



**April 5**

**Theme: Modeler's choice**

**Location: The Church , Homewood**

**Time: 7:00 P.M.**

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## Upcoming Meetings

**05-17-19:** The Church, 7:00 P.M.

**06-21-19:** The Church, 7:00 P.M.

**07-19-19:** The Church, 7:00 P.M. Christmas in July

## Must Build Models 2019: **Completion Date**

Max Bryant	MPC 1/43 X-Wing Fighter	
Sam Buonadonna	1/35 PT Boat	
Steve Butt	1/48 Zvezda Pe-2	
Rich Diaz	Nakajima E8N1 Type 95	
Bob Ford	1/35 Tamiya M551 Sheridan	
Bill Hunoway	1/35 MRC OH-58 Kiowa Warrior	
Don Klein	1/32 HK Models Do-335	
Ken Kwilinski	"Beginning of the End"	
Ed Mate	Hasegawa 1/48 F-4J & F-4G	
Jeremy Petersen	?	
Ken Scott	1/72 Trumpeter J-31 Gyrfalcon	
Dave Stukel	1/72 Revell Schnellboat S-100	<b>2-19!</b>
Mike Valentine	1/35 Tamiya British Universal Carrier MK II	
Ed Wahl	1/25 AMT 1964 Chevy Impala	<b>3-19!</b>

## Bill's Banter

How many times do you get stuck on a build? How many different ways are there? I think I've come across a lot of them my last build. It seems like I was flying with my model; getting it together in a speed for me that was record time. Within a week of starting the kit, I was already ready for final paint. I am working on a jet that was going to be painted in an "Aggressor" paint scheme that I found that I liked. It was something easy to paint and it was only three colors. Simple, right?

I started looking at the colors that I needed and of course none of the colors were in the paint stash. Off to the hobby shop I went to see if I could find them. I was able to find two of the three colors, the other one had to be ordered...stuck. As I was trying to get the model done for last month's meeting, I was running out of time. I went back a week later and no one knew about the paint I ordered. I waited another couple of days and tried again. The order came in but was not put on the side for me. I didn't have the FS number for the color that I ordered with me. So, I had to go back home and get it and drive back; a wasted day... still stuck. In the meantime of waiting for the paint to arrive, I was able to get all of the other pieces painted and detailed.

This saved me some time when I was finally able to bring the paint home. I got the main color painted and one of the others also in no time at all. Things were looking up. The final color went on but it had over spray that needed to be addressed. The thing was though, that this last color was glossy and it took 3 days to dry...stuck again. I was able to finally get the repaint down and it looked lousy. I sanded it back down and went at it again. Of course, the paint cup came loose on me and, of course, it had to drip on the newly painted surface that wasn't the color I was spraying. I didn't notice that it was also on one of my fingers, which of course was holding the bottom of the plane...literally stuck! Another couple of days to let it dry again and here I am. I lost the momentum and I lost the feeling good part of getting this model done. I won't even go on about the decals because I'm afraid that those might get stuck.

Oh well, I think we all have stories like this. These are the things that make us better modelers. I keep saying this to myself as I try to get the paint off my hand before it gets stuck somewhere else. I also know where I stick it now! Go build something will ya!

Bill

## April Club Models:

The Green Lantern  
by Ken Kwilinski



Sherman Tank  
by Bob Ford



U.S. Army Scout Car  
by Bob Ford



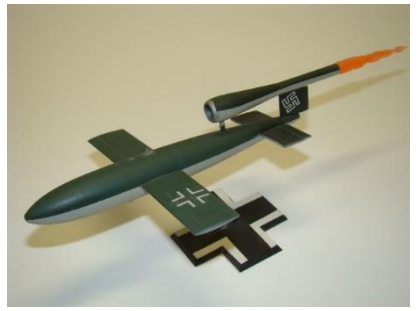
Ro-37  
by Steve Butt



U.S. Army Beaver  
by Dave Stukel



V-1  
By Dave Stukel



CH-34 Choctaw  
By Bill Hunoway



AH-1G  
By Bill Hunoway



1964 Chevrolet Impala  
SS Street Rod Show  
Car  
By Ed Wahl



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## **"Beginning of the End," A giant Grasshopper invasion**

By Ken Kwilinski

"Beginning of the End" is one of those sci-fi movies from the 50's. One of my favorites. Produced by Mr. BIG, Bert I. Gordon. He also did the movie "Earth Vs. the Spider". I made a scratch-built model of that monster too.

The Grasshoppers I used for this model were Hawk brand "Pancho the Grasshopper". These Hawk kits are dated 1959. They actually worked out well for what I was doing. Positioning their legs was easy, since they are jointed. You can fix the legs however you wish. All of the people figures are made from Apoxie Sculpt clay. The building, cage, and additional furnishings, are all made from Evergreen Scale Models polystyrene plastic. I used sheets, rods, and tube plastic. The model is airbrushed and hand painted with Testor enamel paints.

For this diorama I wanted to have as many of the scenes and incidences that occurred in the film to be shown. For instance, the Grasshopper in the cage and the soldier on the roof with the giant grasshopper coming up behind him. Most of all I wanted this model to show an invasion of giant grasshoppers. I wasn't sure how I could pull that off in a model. I think it, the diorama, captured it though. Check it out. If you're familiar with the movie, I'm sure there will be things you will spot that you may have seen in the movie. Enjoy!





## Upcoming Events:

NIMCON 8, Crystal Lake, IL

June 22, 2019