

# Tactical Notes

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2018 IPMS/USA  
Nats



The “OMG, David bought  
a house” mini-issue

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**Next Meeting: Thursday, August 16th 7:00 p.m.  
Meeting Topic: The Nats**

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"**Tactical Notes**" is the Newsletter of the Military Modelers Club of Louisville, Inc. We appreciate your taking the time to read this little newsletter. We'd appreciate it even more if you would write something. **Yes, I am talking to you!**

**Cover Photos:** by D. Knights of his new house.

## President's Page

*By Stu Cox*

MMCL Members,

Please join us at MMCL Headquarters this Thursday evening at 7:00PM for our August 2018 Monthly club meeting.

Terry Hill and David Knights will be providing a brief update on the "state of IPMS" and a report from their attendance at the National IPMS Show a few weeks ago. We look forward to hearing about attendance, contest entries and overall show experience!

I would like to have a club conversation to obtain specific ideas for club presentations and speakers for the meetings. We are planning for a Friday Night Fights Workshop session on Friday, September 21th. We'll need to have topics or programs for our October and November meetings.

This is an election year, so all members should be considering and discussing any interest in serving as a club officer. Officer positions are President, Vice-President, Secretary (Tactical Notes), Treasurer and Member At Large. Elections are in November.

Please dig deep in your stash for raffle donations this month. We'd like to have another shelf clearing raffle event to help you prepare for the onslaught of all the new kits that SRI will be inventorying for the Fall season! The scale model companies are introducing many new subjects that are of high interest!

Thanks, We'll see you Thursday night at the meeting!

President Stu(g)

## Editor's Note

OK, it has kinda been a whirlwind for me lately. At the beginning of the month Dr. Terry Hill and I attended the IPMS/USA Nats in Phoenix. This was our third trip to Phoenix (we went in 2004 and 2010). You can read all about it in the mini Nats report in this issue. A week after getting back Ruthie and I closed on a new home. Ruthie has been looking for her dream home for 8 long years, and she finally found it. It is a wonderful place, but this means that 72nd Scale Nirvana (a/k/a my model room) has to be packed up and moved. I haven't had to move the model collection and the model library in 17 years, when both were a lot smaller. I mean, A LOT. The new place has a very nice model room for me and tons of storage. The problem is doing the actual moving. As you can imagine, that isn't something I want to leave to movers. Five days after closing, my kids started back to school. This includes Mia's first year of high school.

In sum, something had to give, and that something was the newsletter. I am afraid that this will be a mini issue. I promise that next month we'll be back to normal next month. At least that is my plan.

Please make an effort to attend this month's meeting. August is usually a small attendance month, so let's see if we can buck that trend. Bring a kit or two for the raffle. Last month was a great raffle and raised some good money for the club. Let's keep that up.

Finally, below is a photo of what will be my new model room. I hope I can make it a good place to model.



## 2018 IPMS/USA Nats Report

By D.M. Knights, Editor

Wednesday August 1st, Dr. Terry Hill and I flew out to the IPMS/USA National contest in Phoenix, AZ. Unfortunately, we were on different flights. Luckily for me, Terry arrived first and was able to get me registered for the contest since I had completely spaced and forgotten to register online. Terry really took a bullet for me on this one, as the in person registration was a bit of a mess, with lines stretching out for more than an hour. I didn't arrive until late wednesday evening, but as always, Terry was prepared and had a drink waiting for me at the hotel.

I got to the show bright and early on Thursday morning. It was directly accross from the hotel, in the same place as 2004 and 2010. This is a good thing, since it was 110 in Phoenix every day we were there. Frankly, walking across the street was a chore. If we'd had to have walked any farther, I am not sure either of us would have survived.

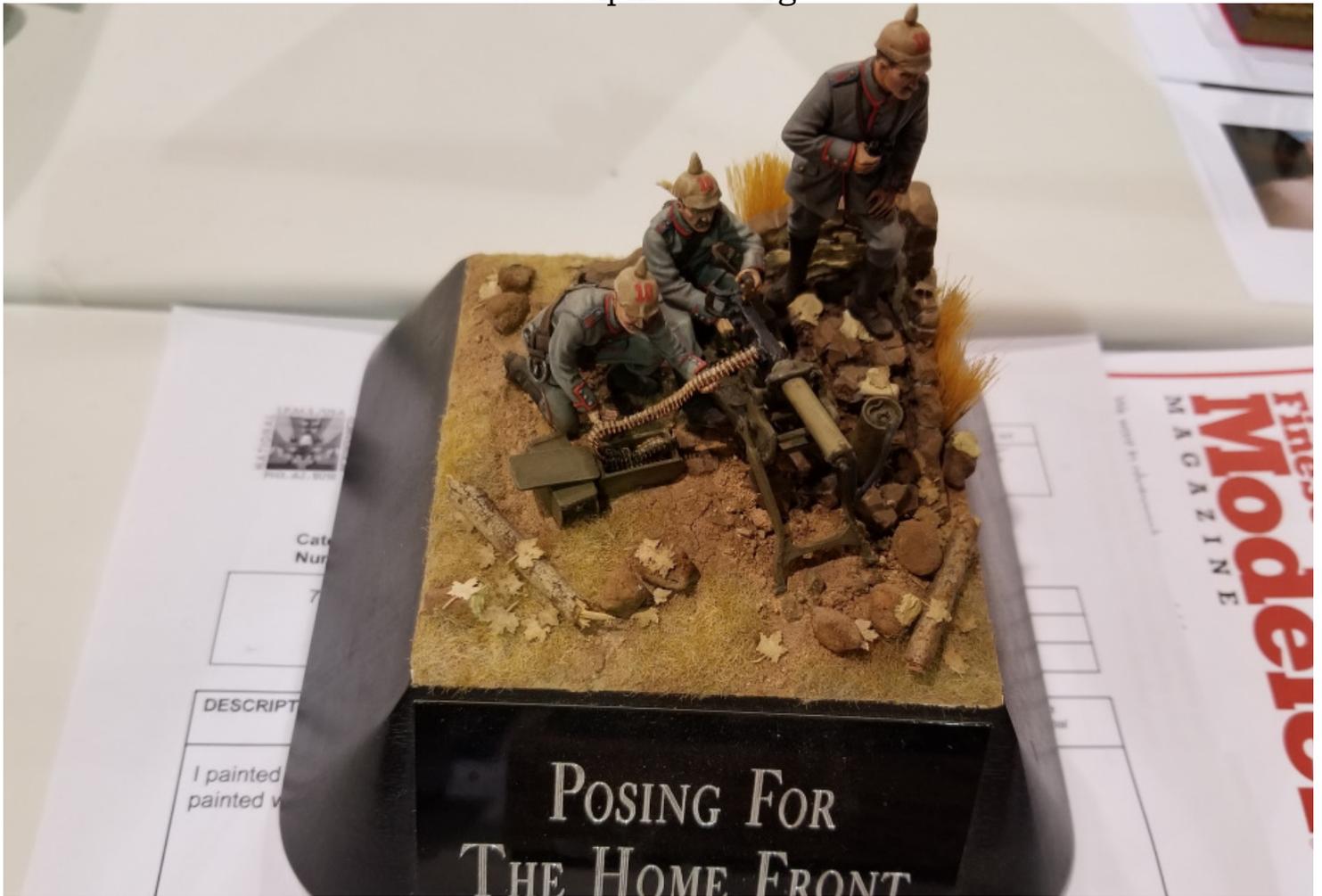
Of course, one of the most important parts of any Nats is the vendor room. While this year the room was smaller than in 2004 and 2010, there were still plenty of vendors there and I was relived of many sheets of green paper.

This year Terry and I got to attend several of the presentations at the convention this year. The seminars are a great part of the Nats, and too few attendees take advange of this

neat opportunity. I picked several interesting tips and I want to give them a try.

Of course, the highlight of the Nats are the models. Thre were about 3000 total models on the table, and I have to say the quality was amazing. I was stunned by some of the entries. I've included a few photos of some of the models on the following pages. I hope you enjoy them.















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