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National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts

Region N2, Winter 2018–2019

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From Your Regional Coordinator

Welcome to Winter

Well, we are coming to the end of another year—hope it was a good one for all of you! Maybe a time to reflect on what we have accomplished and day dream about that next miniature project—start a new one or finish an old one?

If you are fresh out of ideas for a new miniature project, I suggest that you read every word of this newsletter. I have to admit that in the past, I have not read every word of the newsletter. Our newsletter editor, Laura Johnson, asked me to proofread the Fall newsletter for her, which meant that I did read every last word and I was totally blown away by all of the club's activities. Month after month, there were so many amazing projects being carried out by so many of our clubs. It was truly inspirational to read and a great place to get new ideas for projects. Nice when you can find a project that will last for several meetings and get everyone involved! Or, I even got ideas for carrying out on my own. Good job everyone!! Even if not asked to proofread again, I plan on reading every last word from now on so that I continue to be inspired!

It's that time of year again—time to fill out your Achievement in Miniatures (AIM) form. How many of you have ever filled out this form and sent in to NAME? This is a fun and easy way to see your name printed in the Gazette and doesn't have to cost you a cent!

The following paragraph is from the Gazette, "The AIM program is designed so that everyone who is a member of NAME can participate. You don't have to be a member of a club. You don't have to be an artisan. You don't need a big budget for your hobby, and you don't have to own a huge miniature collection. The program is the same whether you are a newcomer or an old hand at miniatures. It's easy! Just keep track of your points during the year, fill out the form showing that you've accumulated a total of at least 100 points and mail the form to the NAME office by January 31, 2019". The AIM form is on page 3 of the November/December Gazette, where you will also find complete information about this fun program. See you in the Gazette!

In the Fall newsletter, I shared that our region is missing State Reps for four regions of N-2: San Jose/South Peninsula, East Bay/Contra Costa County, San Francisco/North Peninsula and Marin County/ Santa Rosa. I am happy to announce that a terrific person has stepped forward and volunteered to cover the San Jose/South Peninsula region as of the first of the year. Her name will be announced in the next newsletter. Still three more openings to fill—not a really hard or time consuming job, but we still need you if you live in one of those areas and would like to become a NAME volunteer! As I said, would love to hear from you!!

Have a great winter filled with lots of fun projects while you listen to the rain drops,

Carlene Brown, Regional Coordinator

Camp Fire

We in Northern California, N2, have been horrified by the recent fire in Paradise, CA, otherwise known as the "Camp" fire or the Butte County fire. One of our clubs, "Our Little Mini Club," has six members who lived in Paradise.

We have set up three "Play Days" in our region for December 8th. We're inviting our miniaturists to join us for a day of visiting, working on a project of their own or a kit that Carol Kubrican is selling us for cost and the price of admission is one or more gift cards to donate to the fire relief for our miniature family affected by the Camp Fire.

What I know so far about our friends: Carlene Brown is currently in Burney, Jack Rainey is with friends in Sacramento area, Liz Driver is safely in Washington State with family, Sarah Skeels is with friends in Anderson, Margaret Gordus is with friends in Chico and Joanne Schaefer is safe but I don't know where she is currently located. I do not have information about others at this point but I do know everyone got out of the area with their families and lives.

For more information on events or donations, contact: Barbara Thornton-Hill at bathca@gmail.com, 530-265-5704

Here & There With Barbara & NAME

It has been a busy end of summer and beginning of Fall. Let's see, first I should mention the NAME National Convention in Charleston, South Carolina. What a wonderful location for the convention this year. Charleston is charming and the hotel, the Embassy Suites, was a fabulous location to stay. I did a little bit of touring, looking at the old homes. Charleston is known for the "Charleston Single" house style and it is quite interesting and charming. We visited a tea plantation, ate at a few local restaurants, fabulous foods and then the

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Convention itself. Workshops, workshops and more workshops, a fun Evening with Friends dinner where people dressed in costumes from previous Conventions. It brought back lots of memories for some of us and I hope inspired some newer members for the future? Roundtables and Mega RTs of course, my personal favorites, a fabulous sales room, amazing souvenirs and a roombox kit to display them in. And then a new President of the Board of Trustees was installed. Yes, although I am still on the Board for two more years, I now do not have this responsibility on my shoulders. It was a great experience. I learned more than I ever thought I could at this point in my life and I met so many wonderful NAME members. Now I am actually doing a little bit of my own minis though and I've missed that.

I attended the NAME Day in Sacramento, sponsored by "By Small Design" Club. It's always a fun day to visit, make a project and share stories, not to mention the raffle prizes, the doorprizes and the Committee gifts given out during the day. I hope you all had a chance to join someone else or a group to make your NAME Day project. That's what it's all about.

Of course, I also attended the Good Sam Show the next weekend after NAME Day. It seemed like a very well attended show this year. So many fabulous vendors and did you see all the beautiful exhibits. We are so fortunate to have so many very talented artists in our region. I think they made a mistake with the drawing prizes, because they mispronounced my name so badly that I never recognized it!!!!!! Did you experience the same thing? So, another year that I did not win one of the terrific pieces. Darn! Maybe next year? I know, probably not but one can always hope. We need that for sure.

Well, in my personal life, I am downsizing. I plan to sell my house in the Spring and move to a much smaller home, still in the Nevada City/Grass Valley area but "OH MY!" (that's a substitute for what I really want to say but can't put in print here). Have you tried to downsize your stuff??? YIKES! YIKES! YIKES! I am doing it though and have already given away or sold quite a bit of my crafting stuff and minis. It is so, so, so hard. I mean how many Exacto knives does a person need? Or rulers? Or scissors? Or cutting mats. And don't even mention the word "wood" to me!!!!!! I will let you know next time how it's coming. I'm sure you'll be on pins and needles waiting for that news.

Have a great winter and keep warm.

Barbara Thornton-Hill

In Memory of Julia Sudol

Because many of you will remember her, I want to let you all know of the passing of another of our familiar miniaturists, Julia Sudol. I met Julia around 1990, when we both joined the Munchkins, a miniature club in the San Jose area. She already belonged to the group for a few months before I joined but had only been doing minis a couple of years at that time. We became good friends, traveled to shows and Houseparties together, belonged to 3 or 4 clubs together and learned a lot. In 1993, Julia chaired a Houseparty in San Jose, "Hearth & Home."

In the early two thousands, Julia moved to Washington where she joined a couple of clubs and continued her miniature endeavors and became very adept at basket weaving. Perhaps some of you have purchased one of her baskets, often sold on Carl Bronsdon's table at shows. When Julia created a miniature scene or piece, it was always done beautifully and perfectly.

We only talked a couple of times a year in the past few years but each time it was like we never moved away, and we picked up as if we'd just been together the week before. I will miss her, and the miniature world has lost another special artist.

more recent years, she had several health issues that kept her from attending as many events as she once did, but she loved her family, her friends and her husband and we will miss her in our miniature world, in the NAME world and in our personal worlds.



From Barbara Thornton-Hill, Nevada City/Grass Valley CA

Board Summary Report

Face to Face Meeting – Charleston, SC August 26, 2018

Regional Reports. Board members attended each of the regional meetings and reported on their discussions there. Many good ideas came out of these meetings and the board will be looking into them in the future.

Online Houseparty. The board decided to reduce the registration fee for non- souvenir participants of the online houseparty to \$30.

Membership. Roy Moore challenged to the board to each bring him a name and number of a potential new member before Sunday's meeting. Three new members joined as a result.

New State Rep. The board affirmed Colleen Arnold as the new State Representative from Iowa (Region A-1).

2021 Convention Application. The board approved an application from M2 to host the 2021 National Convention.

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Silent Auction. The silent auction in Charleston went well and was well received. The board approved this activity for the 2019 Convention with Karen Barone (chair) and Barbara Thornton-Hill (co-chair) heading this activity.

SUMMARY FROM THE BOARD MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINIATURE ENTHUSIASTS (NAME) HELD ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2018

General Fund Status:

Budgeted Income for the year: \$273,560.95

Income YTD (September 27, 2018) \$147,146.02 (53.7% of budgeted income) Budgeted Expenses for the Year: \$265,050.00

Expenses YTD (September 27, 2018) 79,568.66 (30.0% of budgeted expenses)

Year to Date Profit \$67,577.36

Hallmark Ornament Contest. The board agreed that we will remove the Hallmark Contest from the "rotation" for a bit. It may resurface in the future.

Advisory Committee. Janet Chase was added to the Advisory Committee.

Standing Committees . Standing Committees for 2018-2020 were approved.

Charleston Convention. The Charleston Convention was profitable for NAME. In addition, both the auction and the garage sale exceeded their targets.

Online Houseparty. The deadline for the Online Houseparty Applications was moved to October 10th.

Regional Teams.

Nancy Chalmers was approved as the new RC for E-1. We thank Mary Meyers for serving in this role.

Bernadette Shustak was affirmed as the newsletter Editor for M-1.

THE MINUTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINIATURE ENTHUSIASTS (NAME) HELD ON OCTOBER 25, 2018

General Fund Status:

Budgeted Income for the year: \$265,175.44

Income YTD (September 27, 2018) \$154,544.18 (58.3% of budgeted income)

Budgeted Expenses for the Year: \$265,050.00

Expenses YTD (September 27, 2018) 96,869.47 (36.55% of budgeted expenses)

Year to Date Profit \$57,674.71

Donation Letter. An end of year letter soliciting donations was approved by the board.

Upcoming Conventions/Houseparties.

We reviewed progress for all upcoming conventions and houseparties.

We agreed that, if we have September houseparties in the future, we will make the deadline for dealer/workshop/theme luncheon applications after the Philadelphia show.

Regional Teams

A. The following NAME members were affirmed for their new regional roles:

Johnnie Aranda: NC State Rep

Dan Stewart: MT State Rep

Brian Hughes: A3 Webmaster

Janet Smith: Newsletter Editor N1

Julie Stuckmeyer: MO State Rep

B. Rosemary Shipman was approved as our new RC for N3. We thank Sue Herber for serving in this role.

Auction Report

A. Auctions are going well for NAME and we have netted over \$4800 this year.

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State Rep Reports

East Bay/Tri-Valley

State Rep Will Thomas

North Coastal

State Rep Sharon Ocheltree

Redwood Small World: Is it November already!? The fragrance of summer geraniums has been replaced with cinnamon and allspice. Christmas is just around the corner. I'm not ready for this yet!!!

Our time at the Humboldt County fair was so enjoyable, visiting with friends and strangers alike. Everyone enjoys talking about their hobbies. Our ladies manned our table almost every day and drew a lot of interest. We gained two new members from the exposure: Christa Stressinger and Christine Lytle-Davis both of Fortuna, CA. Christa has been involved with miniatures for some time and has an album full of impressive photos to show for it. Christine is relatively new to the craft and is eager to learn. Welcome, girls, to new experiences and new friends!

Dorelee Heisler hosted our September meeting at her home in Korbel. We entertained four new guests for the day. Dorelee provided all the supplies and trims for a 1" scale and a 1/4" scale pumpkin topiary. Everyone went home with a finished project, each an individual masterpiece. Our guests were quite impressed with their finished Halloween art, as they were with the home made, fresh peach cobbler served for dessert.

Four of our members drove the six hours to attend the Good Sam Show in San Jose. We each attended a class on Friday creating sea shell shadow boxes, macaroon cakes, a 1/4" scale kitchen table and miniature jewelry. Each of us learning a new skill to share together.

Last year my cousin Rose and I had our picture taken at the Holodeck 3D Studio booth at the San Jose Show. We posed as if walking our two dogs. We have traveled together many times in the past and have many dog stories to tell. After receiving the statue, 'A Walk In the Park' began to materialize in my mind. Linda Scarpellino,

member of Small World and a good friend, altered a ceramic Old English Sheepdog into my beloved Abigale with life-like wool roving. She took a little plastic dog of non-descript origin and created Kipper, Rosie's Schipperke. I consider them a true work of art. I was overjoyed to show my 'A Walk in the Park' at the Holodeck 3D Studio area this year. Perhaps you saw it.

Sue Kuhnhausen held her annual Halloween party for our October meeting. She served many mysterious and slimy entrees and desserts. Everything tasted wonderful, but I had a little trouble un-wrapping my mind around a pasta and shrimp dish. It really looked like bugs and black baby eels. I had to close my eyes and just swallow! The kiwi punch that bubbled and sent off wisps of mist into the air was fantastic.

The project for the day was a peddler's cart. We spent days cutting wooden parts for a kit for everyone to assemble. Next month we'll add more parts to finish the utility cart. We also welcomed another new member to our club, Trisha Church of McKinleyville, CA. Trisha likes to work with polymer clay and dreams up all kinds of wee folk to fill her scenes. Welcome Trisha.



Dorelee's pumpkin topiaries

Last week-end, Oct. 26 and 27, we were treated to the company of Dick and Luci Hanson of Cascade Miniatures in Grants Pass, OR. They brought us a two day class on LED lighting. The first day Luci explained the ins and outs of dollhouse electricity and the specifics of LED's. Dick had built each of us a 1" scale two story room



Sharon Ocheltree's "Walk in the Park"

box to wire. They taught us to solder and allowed us to try our hand at connecting different battery holders to copper tape as a test board. Each of us received many electrical supplies and the beautiful room box to complete as our own. It was a delightful time together as they shared their extensive knowledge and skills.

So sorry this is so long, but we've been busy!

—Sharon Ocheltree

Sacramento, Central Valley, Sierra Foothills

State Rep Laura Seibert

Four of our six clubs (in the Sacramento/Central Valley/Sierra Foothills area) earned Blue Ribbon status this year, as noted in the November/December Gazette! Congrats, Gold Country Miniature Society, Gold Country Petal Pushers, Itty Bitties, and By Small Design!

Congratulations to Gold Country Miniature Society for 20 years with NAME! They meet in Nevada City/Grass Valley/Penn Valley. What a great accomplishment!

Congratulations to By Small Design and Quarter Persuasion for 5 years with NAME! By Small Design puts on the Sacramento NAME Day. They did such a great job! Quarter Persuasion is a quarter scale club meeting in greater Sacramento, Rancho Murieta, Penn Valley, and Nevada City. This is just wonderful!

Please have your members fill out their AIM forms. If they just want their names

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in the Gazette, it's free. (If they just want the certificate, it's \$2.00; if they want the pin & certificate, it's \$7.00; make check payable to NAME). It's really cool to see your name in the Gazette! I read the names every year, to see which names I recognize. Try it!

—Laura Seibert

Small Wonders: Late summer for our Small Wonders group was busy with work, trips and other commitments. Some of us attended a miniature flea market and found treasures. As a group we worked on a making cobblestone from egg cartons. Our walkways and store fronts turned out great.

—Sigrid Williams

Itty Bitties: Oh Wow! It is almost the end of the year. So much we want to do but so little time! It is almost time for our November club meeting where a lot needs to be accomplished since we had no club meeting in October. October we were busy getting together for the N.A.M.E. State Day and going to the Good Sam Miniature Show. November will be our last day to make something for our tea room and to decide what project we want to do for 2019 and if we want to consider donating a door prize for the 2019 Nashville convention. Two club members, Darwin and LaVerne, set up a library display at the Natomas Library and it was taken down in September. Everyone that comes to the library loves the displays but especially the many children. Never give up the possibility of finding miniature things at other events. For instance, myself and Laura Seibert (our state rep) attended a doll show in Roseville and we both found miniatures to bring home. I found a large French room box from the late 1980s fully electrified sold to me by a lady in Oregon who used to have a miniature shop! That was my birthday gift to myself!

—Renate Winter

Gold Country Petal Pushers: Not too much to report this month about our flower and plant making club. Our group is dwindling but now those of us who are left are all quarter scalers so we have turned our attention to making Quarter Scale plants and flowers. Although we are going blind and our fingers are numb from trying to hold onto these little guys, we are doing quite

well with it. So far have made Geraniums at one meeting and Chrysanthemums at another. So, who said we can't learn new tricks?

—Barbara Thornton-Hill

By Small Design: "By Small Design held its annual NAME Day Oct. 6th, in Sacramento. Committee members Fran Bigler, Pattie Hong, Darwin Spring, Linda Ver-trees and Carol Carton planned for months to make the event great. We put the desk and chair together to complete the room. Had a wonderful potluck and raffle. Laura Seibert, our State Rep, sold Grab Bags. We all had a great day. See you next year.

—Carol Carton

North Central CA

State Rep Margaret Gordus

Our Little Mini Club: Margaret Gordus was hostess for the NAME Day Desk/chair project. We enjoyed a salad potluck lunch. It was a nice project and all finished building it. Billie Rouonavaara was able to join us from Healdsburg.

Members are finishing the porch and brain storming for our next project. Carlene Brown donated a beautiful Halloween theme table, and Margaret, Jack and Liz donated items for a raffle gift for charity.

We had a guest, Laurie Smith, who is interested in miniatures, at our last club meeting. Looking forward to having a new member.

We received a box of Miniatures which will be distributed to members and grab bags for N2.

—Margaret Gordus



Billie's desk



Margaret's desk



Carlene's Halloween themed table

Fresno

State Rep Barbara Fairbanks

No. Nevada, Tahoe

State Rep Mary Ann Van Buskirk

Marin, Napa Valley

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San Francisco/ N. Peninsula

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South Bay & Peninsula

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Through the Looking Glass: Through the Looking Glass is taking a deep breath after a very busy and satisfying fall. Our joint NAME Day Workshop with MiniCals went very well and a good time was had by all. Some completed projects were displayed and inspired us all. Members of both groups also displayed at Good Sam two weeks later. As always we all enjoyed shopping and visiting and getting wonderful new ideas. As we move forward to Thanksgiving and Christmas we are all thinking about new ideas and projects for 2019.

Yikes! Is it that time already???

—Barbara Adams

Mini Attics: The Mini Attics all had a great time at Good Sam. We displayed projects, bought raffle tickets, bid on silent auction items, and found many treasures to buy on the sales floor. We are so fortunate to have such a big miniature show nearby. We took most of our Good Sam display to the Redwood City Public Library where they will be on display for the month of November. Next on our agenda is deciding on tote bag

gifts for the Convention and planning for our holiday after Xmas party.

—Gerry Silberstein

MiniCals: Many of the club members are also involved with the San Jose Showcase of Miniatures show in October, and we are taking time to celebrate the upcoming holidays with our club friends and families. Starting in January, the MiniCals will again be presenting a series of workshops at the Morgan Hill location of M & L Precision. On January 26, Lori Turner will present a lighted 1/144 farmhouse. The house will be built, painted and landscaped. Carlene Brown will teach 8 variations of a Seasonal Sideboard on February 16th, and participants will be shown how to use fancy corbels and shelves to make a classic shabby chic look.

The ever popular Spring Fling Pot Luck and Flea Market will be held on March 16th, and April will showcase a potting penchant's vignette with macrame, hanging baskets and ferns. Jasmin Schwarz will make a tasty lemon cake and participants

will be making their own polymer canes and other treats on May 18th.

More details will be published soon, so save the dates and join us for lots of mini fun. Contact Ruth Heisch at 408 997-1004 or grouchybeartoo@aol.com for more information.

—Brenda Hough

Wee Housers of the Peninsula: I wrote about our art studios so many times. Below you'll see that they were worth the effort!

Books! Books! Books! We have been making all kinds of books for a few months now. What started as a simple box with three bookcases has evolved, for some of us, into a large, time-consuming project. I plan to use mine in a man's study with the craftsman furniture I have had for years.

At our November meeting, we planned our Christmas meeting on December 12. Lunch out followed by dessert and present exchange at Maryann's.

Happy Miniaturizing!

—Laura Johnson



Moonyeen's Art Studio



Partners in Crime



Mini Attic's library display

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2019 National Convention **Nashville, Tennessee (Franklin)** **A Little Bit Country — Shabby or Chic** **July 18–21, 2019**

Registration Opens January 25, 2019

Registration forms may be mailed between December 24 and January 25 for it to be considered first day.

Please Join Us in Nashville, Tennessee For A Celebration Of Country Style and Traditions (some CHIC, and some not so much). We will have all the usual events that you expect at a National Convention plus some surprises! Our hotel, the Cool Springs Marriott, is actually in Franklin, Tennessee. Franklin is home to “America’s Favorite Main Street,” which is a 16-block National Register district with antique shops, gift and book stores, boutiques, art galleries, lovingly restored homes and more. The hotel is newly renovated and has free parking. Downtown Nashville is about 20 minutes away.



2019 Small Scales Houseparty

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

All About the Neighborhood

By Ann Pennypacker and Patricia Diefenbach

Neighborhood. What does that evoke in your mind? Maybe it's the neighborhood market where you see your friends and you stop to chat for a bit. Block parties, dinner parties and picnics are all natural invites for the neighbors. Maybe it's your favorite fantasy neighborhood from books or television. Maybe it's a neighborhood of make believe from your childhood. We all have our version of the ideal neighborhood.

When I think about neighborhoods I think about a community of people who all live and work around each other. We care about each other and perhaps all cheer for the same team. Neighbors will head to the park to hear the school band play. Neighbors sit on the front porch visiting and decorate their yards for the holidays.

I think of miniaturists as a community. When we choose a seat in a workshop we have a neighbor. We are considerate of our neighbors and help each other out. Neighbors borrow tools from each other but make sure to give them right back- because that's what neighbors do. When we have our meals we sit in a neighborhood table of ten and we all like the same team we call "scales". At our table we laugh and catch up on happenings, share gifts and contact info so we can continue our friendship. We enjoy our House Parties because it's like a neighborhood block party. Neighbors may come and go but they are still our friends and will always be part of the neighborhood.

The steering committee and I invite you to join us for All About the Neighborhood Small Scale House Party, hosted by NAME Region M-1, on September 26 to the 29th, 2019 at the Hyatt Airport Hotel in Pittsburgh, PA .

We will offer Pre-Convention and Registered Workshops. The Thursday Night Project will be an opportunity to get together to enjoy snacks, friendship and fun while building our project. The TNP will feature exclusive prizes and special gifts you won't want to miss!

There will be Door Prizes and House Party Helpers to win. Mini Exchanges and Tote Bags Favors will add to the fun. Be sure to stop by the Hospitality Room to see the Pittsburgh pirate's treasure chest. There will be games to play (make sure to bring the save the date card), Theme Luncheons, Round Tables and of course the Sales room!

Are you downsizing your collection or stash? Please consider donating Door Prizes which are items valued between \$10 and \$50 or a Houseparty Helper which are items valued at \$150 or more. Door Prize Chair is Rosemarie Mullineaux at unitedbore@aol.com and Houseparty Helper Chair is Donna Brewington at djbrewington52@gmail.com.

Hope to see you there, Neighbor!



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2019 MiniCals Workshops

January 26: Make a lighted 1/144 farmhouse for your dollhouse with the help of Lori Turner (Lori's Little Things). We will build, paint and landscape this very cute addition to your collection. **Cost TBD**

?February 16: Must register by January 1, 2019 with choice. Carlene Brown will give you a choice from 8 "Seasonal Sideboards" (7x4 1/2x2 1/2). It has an upper shelf with fancy corbels, a lower shelf and 2 decorative drawers. Some wallpaper, paint, antique wash and inked edges for that shabby chic look! A fun day! **\$55** (*Carlene hopes to be able to do the workshop even though she lost her house in the Camp fire.*)

March 16: Our Spring Fling Pot Luck and Flea Market. Admission gets you table space to sell your items. **Pre-registration \$6. At the door \$8.**

April 13: An adorable potting bench vignette with everything needed to complete. We will macramé a hanging basket and fern, a flat of seedlings and decorate a gardening hat. Lots of accessories! **Cost TBD**

May 18: Jasmin Schwarz (Bitty Bits and Bobs) will be demonstrating a variety of techniques for polymer clay with a lemon flavor, including the method for building a lemon cane. For us novices, that is the long tube of lemon that looks like lemon slices when thinly sliced. Students may choose a variety of lemon treats to make for their own summertime vignette. **\$35**

Please bring your tool kits and a sack lunch. Beverages provided. You will receive an email if there are extra supplies needed not normally in your tool kit.

Workshops at M & L Precision, 18665 Madrone Parkway, Morgan Hill 101 South to Cochrane Exit. Right on Cochrane. One block to first right which is Madrone Parkway.

Questions or Information? **Ruth @grouchybeartoo@aol.com or 408-997-1004**



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Name N2 Region Calendar

January 26	MiniCals Workshop: 1/144" scale lighted farmhouse with Lori Turner
February 2	1/4" Pie Pickup Workshop
February 16	MiniCals Workshop: Seasonal Sideboards with Carlene Brown; register by January 1
March 16	MiniCals Spring Fling and Potluck in Morgan Hill
April 13	MiniCals Potting Shed Vignette
May 18	MiniCals Polymer Clay Lemon Treats with Jasmin Schwarz
June 22	8th Annual Miniatures in the Wine Country Shows
July 18–21	NAME National Convention in Nashville
September 27–29	NAME Small Scales Houseparty in Pittsburgh, PA
October 12–13	Good Sam/Showcase of Miniatures

Good Sam 2018

It was another successful miniature show. Our raffle and white elephant were the best ever. A big thank you to all those who donated their treasures and their time. Our volunteers were outstanding and we do appreciate your help so the show can continue and support the Plan-eTree Health Library each year. Don't forget us next year, October 12 & 13, 2019. Have a great Holiday Season!

Ruth Heisch

February 2, 2019; 10 am-3 pm
True2Scale Workshop: 1/4" Pie Pickup
Petaluma, CA

Participants will paint a 3D printed truck and stools, work with decals and fabric, and learn some helpful tricks for finishing. Registration deadline Nov. 30. Email Carol for more info carol@true2scale.com.

Get N2 News

The N2 Region website—nameregionn2.org. Scroll to the bottom of the page. Enter your email address and click on "Receive N2 Region News."

ONLINE HOUSEPARTY

AROUND THE WORLD IN 8 DAYS

May 15–19, 2019

Come join us as we travel all around the world in 8 days! We have a great trip planned for everyone that joins us for the Online Houseparty. You will be travelling through your computer, so you don't even need to get out of your pajamas!! We will be "tasting" some exotic and incredible foods along the way, as well as seeing all the sights. We will even have time to fit in some mini making along the way as well. We have a wonderful Thursday Night Project lined up for you, that we know you will not want to miss out on.

CENTERPIECES: made by Lesia Lennex. These will be virtual, BUT we will have the plans for you to make your own, along with a few kits for the centerpieces that can be purchased as a fundraiser for NAME.

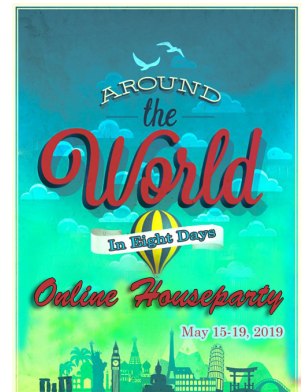
HOSPITALITY: You will want to stop in to see Sharon Johnson, as she will have puzzles, games, and all kinds of other fun activities for you to enjoy.

SOUVENIRS: You will have the option of one of two scales, one-inch scale and quarter inch scale. There are only about 100 of each so sign up early if you want them. You also have the option of no souvenir, so lower registration fee. We have two wonderful artists for those, Ruth Stewart and Robin Betterley.

COMMITTEE GIFTS: Something you will receive if you opt to get souvenirs.

SALES ROOM: You will have more money to spend in the sales room, as you won't have to worry about hotel costs or other travel expense! I know I can't wait for the sales room to open!!

ROUNDTABLES & MEGA ROOUNDTABLES: Oh yes, just like at a regular Houseparty. You get first choice if you are registered. You will want to come back each day (or evening), as we will have free projects and new places to explore each day. Come and join us as we go Around the World in 8 Days!! May 15–19 2019. Registration opens January 4, 2019. Registration forms are on the NAME Website. Don't forget to check that you want a pin too!



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