



National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts

Miniature Moments

A-3 Region

December 2016

Good afternoon Mini's.

Wow...2016 is almost a thing of the past and 2017 is just around the corner.

2016 has been filled with a lot of fun.

We just had Thanksgiving...and what are you thankful for. I am thankful for good health, a positive and healthy relationship, happiness, and positive people in my life. I encourage you to take a few minutes each day and ponder what you are thankful for.

With Christmas in a few weeks and all the trees going up and the festive lights etc. ...takes us back to a more simpler time of all the holiday traditions. I remember going out in the woods and cutting a tree and coming home and Grandparents and us decorating it together...big family meals, and lots of caroling throughout December...Ahhhh good memories.

Would like to welcome all A-3 region members, clubs, club Presidents to submit your pictures, stories, upcoming shows, State days etc so that we can keep this newsletter up and running. I hope that 2017 brings more unity in Miniatures.

I want to thank those who have sent submissions for this edition.

Brian Hughes

A-3 Newsletter Editor

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!





OF MINIATURES

NAME REGION N2 HOUSEPARTY

MARCH 24-26, 2017 • SACRAMENTO, CA

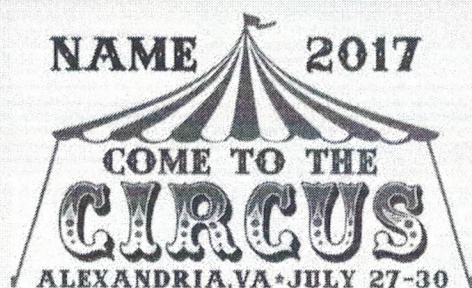
Registration started August 1, 2016 and is a 2 scale event...either 1 inch or quarter inch. If you have any questions or need clarification please contact Barbara-Thornton Hill at batcha@gmail.com for further information.



Registration opens on January 27, 2017. You may mail it in to the office Dec 30, 2016-Janurary 27th to be postmarked 1st day.. Please not any earlier and no phone calls to the NAME office.

• REGISTRATION FORM •

One person registering per form • This form may be duplicated • Registration is NOT transferable



ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 2017 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Come to the Circus
July 27-30, 2017

Registration Opens - January 27, 2017*

Cancellation Deadline - June 16, 2017

Registration Fee \$255



For Office Use Only

Region _____

Member Year _____

Registration # _____

****You may mail your registration form between December 30, 2016 - January 27, 2017
for it to be considered first day postmarked (NO EARLIER).***

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ Cell _____

E-mail _____

Name as you would like it on your badge _____

The entire packet will be available to view and download from the NAME website: www.miniatures.org

- Will you still need a paper packet mailed to you? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Have you ever attended a NAME Convention OR Houseparty? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- Do you require vegetarian or modified meals? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please specify here: ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Other: _____

Please include only medically necessary restrictions or modifications.

- Do you have mobility issues (for meal & workshop purposes)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, ☐ Need wheelchair access ☐ Need scooter access ☐ Use a walker

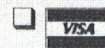
- If under the age of 18, please list your age and accompanying adult: _____

Spaces will be filled on a first come, first served basis according to valid postmark. If there are more registrations received with first day postmarks than there is room for, those with the longest length of continuous membership will be given preference.

Specific information on workshops, roundtables and special events will accompany registration confirmation.

Check the NAME website: www.miniatures.org for further updates!

If you wish to charge your registration you must complete the following:



Name on Card _____

Account Number _____ Expiration _____

Signature _____

Please make checks payable to: **NAME 2017 National Convention** and send to:
NAME 2017 National Convention Registration, PO Box 69, Carmel, IN 46082

No refunds issued after June 16, 2017 • Cancellation fee \$40 • NO TELEPHONE REGISTRATIONS

There Was a Little House
by Holly McClellan for the Bluegrass Miniature Society

Once upon a time there was a little house. She was all to pieces, but she knew she was destined to be more. She knew that one day she would find her "forever home", and make many children happy.

How many of us, as miniaturists and dollhouse makers, have found ourselves with an extra house that we know we will never have time to complete? Those houses sit around in attics and garages, just gathering dust and feeling very unloved. One such house found its way to Bluegrass Miniature Society (BGMS), in Lexington, Kentucky. It was given to Jennifer McCracken in 2009, by Marty and Amber Broadus. The little house remained in storage for many years, until 2015, when Jennifer suggested that it would make a nice club project and when finished, could be donated to a local charity.

The talented women of BGMS worked on the house, piecing it together, painting, gluing, and repairing. Anne Lowe painted the walls and floors. She and Roberta Haley applied their miniature carpentry skills, repairing or replacing fixtures, doors, and windows. Many of the BGMS members were involved in the construction of the little house. While attending a miniature show in Ohio, the club purchased wooden furniture and wooden dolls, just the right size for the little house and little hands. Later that year, when the club went on retreat to a nearby state park, they took the house with them so they could continue their work. Each person on the retreat took a piece of the wooden furniture and painted it in her own style. When all was complete, Terri Reasor donated curtains and rugs. The little house was finally ready for her new home.

Anne Lowe contacted her friend Paige Rea, and offered to donate the dollhouse to the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) in Lexington. The CAC was delighted, and on November 9, 2015, Anne Lowe, Roberta Haley, Linda Newman, and Holly McClellan presented the dollhouse to Paige Rea and Winn Stephens. As though in proof that the little house had indeed found her forever home, we discovered that the windows of the dollhouse were a miniature match to the windows of the Center's house.

While there, we were given a tour of the facility. According to the CAC mission statement, "the Center's mission is to reduce the trauma experienced by sexually abused children by providing services to them in a nurturing, friendly and safe environment." Since 1994, they have worked tirelessly to improve and coordinate the procedures and services available to children who have been exposed to horrific abuse. Their focus is on healing and recovery, and they use a multidisciplinary team approach to meet the needs of each case. Everything about their facility is designed with children in mind. The examine room is cheerful and bright, with a wall of stuffed bears (and other soft and fluffy critters) that the children can pick from to take home with them. There are books, toys, and comfy child-sized furniture in every room.

One of the cornerstones of the CAC is coordination of services and continuity of care. When a child enters their facility, all services are provided right there, in the CAC house. This includes investigation, advocacy, medical treatment, and mental health treatment. All is free of charge to the child and family.

There are 17 Children's Advocacy Centers throughout Central Kentucky, and they are affiliated with the National Children's Advocacy Center. This is a remarkable organization. The list of services they provide is long and varied, ranging from direct care to training of volunteers to support groups. I encourage everyone to go to their website, www.kykids.org, and learn more about the CAC and the valuable work they do. If you live outside of Kentucky, see if your state or county has an affiliated organization.



From the Regional Clubs

Pendleton Hoosier Mini Makers— Cindy McDaniel— President



Kristie and Pat working on club houseparty helper for Greenville



Marion working on lights for clubs houseparty helper for Greenville



Phyllis and Judy working on quarter scale flower planters

Michiana Miniature Guild MMG June Club Project...Club member Michelle Collier made the table/chair kit...and Club member Debi Hayes instructed the painting.

Martha Simms the Michiana Miniature Guild MMG outreach person came up with this cute pot lady project.



Third Annual Race to benefit NAME 2017 "Soapbox Derby"

**Rev Up Your Engines.....
All For the Love of NAME!**

So, here we go again. Ducks, check. Tortoises and hares, been there, done that. Now get ready for a new twist. Soapbox derby racers! Why not? After all, what better to race than an actual racer. So what is the interesting twist this year, you ask? You are truly going to be the designer of your own jalopy this season.

For your usual \$25 donation you will receive a "Soapbox Racer" kit in your choice of sizes (display box not included). You will be getting these early this year, so you will have time to build, glue, sand, construct, paint, stain, bling....whatever you would like to do. Then, you can post your lovelies on the NAME Facebook page, or on the NAME website, or both. Share your talent with everyone! Or, if you are a slacker like me, I suppose they could live with their other kit friends, but think of the fun we could all have by sharing our skills.

There will be great prizes again this year, and we will again have a prize for the person whose racer finishes dead last. So don't say I can't play because I always lose, because as a loser, you could be a winner!

The winners will be drawn on Sunday, May 28, 2017, which just happens to coincide with the running of the Indianapolis 500, a different race but a race none the less.

If you have questions please contact me, Kim Wood, at gwood14@att.net or at 317-502-6961. Remember, there is nothing wrong with buying an entire fleet or stable of racers; this just ups your odds of winning. Vroom, vroom!



Race Day is Sunday, May 28, 2017



Who doesn't love the Fair?

Do you have any pictures from your club where you worked at the fair to promote or encourage miniature enthusiasts?



Columbus Miniature Society



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Louisville Miniature Club



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NAME is out there for you.

NAME Website is www.miniatures.org

NAME on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/291500559776>

Newbies of NAME <http://www.facebook.com/groups/878079088871249/>

NAME Pinterest : Search NAMEMinis

NAME Etsy : search Etsy for: nameminiatures



Are you aware that A-3 region has a website??

Check it out at www.a3regionname.com



Are you tired of Old Man Winter yet? Ready to shed the coats, tired of cabin fever, ready to throw that snow shovel back in the garage, ready to shed the coats, gloves, scarves, and snow boots...I think we all will be by April.

1st show of 2017 for our A-3 region

Well.....Miniature Society of Cincinnati is celebrating their 40th Annual Dollhouse and Miniature Show.

For more information check out their website at www.cincy-miniatures.org or find them on Facebook.

The Miniature Society of Cincinnati invites you to their

40th Annual Dollhouse Miniatures Show & Sale

To showcase our NAME Day mini bunkbeds, our Show's theme is:

Pajama Party

**PUT THIS
on YOUR
CALENDAR!**

**Saturday, April 8, 2017 11 am - 5 pm
and Sunday, April 9, 2017 Noon - 4 pm**

**in the Expo Center Showroom at
EnterTRAINment Junction
7379 Squire Court, West Chester, OH 45069**

**1 Day Admission: Adult \$5 Child (4-12) \$3
2nd Day: Bring Back Saturday's Receipt on Sunday
for Free Admission**

- Free Parking • All-Day Door Prizes • Gorgeous Artisan-Made Miniatures •
- "Just for Kids" Table (items under \$6) • Museum-Quality Exhibits •
- Handicapped Accessible • No Smoking • No Strollers Please •

www.cincy-miniatures.org