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Good Guys Southeastern Nationals

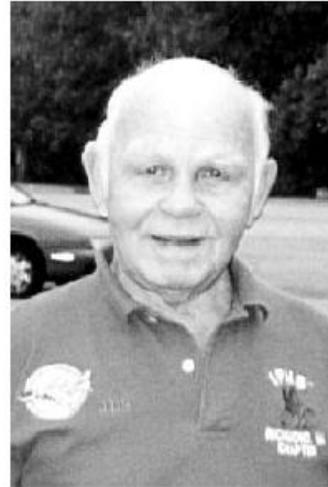


Lafayette Scale Modelers Contest

## From The President..

Most all of the messages I've written for this newsletter have been on the subject of happy events and happy news from the hobby. This month is different with the news of the passing of long time IPMS/Richmond member J.D. Spearman on October 25th. J.D. frequently judged automotive classes at contests and that is how I came to know him. We judged together many times and shared a lot of the same views on judging. J.D. not only supported our events here in the Roanoke Valley, he also supported contest and shows that he attended in both IPMS region 2 and region 12. His enthusiasm, love and support for the hobby has been a benefit for all of us who knew him and he will be truly missed.

On a happier note, Ken Bowyer attended the Lafayette Scale Modeler's Contest and Swap Meet in Fayetteville, North Carolina on November 8th where he was awarded first in class and the Judges Grand Award "Best in Show" for his USS Juneau. A big con-



J.D. Spearman  
1933 - 2008

gratulations to Ken for his awards and his raffle wins.

We have secured the date for the 2009 Virginia Shoot Out that will be held at the Roanoke Civic Center on Saturday July, 18th. We'll need members to step up and help with all aspects of the show including selling sponsorships and promotions.

Congratulations to Mike Overstreet for taking home the first place award at the October meeting for his scratch built "Air Boat", Cliff Young was second with his "Rifle Girl" and Bob Rohrbach was placed third with his Pan Am DC-7. Tim Mullins correctly identified the Chrysler Turbine Engine for the "Whatisit" contest on



Two of JD's Air Racers

page two of last months issue of Sprue.

This month we'll have two contests. Along with the regular monthly club contest, we'll have the famous "Carrier Landing" competition so there will be something for everyone for the last club contest of the year. Be sure to mark your calendars for the RVIPMS annual club Christmas Party that will be held at the Roanoker Restaurant on Friday December 5th at 6:30 pm.

Until next month,

Happy Modeling

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# FROM THE CROW'S NEST

BY  
**TIM WARD**

BRRRRRRRRRRR.....the wind is whipping up here in the "nest" and my sealskin coat isn't keeping out the cold so well. In other words, the leaves are gone and old man winter is right around the corner. Can you believe it's only a little over a month until that fat man makes his presence known. No, I'm not talking about your heating oil provider, I'm talking about the jolly one himself, "Ole Saint Nick". Do you have a certain box of styrene on your list? Have you left that Squadron flyer in the right place to be found by your significant other?? Have you done enough of your "honey-do" list to be on Santa's "good" list??? Or is a lump of coal in your stocking in your holiday future?!?!?!? I know most of you guys must be on the "good" list, as I keep hearing of the model shelves getting weighed down even more each year. I wish everyone the very best this season. And I hope Thanksgiving doesn't weigh you down too much this year. I know that "overeating" is never a problem for IPMS'ers. I think I can smell that "punkin" pie already!!! Yummmm!!! Oh, well, enough about the holidays and eating, time to talk model-building. Anyone enjoying the cold weather and slapping plastic to-

gether??? I know I've been toying around with a little U-Boat for a couple of months now, maybe one day it will get completed. Maybe those elves can find a spare moment from their toy-making to come to my house one night and finish this project. I'm beginning to think this is the only way my kits will see the light of day?!?!? Good grief, Charlie Brown. Anyway, I know of one modeler who is getting stuff built, our own Ken Bowyer recently took his USS Juneau (Blue Water Navy) to Fayetteville and won "Best of Show" for his gorgeous ship. Congrats, Ken. I knew you'd knock it out of the ballpark. Super job!!!! Hope you can come visit for Christmas. If not, we'll see you in Richmond in February. Speaking of Richmond, our heart-felt condolences go out to J.D. Spearman's family and the members of IPMS Richmond after the news of J.D.'s untimely death. He was a great guy and a super modeler and was always beating me out of the kit I wanted on the raffle table. I remember that sly smile of his as he grabbed the best item on the table, or at least the one I was eyeing. We will miss you, J.D. The modeling community is lessened by your absence.

Tim

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IPMS/Roanoke Valley meets the second and fourth Thursday of every month at the Science Museum located in downtown Roanoke at the "Center in the Square". The second Thursday building meetings are held in the classroom on the fifth floor and the fourth Thursday meetings are held on the same floor in the Conference room. All meetings start at 7:00pm.

If you have any questions about the club, meetings or need directions us.

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### 2008 RVIPMS CLUB POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP As of 11 -15 - 08

<b>Dennis Smith</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>Cliff Young</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Tim Ward</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Ed Kennedy</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Terry Eastman</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Mike Overstreet</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Greg Clower</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Tim Mullins</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Ken Bowyer</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Bob Rohrback</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Devin Bledsoe</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Drew Porter</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>David Draper</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Jay Dennis</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Don Jones</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Jeff Hinchee</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Arthur Harris</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>John Arfaras</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Tommy Carr</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Bob Stull</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Melvin Matthews</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Don Smith</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Mark Crouch</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>CR Casey</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Ralph Leslie</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Jerry Smallwood</b>	<b>1</b>

RVIPMS Club Championship points can be gathered in many different ways. Model building and other club activities will garner points. This gives everyone a chance to be a \*model citizen\*.

It's time again for that famous "whatisit?" contest. Take a gander at the picture to the right, fill out the ballot at the meeting and you may win a prize!!!

Courtesy of

**SPASTIC PLASTIC**





# SOUTHEASTERN NATIONALS

Lowe's Motor Speedway - Charlotte, North Carolina October 24,25 & 26, 2008



GM So-Cal Belly Tanker Recreation



In progress 34 Ford



1927 Chrysler Roadster



Engine from George Henry's Ford



55Chevy by Garland Farris



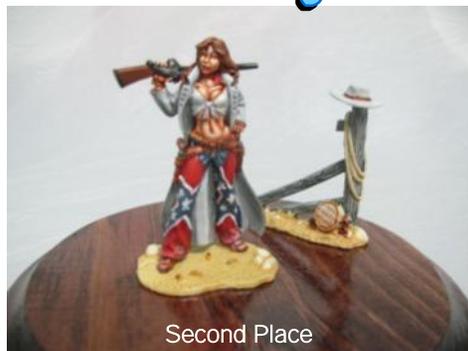
Studebaker Custom by Kenny Shores

## October Club Meeting Photos



First Place

Mike Overstreet 's Air Boat



Second Place

"Rifle Girl " by Cliff Young



Third Place

DC 6 Built by Bob Rohrback



Scratch built bridge by Mike Overstreet



Terry Eastman 's Dewoitine 510



War Hammer Space Marine by Mark Crouch

# Lafayette Scale Modelers

Contest & Swap Meet November 8, 2008



“Best of Show” winning USS Juneau by Ken Bowyer



## PETLYAKOV PE-2

By Terry Eastman

This remarkable dive bomber powered by two 1,100 h.p. M-105R engines had a maximum speed of 335 m.p.h. with a range of 1,000 miles. The bomb load on under wing racks was normally 4x 100kg.

A 1968 Airfix Kit although dated, captures the outlines of the PE-2 quite well. It was featured in the April 1969 issue of "Scale Modeler". I seem to recall purchasing the kit at that time for \$1.50.

**Modeling Notes:**

The side observation windows were replaced with thin paper sheets, and painted over as this was not an uncommon practice on some aircraft. The engine cooling intakes were drilled out. Control dials were added to the instrument panels.

E.S.C.I. decals were used. Paint: Model Master Paints were used for the superior and inferior surfaces.

Dark Green Superior Surface:

Field Drab 1

Green Drab 3

Undersurface:

RLM 65 Hellblau

Interior Areas:

Humbrol Acrylic No. 64 Matte Light Grey

The PE-2 as modeled is not of a specific aircraft, but would be representative of one seen during the Belorussian Offensive of July 1944



# Stalin's Diplomat: T-34

Empire City Decals is a new decal company that up to this time has produced aircraft decals. This is their first sheet of for armor, 15 different T-34s- 14 T-34/85s and one T-35/76. Though most famous for it's service to the Soviet Red Army in the Second World War the T-34 has equipped many Warsaw Pact and other Soviet leaning nations for years afterward. This sheet concentrates on post-war non-Soviet machines making it a nice change of pace from the usual. Many of the Third World operators have made jury-rigged modifications so in some cases after-market or scratch-built modifications may be needed. All decals are clearly, sharply-printed, and in register. I haven't used any of them yet but they look as if they should work well.

1). T-34/85 Soviet 119 Tank Regiment Winter 1944. Soviet dark green with white-wash. Crewed by Armenians it carries the name 'David Sasunskij', a medieval nationalist hero.

2). T-34/85 Model 1944 Zavod Production 202nd Armored Regiment North Vietnamese Army 1971. Soviet dark green with large North Vietnamese gold star surrounded by a red disk. Yellow and black stripes on turret believed to be training markings.

3). T-34/85 Finnish 2nd Tank Division summer 1944. Soviet dark green with broad light grey and red-brown stripes. This captured vehicle has large Finnish style insignia and German style turret numbers.

4). T-34/85 3rd Armored Brigade Polish Army May 1944. Soviet dark green with tan and brown blotches on turret (may have been mud smeared on as camouflage). Soviet style white turret numbers and Polish eagle.

5). T-34/85 Model 1944 Zavod Production May 1945. Soviet dark green with painted dancing bear and inscription 'For Kishenko From His Father Shulga'.

6). T-34/85 Model 1945 Zavod Production Greek Cypriot National Guard Cyprus 1974. Soviet dark green with wide sandy yellow stripes. Soviet made 50 cal. machine gun field mounted to turret.

7). T-34/85 Model 1969 Somali Army 1978. Soviet dark green with small Somali insignia and turret number.

8). T-34/76 1st Czech Armored Brigade Russia Winter 1945. Soviet dark green with inscription 'Janusik'.

9). T-34/85 Model 1953 Czech 44th Armored Brigade Syrian Army 1967. Soviet dark green with inscription 'Al Shaheed Hormuz Yunis Butrus' with white air recognition disk on the turret top and red stripes on the turret sides. DShk machine gun field mounted to turret as well.

10). T-34/85 Model 1953 Czech Egyptian Army Suez 1956. Sand yellow with gun barrel tip painted red.

11). T-34/85 Model 1969 Angolan Marxist Army. Soviet dark green. Post WWII 'Starfish' style road wheels.

12). T-34/85 Unknown Soviet unit Autumn 1944. Soviet dark

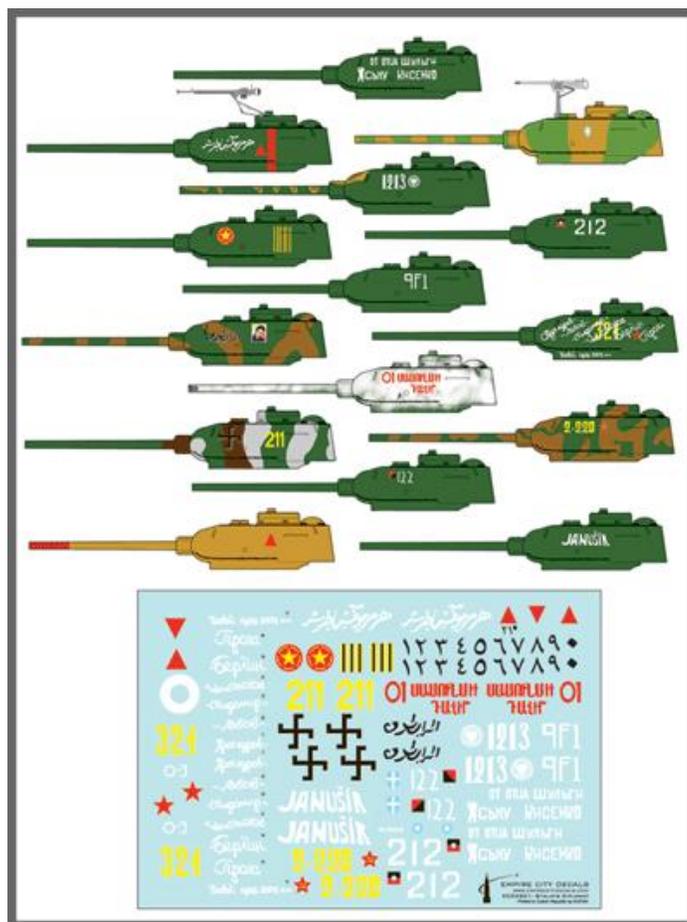
green with field applied brown broad stripes.

13). T-34/85 Model 1969 Somali Army 1980s. Soviet dark green.

14). T-34/85 56th Guards Tank Brigade Occupied Germany 1946. Soviet dark green. Names of battles the vehicle served in written on turret: 'Proskurov, Lvov, Sandomierz, Czestochowa, Berlin, and Prague'. On turret ring: 'Combat Route - 3572 KM'.

15). T-34/85 Model 1960 Czech Beirut 1982. Soviet dark green with brown stripes. Militia group's name, 'Al-Murabitum' written on turret with poster of militia leader pasted there and on front hull as well.

Cliff Young



November \_\_\_\_\_

20 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, 7:00pm, 5th Floor, Center in the Square.

December \_\_\_\_\_

5 - RVIPMS Christmas Party at The Roanoker Restaurant, 6:30 pm.

11 - RVIPMS Build Meeting, 7:00pm, 5th Floor, Center in the Square.

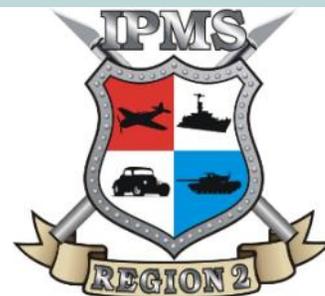
January \_\_\_\_\_

8 - RVIPMS Build Meeting, 7:00pm, 5th Floor, Center in the Square.

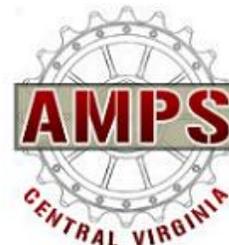
22 - RVIPMS Business Meeting, 7:00pm, 5th Floor, Center in the Square.

February \_\_\_\_\_

28 - IPMS Richmond, Old Dominion Open.



Don't forget to bring you planes for this months "Carrier Landing" contest.



IPMS Richmond Present:  
The 2009 Old Dominion Open Scale Model Show and Contest  
February 28, 2009  
At the Richmond International Raceway Complex

**IPMS/USA NEW MEMBER APPLICATION**

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult: \$25       Junior (17 years old or younger): \$12 DOB: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Canada & Mexico: \$30     Other Foreign: \$32     Foreign Air Mail: \$55  
 Family (Adult dues + \$5, one set magazines, # of membership cards required: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 If recommended by an IPMS member, list his/her name and member number \_\_\_\_\_ (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (IPMS#)

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**The November Business Meeting is on Thursday the 20th, 7:00 pm on the Fifth Floor at Center in the Square**

**Two Contests for the November 20th Business Meeting "Open" & "Carrier Landings"**

**Build it, Bring it !!**

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