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Prez Sez.....

Another month has gone by, and it is already June and the model shows are gearing up. This month was the SCOTTCON event at Robbins Air Force Base in Georgia, specifically the Robbins Museums of Air. Yes, museums is plural, there are 3 huge buildings housing aircraft from bi-planes to spy planes, a huge drone, an SR-71, plus many other planes outside. Three of us from Gator Modelers made the trip and entered our favorite models in the contest. We spent the greater part of the day walking the museums and taking many pictures. They had food trucks there but we opted for Gregg's American Style Restaurant, which turned out to be Mexican. The event was okay, many show models on the tables but only a few vendors.

The next event on the horizon is PAMSCON in the Plant City Strawberry Festival Teco Expo Hall on June 22nd, I have a family outing planned for that Saturday so I'll be missing it. Maybe, just maybe, if we get home early enough, I can zip down and check out the vendors. I have heard that they have 80 vendor tables and all are already filled. And even though I have plenty of models in my stash, I just can't pass on a good deal. From speaking to other club members I think we should have a good showing.

That is it for this month, hope to see all of you at the next meeting.

- **Doug**



May – IPMS Gators

We will meet
Tuesday, June 18,
2024 at 6:30 PM at
Oak Hall Library

REQUEST TO IPMS Gators and Friends – On occasion, the club receives donated kits without boxes or the boxes are damaged. We can turn these kits into door prizes or into kits-for-sale with a new/used box. Therefore I am asking members to **bring to the June Gators' meeting one or two empty boxes** that you have from a previously completed build. This would be very helpful. Thank you. - Bill

Minutes of the Club Meeting from Tuesday May 21, 2024

President Doug Spinney called the meeting to order at 6:33. A total of 15 members were present. There was one visitor - Bob Bryan, a friend of Mike Martinez.



Historian Bruce Doyle gave a short presentation in honor of WW2 fighter ace "Bud" Anderson, who recently passed away at the age of 102. He said there are only 5 aces of WW2 still alive.

Doug give a rundown of model shows coming up:

Scottcon at Warner Robbins GA Museum of Aviation June 8th.

Pamscon, Plant City Strawberry Festival grounds June 22nd.

Blue Angels Modelfest, Milton FL Sept.13-14

Modelpalozza, Kissimmee FL , Oct.11-13.

Doug talked about the "What If" inter-club contest with Ocala on April 27. He was disappointed that only 3 Gator Modelers members entered the contest, which was won by Gene Nollmann of Ocala.

The meeting paused for presentation of Show & Tell and Theme contest models. The theme was - something from the 19-30's.

Errol Whisler won the contest with a model of a Seversky P-35 from a Hobbycraft kit. The attendance raffles were won by Frank Ahern, who chose an Olds Cutlass 442, and Bruce Doyle who picked a Mig-21.

The meeting concluded with a PowerPoint presentation by Bill Winter on the WW2 battle of Iwo Jima and the tanks used by the Marines in the battle.

The meeting ended at 8:05

Submitted by:

Frank Ahern

Club Secretary



Gettysburg

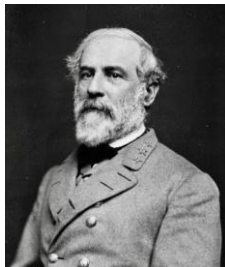
By Frank Ahern



My summer "Bucket List" adventures continued this year with a long-awaited trip to the battlefield of Gettysburg. You don't have to be a history buff to understand the importance of this epic battle that sealed the fate of the Confederate forces and preserved the Union.



Military historians have debated over the years how the brilliant and resourceful Confederate General Robert E. Lee could have ordered the suicidal Pickett's Charge on the 3rd day of the battle.



Most analysts agree that Lee (above left) underestimated the abilities of his Union adversaries - General George Meade (above right) and his troops.

Gettysburg



You can't overestimate the importance of Gettysburg to the future of the United States. President Lincoln framed it as the ultimate test of whether democracy could survive as a form of government.



War was waged very differently in those days. Weaponry was primitive. Masses of troops were moved like pieces on a chessboard and casualties were enormous.



I wanted to build something to memorialize my visit but most Civil War kits focus on dioramas of soldiers.



Gettysburg

Since painting figures is not my cup of tea I decided to get a kit of the most famous cannon of the war - the Parrott Rifle.



It was a 10 pounder cannon that was designed by a Union Army officer named Parrott to fix the problem of overheating that caused other cannons to crack or explode.

You see these cannons all over the Gettysburg battlefield and I am hoping that someday soon it will be a nice bookend in my library.



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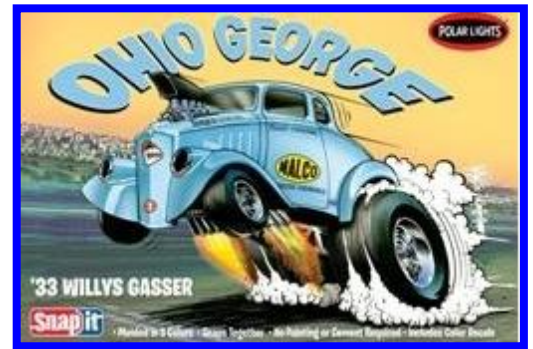
Frank Ahern's 1931 Bugatti Royale by Lindberg



Don Martin's Egg-cellent P-40!



Doug Spinney's Ohio George '33 Willys (1:32 scale)



Ed Ingersoll's 1:72 scale; Panzer II (by S-Models) which was developed in the 1930's



Chuck Lassiter's Boeing F4B-4, U.S. Navy Carrier-Based Biplane Monogram | No. 6795 | 1:72



Bruce Doyle's 1930's airplanes that held speed records



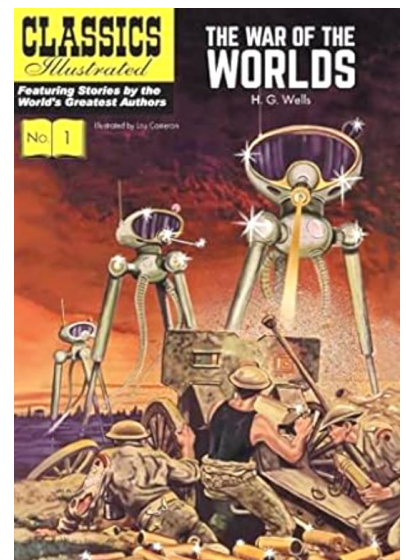
Tony Aguilar's assortment of 1930's era 1:72 and 1:87 scale tanks!



Clarence Snyder's Scratch-built diner! The diner is real and has been around since the 1930's.



Bill's scratch-built "War of the Worlds" vignette. Orson Well's rendition of the H.W. Wells story was presented as a radio broadcast on October 30, 1938. It terrified much of the nation.



Brian Cormack's work-in-progress



Clarence Snyder's current builds!



See: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rfNuIVmGLWQ>

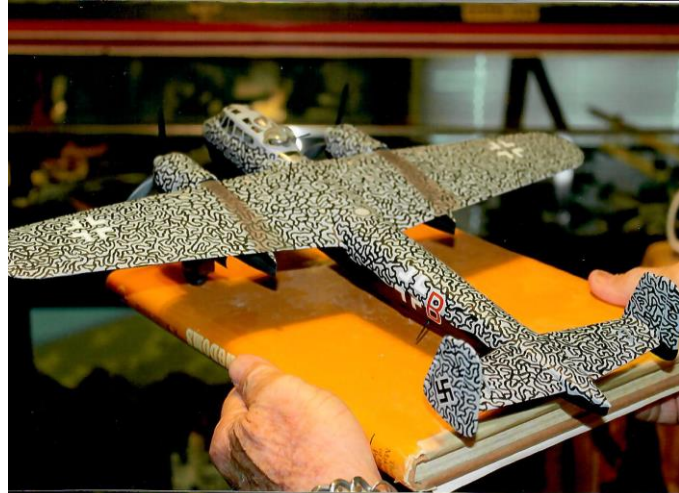


John Paul DeJoria's 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air Restomod - Jay Leno's Garage

This week Jay is honored to be joined by Entrepreneur, Philanthropist, and car guy John Paul DeJoria. You might know JP from his successful businesses, like Paul Mitchell Hair Products! JP shows off his exquisitely modified and upgraded 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air, complete with custom interior, an updated engine, and even air conditioning. This ...

Bruce Doyle shared these photos

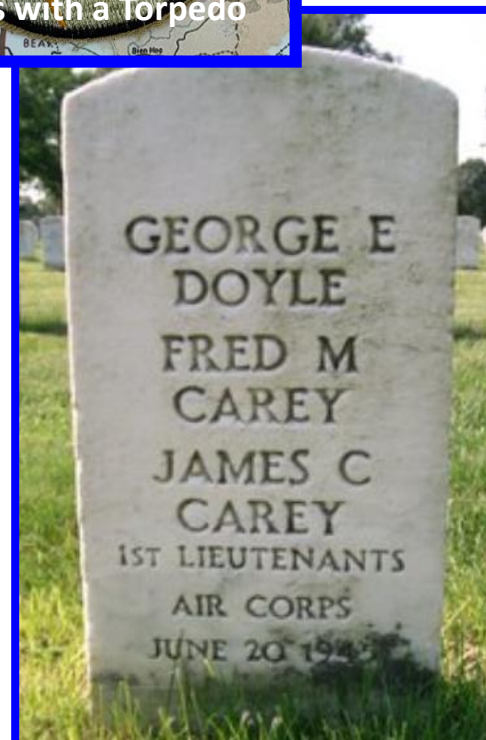
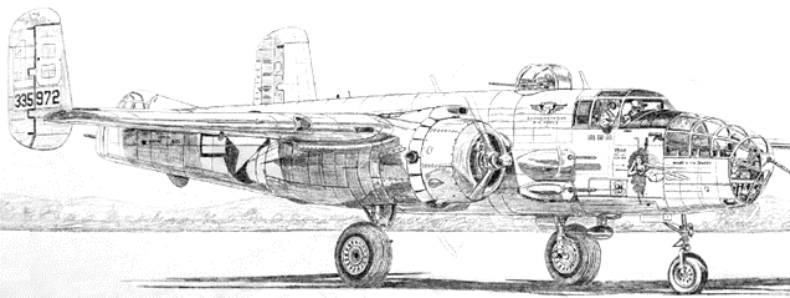
These kits were built by former Floridian (now Tennessean) Ray Wadley. Ray is a well known aviation artist. The squiggly camo scheme is a Dornier, and the 2 shots are of a He-111 in winter camo.



Memorial Day 2024

We remember Bruce Doyle's father **Lt. George Edward Doyle** who gave his life for our freedom.

Lt. Doyle was born 20 December 1919 in Hanover, Grafton County, New Hampshire. He served as a First Lieutenant and bombardier on B-25J #43-27807, 11th Bomber Squadron, 341st Bomber Group, U.S. Army Air Force during World War II. He was "Killed In Action" on 20 June 1945 at age 25 when his B-25 crashed during a bombing run in IndoChina (Vietnam). He was awarded the Air Medal and the Purple Heart.



Above is Bruce's layout in remembrance of Memorial Day

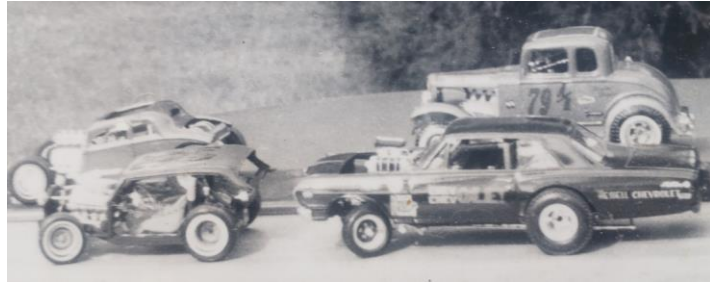
Members and New Friends at the May Meeting



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From the desk of Clarence Snyder



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... Built 4 this month and bought two at the club meeting. Buffing bodies instead of painting them speeds up the build!



From the desk of Clarence Snyder



From the desk of Jack Mugan - Huayra Update



Pagani Huayra

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The real deal



Great cars of the past!



From the desk of Jack Mugan – Great movie car chases!

- 20 Quantum of Solace (2008)
- 19 Mission: Impossible—Rogue Nation (2015)
- 18 Vanishing Point (1971)
- 17 Fast Five (2011)
- 16 The Blues Brothers (1980)
- 15 Baby Driver (2017)
- 14 The Raid 2 (2014)
- 13 The Driver (1978)
- 12 The Bourne Supremacy (2004)
- 11 The Seven-Ups (1973)
- 10 Death Proof (2007)
- 9 To Live and Die in L.A. (1985)
- 8 The Matrix Reloaded (2003)
- 7 Gone in 60 Seconds (1974)
- 6 Terminator 2: Judgment Day (1991)
- 5 Duel (1971)
- 4 Mad Max: Fury Road (2015)
- 3 The French Connection (1971)
- 2 Bullitt (1968)
- 1 Ronin (1998)



See: <https://www.theringer.com/movies/2024/5/21/24161120/greatest-movie-car-chase-scenes-ranked-furiosa-mad-max-saga>

What is this?



KAMAZ 43509 "KAMAZ MASTER" RALLY TRUCK

Kamaz Master is a Russian motorsport team founded in 1988, using and promoting KAMAZ trucks. It is a long-time winner and medallist of different motorsport competitions for many years such as the Dakar Rally, Silk Way Rally and Africa Eco Race. Kamaz vehicles have won the truck category of the Dakar Rally 19 times as of 2022. Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kamaz_Master



PAMSCON '24

June 22, 2024
Vendor set up 7am to 9am
Doors open at 9am - Public

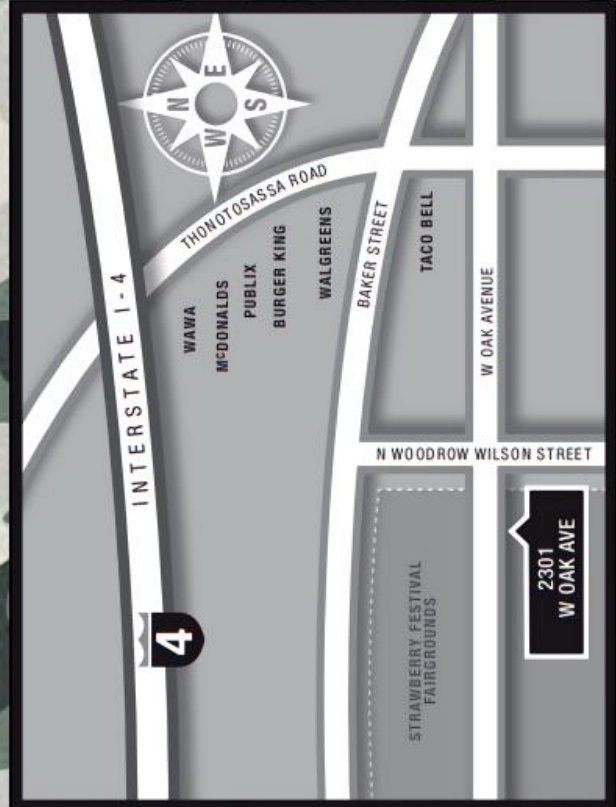
Black and White
(and shades of grey)



Show
Themes



The Longest Day
80 years since
D Day Invasion



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If you have a modeling tip you would like to share with your fellow modelers, please send us a copy so we can put it in the newsletter. We need articles for the Newsletter and the Web Site!

If you just opened up that new kit and want to give a box or build review, write it up and we'll put it in the newsletter and put it on the Web Site. Just read a good book, tell us about it! Got a great tip, share it with your fellow club members. This is your Newsletter and your Web Site and they're only going to be as good as YOU make them so contribute something to the cause. Don't be afraid to ask for assistance if you have something you want to share, we'll be happy to assist you in making it happen!

Don't forget to support your local hobby shop: Rob's Hobby World (Rob Stevely: Proprietor 8585 SW Hwy 200 unit 14) Ocala, FL 34474 www.robshobbyworld@MSN.com; Mon.-Fri.: 10 AM to 5:30PM; Sat.: 9AM to 4PM; Sun: Closed.

Please check out WWW.IPMSUSA.ORG for the latest information from IPMS National Headquarters and for information about joining IPMS.

Please use one of the links below or go to the IPMS Membership page for more information about joining IPMS USA.

http://www.ipmsusa3.org/uploads/ipms_application_form_2016.pdf

<http://www.shopipmsusa.org/product-p/adult-membership.htm>

<http://www.shopipmsusa.org/product-p/family-membership.htm>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

For a complete list of IPMS events visit: <https://calendar.ipmsusa3.org/>



It is of great importance, both at the local level (IPMS Gators) and at the national level. The Club officers strongly recommend joining IPMS as an individual which provides six yearly issues of the IPMS Journal (which is better than ever) and the opportunity to participate at the IPMS National Convention .

A copy of the membership application is on the right or available at the IPMS / USA website address, www.ipmsusa.org.

Complete the form and return it to the address listed at the bottom of the form along with your method of payment.

IPMS Membership



International Plastic Modelers' Society/USA Membership Application / Renewal Form

New ☐ Renewal ☐ IPMS #:

Name:

Address:

City: State:

Zip Code:

Phone: E-Mail:

Chapter Affiliation, if any:

Junior (17 years or younger)	\$17.00	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth: <input type="text"/>
Adult One year	\$30.00	<input type="text"/>	
Two years	\$58.00	<input type="text"/>	
Three years	\$86.00	<input type="text"/>	
Canada & Mexico	\$35.00	<input type="text"/>	
Foreign Surface	\$38.00	<input type="text"/>	

Family (1 set of Journals) ← Adult fee + \$5.00 # of cards?

Your Signature:

If recommended by an IPMS member, please provide his/her:
Name: IPMS #:

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

Cash ☐ Amount:

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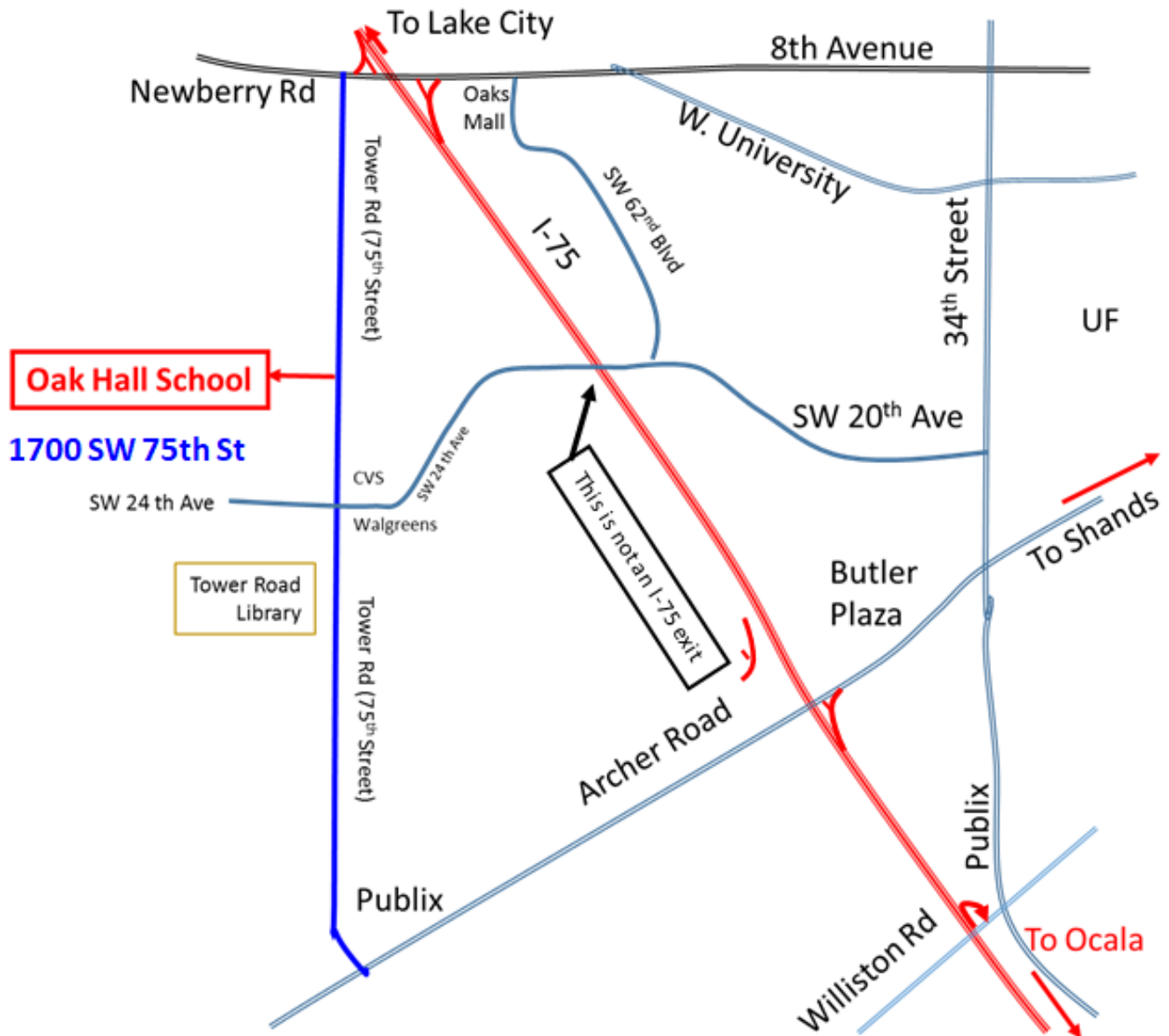
Address:

City: State:

Zip Code:

Applications should be printed and mailed to: IPMS/USA, PO Box 1411, Riverview, FL 33568-1411

Directions to OAK HALL (1700 SW 75th St, Gainesville, FL)



IPMS GATORS' MEMBERS: We will meet at Oak Hall on Tuesday June 18 at 6:30 PM in the LIBRARY.



The top image is the satellite view of OAK HALL. The bottom view is a line drawing.

A note about monthly themes for 2024

Jun Diorama/Vignette

Aug Sci-Fi

Oct Figures

Dec. Kit Bash

Jul Colossal Failures

Sep Emergency Vehicle

Nov. Animal Names

Fancy Paint ... submitted by Jack Mugan



THE END