

# First State Mini Club Newsletter November 20, 2025

New Castle Senior Center, 400 South Street, New Castle, DE 19720

# PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Our October meeting was quite bountiful. We had several donations brought to the meeting. Joanne Patchak dropped off some of the late Rose Gambacorta's items. Rose was a long-time club member and an avid miniaturist. We also received several boxes of minis from Missy Baker of Delaware Hospice. Missy is responsible for organizing the Festival of Trees, an event that will take

place on the 14-16th of this month. FSMC presented her with our hand-made ornaments and displayed our Christmas Shop for which members had donated items. Angie painted the shop and affixed the toys, decorations, etc.

Mary demonstrated how to make mini scented candles. The members thoroughly enjoyed this candle-making activity.

We welcomed two new members to the meeting, Donna Heitmann and Marie Kennel. They both have a lot of enthusiasm and I think will be a wonderful addition to our club. This brings our number of members to 40.

Our November 20 meeting will be sorting through all the donated items and deciding where which ones can be used. We'll also be planning our December Holiday party. Members are invited to sign up for a tour of Winterthur's Holiday Miniature exhibit on January 3rd.

Thanksgiving is right around the corner and we'll be expressing thanks for our family, friends and mini soulmates.

Jane Bailey, President



# **ZOOM ACCESS TO IN-PERSON NOVEMBER MEETING**

Time: Nov 20, 2025 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81749711491?pwd=ULpcarlPbSEmwNDQIY5yCq8ga2a8Zw.1

Meeting ID: 817 4971 1491

Passcode: 987725

# **BIRTHDAYS**

Happy November Birthday to Cyndi Charney, Diana DeWalt, Jean Kaufman, Gabrielle Marlow, and Jeffrey Skourtis. If I have overlooked anyone, please let me know so I can update my phone list.

Angie Phillips, Membership

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# **FAMILY NEWS**

In case you haven't noticed in the last few newsletters, there has been no column. I know we have many new members so maybe it's time to review how this column is supposed to work... any member who wishes to share Anything with the entire membership, this is the place to do it. A new grandchild? a new pet? a new car? an upcoming operation? a handy miniature hint? Anything at all that you would like the other members to know about.

Just e-mail ME at (dipsodee@verizon.net) by the 8th of the month so I can forward my column to the newspaper editor.

Also, as of the next newsletter, look for the SUNSHINE column, the original name for this column is being revived.

Please use "Sunshine" in the subject line. Thanks

DianeAlice Scheuer, Family New Chair

# **OUR ACTIVITIES**

Candlemaking at the October meeting.







Jane and friends at the retreat the evening before....

Jane brought a box full of teacups to the Retreat for attendees to decorate any way we please. Gabrielle chose an outdoor reading scene and Gwen did a fairy garden.

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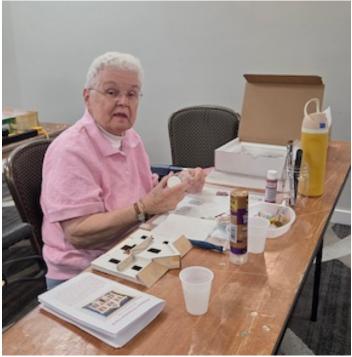




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Here are photos of Marion Hogan and Diana DeWalt in their Debbie Young "Christmas Card" class at Miniaturia.





\* Don't forget the Festival of Trees this weekend.

\* We will have a special guest at our November meeting, a journalist who wants to write about our club for select local magazines.

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

NOVEMBER 20 - FSMC MEMBER IN-PERSON MEETING, NEW CASTLE SENIOR CENTER DECEMBER 18 - FSMC MEMBER IN-PERSON MEETING, NEW CASTLE SENIOR CENTER

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