
May 2018

A-1 Region Newsletter

Greetings,

Summer is just around the corner and with it more time for working on projects and taking road trips. Although I look forward to a little travel, I hope to use some of my time teaching Girl Scouts about miniatures, helping a young family member build a quarter scale barn, and working on a couple of unfinished projects (UFOs). Speaking of UFOs, check out the information about a new NAME Facebook POD group under the latest "Did You Know Section" which focuses on UFOs. I hope to have a couple of pictures to show in our next newsletter. If you finish a UFO, please send me a picture and we'll add it to the next newsletter which will come out at the end of August. Have a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

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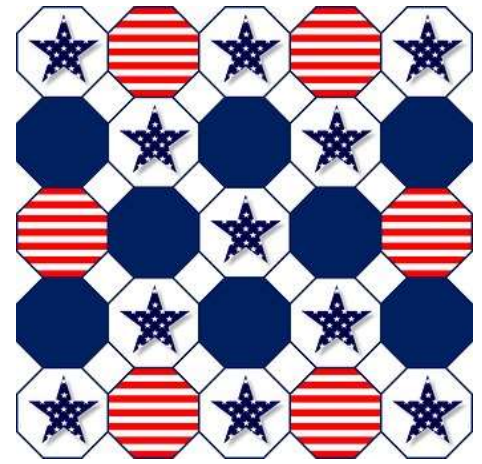
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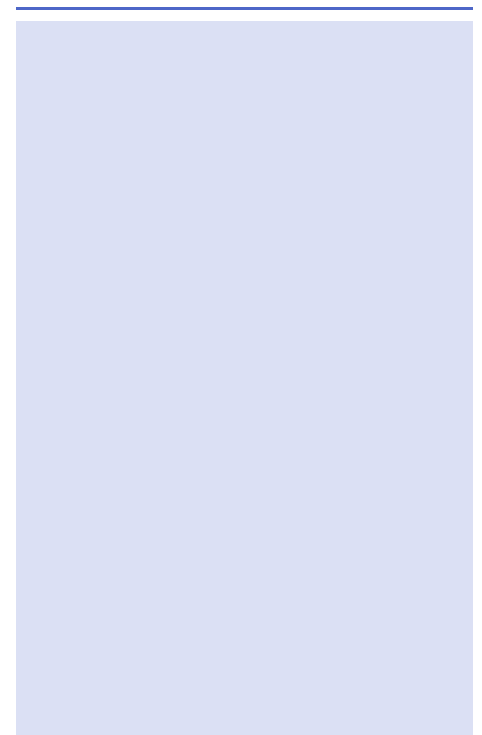
Is spring ever going to get here and stay? I'm sure you know what I mean because you're all Midwesterners. I'd like to get out and do some planting but between the rain and the cold I just can't get motivated to do it. Oh well, I have plenty of unfinished kits and projects to work on indoors. In addition to my long-time stash, I've have been to, and bought at, four mini shows in the last month or so.

We at NAME have been fortunate to be able to have tables given to us by all the show promoters. (Thanks to all who sat at those tables.) We made some money for our regional fund, added a few members, met lots of new people, and renewed friendships at the shows. Of course, I am talking about the April Chicago International, The Miniature Show and the Three Blind Mice Show, all well



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recognized and attended. But last week I was able to attend a new show in Waukesha, WI. The show was small but there was a nice mixture of dealers and the venue was well lit and roomy. T & D Miniatures did a great job setting it up and have already renewed for next year. Now we must do our part and support the show with attendance and sales. T & D has also planned a show in Minneapolis this August. Neither Wisconsin nor Minnesota has had a show in years, so kudos and good luck to T & D for promoting miniatures in the Midwest.

Are you going to NAME Day in October? This year it is on October 6. Pictures of the project are in the Gazette along with ways to order kits (desk and chair, 3 scales). Of course, you can make the kit at home but why not enjoy the day with other miniaturists. I hope some clubs have planned a meeting around this. At this time, I know of only one event in our region, promoted by Alician Pearce and held in Madison, WI. There will be tote bags, round table kits, and houseparty helpers. Donations of tote bag favors and helpers are welcome. Contact Alician for more information. If there are other NAME days planned, please put the information on the A-1 website and the A-1 Facebook page.

That's about it for now. Hope to see you in Charleston!

Dolores Kelley

Upcoming Events

June 8-9, Lees Summit, Mo. Kansas City Dollhouse and Miniature Show, Summit Lodge no.263, 2409 M-291 Hwy, Lees Summit, Mo.

August 3-4, Minneapolis, MN. Minneapolis Dollhouse Show, Doubletree Hotel North, 2200 Freeway Blvd., Minneapolis.

Oct 5-6, Bridgeton, MO. St. Louis Dollhouse and Miniature Show, Machinist Hall, 12365 St. Charles Rock Road, Bridgeton, MO 63044

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August 23-26, Charleston, SC, Sweet Tea & Sunshine, a Southern Celebration, 2018 National Convention. Registration opens February 23.

If you know of an upcoming miniature related event in your area, please send a description of the event and location information to Meredith Hink at zondagmd@hotmail.com and Dolores Kelly at dolores_kelley@sbcglobal.net for the website.

Did You Know?

- NAME has an Etsy shop as well as monthly auctions of estate items.
- If you are going to Charleston, you will see many fine sweetgrass baskets for sale and on display. They are one of our country's oldest handicraft of African origin, tying West Africa to S.C.'s low country via the slave trade.
- The Gazette has a survey asking members' opinions on ways to better serve their members with less money. Fill it out online from the NAME website or send it in to the NAME office.
- Jennifersprintables.com has all kinds of printies—labels, wallpaper, photos, groceries, games—and they are easy to print out.
- Look at sugarlift.com for an interesting history of miniatures, from illuminated manuscripts to jewelry and paintings.

- There is a new NAME Facebook POD. NAME UFOers. This is a group for any NAME members in good standing. It will be a place to share your started but not finished projects. The POD's goal is to motivate and support NAME members in finishing all those unfinished projects they have laying around. If you are on facebook and would like to join, search for NAME UFOers POD, or contact Alician Pearce.

Club Information

Illinois

Midstate Minimakers of Illinois
Meets 1st Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Bloomington, IL
Contact: Cathy Sutliff
309-828-7471

Windy City Miniature Club
Meets 4th Saturday at 9:00 a.m.
Wheeling, IL
Contact: Dolores Kelley
847-808-0235

The 993 Club
Meets Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.
Crete, IL
Contact: Art Martlink
708-672-9045

SCALE
Meets 1st Saturday at 12:00 p.m.
Oak Lawn, IL
Contact: Linda Bagniewski
708-361-1776

North Shore Miniature Society
Meets 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
Contact: Dee Dee Whipple
224-723-5521

Iowa

Miniature Club of Cedar Rapids
Meets 2nd Saturday at 9:30 a.m.
Contact: Linda Freeland
Marion, IA
319-373-1993

Mini Wonders in Chicago
Meets 2nd Saturday at 3:00 p.m.
Chicago, IL
Contact: Delia Gray
773-643-0431

Wee "C" Miniature Club
Meets 4th Friday at 7:30 p.m.
Oakbrook Terrace, IL
Contact: Monica Bernard
773-251-5180

Town Hall Minis
Meets 3rd Tuesday at 12:30 a.m.
New Lenox, IL
Contact: Karen Dierks
815-462-9527

Metro Mini Makers
Meets 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Moline, IL
Contact: Patty Johnson
309-912-0392

WEST
Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month
Contact: Beth Grabau
Windsor Heights, IA
515-993-3240

The Sunday Bunch**
Meets last Saturday at 1:00 p.m.
Bettendorf, IA
Contact: Charlotte Ingogly
563-508-2762

Omaha-Council Bluffs Miniature Guild
Meets 3rd Sunday at 1:30 p.m.
La Vista, Nebraska
Contact: Edna Bonney
402-426-4624 or ocbmguild@gmail.com

Minnesota

Tiny Treasure Makers
Meets 2nd Saturday at 1:30 p.m.
Mankato, MN
Contact: Vivian Siemen
507-387-4906

Missouri

Crazy About the Small Stuff
Meets 2nd Thursday of each month
Raytown, Mo
Contact: Debbie Baker
816-739-5796

St. Louis Miniature Guild
Meets 4th Thursday at 11:30 a.m.
Chesterfield, Mo
Contact: Judith Harward
636-530-4586

Show-Me Mini Friends
Meets Monday afternoons
Springfield, Mo
Contact: Jan Bradley
417-864-5391

MINIS ONLY
Meets 1st Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.
Wentzville, Mo
Contact: Frances Geraradi
636-887-0167

Dream Builders Club**
2nd Thursday of the Month – 2 pm
St. Louis Area – Creve Coeur
Contact: Darlene Carter
636-227-6104
minidar@att.net

Quarter Time (Qtr Scale Club)**
3rd Wednesday of the Month – 11 pm
St. Louis Area
Contact: Elaine Levine
314-323-6193
elainebio@aol.com

KetchUp Club**
2nd Monday of the Month – 10 am
Miniature Museum of Greater St. Louis
Contact: Fay Zerbolio
314-261-7439
FZerb@aol.com

Alton Miniature Club**
3rd Tuesday of the Month – 2 pm
Alton, IL Area
Contact: Barb Pizzini
618-656-3603
pizzinifam@charter.net

Wisconsin

Madison Area Miniature Enthusiasts (MAME)
Meets 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
Madison, WI
Contact: Lori Johnson
608-837-9092

Milwaukee Miniatures
Meets 1st Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
Wauwatosa, WI
Contact: Carolyn Mitchell
414-355-8492

Mini Moo's
Meets 2nd Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
2014 Columbus St
Manitowoc, WI 54220
Contact: Kay Felde

Lakeshore Miniature Makers
Meets 3rd Saturday at 9:00 a.m.
Sheboygan Falls, WI
Contact: Elaine Dunisch
920-452-4798

Mini Diversions
Meets Sundays every couple months
Greenfield, WI
Contact: Lynn Jensen
414-763-4195

** Non-NAME clubs

State Representatives

Illinois: Veronica Forman
vfore10414@aol.com

Missouri: Marilyn Walls
mwalls@pmestl.com

Iowa: vacant
TBD

Wisconsin: Alician Pearce
ubfaep@yahoo.com

Minnesota: Kathy Goetsch
Kgetch4gmail.com

Regional Coordinator: Dolores Kelley
Dolores-kelley@sbcglobal.net

Club News

Lakeshore Miniature Makers

This weekend event is sponsored by LAKESHORE MINIATURE MAKERS of Sheboygan, WI, and is a registered event. Check with contact below for openings.

WHEN? June 21-24, 2018

WHAT IS IT? A weekend get-together of 30 miniaturists, that begins on Thursday afternoon and concludes after lunch on Sunday. No classes, no gifts, no door prizes, and no centerpieces. This is just a fun relaxing time to work on some of those unfinished projects, see old friends, and hopefully meet some new friends.

WHERE? Cedar Valley Retreat Center, West Bend, WI (<http://cedar-valley.org/>)

COST? per person: \$329 for a single room, and \$299 for a double room. This price is for all three nights and includes all meals and snacks. You can pay on installments of \$50.00, but the total must be paid by February 1, 2018. Rooms will not be assigned until the full amount is received.

Silent Auction There will be a silent auction. All proceeds will go to the seller. All items must be registered with a bid sheet attached. (Bring cash, no checks or credit cards).

Contact person: Elaine Dunisch, 2809 Wilgus Avenue, Sheboygan, WI 53081, 920-452-4798
elainedunisch@yahoo.com Phone or email for a registration form.

NAME DAY

Madison Area Miniature Enthusiasts will once again host NAME DAY in Madison, WI. It will be held on October 6 from 10- 3. We will have tote bag favors, Houseparty helpers, souvenirs, and roundtable sales. the cost is \$35. Please email Alician Pearce at ubfaep@yahoo.com for more info and registration forms.

Jockeys and Juleps Houseparty

By: Alician Pearce

Region A3 held the Jockeys and Juleps Houseparty May 18-19. There were many great workshops, roundtables, Houseparty helpers, silent auction pieces, and they even had a garage sale. Friday night featured a talk with Kaye Savage Browning of the Kentucky Gateway Museum. The pieces she showcased were incredible to say the least. I didn't have the chance to get to the museum, but it is on my bucket list! Kaye even signed her book that she had there. The souvenirs were outstanding. One of them was even a Peter Acquisto piece! I have to say, that is probably my favorite souvenir ever. Saturday evening showcased ladies in fashionable hats, just like you see during the Kentucky Derby. Nancy Claypool and Ellen Younkens did a fabulous job hosting the Houseparty. The next big NAME event is the National Convention in Charleston, SC. I hope to see you there!!

