

February 2018



More Great Figure work from Joe Martinez

I promised not to use the old line that the NFL did not check with us to hold the Super Bowl on our meeting date, but here it is anyway. We had a very good turnout with 30 or so members and family in attendance. Several folks paid their dues. One of our members announced, to me anyway as she paid a family dues package that she and Rick Wongsing are now married. Congratulations to Crystena and Rick.





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David Torres WWI 1/35th scale Mark IV Male Tank

Thanks to Joseph Roper for helping Steve Herren with the set-up of the camera equipment and our new photo base.

There were many nice models on the tables after having only two last month. We also had two members send in photos from out of town, which I will include in this issue. From famine, photo wised to a banquet.



Sergio Morales Zero 32





Sal Sameneigo's 1/2700th scale Star Destroyer

Welcome back Rodney Rodgers. Rodney told me that he has lost his modeling space. His son, Paxton has taken it over and Rodney brought the young man to the meeting. Thanks for the huge stack of modeling magazines that the membership quickly scarfed up. Lots of reading will take place this month, thanks to Rodney.

On the Tables

Joe Martinez brought an outstanding group of figures to show. "Valley Forge" Model Cellar in 75mm scale Valley Forge Militia with a drummer boy. The Muhlenberg Hut, the barrel/cask and bucket are resin offerings by Armand Bayardi. Joe used Vallejo and Andrea acrylics to paint the models and figures.

David Torres brought a 1/35th scale Takom Mark IV Male tank. He decided to do a diorama of a knocked out, abandoned and ransacked Beutepanzer. David used MiG paints on the model and Vallejo products were used for the ground. Actual twigs made up the blown apart trees and Woodland Scenes material for the water.

Jerry Richardson from Amarillo sent photos of his Trumpeter Mig 17 in /32nd scale. Quote, "I am calling this finished." Jerry is a dues paying member of our group.





Dixi Fischer's Diorama in 1/87th scale

Sal Samaneigo our junior member, brought a 1/2700th scale Sci –Fi model, a Star Destroyer. It was/will be lighted with LED lights. Sal usually builds /35h scale armor.



Paxton Roger's Hobby Boss F4U-1D in 1/72nd scale



Rick Wongsing's 1/32nd scale F-18D

Just now I saw the following on the Phoenix convention (http://www.ipmsusanationals2018.org/) website:

"February 9, 2018 - VERY IMPORTANT - FRAUD WARNING!! It has come to our attention that vendors may be contacted by a company called Convention Housing Planners, or other similar companies. They may tell you they are the official hotel booking company for our convention. This is not true. We do not have an official hotel booking company. The only way to get the hotel rooms at our convention rate, with a guarantee that your room reservation actually exists, is to use the link on our website for Reservations. Reservations made through any method other than the link will be at your own risk."

This sort of thing could cause horrendous heartburn at the convention. I'd suggest adding the above paragraph to one of your "forwards", with the request to pass it on to membership.





Arthur Berdick's Shop Van in 1/35th scale

Dixi Fischer brought a nice 1/87th scale diorama that had Busch Brand "Hemp and Poppy" plants. She used Preiser animals and people figures to complete the scene. The base was made up using Woodland Scenic materials. too bad we did not get a picture from the other side, as there was some strange things going on behind the bushes.

Paxton Rogers brought a HobbyBoss 1/72d scale F4U-1D.. He is the son Rodney Rogers. **Rodney** brought a Hasegawa 1/48th scale A-4F and a Tamiya 1/72nd scale DH Mosquito.

Arthur E. Berdick brought a number of models to show. He had a 1/35th scale M0A2 Patton Tank, an M109A3 Maintenance Shop Van in 12/35th scale built from the AFV Club kit. Arthur also brought a British "Archer" antitank S.P gun circa 1944/1945 in Northwest Europe built from the Tamiya kit, in 1/35th scale. Another model was a Bofors Anti-aircraft gun circa 1943/1944 built from the 1/35th scale AFV Club kit. He had an SD-KFZ 184 "Elefant" in 1/35th scale built from the Italeri kit. Arthur also had a Mark III Auf. G Strumgeschultz circa 1939/41 built from the Tamiya 1/35th scale kit.

Carlos Delgado brought a Monogram 1/48th scale Curtiss SB2C-1, an OV-10 Bronco in 1/48th scale from Testor's, a 1/48th scale Hasegawa A6M5- Zero and a 1/35th scale Recovery tank from Italeri.





Carlos Delgado's 1/48th scale Curtiss Helldiver

Jim Davis brouht two $1/72^{nd}$ scale Grumman TBM-3W models. One was made from a High Plains Conversion and marked as a Japanese Self Defense Force aircraft circa the mid 1950's. The other was a U.S. Navy VS-32 aircraft circa mid 1951 and was built from the Mach 2 kit.



Jim Davis's 1/72nd scale Grumman TBM-3W of the Japanese Self Defense Force .





Arthur Berdick's F4U in 1/48th scale



Carlos Delgado's Recovery Tank in 1/35th scale



Jim Davis's TBM-3W in 1/72nd scale

My Column

I guess it sounds as if I am disgruntled, but working up a newsletter each month is not always an easy thing to do. I was first published in 1957 in a music fraternity newsletter as the secretary of my university chapter. In 1980 or so I went back to college and got a certification in writing and literature to increase my job opportunities. It never occurred to me that I would do the GLUE year after year for such a long time. This became an important rule for me, "One of my personal rules, you don't like it, You can do it."

Last year was pretty sad for our club as we had five deaths, one each month from January to May. So far, we doing better but those folks were all friends or family and are greatly missed by me and their fellow friends.



Carlos Delgado's A6M5 in 1/48th scale



Arthur Berdick's Elefant



Carlos Delgado's OV-10 Bronco in 1/48th scale



Arthur Berdick's Stug III in 1/5th scale



Arthur Berdick's Bofors 40mm gun in 1/35th scale



Arthur Burdick's "Archer" A.T. Gun in 1/35th scale



Atrhur Berdick's M60A2 in 1/35th scale

My Column contd.

In reading the other newsletters from around the country, I see that pictures and articles are taken from the web sites that deal with modeling. These make the newsletters look really good, almost like a web magazine and very professional but our newsletter was set up to be a history of what and who we are as a club. I try to keep that as our aim.

I had another idea recently. In an effort to get our members to pay their dues and contribute to our financial well- being, should I print the pictures of non-members in the newsletter? I recently purged our membership rolls of those that have not paid, sometimes up to 5 years or so. Many that no longer can attend our meetings due to assignments, moving, etc. still send their dues and ask to be included in our club. Others come month after month but do not pay. Fifteen dollars per year does not seem such a great amount to pay.

The Folks at the meeting



Crystena and Rick Wongsing

Tommy Delgado

Arthur E. Berwick







Joe Martinez

Kenyon Souflee

Dixie Fischer



Roy Lingle Bill Coster Gustav Hebrok

Crystena

Rick

Charlie

Jose

Richard

The next meeting will be on March 4, 7000 Edgemere at 2:00 P.M.

Carlos

Roger