



## First State Mini Club Newsletter---March 2016

**March 2016 MEETING DATE is Thursday, March 17, at 7 PM**  
**at the New Castle Senior Center, 400 South Street, New Castle DE 19720**

### **Program:**

- **Show Preparation:** Bring your staplers to organize the show programs!
- **Marnie King** will have packaging for the donation roses that Angie has made for totebag favors for NAME in Seattle.
- **Bio and volunteer hours notebook on front table:** State Rep, Marnie King

### **Hospitality:**

- March - Grace Hayford, Debbie Kostyk, Marion Hogan and Pat Deverell
- **PLEASE Call someone else to bring things if you are unable to come to the meeting.** Thanks, Connie and Rose

**Show-n-Tell---**bring your minis to share! And fill in the forms or bring a slip with your name and item with details (like maker or inspiration).

### **CALENDAR of Mini Events coming up...also check the "Tiny Tattler," sent by email and available at front table and M-1 Newsletter, available at NAME website.**

- **Did you** to sign up for National NAME Seattle 2016?
- **March 20, 2016—our next show at the Clarion!**
- **April 1-3, 2016** – “*Knights of the NAME Roundtable*” - Online extravaganza of miniature kit shopping. Watch for details!
- **April 30, 2016** – NAME-Sponsored Miniature Yard Sale, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court Street, Westminster, MD. 21157. Sign up with Romaine Eyler (address on May 21 below) for your own sales table for \$20
- **April 24, 2016**, Sunday 10-3:30—Dollhouse Mini show at Lancaster Farm & Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Rd, Lancaster PA 17601
- April 30...mini garage sale in Westminster...see [Tiny Tattler](#)
- **May 8-16, 2016-** [London](#), the Cotswolds and Kensington Dollhouse Festival. Call Molly at 703-978-5353 or [mollycromwell@aol.com](mailto:mollycromwell@aol.com)
- **May 21**...Circus NAME 2017 fundraiser in Westminster...a fun day from 11-3 at Bullock's Restaurant, 2020 Sykesville rd, Westminster MD, 21157, with fried chicken buffet and minis! Reserve with Romaine Eyler, former NAME Regional Coordinator, at 550 E. Nicodemus Rd, Westminster MD 21157 [romaineeyler@gmail.com](mailto:romaineeyler@gmail.com) See Marnie, who can arrange a road trip! It is 90 miles away with a hospitable group of mini makers who help our show.
- **June 4+5, 2016**—[Sturbridge MA Mini Festival](#)—see [www.mollycromwell.com](http://www.mollycromwell.com) or email her at [mollycromwell@aol.com](mailto:mollycromwell@aol.com)
- **July 10**, Sunday, Lehigh Valley Small on Scale-- 10-4pm at Holiday Inn, 7736 Adrienne Dr, Breinigsville PA, 18031
- **July 21-24, 2016** – 2016 NAME National Convention, “*Welcome to My Garden*,” Seattle, WA
- **August 6-7, 2016**—IGMA Guild Show at the Marriott at Glenpointe, Teaneck NJ

- **September 16-18, 2016** - NAME SmallScales Regional, *"Gals, Gangsters & Gatsby"* Greenville, SC
- **2016 Fall** —NAME Regional--Sleepy Hollow/ Tarrytown NY ~"Halloween" will be in Scranton due to hotel accommodations...see NAME website
- **March 23-26, 2017** – Houseparty in Sacramento, CA, *"ABC's of Miniatures"* A NAME Regional in 1" + 1/4"
- **July 27-30, 2017** – NAME National Convention in the Mid-Atlantic – *"Come to the Circus!"* Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel, 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA
- **October 2017** – Tarrytown, NY Houseparty, *"Legends of Sleepy Hollow"*
- **Spring 2018** – Louisville, KY Houseparty, *"Jockeys and Juleps"*
- **July 2018** – NAME National Convention, *"Sweet Tea & Sunshine - a Southern Celebration"* - Embassy Suites, Charleston SC
- **September 2018** – Honolulu, HI Houseparty, *"My Hawaiian Souvenirs"*
- **November 15-18, 2018** – Online Houseparty, *"Around the World in 8 Days"*
- **Dec 17...E-1 Holiday Party at Bullock's Restaurant in Westminster...we are invited if we register!**

### Project for Next Year

Bring your ideas! Photos, prototypes...what shall we do for our club project for 2017. Ideas are needed so we can vote and decide this meeting....then we can shop for it at our show!!

- Tiny Houses was suggested. There are wooden wheels in 3/4", 1" and 1 1/4" at AC Moore or Michael's for under \$3 and we could make the flatbed as a kit. Look at some below photos for ideas! Sizes in 1" would have to be 8.5" wide and 11" high (to accommodate library bridges, er shelves. Length to be determined. Road trip anyone?





**CALL FOR LEADERSHIP** We need all of you helping to run this club. The same board has been at the helm and needs a break and new ideas. We can reorganize some of the duties to accommodate skills and interests! You know that “many hands make work light.” Did we get your call? We are still waiting! Who will participate in leading our club???

**SHOW EXHIBITS** **Marnie King**

Hello...anyone out there have a display for our show? I have only about 25 and usually close to 100...and only 5 from this very club who sponsors the event! Thank You, Bonnie, Susan, Marnie, Diane, Grace. You are the only ones to be on time!

I sent out my mass email, so please get your details in soon! It takes a lot of time to get signage typed and printed. AND, I am also setting up and printing nametags for dealers, volunteers, the show program for 600 and the area signage. HELP by sending me your exhibits! FSMC is also paying about \$500 additionally to rent the adjacent room to the club sales tables for exhibits. Right now, the hotel will have this room available at 5PM Saturday to set up. The big Ballroom for sales and club sales room will be open Saturday at about 3 PM. Set up for exhibits will be starting about 5PM Saturday and also early (after 7AM Sunday). Be prepared to help on Saturday from about 4:30 to about 7PM and from 7 in the morning Sunday.ay. Be Anyone helping?

**Hospitality for the year---watch for your name here! We love to eat in a BIG way!**

March - Grace Hayford, Debbie Kostyk, Marion Hogan and Pat Deverell  
Watch for Connie’s sign-up sheet for May party  
April – Rose Gambacorta, Angie Phillips, Kitch Sproat, Gail Euchner and Diana DeWalt  
May - Party - All bring food!

**YEARLY PROJECT** **Katheryn Mayberry**

Be sure to get your name and title and scale to Katheryn FOR THE SHOW. Call or email her NOW, since Katheryn can’t be at this month’s meeting. We are getting ready for the show!

**FACEBOOK** **Deb Kostyk**

Please send me pictures of our mini world to put on Facebook. Check out our page!

**OUTREACH** **Marnie King**

**Iron Hill Museum** is a wonderful way to get miniatures seen! If anyone is interested in helping this tiny museum, let me know. There are some fun mini opportunities I finished the huge 7-foot tall tree case and am adding a topper, to spread the branches. More dining room mess!! Once we plan an official opening of the new Iron Hill Science Center, I will let you know.

**New Sweden Centre** is still planning “SpringFest,” with Kalmar Nyckel Foundation and other Swedish groups, April 17, 2017 from 11-5. Your grandchildren would love the activities that blend history and hands-on activities, tours of the Kalmar Nyckel ship and new museum, food, vendors, including clubs such as ours. Please look at your colonial scenes and consider a loan for the day. Iron Hill is lending a canopy for outdoor possibilities for our exhibits. See Marnie.

The Kalmar Nyckel Foundation will share their new Copeland Maritime Center and it is fabulous. You must see their impressive collection of maritime **miniatures** (boat models) from around the world, donated by a former duPont exec. The lovely display was developed through the Smithsonian! They have a ¾-size teaching ship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. FREE entrance for this event. Photos were last month.

**LIBRARY EXHIBIT in the downtown Wilmington Library will be attempted.** They have 3 cases near the entrance on 10<sup>th</sup> street, all safely locked. There are moveable glass shelves, at least 15” deep and moveable shelves about the standard 11”. Since they have renovated (2014), there has been NO request for the display space, so we have a chance! Any one interested? Marnie has a contact person.

**Seller’s Senior Center,** in North Wilmington, part of Mount Pleasant Elementary School, had a Downton Abbey Tea and accepted a display of Marnie King’s Titanic scene and a Downton Abbey Farewell, with Dowager Lady Violet, made by Sheri Colvin from NC. Lady Violet will return to our show for you to see, too!

**Seller’s Senior Center** will have an International Day, March 24, with cooks from area restaurants creating samples of food from International sources. Marnie will set up International scenes (with FSMC advertisement!) from her collection, many of which you have seen (thank you, Grace Hayford, for the International Holiday theme for New Castle Library!):

- Germany’s Christkindl Markt with icing piped on wonderful holiday Liebkuchen (class with Carl Bronsdon)
- England’s tiny ¼” Cheshire Gate House (Sue Herber Class)
- Scotland’s man in kilt (made by Deb Mackie) with collies in a castle ruin
- France’s Wine Shop (another club project)
- Holland’s Kase Shop (Cheese shop), part of a Philadelphia Flower Show Best of Show display)
- Iran’s Arabic scene in a unique lantern with a lady and her camel and treasures from the market
- Italy’s Tuscan cook in a stone room in a wreath (club project)
- Sweden’s scene will be missing...since it is at the Claymont Stone

Library

Fun, I have covered my personal heritage in the first 5 above! You will see a few at our show!

**"FIELD TRIP" TO FINGERTIP FANTASIES SHOP** **Wanda Simons**  
 Want to go again? Just ask at a club meeting or call Wanda

<p><b>BIRTHDAYS</b> for          March:              George Hoffman—March 2              Angie Phillips—March 6              Karen “Kitch” Sproat—Mar 23              Bonnie Kincaid---March 24</p>	<p>April:              Lucile Hoffman—April 27</p> <p>Happy Birthday!! Enjoy your special day!          And Many Mini more!</p>
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**SUNSHINE** **DianeAlice Scheuer**

Thought for the day: My mind works like lightning. One brilliant flash and it is gone.

Wishing a fast recovery from pneumonia to Wanda Simons and Joan Hoyt.

<b>Officers of FSMC:</b>		<b>*=Voting Board Positions</b>
<b>*Presidents</b> After 6/2015.....Board: “President of the Month” Marnie King will be NAME contact		<b>Publicity:</b> Wanda Simons (mini mags); Marnie King (M-1 /E-1 clubs NAME and Newsletters); Lois Weyer (News Journal, regional posts); Deb Kostyk (Town talk, etc)
<b>*Past President</b>	Wanda Simons/Debbie Kostyk	<b>*Hospitality:</b> Rose Gambacorta and Connie Gorman
<b>*VP/Membership (2017)</b>	Angie Phillips	<b>*Program Coordinator:</b> _____ (Marnie with Board)
<b>*Secretary (2017):</b>	Marnie King	<b>Program (Yearly):</b> Katheryn Mayberry
<b>*Treasurer (2016):</b>	Lois Weyer	<b>Program (Monthly):</b> _____ (Board)
<b>*Show Chair:</b>	Lois Weyer	<b>Webmaster:</b> (we have a contract with her for Webmaster but she is not a member) Deb Mackie
<b>Show Hotel Liaison:</b>	Lois Weyer	<b>*Newsletter:</b> Marnie King
<b>Show Dealers:</b>	Lois Weyer	<b>*Outreach:</b> Marnie King
<b>Show Exhibits:</b>	Marnie King	<b>Nametags:</b> Connie Gorman
<b>Show Club Table; *Estate/sales:</b>	Diane Scheuer	<b>Sunshine:</b> Diane Scheuer
<b>Show Grab Bags:</b>	Rose Gambacorta & Connie Gorman	<b>Club Property Storage:</b> Connie Gorman
<b>NAME DE State Re</b>	Marnie King	<b>Phone List:</b> Marnie King