

small talk

N.A.M.E. Region N-1 Newsletter Summer 2020 Issue No. 45
Representing: Arizona; New Mexico; So. Nevada; El Paso, Texas and So. California



A Message from Jan Feldhouse, Our Regional Coordinator

Hello NAME Members,

Here it is July and I, like many of you, was suppose to be getting ready for convention in Indianapolis which has been postponed to 2022. I am sad that we cannot be together in person at one of our most anticipated events. I know that some of you will be taking the virtual classes offered. I am happy that we have this wonderful technology at our fingertips to allow that to occur. Let's enjoy our minis in whatever form we can.

I encourage you to participate in our NAME day project that is a craft sink & overhead cabinet. In the Miniature Gazette July/August 2020 on pages 17-23 are cutting instructions and assembly information. If you don't wish to cut your own pieces, check out Miniature Gazette May/June 2020 page 8 for a list of cutters. You may order your own. Everybody can get involved in the same pieces and it's amazing how different they turn out with such creative imaginations of our members.

To update you on my personal dollhouse I talked about last newsletter, I am almost done thanks to my brother Jerry for giving me a helping hand during our quarantined time. Pictures are better than words. I have attached a few.

Sending a big shout out to Janet Smith for enlarging our photos. It was a great idea and the details are so much easier on the eyes. Kudos!

Continue to social distance so you stay healthy and enjoy your summer.

(See pics of Jan's dollhouse on the next page.)

People liked the bigger pics at the end of the newsletter so much that we're doing it again! The gallery starts on page 20.



House after sprayed white



In process with dollhouse



Windows



Shingles done



Dollhouse almost done

Please Note...

A **BIG THANKS** go out to Janet Smith for her service as our Regional Newsletter Editor and Web Administrator. She is relinquishing her position that she has done remarkably for years. We appreciate your service to our region and all you do for NAME.

As of our October newsletter, we will have a new editor. Janet Gordon will take over this position. Her email is jg89084@gmail.com. So please send future news/photos from clubs to Janet Gordon. As a former educator (middle school and college level), Janet has great credentials for this opportunity. We thank her for volunteering.

Club News

Orange County Miniature Guild

From Judy Meyer, State Rep., California: Riverside, Orange and San Bernardino Counties

While the club hasn't been meeting during this time, several members of the Orange County Miniature Guild have been hard at work on miniatures.

From Vicki Scidmore: These are what I have been doing during shutdown. It's nice to finish some old projects as well as some new kits. Still have some things I can finish. All the Tudor furniture needs to go in my house (and I have more, done before lockdown). A great feeling of accomplishment!).



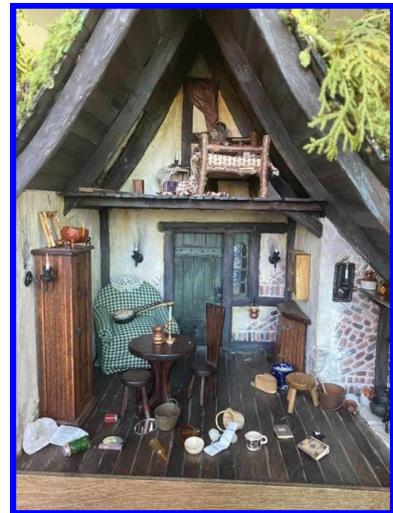
Also from Vicki: The Debbie Young shops I made. Not finished decorating but pleased with the results.



Also from Vicki: Started before shutdown with more furniture done during it. Lots more things done than usual. I didn't spend all my time on mini's but it was sure fun to get so many things done. Hope to get this finished soon and then on to my arts and crafts style room (at last).



Laura Craine posted these pictures of the class she took from Rik Pierce called Wind and the Willows Ratty's House on Facebook and definitely need to share them.



Jeanne Smith sent a picture of the chair she completed that is part of the ongoing accessories for a porch that the Orange County Miniature Guild was working on before the pandemic.



Jeanne Smith submitted a photo of her recently-finished petit-point project, which is based on a 19th-century Kurdistan prayer rug that is now in the Met in New York – the chart is from Frank Cooper's book *Needlepoint Carpets in Miniature*, and I think he did an excellent job in translating the full-sized carpet into 1:12. This is one of her favorite charts in the book, and she enjoyed every minute of stitching it!

Judy Meyer adds: I guess I can fill up the newsletter with some of my completed projects during COVID-19 quarantine. I have taken advantage of some of the teacher's offerings through NAME. (More eye candy from Judy included at the end with the bigger pictures.)



Philadelphia Thorne Room workshop at Pittsburgh Houseparty taught by Gayle Baillargeon



Robin Betterley Kit in quarter scale.

Karen Benson Kit.



San Diego Miniature Crafters

From: Debi Cerone

State Rep, California, San Diego and Imperial Counties

Well we can't meet in person, but that doesn't stop the San Diego Miniature Crafters from having a great time! We're able to get the majority of members to attend our monthly Zoom meetings. We still manage to have a business meeting plus a Show and Tell of what we are working on. Our monthly door prize has been an Around the World theme (orchestrated by the Flamingo Lady). Peggy has managed to put together a travel vignette from a different country each month and mails it out to the lucky winner. We are also working individually on our club project for the year - a bread board with either a garden, kitchen or bar scene. We can't wait to see everyone's



project in person, but aren't sure when that will be. In the meantime, we are moving forward with our show plans for the first weekend in February and already have vendors on board. We are hopeful that the show will go on! If there was ever a time to work on your minis, this is it. Stay safe everyone... (Pictures of the Club Project on the next page!)



These are pictures of the San Diego Miniature Crafters Club Project.



Albuquerque Mini Makers

From Susan Sheridan, NM State Rep & President, Albuquerque Mini Makers



The Albuquerque Mini Makers have not been able to meet together for the past few months. We have temporarily stopped work on the quarter scale Cottage project we started in February.

When we are able to get together again we will pick up with the project. As we have both Rose &

Christiane helping with specific techniques working on the cottage.

I have been working on various mini projects over the months. I completed a Christmas Santa room box scene. It contains a collection of tiny Santas along with Christmas and Santa related items. I have wanted to display them and I think it came out really nice. With everything in the room box, I painted the hutch display, added my hand painted tiny angel and Santa toothpick figurines and two gift wrapped packages. I used the Dollar Tree micro led string of warm lights for lighting the box just taped it to the ceiling. (See photos)



Plans are still on for the annual NAME Day to be held on Saturday, Oct 17 from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm which will include all scales of the Sink & Cabinet kits. We are planning to break up our group to meet at 3 member's homes in smaller groups that day. That way we can still have fun with food, project, gift exchange and raffle prizes.

It has been fun with the online Mini Shows, Conventions and projects. We need to continue this as this keeps us inspired and creative with our miniatures.

Many thanks to everyone who has been helping NAME with the online projects, Quarter Connection roundtables, projects and online convention, and Mini Online Shows.

Everyone stay healthy as we move into the late summer and into fall.

Susan



Update for Southern Arizona

Submitted by Kathy Grissom

The good news from the Tucson Miniature Society (TMS):

The Tucson Show normally held in October, by TMS, is still being planned. The theme is "Miniatures of the Southwest", and it will be fun to see the variations of miniatures buildings created from the template of a Southwest home plan that was shared with the club members.

The decision and vote to continue planning for the show was recently made at a special meeting that included the board members and the show Chair woman. The show will be held on October 17 and 18, at the Tucson Woman's Club, 6245 E. Bellevue St., Tucson, AZ.

Keeping everyone safe was addressed, including being able to maintain distancing.

Weather in Tucson in October is great for outdoor activities, so that allows for outside spacer to be used, including a covered area, during busy times so that distancing of any visitors can be maintained during the event.

Currently there are more dealers registered than last year, and that includes a few new Vendors, and it's something I personally am looking forward to.

Check out the website for more information about the club and the upcoming October show at: <https://tucsonminiatures.weebly.com/>

The not so good news:

The Tucson Club currently has over 30 members and our normal meeting spot is usually very crowded at meetings. Being close has never been a problem for our friendly group, but that means that any in person meetings for the club are canceled until distancing is no longer an issue, or a much larger space is found to hold meetings. A number of our members do not have the technology to attend online meetings, so the bad news is our club meetings are canceled until a larger meeting space can be found or distancing is no longer required.

If you have questions about the planned October show, you can contact me at kcrafter02@gmail.com or check out the club information at <https://tucsonminiatures.weebly.com/>

Report on Yuma

The Yuma Club does not meet in the summer so there is no new information from our Yuma members.

Las Vegas Miniature Enthusiasts

Submitted by Janet Gordon for State Rep. Sonia Burke

We are all trying to adjust to the “new normal” that seems to change weekly. We had to cancel several meetings because our meeting place was not available. Thank you, Jan Feldhouse, for opening your house for our meetings starting in June. And welcome to our new member, Joyce Bernard.

All Hallows Fantasy, our Nevada State Day scheduled for 2020, is postponed until October 2021. (Fingers crossed.) Several “works under construction” for Nevada State Day by our members are below. For updates, check us out at lvminiatures.org or contact us at lvminiatures@gmail.com.



Janet Downing brought in the very handy dollar store wood furniture pieces to paint and Modge Podge. We used acrylic and chalk paint and Keda Dye. Even though it took a while to catch up on what we had all been doing under quarantine, we managed to do some work! And Sonia Burke showed us how to make little (of course) lanterns with jewelry findings and charms.



Ana Conroy, Dresser



Marcella Pratt Fatemi,
Balloons, Dresser



Norma Kesling, Parisian
Box, Dresser

The International Market of Miniature Artisans (IMOMA) is still planning an event in Las Vegas In February—with both wholesale days and retail days. We are planning to volunteer and to offer at least one class. You might want to consider a trip (imomalv.com). Hopefully, things will be better!

We can't guarantee where and when we will be meeting, so check us out at lvminiatures.org or contact us at lvminiatures@gmail.com.



Three views of the Nevada
State Day Project (2021) by
Norma Kesling

**2021 Phoenix, Arizona 43rd
Annual Miniature Show & Sale**

Arizona State University West
4701 West Thunderbird, Glendale,
Arizona 85306

Saturday, March 27, 2021 10 am – 5
pm

Sunday, March 28, 2021 11 am – 4 pm

Admission: Adults \$8, Children \$2

www.phoenixminiatures.com

**Exhibits, Sales, Door prizes &
Raffles**

**Free Make-and-take project for
children**



fantasy postponed!

Since the world has changed to fantastical/unbelievable/mind-boggling, the club has decided to reschedule plain old charming fantasy.

NEVADA STATE DATE -- All Hallows Fantasy -- will be rescheduled for October 2021, the dates to be determined. Check our website, lvminiatures.org, for further details.

*We dream of being able to craft 24/7,
but not this way!*

35th

MINIATURES WEST 35th SHOW AND SALE

www.miniatureswest.com

Courtyard by Marriott

6333 Bristol Parkway

Culver City, CA 90230 (310-484-7000)

1 DAY ONLY – Saturday, February 13, 2021

9:30 am – 4:30 pm – Tickets \$7.00

Children 6-12 years - \$3.00 (no strollers)

Show Information

Nancy Branch 310-454-2054

Workshop Information

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Rosa Rothering 310-467-5590

E-mail

wbranch@earthlink.net

Albuquerque Mini Makers NAME Day "Cabinet & Sink" project

****Saturday, Oct 17, 2020**

9:30 am to 4:30 pm

Meadowbrook Trailer Park Community Center

7401 San Pedro Dr NE

Albuquerque, NM 87109

****NOTE:** This event will happen either in person – if we are allowed by then or it will be set up virtually. We will confirm as we get closer to the date and make arrangements for raffle drawings, exhibits and gift exchange if we are virtual.

Thanks for your understanding and patience.

On the following 3 pages is the kit order form, email or mail to Susan with payment

Please make checks payable to Susan Sheridan and all payment for kits are **due** to me **on or before July 10.**

At this time there is no 144th kit available. If they become available I will let you all know for those interested in ordering. SDK is swamped with the cart kit orders.

The NAME Day includes a potluck lunch, drinks, snacks,

Gift Exchange (value \$7.50 minimum) give a gift get a gift

Raffle drawings - Raffle donations of mini scenes/ items (valued \$10 minimum)

Raffle tickets available for purchase that day proceeds go to our club

\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5 or 12 for \$10

TV Tray Sales – one per request provide your own change, space to sell is TV Tray size.

Exhibits – Members' minis



*National Association of
Miniature Enthusiasts*

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TV Tray Sales - one per request provide your own change, space to sell is TV Tray size.

Exhibits - Members' minis or completed projects



Looking forward to our NAME Day

Any questions please contact me ss5380@cablone.net or 505-340-5846 cell

PAYMENTS & ORDERS ARE DUE TO SUSAN SHERIDAN BY JULY 10

NAME DAY 2020 Cabinet & Sink

RETURN THIS PORTION TO SUSAN FOR YOUR ORDER

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Name	Date			
Cabinet & Sink Kits	Scale	Price Ea	Quantity	Total
Cabinet with in counter Sink	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 18.00		
Cabinet on Wall (Overhead)	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 12.00		
Acrylic Counter Top optional	1" Scale Acrylic	\$ 4.00		
CHOICE BELOW				
Optional "Farm Sink" Cabinet	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 18.00		
Acrylic "Farm Sink" Counter Top	1" Scale Acrylic	\$ 4.00		
Cabinet with in counter Sink	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 14.00		
Cabinet with in counter Sink	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 16.00		
Cabinet on Wall (Overhead)	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 10.00		
Cabinet on Wall (Overhead)	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
Optional "Farm Sink" Cabinet	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 14.00		
Optional "Farm Sink" Cabinet	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 16.00		
Cabinet with in counter Sink	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
Cabinet on Wall (Overhead)	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 8.00		
Optional "Farm Sink" Cabinet	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
Cabinet with in counter Sink	1/44" Scale	\$ 12.00		
ACCESSORIES KITS				
Peg Board & Cork Board (Set)	1" Scale Maple	\$ 10.00		
Side Cabinet for Yam Kit	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 20.00		
Side Cabinet for Ribbons & Paper Kit	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 20.00		
Peg Board & Cork Board (Set)	1/2" Scale Maple	\$ 9.00		
Side Cabinet for Yam Kit	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 14.00		
Side Cabinet for Ribbons & Paper Kit	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 14.00		
Side Cabinet for Yam Kit	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 17.00		
Side Cabinet for Ribbons & Paper Kit	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 17.00		
Side Cabinet for Yam Kit	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
Side Cabinet for Ribbons & Paper Kit	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
Wood Storage Bin	1" Scale	\$ 9.00		
Wood Storage Bin	1/2" Scale	\$ 8.00		
Wood Storage Bin	1/4" Scale	\$ 7.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1" Scale Basswood	\$ 12.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1" Scale Cherry	\$ 12.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1" Scale Maple	\$ 12.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1/2" Scale Basswood	\$ 10.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1/2" Scale Cherry	\$ 10.00		
2 Drawer File with working Drawers	1/2" Scale Maple	\$ 10.00		
2 Drawer File - Non working drawers 2 Files per Kit	1/4" Scale Cherry	\$ 8.00		

NAME DAY 2020 Cabinet & Sink

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		Grand	Total	

Square credit card transactions will have a \$1.00 fee added

Cash _____ Check _____ Credit Card _____

Date paid _____

Please make checks payable to Susan Sheridan

Pay with PayPal please use ssheridan@q.com for email make note for AMM Day

All payment for kit(s) is due to me on or before July 10.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Region N-1 Events, Dates and Locations

October 17, 2020

Albuquerque Miniature Maker NAME Day

For more info, contact Susan Sheridan at ss5380@cableone.net

February 6-7, 2021

San Diego Miniatures Show and Sale

Where: Marriott Del Mar, 11966 El Camino Real, San Diego, CA 92130

When: Saturday 10am-5pm & Sunday 11am-4pm

Admission: Adults \$8, Children \$2 (Sunday Free with paid admission on Saturday)

For more info: <https://sdminiatureshow.com/>

February 13, 2021

Miniatures West 35th Show and Sale

Where: Courtyard by Marriott, 6333 Bristol Parkway, Culver City, CA 90230

When: Saturday 9:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Admission: \$7, Children (6-12 years) \$3 (No Strollers)

For more info, contact Nancy Branch at wbranch@earthlink.net

March 27-28, 2021

43rd Annual Phoenix Doll House Miniature Show and Sale

Where: Arizona State University West, 4701 West Thunderbird, Glendale, AZ

When: Saturday, Feb. 29: 10 a.m.—5 p.m., Sunday, March 1: 11 a.m.—4 p.m.

Admission: Adults \$8, Children \$2

Exhibits, Sales, Door Prizes, Raffles, Free Make-and-Take project for children.

For more info: <http://phoenixminiatures.com/>

October 2021 (Postponed due to Covid-19)

Nevada State Day, "All Hallows Fantasy"

For more information, check <https://www.lvminiatures.org/>, or send email to:

lvminiatures@gmail.com.

(If your event is missing, please notify Janet Smith at desertminis@gmail.com with the details. It can be added to the next newsletter and posted on our website!)

N.A.M.E. Events, Dates and Locations

April 9-11, 2021 (rescheduled from 2020)

Come Fly with Me

Where: Portland, OR

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/2020Portland>

July 22-25, 2021

From Sea to Shining Sea

Where: Providence, RI

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/2021Providence>

February 17-20, 2022

Splintered Fairytales

Where: Online

Summer, 2022 (rescheduled from 2020, dates to be determined)

Winter Wonderland

Where: Indianapolis, IN

For more info: <https://miniatures.org/2020Indianapolis>

Don't forget to notify your website administrator of any upcoming shows or events in your area! That way, they can go on the website between newsletters.

Send submissions to Janet Smith at desertminis@gmail.com

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Submissions for the Spring Issue are due by April 15th.

Submissions for the Summer Issue are due by July 15th.

Submissions for the Fall Issue are due by October 15th.

The editor welcomes articles containing news about club activities, events, displays, etc. Please keep club reports to 400 words and no more than six pictures.

The editor needs to occasionally change font size, crop photos, and move things around to make things fit. Please submit text in .doc or .txt format (text in email is just fine), photos in .jpg format. If you submit flyers in .pdf format, please assure they are one page flyers only.

Events, updates, other timely information, and past volumes of the newsletter may also be found on the Regional Web Site: <https://n1.miniatures.org/>. Remember that your region relies solely upon volunteers and has no budget for mailings. You are encouraged to share this newsletter with your mini friends who do not have access to the internet.

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Miniature Gallery











