



Newsletter



THE WINNERS

Clockwise from upper left...

PLANE TASTY!

F/A-18B Hornet

by Joe Volz

24 CARROT SALAD!

"Gold Rush"

1950 Merc

by Tommy Kortman

HOT PLATE!

LVT(A)-1 Alligator

(seen behind figure)

by Lou Ursino

SEA FOOD!

USS Pennsylvania,
1945

by Bob Cicconi

CREAM PUFF!

'40 Ford coupe

by John Goschke

PHOTOS BY BOB DOEBLEY

by Jeffrey Nase

Favorite FIVE

IT HAPPENS AT EVERY DECEMBER MEETING

of the Delaware Valley Scale Modelers: Friends, food, and the Favorite Five Contest! This year, our contest chairman invited all members in attendance to vote for the five models they would most like to take home with them. Let's finish eyeing the sumptuous, 1:1, non-replica victuals on display in the dining room, then dive into the delicious winning entries of the coveted DVSM Favorite Five awards! Season's eatings! ■

President's Corner *by Bob Doebley*

Happy New Year to everyone, Hope you had a good Holiday Season. The December meeting went well with the Annual Fave Five contest and the Holiday eats. Thanks to everyone who participated in the contest and who supplied the great food. The contest was a success and congratulation to the winners.

New Monthly Theme Contests

January 2009 will be the beginning of our Monthly Theme contest. Every month we will have an open contest for the monthly themes. January's theme is "White." Members will vote for the best Theme model of the month. A personalized award plaque will be made by Mike Napoleon and presented to the winner at the next meeting. See the monthly themes in the newsletter.

In talking with VP Tommy Kortman, we were thinking about making this a 10 month contest with the winning model along with the second and third place modelers receiving points and at the end of the year the modeler with the most points will win the Themes championship. I belong to another club and they do something similar with their contest. We'd like to know your thoughts and opinions at the next meeting. Remember, this is your club too.

2009 Shows & Contests

2009 has some exciting shows in our area. Mosquito con, AMPS and IPMS Region II in Runnemede N.J. A couple of years ago a group of us met at the Modelfest in Runnemede N.J. We all had a great time at the show. Hopefully we can get a group of members to attend any of these contests as a club. This will help get DVSM's name out there and also get to meet people from other clubs. Over the years some of us do this at contest we go to and over the years have developed some great friendships with other modelers from other modeling clubs.

Food for thought: Start-To-Finish Aircraft Group Build

At the December meeting, Joe Wagner has asked if anyone would be interested in doing a Start to Finish club project this year. It will consist of an Airplane model and decals for around \$20.00. This concept is to help modelers develop new skills that they would like to try. And in October enter the models in the Club theme at the IPMS Region II show in Runnemede N.J. Joe will have some more information at the January meeting. See below and sidebar on following page for information.

We would like to have a minimum of ten members participate. This is not a requirement, as it could be done with fewer members.

The basis of this class is to give other modelers the chance to have "Hands on Experience" and to share the techniques of a fellow builder with those who wish to participate.

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JANUARY

"Shades of White"

FEBRUARY

1940's "The Nuclear Age"

MARCH

"Born in Europe!" or
"You're a Pein"

APRIL

"Seen it on The Screen"
Movie or TV Subject

MAY

"Well Seasoned"
Beaten & Weathered!

JUNE (NO THEME)

Gold, Silver & Bronze Contest

JULY

"Don't Mess with the U.S."
Red, White & Blue!

AUGUST

"GRRRRRRRRRRRRR!"
Animal-named subjects

SEPTEMBER

"Godzillas' Revenge"
Anything Japanese

OCTOBER

"Halloween Colors"

NOVEMBER

"Can't Be!!!!!"
Never was! Never will be?

DECEMBER (NO THEME)

Favorite Five Contest

Possible choices of aircraft: P-40, P-39, Fw -190, Bf -109, AT-6, Zero or a P47.

The choice of aircraft will be made on what is on sale and how many we need, example the Eduard P-40 is on sale at Squadron Mail Order for \$13.95, Plus decals at \$6.00 a set. The total cost \$19.95 for the project without paint.

Joe will make himself available to all of those participating via email and phone.

Possible start of project can be at the February or March meeting

For those of you who do not know Joe. His Father was a founding member of DVSM and Joe has been a member on and off for many years.

Thanks, Bob Doebley

December Meeting Report

Reported by Jeffrey Nase

AT OUR DECEMBER MEETING, over 40 members and guests assembled their unique voices in car, aircraft, armor, and ship modeling to build a Christmas chorale of styrene and enamel! Join us in singing the praises of the 31 models and in-progs displayed on our tables, as the notes on a scale from 1/700 to 1/24!

Here we come a car-rolling! **John Goschke:** '40 Ford coupe. **Tommy Kortman:** 1950 Merc Custom "Gold Rush." 1927 Ford Model T Purple People Eater. **1/24 Revell** – Germany Jagermeister Porsche 956c, box stock in-prog. 1/16 Prestige Hobbies '57 Chevy F/C w/ fiberglass body, die cast chassis (pre-built). **Keith Jones:** '69 Nova. '49 Merc Station Wagon. **Nick Sandone:** '49 Merc Custom. '57 Chevy resto mod. '66 California Beetle. **Lou Ursino:** '81 Ferrari 126 CK. **Greg Hogg:** 1950 Cadillac. 1970 Torino GT. **John Stark:** Leisure bicycle. AMT/ERTL D8 dozer. Tamiya 450 R.

...in the frosty air! **Joe Leonetti:** P-40N Warhawk. **Wayne Borowski:** Tamiya F4U-D. **Joe Volz:** F/A-18B Hornet. **Drew Volz:** 1/72 P-51D Mustang. **Charlie Lockard:** P-39 Aircobra. T-28 Trojan.

Slay ride! **Wayne Borowski:** M-48A3 Patton. AFV Club Stryker M1130. Lou Ursino: M-26 Pershing. LVT(A)1 Alligator. **Matt Pritchett:** M6 Bradley Linebacker. Tamiya M1A1. **Tommy Kortman:** 1/35 Tamiya Afrika Tiger w/ Eduard & Aber p/e, in-prog.

Deck the halls! **Bob Cicconi:** USS Pennsylvania, 1945. USS Chicago.

Busy-ness sidewalks! DVSM president **Charlie Lockard** formally handed the gavel to next year's president, **Bob Doebley**. Members were reminded of annual dues and the theme contest for each meeting of 2009. Del Val's joint chefs of distaff presented our new commander-in-chief with a cake for his some-tieth birthday. Thank you, ladies, for cheerfully catering yet another wonderful Christmas party!

...and a happy new year! **Joe Wagner**, a long-time member, proposed a year-long class on how to build model aircraft. 8 or 9 members would spend under \$20 for the same kit and work on it monthly from February or March, culminating in a group entry at the Region 2 show in October. Joe offers assistance in how to use modeling tools to achieve good results. ■

Start-To-Finish Aircraft Group Build

with Joe Wagner

Project description: Year long seminar on how to build an aircraft on a budget.

A. Choose a 1/48 scale aircraft to build, the cost of such aircraft being under \$20.00

B. Aircraft must have many paint schemes and decals available.

Possible choices of aircraft: P-40, P-39, Fw -190, Bf -109, AT-6, Zero or a P47.

C. Every month Joe will show the class how to build the model using his tools and techniques.

D. When class is finished, we shall enter our models in the Club Collection category at the IPMS Region Two Convention, being held in October 2009 at the Holiday Inn in n Runnemede N.J.

Join IPMS/USA **Why?**

The International Plastic Modelers' Society/USA, of which Delaware Valley Scale Modelers is a chapter, finances the insurance required for our monthly meetings and for model contests around the country, and offers a make and take program for young modelers. Encourage the enjoyment of modeling in all its forms: aircraft, armor, cars, ships, fantasy, figures, military or civilian, beginner or advanced, join IPMS/USA! "By Modelers, For Modelers"

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