



Official Newsletter of the Roanoke Valley IPMS - "Helping Keep History Alive ... One Model At A Time"

And Now a message from our Prez...

Guys and Gals,

Spring is in the air. Time for those work tables to sprout some model kits. This month Charles is going to give us some tips on painting Luftwaffe camouflage (and he's bringing his airbrush!). Bring something from your stash for the auction which is a regular feature of our meetings. So bring some extra cash for that and club membership dues. This year and going forward dues will be \$25.00. Finally we'll be nominating club officers for the coming year. thanks

Devin

Just A Reminder

- April business meeting will be on 4/25/19 at 7pm.
- May build meeting will be on
 5/9/2019 at 7pm.
- May business meeting will be on 5/23/19 at 7pm.
- 2020 Region 2 Convention
 Salem Civic Center October 16
 and 17.

M.O.G.I. (Matters of Great Importance)

Just a reminder to all members... Greg will be taking up dues for this year on April 1st. Regular members are \$25 and associate members are \$12.

Want to send a big "Howdy" and welcome to our newest member Frankie Schnider!

The Friends of the Roanoke County Library will be holding their annual spring book sale from Saturday, April 27th through Thursday, May 2nd. Thursday May 2nd will be bag day when you can buy a bag of books, CDs, VHSs, for \$5.00 per bag. The library is on Merriman Road in Roanoke County.

The Salem Choral Society will be holding its spring concert at the Salem Presbyterian Church on Sunday, May 5th, at 4:00 p.m. The concert is free, but a free-will offering will be taken. The church is located at the corner of East Main and Market Streets in downtown Salem.

Monthly Demos and How To's

- Charles will be doing a demo on camouflage in April.
- James will do water for ships in May.
- Michele will do a demo on special decals in June

(If you have an idea for a demo, please attend a meeting and let someone know what type of demo that you wish to do.)

In Club Contest Results:

1st place: Rocky Sink 1968 Chevelle

2nd place: Cliff Young M4A1 Egg Tank

3rd place: Bob Rohrback Coast Guard Ship

Club Officers

President: Devin Bledsoe devo5768@gmail.com

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Treasurer: Greg Clower gclower@aol.com

Roanoke Valley Members Attend MDA Car Show (Submitted by: Rocky Sink)

On March 2, several members of the club helped with the MDA Car Show Model show. It was a early start to get the vendors unloaded and the stuff to their tables for them to get set up before the show opened later that morning. While some of the members were helping with, he vendor set up other members were hard at work placing table cloths on the tables along with the category cards and others were setting up the club displays to try and recruit new members that may have attended during the show.

Not only was the model car show going on but there were also two floors of actual 1:1 cars on display as well. With some of the various types of cars (antique, rod, customs, original) on display it gave the modelers some ideas of future projects to work on. Congratulations goes out to Steven Simmons for his Ford Truck and Camper. It not only won its class but also Best Interior and Best in Show.







Model News at the Speed of Light By Jay Dennis

Every month I hope to Inform and maybe even enlighten you with the latest news from the real space and science fiction modeling world as well as the future of the hobby itself. In this article I would like to discuss a fascinating new tool called Google Translate!

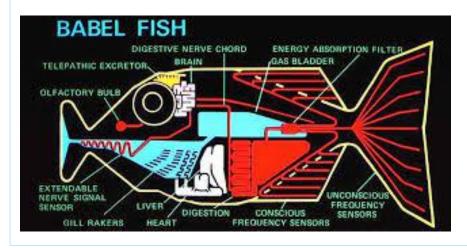
GOOGLE TRANSLATE is a real Star Trek Universal Translator, or in other parts of the Universe it may be called a Babel fish, but I digress. This and other translation apps. are becoming incredibly useful especially if you have foreign model kits in your stash. I for one have several Russian and Czec kits in my possession and nothing is more frustrating than opening up the instructions and finding no English translation or the translation is so bad it's unusable. Enter the Translation App. Goggle Translate is probably the most accurate and will translate images in real time and sometimes even with the same font!

Right now this technology is mostly only available using your smart phone, simply download the App from your App store in my case the Google Play Store. Once downloaded open the App. choose the photo option and hold the phone up to the foreign instructions or box art and select the language options, in my case it was Russian to English and BAM!! Real time translation! Try it!

Below are photos of the translation in action.







Upcoming Shows & Events

May 4	RDUCON 2019 - Raleigh, NC	Ron Verburg rkverburg@hotmail.com
May 11	Mid Atlantic NNL - Severna Park, MD	Tim Powers partsbox@broadstripe.net
May 18	37 th Smokey Mtn. ModelCon – Knoxville, TN	Johnny Galza 262galza@gmail.com
June 15	ScottCon 2019 - Warner Robins, GA	Bill Paul wlpaul@cox.net
June 22	2019 SC Scale Model Mega Show – Columbia, SC	Ralph Nardone ina@gmail.com
Aug 7	IPMS National Convention - Chattanooga, TN	Michael Moore mmoore1132@gmail.com
Sept 14	IPMS Region 12 Convention - Simpsonville, SC	Eric Rosser erosser42@gmail.com
Sept 21	PennCon 2019 - Gettysburg, PA	Chester Mohn magus47@aol.com
Oct 16 & 17,	IPMS R2 Convention - Salem, VA	Tim Ward twardf86@aol.com





Remember to check the websites and/or chapter contact for up to the date info and details on the contests.