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Nate's Notes

By Nate Jones, President IPMS/MOSS

Welcome back to Sprue Bits. With MOSS CON 2012 quickly coming upon us, time has been flying by and my editorial skills have suffered somewhat. Unfortunately, as a result, this issue is a little sparse, but thanks to Mike Steenstra and the internet, I was able to cobble together

something that might be of interest. Nonetheless, our Chapter is very excited about the opportunity to raise money for the IPMS/Wounded Warriors chapter through our show! We look forward to seeing and meeting those of you who will attend! We anticipate a good turn out and hope this year will be even bigger and better than our first year! If you have the time and inclination, please feel free to check out our website—we have added some new features (hint, check the Home page), more pictures in the Gallery and a few other tid-bits! If there is anything more that you'd like to see specifically, please contact me. We enjoy spreading the word and enthusiasm for our hobby!

We're making it a small world, because small things matter!



LAST MEETING

By Nate Jones

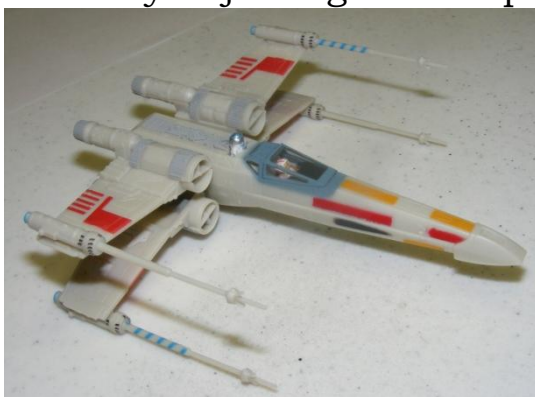
19 August: We met in the upstairs hallway at the White House Theatre. We had some refreshments in celebration of one of our member's August birthday: **Rusty Hamblin**. (Rusty, we missed you; hope you had a great birthday!) After the refreshments we discussed the recent visit by Commemorative Air Force's B-29 *FiFi*

to the Missouri Ozarks region. We also talked some more about the upcoming show, then had a short show-and-tell session.



Gary Sanders brought in his completed 1/35 ICM Studebaker US6 WWII Cargo truck; **Mike Steenstra** brought in an in-progress 1/48 scale Revell P-40 that he and his grandson, **Evan Sherman** (age 6) are working on

together! He also brought in an AMT 1/100 snap together kit of a Star Wars X-Wing fighter that Evan built! Great job, Evan! We look forward to you joining the Chapter someday!



Donald Welch came to the meeting for the first time and brought with him some of his scratchbuilt 1/100 Zentraedi "Mech" based on the Malcontent Uprisings comic book series.



And Nate Jones brought in his newly purchased Revell PV-1 Ventura still fresh in the box and one of his nearly complete Bill Mauldin inspired vignettes.

WHERE HAS YOUR SHIRT BEEN?

This section is to document the travels of your club t-shirt! This is open to any modeler recipient of this newsletter. Please e-mail picture(s) of you wearing your club “colors” on your adventures to ipmsmoss@hotmail.com.

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On August 14, IPMS/MOSS members (R-L) Don Holderman, Mike Staworski and Nate Jones waited in the drizzling rain at the Springfield-Branson Airport for the Commemorative Air Force’s B-29 FiFi to arrive. Unfortunately, it did not arrive before their time ran out to wait. It was later that day spotted flying in the skies over Springfield and Branson!



The weather cleared the next day which allowed Mike Steenstra and his grandson Evan to back to the airport, where they were able to see not only the B-29, but also a P-51, a Pt-17 Stearman and a Beech Expeditor II (Beech 18) in RAF livery!



## **Commemorative Air Force B-29 *FiFi***

Springfield-Branson Airport August 15, 2012



Thanks, Mike for the great pictures of this fantastic warbird!

## NEXT MEETING

**\*\*\*NOTE: DATE CHANGE\*\*\***

**30 September 6pm, Sunday at White House Theatre (2252 Gretna Road), in the upstairs hallway.**

No tutorial planned for this meeting, but we will be doing some practice judging for the show, so bring in some models for us to critique! Also, if you are sponsoring a category, please bring in your payment.

## 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:**  
September 30<sup>th</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>
- **October 20th –MOSS CON 2012!!** Held at White House Theatre / Legend of Kung Fu 2255 Gretna Road, Branson, MO 65616



## TIPS & TECHNIQUES

### Stylish scratchbuilding

I was looking for something suitable to replicate exposed wiring in a cockpit, and my wife's latest clothing purchase supplied just that. All those price and designer tags that hang from clothing are held on by little lengths of plastic in varying thicknesses. Some even have a thicker end that can pass for a connector or plug if painted right. Mine reacted well with Tamiya cement, but test a small piece with your glue of choice.

**Tip submitted to Finescale.com by:** Vance Crozier of Rothesay, New Brunswick, Canada

### Chip-package optics

You've probably seen potato-chip bags with an interior that looks like chrome. The chrome surface is perfect for periscope lenses on armored vehicles. Cut out a section and wipe it with alcohol to remove the grease. Measure the periscope face, trim sheet styrene to match, then super glue the package foil to the styrene, shiny-side out. Let it dry for a few minutes, brush on some Tamiya clear green, and attach it to the model. You can also use this foil for mirror faces and headlights.

**Tip submitted to Finescale.com by:** Ernesto Urtiaga of Simpsonville, South Carolina

**Source:** <http://www.finescale.com/How%20To/Tips%20Database.aspx>

If you have a tip or technique you'd like to share, please send it in!

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### SHOWS & CONTESTS

Here are some upcoming shows in the "local" area in case you'd like to attend!

- **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!  
[www.ipmsmoss.com](http://www.ipmsmoss.com)
- **3 November** – KC CON 2012 in Kansas City, MO  
[www.ipmsgreatplains.org](http://www.ipmsgreatplains.org) and [www.kcamps.org](http://www.kcamps.org)

### ***Future Modelers***



Future IPMS/MOSS member Evan Sherman (R) discussing the B-29 with a new-found friend at the Springfield-Branson Airport on August 15, 2012.

**We'll see you at the meeting on September 30<sup>th</sup>!**  
**Take care, be safe and Happy Modeling!**



*"We're making it a small world!"*

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