

# NAME REGION E-3 REGIONAL NEWSLETTER



August 2013

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR REGIONAL COORDINATOR

Hello everyone! Although it is the first of August, my thoughts are filled with miniature events coming to our Region this Fall. After the soggy summer we have experienced in South Carolina, I think we might need to do a workshop on building an ark!

I had the pleasure of attending our NAME National Convention in Tucson, Arizona, in July. The Steering Committee did a wonderful job, from helping everyone feel comfortable with the new schedule, to the delicious food, wonderful exhibits, great sales room and fantastic workshops. The Mega Roundtables were truly amazing! I left much of my money with the roundtable vendors! One delightful thing about all the roundtables – people sat down with the teachers and worked on them! We had a 12-year-old roundtable vendor whose kit was so nice. She had a great time teaching others how to frame her original photos of the Arizona landscape! In fact, there were several young ladies in attendance. It was wonderful to see their exuberance and happiness at attending the Convention!

A special congratulations to the award winners from our region: Amy Rauch won a Founders' Award and Kim Sher won a Benefactor's Award. Gwen Campbell was inducted into the Academy of Honor. Our regional awards are listed elsewhere in the newsletter. My sincere congratulations to everyone who received an award. They are all well-deserved!

I am happy to welcome some new people to the E-3 Regional Team. JP Sligh is the new Georgia State Representative. Terri Correll (NC) is the new Welcome Chairperson. Jane Payne will serve another term as State Representative-at-Large. Karen Barone is the Florida South State Representative. My thanks to these volunteers and to all who serve our region on the regional team.

We have many events coming up this Fall in the Region, beginning with the Over The Hill Houseparty in the Gazette in August and September. If you or your Club have an event planned, we would love to hear about it. September 14<sup>th</sup> is the Huntsville, AL Fun Day – a great time! Also coming up this Fall, is the Annual Atlanta Miniature Society Show and Sale in September. Check the Calendar for the dates and details. I attended last year and had such a wonderful time. The Club always has lovely exhibits, great silent auction items, and, of course, great vendors!

October 12 is NAME Day. There are many clubs throughout our Region planning events. Again, we would love to hear about the fun you have!

That's all for now. I hope you have a great Fall, filled with miniature adventures and your favorite people and pleasures!

Marie Bird, Regional Coordinator

## 2013 E-3 AWARD WINNERS

Each year winners of regional and national awards are announced at the NAME National Convetion – regional awards at the Regional meeting and national awards at the National Business meeting. And this year we have award recipients in both regional and national categories.

At the national award level Gwen Campbell(Gainesville, FL), who just left office as immediate Past President of our organization was inducted into the Academy of Honor (AOH), Amy Rauch (Evans, GA) received the Founder's Award as an outstanding Regional Coordinator, and Kim Sher (Ferndale, FL) received the Benefactor's Award.



Amy Rauch, Founder's Award Winner, and Cary Yerves, NAME President

Regional Awards went to the following people:

**Ambassador Award.** (nominated by the Regional Coordinator and announced at the businss meeting) – Roxann Dyess, Mobile, AL

**Lifetime Achievement**. Rhonda Keef (Greer, SC) **Volunteer of the Year**. Marla Gilbert (Chattanooga, TN)

**Artistic Achievement.** Ginger Morrison (Chattanooga, TN) and Susan Farnikn(SC)



Rhonda Keef (Lifetime Achievement), Marie Bird (Regional Coordinator), and Susan Farnik (Artistic Achievement)

**Club of the Year.** Merry Mini Makers of the Triad, High Point, NC.

Congratulations to all our award winners!

#### **MEET YOUR E-3 TEAM MEMBERS**

#### Cat Wingler, Publicity Chair



I have been a member of NAME since the 1980s and have served on the Board of Trustees, as Region E-3 RC, as Membership Chairman, on the By-laws committee and on the regional teams. I currently serve as E-3 Publicity chair. I have served on multiple Houseparty and Convention committees, co-chairing the 2003 National along with Debbie Young.

I am a member of the NAME Academy of Honor (AOH) and was selected as a Fellow of the International Guild of Miniature Artisans (IGMA) in 1994.

All of the above means that I am always up for a party; I have a ball playing with my friends and don't know how to say no. I have loved and made miniatures all my life, and got serious about miniatures in the mid 1970s. I originally started as a dealer with miniature foods, painted wooden toys and country furniture. I have long since moved on to making figures and currently work in 1", 1/2" and 1/4" scales. I love teaching classes. Even though I am retired, I still collect and occasionally do an order.

I am married to Steve Wingler, have two sons and five granddaughters. After living in Wilkesboro, NC, for more than 40 years, we have retired and now live in Southport, NC.

# Rachel Bonney, Newsletter Editor



A native of Minnesota, I moved to Charlotte, NC, to take a teaching position in Anthropology at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, where I taught for 30 years before retiring to become a full-time grandma. I have one daughter who has given me three delightful grandchildren. The oldest, now 10, has been doing minis with Nana since he was three.

My love of dollhouses and miniatures goes back to my childhood, when my sister and I built houses out of blocks on our bedroom floor (which allowed for creating different architectural designs and floor plans) and furnished them with Ideal plastic furniture, some of which we both still have. These houses were inhabited by paper dolls cut from Montgomery Ward catalogs (wardrobes created by making clothes for them, fulfilling my dress-designer ambitions of the time). If I wasn't playing with miniatures, I was playing with paper dolls or dolls (my favorites were my Madame Alexander Little Women dolls) and the small Wendy-dolls) and making clothes for them, But life intervened, and it wasn't until the mid-1980s, when I attended a show in Charlotte, that I found my way back to dolls and miniatures. I had always wanted a porcelain doll, so took some classes and got hooked. Then I started trying dollhouse-size dolls and entered the miniature show as a dealer about 1983. I learned about NAME and the Charlotte Miniature Society at that time, joined both, and, as they say, the rest is history. More recently I've started making garden flowers, starting with hollyhocks to fill up part of the Secret Garden, the E-3 Retreat project in 20 ...

I have been a member of NAME since 1984 and have served NAME in a variety of capacities starting as president of several clubs, including the Charlotte Miniature Society, Mini Reflections, and Piedmont Carolinas NAME Group, which coordinates the annual Enchanted Village dollhouse and miniature exhibit at Southern Shows' Christmas Show in Charlotte. I served as North Carolina State Rep under two Regional Coordinators, I was on and then chaired the NAME Museum Committee, edited the E-3 Resource Book when Cat Wingler was RC, and have been the E-3 Newsletter editor for both Amy Rauch and Marie Bird. I also have served on several Houseparty and Convention steering committees, including co-chairing "Autumn Elegance" in Greenville in 2002, and chaired the 2012 National Convention in Charlotte with Lynn Frank. And I

have served on the NAME Board of Trustees for two terms, from 2006 to 2010, as Club Liaison. Needless to say, I haven't had much time to work on my miniature projects, which are accumulating in closets and along the walls in my office. It's time for a Round Tuit week to get some of them done!

# Region E-3 New Swap Due Date: November 15, 2013 Butcher Shop

This is my third swap as your swap coordinator. I've had so very much fun doing these swaps, and I never cease being amazed at the talent exhibited. Many of you commented about possible choices for this swap, and I must admit I was a bit amazed at the outcome. We're doing a Butcher Shop. (It tied with In The Attic - so be patient, we will do that one next). But today we are talking BUTCHER SHOP.

When I think of butcher shop, I think of all sorts of things, some that only sell meat and others that sell all sorts of things to create a great dinner. Possible Choices: Meat, poultry, seafood, shell fish, condiments, items to cook meat, poultry, etc. in; table settings for a seafood meal, wine choices for the meat, aprons, knives, cutting boards, chopping blocks, to name only a few.

Our new E-3 Swap theme will let you create a Butcher Shop. We are doing the same theme in two scales: one inch and quarter inch scales. The field is wide open.

Deadline for submitting your swap items is November 15 2013. (I want to get the swap to you before the holiday rush begins.)

The swap is now open, so please follow the directions below.

<u>Rules and Guidelines</u>: This swap is only for NAME members in Region E-3. We are having swap groups for one inch scale and quarter inch scale. You may participate in one or both.

<u>How It Works:</u> Swappers are divided into swap groups and each person in a swap group will make or buy 10 identical items for the others in your group. You will receive 10 different items in return. (Be sure to make one for yourself, but don't send it to me).

<u>Important:</u> Please keep your items related to the current swap theme. Please send an item that you would love to receive.

<u>Deadline:</u> All boxes must be received by me no later than November 15, 2013. Any box received after that date will be returned to the sender at the sender's expense.

<u>Cost:</u> Please send a check or money order for \$5.75 made payable to Sheila Barker. This fee is to cover the cost of postage. This amount covers the cost of Priority Mail postage, a delivery confirmation, and packing materials. Please do not send cash or preprinted postage labels from the post office.

Registration: If you would like to participate in one or both of our Butcher Shop swaps, please email me at sab41946@aol.com. Please type E-3 Swap in your subject line. When I receive your email, I will acknowledge your

registration and email you my mailing address. You can also contact me at 305-292-0031. I will sign you up over the phone and give you my mailing address.

#### **Checklist:**

- 1. Email me at sab41946@aol.com, subject line E-3 Swaps or call me at 305-292-0031 to register.
- Package each item individually to protect it; i.e., film canister or baggie. I'm not able to do this for you. Include your name AND AN EMAIL ADDRESS. Please include contact information so that fellow swappers can thank you. If you participate in both scales, please pack each scale in a separate large plastic bag.
- 3. \*\*\*Include a self-addressed mailing label so that I can attach it to your box of goodies
- 4. Include a check or money order for \$5.75 made payable to Sheila Barker. NO CASH PLEASE.
- 5. Mail your box to me so that I receive it no later than November 15, 2013.
- 6. If you sign up and decide that you cannot or do not want to participate, please let me know. Sometimes life gets in the way of miniature fun. We understand.
- 7. Sit back and wait for your box of goodies. Open alone or online with your mini friends.
- 8. Have fun.

SPECIAL NOTE: If we have less than 10 people sign up, we'll still swap. I will just return your "extras" to you for you to use elsewhere. If you do not want the extras, just say so when you mail me your items.

Please sign your full name to email when contacting me. It is so difficult to know who I am communicating with only an email address.

IF YOU KNOW NAME MEMBERS WHO HAVE SWAPPED IN THE PAST AND ARE INTERESTED IN THE SMALLER SCALE, PLEASE FORWARD THIS TO THEM. IF YOU BELONG TO CLUBS AND WANT TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH NAME MEMBERS, I'D BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE YOU SHARE THIS WITH THOSE WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE.

If you know people who have swapped with us in the past and haven't, it could be they have changed their email address. It is very difficult to find these individuals, so please talk it up with your group. I don't want to eliminate anyone who wants to swap.

Looking forward to having great participation. The items in the last two swaps has been really fantastic. You don't want to miss it. Right now, you have over 100 days to complete your swap. Lots of time.

Sheila Barker, Swap Chair, Key West, FL

# **RECENT E-3 REGIONAL EVENTS**

## 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. 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. My archaic computer can't handle too much at one time. Deadlines are February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1. And please note the change in my email address: rabonney@windstream.net. Thanks! RB

#### Alabama

Huntsville Organization of Miniature Enthusiasts (C-260). The Huntsville Association of Miniature Enthusiasts is putting the final touches on kits and other arrangements in preparation for Alabama Fun Day on September 14. True to its name, everyone will have a fun day, meeting new friends, visiting with longtime friends, making a bookend that everyone has a use for (who doesn't have a shelf of books that needs a bookend?), and if you've heard the saying "One person's trash is another's treasure," you will get the full experience with door prizes galore and have lots of "fun."

Shirley Tague, Alabama State Rep

Mobile Miniature Club. C-490. The Mobile Miniature Club is having a busy August! One thing that is happening with our club is that we will be exhibiting our work at the Mobile Arts Council gallery in downtown Mobile, Alabama. The Opening Reception will be held during ArtWalk, which is an event held on the second Friday of the month. All the galleries, shops and restaurants in the downtown area stay open late, and attendees wander the streets from shop to shop. ArtWalk is very well attended, so our club and hobby will get a huge amount of exposure! Information explaining scale will be on display as well as an exhibit of how every day items are turned into miniatures, i.e. suction cups double as glass salad bowls; bull dog clips become purses and totebags, etc. Club members will be in attendance at the Opening Reception to answer questions as well. We are looking forward to it!

The second fun thing we are doing in August is going on a UFO (UnFinished Object) Retreat at a local church camp property! We have done this many times in the past but haven't held a retreat for the last couple of years, so everyone is really looking forward to resurrecting this annual event! We arrive on Friday morning at the camp, which is located on a beautiful piece of property on the water. We will have a large conference room in which to work, and each attendee will have their own table where they can work all day and well into the night if they like! Meals are served at the cafeteria just a few steps away (no dishes to wash!) and our motel rooms (no cleaning to do!)

are also close by as well. This is a perfect opportunity to finish up those mini projects started and not quite finished, and we are looking forward to spending time with one another as well. Hopefully, I'll have some photos of finished projects for the next newsletter!!!!!

Roxann Dyess, President

Central Alabama Miniature Enthusiasts. C-992. The Central Alabama Miniature Enthusiasts are currently working a The Petal Borrower's Herb Shop, a project from a Miniature Collector magazine. In that project is a "secret garden" and all members are making many, many, many flowers taught by Shirley Tague to fill the garden, including punching all the petals.

Shirley Tague, President

#### Florida

Les Petits Collecteurs of South Florida. C-127. Les Petits Collecteurs had our annual show at the Boca Raton Community Center on March 9, 2013. We had several new dealers and were to happy to welcome many of our regular dealers back. Attendance was good, and the show was successful.

On Friday, March 8, we had five workshops for guests and members. Our display room theme this year was Hobbies and Collections. We featured the NAME project, the hutch, in a variety of settings and scales. Individual displays showcased outdoor hobbies like golf, gardening, and sunbathing, and indoor hobbies like playing cards, and musical instruments. The collections included timepieces, pottery, Raggedy Ann and Andy, and many other items beautifully presented in original ways.



We also had hourly Make It and Take It Demos and a lunchroom. Les Petits was able to present our two charities, Kids in Distress and Place of Hope at the Haven Campus with \$800 checks. Photos of our exhibits were on our web site - http://sites.google.com/site/lespetitsclub

During our show there was a display in honor of a beloved member, Cathy Griffith, who died in her sleep before the show. She was a long-standing member who had served in many capacities and whose love of miniatures inspired us all. She will be missed.

We are now preparing for our 2014 show. This year our theme is going to be A Miniature Walk Through History. It will cover time from the cavemen to modern times. We already have promises of many interesting projects with many more to follow. Some of the projects so far include a prehistoric cave, an Ancient Egypt exhibit, a medieval great hall, Jack the Ripper, the discovery of the

South Pole, a pioneer's cabin, William Shakespeare study, two World War II projects, and many more items. There will be a written description of each item placing it historically at the display.

The group project, beginning in October, is Doors. We are all creating entryways of various styles in different scales. They will be able to be hung on a wall when completed. This display will be called Welcome to our World and will also be featured at our show. We've also voted on our charities for next year. They will be Kids in Distress and AVDA, and a donation will be made to NAME.

We are such a busy club, truly dedicated to the wonderful hobby of Miniatures.

Marilyn Freedman, President

NAME Men's Garden Club C-1000. Now four years in existence, we've used up 145 garden names. We continue to have fun and recruit members at every opportunity. Its so easy when we don't do anything but have fun. Wait a minute; isn't that what everybody in NAME does? At the Convention, we got several new members, including Ocotillo, MeadowLark, Banker, RoadRunner, Horse, PrairieDog and Coyote. Ocotillo and Banker are new members in NAME as well.

Although we never ask, several NAME members (not all members of the club) promised to send contributions to support the garden at the NAME office. We will spend that money and some other during our fall cleanup and replanting party some time in early October. Dan (Dirt) Zerkel will be coordinating that function.

At the Chicago show, we also got a few new members, including one from New Zealand. I was walking down the hall and met this friendly couple going in the opposite direction. Whenever I see a man at a miniature event, I immediately engage him in a conversation, and this was no exception. What a great couple. Their only seemingly missing thing from their full life was a NAME membership and for him, membership in the NMGC. So bingo!! We fixed that. As it turns out, they were in the US to first visit the Chicago show and then travel for a couple of months driving around the USA, visit relatives in Central America, take an Alaskan cruise and then go home. We invited them to come and see us if they were in Florida. Bingo!! They took us up on that a couple of weeks later when hey drove in and spent three days with us. Incidentally, in their travels, they also stopped at the NAME office to see the garden. They'll be friends for life and with a strong interest in miniatures, good NAME members as well. That's the story of our new member named KiWi.

NAME members are wherever one finds them and miniature events other the NAME ones are prime fishing grounds. I can't wait o get to the Philadelphia show.

Regards,

Roy Moore

#### North Carolina

Raleigh Miniatures Guild (C-). The Raleigh Miniatures Guild is finishing up their 2013 library project planned, prepared, and taught by Pat Hartman and Gordon Rutherford. The project for the next year is planning and coordinating the 2014 North Carolina State Day. The club held elections at their second July meeting and elected the following new officers, who will be installed at their annual September luncheon meeting: President Mary Neely, Co-Vice Presidents Barbara Cooper and Peggy Wilder, Secretary Charlene Taylor, Treasurer Carla McIntyre, Newsletter Pat Stewart.

Charlene Taylor

Charlotte Miniature Society (C-301 Our club has had a busy summer! Some of our members have "hit the road" and attended the NC State Day in Jamestown, NC, the Gateway Miniature show in St. Louis, MO. and the NAME convention in Tucson Arizona.

We had our annual "Birthday Party" and everyone had a great time. We are a Blue Ribbon club, seven years in a row and counting!

The club has a new program chair, Sue Brauer, and she already has several exciting projects planned for the coming months.

The next big project for us, is the NAME Day that we are hosting October 12th. We have extended our registration deadline to August 15. Peggy Fowler in SC is cutting our kits and we need to order ASAP in order get our kits on time. Please contact Barbara Boeckstiegel, <a href="mailto:mrsbarbaraab@gmail.com">mrsbarbaraab@gmail.com</a> for information/ questions. We hope to see you there!



Flower Cart Prototype for NAME Day by Barbara Boeckstiegel

Barbara Boeckstiegel, President

Mini Reflections Miniature Club (C-789). Mini Reflections members continue to stay busy and involved. Members are still working on their 1/4" project, the Portland centerpieces. In June we celebrated our 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday with our annual birthday party/potluck picnic dinner at the home of Gayle and Michael Hansen in Concord. August 17 we will hold our annual "reward workshop" for those who participated in the Enchanted Village at the Christmas Show, the 1/4" Birthday Box

taught by Peggy Fowler. Mini Reflections will be the "host club: for the E-3 Regional Retreat in January 2014, we are making a centerpiece for the 2014 National Convention in St. Louis, "Rollin' on the River," and we're preparing our exhibits for the Charlotte Christmas Show's Enchanted Village in November and for our annual exhibit at the Mooresville Public Library for Dollhouse and Miniature Month in October, carrying it over into November.

Rachel Bonney, Secretary

Piedmont Carolinas NAME Group. (C-862). PCNG is getting ready for the 2013 Enchanted Village at the Southern Christmas Show at Park Expo on Indpendence in Charlotte in November, Entry forms and letters of invitation have gone out to prospective exhibitors – if you would like to share some of your minis with a large number people, contact me (Rachel rabonney@windstream.net), and I'll send you the forms. Cagegories are Houses (1" and ½"), Non-residential Structure, Roon Boxes, Small Scales, Outdoor Scenes, Unusual Containers, Miscellaneous, and Kids' Corner. Each year we have a special guest artist featuring some aspect of NAME, NAME clubs, or people. This year our Guest Artist is our Regional Coordinator, Marie Bird. The show runs from Thursday, November 14, through Sunday, November 24.

Rachel Bonney, President, PCNG

Indian Trail Mini Makers. C-980. At PJ's Miniature Shop Peggy Fowler is teaching a class for young girls called "A Room Of My Own." It's a one inch scale room box of a young girls bedroom, class includes kits for bed, chair, desk, bookcase, and books. Peggy is also including a lot of extras to decorate the room box. Cost is \$25.00, Date, Sept. 28, 2013 Time, 10:00am. For more information call Debbie Love at 704-277-0805.

The first weekend in December (December 6, 7 and 8) is Carolina Christmas. Things have changed this year; due to Dinner and a Mini getting big we had to find a bigger venue. We will be at Sharon Towers (near Southpark in Charlotte) in the City View Room. The time has also changed to Saturday at 4:00pm with dinner after at 7:00pm. [See the schedule below in upcoming events.]

Fliers and registration form for the Carolina Christmas events will be circulating soon.

Debbie Love, President

**The Round-Tuits One.** C-988. The Round 2 Its One club has taken a hiatus, since we can't seem to get around to it.

Jan McCandliss, President

Merry Mini Makers of the Triad. C-1021, After completing 2013 NC State Day the Merry Mini Makers, have taken a much needed break. We haven't stopped creating, just nothing exciting to report on our current projects.

In May, Marion Haerle, Martie Tyler, Sandi Coble, Tracy Wilson, Kathy Patrick and Lynn Montgomery attended "Playtime Memories" in Lexington, KY. Tracy was in charge of the Hospitality Room, so when you read the rave reviews, you will know who was responsible. Martie participated in Roundtable sales for the first time and was very pleased with the experience. Marion was our table "hostess with the mostest." Fun was had by all.

Sandi Coble, Sueli Lopes and Lynn Montgomery attended the National Convention in Tucson, AZ in July. We caught up with old friends from around the country and toured the area around the resort. The classes were excellent and the resort was fabulous. Sandi and Lynn found costumes for future conventions in Tombstone, AZ (right around the corner from the OK Corral). Don't ask......it's a surprise!

We are currently preparing for NAME Day and the Houseparty in the Gazette.

Now for the really big news - The Merry Mini Makers of the Triad was named the 2013 NAME E-3 Region Club of the Year! We are so excited!

Lynn Montgomery

Young Miniaturists in the Making. On March 23 a group of excited girls got together at PJ's Miniatures in Albemarle, North Carolina, for a miniature class. While there were a couple of girls who had participated in mini classes before, we had four new recruits! The project was "The Easter Egg House." The class ran from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a break for lunch. Happily, all six girls were able to complete their projects in the time allowed. One of the attendees has since become a NAME member.



There were also a few people who were unable to attend but also put "The Easter Egg House" together. One of those people was Pat Campbell's granddaughter, Emily. who sent us photos of her completed house. What a great job!

The girls who participated in this class are eagerly looking forward to the next miniature class in August called "A Room of My Own" where we hope to influence a few new miniaturists. The class was taught by Peggy Fowler and Debbie Love.

Peggy Fowler

#### **South Carolina**

Palmetto Miniature Club (C-977). Our last few meetings have been enjoyable small projects, just having some summer fun with friends, talking and planning for future mini events and projects. We have one club member who made it all the way to the National Convention in Tucson and had a wonderful time. We are proud to be a Blue Ribbon Club again. Our next excitement is in August as we participate in the Gazette's "Over the Hill Retreat".

Carolyn Peck, President

**Mini B.A.G.S.** C-986. The Mini Bags of Greenwood, SC, are busy planning 2013's NAME Day to be held on October 5 in Greenwood, SC. We will be meeting at the same venue we have used the past two years, at Wesley Commons. Please note that our date is not the same as the planned date for NAME, which is October 12<sup>th</sup>. We have had to change our date to the 5th.

This year's project is a Cart for all Reasons. What is your reason? Perhaps you've always wanted to play with polymer clay and make a vegetable or flower cart, like the ones from your childhood trips to the beach? Perhaps you need a place to show off all those pretty plates you've been making? How about recreating your favorite coffee, hotdog, pretzel, popcorn or candy cart?

The Cart for all Reasons is a great way to display all those shop items you've collected over the years...and don't forget to make an extra cart to go with the 2014 E3 Retreat! Sign up soon! South Carolina deadline is August 31

For more info and a registration form please contact Janet Chase, 217 Starboard Tack, Greenwood, SC 29649. Registration information is attached,

Janet Chase, President and Sharon Johnson, SC State Rep

Miniature Mentors of South Carolina. C-1015. Once again it is time to make plans to show your miniature dollhouses, room boxes and collections in the Christmas Ville 2013 Family Festival Event in downtown Rock Hill, SC. It will be held the first weekend of December, December 5 - 8.

The theme this year is "Toyland," and we welcome any dollhouse, old or new, dolls, theme room boxes, miniature toy collections ranging from 1/4", 1/2", 1:12' and other small sizes. This year we are also adding old-fashioned children's toys that will be part of the Christmas morning display. We will need exhibit size (Length/front, Depth/side, Height, if electrified and best view for display. We will also need a photo by Oct 1 to assist us in your entry display. Please describe your display and if there is a story about it, please let us know!

We look forward to the participation of South Carolina Miniature Clubs this year. Please contact Miniature Mentors of South Carolina Miniature Club at 1909 Larkspur Way, Tega Cay 29708-1955, email address mhansen46@gmail.com or phone 803-802-2763.

Sharon Johnson, SC State Rep

#### Tennessee

Chattanooga Miniature Society. C-325. We are having a guest teacher, Beth Hamilton from Alabama, to come to our August meeting to teach us goat carts in wicker. We will be participating in the NAME day cart project and also building Christmas market stalls in November. Our next funday, the last weekend in April, 2014, will be held at the same location. The theme is Mother Goose and Friends.

Becky Lipscomb

**Tri-Cities Miniature Enthusiasts, C-920.** During the May club meeting we were able to take a break from working on our year time project, the Gingerbread House. One of our members, Pat Woodby, had found clear plastic paint cans at Ben Franklin. She planned a half-inch market stall for everyone to decorate. Some members selected holidays: Halloween, Christmas, Fourth of July. Others chose seasons. Of course, no two are ever alike.

When June rolled around it was back to the Gingerbread House. We actually had two projects. Linda Thorpe brought us lamps to make for our tables and Judy Sandidge helped us create candlesticks for our fireplace mantle.

We still needed furniture for our living room so in July Ann Anderson and Pat Woodby brought us a couch, chair, two side tables, and a coffee table to make.

Bedroom furniture will be coming next month.

Ann Anderson

**East Tennessee Mini Makers.** C-946. East Tennessee Mini Makers still has some room at the Monteagle retreat in October. Contact Becky Lipscomb <a href="RealMag1945@aol.com">RealMag1945@aol.com</a> for information and class selection. Time is drawing close.

Becky Lipscomb

# UPCOMING E-3 EVENTS SAVE THE DATES...

Alabama Fun Day, September 14, 2013. Holiday Inn Research Park, Huntsville, Alabama. (There is a block of rooms reserved for \$89. (1-800-845-7275). The project is a special bookend originally designed by Ron Mummert and modified by IGMA Artisan Kathy McCoy. Assemble a shell and turn into a Book Nook bookstore bookend or any other shop that suits your fancy. The registration fee of \$60 covers the cost of your kit and a full lunch consisting of soup, sandwich and full deli bar. Food for nonparticipating guest is an additional \$20.

Activities for the day include working on the project, round tables, swaps, raffles, door prizes, exhibits by the members, and sales. For more information see the registration form included at the end of this newsletter and/or contact Shirley Tague at minishirl@comcast.net or (256) 439-9391.

Atlanta Miniature Society 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Show and Sale September 20-21, 2013, Holiday Inn, Atlanta Perimeter. Exhibits, sales room;, door prizes. Silent Auction to benefit Women's Resource Center.

**2013 NAME DAY October 12, 2013.** NAME Day is intended to unite and involve all NAME members by doing the same project *TOGETHER*, on the same day, at *different* locations throughout the US and internationally. Information will be in the *NAME Miniature Gazette*, online, and through clubs and regions to encourage all NAME members to participate.

**Project:** All events will center on the same project: "A **Cart For All Reasons.**" Individual event sponsors will determine themes. The basic design should be the cart. The project may be enhanced or the size changed, but the project needs to remain close to the cart presented. If you are making changes to the design, please submit to Barbara Thornton-Hill, bathca@gmail.com for committee approval. Plans for the cart will be provided in 1", 1/2" and 1/4" scale. Some cutters will produce kits for 1/144" scale.

This event is for NAME members and NAME clubs only. Non-NAME members should be encouraged and invited to join NAME so they can participate in this event. All efforts should be made to include ALL NAME members in an area. Events could be held locally, statewide, regionally, or online. Clubs might get together with other clubs; smaller groups of individuals in remote areas could meet in someone's home. Whatever the size of the event, the goal should be to welcome and invite all members. Event sponsors are encouraged to work with their State Representatives and Regional Coordinators to connect with members in their area and for support/assistance in planning their event.

To receive an informational packet and **ONE** sample cart kit in each scale you plan to offer for your event and to register your event, please contact Ruth Heisch, 2013 NAME Day event coordinator.

Ruth Heisch grouchybeartoo@aol.com 7197 Wooded Lake Dr. (408) 997-1004 San Jose. CA 95120

For additional information on guidelines, sponsoring a NAME Day event, cutters, etc., please contact Pat Frost, 16009 SE 179th St. Renton, WA 98058 <a href="mailto:frostpl@aol.com">frostpl@aol.com</a>,

Trick or Treat in Tennessee at Monteagle TN 2013 October 16 to 20, 2013. "A Merry, Mary Halloween" Think Mary, Mary Quite Contrary or Mary Had a Little Lamb or Mary Engelbreit or Mary Poppins.....all done up Halloween! Come join the Trick or Treat gang for good food and great classes and a bonfire with sparklers and trick or treating in the dorm and it doesn't stop there! Becky Lipscomb RealMag1945@aol.com phone (423) 899-2444 for information on next year's event. Our event sponsors the Christian Appalachian Project's Hungry Kids Fund, feeding the poorest of the poor in our country.

Carolina Christmas, December 6, 7, 8, 2014, Friday, December 6, at 7:00 pm. "Trim the Tree," a small gathering where each person bring Christmas ornaments to share with others. Attendees are given a one-inch tree to decorate. Refreshments will be provided. Cost is \$10.00 with proceeds going to NAME. This event is at Debbie Love house so space is limited.

Saturday morning, December 7, at PJ's Miniatures in Albemarle, starting at 9:00 am Cat Wingler and Judy Lewis will be each teaching a class. Information for this event will be on the fliers and registration form.

Saturday afternoon, December 7, at Sharon Towers, Dinner and a Mini starting at 4:00 pm

Sunday, December 8, at PJ's, all day free Make and Takes, raffles, gift exchange, contest, and lots of good food to share.

Fliers and registration form for the Carolina Christmas events will be circulating soon. For more information about any of the events for this weekend call Debbie Love at 704-277-0805.

Dollhouse & Miniatures Flea Market, Saturday, January 11, 2014, 9 am to 2 pm. Presented by Daytona Ideal Miniature Enthusiasts. If you are a miniaturist, you will love the Dollhouse & Miniatures Flea Market sale of doll's houses and miniatures presented by Daytona Ideal Miniature Enthusiasts. Miniature items, large and small, are made and/or donated by DIME club members. Date: Saturday, January 11, 2014. Time: 9 am to 2 pm. Place: Lakeside Community Center, 1999 City Center Circle, Port Orange, Florida 32129. Admission: \$5.00 Adults, no charge for children. Food will be available for purchase.

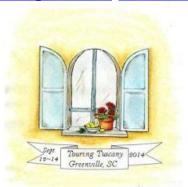
Contacts:

Club President:

<u>sharonp278@gmail.com</u> DIME club web site: <u>http://home.earthlink.net/~sull1</u>. Thanks,

Liz Maglievaz D.I.M.E. Publicity Chair

Saturday, March 29, 2014. Largo, FL. Tampa Bay Miniature Enthusiasts Dollhouse and Miniature Show and Sale. 9am - 4pm. Honeywell Minn-Reg Building; 6340 126th Ave N; Largo, FL. One light south of Ulmerton Road between 66th St N and US HWY 19N. \$5.00 adults, \$1.50 children (under 12). Exhibits, door prizes, fund raisers, club table. Food on site. Info and dealer inquiries:tbmeshow@hotmail.com. www.tbme.net.



# Touring Tuscany Greenville, SC Small Scales Houseparty September 12-14, 2014

The Greenville committee invites you to donate 1/2", 1/4" or 1/144" scale tote bag favors for the Region E-3 Small Scales Regional Houseparty. Below is a list of suggested tote bag favors. We would like to have 230 of the

same item so that everyone who attends will receive your special donation, but we will gladly accept as many as you are able to provide. If you are a member of a club, gather a group together and have fun making favors. You may give your donations to a member of the committee or mail them to: Joan Carn, 7981 Lakeside Drive, Appling, GA 30802-2731. Feel free to contact Joan via email if you have questions at: cacarn115@comcast.net

Nancy Robins, Pisgah Forest, NC Eleanor Schlau, Tamarac, FL Nina Tompkins, Bartlett, TN Lisa Topping, Hosochton, GA Lisa Weiser, Boca Raton, FL Sheila Yost, Black Mountain, NC

## SUGGESTIONS FOR TOTE BAG FAVORS:

Pasta Pizza Breads Chocolates Balsamic vinegar **Bicycles** Raffia wrapped bottles Straw hats Piazza Gorgeous dark haired men Pergola Wine glasses Wine kegs Wine bottles Chianti bottles Poppy flowers Bowl of lemons **Topiary** Sunflowers Baskets Fruit Goat Goat Cart Wine crate Olive oil Olives Cannoli **Fountains** Masquerade mask Masquerade costume

Masquerade makeup Pets Cask to stomp grapes

Grapes Spaghetti Clay pots/urns

Pasta drying rack

Tomatoes – on vine or in basket/bowl

Herbs or herb garden

Garden decorations – bird houses, bird baths, benches
Tapestries Oil casks Patio furniture
Pencil trees Urns Statuary

Grottos Beach umbrellas Framed artwork

Passports Cheese Ham
Cameras and guidebooks Truffles
Guide book Tiny leaning tower of Pisa
Passport Money Salamis
Dante's-A Divine Comedy Tuscan pottery

Suitcases Train case Cosmetic case

Camera Postcards

# ABOUT OUR E-3 MEMBERS GET WELL WISHES

# WELCOME TO NEW AND RETURNING E-3 MEMBERS

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

Deebra Bryant, Mobile, AL
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Janet Ditmore, Sun City, FL
Melissa Edwards, Sorrento, FL
Janet Gorelick, Charlotte, NC
Pamela Harfris, Crystal River, FL
Anne Haslem, Saniibel, FL
Pat Herold, Lakeland, FL
Karen Hritz, Stone Mountain, GA
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# E-3 EVENTS CALENDAR

<u>August-September 2013.</u> Houseparty in the *Gazette*. "Over the Hill Retreat."

<u>September 14, 2013</u>. Alabama Fun Day. Huntsville, AL Theme: Storefront Bookend.

<u>September 20-21, 2013.</u> Atlanta Miniature Society Show. Holiday Inn, Atlanta Perimeter.

October 12, 2013. Fourth Annual National NAME Day. "A Cart for All Reasons." Various locations.

October 16-20, 2013. Trick or Treat in Tennessee. Monteagle, TN. "A Merry Mary Halloween".

November 14-24, 2013. Enchanted Village, Southern Christmas Show, Park Expo, Charlotte, NC

December 5-8, 2013. Christmas Ville 2013 Family

Festival Event exhibit downtown Rock Hill, SC. **December 6-8, 2013.** Carolina Christmas, Classes,

<u>December 6-8, 2013.</u> Carolina Christmas, Classes dinner, PJ's Miniature Shop, Sharon Towers.

<u>January 11, 2014.</u> Dollhouse and Miniatures Flea Market, presented by Daytona Ideal Miniaturists, Lakeside Community Center, 1999 City Center Circle, Port Orange, Florida 32129, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

<u>January 17-18, 2014.</u> E-3 Regional Retreat, "The "Garden Shed," Atlanta, GA.

March 29, 2014. Largo, FL. Tampa Bay Miniature Enthusiasts Dollhouse and Miniature Show and Sale. 9am - 4pm. Honeywell Minn-Reg Building; 6340 126th Ave N; Largo, FL. One light south of Ulmerton Road between 66th St N and US HWY 19N. \$5.00 adults, \$1.50 children (under 12). Exhibits, door prizes, fund raisers, club table. Food on site. Info and dealer inquiries: <a href="mailto:tbmeshow@hotmail.com">tbmeshow@hotmail.com</a>. www.tbme.net.

April 5. 2014. NC State Day, Raleigh, NC.

<u>April 22-27, 2014.</u> NAME On-line Region Houseparty. Theme: Our Miniature World of NAME.

<u>July 17-20, 2014.</u> NAME National Convention, St. Louis, MO. Theme: Rollin' on the River.

<u>September 12-14, 2014.</u> Small Scales Regional Houseparty, Greenville, SC. Theme: "Touring Tuscany"

October, 2014, Trick or Treat in Tennessee, Monteagle, TN.

<u>November 2014.</u> The Enchanted Village, Southern Christmas Show, Park Expo, Charlotte, NC.

January 2015. E-3 Regional Retreat, Atlanta.

April 2015. NC State Day, Mooresville, NC

May 1-3, 2015. A-1 Regional Small Scales Houseparty, Madison, WI. "A NAME County Fair."

July 30-August 2, 2015. NAME National Convention, Indianapolis, IN. "What's Cookin?"

July 2016. NAME National Convention, Seattle, WA.

# E-3 Regional Retreat – Save the Date!

Our annual E-3 Regional Retreat, "The Garden Shed" is scheduled for Saturday, **January 18, 2014**. We will gather in Atlanta on Friday, January 17, 2014 and start the retreat workshop bright and early on Saturday morning. Plans are still being finalized, but the project is a Garden Shed with small surrounding garden. New for 2014 is that the project will be offered in your choice of one inch or quarter inch scale! You will receive an acrylic case for your project as well.

More details, including price, hotel information, registration information, and project details will be announced in the next newsletter and posted on the E-3 website. Here are a couple of photos of the prototype to get your imagination working!

Contact Marie Bird, ambird3@sc.rr.com or 803-238-7984 for information.





