



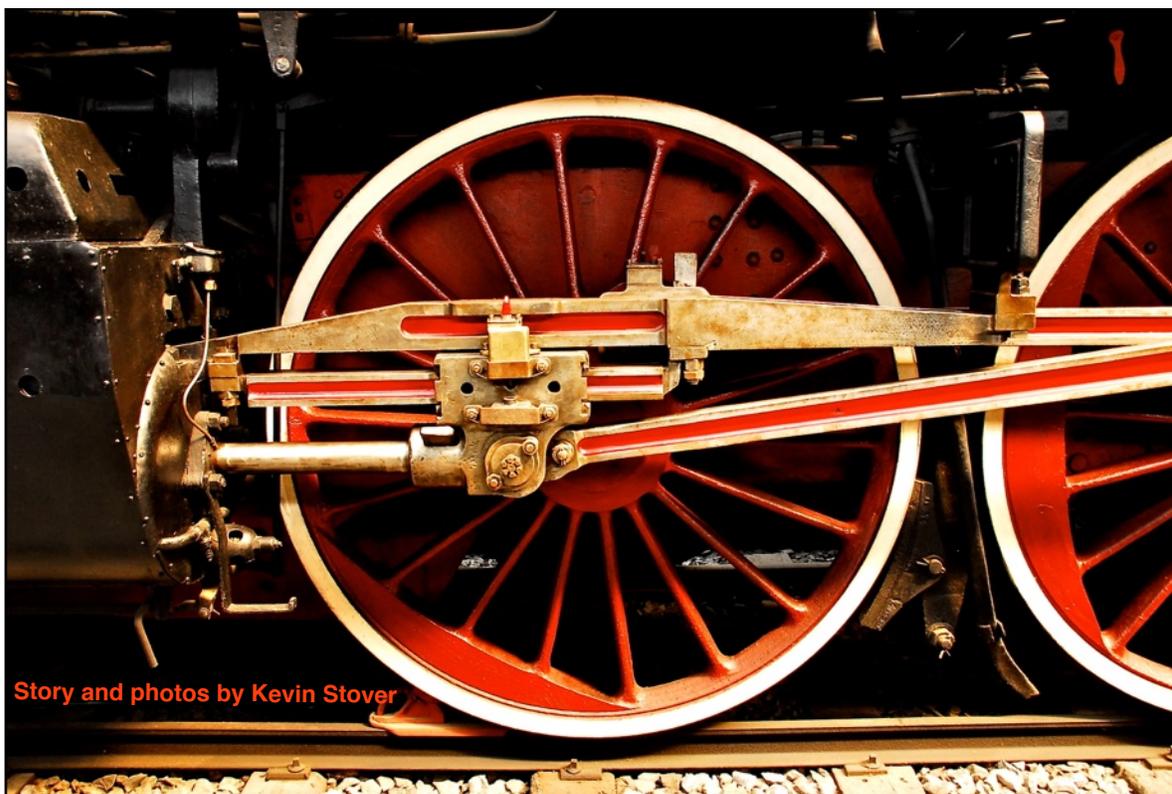
# Butch O'Hare IPMS / USA

## The Monthly Resinator



The Official Newsletter of *IPMS Butch O'Hare* Scale Modelers

March 2015



Story and photos by Kevin Stover

## On a Much Different Track...

By Kevin Stover

The Museo Nazionale della Scienza e della Tecnologia "Leonardo da Vinci" in Milan is one of many national train museums in Italy. This museum combines all kinds of Italian science discoveries along with their physical manifestations (airplanes, ships and trains). It's a slightly more hands-on version of our Museum of Science and Industry.

For me, I consider trains to be No. 3 after planes and armor, but once you walk into this gigantic building you will understand why "bigger is better." Comparable to the Boeing facility in

Seattle, the museum lets you fully understand how big some of these trains are...not to mention the building they're in.

You're immediately thrown back into the 1920s and '30s when coal and steam were the major travel fuels. Italian versions of our American "Big Boys" and other engines litter the inside yard. Three enormous longitudinal skylights provide all of the light. At one point I felt like I was in an Agatha Christie novel with Hercule Poirot just around the platform.

I've always loved trains and have spent many an hour train spotting in Elmhurst with friends. Trains have an immense power that cannot be denied. For many, simple train sets turn into major train dioramas in no time flat. For some reason that didn't happen with me. I still prefer jets to steam...but I do understand.

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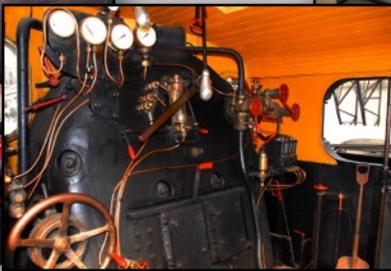
**Next Club Meeting  
at St. Paul's  
Church on Friday,  
March 13, 2015,  
7:30pm**

**Special Theme:  
People Movers**

**Demonstration:  
Build-it Night**



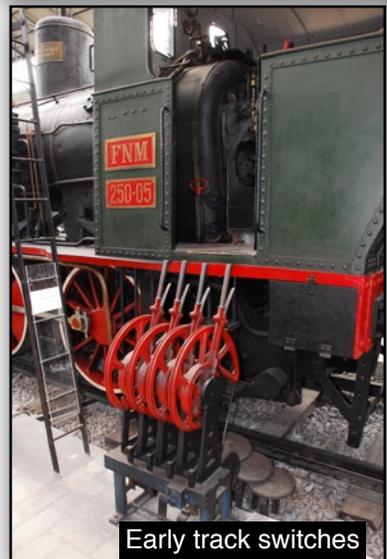
Feels like a terminal ghost yard.



1914 Locomotiva Elettrica Gr E 330



"All aboard!"



Early track switches



94.6-ton, 1920 Locomotiva A Vapore 691 F.S. (steam locomotive)

**SPECIAL EDITION**

**O'Hare D.E.B.R.I.E.F.**

*By Stan Kurcz*

Our February meeting had one of the highest turnouts in quite some time, with 42 members attending. The meeting was the start of our first group build, using a Tamiya A6M2 Zero. The kits were handed out to 20-plus members participating in the build, along with background material on construction and camo schemes. Thanks to Steve Day and Stan Kurcz for providing airbrushes that were used by all during the build. The February meeting also included a new table arrangement. This was done to help with the group build as well as trying to make it easier for the show and tell to be heard by all.

The meeting began with the first 45 minutes dedicated to the group build, while the remaining members generally hobnobbed with their fellow modelers during this time. At the end of the build session, Frank Ciccarella gave a great demonstration about making "liquid putty" and its uses in dioramas. Following the demo we had the normal show and tell with another nice mix of kits, figures and models of every modeling category.

Mike Ferguson made an announcement about an A-6 Intruder reunion this year (late September) in Geneva, Ill. The A-6 squadron VA-65 will be holding its annual reunion Sept. 23-27, 2015, at the Comfort Inn and Suites in Geneva. Mike asked that any member who has, or will have, an A-6 model (preferably an A-6A) built by then to bring their models to the hotel for display at the reunion. The reunion will have a conference room for the duration of the gathering that will be locked at night. Mike also extended an invite to those BOH members who do bring models to hang out with the VA-65 veterans and witness living history. Please contact Mike with any questions you may have about the reunion.

The meeting closed with recognition of John Michniak's (former member) contribution of models, paints and supplies to the club. John has a medical condition that has prevented active modeling. We would like to thank John for his gracious donation to the club and we all wish him the best for the future.

Next month is our first Build It night of the year, and our Show-and-Tell theme will be People Movers. We will also be continuing with our group build of the Zero. Hopefully it'll be warmer by then!!!

# The Display Table



Carl, this F-94C looks like it's about to take its maiden flight. Wow, look how tiny that vertical stab was then! This plane was good for straight line travel only.



Ron Getz's huge JU-88 is ready for a flight over London.

Mike Ferguson's 1/25 PT Cruiser looks similar to one I once rented in Arizona.



# The Display Table



I think Mike Pikulyk's M60A-1 and M60A-2 are both very impressive pieces of armor.



# The Display Table



Left: Carl Knable's "stretch" C-130, J-30 is impressive with the new six-blade rotor.

Below, far left: Here are Mike Ferguson's 1/144 P-47 and A-10.



Above: I believe this is Don Grajek's P-47, 1/72 scale.

Left: "Model of the night" from Tim Jones with this 1/48 Martian war machine. Love the neatness of the clear lenses.



# The Display Table



Above: Carl's Sikorsky S-43 float plane.

Right: One of Don's many Navy Demons on parade.



Carl hits again with this newer Minicraft KC-135 with the BIG motors.

# The Display Table



Dick Beemer's auto wrecker tow truck is something we never see at the meetings. I hope we see more of its type.



George Bruchert's P-38F needs no excuses for completion. Great job!

Sophia Carlson's "Blade Ranger" from the movie "Planes" looks eager to take off.



# The Display Table



Right: Carl again checks in with this beautiful C-119 in dayglo red. Even at 1/144 it seems bigger!

Below: Ditto for Carl's 1/72 P-51D.



Above right: Kurt Gizewski's miniatures.

Right: Mike Ferguson's P-47 razorback is WWII ready.



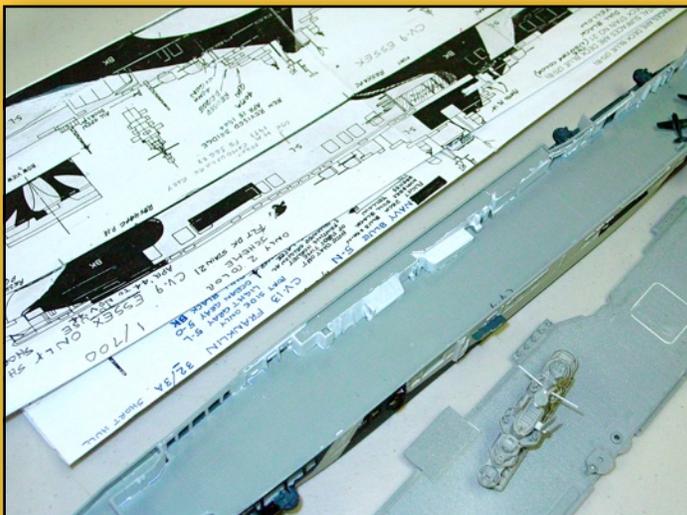
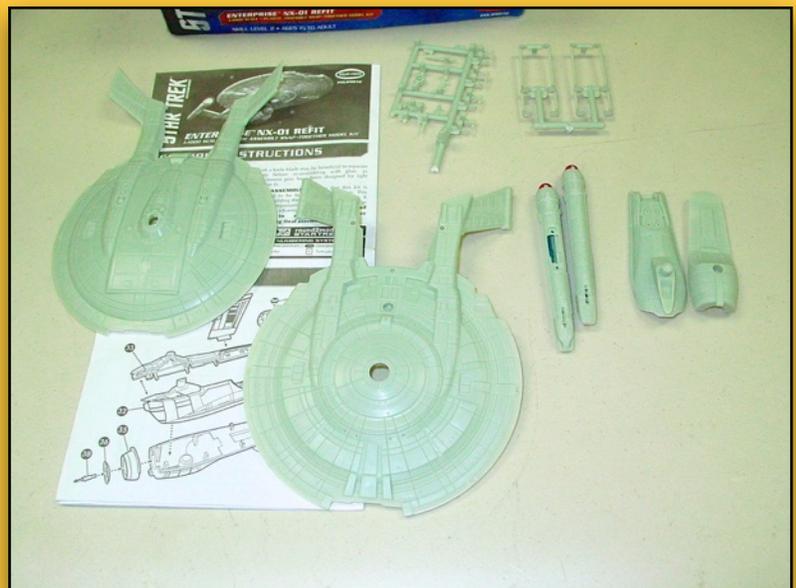
# UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Ronbo's Skoda 305 mm model 1916 siege Howitzer from TAKOM, in 1/35 scale, was popular with the Austro-Hungarian Army during WWI.



Dick Beemer's unusual method of delivering perfectly aligned tank treads using Lego blocks was amazing.

Steve Day's Polar Lights Enterprise NX-01 is well on its way to completion.



Don Grajek's 1/200 Essex carrier is well underway.

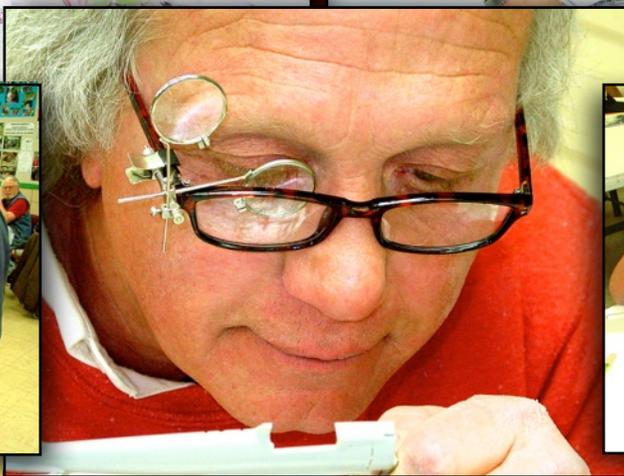
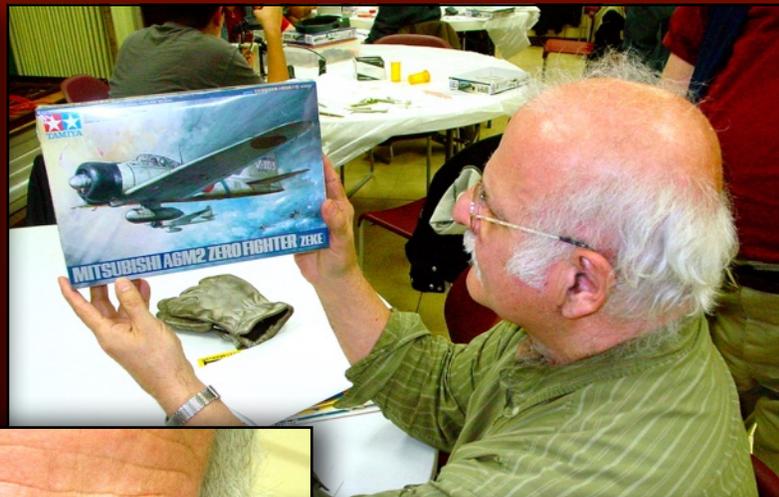


# Friday Night Hi-Lights

Coaxing team togetherness  
with a club build:

## Tamiya A6M2 Zero

Members participating in this unique club  
build will spend the first 45 minutes of each  
meeting building until completed. Regular  
business including show and tell will follow.



## JOIN/RENEW BUTCH O'HARE SCALE MODELERS

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**What do you build? (circle one or more)**

Aircraft Armor Autos Sci-Fi Ships Figures Dioramas

Dues: \$20 per year. Make checks payable to the Butch O'Hare Model Club.

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Aurora, IL 60504**

**NEW MEMBERS:** Jan-Mar \$20; Apr-Jun \$17; Jul-Sept \$14; Oct-Dec \$9 / **Family:** \$25  
**Juniors:** Jan-Mar \$14; Apr-Jun \$10; Jul-Sept \$7; Oct-Dec \$5



# Local Hobby Shops



- **Chicagoland Hobby** ..... 6017 N NW Hwy, Chicago, IL, 773-775-4848  
<http://www.yellowpages.com/chicago-il/mip/chicagoland-hobby-inc-23073935>
- **Forever Timeless** ..... 4438 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL, 773-545-6959  
<http://www.city-data.com/businesses/218387017-forever-timeless-hobby-shop-chicago-il.html>
- **Des Plaines Hobbies** ..... 1524 Lee St., Des Plaines, IL, 847-297-2118  
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- **M & Models** ..... 9329 S Cicero Ave., Oak Lawn, IL, 708-423-7202  
<http://www.mmodelstore.com>
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<http://www.pthinc.com/>
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<http://www.greenfieldnewsandhobby.com/about>
- **Oakridge Hobbies & Toys** ..... 7511 Lemont Road, Suite 100, Darien, IL, 630-435-5900  
<http://www.oakridgehobbies.com>
- **Hill's Hobby Shop** ..... 60 W Dundee Road, Buffalo Grove, IL 847-541-3500  
<http://www.merchantcircle.com/business/Hills.Hobby.Shop.847-541-3500>

**CLOSING MARCH 2015!**



## The Volo Auto Museum

By Hector Colon

OK, you motorheads (and even those of you who do not list cars as your top choice of modeling subject): Nestled just northwest of Chicago is one of the area's best-kept secrets – The Volo Auto Museum. The museum contains a vast collection of automobiles from classic Duesenbergs and '60s muscle cars, to stars of the silver screen and even to the high-end sports cars – Ferraris, Lamborghinis and Porsches.

Just looking at the vehicle causes you to feel the vibrations of the road beneath you. The collection contains upwards of 275 classic cars for sale. Yes, with the cash, you can drive home in that '72 Boss 302 Mustang or that '67 Chevy Camaro that you've been dreaming about since high school. The collection also includes a collection of cars that were the "real" stars of many recent movie blockbusters - Dom's '67 Plymouth from *Fast & Furious*, the "time machine" from *Back to the Future*, the Batmobile, Grandpa Munster's Dragula and even the fabled Eleanor (or at least one of her doubles) from *Gone in 60 Seconds*.

In addition, the collection includes the AV8 Harrier, from the blockbuster *The Avengers*, with the piece of wing that the Hulk ripped off during his escape from the helicarrier. It also includes a large collection of military vehicles and a more than respectable collection of militaria. If you're into shopping for antiques, the museum has barn after barn of them – toy trains, Hot Wheels and even vintage models, if you look



1972 Boss 302 Mustang



1972 Olds 442

carefully. I found several stashes of comic books for my collection, but since I did not have my “wish list” I had to pass – an oversight that I will not be repeating.

And if all this still isn't enough, then get this – the place is supposedly haunted. That's right, I said haunted. One of the barns claims to have a resident who never quite “went into the light.” So if you're looking for a local place to enjoy a day, or looking to build your first car model or your 50th, then the Volo Auto Museum is for you. I definitely plan on returning in the near future.



1966 Batmobile



A little "Miami Vice"



Grandpa's 1967 Dragula



Where's the Hulk?



"Eleanor" in 60 Seconds

# THIS MONTH IN **MILITARY** HISTORY

**March 8, 1854** – U.S. Commodore Matthew C. Perry lands at Yokohama on his second trip to Japan. Within a month, he had concluded a treaty with the Japanese.

(TDMH)



**March 23, 1944** – On Bougainville, Japanese forces attack American positions without making any progress. Heavy Japanese losses are reported.

(TDMH)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**March 7, 2015**

**Madcity Modelers Model Show**

**Doubledays**

**4586 Baxter Road [Map](#)**

**Cottage Grove, WI**

**[Rob Teubert](#) 608-295-9258**

**March 28, 2015**

**Omahacon 2015**

**Strategic Air and Space Museum**

**28210 W. Park Hwy [Map](#)**

**Ashland, NE**

**[Scott Hackney](#) 402-861-1999**

**March 14, 2015**

**KC CON**

**First Church of the Nazarene**

**11811 State Line Road [Map](#)**

**Kansas City, MO**

**[Stuart Malone](#) 816-560-8282**

**April 11, 2015**

**Surgicon 21**

**HyVee #2 Euclid Room**

**2540 E. Euclid Ave. [Map](#)**

**Des Moines, IA**

**[Joe Lotz](#) 641-202-3579**

**March 21, 2015**

**12th Annual Contest and Show**

**Five Lakes Center**

**#1 Center Drive [Map](#)**

**Fairmont, MN**

**[Dan Bauer](#) 507-822-3938**

**April 25, 2015**

**Fleacon 11**

**Landmark Aviation**

**3411 Beech Way [Map](#)**

**Cedar Rapids, IA**

**[Adam Mangold](#) 319-431-4784**



# Great Ideas

TIPS AND INGENUOUS TECHNIQUES THAT WILL MAKE YOUR MODELING BETTER

## A TECHNIQUE FOR PROTECTING PITOT TUBES or ANTENNAS

Several years ago, I started working on a Testor's 1/72<sup>nd</sup> F-117A Stealth jet plane, and because it had raised panel lines, I had to do a rescribing job first. According to my references, the F-117A has an internal weapons bay, so it doesn't have any external M.G. or cannons. In fact, it doesn't have any guns, so the description at the top of its instruction sheet that says "Stealth Fighter" is probably not really correct. Doesn't a plane that is designated a "fighter" have to have at least one gun?

The four things that you do see, sticking out of the front in the first picture below, are pitot tubes. Because the design is an unstable aerodynamics type, it must need really comprehensive input airflow data. After finishing the rescribing, I noticed that the four pitot tubes on the very front of the upper fuselage weren't there anymore. I tried finding them, but they be gone!

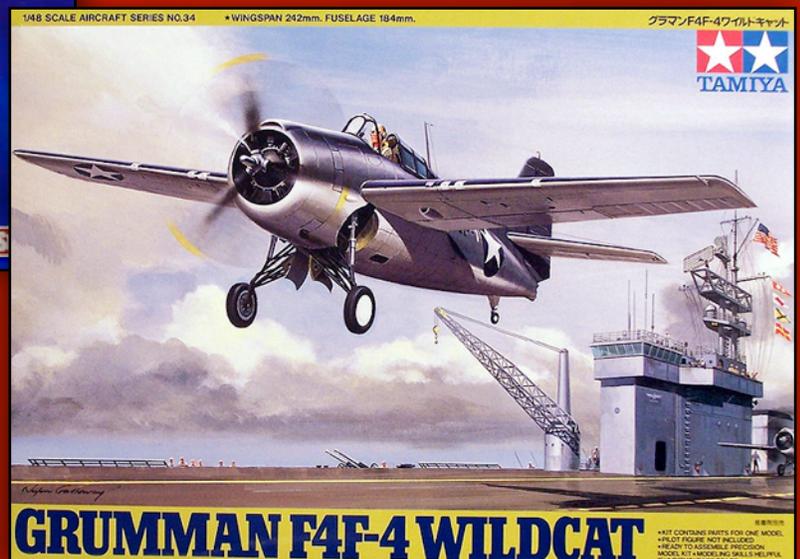
Somewhere/time over the past year, I picked up a replacement and decided to start again over the holidays. Of course, I wanted to avoid the same problem, so I cut a piece out of some clear plastic (the kind that comes with a new shirt or the like), folded it in half and then carefully scotch-taped it in place, which you can see in the second picture below. I also put tape on the sides, so even if any do break, they'll be held captive. The size of the plastic piece here is about 1-1/2" (then bent in half, so it's 3/4":3/4"(T-B)x2"(W)). Hopefully, there won't be any victims this time. This same technique will, of course, work for things sticking out of wings, fins, etc. Hope this will work for you.

*Regards, Don Smith*



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Thanks to those who brought in these new releases for us to see.



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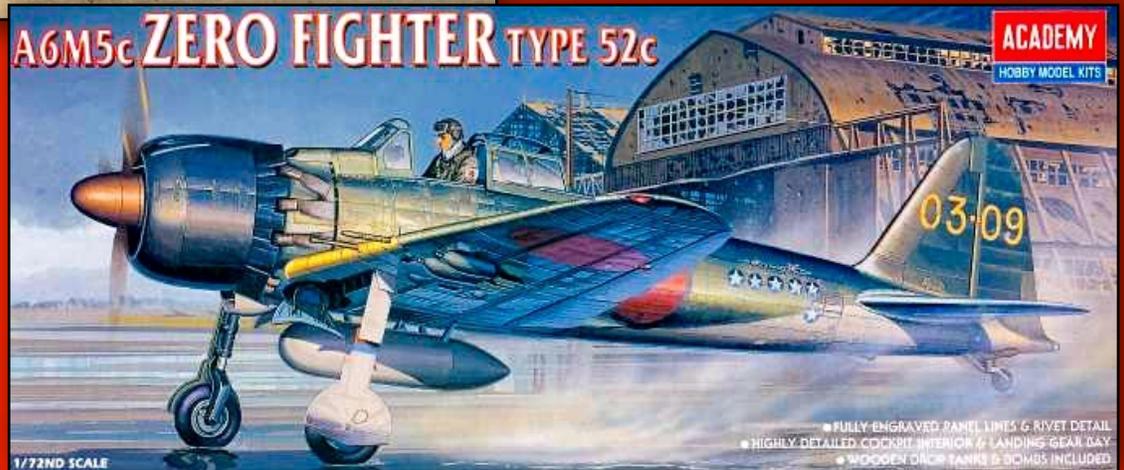
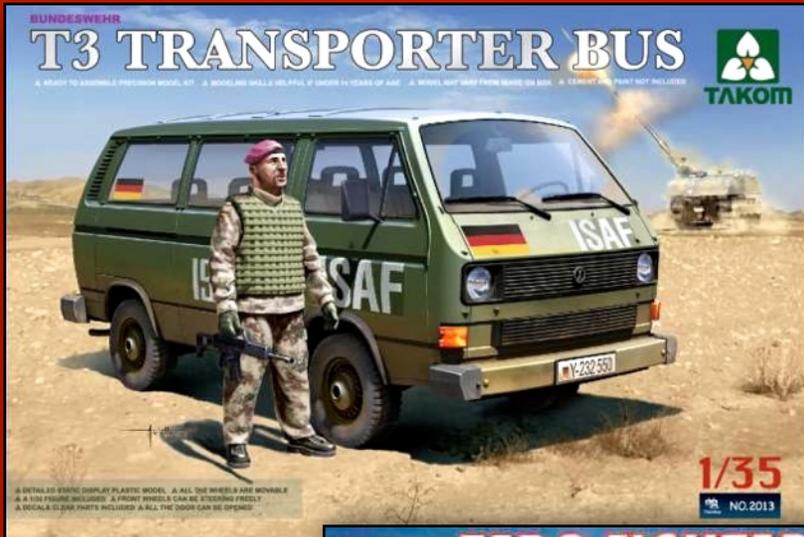
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 ALL THE DOORS CAN BE OPENED  
 DECALS & CLEAR PARTS INCLUDED

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# FROM THE OVAL OFFICE



It's a continual challenge to keep our club focused on advancing our hobby and helping our members achieve their modeling goals. To that end there have been a few changes recently that I believe will help us do an even better job going forward.

Those of you who were able to attend the February meeting will have noticed a different table setup. The new configuration has the display tables against the windows and the members seated on the opposite side. Thanks to Stan for this idea – it allows presenters to face the entire membership instead of forcing a choice between one side of the room or the other. Hopefully this will better allow everyone to see and interact with show and tell presentations – and the setup is better suited for demonstration presentations as well.

We also started our Zero group build and had very nice overall participation. Please make an effort to keep up with this if you've started – we will all learn a lot, and Hector would like to have an entire table of Zeros at our next contest. Thanks to everyone who brought in equipment and helped run the build session – it went very well and your efforts are very much appreciated. If this goes well, we can expand the effort to include other model types (Armor? Cars? Ships?).

Also on the list of things that might be fun to do as a group: How about an overnight trip to see the Air Force museum in Dayton, Ohio?

As you can tell, there are lots of exciting and fun club activities we've got percolating. If you've got an idea for something else – please let me know! John

Hello Region 5 members,

Club nominations are due on April 1 for Region 5 Chapter of the Year, Web Site of the Year, and Newsletter of the Year. Please don't be afraid to nominate your club for any or all of these honors. For Chapter of the Year (COY), just send me a short write-up on what your club has been doing over the year and why you feel your club deserves COY. For Newsletter of the Year, please send me any three copies of your newsletter along with your nomination. For Web Site of the Year, simply notify me of your nomination along with your URL and I'll check it out. Easy-peasy!

Now is the time to start thinking about putting in a bid for the 2016 Regional Convention. I won't set a deadline yet, but start giving it some consideration and see if your club is interested. As you all know, the 2015 Regional will be held in St. Louis, hosted by IPMS Gateway on Sept, 12.

That's it -- short update this month!

Happy Modeling,

*Kelly Quirk*

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## DuPage County Model Railroad

Reviewed by Kurt Van Dahm

### DuPage County Model Railroad | A Closer Look



#### DuPAGE COUNTY MODEL RAILROAD / A Closer Look

By Keith Ward

At the Feb. 13 meeting, during the showing of models, Keith Ward mentioned there was a book on the table about the DuPage County Railroad layout. The title of this book is kind of misleading as to who the author is.

What Keith failed to mention was that he was one of the two photographers who did the book and also the book's author. The layout was made and is run and

maintained by the DuPage Society of Model Engineers, and it is housed in the DuPage County Historical Museum, 102 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187.

The 50-page, 8" x 10" (horizontal) paperback book is perfect bound and done in full color. Several towns in DuPage County are represented in a part-factual and part-fancy manner. One business in the town of Indian Hill is the Olsen Light Bulb Repair Company, where carloads of light bulbs are repaired and sold back to China.

Also, the Miracle Chair Company's sign has the slogan, "If it's a good chair—it's a Miracle." These whimsical signs are on very nicely built buildings.

The HO scale layout was begun in 1965 so that it would be ready for the museum's opening in 1967, and like most RR layouts it is a work in progress.

If you are near Wheaton on the third Saturday of the month or on a fifth Saturday (when they occur), stop in to see the layout. The operating hours are 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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## Upcoming Schedule 2015

| Date            | Theme                | Demo/guest                               |
|-----------------|----------------------|--|
| January 9       | *****                | *****                                    |
| February 13     | *****                | *****                                    |
| <b>March 13</b> | <i>People Movers</i> | <i>Build it Night 1</i>                  |
| April 10        | <i>Figure This</i>   | <i>Armor Weathering</i><br>(Rick Tuck)   |
| May 8           | <i>Unmanned</i>      | <i>Auction Night</i>                     |
| June 12         | <i>Hunters</i>       | <i>Kit Preparation</i><br>(Don Smith)    |
| July 10         | <i>Korea</i>         | <b>TBA</b>                               |
| August 14       | <i>Japanese</i>      | <i>Dry Brushing</i><br>(Steve Day)       |
| September 11    | <i>Display Teams</i> | <i>Build it Night 2</i>                  |
| October 9       | <i>Armored Cars</i>  | <i>Easy Gloss Work</i><br>(Kevin Stover) |
| November 13     | *****                | <i>Contest</i>                           |
| December 11     | <i>Vietnam</i>       | <i>Xmas Party</i>                        |

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

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**5739 Dunham Rd., Downers Grove, IL**

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