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## From The President..

We had a great October business meeting, along with our regular club contest we had special guest speaker Dr. Lee Anthony who gave a talk on the history of the 80<sup>th</sup> Division in World War II. Dr. Anthony also displayed some of his American and German WW II militaria for the club to view that included a Kriegsmarine Flag and German Lugers. Thanks again to Terry Eastman for arranging his visit.

The Region 2 Convention hosted by IPMS/New Jersey is in the history books and the numbers are in, there were 89 registrants who entered 410 models. I don't have a full list of winners, but I know that IPMS/ Tidewater member Scott Bregi was the Best of Show winner for his Ferrari Daytona Spyder. Congratulations to Scott and the rest of the IPMS/ Tidewater guys who were awarded the Region 2 Chapter of the Year by Region 2 director Glen Martin. Hats off IPMS/ New Jersey for hosting a successful Region 2 convention along with hosting their regular show in April. The 2010 IPMS Region 2 Convention will be hosted by IPMS / Richmond in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

We had several RVIPMS members winning awards at various shows around the region including Don Jones who won first place in an online contest. Pictures of his model is in the upper right hand corner and on page five of this issue of Sprue, Tim Mullins won "Best Street Rod" and I won "Best Engine" and "Best of Show" at the Goodguys Model Car Contest in Charlotte, North Carolina. Ken Bowyer won 1st place for his I-400 Japanese sub and 2nd place for this LCI 26 troop transport at the Lafayette Scale Modelers Show Fayetteville, North Carolina. Pictures for the Fayetteville show are already posted online at the clubs website, RVIPMS.com.

The 2010 Roanoke Valley Shootout contest committee has decided to keep the same contest classes that we had in 2009 with exception to one category addi-



## "The Clam Shack"

By Don Jones

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## Inside this issue:



Goodguys, Halloween in Charlotte



IPMS / Foothills Plastic Pros Fall Classic



October Meeting Pictures

tion to the Movies theme. We'll have contest flyers and more information including the revised web site that will be up soon.

Make sure that you make plans to attend the annual RVIPMS club Christmas party that will take place at the Roanoker Restaurant on Saturday December 12th at 6:30 pm. The address is 2522 Colonial Avenue Southwest, Roanoke, VA . Family and friends are invited and the club will pick up the tab for the members meal. The club championship award will be given along with the plaques for the monthly contest winners.

As stated before, I'll be stepping down as president at the end of the fiscal year at the end of March. Elections will take place in February so those wishing to run for an office need to make your plans known to have sufficient time for your names to be added to the ballot and have your views published in the newsletter.

One last note for you guys, only two or three members have taken the time or bothered to contributed something to the newsletter over the past year. It doesn't take a lot of effort to contribute so write a review take some pictures and send them in.

I hope that everyone has a Happy Holiday Season. We'll have one more meeting this year on December 10th. Be there!!

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# FROM THE CROWS NEST

BY TIM WARD

The rooster had not crowed yet last Saturday morning when Jay Dennis pulled into my driveway in the dark for a trip to North Carolina for the Region 12 Lafayette Scale Modelers contest. We pulled out of the driveway at 0600 and aimed the RVIPMS-mobile due south on 220 for a well-deserved outing to see our good friend Ken Bowyer and other modeling buddies. The trip was uneventful and not as long as expected or maybe the conversation was so good we didn't notice the distance or miles. We enjoyed a gut-grenade biscuit at a Micky-D's and then burped our way to Fayetteville, arriving at about 10. The contest was going full-force and everyone seemed to be having a great time. Ken greeted us along with other modeling friends such as Robert Morrison from Gastonia, Bruce Mackenzie from Winston-Salem and other styrene-addicted reprobates that we keep running into on a regular basis. We checked out the vendor area (very important) and then the models on display (very nice collection--about 400 models) and then felt the need to feed

the kitty (bought raffle tickets) and support the local club who had made the nice gesture to let in general admission patrons gratis. We bought a few well-needed??? items from the vendors before going out into Fayetteville to check out the local environs. Our stomachs reminded us of the length of time between 0630 and 1200 and we found a local Popeye's to get some good spicy chicken (sorry Jay, no special sauce for your chicken sandwich!!) Again we burped our way back to the show and waited out the time until the most important part, the awar...., er, I mean, the raffle drawing. I hit the number one ticket again some how winning a nice 1/350 Hasegawa Japanese cruiser with full photo-etch and brass barrels. Really nice kit with a \$120 price tag. Look for it in our raffle. Jay hit the jackpot with a used but operating air compressor. Ken hit some nice items too. We applauded the participants who actually built and brought models (Ken had a 1st and second place for his two models). Ken hit some nice items too.

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IPMS/Roanoke Valley meets the second and fourth Thursday of every month at the Science Museum located in downtown Roanoke at the "Center in the Square". The second Thursday building meetings are held in the classroom on the fifth floor and the fourth Thursday meetings are held on the same floor in the Conference room. All meetings start at 7:00pm.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings or need directions us. Please mail all correspondence to:

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We applauded the participants who actually built and brought models (Ken had a 1st and second place for his two models). We said good-bye to our buddy and headed NW to Greensboro only to get lost again in that 220/58/68 miasma that is know as the NC interstate system. Fortunately Jay had his new spiffy handheld GPS/phone/internet Palm Pre and we were able to find Roanoke again. (I still think the Mayor of Greensboro has a plan to keep everyone in Greensboro by confusing signs). I tucked away my raffle items safely as Jay headed home to tuck in his two-year old for the evening. Good times had by all and it was great to see Ken and the NC boys. Great job on a nice show!!!

Tim

## VISIT BY DR. LEE ANTHONY



Members look over some of Dr. Anthony's WWII Militaria collection at the October business meeting.





# Foothills Plastic Pros Fall Classic

September 26, 2009  
Conover, North Carolina

Some of the pictures from the  
IPMS / Foothills Plastic Pros 13th  
Annual Fall Classic Model Contest  
& Swap Meet







Over the weekend of October 30th thru November 1st, the Goodguys 16th Annual Southeastern Nations took place at Lowe's Motor Speedway in Charlotte, North Carolina. Along with the hundreds of Street Rods, Customs and Muscle cars on display in the infield of the speedway, the annual model car contest was held in one of the vendor area garage's. Each year Revell sponsors the "Make 'n Take" for the kids in attendance and the model given out this year was the Snap-Tite F-14 Tomcat. Given that it was car show you would have thought that Revell would have sent car kits, however the kids didn't seem to mind and looked to have had a great time assembling their models. Roanoke Valley members Tim Mullins won the "Best Street Rod" award and Dennis Smith took home the "Best Engine" and "Best of Show" award. Look for all of the pictures on the RVIPMS.com web site soon.





# FOS Scale Limited

# Nedra's Taco Structure Contest

Congratulations to RVIPMS member Don Jones for winning the online FOS Scale Limited "Nedra's Taco Structure Contest" that ended on October 20th. Although not a taco shack, Don's originality in converting the kit to a Clam Shack and the additional detail he crafted into the kit led him to a well deserved first place. All of the entries can be viewed at: <http://foslimited.com/CONTEST.html>



"The Clam Shack" first place winning entry by Don Jones.

## OCTOBER CONTEST PICTURES



### WINNERS

#### First Place

Don Jones  
"The Clam Shack"

#### Second Place

Cliff Young  
"Cromwell Tank"

#### Third Place

Tim Mullins  
"Red Baron Show Rod"

December \_\_\_\_\_

**10 - RVIPMS Build Meeting**, 7:00pm, 5th Floor, Center in the Square (Last Meeting at The Center in the Square)

**12 - (Saturday) RVIPMS Club Christmas Dinner**, Roanoker Restaurant, 2522 Colonial Avenue Southwest, Roanoke, VA 24015, 6:30 PM

January \_\_\_\_\_

**14 - RVIPMS Build Meeting**, 7:00pm, Virginia Transportation Museum

**28 - RVIPMS Business Meeting**, 7:00pm, Virginia Transportation Museum

February \_\_\_\_\_

**11 - RVIPMS Build Meeting**, 7:00pm, Virginia Transportation Museum

**25 - RVIPMS Business Meeting**, Virginia Transportation Museum

**27 - IPMS/ Richmond Old Dominion Open Model Contest & Show**, Richmond International Raceway Complex, Aaron Winer 804-270-7898

March \_\_\_\_\_

**6 - MDA Model Car Contest**, Roanoke Civic Center



**2010 Old Dominion Open Scale Model Show and Contest**

February 27, 2010  
Richmond International Raceway Complex



[www.ipmsrichmond.org](http://www.ipmsrichmond.org)



**MDA Model Car Contest**

MARCH 6, 2010  
ROANOKE CIVIC CENTER

*Barris KUSTOMS*



**Plastic Model Swap Meet**



[MDACARSHOW.COM](http://MDACARSHOW.COM)

**IPMS/USA NEW MEMBER APPLICATION**

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 Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Adult \$25 \_\_\_\_ Junior (17 years old or younger) \$12 DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_ Canada & Mexico: \$30 \_\_\_\_ Other Foreign: \$32 \_\_\_\_ Foreign Air Mail: \$55  
 \_\_\_\_ Family (Adult Dues + \$5, one set magazines # of membership cards required: \_\_\_\_)  
 \_\_\_\_ If recommended by an IPMS Member,  
 List his/her name and member number \_\_\_\_\_ (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (IPMS#)

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**ATTENTION !!!**  
 The December Build Meeting is on Thursday the 10th, 7:00 pm on the Fifth Floor at Center in the Square

The RVIPMS Christmas Dinner is Saturday December 12th at the Roanoker Restaurant

*Build it  
Bring it !!*

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