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the International Plastic Modelers' Society

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October Meeting

Tuesday, 16 October 2018, 7:30 pm

Calvary Presbyterian Church

3400 Lemay Ferry Road, Mehlville, Missouri

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This Meeting:

- Show & Tell: Show us what you've got (on your workbench)
- Model of the Month "Beauty Contest"
- Program To Be Announced



While Vice President Bill Wagner (left) looks on, Treasurer Rick Keasey talks through our new Google Sites website at the General Meeting on 18 September 2018. (Photos by Bob Delaney)

Arch Scaler News Deadline Dates

Anyone wishing to submit articles, notices of upcoming events, wants and disposals, etc. for publication in this newsletter, please get it to the editor (314.835.7480 or rsdelaney@sbcglobal.net) at least 2 weeks before the next general meeting. Any and all material cheerfully accepted, but copy written in Microsoft Word or similar application is even more cheerfully accepted.

Minutes of the 18 September 2018 General Meeting

Vice President Bill Wagner—filling in for President Chris Merseal, who was unwell—called the meeting to order at 7:39 pm. There were 27 people in attendance, including four first time attendees.

Wagner thanked all who helped our Invitational to be a success. There were generally good comments about our show. Contest Chairman Marion Morris requested judges for the Modeler of the Year Contest. Dave Roeder and Scott Van Aken stepped up.

The Adult Building Course (ABC) is underway in Edwardsville, Wagner said. The 11 students (about double last year's total) are building Tamiya's 1:48 scale M4A3E8 Sherman kit. This class will run Wednesdays until 10 October. Treasurer Rick Keasey said about half of the students have building experience.

Keasey talked through the new Google Sites page he developed for us. Wagner said we can go forward with this site. Input is always welcome from the membership. Wagner thanked Doug Barton for his work on our old website. Keasey put the link to the new site up on our Facebook page. Secretary Bob Delaney set up a club Twitter account @IPMSGateway.

In Show & Tell: John Mueller with four World War I fighters, an E.III, DH.2, SE-5A, and D.VII; Tom Bogacki with Academy UH-1 Work in Progress (WIP) and a howitzer WIP; Delaney with Dragon 1:700 Admiral Nakhimov WIP; visitor Michael Georg with 1:72 F6F Hellcat and P-47 Thunderbolt; and, Don Will with his Warhammer figure that won its category and Best Figure at the IPMS/West Central Missouri show last month.

Delaney showed the Third Place certificate his release on our 2017 Toys for Tots donation earned from the National Federation of Press Women. After a short break, Wagner did a demo on scenery materials.

Morris announced the Modeler of the Year contest results. There were 20 entries, including seven in the "To the Rescue" Special Category. Prize drawing winners and prizes were: Mark Carroll with the Tamiya 1:48 M4A3E8 Sherman kit; and, Scott Allen and John Mueller each winning a \$5 CRM Hobbies gift certificate.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm.

Submitted by: Bob Delaney, Secretary

Report on the 25 September 2018 Business Meeting

Six members attended the meeting, which Marion Morris hosted at The Muddled Pig Gastropub in Maplewood, Missouri. President Chris Merseal called it to order at 7:10

pm.

In Old Business, Merseal went over expenses and income from our Invitational; these were better than last year's show. He said the raffle and Make & Take will be in the hotel atrium next year, and there will be no food sales next year.

In New Business, Treasurer Rick Keasey explained the recent and proposed club budget (with handouts), which the board discussed. He suggested we have an agenda set for our general meetings, and proposed ending the Beauty contest in favor of Show & Tell starting in March 2019.

Director Jim Triola proposed adjusting the meeting room to have tables forming a U-shape around the seating area, with members sitting next to their Show & Tell items. There would also be a table for display at the room's rear. The board suggested we try this in 2019 and see how this goes.

There was discussion of meeting ideas, and the need was found for a video system setup for meeting demos. Morris said he would do this. Keasey said he would look into getting a GoPro camera, while Vice President Bill Wagner would look into getting a laptop computer.

Merseal said the club should subsidize t-shirts or polo shirts for members. Secretary Bob Delaney offered to do a roll call list for the meetings. Keasey said we should use name tags at the meetings. He would also look into organizing a club Christmas party. Merseal suggested four to five kits as ideas for the Same Kit Contest, and let the builders vote on the kit to be built.

Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm.

Submitted by: Bob Delaney, Secretary

President's Blurb

First of all, I want to remind everyone that all members are invited to come to the business meetings of the E-Board. We have had a few, but a small number compared to the number of members. Even though you do not have a vote in the decisions, we do listen to everyone's suggestions and round table the discussion. We have been working on a lot of changes for the club, and I would like to get members' take on some of these ideas. We will talk about some of the changes at the meeting this month.

Now back to modeling, and again I want to thank everyone for the success of our show. We have already booked the room for next year and have already sold nine tables for 2019. On a personal note, I don't know if everyone knows that I closed CRM Hobbies Shop last month, and will now be an on-line shop, but I will still be

glad to bring items to the meeting for people. My email is not changing. We'll see you all at the meeting and happy modeling.

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Fellow IPMS Gateway members:

My name is Rick Keasey. I would like to take this opportunity to express my interest in becoming your 2019 Chapter President. The current Chapter President, Chris Merseal, has done a fine job over this past year, but I believe holding four club positions—namely IPMS Chapter President, Contest Chairman, Vendor Chairman, and Contest Treasurer—while simultaneously holding a fulltime job, is a difficult endeavor at best for anyone. Therefore, I would like to serve as your next Club President.

My vision for the future:

1. Sustain and grow the hobby
2. Organize the meetings through the use of an agenda
3. Develop **meaningful** and **effective** ways to attract new members from across the age and gender spectrum
4. Develop **meaningful** and **effective** ways to encourage and bolster interaction and camaraderie among Club members
5. **Meaningful** rewards to members for their participation

My accomplishments since rejoining the Club in 2015:

1. Updated the 9-year old Constitution & By-Laws by editing paragraphs and totally rewriting others. Over a 6-month period, I solicited and incorporated input from e-board members, and the Constitution & By-Laws were ratified in March 2018.
2. As Treasurer, I meticulously analyzed the budget and found several areas where the Club could save money, thus having more to spend on members. The data is now on an Excel Spreadsheet and can be sorted and analyzed.
3. I have organized and executed two very successful Adult Model Building Classes at the Edwardsville Library.
4. I have thought of new ways to advertise our Club via our annual contest, such as our Fox 2 News segment.
5. I have been developing a Google based webpage, where only rudimentary computer skills are required to edit.
6. I have attended and continue to attend numerous contests throughout the year,

including the last two National Conventions, keeping my finger on the pulse of the industry.

As a 30-year retired USAF Colonel, I can dedicate my time to you and the Club and would love to have the opportunity to serve as your President. If you would like to find out more about me and my ideas about the future, please ask me questions at the next General Meeting, or you can visit my (auto)biography at <https://sites.google.com/view/ipmsgatewaychapter/member-spotlight>

Editor's Notebook

This year is starting to come down to the wire. Thanks for all who entered last month's Modeler of the Year contest. There were some very nice entries on the tables. Look forward to more of the same at the November contest.

At last month's business meeting, the executive board (e-board) discussed some ideas for the structure of future club meetings. You can read more about them in the minutes elsewhere in this newsletter. I can tell you that some very sound ideas have been put forth on making our meetings more interesting for everyone.

Thanks to Rick Keasey and company for organizing and running this year's Adult Building Course (ABC) in Edwardsville, which wraps up this month. This is the second year of this course, and it is a great way to bring in more people into this hobby, and potentially into this club. I'll let Rick fill you in on the ABC details at the meeting.

Expanding our club's social media presence, I have set up an Instagram page for the club. We're at ipmsgateway. Photos from club activities—including meetings, displays, and road trips—will be posted there. Feel free to contact me so I can let you post there.

I hope you all have been able to check out our new Google Sites website. Thanks to Rick Keasey for setting this up. This should ensure a good, frequently updated web presence for our club.

As always, we welcome your ideas for material to go into this newsletter. Feel free to contact me; my phone and email address are elsewhere in this publication.

See you at the meeting! Take care and happy modeling!

Bob Delaney

Modeler of the Year 2018 Points and Standings

Notes from the Contest Chairman:

October's contest will be the "Beauty Contest."

Modeler of the Year November 2018 contest: The next **Modeler of the Year (MOY)** contest is at the November meeting. The special category for the MOY is: **World War I**. If the subject of the model of an aircraft, ship, car, etc., was in service or running around during the years 1914-1918 are eligible.....so use your imagination.

Remember that you will get 2 extra points for just entering the special category. If you have a question on your entry, please contact me (my contact info is on the back of the newsletter).

Contest Chairman: Marion Morris

The standings show that there is a clear front runner. Now the contest is on!!!

The next MOY contest is November: **Special Category: World War I**

Name	MY1 Total	MOY2 Total	MOY3 Total	MOY Total
Tom Bagacki	0	21	20	41
Dave Roeder	10	9	8	27
Marion Morris	18	0	0	18
Mark Carroll	13	0	4	17
Rick Keasey	5	4	4	13
Dave Thomas	0	8	0	8
Caleb Dufflinger (JR)	5	0	0	5
Bob Delaney	2	2	6	10
Bill Wagner	0	4	0	4
Paul Korte	3	0	0	3
Chris Merseal	3	0	0	3
Gary Hogue	0	3	0	3
Dennis Bowman	0	3	0	3
Scott Allen	0	0	2	2
Charles Laquet	0	1	0	1

2018 Modeler of the Year Special Categories

20 February—Out of the Box (ALL ENTRIES)

15 May—Crazy Eights (Anything with 8 in Name or Designation)

18 September—To the Rescue (Rescue Vehicles)

20 November—The Great War (World War I Subjects)

Any questions/comments: Please direct them to the Contest Chairman, Marion Morris.

Join IPMS/USA Today!

Save the Date!

14th IPMS/Gateway Invitational Model Contest & Swap Meet

Saturday, 14 September 2019

Holiday Inn St. Louis SW—Route 66

10705 Watson Road. St. Louis. MO 63127

IPMS/USA MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Payment Method: Check Money Order Credit Card (MC/VISA/DISC)

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September Meeting Photos (by Bob Delaney)







Member Spotlight

Marion Morris

I'm an Air Force brat. I was born in West Virginia, but when I was born (1951), my dad was in Korea. When he came home, he joined the Air Force. Consequently, we started the moving routine over the next 27 years.

I lived in Gosnell, Arkansas, right outside Blytheville from 5th grade to half way through my junior year in high school, when Dad was transferred to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. So, I went from a junior class of 40 kids to Stebbins High School of over 350 kids. Boy what a culture shock!!! The high school was next to Wright Field. My bedroom window looked out to the famous Wright Field. I saw the "new" Air Force Museum being built in the late 60s and the XB-70 land at Wright-Pat on its way to the Museum—what a thrill. I graduated from high school in 1969 and attended the University of Dayton on a 4-year Army ROTC scholarship. This was not the time to be in the Army ROTC program in any college, but it paid for everything, tuition, lodging, books, etc. I couldn't refuse the opportunity that it provided. I graduated from University of Dayton with a B.S. in Geology in 1973 and joined the Army for 4 years (1973-1977) as an Airborne Ranger, leaving me little time to build models. Thereafter, I spent 10 years in the Missouri National Guard, as an artillery officer. I continued my education and graduated from Mizzou with a M.S. in Forestry in 1983. Later that year, I made the move from Columbia, MO to St. Louis where I worked as a Department of Defense Cartographer for over 30 years. I retired from cartography in 2013 and worked part time at Maplewood Bicycle shop, retiring from there in Sept 2018.

I have been married to my wife, Regina, for over 40 years. We met at the University of Dayton. She's from Syracuse, New York. We have three children: Chris, Elizabeth, and Maria. They are all grown and married off. I have 6 granddaughters, ages 14 to under a year.

I built my first model, the Monogram B-66B with a dropping A-bomb, in 1960, when I was in third grade. My dad was a gunner in the Air Force, a crew member in the B-29, B-40, B-36, B-66, and the B-52. He spent most of his time in the Strategic Air Command (SAC). So, I fell in love with the aircraft of the 50s and 60s. When I completed it, I made sure that everyone knew where my Dad sat in the airplane, on the left side, right behind the pilot. I stopped building around 7th grade, when sports and girls took a higher priority. I restarted building models when my brother gave my son a 1/48 Monogram F-14 for Christmas in 1987. We built it and had a great time, and I



got hooked again. We started to look for a modeling club, found Gateway in Jan 1988 and joined the club. The rest is history...

I have many favorite model subjects, but if I had to build only one subject, it would be the Bf-109E and the Sherman tank. Both had many variations and color schemes that would keep me busy for a long time. I started out building 1/72, then 1/48, then now 1/32, with an occasional 1/35 military vehicle. I have probably built around 150+ kits with around 30 on display, but I haven't counted them lately. During my youth during the 60s, I built all of the 1/72 Revell aircraft. That was a great time in the hobby.

I've been an IPMS Gateway member for over 25 years. I have always enjoyed the people and the club because we all have a common interest in scale modeling, but with completely different backgrounds. The club is very dynamic and fun, with a lot of great people cooperating to keep the club and hobby fun and growing. So, when you come to the club meetings or activities, you should feel like your opinions count. We need everyone to participate in the club meeting, contests, e-board meetings, and club activities, to keep the club dynamic and growing. Remember that you don't have to be a great modeler; even after building for 25 years, I have a lot to learn and share. I have held all the club offices at one time or another. Currently, I am the chapter contact and a National IPMS senior judge for armor. I was also the President of the St. Louis Armor Modeling club, which was active from 1995-2005.

I have won some 1st places in local contests, regional shows, mainly in armor, but I had a "Best Aircraft" and "Best Naval Aircraft" at a show. I have also won "Best Armor" at the 2012 Gateway Invitational.

In addition to modeling, I enjoy bicycling, running, golf, and being a Grandpa.

Upcoming Modeling Dates

October 2018

- 16 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Calvary Presbyterian Church
- 19-21 **44th Annual MMSI Chicago Show**
Military Miniature Society of Illinois
Marriott Schaumburg
Schaumburg, IL
<http://www.military-miniature-society-of-illinois.com/>
- 20 **Cincinnati Scale Modelers Fall Contest and Swap Meet**
IPMS/Cincinnati Scale Modelers
Scarlet Oaks Vocational School
Sharonville, OH
<http://www.cincyipms.com/>
- 23 **IPMS/Gateway Business Meeting** (tentative)
Hosted by: TBA
- 28 **Fall Swap Meet and Model Contest**
Midwest Model Vehicle Assn.—St. Louis
Kirkwood Community Center
Kirkwood, MO
<http://www.ipms-gateway.com/MMVAStLouis.html>

November 2018

- 3 **TigerCon 2018**
IPMS/Central Missouri Scale Modelers
Hickman High School
Columbia, MO
<http://www.cmsm-ipms.org/>
- 10 **36th Annual IPMS Butch O'Hare Contest**
IPMS/Butch O'Hare
Holiday Inn, Itasca
Itasca, IL
<http://www.butchoharemodelers.com/events/?id=111>
- 17 **Veterans Day Classic**
IPMS/Black Hills Scale Modelers
South Dakota Air & Space Museum
Ellsworth AFB, SD
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1936955949911918/about/>
- 20 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Modeler of the Year Contest: The Great War
2019 E-board & Stroup Award Nominations
Calvary Presbyterian Church

December 2018

- 18 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Recognition Contest, Elections
Calvary Presbyterian Church

January 2019

- 11-12 **ModelCon 2019**
IPMS/Chattanooga Scale Modelers
Chattanooga Convention Center
Chattanooga, TN
<http://www.chattanoogascalmodelers.com/>
- 15 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Swap & Sell and Kit Auction
Calvary Presbyterian Church

February 2019

- 19 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Modeler of the Year Contest: Out of the Box
Calvary Presbyterian Church

March 2019

- 2 **24th Annual Show & Region 5 Contest**
IPMS/Mad City Modelers
Crowne Plaza
Madison, WI
<http://madcitymodelers.org/current-contest-info/>
- 9 **KC CON**
IPMS/Great Plains and IPMS/KC AMPS
First Church of the Nazarene
Kansas City, MO
<http://www.ipmsgreatplains.org/>
- 19 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Program TBD
Calvary Presbyterian Church
- 30 **Tulsa Modelers Forum Contest**
IPMS/Tulsa Modelers
Bixby Community Center
Bixby, OK
<https://www.tulsaipms.org/>

April 2019

- 16 **IPMS/Gateway General Meeting**
Program TBD
Calvary Presbyterian Church

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Suggested Social Media Hashtag: #IPMSGateway

IPMS/USA Chapter of the Year: 1982-83 • 1991-92

IPMS Region 5 Chapter of the Year: 1982-83 • 1989-90 • 1990-91 • 1991-92 • 1998-99



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