

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

I hope that the holidays have been good to you all and weren't too stressful! I have neglected my newsletter writing over the past couple of months, and I sincerely apologize for that.

To recap the major events for the club this past year:

- We partnered with 4 State Modelers (from Joplin) and held our first-ever model show and competition, MOSS CON 2011, which—thanks to our sponsors, donors and attendees—was our avenue to raise \$1,033; of which we donated 100% to the Tri-County Cerebral Palsy Center of Webb City. This organization is a non-profit children's center in the Joplin area that provides therapeutic treatment and education for disabled elementary-aged children.
- M.O.S.S. received IPMS Chapter status and is now formally known as IPMS/Missouri Ozarks Scale Specialists! (This has been a goal of ours since the club was formed in 2007.)



On November 28th, Mike Staworski and Nate Jones presented Tri-County Cerebral Palsy Center staff with a check from the proceeds of MOSS CON 2011.

Now that we are again at the start of a new year and we are looking ahead and it is already looking to be a great year!

“May the road rise up to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back. May the sunshine warm upon your face and the rain fall softly on your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the hollow of his hand.” ~Irish Blessing

LAST MEETING

20 November: We had a very good showing as far as attendance goes—most all of the club members were present. We reviewed and discussed the “improves” and “sustains” of MOSS CON 2011 and a few members brought in some works in progress for the rest of us to admire! We also discussed some goals for 2012.



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History In A Box:

"**Auld Lang Syne**": is a Scots poem written by Robert Burns 1788 and set to the tune of a traditional folk song. It is well known in many countries, especially in the English-speaking world; its traditional use being to celebrate the start of the New Year at the stroke of midnight. By extension, it is also sung at funerals, graduations and as a farewell or ending to other occasions. The international Boy Scout youth movement, in many countries, uses it as a close to jamborees and other functions.

The song's Scots title may be translated into English literally as 'old long since', or more idiomatically, 'long long ago', 'days gone by' or 'old times'. Consequently "*For auld lang syne*", as it appears in the first line of the chorus, is loosely translated as 'for (the sake of) old times'.

There is some doubt as to whether the melody used today is the same one Burns originally intended, but it is widely used in Scotland and in the rest of the world.

Singing the song on Hogmanay or New Year's Eve very quickly became a Scots custom that soon spread to other parts of the British Isles. As Scots (not to mention English, Welsh and Irish people) emigrated around the world, they took the song with them.

Canadian band leader Guy Lombardo is often credited with popularising the use of the song at New Year's celebrations in America, through his annual broadcasts on radio and television, beginning in 1929. The song became his trademark. In addition to his live broadcasts, Lombardo recorded the song more than once. His first recording was in 1939. A later recording on 29 September 1947 was issued as a single by Decca Records.

For more information on *Auld Lang Syne*, look here:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Auld_Lang_Syne

NEXT MEETING

22 January, 6pm, Sunday at 1232 Branson Hills Parkway, Suite #106 in the Parkway Plaza. (Go past the Walmart Supercenter, Chili's, Home Depot and Target; Parkway Plaza is on the right side of the road; Suite #106 is below Mr. Goodcents Subs & Pasta)

Show off your new Christmas presents or some work you completed over the holidays! Hope to see you there!

COMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars with these upcoming events!

>>Please note: these dates are subject to change, but we will provide you with as much notice as possible. Thank you for understanding! <<

- 2012 MOSS Monthly Meetings:
 - January 22nd, February 26th, March 25th, April 29th, May 27th, June 17th



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- July 22nd, August 19th, September 23rd, October 14th.
 - November's meeting date is To Be Determined!
- **October 20th –MOSS CON 2012!! Held at White House Theatre / Legend of Kung Fu 2255 Gretna Road, Branson, MO 65616**



This year we will be raising money to donate to Ozarks Honor Flight! Come help us honor our veterans!

TIPS & TECHNIQUES

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If you have a tip or technique that you'd like to share, please send it in!
E-mail: modelclubtaneymo@hotmail.com

SHOWS & CONTESTS

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Here are some upcoming 2012 shows and contests in the “local” area in case you'd like to attend!

- **31 March** -- The 25th Annual Tulsa Modelers Forum Open Contest in Tulsa, OK. <http://tulsaipms.org/>
- **7 April** – 4 State Modelers 5th Annual Charity Model Show in Joplin, MO. <http://www.facebook.com/groups/4statemodelersclub/>
- **28 April** – IPMS Alexander Lippisch is hosting Fleacon VIII in the Cedar Rapids, IA area. http://ipms-usa-lippisch-chapter.org/wordpress/?page_id=68
- **19 May** – IPMS West Central Missouri is hosting the 2012 IPMS Region 5 Convention in Overland Park, KS. <http://www.ipmswcmo.org/2012-Region5-Contest/index.htm>



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- **1-2 June** – Historical Miniatures Society of Northeastern Oklahoma Show in Tulsa, OK. <http://www.hmsneo.org/tulsashow.htm>
- **9-10 June** – KC Slammers is hosting 21st Annual Heartland Model Car Nationals in Kansas City, KS. http://www.kcslammers.com/index_files/Page648.htm
- **8-11 August** – IPMS USA National Convention in Lake Buena Vista, FL (Walt Disney World). <http://www.ipms2012.org/>
- **8 September** – IPMS Gateway Gateway to the West Contest and Swap Meet in Eureka, MO. <http://ipms-gateway.com/>
- **22 September** – IPMS Prison City Modelers is having their 2012 Contest in Leavenworth, KS. <http://leavenworthmodelersclub.org/>
- **6 October** – IPMS Lt j.g. Nathan Gordon / Central Arkansas State Modelers is having their 2012 Spoo-doo Model Show. <http://casmodels.weebly.com/spoo-doo-2012.html>
- **13 October** – CONAIR 2012 in Wichita, KS <http://www.aircapitalipms.org/>
- **20 October**—MOSS CON 2012 in Branson, MO!

Enjoy the mild winter weather we've been having and we'll see you at the meeting on January 22nd!

Take care, be safe and Happy Modeling!

I WANT YOUR INPUT!



Would YOU like to contribute to the M.O.S.S. E-Newsletter? Please do! E-mail me your tip, technique, idea, comments, questions, classified ad, ANYTHING! This is YOUR newsletter! I want YOUR input!