted Village a success. Be sure to stop by the Enchanted Village when you visit the Christmas Show.

Rachel Bonney Miniature Enchantment

Miniature Collectors Society of Charlotte (C-1034) Our final meeting for the year was Friday Nov. 6. We had a visitor at the meeting, who is planning on joining NAME and then our club. We also lost a club member, Annilee Taylor, who has moved to Modesto, California. We will miss her and hope that she will make new mini friends. She did say that she attended a miniature show in San Jose and there were about 100 venders.

Almost half of the club participated in the 2nd annual Show and Sale held October 10th in Mooresville. There was a really good turnout despite the weather.

We have finished this year's club project, "The Courtyard," and have planned the new project for 2016. We also earned a Blue Ribbon Club Award for the year. The club newsletter is growing!! This month there were three pages and more pictures. In the past two months we had two members share their "mini story". They were asked to tell how and when they got started in miniatures, and tell about their favorite project, also if anyone inspired them.

In December we will have a Christmas Party Lunch at the Waldhorn restaurant in Pineville, with a mini gift exchange.

Barbara Boeckstiegel, President

South Carolina

Palmetto Miniature Club (C-977). Our last three months have been rather strange. We worked hard in September getting ready to host NAME Day, and we were certainly excited. Games were planned, projects were ordered and ready, decorations were ready, 30 friends were signed up to attend from SC, NC, and Georgia, the lunches were ordered. We were ready.

And it started to rain and rain. Suddenly, on our hard planned weekend, weather reports turned more than nasty and on Friday afternoon we knew we had to cancel. It was so disappointing, Sharon Johnson, our State Rep, had truly worked long and hard to plan this event, but we felt we needed to err on the side caution. As the rains continued a we knew we had made the correct decision. On Monday, Oct 5, Columbia, SC, experienced what they are now calling the "Thousand Year Flood". Dams broke, creeks that trickled became rushing rivers, and rivers rose. Neighborhoods were flooded, and over 200 swift water rescues from cars and homes happened on what once were the streets of Columbia. We cancelled our October meeting on the 11th because too many roads were still closed and washed out.

Our November meeting today proved that we have all been busy with miniature projects on our own. And now, we are working on Carolina's State Day, scheduled for April, 2016, lead by Sharon Johnson and, again, we are really looking forward to it.

We are also helping Marie Bird, our E-3 RC, host her final E-3 retreat in Atlanta in January, and we helped organize and pack all kinds of delightful goodies for handouts during the day! This will be fun!

Bright and early in the morning, I am driving to Charlotte, NC, to deliver our club's exhibits for the Enchanted Village at the Southern Christmas Show. This is always a spectacular exhibit in an exciting Christmas shopping atmosphere.

Carolyn Peck, President

Tennessee

Tri-Cities Miniature Enthusiasts, C-920. The Tri Cities Miniature club of Upper East Tennessee had completed their spring project of a log cabin so a new project began in September. Ann Anderson and Pat Woodby presented us with a quarter scale garden shed. At the meeting we selected a colored mat board of our choice. Using an outline and measurements we cut the four sides. One side was for a door and window and the opposite end as a large opening to see inside. There was also a kit to produce a "John Deere" lawnmower. The scene was sized to fit a 4 x 4 x 4 acrylic box, which was provided.

October's meeting had kits to make a potting bench and another workbench, Behind the potting bench on the wall would be a board to hang our tools. We had each purchased a kit from True 2 Scale containing many tools useful for gardening, so this provided us with everything needed to get the job done. We also received kits to make products to kill weds and insects, potting soil, bird house kits, and gardening books. Earlier in the year we had already produced a shelving unit for all these items. There were also flowerpots to be painted and filled.

Two members, Judy Lewis and her mother, Carol Jaynes, attended the October weekend at Monteagle. Next month we look forward to finishing our project.

Ann Anderson

UPCOMING E-3 EVENTS SAVE THE DATES...

<u>Carolina Christmas 2015.</u> The annual Carolina Christmas event will be held the first weekend in December, beginning with a Dinner and a Mini (a light ½" scale Gepetto's Workshop) Friday December 4. Saturday December 5 is "Make and Take Day," making free goodies in 1" scale at PJ's shop, 230 West Main Street in Albemarle,. Sunday, December 5, features two paid workshops at Debbie Love's house, 3424 Cranberry Nook Court in Charlotte. One class is a ½" scale Pinocchio marionette taught by Cat Wingler, the other a hanging cactus in 2 Scales taught by Donna Blair. Classes begin at 1:30 p.m. To register or for more information, contact Debbie Love at 704-277-0805.

<u>16th Annual DIME Dollhouse & Miniatures Flea</u> <u>Market, January 9, 2016.</u> Daytona Ideal Miniature Enthusiasts will hold the 16th annual Dollhouse & Miniatures Flea Market on Saturday, January 2, 2016 from 9 AM to 2 PM at the Lakeside Community Center, 1999 City Center Circle, Port Orange, FL 32129. For information, please contact Helen Sullivan, helensullivan40@yahoo.com.

2016 E-3 Regional Retreat, January 16, 2016

The 2016 E-3 Regional Retreat will be held Saturday, January 16, 2016, at the Hyatt Place Duluth/Gwinnett Mall in Duluth, GA, from 8:30 until 4:00. Plan to arrive Friday

evening, January 15, to pick up your kits and visit with other attendees. The project is a quarter scale "Crooked House" entitled 13 Trickum Lane – A Spells & Potions Shop. Cat Wingler has designed a delightful structure ready for you to "cast your spell" upon with all your imagination and artistry.



Our host club is the Palmetto Miniature Club of Columbia, SC, and the members are busy preparing lots of goodies to use in your shop. It will be a fun, relaxing weekend of minis – not to be missed. There are still spaces available, but get your registrations in soon. A registration form is attached later in the newsletter. For more information, contact Marie Bird at ambird3@sc.rr.com.

Atlanta Miniature Show, March 4-5, 2016

Tom Bishop presents the annual Atlanta Miniature Show Friday, at the Holiday Inn Select, 4386 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA 30341Friday March 4, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Preview Show and Sale, \$15.00 includes Hors d'oeuvres Party from 6:30 to 7:00, Early buying privileges and 2 day admission. Tickets available at the door, no children, please. Saturday, March 5, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Admission: Adults \$8.00; Children under 12 \$4.00. No strollers please.

For further information, contact Tom Bishop, 10528 Oak Meadow Lane, Lake Worth, FL 33449, phone (561) 434-6622. Fax: (561) 434-6159. Email: Bishopshow@aol.com.

Les Petits Collecteurs of South Florida Dollhouse Miniatures Show and Sale. Les Petits Collecteurs of South Florida will hold their Dollhouse Miniatures Show and Sale on Saturday, March 12, 2016, from 9:00 AM. to 3:30 P.M. at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 NW Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33432. Admission is \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for under 12. There will be many dealers, a large exhibit room featuring Put On A Show, free Make It and Take It demos, raffles, and lunch facilities. Pre-registered workshops will be held on Friday, March 11, 2016. We support AVDA, Kids in Distress, and NAME. For show information contact Veronica Risko, <u>risko@bellsouth.net</u>. Website - http://sites.google.com/site/lespetitsclub

ABOUT OUR E-3 MEMBERS In Memory

Tom O'Connor

Les Petits Collecteurs reports the sudden and unexpected death of one of our members, Tom O'Connor, in July. Tom and his wife Hari resided in Buffalo, New York, and Greenacres, Florida. Tom retired from teaching high school history, and he and Hari shared their love of traveling and miniatures. Tom took classes from many artisans, and the couple went to many of the NAME conventions. They were big supporters of NAME, and Tom was a member of the NAME Men's Garden Club and the Dollar Club.

Tom was an active member of our club, and was a tremendous help during our shows. He hung signs, connected the electric wires for the dealers and our display room, and contributed some beautiful raffle prizes. His displays for our themed exhibit rooms were memorable, especially his tribute to the World Trade Center and his 1/2" Medieval Monastery. In recent years Tom and Hari displayed many beautiful and intricate ¹/₄ inch projects. The couple was also involved in a miniatures club in Buffalo.

Tom will be sorely missed. Thankfully, we will still have Hari as a member of our group, plus many wonderful memories of a delightful man.

Marilyn Freedman, Club President

Welcome to New and Returning E-3 Members

A special welcome to our new and returning E-3 members

Melody Bias, Port St. Lucie, FL Betty Sue Carr, Fayetteville, NC William Crittenden, Saint Cloud, FL Sharon Edwards, Deland, FL Shelly Faust, Sunrise FL Robin Gabe, Coral Springs, FL Patricia Gazie, Lakeland, FL Anne Haslem, Sanibel, FL Arietta Kendall, West Palm Beach, FL Kathy Koons, Oviedo, FL Mary Lawrence, Margate, FL Gwendolyn Lockett, Laurens, SC Karrie Mead, Hillsborough, NC Lisa Petrillo, Melbourne, FL Ann Setaro, Port St. Lucie, FL Darien Staryk, Coral Springs, FL Mary Tapier, Lady Lake, FL Mary Zelmer, Johnston, SC Cheryl Williams, Rembert, SC

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E-3 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>November 11-22, 2015.</u> Enchanted Village Miniature Exhibit, Southern Christmas Show, Charlotte, NC.

November 13-15, 2015. 3rd Mini Play Weekend, Unicoi State Park, GA. "The Olde Mill."

December 4-5, 2015. Carolina Christmas "Dinner and a Mini" (1/2" scale Gepetto's Workshop) Friday, December 4, \$35, Sharon Towers, 5100 Sharon Road, Charlotte, 4 p.m.; Free Make and Take Workshops Sat, December 5, at Pj's, 230 North Main Street, Albemarle, NC, starting at 10 a.m.; and Pinocchio Marionette taught by Cat Wingler (\$45), and 1" scale Christmas Cactus taught by Donna Blair, \$50), at Debbie Love's home beginning at 1:30 p.m., 3424 Cranberry Nook Court, Charlotte. For more information, call Debbie Love at 704-277-0805.

January 9, 2016. 16th Annual Dollhouse and Miniatures Flea Market, Lakeside Community Center, 1999 City Center Circle, Port Orange, FL. Sponsored by DIME. Adult adission \$5.00.

January 16-17, 2016. Venice Miniature Fun in the Sun. Ramada Venice Resort, 425 S Tamiami Trail (US Highway 421), Venice, FL34285. Saturday, January 16 ~ Early Sales Preview 5-8 p.m. Sunday, January 17 Sales Room 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

January 15-16, 2016. Region E-3 Regional Retreat, Atlanta.

February 13-14, 2016. Orlando Miniatures Festival, Hilton Garden Inn, 11400 Marbella Palm Court, Orlando, FL 32836. Preview February 13, Show February 14 2016

<u>March 4-5, 2016.</u> Tom Bishop Atlanta Show, Holiday Inn Select, 4385 Chamblee Dunwoody Rd., Atlanta, GA 30341. Friday, March 4, Preview Show and Sale, 7-9:30 p.m., \$15, tickets available at door. Saturday March 5, 10-4 p.m., Adi;ts \$8.00. Children under 12 \$4.00. No Strollers.

<u>March 11-12, 2016</u>. Les Petits Collecteurs of South Florida Dollhouse Miniatures Show and Sale, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 NW Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton, FL 33432.

<u>April 29-30, 2016.</u> Chattanooga Fun Day. Theme: Mardi Gras. For more information contact Ginger Morrison, <u>gingerchatt@comcast.net</u> or Winifred Holloway, <u>georgialee16@att.net</u>.

July 21-24, 2016. NAME National Convention, "Welcome to My Garden", Seattle, WA.

<u>September 16-19, 2016.</u> Gals, Gangsters, and Gatsby. Small Scales Houseparty, Greenville, SC.

July 27-30, 2017. NAME National Convention,

Alexandria, VA. "Come to the Circus."

Fall 2017. Online Houseparty.

<u>July/August, 2018.</u> NAME National Convention, Charleston, SC. "Sweet tea and Sunshine – Southern Celebration."

Fall, 2018. Small Scales Houseparty, Tarrytown, NY