



# Small Talk

## National Association of Miniature Enthusiasts

**Region N2, Fall 2021**  
**<http://nameregionn2.org>**

### From Your Regional Coordinator

Whew! I got out and actually saw real miniaturist people in Lodi last weekend. It was so nice to see so many of you but ... I couldn't recognize you because we were mostly wearing masks. It's amazing how some are so recognizable with a mask and some are not. It's embarrassing to have to ask "Who are you?" when it's often someone I actually know quite well. But I got over that embarrassment very quickly.

The show was lovely, and now I'm shut down again due to smoke!!! It's always something, isn't it?

So how are you all doing? I hope you are still getting your minis worked on. Good Sam Show is going to be here before you know it and I'm keeping my fingers crossed that we'll be able to see each other in person there also. There is a new activity planned for Saturday evening so stay tuned and it will be explained in another article right here in this newsletter.

NAME Day is also coming up. October 2<sup>nd</sup> officially, but I think some of the events in our region are happening on days other than October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Morgan Hill NAME Day will be on September 25<sup>th</sup>. The Zoom Online NAME Day will actually occur on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Go to [www.minicyberclub.com](http://www.minicyberclub.com) to sign up for the day on Zoom. Make your NAME Day project with others from all over the country and world.

Registration for the Online Houseparty "Splintered Fairy Tales," from February 17 to 22, 2022, opens on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Join us for several days of workshops and fun times. Costs vary depending on whether you register for souvenirs or without souvenirs. There will be: Workshops, Roundtables, Theme Luncheons, Hospitality Room, Thursday night project (really cute—I saw it), Centerpieces and Kits to purchase to make the centerpiece. And more. Registrations with souvenirs are limited so get your registration in early if you want souvenirs.

So, I hope to see you all on Zooms or in person at Good Sam (fingers crossed).

**Barbara**

### **SUMMARY OF THE OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINIATURE ENTHUSIASTS (NAME) HELD ON MARCH 25, 2021**

**Financial Summary: Fiscal Year June 1, 2020–May 31, 2021**

**Budgeted Income for the year: \$254,243.00**

**Income YTD (February 28, 2021) \$209,080.28 (82.2% of budgeted income)**

**Budgeted Expenses for the Year: \$253,045.00**

**Expenses YTD (February 28, 2021) \$189,266.52 (74.8% of budgeted expenses)**

**Year to Date Profit: \$19,813.76**

The Convention/Houseparty Liaison brought two booking options to the Board to finalize the 2022 Winter Wonderland Indianapolis Convention. The Board voted to accept the dates of August 28–September 4, 2022. The 2023 Providence From Sea to Shining Sea Convention dates have not been confirmed but negotiations are ongoing.

The Board approved four candidates for the 2022 election Nominating Committee presented by President Roy Moore. The Committee needs one more member; anyone interested in helping to find new Board members should contact the President.

The NAME Zoom license will be increased to allow 500 attendees to the July 2021 virtual annual business meeting.

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## SUMMARY OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINIATURE ENTHUSIASTS (NAME) HELD ON APRIL 22, 2021

Financial Summary: Fiscal Year June 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021

Budgeted Income for the Year: \$254,243.00

Income Year to Date (March 31, 2021): \$222,934.62 (87.7% of Budgeted Income)

Budgeted Expenses for the Year: \$253,045.00

Expenses Year to Date (March 31, 2021): \$211,407.65 (83.5% of Budgeted Expenses)

Year to Date Profit: \$11,526.97

President Roy Moore reported he is still searching for a fifth member of the Nominating Committee and invites any NAME member to contact him if interested.

He also stated a NAME member has volunteered to upload all copies of the Miniature Gazette to the NAME website, which will give everyone easy access to projects and articles in past editions.

President Moore also announced the 2021 National Business Meeting will be held online through Zoom. The license has been increased to allow more participants to join the meeting and he plans to have some breakout sessions or polling options available.

Convention/Houseparty Liaison Leanne Kirsch announced the 2022 National Convention Winter Wonderland in Indianapolis is under contract with excellent negotiated prices for attendees. The 2022 Portland Houseparty Come Fly With Me has 100% registration and a wait list. The 2023 Providence National Convention From Sea to Shining Sea is in contract negotiations.

Special Events Liaison Beth Grabau reported checking on upcoming event opportunities, including a possible Fiftieth Year Anniversary Celebration in 2022. More to come from Beth and her hardworking committee in the future!

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### NAME Yearly Business Meeting July 10, 2021—second one by Zoom

**President Roy Moore speaking:** There are no awards today, we are holding them until we can meet in person. There are no Bylaw updates today. This meeting is for NAME members only. Facebook members are welcome to attend, but are not allowed to vote. There will be prizes at the end of this meeting.

Thank you to all past Board members. Online Zoom meetings have become a mainstay for our miniature clubs. We have 5 Zoom licenses as of today. The MCC auctions have been for the benefit of NAME. Thank you to all of MCC. The house in Carmel needs repairs. Ten years ago repairs were identified and undertaken. Now we have more to do. NAME now has two websites: [www.miniatures.org](http://www.miniatures.org), and [www.create.miniatures.org](http://www.create.miniatures.org). Thank you to all who have helped with the websites, especially Dan Stewart. Dan has been helping with the main NAME website for the last five years, and started the Create website in 2020. There was a poll, and under the question: what is your favorite miniature? 60% chose most recently completed miniature. 40% chose how can I choose? I have so many. There were two other options that didn't receive any votes. This is the only poll I recorded today—there were a few polls.

**Treasurer Janet Smith speaking:** We are in the black. There was no transfer of money needed from any account to accomplish this. Luncheons, Workshops, Gift & Gabs, and Quick Minis on the Create website all contributed to this cash influx. Makitz kits have been very successful—thank you so much, Ruth Stewart! Auctions, now on the Create website, have also been successful—thank you, Rhonda Keef! When Indy 2020 was cancelled/postponed, some members donated all or part of their registration fees. We all stepped up. We not only survived, but thrived!

**Immediate Past President Rhonda Keef speaking:** I will speak on the history of the Create website. In the spring of 2020, I recruited some friends to help me with a plan I had. NAME hired Dan Stewart to start the new website. With Covid-19 happening in March of 2020, plans were speeded up. Carl Bronsdon and Linda Farris signed up to do our first Workshops on Create. Ruth Stewart did a video interview with President Roy Moore for Create. The link to our monthly Auction is now on Create, under the "Sign Me Up" heading. The Wednesday RoundTuit Zoom meetings (4 pm PST) by Debbie Young are very popular. NAME can teach instructors how to present a Workshop on Zoom; they have only to ask. Our first Create committee handed over the reins to the new Create committee in January. Debbie Columbo is the new Chair. Thank you so much to Janet Smith and Shannon Moore, our new Webmasters. 95 people signed up for the NeverWas Workshop by Michelle Miller. That was our largest Workshop on Create, so far. Michelle donated all the Workshop fees to NAME. Thank you, Michelle. Our auctions raised \$25,000 in 2020, our most ever. When life goes back to normal, the Create website will be a normal part of life.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Alician Pearce:** The Create website has had 6,500 unique visitors from all over the world. We have 2,000 visitors a month. We have Zoom meetings on Create every Wednesday at 4:00 pm PST, led by Debbie Young, called "RoundTuit Roundtable" meetings. We have Zoom meetings on Create every other Friday morning at 9:00 am PST, led by Debbie Columbo, called "NAME UFOers (unfinished objects) I WANT TO BELIEVE that I will finish all my started projects." Any questions? "Are there going to be any new Makitz?" Ruth Stewart retired from that project. If you'd like to apply to offer a Makitz, please contact the Board.

**Member at Large, Marketing Liaison Terry Unnold:** The NAME Newsletter now goes out twice a month. If NAME has your current email address, you should be receiving this newsletter. Please check your Spam Folder. If you're not receiving NAME's Newsletter, please update NAME by visiting the Create website at [www.create.miniatures.com](http://www.create.miniatures.com), scroll to the very bottom of the Home Page, and submit your current information. The NAME Newsletter updates us all on when the next Houseparties are, and the monthly Quick Minis, Challenges, Themes, Workshops, and Auctions, etc. on Create. We're helping make Mini News accessible to all members. It is a pleasure to serve you all.

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**Member at Large, Regional Coordinator Liaison Nancye Claypool:** Please sign up to be a Board Member, or volunteer to be a State Rep. Nancye's leading the Cincinnati Show.

President Roy Moore speaking: We've lost membership over the past year. We're going to have a membership drive. The 5-year Anniversary Certificates will be mailed to club presidents. Zoom is a big help for the clubs. Upcoming plans are to revise the criteria for Blue Ribbon clubs, since clubs and club members can't do as much in person. Club presidents are sharing information.

**Member at Large, Marketing Liaison Committee member Beth Grabaue:** NAME's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be celebrated by all three Houseparties in 2022. NAME's 50<sup>th</sup> will be celebrated by NAME members not attending any Houseparties, too! Watch Terry Unnold's Newsletters (the NAME Newsletter delivered to our email address twice per month), posts on NAME's Facebook site, check NAME's original website and the Create website, and read your Miniature Gazette!

**Member at Large, Convention/Houseparty Liaison Leanne Kirsch:** The Portland, Oregon Houseparty's Theme is "Come Fly with Me." It is set for May 6<sup>th</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. They will be celebrating NAME's 50<sup>th</sup> here. There currently are no spaces available.

For the Online Houseparty (OLHP), "Splintered Fairytales," September 3<sup>rd</sup> is the opening date for Registration. This will all take place on the Create website: Registration, signing up for Workshops, Swaps, Theme Luncheons, etc. The NAME Newsletters will keep you updated about the latest OLHP news. The OLHP is set for February 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We will be celebrating NAME's 50<sup>th</sup> at this Houseparty, also.

Our National for 2022 is scheduled for September 1<sup>st</sup> through the 4<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate NAME's 50<sup>th</sup> here, too. Question from the audience: "Are you keeping the same theme? I've already made my table favors with the winter theme." Yes, the theme is still "Winter Wonderland." Elsa from "Frozen" may be featured. The Evening with Friends may feature something special for NAME's 50<sup>th</sup>. The "Winter Solitude" Thursday Night Project by the Betterlys has been easily transplanted from 2020 to 2022. February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 is the Opening Date for Registration for our "Winter Wonderland" National. Yes, that means the earliest you may mail in your Registration is January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Our National for 2023 is "From Sea to Shining Sea," set for Providence, Rhode Island. It is tentatively scheduled for that July, we're working with the hotel. The Mermaid and the Sailor go along with the Theme for that Convention.

**Terry Unnold speaking:** On the Create website for July, the Scavenger Hunt will be followed by a Week of Activities at Camp Makamini. For August on Create, the Theme will be Minis You Make With Clay. For September on Create, the Theme will be Red Hats & Tea Party. The last week of July there will be all sorts of free activities with Camp Makamini. The same week will also be a week of Quick Minis sold on Create. On July 31<sup>st</sup>, there will be a free crafting session led by Michelle Miller early in the day. There will also be an evening of ghost stories later that evening.

**President Roy Moore speaking:** In odd years, the Board elects Members at Large that are needed. 2021 being an odd year, the Board elected Lynne Hoffman and Beth Grabaue as two new needed Members at Large. So, the prizes! One member won a paid Registration for the "Winter Wonderland" National in September 2022. Another member won a paid Registration for the OLHP, "Splintered Fairytales," set for February 2022. Then, for every NAME member present, two links appeared in the Chat. One link was to print out a "Golden Ticket." If you are an active NAME member, and signed in the Chat with your first name, last name, and town or state, you will be able to print that ticket out later to use. You will use it at one of the three Houseparties in 2022. You will fill out your info, drop it in a certain ballot/ticket box at one of the in-person Houseparties, and possibly win something wonderful. Alternatively, for the OLHP, you will use the information on the Golden Ticket to submit your ticket online, and possibly win something wonderful. The second link was for a page celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NAME in 2022. It described special events/mini projects happening the whole year of 2022, even if you don't attend any Houseparties. Fun stuff coming! Keep an eye on those NAME newsletters, NAME's Facebook site, NAME's original site, the Create site, and your Miniature Gazettes.

—Laura Seibert

## COME ONE, COME ALL! NAME Night at the Good Sam Show

This year we introduce NAME Night to the West Coast. This is an evening of relaxation and visiting with our fellow miniaturists.

### Free Make 'n Takes, Demonstrations, Games, Goodie Bags, Door Prizes

This night is for all miniaturists and is sponsored by NAME. You do **not** have to be a member to join in the camaraderie.

**Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021**

**Time: 7:00 to 9:00 PM**

**Place: In the Kids workshop area outside of the Salesroom**

For many years, NAME has sponsored a NAME night at the Philadelphia Show so now we have a similar thing here on the West Coast. Please join us for an evening of fun.

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## NAME Day 2021

### The Tiki Bar

The official NAME Day for 2021 is October 2nd, the first Saturday of October. Some events are scheduled a little after that or a little before because of local conflicts, but October 2nd is the official NAME Day.

### NAME Day in Morgan Hill

The MiniCals and Through the Looking Glass are presenting a "Tiki Time" event for NAME Day. They will have our usual fun, food and friendship gathering with door prizes, shoebox sales and gifts. Cost is \$45 and more information is available from Ruth at [grouchybeartoo@aol.com](mailto:grouchybeartoo@aol.com) or 408 997-1004

**NAME Day Tiki Time**  
**September 25, 2021**  
**M&L Precision**  
**18665 Madrone Parkway**  
**Morgan Hill**

Many cutters deadlines have passed but you may still be able to get the kits from a few. They also have accessory kits for sale so you will have to check their websites and offerings. Cutters are listed on [minicyberclub.com](http://minicyberclub.com)

Contact Barbara Thornton-Hill, [bathca@gmail.com](mailto:bathca@gmail.com), to register your event. Still not meeting in person at facilities? How about a Zoom Event? Several groups found those to be satisfactory in 2020. You can have the fun of sharing with others and also the privacy of assembly in your own workspace.



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## NAME Day with the Mini Cyber Club

### October 2 on Zoom

Registration for NAME DAY 2021 is on the MCC website: <https://www.minicyberclub.com/> There is no charge but we do need to know how many to expect and if you are a NAME member

**Heading: NAME DAY 2021** <https://www.minicyberclub.com/name-day-2021.html>

**Registration will be required and open to NAME members only.**

**\*Activities will include games, prizes and lots of Q & A time.**

\*We will be assembling our kits during the day but there will not be actual instruction because the various cutters have a variety of instructions and slight changes. However, we will have access to all the instructions so hope to be able to help you with any questions with your specific kit.

The Cutters' list is on the same page. Be sure to check the deadline dates for ordering your kit(s). Flyers from the various cutters are available in the files section of the MCC io group and on the NAME website: [www.miniatures.org](http://www.miniatures.org)

**Questions: Email Barbara** [bathca@gmail.com](mailto:bathca@gmail.com) **or Marcia** [HnMHuds@aol.com](mailto:HnMHuds@aol.com)



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### Good Sam Showcase of Miniatures

We are excited to be bringing the show back for you and seeing all our long-time friends once again. In addition to our wonderful dealers, we have the White Elephant (and it is huge!), the Silent Auction, Exhibits, Door Prizes and a Book Sale with great bargains to be had.

**Our gift for you .... with your entry, a kit created especially for our show by Debbie Young**

**Saturday evening is a special event just for NAME members so don't forget to read about it in Barbara Thornton-Hill's column!!**

Many of you will remember talented and long time area miniaturist, Laurel Gross, who passed away last year. There will be an Estate Sale in the showroom featuring her small scale collection.

**At this time, the county has mandated everyone must wear a mask! We will be asking for proof of vaccination** and for that reason we will not be offering the kid's registered and free workshops. There will be sanitizing stations throughout and everything possible will be done by us and the DoubleTree to ensure your comfort level regarding your safety while enjoying the show. We are currently working on a plan for as much distancing as possible.

Also, travel restrictions into the US have affected our workshops so those offered by foreign dealers have been cancelled.

**Ruth Heisch**

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### Good Sam Show: Be a Part of Something Special

This year marks the Good Sam Show's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and we are looking for short- and long-term volunteers to keep this dynamic show running strong. This is the largest miniature show west of the Mississippi and is run 100% on volunteer power with all proceeds going to support the Planetree Health Library. Interested in show operations? We have a committee for that. As well as committees for sales, auctions, classes, publicity, and more. We're looking for people to train under our committee heads for backup and eventual replacement. And only 2 meetings per year!

We also need volunteers at the show to help with ticket sales, auctions, monitor exhibits, and many other areas. This would be a 2-3 hour commitment on the weekend of the show. All volunteers get free admission.

For more information, call Ruth Heisch (who has been involved for ALL 45 years!) at 408-997-1004, or e-mail her at [grouchybeartoo@aol.com](mailto:grouchybeartoo@aol.com)

Thank you for considering this unique volunteer opportunity,

**Barb Jones, Show Advisor**

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## State Rep Reports

### East Bay, Tri-Valley

#### Open Position

### North Central

#### Margaret Gordus

**Our Little Mini Club:** We are meeting once a month via Zoom, each working on their own project. For the newsletter, I am asking a member to feature one of their miniatures.

This month Joanne Schaefer's Miniatures are featured.

—Margaret Gordus



*Joanne's Santon. The word Santon means little saint in French. This is a traditional nativity set from Provence, located in southern France. This tradition goes back to the 14th century. The houses in Provence have attached barns. The people of Provence pretend that baby Jesus was born in Provence. The townspeople you see in the picture are bringing gifts to the baby. They're bringing whatever they make or do.*

### North Coastal

#### State Rep Sharon Ocheltreer

**Redwood Small World:** Hello, everyone. I'm back with a vengeance. My kidneys finally got bad enough to necessitate dialysis and it was a rough ride for months. Besides my faith in Jesus Christ, my minis helped get me through. I could still communicate on the computer and follow miniature news and order treasures on-line. The anticipation of something special coming in the mail kept me happily awaiting for a good and exciting day.

Other good news is that we are getting back to normal with face-to-face meetings on a regular basis. Our very talented Christa Stressenger is a marvel at creating wicker accessories and furniture. She is trying to teach us and we are all attempting to make chairs. They are in various degrees of completion, with a few completed. It takes patience, as with anything mini. Christa has hosted meetings at her home and is an excellent and patient teacher.

Our last meeting was hosted by our newest member, Jean Scheffler, and we worked on Putz houses. They are small houses for your dollhouse, made of paper. You can purchase kits from Cynthia Howe's web site. If you are not familiar with her site, check it out. The Putz houses come in many seasonal designs and are super cute. Jean has "played" with miniatures for many years and has just finished a Santa's workshop. She enjoys felting and especially making little cats. Her "Cat Band" is precious and unique.

Hopefully, coming up is our Humboldt County Fair. We have entered our exhibits and are planning to demonstrate different techniques during fair days. The fair runs from August 18th to the 28th in Ferndale, CA. It is great fun to share the miniature art with folks of all ages.

Hope your summer is going well.

—Sharon Ocheltreer



*Christa's bassinet and basket*



*Chair made by Redwood Small World members*

### Fresno

#### State Rep Barbara Fairbanks

**Tinker Belles:** The Fresno Tinker Belles are being cooked this summer. Three days of July were under 100, one was 98, and two were 99. Almost too hot to work on minis but we have managed to stay active and meet every two weeks.

Jeanne Christofferson is moving to Fresno from Napa and we are looking forward to having her attend more meetings.

Congratulations to Barbara Encinas on getting her Masters degree this summer. She is a teacher in Reedley.

All of us are planning to attend the NAME DAY and have ordered kits and some extras to sit on the Tiki Hut counter.

I found some very small parrots on the button aisle today at JoAnn's. A little extra paint and they will be perfect!

We are all enjoying the Create part of NAME. Several have taken classes and others have enjoyed stocking up on kits.

We will be car pooling up to San Jose the first of October to enjoy shopping for the first time in a very long time.

Before you know it we will be in cooler weather and wishing for warmer days.

—Barbara Fairbanks

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## State Rep Reports

### Marin, Napa Valley

#### Open Position

### No. Nevada, Tahoe

Mary Ann Van Buskirk

### Sacramento, Central Valley, Sierra Foothills

#### State Rep Laura Seibert

**Gold Country Petal Pushers:** Well, June was our Christmas in June out to lunch meeting. We had a great lunch, had visitors (miniaturists) from out of town join us and we exchanged our flowers. I'm attaching some of the photos of the arrangements I have from the day. Lunch was terrific (we have a favorite sandwich and pizza place we love to go to and it's so uncrowded).

—Barbara Thornton-Hill



Barbara's flowers

**Itty Bitties:** The Itty Bitties have all been working on completing unfinished projects and starting new ones. We have been taking classes offered by Name and other very talented instructors. Some of us have worked on kits created by various artisans.

—Frances Bigler

**Quarter Persuasion:** Camp Makamini on the Create website was so much fun! We all participated in some way, whether buying the ¼" or ½" scale cabin kit to put together, or wearing our Camp Makamini T-shirt to Zoom events that week. We all bought Quick Minis that were sold during "Camp" week. What fun!

Several of us got started on our "NeverWas" just prior to Camp Makamini. Those of you that did that project have a very brave and adventurous spirit. I keep working away on whatever mini kit appeals to me that day. I am thinking of switching to finishing projects. That way I can get five projects completed by December 31<sup>st</sup> that I can count on my AIM form. We can count three projects under "completed room box, vignette, or scene." We can count two more projects under "completed dollhouse." I actually didn't have any items to claim under "built a piece of furniture or accessory from scratch" in 2020. Same for "completed miniature doll," and I have several doll kits. I have plenty of scratch projects listed in older Miniature Gazettes, so I'll have to see if I'm missing any of the supplies I'll need (especially for accessories).

Our three members who signed up for the Betterlys 2021 monthly subscription have been working on their suitcases. One member has gotten back to working on her NAME Makitz 4, the cottage by Kristie Norman. Another member already finished her cottage.

We're looking forward to International Dollhouse and Miniatures Month, October! We are excited about this year's NAME Day, the Tiki Bar. We've ordered our kits. We've signed up to attend MCC's NAME Day via Zoom on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. We're planning to attend some or all of Quarter Connection's events on October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

We are also happily anticipating the OLHP in February! The Online House-party (OLHP) registration begins at noon

PST on Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. The theme is Splintered Fairytales, cool theme. Make your fairytale scene splintered, or make it up traditionally, your pick. Sign-ups for Workshops, Theme Luncheons, and the Thursday Night Project start at noon PST on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Registration and Sign-ups all happen at [www.create.miniatures.org](http://www.create.miniatures.org). NAME's second website,

Our Quarter Persuasion club has met in person one time now, since the start of the pandemic. We met at a restaurant in Roseville May 15<sup>th</sup>, which was sort of centrally located for us. We'll see when we next meet again in person; our current plan/hope is twice a year, even post-pandemic. Some of us are starting to make Christmas gifts for everyone in the club. We didn't do that last year. We love our weekly, Monday 11 am Zoom meetings. We also like our 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 11am Zoom meetings, too; the traditional day for our in-person meetings. Not everything has to change, perhaps. There are lots of changes, some of them good. We enjoy Zoom and getting to meet more often.

—Laura Seibert



Laura's Christmas ornament, a Quarter Persuasion project. The tree was made from a kit by True2Scale; the treetop angel and snowman were made by Laura.



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## State Rep Reports

### Hawaii

**State Rep Naomi Losch**

### South Bay, Peninsula

#### Open Position

**Through the Looking Glass:** Through the Looking Glass is very excited about NAME Day, the Tiki Bar project and co-hosting a Work Day in Morgan Hill with MiniCals. We have been spending the summer months working on table favors of kits and gifts related to the theme.

We were able to return to our usual meeting place this month at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Saratoga and we look forward to many more times of normality.

We also welcomed a new member, Michael Touchi, to our group this summer. A gifted musician, Michael brings a great interest in miniatures and is jumping right in with the Tiki Bar project.

Hoping to join new and old friends on NAME Day!

—Barbara Adams

**MiniCals:** The MiniCals had a lovely outdoor luncheon in June to celebrate before our summer break. We had been having Zoom meetings during the year, but it was great to see one another again.

We have been working with Through the Looking Glass to present a "Tiki Time" event for NAME day. We will have our usual fun, food and friendship gathering with door prizes, shoebox sales and gifts. Cost is \$45. Contact Ruth at grouchybeartoo@aol.com or call 408 997-1004.

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September 25, 2021  
M&L Precision  
18665 Madrone Parkway  
Morgan Hill

—Brenda Houghin

**Mini Attics:** We are still meeting weekly on Zoom. Some club members are busy collecting items for the Tiki Bar, and they have found some really nice accessories to add to it.

Cindy Loman has been busy making items for swaps, where she has fun making and receiving them. Four members went to Morgan Hill for the attic class. Carol went to the Miniatures in the Wine Country sale. It was really nice for her to see other mini friends and, of course, to shop. Carol and Brenda are going to the Summer in Tahoe class for the "Meet me at the Museum" Egyptian Historical items in a Unique Room box.

At times like these it's so nice to have minis in which to get lost.

—Gerry Silberstein

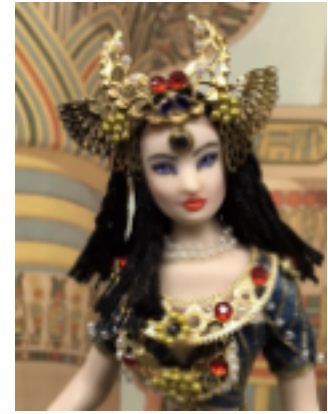


Carol's snowman shelf

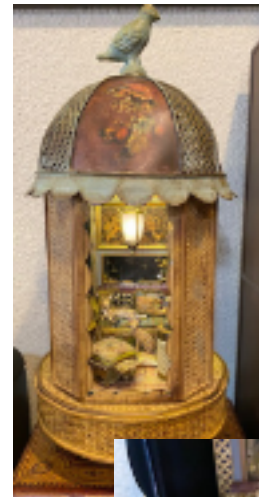
**Wee Housers:** We we continue to stay safe and for the most part shelter in place, We each work on own project while we chat and share ideas and pictures.

Rhona Lee completed another Dana Burton doll kit aptly named "Cleo." Rhona also attended the Miniatures in the Wine Country sale, where she purchased one of Nancy Wantiez's painted, wigged and costumed Marcia Backstrom resin dolls and purchased some beautiful crocheted afghans made by Donna Durham.

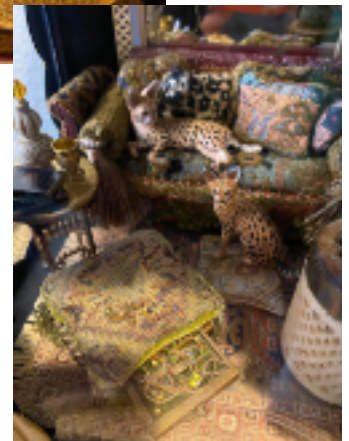
—Laura Johnson



*Rhona's Cleo project included findings and brightly colored stones to mimic the bejeweled costuming of this famous Egyptian ruler. Instead of using viscose for the hair, embroidery floss was braided to create one of Cleopatra's iconic hairstyles.*



*Another member's beautifully finished Turkish room*



### San Francisco, No. Peninsula

**Open Position**



## **Small Talk**

### **NAME Region N2 Calendar**

September 25	NAME Day in Morgan Hill
October 2	NAME Day NAME Day with the Mini Cyber Club
October 9–10 9	Good Sam Showcase of Miniatures NAME Night at the Good Sam Show

## **Winter Miniature Show and Sale**

**January 7–9, 2022**

**9am–4pm**

**1024 Industrial Way, Suite A  
Lodi, CA 95241**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**You must pre-register.**

**To sign up please email: [fjdebbie@aol.com](mailto:fjdebbie@aol.com)**

**Include the day you would like to come and the number of people in your party.**

**Due to the size of the venue, admission is limited to 50 a day**

### **Check the N2 Website**

Local mini events may be limited, but there are opportunities to get together and share our enthusiasm for miniatures online! Check out the calendar on our N2 website: [nameregionn2.org/events-calendar](http://nameregionn2.org/events-calendar) It's updated with online events, including workshops and sales.

If you know of a miniature related event or have information/photos to share, please contact Carol ([namen2regionwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:namen2regionwebmaster@gmail.com)) to add it to the calendar page of the website.

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