

Quad-Cities Scale Modeler Society

IPMS Chapter of the Year 2004
Region 5 Chapter of the year 2003

March 20, 2010

Next Meeting

Saturday, April 10, 2010

1:00 p.m.

Deere-Wiman Carriage House

Corner of 10th Street and 11th Avenue, Moline, IL.



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Upcoming Events

April 10 th	MEETING - Figure Painting by Shawn SHOW - Mad-City Show, Madison, WI SHOW - Plastic Surgeons, West Des Moines, IA
May 1 st	SHOW - Plastic Model Contest, Cedar Rapids, IA
May 8 th	MEETING – Modeling by Ronbo
June 12 th	MEETING - USA Manufactured Model
June 18 th & 19 th	REGION V CONVENTION Willowcreek Middle School, Portage, IN
July 10 th	Picnic at Bob Fender's House.
July 17 th	SHOW – NIMCON Contest, Crystal Lake, IL
August 4-7 th	IPMS NATIONAL CONVENTION Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix, AZ
August 14 th	MEETING - Open Meeting
September 11 th	MEETING - Bring Oldest Kit on your Shelf
September 25 th &26 th	WWII Days Rockford IL 6799 Guilford Rd Midway Village Museum
October 9 th	MEETING - Bring Kit to be Photographed for Website
October 16 th	SHOW – Glue Crew Contest, Wausau, WI
November 13 th	MEETING - Open Meeting SHOW – Butch O'Hare Contest (Date Tentative)
December 11 th	MEETING - Christmas Party
January 8, 2011	MEETING – Election of Officers
February	
March	

Last Meeting's Minutes

March's meeting was a great turn out, we had 10 members showing up including Brad who we haven't seen in a while. Present were John S., Mike S., Randy, Richard, Mike Vinson, Bob H., Brad, Shaun, Larry and Ronbo with the roving hobby shop. Door collection this meeting was \$34.

The theme of this meeting was the most expensive kit we had ever bought. We had on hand a Trimaster 1/48th TA 152H \$65 this was built, a Trumpeter 1/48th FW 200C \$75 in box brought in by myself. A Pacific Coast 1/32nd Hurricane \$69 in box brought to us by Larry and a Mach Se 210 Caravelle 1/72nd by John he thought he had paid \$100 + it was also in box. We also had from the sifi division an OrkStompa built by Shaun he thought he paid around \$85 for it.

We also got into a long discussion on lucky red monkey butt or monkey butt lucky or something like that when I brought up the fact that I went to the Midway Village Museum in Rockford Illinois for a Sock Monkey convention that is held there every year. The good thing about this trip was I found out they hold the biggest WWII reenactment in the country at this place every year. They have up to 800 soldiers including dozens of tanks and WWII vintage military vehicles. This event will be held on September 25 & 26 it also includes vendors. I will add this to our event list.

As for other models that showed up we had a 50's Ford AMT roadster and a Mercedes 280 brought to us by Richard. Bob H. came with an AMT Ford Louisville Delivery Truck. The roving moving hobby shop by Ronbo review was as follows: Trumpeter 1/48th F-100C with Iowa National Guard markings, 1/35th JSU-152, 1/35th 40mm Bofors, Chevy Titan 90 1/25th, 1/35th Guardian M1117, 1:1 Walter P-38, 1/25th Dragster Team, 1/35th Sd.Kfz. 221, Fairchild-23A, 1/35th PanzerKampfwagon Mk4 744E(British Tank German markings), Pontiac Catalina, and last but not least a 1:1 Beagle Puppy by Revell.

Ron also put on a slide show of the Old Dominion Richmond Virginia show held during the big snow storm the east coast got a few weeks back. It was held at the International Speedway and that gave lightning kind of a bad name for a model show. He stated that 648 models showed up lots of vendors and an added bonus Glen Browman. The judging was a bit unusual in that they used three different styles to judge the models. They had the NNL, Amps, and IPMS rules that they used, for details ask Ron.

For those who ever went to Ray's Hobby Shop Galesburg, Ray Johansen passed away on March 15 at age 88. He opened his store in 1948 moved three times finally closing in 1980. He went on to manage the depot hobby shop for George Black for a few more years before retiring. I stumbled on Ray's shop on Cherry street in 1968, it was a small shop and it was just packed and it was "unbelievable". Later on he moved to a new and larger store it was pretty neat and it was always a treat to walk in and get that quirky little smile out of Ray while you were doing your shopping. As all things go his rent was tripled on him in a couple years at the new building and that forced him to close. In the mean time I joined a club called QCSMS in the Quad Cities around 1984 after seeing this crazy man on TV showing off his model collection (Bob Horton). Somewhere around 86 I did this dumb thing and volunteer to do the newsletter for the club and I also ran into Ray at the Depot Hobby shop at about the same

time. Ray and I got into a discussion about the club I was in and he thought that Galesburg could support a similar type of organization in Galesburg. So the two of us cooked up this great idea to throw a model contest at the depot hobby shop and try to form a club. I was able to get support from the Quad Cities and the Burlington model clubs. It was a mild winter in January 1987 but the day we held the contest it was 18 below zero with blowing snow. I think only about two people from the Quad cities showed up three from Burlington. I don't blame anyone for not showing up the roads were horrible, and the four of us sat there staring at the thirteen models that showed up of which most showed up the night before. It was pretty much a disaster maybe this is why I am always a bit hesitant to throw a contest because I know what can happen when it doesn't go as planned. All said and done we did get interest in starting a club. Only problem they wanted to hold it the same weekend as our meetings. The other problem for me it was mainly kids under 12 with just a couple adults one being a teacher which worked out well. The club held together for a few months but ended up folding, Ray was a little disappointed but we tried. He retired a few years later from this job but I would run into him again when he took a job at the Ace hardware store, and every once in awhile I would run into him at the grocery store or Walmart and I would always say "Hi Ray" and I would always get that quirky little smile and you would get back that feeling that you would get when you walked into his little shop on Cherry street.

From the ex:

I really miss the days when every town had a little hobby shop and the local Ben Franklin, Sprouse-Ritz or five and dime had a whole aisle of kits. It was always fun to walk in and find some old stuff on the shelves. There was a small hobby shop in North Vancouver that was walking distance from my aunt's house. When I was in high school I would walk up and be able to buy rare imported Airfix and Frog kits unavailable in the states. I hope to see you guys again in June or July. I graduate 10 June and should be home a few days after that. Tomorrow, I am briefing an Ambassador to the US from a major NATO country as well as some other senior officials. I never get to do stuff like this at home.

Glen

Next Meeting:

Figure Painting by Shaun

This is going to be a hands on display in techniques into figure painting. If you want to participate in this you need to bring the following: your own paint brushes, magnifying glass or glasses, Styrofoam cup for water. But the main thing you need to bring is a figure, the ones I'll be bringing will be 1/48th, but anything will work the larger the better. All the figures should be pre-primed in Red Oxide primer. Shaun will supply the paint which will be Acrylics, may not hurt to bring an extra newspaper to lay under everything. So till next time.

RK

CAR TROUBLE

A blonde pushes her BMW into a gas station. She tells the mechanic it died. After he works on it for a few minutes, it is idling smoothly.

She says, 'What's the story?'

He replies, 'Just crap in the carburetor'

She asks, 'How often do I have to do that?'