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# THE CORSAIR IPMS Phoenix / Craig Hewitt Chapter

#### <u>President's Message</u>

Greetings,

It looks like it might finally getting below 100 degrees and some of you can get back to airbrushing out in the garage again.....

Thanks to Mike Pabis for arranging Ken Bennett's talk on the Guns to Salute the Fallen memorial project. Our friends over at the CAF are also pitching in with this worthy project with a chance to win a B-17 ride with a donation. See their website http://azcaf.org or http:// gunstosalutethefallen.com for more info.

As mentioned this is an election year and Mike Pabis, Steve Collins and Hal Sanguinetti have stepped up to be the Nominations Committee. See one of them with your suggestions for nominees or if you want to volunteer to run for an office and help shape and mold the direction you'd like your chapter to go over the next two years.

Modelzona is fast approaching on the calendar for 11/02/2013 and Trophy Sponsorships are the only area not on track. So beat the bushes, your bosses, or yourself and sponsor a trophy package!

Also still needed yet are 2 Demo and/or speakers to round out the newly added 9-time slot Speaker/Seminar portion of Modelzona. Anyone with ideas, suggestions or topics please contact Wendel or myself.

The Modelzona vendor tables are SOLD OUT! There is a waiting list started for tables.

So Modelzona is off to a great start, so lets get those trophy packages, volunteer and make this the best Modelzona yet.

This month's roundtable discussion is "The trials and tribulations of Decals" so bring your hints, tips and mishap salvation stories.

Happy Modeling,

Keith Pieper

September's Contest Award Winning Models



Gary Thomas' 1/72 Airfix F-80C



#### Scott Solomon's 1/48 Monogram AV-8B

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#### September 2013 Meeting Notes

The meeting held a different format last month. Sec. of State Ken Bennett's presentation started the meeting off by documenting all the work done on the Guns to Salute the Fallen memorial. Modelzona is rapidly approaching. Don't' forget to try and get trophy sponsorships sold! Judges and speakers are also needed. Elections for Craig Hewitt IPMS club officers will take place in November. Nominations for officers will take place in October.

#### 2013 Remaining Club Contest Themes

#### October—Out of this World:

Real Space, Rockets, Missiles, UFO's, Sci-Fi and fantasy, Futuristic Movie Models, post apocalyptic vehicles

**November—Semper Fi:** The kit needs to be related to the USMC. I would even stretch it so that the builder was in the USMC

#### December—Rotary: Helos only

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**September Model Displays** 

Unknown builder's AD-6 Skyraider



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ALWAYS have the right of way.
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Steve Collins' 1/72 C-26B Metroliner



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#### **September Model Photos**



Jay Steward's 1/72 Northrop N-9M



Craig Brown's 1/48 Tamiya ME-262



Greg Shalamunec's 1/72 Airfix U-6 Beaver



Jim Pearsall's 1/144 Minicraft B-52D Conv.



Charles Swanson's 1/35 Emhar Mk. IV "Male" Tank



Kelley Liebst's 1/144 Bandai AG Genoace Gundam

#### **September Model Photos**





Gary Thomas' 1/72 Williams Bros. B-10B

James Hinderliter's 1/144 Bandai Gundam



Will Frey's 1/72 Hobbyboss F-86F

Jim Fry's 1/72 Platz X-47B



## **GUNS TO SALUTE THE FALLEN** PRESENTATION AND UPDATE BY ARIZONA SEC. OF STATE KEN BENNETT

Arizona Secretary of State Ken Bennett stopped by at the September meeting to discuss the Guns to Salute the Fallen project currenytly underway at the state capitol.

Debuting on December 7, 2013, the memorial will feature gun barrels from the USS Arizona and USS Missouri in addition to the names of all fallen Arizonans from World War II.

The Secretary's hour long speech touched on several topics related to the memorial. He detailed how the guns were procured from the Navy (why ask for one barrel when you can have two). In addition, he educated the club on how the work was being done without the use of public funds. Nearly all of the memorial materials, construction and labor is being donated through in-kind services from a variety of state and national companies.

One of the interesting parts of the presentation was the unveiling of the memorial name plates currently being constructed at ASU. Each nameplate will hang loosely from its holder so that when a breeze blows, the nameplate will sway. When all nameplates are moving the memorial will take on the form of a ship moving through the ocean waters.

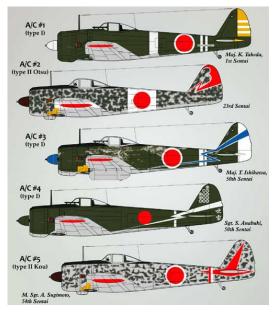
Thanks again to Sec. of State Ken Bennett for stopping by.



#### Lifelike 1/48 Nakajima Ki-43 Decals Part 1 #48-041 By Floyd Werner Jr. http://www16.ocn.ne.jp/~lifelike/

Lifelike has always produced some of the best researched decals anywhere. This new sheet is no different. This time they cover the Ki-43 Hayabusa (Oscar) in a variety of paint schemes.

The instructions are on two single sided 8.5x11 sheets printed in full color. One sheet has the side views and the upper and lower plan views. The other sheet has a description of the paint schemes, history, and discussion how Lifelike came to their conclusions on the paint schemes. That is the one thing that sets Lifelike apart from other decal manufacturers, they tell you how they came to the conclusions that they offer. Right or wrong they let you know what they do and don't know. Some things that are speculative they let you know up front. It is up to the modeler to believe it or come to their own conclusion.



The decals themselves are on two sheets. One is a pretty typical 6x9 sheet with the main colors. The other sheet contains the white and silver parts of the markings. The decals are designed for the Hasegawa or Arii kits. They are printed in Japan. The color saturation looks great. They are suitably thin.

The aircraft are a Type I Oscar flown by Major Kinshiro Takeda, of the 1<sup>st</sup> Sentai. This colorful aircraft is camouflaged in dark green over NMF but that is just the beginning. There are white stripes on the rudder, fuselage, wings and horizontal tail. The rudder and elevators are painted yellow. The combination of colors creates a unique looking airplane.

The second Hayabusa is a type II of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Sentai from the home defense Sentai in 1945. This aircraft is NMF with dark green splotches with yellow leading edge and white homeland defense bands around the national markings. The red Sentai marking on the tail just add that much flare.

The next Oscar is a type I flown by Major Tadashi Ishikawa as flown in Burma in January 1943. This green aircraft has worn areas. The rudder and elevators are white. The flash of blue with the blue spinner is quite colorful. This aircraft carries wing drop tanks.

The next aircraft comes equipped with white kill markings against the dark green background. The flash and fuselage stripe are white. This aircraft is a type I flown by Sgt. Satoshi Anabuki in Burma in 1943. Anabuki was an able ace who became a helicopter pilot in the JASDF after the war. This alone makes this aircraft desireable to me.

The final aircraft is a type II flown by M. Sgt. Akira Sugimoto in 1943. This NMF aircraft sports dark green splotches with red and white fuselage stripes and red tail flash.

The quality of research, beautiful decals, and colorful markings makes this sheet a nice addition to your Hayabusa model.

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Ultracast 1/48 Hamilton Standard 11'7" dia. 3-Blade Prop and Spinner #48240 By Floyd Werner Jr. www.ultracast.ca

Props and hubs have become a staple from Ultracast. Their latest one is designed for the B-24, C-47 or DC-3. Molded in light cream resin my examples were perfectly rendered. These props are the thinner chord design used by these aircraft. If you want the thicker chord prop you'll need set #48241.



You get two hubs that are perfectly formed with the appropriate hub detail. The props are perfectly formed and there are six blades. The parts have minimal resin blocks to remove, easily accomplished by even the novice.

One thing is if you are going to use this on the B-24 you will need two sets.





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# Getting to Know You A profile of club member, Chuck Ludwig

Name: Chuck Ludwig

**City:** *Apache Junction, AZ* 

#### Hometown: Tucson

**Tell us a little about yourself:** *A retired high school teacher* 

# **Favorite scale?:** 1/72

#### **Favorite subject to build?:** All aircraft except airliners

#### What are you currently building?: MPM 1/72 Lockheed Hudson

How many models do you build a year?: *10* 

How big is your unbuilt kit stash?: 1200



#### **Modeler Profile Cont.**

Why did you get into the hobby? If you are returning to the hobby, what brought you back?:

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When I was 5 years old, a 16 year old boy in my dad's church got me interested by showing me his balsa/paper models. This was about 1946-47. He was my major influence.

#### What satisfies you about building a model?:

It is a test of patience and relieve stress. Also it is a relaxing alternative when I was in grad school at ASU. As a teen in grades 6-12, building models kept me out of trouble.

#### What is most frustrates you when building?:

Poor instructions, especially in multi-media kits.

#### What is your dream project to build?:

A first place winning entry in a Nationals category.

# What is the dumbest thing you did to yourself or your model while building a kit?:

Probably mistakenly throwing out taped down parts I had airbrushed.

# How did you hear about IPMS Phoenix and what persuaded you to come to a meeting?:

From Chuck Krause about 1970

# What was your best/worst excuse for coming home with a new kit?:

Best – I won it in a raffle.

#### What other hobbies do you have?:

Diamondbacks baseball and traveling.

# **2013 Club Officer Elections**

Have you ever wanted to run for office? Are you interested in helping the club? Want to become an even more active member? Well then, it is almost time to have our bi-annual club officer elections. Elected officers serve for one, two year term and no more than two terms consecutively. If you are interested, make sure you meet with the selection committee in order to get your name on the ballot.



Since this is just a local election, you will only be allowed three negative TV cam-

paign ads. Make sure you hire your polling firms soon. Get your campaign manager nail down your strategy. Lastly, due to last election's tragic incident,

#### If you intend to run, make sure you talk to the Nominating Committee at the October meeting to get your name on the ballot!

no robo-calls will be allowed.

#### **Elected Positions and Their Duties**

**President**— The President shall exercise the powers and perform the duties assigned to him by the Chapter Constitution and By-Laws. The President shall serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the Chapter, and shall preside at all Chapter and Executive Board meetings. The President shall serve as Program Chair whenever no other person is designated.

**Vice-President**— The Vice-President shall perform such Chapter-related duties as may be assigned by the President, or by the Chapter's Executive Board, within the terms of the Chapter Constitution and By-Laws, and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. The Vice-President shall discharge the duties of the President whenever, at the discretion of the Executive Board, the disability or absence of the President makes

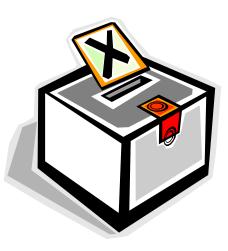
# **2013** Club Officer Elections

such service necessary.

**Secretary**— The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Chapter, and of all other matters of which a record shall be ordered by the Chapter Executive Board. The Secretary shall keep a record of the membership of all committees, of their appointment or election. The Secretary shall serve as Chapter Historian whenever no other person is so designated. The Secretary shall issue notices of all special meetings. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may, from time to time, be assigned by the President, the Executive Board, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Chapter, or as are usually incident to the office.

**Treasurer**—The Treasurer shall be responsible for the Chapter Treasury. The Treasurer shall keep regular accounts in books belonging to the Chapter, which shall be open to the inspection of any member of the Chapter Executive Board. The treasurer is responsible for maintaining records of dues payments. The records shall be available for inspection at general membership meetings or as requested by the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall make annual reports upon the condition of the Treasury, and at such other times as requested by the President or the Chapter Executive Board. The Treasurer shall act as membership registrar, maintaining a current roster of Chapter members in good standing. The Treasurer shall be responsible for preventing distribution of this roster to any outside person or group without permission of the Executive Board.

**Member at Large**—The Executive Board Member At Large shall meet regularly with the Executive Board for the purposes of planning and executing programs for the good of the Chapter. The Member At Large may hold a specific position, such as Committee head, as appointed by the President.



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For the October raffle two helicopter kits are offered to build your stash for the December Chopper Contest.

Item A: 1/144 Dragon SH-60F NSAWC 'Top Gun,' two kits in one box

Item B: 1/72 Hasegawa SH-60B Seahawk

Item C: 1/72 Special Hobby Spitfire F MK.21 in "Postwar Service," a recent and very nice kit--great detail!

Item D: 1/48 Monogram F105-D, an older kit but in mint condition (unopened) and, like the 1/72 version, makes for a great "Thud!"

Item E: 1/48 Hasegawa Bf-109G-2,

Item F: 1/72 Trumpeter Russian KV-1 Ehkranami Tank,

Item G: 1/35 RPM SdKfz 135 "Beobachtungswagen" with PE --an interesting piece of armor,

Item H: 1/700 Dragon 'HMS Illustrious.'

Donations are needed for the Modelzona raffle. It would be very helpful (and thanks in advance !) if donations were brought to the OCT 1 meeting so we can plan for the raffle categories. However, they can be brought to Modelzona and will be used. Last year all raffle items were given away. Thanks for recent donations from Ivan Murphy and Dave Weitzel.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **OCTOBER 2013**

**Tuesday 1st, 7pm** - Craig Hewitt Chapter meeting at American Legion Post #1. -Contest Theme: Out of this World: Real Space, Rockets, Missiles, UFO's, Sci-Fi and fantasy, Futuristic Movie Models, post apocalyptic vehicles

#### NOVEMBER 2013

Tuesday 1st, 7pm - Craig Hewitt Chapter meeting at American Legion Post #1. - Club officer elections!!! Contest Theme: Semper Fi: The kit needs to be related to the USMC. I would even stretch it so that the builder was in the USMC

Saturday 2nd—10am-4pm - Modelzona - Commertive Air Force Museum @ Falcon Field. Mesa AZ

# MS Phoenix / Graig Hewitt Chap

The club meets at 7pm on the first Tuesday of each month at the American Legion Post #1 in Phoenix. Check the club website at www.ipms-phoenix.org for more meeting info.

**American Legion Post #1** 364 N. 7th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85003

The post is located South of I-10 just a few blocks North of Van Buren. Look for the huge American flag.

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#### **Chapter Officers**



## **PLASTIC PONDERINGS** BY MIKE PABIS

#### Packing Up

How much room does model building take up at your house? It is one of those things that I think we are aware of but not until you see everything out of its nice little storage place.

Yeah, I have a few kits (more like 80), a couple decal sets to use (umm, 100+?) and reportedly a few resin sets (20 sounds about right) in my house. Everything is nicely arranged (remember those amazing pictures?) in the office/hobby room closet ready to see the workbench and get its turn to be built. With all of my hobby related items, I consider myself a typical model builder.

However, things never seemed out of the ordinary until a couple of weeks ago when my wife and I decided fairly spur of the moment to put our house up for sale. Don't worry; you are not going to get rid of me that easy. Rather, we just wanted to upgrade to a bigger house and make one final move in order for our kids to have THE home for them to grow up in. Anyway, the usual cleanup was required to get the place spic and span for potential buyers. Number one on the cleanup list....the hobby room.

Sure, I knew it was not as nice and neat as in Intel clean room. However, cleanup meant more like packing up. Unless a die hard modeler came by to look at the place, I knew my hobby stuff was going to be an eyesore.

With a hurried trip to Home Depot for boxes, I set to packing it all up. Here is what was surprising though. I knew I had a few kits lying around. I figured a box or two ought to take care of it. Well, let's just say it was a good thing I bought the extra large sized boxes. After the first one was filled, I looked at the closet and saw that hardly a dent was made in my kit stash. This was not a good sign. Then the second one was filled. There was progress but the stash was still looking mighty large.

By the end of the afternoon, I had filled four extra large Home Depot moving boxes with just my models. They took up more floor space than everything else in the room combined. WOW! With that many kits, some would say I have a problem. I don't. Rather it is a healthy hobby that unfortunately grew too big for its existing environment.

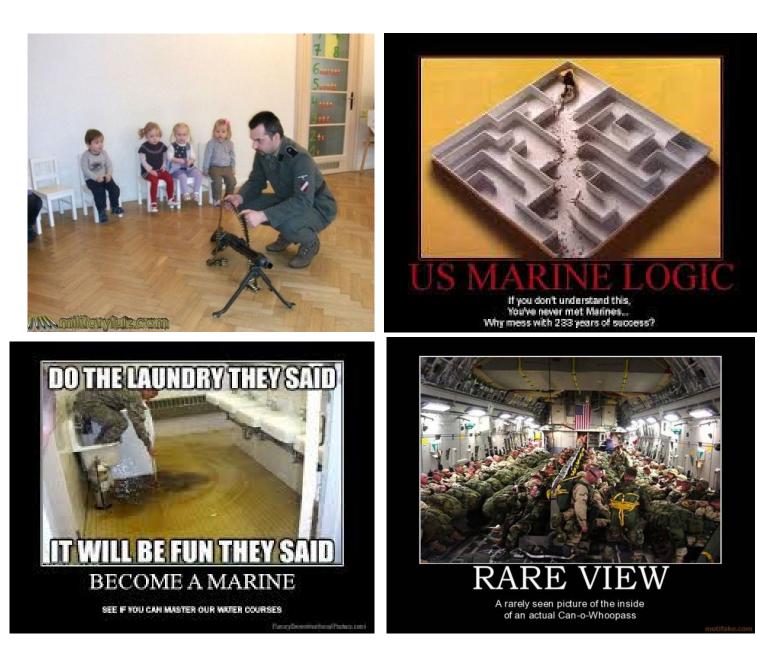
With all the kits packed up, the surrealness set in. My entire hobby was once again going into storage. A few trips to the storage unit later, the hobby room was nearly devoid of its namesake, hobbies. A final cleaning of the workbench removed the last remnants of the hobby for what will hopefully be a short time until we can get some new digs. The funny thing is that my workbench and part of the hobby room is the cleanest it has been since we moved into the house.

As of now, my modeling status is in limbo. It is a weird feeling being in modeling purgatory. I am quite sure many of you have been through this before. With luck, it will be over soon and I can be released from modeling purgatory.

#### **Plastic Ponderings Cont.**

When all was said and done there was something that struck me as ironic. For a hobby where the end result is a piece of plastic measuring a couple of inches, we do require a lot of room and materials in order to finish each kit. Judging by the cubic feet needed to store my unbuilt kit stash, built models on display, workbench, books and other materials, our little hobby takes up quite a bit of room.

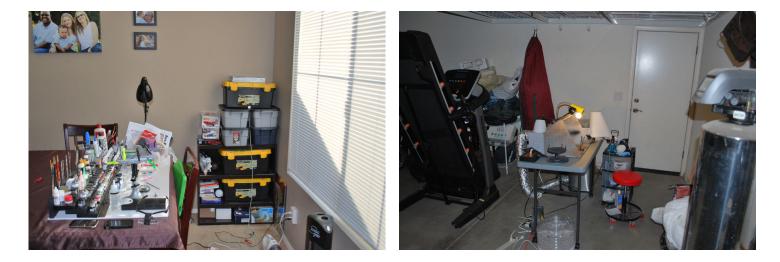
# FUNNIES



#### THE CORSAIR

John's workbench

#### JOHN CARROLL'S HOBBY ROOM



John's spray area



There is a nice kit stash with a broad array of subjects. Nice choice on the AH-60L DAP!

## LET'S SEE YOUR SETUP

Do you want to share your hobby room with the club? No, we are not all coming over, taking control and using it as our building space. Rather, we want to see where you build your models.

Send along some pictures of your hobby room. Let us see what your setup looks like. When taking your pictures, make sure to leave it in its natural state. I publish them on a first come, first serve basis.

Simply email a few pictures to Mike Pabis for inclusion in a future issue. Make sure to include your workbench, built kit displays, kit stash and any other things you might find interesting about your workspace.

# **Box Art of the Month**

A collection of notable, amazing or otherwise great looking box art from kit boxes over the years. Feel free to contribute any images you have or know of for future issues. This month: AMT



## SURFING THE WEB

# Want to see some photos from Nationals? Here you go! <a href="http://jwalters.smugmug.com/Hobbies/2013nats">http://jwalters.smugmug.com/Hobbies/2013nats</a>

The world's biggest Airfix kit. Note that it the video is about an hour long. <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FzT3L3gGrew</u>

#### Some mighty fine looking modern resin figures. http://airborne-miniatures.blogspot.com/

So you really want to know how big all those sci-fi spaceships are? <u>http://www.popsci.com/article/science/crazy-size-comparison-sci-fis-greatest-ships-infographic?</u> <u>dom=tw&src=SOC</u>

## Join the IPMS/USA!

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## **CONTENT NEEDED!!!!**

The Corsair needs your help! To keep this newsletter filled with all the great content, I need your help with content. Here are some useful items that I can use to put together future issues each month:

- Kit reviews/In-box reviews
- Website links
- Modeling related articles
- Commentary and featured columns
- Neat, strange or otherwise shareable pictures
- Book reviews
- Trip and vacation write-ups

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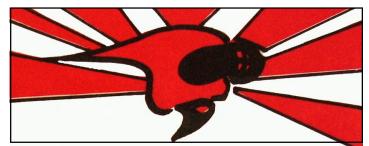
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