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From the President...

Recently Region 2 Director, Frank Froment announced the winners of the Region 2 awards and our RVIPMS.com was awarded with "Web Site of the Year" award. Congratulations to webmaster Jay Dennis and we thank him for all of his hard work putting together and maintaining the site for all of these years. The "Club of the Year" award went to IPMS/ New Jersey and the "Newsletter of the Year" was awarded IPMS/ Washington DC. Congratulations to all of the winners.

The March business meeting is the end of the RVIPMS fiscal year and along with it comes the elections for the club officers, remaining in office will be Terry Eastman as Vice- President, Bob Rohrback as Secretary, Greg Clower as Treasurer and the only change is newly elected President, Tim Ward. March also is the time when your club dues need to be paid so if you haven't done so give or mail your money to Greg Clower, it's still \$24.00 for the year.

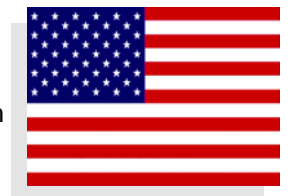
Several shows coming up in the near future including one this weekend in Fairfax, Virginia where IPMS/ Northern Virginia will be hosting their "Model Classic" contest and show at the Fairfax High School. See more

information at novaipms.org or contact Tom Henderson at (703)-680-9354. IPMS Eagle Squadron will host RDUCon 2011 Region 12 Convention at the Wake Tech Community College on May 14th in Raleigh, North Carolina. Check them out at <http://www.ipmseaglesquadron.org>. On May 21st and 22nd the Lynchburg Regional Air Show takes place where the United States Navy Blue Angels are scheduled to perform along with many other air show performances and static displays.

On a final note this is my last "From the President" message as Tim Ward will take over the reigns as club president. I'll still be writing a word or two as the newsletter editor. I want to thank everyone who has helped me for the past three years and three months while I was in office. It's been an enjoyable and rewarding experience .

Happy Modeling !

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FROM THE CROWS NEST

BY TIM WARD

Sorry to sound like a broken record but it's that time of year again. The grass is growing uncontrollably, the hay fever is driving me and my sinuses nuts, and it's time for that ever-popular road-trip season to begin. We had a nice trip due east to Lynchburg a couple of weeks ago, but now it's time to get really serious. Raleigh, NOVA, New Bern and our own Virginia Shoot-Out is coming up and it's time to fire up the Google maps program, fill that tank with (gasp!!!) \$4.00+ gas, check the wallet for a few singles for a McDonald's gravy biscuit and hit the road. We plan a few road trips to this year's contests and shows and also a nice couple of excursions to the Dayton Air Show and maybe a fall sojourn to the Udvar-Hazy center for some major airplane ogling. Sound like fun.....does to me, too. Maybe if we all carpool and squeeze our pennies, we can afford some of these. I know we have had some interest in the Raleigh trip, just let me know what seat position you want and I will

make sure the flight attendant gets you in your spot. No kosher meals are available on this flight, you'll have to put up with "American" food. About the only ethnic food we allow on these trips is a "slim jim" and Mountain Dew. Yeehah!!!

Just want to take a few minutes to thank all of our past officers for their service and devotion to the club the past few years. Terry, Greg and Bob Rohrbach have served the club well and deserve our "kudos". They will be staying on in their roles as Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary/Chapter Contact, respectively. Fantastic job, guys...I look forward to working with you this next year. I also want to take a spare moment to commend our past President, Dennis Smith who did a great job in an extended role as leader of this motley crew. I know from experience how difficult it can be, but he pulled it off amazingly well. Now he can get back to his main hobby, drinking?!?!?! Just kidding, but I

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IPMS/Roanoke Valley meets the second and fourth Thursday of every month at the Virginia Museum of Transportation in downtown Roanoke.

All meetings start at 7:00pm.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings or need directions us.

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know it is tempting sometimes. Dennis helped RVIPMS hit new levels of excellence and his services to the club and MDA should be noted and congratulated. He will be staying on the RVIPMS newsletter role as "Sprue" editor. Thanks for all of your hard work.

And speaking of hard work, "Kudos" (no pun intended) go out to our own Jay Dennis who was named Region 2 Webmaster of the year for 2010. Way to go, Jay!!! I knew that all of that technical stuff I taught you would come in handy some day?!?!?!? Well deserved, my friend.

See you guys, Thursday.
Tim

Directions to the club meeting room at VMT.

Virginia Museum of Transportation. From Salem Ave. turn onto 1 1/2 St. or 1.5 St. Follow it around and drive under the overpass and then to the right. The parking lot is behind the museum as indicated in the picture. Enter through the rear door, walk down the hallway and turn right. Don't try to enter though the main entrance, the doors will be locked.



Blitzkrieg in France ! France 1940

1:35 '39-'45 SERIES



unassembled model kit
maquette plastique a construire
this kit contains over 50 parts
for modeler age 14 and over
box contains model of four figures

The 1/35th scale Renault 35 R is a Heller kit. The figures are from a recently released kit by Dragon. French tank crew members in 1940 wore a distinctive uniform featuring a leather coat and helmet with leather brow pad. The Wehrmacht figures are accurate. The uniform depicted was in transition. Specifically, the trousers were being replaced with field gray cloth. Also the national colors on the helmet were being removed from the right side of the helmet. The sergeant is using the Bergman 9mm machine pistol. Note: Photographs from the time often show French tanks either abandoned or destroyed resting up against buildings. Obviously, coal deliveries from Carbon Pierre et Fils have been cancelled by events.

Terry Eastman



March Club Contest



1st



Mike Powell placed first for his M3 Lee Tank



2nd



James Herndon won second place for his Junkers JU-188



3rd



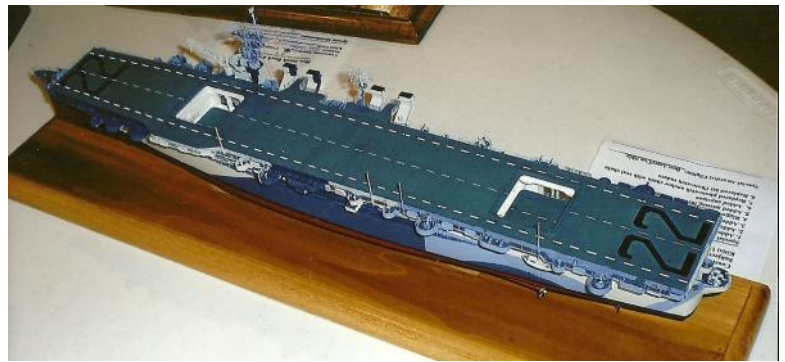
Third place went to Jay Dennis for his Starship Enterprise

BOX STOCK ROCK - AMERICON

MARCH 12, 2011

PHOTOS BY BOB ROHRBACK

On Saturday March 12 the IPMS/ Lynchburg Blue-Grey Renegades held their Box Stock Rock model contest and show at the Heritage United Methodist Church in Lynchburg, Virginia. They had an excellent show with over 350 models on display. Great to have this show back and look forward to next year!



28 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, Virginia Transportation Museum

30- Northern Virginia Model Classic, IPMS/ Northern Virginia Modelers, Tom Henderson, 703-680-9354

May _____

12- RVIPMS Build Meeting, Virginia Transportation Museum

14 - RDUCON 2011 R-12 Regional, IPMS EAGLE

SQUADRON
TONY LEGER 919-789-8323

21-22 - Lynchburg Regional Air Show, Lynchburg Virginia

26 - RVIPMS Build Meeting, Virginia Transportation Museum

June _____

9 - RVIPMS Build Meeting, Virginia Transportation Museum

18 - D-Day Memorial WWII In Miniature. National D-Day Memorial, Bedford, Va.

23 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, Virginia Transportation Museum

July _____

13 - RVIPMS Virginia Shootout, Roanoke Civic Center, Roanoke Va. Tim Ward, 540-977-6205



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 Address: _____
 City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone: _____ email: _____
 VISA/MasterCard: _____ Account #: _____ - _____ - _____
 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 !!!

April 28th Business Meeting at the Virginia Museum of Transportation

April Business Meeting Contest is Open Category

*Build it
Bring it !!*

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