



# REGION A3 WHOLE DARN YEAR 2020 AND THE START OF A MUCH BETTER YEAR OF 2021....

I am jumping in ahead of our Regional Coordinator, the honorable Nancy Claypool.....this newsletter has a lot of information. We had the Spring letter 2020 ready to go and technically thinks got tough....so this newsletter has lots of old things and lots of new stuff. If there are any repeats or deletions I apologize. Let me know and we will get it into the next newsletter.

Sorry Nancye....mary barrett

A3 Summer Newsletter Hello A3

Good afternoon A3 Mini Friends!

Hope everyone is still staying safe and healthy. As we go into our 7th month of this pandemic, I hope everyone is finishing a lot of miniature projects that you thought you never would. Kentucky weather has been very hot so it is definitely a great time to work on minis. Hope your club has offered zoom meetings and The Louisville Miniature Club has even

met in person outside and it was so great to see friends other than on the computer. Don't forget to sign up on Mini Mansions website for the chance to win a \$100 gift certificate. Mark your calendar NAME Day on October 3. So many shows have been cancelled this year but keep checking for the Louisville show in October and Columbus show in November. Fingers crossed that these will happen. If you haven't checked out the NAME website and the Create site, you are really missing out! So many workshops, lunch and learn and projects for every miniaturists.

The NAME 2020 Convention, "Winter Wonderland", has been rescheduled for July 2022.

The Board believes this was the best decision at this time to keep members safe.

As always take care, be safe and mini hugs to all of you!

Stay safe and Happy Miniaturing!
Nancye Claypool
A3 Regional Coordinator

#### Hi from O H IO

I hope everyone has been staying safe and enjoying miniatures while we have been in quarantine. Sadly some shows have been cancelled shows, but Midwest Showcase, Cincinnati, Louisville and Columbus are still planning their shows. Be sure to check with them as their dates get closer.

I also hope that members took advantage of the special on line Miniature Event hosted by NAME. It seems to have been successful so there may be some similar events in the future. Keep checking miniatures.org, the NAME homepage for future events. The Create tab on the NAME website has many fabulous things to get involved in.

Other ways to stay connected are on the NAME Facebook page, and NAME groups io . There are also groups that are meeting on Zoom.

Don't forget about NAME Day. A list of cutters is in the May/June Gazette.

Many groups are still planning NAME Day events, including on line events.

Make sure you check your NAME membership expiration date and update your yearly membership. Some reminders may have been lost or delayed during these uncertain day.

Most of all, keep miniaturing and sharing what you are doing on Facebook, or in our newsletter. Remember, "Only through sharing can we truly enjoy our treasures."

Kathy Price Ohio NAME Rep.

#### **Future deadlines**

We will shoot for September

At that point hopefully some shows will have been held and
we will know what the future holds!!!

Well, I hope this finds everyone safe and healthy. Missing all of my mini friends. Phone calls and zoom meetings are ok, but not quite as nice. The NAME on line activities were great. I purchased some very nice roundtables. And I registered for a workshop.....if I just had not forgotten when it was!! But I have a great kit to work on. But we will push on. For those of you in Ohio, The Ohio State has cancelled the portion of the Fair that our Miniature Society was involved in....we will keep you up to date on 2022. But on the brighter side out club is going ahead with our Show plans. So save the date, November 20. And if you are interested in being a vendor, please contact me or Ann Silverman.

mary barrett

#### Louisville Miniature Club Summer Newsletter

The Louisville Miniature Club has been busy with zoom meetings and have held two in person meetings. It has been a challenge finding a place that is outside as most of our members are still a little uneasy meeting indoors and our church's campus has been closed. We all wear masks and social distance to be safe. Of all my friends I know, my miniature club is following the rules so that none of us catch this virus. We are planning a trip to Mini Mansions in Owensboro this month. Two of our members won the \$100 gift certificate and I was one of them! We are excited to be going to check out Ruth's shop. If you have not been there, she has some wonderful treasures. Better save my money for these trips! And of course, NAME day and hoping that our show will take place on October 10 and then our retreat at the end of October. Lots of fun events planned for the future and I think we all need that! The LMC met in August inside a church and we did social distancing and wore masks. It worked out well and was much cooler. We plan to meet there in

September. Our NAME DAY will be at Beargrass Christian Church from 10-3. Glad to see everyone even behind their masks.

Nancye Claypool President Louisville Miniature Club

















#### Owensboro Miniature Club

Owensboro Miniature Club has been meeting every other month since February. After our display at Owensboro's Museum of Fine Arts during December's Holiday Forest, we discussed our participation at that venue.

Due to COVID our other meetings have been usually outdoors, socially distancing, and perusing an interesting supply of donated miniatures as well as the recent acquisition of the estate of an avid collector recently purchased by Mini Mansions.

Our new officers for 2020-2021 are Laurel Fant (President), Sheila Arnold (V.Pres), Pat Eidson, (Treasurer) and Ruth Blakeman (Secretary).

Be sure and check the NAME website......

There is a lot more information there and more updates on shows, conventions and other activities.

If we stopped to check up on all updates, this newsletter would cover the decade!! Our lives are in a fluid state at the moment and hopefully starting to flow in a much better direction!!!



# Midwest Miniature Showcase Wingate by Wyndham Dayton-Fairborn 3055 Presidential Dr, Fairborn, Ohio 45324 1-937-986-1368

August 13 & 14, 2021

The Midwest Miniature Showcase 2021 will take place at the Wingate by Wyndham Dayton-Fairborn, Ohio on Friday Aug 13th from 4pm-7pm and Saturday Aug 14<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm. We are cautiously planning the showcase and going by State of Ohio and hotel regulations.

This year we will be highlighting a 1:24 scale house created by Linda Adams, Centerville, Ohio and celebrating the 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Fairborn, Ohio with a display of some of the buildings moved from Old Osborn to New Osborn and the town of Fairfield beginning in the 1920s and in 1950 joined towns to become Fairborn, Ohio. The display is being created by Lori Naughton.

Anyone that would like to show your newest creations in our display area, please contact Helen and Ginny at <a href="Midminishowcase@yahoo.com">Midminishowcase@yahoo.com</a>.

We look forward to seeing everyone in August.

Helen Naughton

**Ginny Stuckey** 

#### MINIATURES ARE MY CUP OF TEA

In the Spring A3 newsletter, Ginny Stucky invited members to submit photos of teacups. Thanks to all who sent photos of your teacup creations. Beautiful work!











Again...thanks to all who sent in photos.....this is the sort of thing we need to see right now!

Beautiful Miniatures!!!

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### The Miniature Society of Cincinnati Miniature Show and Sale July 10 & 11, 2021 EnterTRAINment Junction West Chester, OH

Our show will be held, pending the current CDC and Ohio guidelines in July.

For questions or more information, contact: Jean Ellsworth,
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Many New Artisan Pieces at Mini Mansions!

Traveling to Jackson, Mississippi on July 19th to purchase the miniatures from the estate of Marion Stevens, was an adventure for both Ruth & Laurel Fant (our new club president). Returning with a van full of minis & having to rent a Uhaul box truck to carry the houses & roomboxes back to Owensboro was exciting & exhausting!

Weeks later, we have identified over 250 signed pieces from over 60 artisans and are in the process of arriving at a fair price for each piece of furniture, etc. Dozens of dolls, needlepoint rugs, hundreds of porcelains & paintings, mirrors & more are still being processed. Amazing to see, we'll have a good selection for sale at the Indianapolis (September 4 & 5) and Nashville (September 10 & 11) shows. As always, shopping at Mini Mansions is available with prior appointment. Social distancing & appropriate precautions are being taken.

John Hodgson, Renee Isabelle, Mary McGrath, Jeffrey Steele, Mel Prescott, Gail Steffy, and so many more are represented. A more complete list of artisans is on our website.

Really enjoyed the visit by many Louisville club members in mid July during a lift of the travel ban! It was a day of shopping, lunch & beautiful weather! Other clubs are welcome to bring a small group as timing, weather & restrictions are worked out!

While at the website, be sure to sign up for the \$100 gift certificate drawing which is being held each month until the end of the year. Winners are contacted & listed on the website.

Look forward to seeing you soon!
Ruth Blakeman (270-485-2470)
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Also....don't forget to register for the \$100 gift certificate at MiniMansions.

#### Past winners.....

April Jennifer Hillard June Tammy Keller May Nancye Claypool July Sharon Lanceford

## We really need to hear from

everyone.....photos of projects, works in progress, any club activities.....questions, anything. Kathy and I can talk a lot (you should go on one of our road trips) and you really don't want us talking all the time.

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