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## From the Prez...

5 a.m. loomed awfully early as the three dwarves, Grumpy (me), Dopey (Jay) and Sleepy (Arthur) tooled down 220 South en route to New Bern, NC for the DownEastCon show last weekend. Six hours and 3 Egg McMuffins (burp!) later we arrived in New Bern ready to represent Region 2 and promote the upcoming Regional Convention. John Ratzenberger and friends offered us a table to set up and fellow RVIPMS'er Ken Bowyer (of Burgaw, NC fame) and myself unfolded the display while Jay set up his Enterprise collection for competition and Arthur went off in search of tires. We hob-nobbed with vendors, said Hello to old friends, Mark Tutton and Bill Brierton and wife, and sold a few T-shirts and gave out flyers for the show. The show was a nice one, about 300 models in competition, a nice slide show on multi-screens with WWII aircraft on display, and a nice raffle to wet everyone's whistle. After the 1st round of raffling without much success, we went off in search of authentic NC cuisine and ended up at a Taco Bell... go figure!

After 3 tacos, (4 burps) we headed back to the show, after stopping to look at a F-11 Tiger painted in Blue Angel markings next to the highway. Every town should have one! The second and third round of raffle diving was much more successful and we loaded up the car with treasures for our raffle. Jay won and award for his Enterprise collection and Ken took home Best Ship for his cruiser or destroyer, can't remember which. It was gray, I think. Congrats guys. Arthur's search for tires was fruitless, alas. Not a Good Year for tires (pun intended). We tooled back up the highway, went thru heavy rain in Raleigh, ate again at Mickey D's (gluttons for punishment) and arrived home safely. Thanks to the New Bern guys and gals for a fine show.

Come to Roanoke in October for the Region 2 Convention. See ya' there!

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### Newsletter

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Things are moving along steadily on the convention front with sponsorships selling and raffle items being accumulated.

Thanks to The Rail Yard Hobby Shop and Jim Molinary for his very generous donation to the Mega-Raffle items.

Also check out the super-nice Hasegawa 1/350 scale USS Gambier Bay escort carrier kit that Jim has donated to the special deal for Category #34, Powered Ships, 1/350 & Larger. I am currently working on other deals that will make it very lucrative to enter certain categories. We have received deals from KittyHawk Models, Zouke-Mura, Fire House Hobbies, Mark's Models & Toys and we plan on more.

> Check out our Raffle tab on the contest website at **WWW.rvipms.com**

for pics of some of the items donated.



## Inspiration Dept.



# R&D and Inspiration Dept.

## **Evolution of a Nose Art Award image**

The thinking, drawing designing and colorizing of the Auto category award for our R-2 convention.



fig. 1

The inspiration for the image is the lowbrow rock -n-roll artist Coop's devil girl leaning on a wheel and tire. *fig.* 1

Coop's devil girls are a little too risky for our "family" oriented show. — So, I looked to George Petty. Petty was a prolific illustrator best known for his "Petty Girl" pin ups done for Esquire magazine from 1933 to 1956.

Among many other illustrations, George painted calendar girls for Ridgid Tool Co. The figure in *fig. 2*, had the right potential to fit my idea for the award.



Wheel and tire reference. fig. 3

Line art with boots added, hat removed and legs of overalls lengthened. Family show, remember? *fig. 4* 

The finished color image. *fig.* 5

Memphis Belle nose art is a "Petty Girl."





fig. 4





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**RVIPMS** meetings are held at the Virginia Museum of Transportation.

### How to get there;

From Salem Ave. turn onto  $1\frac{1}{2}$  St. Drive the very short distance to Norfolk Ave. SW and turn left. Follow under the 2nd st. over-pass to the back of the museum. The fenced parking lot is behind the building as indicated in the picture. Enter through the rear door, (*the main entrance will be locked*) walk down the hallway and turn right. Meeting room is in right corner.

#### When to get there;

The club has two meetings per month, with a couple exceptions. Build meetings are the second Thursday each month. Business meetings are the fourth Thursday each month. All meetings start at 7 p.m. For further details visit our website. **www.rvipms.com** 

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