



**Newsletter of the
Butch O'Hare Chapter of IPMS/USA
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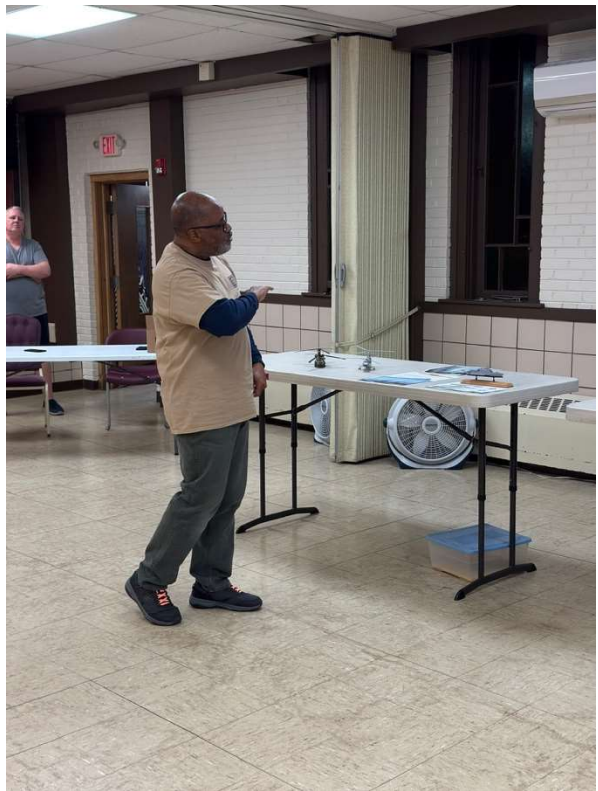
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| 2025 | |
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| 2025 Meeting Date | Show-and-Tell Theme |
| Jan 10 | What I Got for Christmas! |
| Feb 14 | Dioramas and Vignettes |
| Mar 14 | WWII North Africa and Mediterranean |
| Apr 11 | Favorite Build on Your Shelf |
| May 9 | Sci Fi and Fantasy |
| Jun 13 | Member's Choice |
| Jul 11 | 1960s Muscle Cars |
| Aug 8 | Italy WW II |
| Sep 12 | From Your Favorite Movie |
| Oct 10 | Navy Air, Land and Sea |
| Nov TBD | BOH IPMS Show |
| Dec 12, 2025 | Winter |

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Club Web Site:

<http://www.butchoharemodelclub.com>

BOH Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1132616937305874>

Quick Link Newsletters:

<http://www.butchoharemodelclub.com/Newsletters.html>

Newsletter Submittals:

bohmcnewsletter@gmail.com

Club Store:

<https://butchohare.qbstores.com/>

Drop in to our next meeting :

Friday, April 11, 2024

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ
5739 Dunham Road
Downers Grove, IL**

March 14, 2025

Meeting Recap and Other

News

President John Novak brought the meeting to order. There was a nice turnout with 26 in attendance.

Since many were not in attendance last month, John shared some sad news on the passing of long-time club member Keith Ward. An article on Keith will be in an upcoming newsletter and IPMS Journal. If people would like to share stories about Keith please share them with the club. Ihor mentioned that the obituary had an easy way to donate a tree in his memory. The obit also mentioned donating to his favorite train model club. The BOH club voted to donate a tree and to donate money to the train organization in Lombard that Keith was a member of.

John bought out a vendor at the DuPage Toy Show and became a vendor for the rest of the event. He mentioned that he will also be a vendor at the Mad City show in Madison Wisconsin tomorrow.

Hector mentioned that the church is up for sale since it is experiencing financial problems. This may pose problems for our November show. The club should look for a new location for our show in case we need to move. Many options were discussed including going back to the fairgrounds since the poor lighting has been fixed.

Scale Model Stash is going to open! John's new hobby shop is slated to open June 1st. John announced that he officially took steps to open his own hobby shop. He plans to stock hard-to-get paints, tools, models and consignment items. He is currently gathering inventory and forming relationships with distributors. His shop will be in La Grange. Good Luck John!!!

SUPPORT THE RAFFLE

Nick again made a plea to everyone to use Facebook and to support the upcoming raffle. Many of us have stashes that are hundreds of kits. A donation of a few models that you probably will never build is not a big sacrifice. Thanks to Walter and Carl for their donations!! Please give!!

Show and Tell was then held. The theme for tonight was WWII North Africa and Mediterranean. The model theme for the April 11 Meeting will be "Favorite build on your shelf".

March Show-and-Tell

WWII North Africa and Mediterranean

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| Jason Lucas | Warhammer 30k, Games Workshop 28mm |
| Mike Knowski | P-40B, Airfix 1/48 P-51B Mustang, Tamiya 1/48 F1/3-Goshawk, Lindberg 1/48 Fw190, Eduard 1/48 F6F Hellcat x2, Platz 1/48 Fw190 D-9 x2, Platz 1/48 Vultee Vindicator, Special Hobby, 1/72 |
| Kevin Shea | Spitfire Mk I, Eduard 1/48 Mitsubishi A6m Zero, Tamiya 1/48 1978 Subaru Brat, AMT 1/25 |
| Bob Fryszak | USS Constitution, 1/96 |
| Oliver James | Mogami '44, Tamiya 1/700 B5N2 Kate, Hasegawa 1/48 Weser, Trumpeter 1/350 Shokaku Chibi, Fujimi 1/egg |
| Ihor Hlohowskyj | M3 Grant, Academy 1/35 |
| Jim Pinc | B-26 Invader, Atlantis 1/72 Huey Choppers, Atlantis 1/72 Tigershark, Monogram 1/72 1931 Rolls-Royce Monogram 1/25 1930 Model A, Monogram 1/25 |
| Kurt Van Dahm | Floating Drydock, scratch-built 1/72 |
| Steve Lipke | Sherman M4A3E8, ILoveKit 1/16 |
| Mike Ferguson | CH-47, Airfix 1/72 H-16, Revell 1/96 |
| Stan Kurcz | C-130A, Minicraft 1/128 T-38, Hasegawa 1/72 |

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| Carl Knable | A-4E, ESCI 1/72 A-4F, ESCI 1/72 Spitfire, Heller 1/72 Spitfire, Airfix 1/72 |
| Kevin Stover | LCS-2 USS Independence 1/700 |

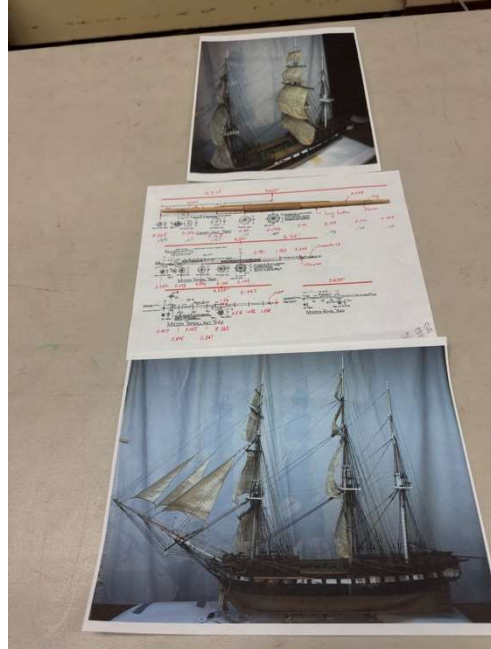
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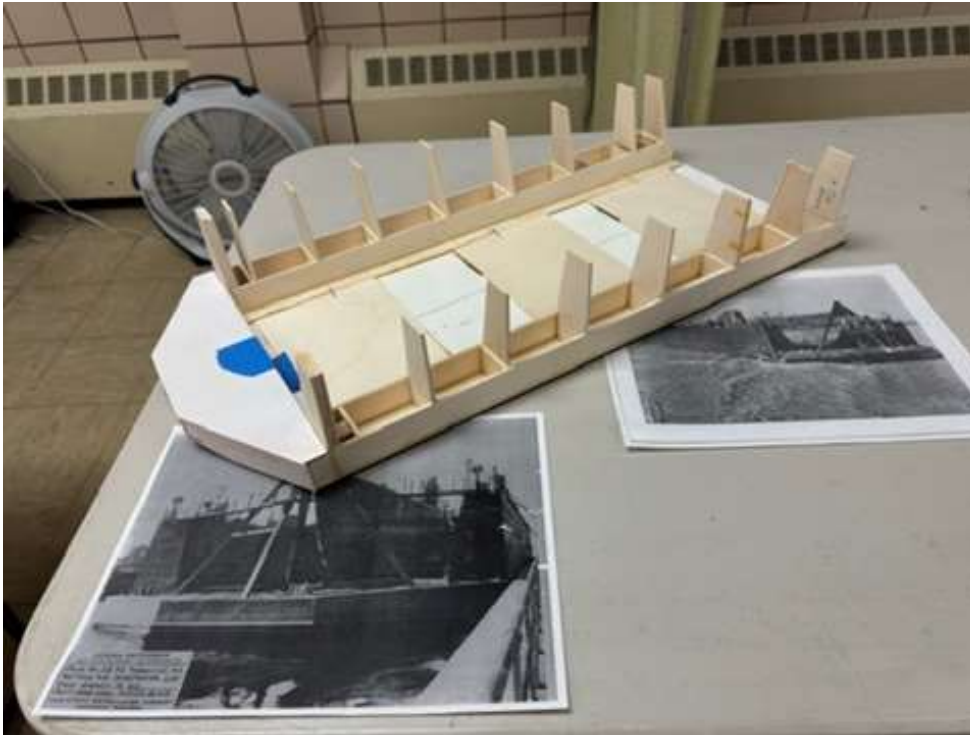
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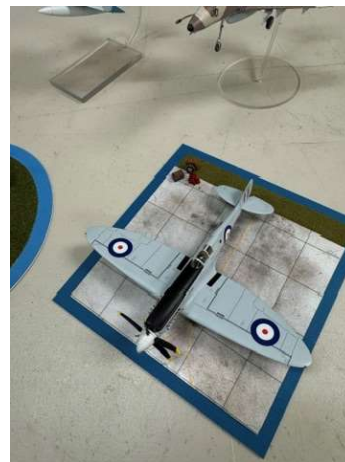
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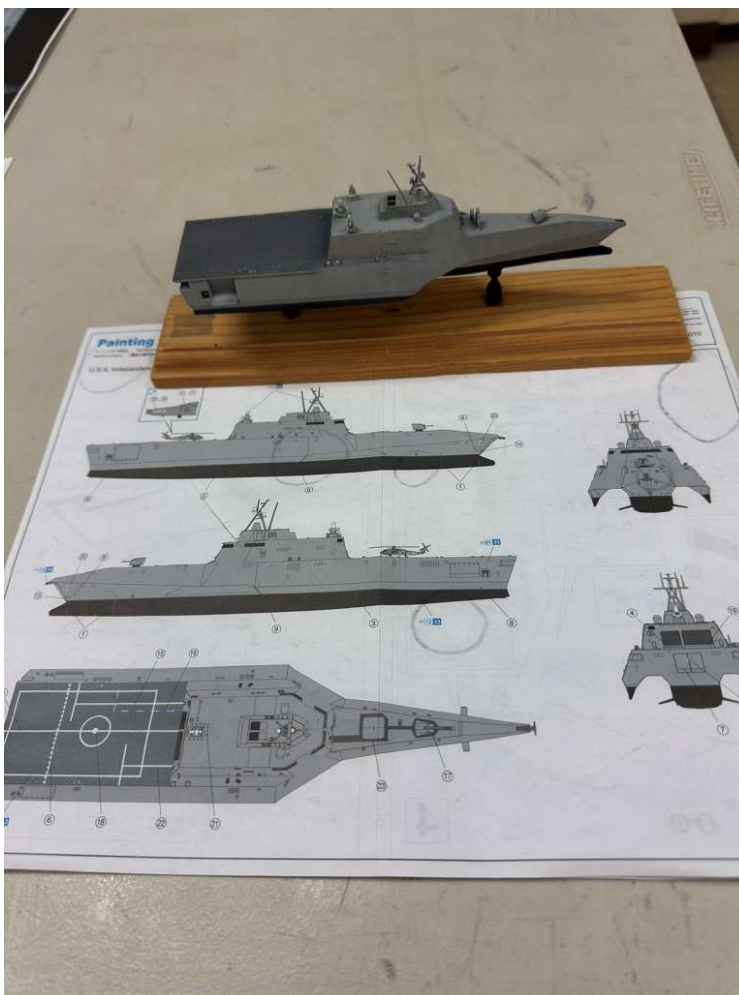
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UPCOMING MODELING EVENTS

January – August 2025

April 2025

April 5, 2025, IPMS Roscoe Turner Indianapolis Invitational Contest & Swap Meet , Lebanon, IN

April 5, 2025, Surgicon 29 , Nevada, IA

April 12, 2025, [Fleacon 21](#) , Monticello, Iowa

May 2025

May 17, 2025, "[Spring in the Pines](#)" Annual Contest and Swap Meet ,
Eagle River, Wisconsin

June 2025

June 14, 2025, [NIMCON 13 Region 5 Regional Show and Contest](#) , McHenry, IL

August 2025

August 6, 2025, [IPMS/USA National Convention](#) , Hampton, Virginia

The **Butch O'Hare Chicago Chapter** of the ***International Plastic Modelers Society (IPMS)*** was inspired by the accomplishments and heroism of **Edward Henry "Butch" O'Hare**, the U.S. Navy's first flying ace and Medal of Honor recipient in World War II. The original members of the organization therefore decided to take his name in memoriam. We welcome all those who have any level of interest in modeling to explore our website and visit us at our monthly meetings. Our members interests range from aircraft, armor, automobiles, and ships to figures of all types, spacecraft, sci-fi, horror, and wargaming.

Meeting Location

St. Paul's United Church of Christ
5739 Dunham Road
Downers Grove, IL

Meeting Times

7:30 PM, 2nd Friday of every month.

Website:

<http://www.butchoharemodelclub.com/>

BOH Annual Membership

Membership Dues:

- Regular: \$20.00
- Family: \$25.00
- Senior (Over 65) \$15.00
- Junior: \$15.00 (Under 18 years old)

Mail membership dues to:

Butch O'Hare Model Club
C/O Hector Colón
3136 Medford Court. Aurora, IL 60504

IPMS / USA

IPMS / USA membership qualifies you to participate in IPMS/USA sanctioned contests, particularly our world-famous National Convention, held each summer. As a member, you'll also be able to access our online discussion boards and enjoy interaction with other serious modelers for help with questions about modeling techniques or IPMS in general. Many hobby shops and model vendors around the country offer discounts to IPMS/USA members.

Memberships are available in several ways:

Junior- 17 years or younger,
\$17 per year
Adult - \$30 for 1 year, \$58 for 2 years, \$86 for 3 years. Family - \$35 Adult membership up to six members.

Download the application from IPMS/USA and mail today! <https://myipmsusa.org/join-us>



Support Our Local Hobby Shops

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| <p>Wandering Dragon Game Shoppe 15032 S Des Plaines St, Plainfield 815-267-6245 http://www.shoplightspeed.com</p> | <p>Forever Timeless 4438 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago 773-545-6959 https://www.facebook.com/Forever-TimelessHobby-Shop-142658292422037/</p> |
| <p>Des Plaines Hobbies 1524 Lee Street, Des Plaines 847-297-2118 www.desplaineshobbies.com/store/</p> | <p>Fair Game 1015 Curtiss St, Downers Grove 630-963-0640 Fair Game - Fair Game (fairgamestore.com)</p> |
| <p>Warhammer Acadia on the Green 947 Burlington Ave., Downers Grove 630-515-1428 https://www.games-workshop.com/enFI/Warhammer-Acadia-on-the-Green</p> | <p>Warhammer 4913 Route 59, Naperville 630-305-3180 Warhammer - Naperville Games Workshop Webstore (games-workshop.com)</p> |
| <p>Americas Best Hobby 865 Maplewood, Itasca 630-467-1102 www.americasbesttrain.com/</p> | <p>M&M Models 9329 S. Cicero Ave, Oak Lawn 708-423-7202 www.mmodelstore.com</p> |
| <p>Berwyn's Toys & Train 7025 Ogden Ave, Berwyn 708-484-4384 https://berwynstoytrains.com</p> | <p>Walt's Hobby & Model Shop 2207 Plainfield Road, Crest Hill 815-741-0043 www.waltshobbyonline.com</p> |
| <p>HobbyTown 15601 S. 94th Ave., Orland Park 708-349-8697 https://www.hobbytown.com</p> | <p>Leisure Hours Hobbies 16300 South Lincoln Highway Rt 30, Plainfield 815-439-1477 https://www.leisurehours.com</p> |
| <p>B&G Train World & Hobby 829 Walnut Ave, Elgin 847-888-2646 https://www.bgtrainworld.com/storefront/shop/</p> | |

***That's all, folks.
Keep on building, and
we'll see you next
meeting!***