



# Just Glue It

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## January Debrief by Bob Tano

As we start the new year our first meeting of the new year has fallen victim to the calendar. Since our meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month and the first Wednesday just happens to be Jan 1st, we have rescheduled our first meeting for Thursday, January 2, 2014 as the library will be closed on January 1st. We will return to our regular schedule of the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays on January 15th. Our theme build will conclude at this meeting and hopefully we can use the display case to display the models during January. The annual Holiday Party provided the usual good time for all who attended. As always the Sneaky Santa gift exchange produced lots of laughs and fun. Pictures of the party are included elsewhere in this newsletter. All the current club officers have retained their positions for the next year. The usual plan to provide a display at the library for Black History month has been cancelled due to a schedule conflict with another display. Of course, Jaxcon is on February 1, 2014 and we can use the extra time to work on those award winning entries. Let's try for a 100% participation this year. The tentative date for our annual model kit auction is Saturday, May 17, 2014. Although we have not officially been invited to participate in Sci-Fi Day at the MOSH in May, we anticipate that with the success of last years event we will receive an announcement very soon. The 2014 IPMS web site is now active. The convention location is Hampton, Virginia on August 6-9, 2014. They have 250 rooms blocked. Special themes are WWI, Vietnam, British Invasion and the Ford Mustang. Sites to visit include the USS Wisconsin, an air museum and several near-by locations with civil war museums and sites. For more details check the convention website at: <http://www.ipmsusa2014.com/>. WOW! It looks like a another busy year coming up for our club, but as usual the entire membership will step up and help to showcase our club in a positive light to the public.

Until next month, Keep the Glue Off Your Fingers.



# Editors Soap Box

Each month I use this section to express my thoughts about the hobby, the club, or any other thing I happen to be thinking about. The opinions expressed here are mine alone and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Model Creations Unlimited IPMS. Feedback is always encouraged, and story ideas or submissions by any other member will gladly be accepted. If you feel that this column is becoming biased or exceeds decorum or good taste, I want to hear about it. Discuss it with me at the next meeting or you can contact me by phone at (904) 743-6677 or by E-Mail: [Duane Hayes](mailto:Duane.Hayes@ipms.com)



It's that time of year when the annual news retrospectives are everywhere. Why people want to live through all the tragedies and horrors of the past year once more is beyond me. We are saturated with news headlines hourly, and I've never quite understood the point of going back and hearing and seeing all the natural disasters, bloodshed and general mayhem one more time. Nevertheless, each year can bring fresh insight in life, and sometimes it's helpful to look back and ask whether we are better off than we were the year before. Any lessons learned? Anything come into sharper focus in the past 12 months? It's worth mulling over. Not all lessons are especially enjoyable, nor do they lead to insights that are positive. But if we have a better handle on life and relationships and the challenges they can present, we aren't really worse off than we were 12 months before.

I want to write for a moment on acceptance of bad things in life. Whether it be the loss of a loved one or some other kind of loss in life, we as humans have a hard time letting go. Really letting go. Maybe we don't talk enough about accepting things that cannot be changed or the people who will not change. If we continue to wait and agonize for some desired change, we can stall out. You can't wait to live life. You can't let something or someone that will not change jeopardize your ability to move forward in a positive way. The truth is, that change may never happen. That's why letting go is so important, yet, of course, so very hard to do.

I think that is the lesson I am focusing on for 2014. It is to discard old worn-out hopes and to look ahead and living more fully in the present. We are fools when we stake our happiness and hopes on something that, quite frankly, may never happen. Keeping this focus is really a daily (hourly?) decision, because old thought patterns die hard. Old hopes die hard. I think, however, there is great freedom in shedding the baggage. We can travel much more quickly and easily without it.

So what does all this have to do with modeling? The new year gives us an opportunity to start fresh new build projects. Every modeler has a project that was started long ago and is now sitting in a box because something went very wrong or was too difficult to complete. Maybe it's time to dig it out and start on it again. Don't let your bad experience convince you that you aren't good enough to be a great modeler. Bring it to a meeting and ask for help from your fellow members as how to resolve your problem. Some modelers only build one type of model whether it be planes, tanks, cars or ships. Try something new this year. Stretch your talents and let your fingers touch something they've never done before. I promise they won't blister or fall off. Enter a model in Jaxcon for the first time. Many of our members won awards on their first time out. Build a model for one of our theme builds. These models are not "judged", they just showcase our club and what we do to the public.

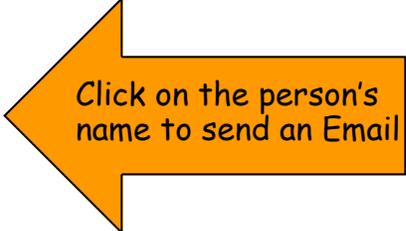
If you do pursue one of these suggestions remember to shed the baggage of perfection. Perfection should always be determined by the builder, not someone else's definition. After all, it's your model, not some self-appointed "expert". The pursuit of perfection is a major reason for a model never being completed. Build your model your way and you will be much happier with the end product. Now get busy and build your "perfect" model.

Until next month, Just Glue It.

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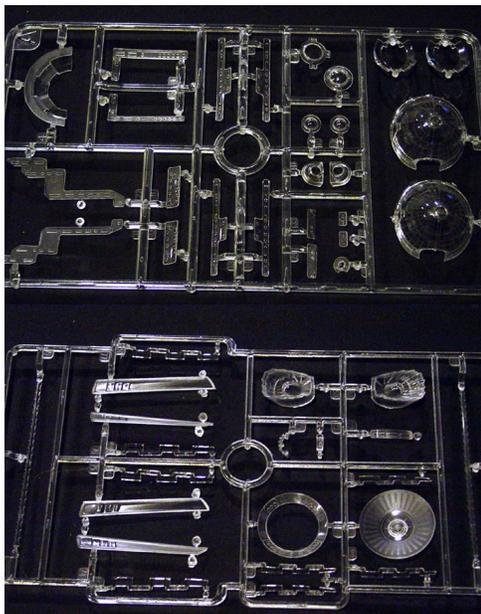
## Holiday Party Pictures

Ho-Ho-Holy Fun Time Batman! The annual Holiday Party had the usual good time for all who attended. As usual the Sneaky Santa gift exchange produced lots of laughs and fun.



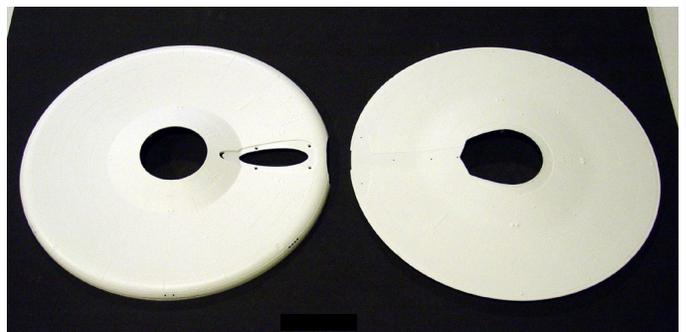
# Star Trek Movie Model Review by The Phantom Modeler

Regardless of how one feels about the reboot of the Star Trek franchise on the movie screen; the U.S.S. Enterprise is the most recognizable element of both films. While merchandise from the two films has been plentiful with toy versions of the ship being offered in a few different scales, model kits have been slow to appear. Polar Lights cancelled their plans to do a model in 2010 and Paramount licensing's legal department has also made it tough for anyone to do resin kits of the ship at anything approaching a decent size. Now Revell of Germany shocked the model industry by announcing they obtained a Star Trek kit license for the European market. The first kit was a reissue of the Monogram U.S.S. Voyager, but they followed that up with all new kits of the classic original Enterprise and Klingon D-7 Battle cruiser. While

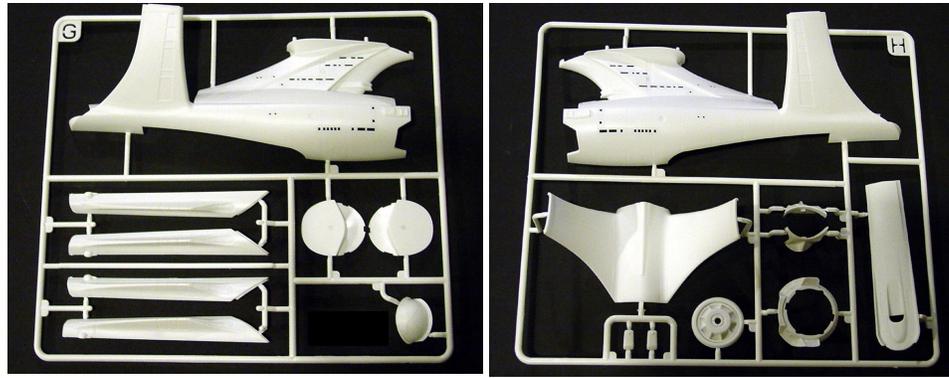


those kits did have their share of accuracy problems, they were generally good quality, fit together very well and showed many that a new player had emerged on the Trek modeling scene. So there was eager anticipation when Revell announced early this year that they were doing a kit of what many call the "JJ Prise" from the current film series. Now that the kit is out, just how good is it? Open the box and you are greeted by LOTS of bagged parts trees. Most of the pieces are molded in opaque white styrene, with two clear parts trees for the windows, engine domes, sensor domes and many other lighted features found on the ship. The 24 page instruction book is relatively easy to follow. They have some nice five-view diagrams for paint and decal placement. It is obvious from the start that Revell designed this kit for lighting. To my knowledge, Revell has no plans to offer a light kit for this model. But they did a thorough job engineering the model for it as the pylons are hollow to allow wires to pass through easily. Detailing of the parts is crisp and although I am not a "rivet counter" it looks very accurate

to photos of the CGI model. There were some slight changes made to the ship from the first film to the next, but the detailing seems to represent the ship as it appeared in the movie. The saucer deflector grid looks good and the recessed panel line splits on the secondary hull look positively petite, like a thick layer of primer could obscure them if one isn't careful. There are some raised panel lines as well, with some of them corresponding to features on the decal sheet. While this is intended to be more of an OOB review rather than a buildup, I did take the opportunity to test fit a couple sub-assemblies, like the saucer halves. The parts fit is VERY good. A decent quality plastic weld glue should get this model assembled in almost no time if you don't plan to light it, although I expect some filler will be needed in spots. As to the kit's size, length for the completed model is a little over 23 inches, which is comparable in size to the old AMT/Ertl movie refit Enterprise kit. The "actual" size of the Enterprise from the JJ Abrams films continues to be debated. Revell lists the scale on the box as 1/500 and given how the AMT/Ertl refit scaled out to 1/537, both models built side by side would not look out

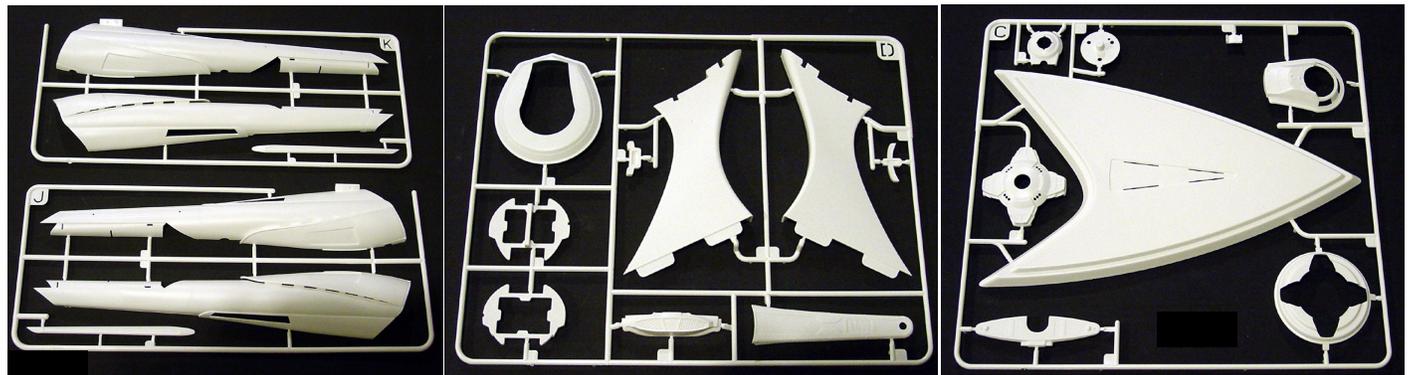
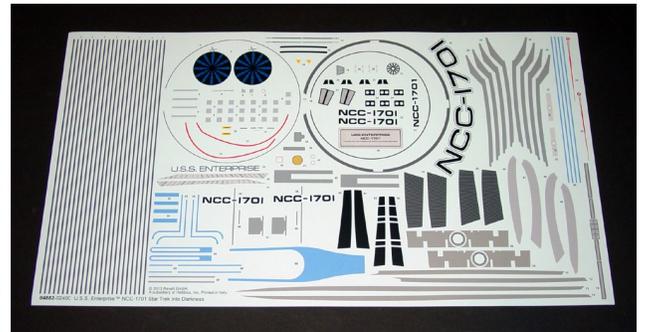


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of place with one another. The kit comes with a rather large decal sheet, featuring over 80 individual decals. The markings look more or less accurate, and given the number of decals, you will most certainly want to take great care and time to apply them. Some of the panels provided would also likely be

better served with paint, but at least you have the option to choose what direction you wish to go. It is a bit tough to judge the accuracy of something where an actual studio model doesn't exist and access to the CGI files is highly restricted. Based on what references I've been able to find, it looks to me like Revell has done an excellent job with the new ship. Proportionally, it looks to have the long and sleek lines of the original. Of the small details that are provided, they also look right. What clear parts are offered seem to correspond to where the lights and windows should be. I really like what I see with this kit. I get the sense from looking at the parts that Revell of Germany did not try to go the cheap route and utilized several resources to get this kit looking as good as it does. One minor issue facing modelers is the fact that this kit is NOT available for retail sale in the United States and this is due to licensing issues. However, thanks to the internet, the kits can be ordered relatively easily from kit vendors that ship internationally (or who have imported them into the states through other sources). Shipping these kits to the US can get expensive, so don't be surprised if you spend in excess of \$70 getting one when shipping costs and exchange rates are factored in. In final conclusion, this kit shows me that Revell of Germany is going all in with Star Trek models. I hope it is a long and happy future for them as from what I can see, they have done an excellent job with this new kit. Now I just have to see how well it builds. Already we have aftermarket stuff coming



for it. Paragrafix is doing a photo-etch set for it while Evans Lighting and Tenta Controls have partnered up to do lighting kits for it. Accreation Models has an Aztek Decal set and both Aztek Dummy and Orbital Drydock have created Aztek masking sets. Built out of the box, I think the model will look great. Add these extras and the results likely will be truly impressive and, to use the current expression, AWESOME..

# "Flight 19" TBM Avenger by Steve Betts

This is another build for our club's Florida theme build. I am modeling the Avenger of flight leader Lt. Taylor, Flight 19 that left NAS Fort Lauderdale December 5th 1945 and never returned. He was leading five planes on a "Naval Air Station, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, navigation problem No. 1," the exercise involved three different legs, but the flight should have flown four. After take-off, they flew on heading 091° (almost due east) for 56 nmi until reaching Hen and Chickens Shoals where low level bombing practice was carried out. The flight plan was to continue on that heading for another 67 nmi before turning onto a course of 346° for 73 nmi, in the process over-flying Grand Bahama island. The next scheduled turn was to a heading of 241°



to fly 120 nmi until the exercise was completed and the Avengers would turn left to then return to NAS Ft. Lauderdale. This incident is what started the media's fascination with the "Bermuda Triangle". The current theory claims the planes went down in the Okefenokee Swamp. Anyway back to the model review now. The kit came molded in gray and clear plastic. There were decals included for two different Avengers. TBF-1, VT-51, USS San Jacinto, CVL-30, Pilot LT(jg) George Bush and TBM-1, USS Mission Bay, CVE-59, October 1943. I used some of the decals and added the markings for Flight 19 from a set of white letters and numbers. The instructions



were very clear and had a lot of illustrations. The parts fit together pretty well considering how old the molds are and there was very little flash. There are also a lot of features more fitting a toy like retracting landing gear, tail hook, torpedo bay doors, turning propeller, rotating and elevating turret and folding wings. It also came with wheel chocks, a figure of a running pilot and an LSO. The folding wing parts are included but not detailed in the instructions. The left wing uses parts 11, one part 25 in the outboard portion and two parts 24 in the root. You need to glue part 25 while attaching the left wing together. The right wing uses parts 10, 24 and two part 25's. The folding wing mechanism is a little fragile but is a lot less work than gluing the wings together as illustrated in the instructions. It would take a considerable amount of filler to smooth the joint. I would



also suggest not exercising any of the features after assembling the model. The radio compartment windows did not match the fuselage openings very well. Masking and painting of the cockpit glass was also very time consuming. The landing gear wheels are too narrow. I painted my model overall Tamiya X-3 Royal Blue. In conclusion I thought the model looks pretty good if you ignore some of the obvious faults. The overall cost was very low because I used a half off coupon at Hobby Lobby to purchase it, so overall I give a thumbs up.



# Florida Theme Build

Our theme build "Florida" concludes at the January 2nd meeting. Models depict something that has a history in common with Florida. You will justify your Florida Theme by writing a brief article about how your model has a connection to Florida.

The rules are simple:

Build anything you want as long as it has a common bond with Florida..

A brief written description of the model used and how it is connected with Florida.

Model size should be 18" x 12" or less.

You can build more than one model to display.

This will NOT be a judged contest, just a display show 'n tell.

Each member who enters a model will be given a ticket for a drawing of two \$20.00 awards.

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## Perfume



I want my husband to pay more attention to me. Do you have any perfume that smells like model glue?

[AutomotiveForums.com](http://AutomotiveForums.com)

## Fighter Pilot Short Movie by Alan Zawacki

This is a great little film of a young man finding some 16mm film his grandfather shot while a flight surgeon in England during WWII. The grandson tracks down one of the pilots his grandfather filmed, an American who flew a Spitfire (yes, a Spitfire) for the USAAF - a great story.

Website link: [American Spitfire Pilot in WWII](http://American Spitfire Pilot in WWII)

## Creating seatbelts by Jack Ratterman

These videos show the building of seat belts and wiring using Milliput epoxy putty. It is pretty simple yet adds realism to any model.

Website links: [Making seat belts with Milliput putty](#)  
[Simulating wiring with Milliput putty](#)

# Show n' Tell Models



Spitfire Recon Plane  
By Don Alexander



WIP Panzer Mark IV  
By Claude Moulton



WIP Cars  
By J.P. Snyder



McClaren Indy Racer  
By Steve Betts



Honda Formula Racer  
By Steve Betts



Lotus  
By Steve Betts



Rusty Chevy Diorama  
By Mike Nigh



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Fletcher Class Destroyer  
By Roger Page



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# Upcoming Events

January 2, 2014 (Thursday) - Business Meeting & Wrap Up of "Florida" Theme Build- 6:00 - 8:30 PM Regency Square Library.

January 15, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

January 29, 2014 - Extra Build Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

February 1, 2014 - JAXCON 2014 - UNF University Center - Info: [Gil Hodges](#)

February 5, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

February 19, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

March 5, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

March 15, 2014 - Blue Angel Modelfest Scale Model and Miniature Figure Expo - University of West Florida Conference Center, Building 22, 11000 University Parkway, Pensacola, FL- Info: <http://www.pensacolamodelers.com/>

March 19, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

April 2, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00- 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

April 16, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

April 30, 2014 - Extra Build Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

May 7, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00- 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

May 17, 2014 - Annual Model Kit Auction - 12:00- 5:00 PM - Regency Square Library.

May 21, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

June 4, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00- 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

June 7, 2014 - The General Robert L. Scott Chapter of the International Plastic Modelers Society and the Museum of Aviation, will hold its annual scale model contest at the Museum of Aviation - Warner Robbins, GA - Info: [Bill Paul](#)

June 18, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

July 2, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00- 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

July 16, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

July 30, 2014 - Extra Build Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

August 6, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

August 6-9, 2014 - IPMS National Convention, Hampton, Virginia- For more information: <http://www.ipmsusa2014.com/>

August 20, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

September 3, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

September 17, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

October 1, 2014 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

October 15, 2014 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

## This Month's Featured Website

This website was submitted by Jack Ratterman. This is a 360 panorama of the flight engineers station on a B-36

<http://www.nmusafvirtualtour.com/media/062/B-36J%20Engineer.html>

## Modeling Websites

IPMS Website: - [www.ipmsusa.org](http://www.ipmsusa.org)

Freetime Hobbies:- [www.freetimehobbies.com](http://www.freetimehobbies.com)

Hobbylinc: Discounted Plastic Models - [www.hobbylinc.com](http://www.hobbylinc.com)

Hyperscale: Discussion forums and resource Guides - [www.hyperscale.com](http://www.hyperscale.com)

Modeling Madness: Reviews and Forums - [www.modelingmadness.com](http://www.modelingmadness.com)

Rare Plane Detective: - [www.rare-planedetective.com](http://www.rare-planedetective.com)

Real Space Models: - [www.realspacemodels.com](http://www.realspacemodels.com)

Round2 Models: - [www.round2models.com](http://www.round2models.com)

Scale Model Guide: Building basics and how-to demonstrations - [www.scalemodelguide.com](http://www.scalemodelguide.com)

Squadron: Your online Hobby Shop - [www.squadron.com](http://www.squadron.com)

## Local Hobby Shops

**Hobby World:** A full line hobby shop carrying all types of model kits, building supplies & paints with two locations; 103rd Street in Jacksonville and on Blanding Blvd in Orange Park. - [www.hobbyworld.biz](http://www.hobbyworld.biz) - (904) 772-9022 (Jax Store) (904) 272-6315 (Orange Park)

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Thanks to everyone who has contributed articles to this newsletter, but I'm always in need of more member articles. Some examples would be:

- ◆ Short, pictorial 'in-box' reviews of kits
- ◆ Work bench pictures
- ◆ Book reviews
- ◆ Pics of your latest project, etc.

Anything else you think might find to be of interest to your fellow modelers. Submit articles by e-mail at: [Duane Hayes](mailto:Duane.Hayes) Please send me stuff. I use a Windows machine with MS Word and the other usual suspects loaded. This means I can take almost anything you want to send - but for the sake of my limited sanity, PLEASE don't make me use the universal translator to decode your esoteric files. Send your story/article as a text file in the eMail or a Word document. Send your pictures separately as JPGs, PNGs or GIFs (JPG is my preferred format). **Do not**, under any circumstances, submit your article with pictures embedded in a Word file. That's just asking for trouble. And by trouble I mean shredding the article while drawing cartoon mustaches on all your pictures.

# IPMS Information

## Support The Troops Initiative

This IPMS/USA initiative was established to provide model kits, supplies, tools and reference materials to our servicemen and women serving in combat zones, recovering in hospitals, and in specialized rehabilitating facilities. The "Support the Troops" program is expanding into other areas as well. Some local programs take place in USO facilities and some are centered around active duty personnel or are scattered at bases across the country. Each local program is organized and administered by an individual or IPMS Chapter that is ready, willing, and able to put your donated items to good use.

To view information describing any of the local programs, and to view images provided by the administrator, please visit:

<http://www.ipmsusa3.org/gallery/v/stt/>

## Join IPMS/USA

IPMS/USA is an organization dedicated to the fun of Scale Modeling. Your membership includes the IPMS Journal six times a year. In it you will find stories of interest on modeling subjects such as aircraft, armor, automotive, ships and figures. There are listings of IPMS contests and swap meets, hints and tips, and reviews. Being a member also qualifies you to participate in IPMS/USA sanctioned Regional Contests, and of course the world-famous National Convention, held every summer. You'll also be able to access the online Member's Forum where a wide variety of society and modeling topics are discussed. In addition, many hobby shops offer discounts to IPMS/USA members.

To join IPMS/USA, simply mail in the form below or go to [www.ipmsusa.org](http://www.ipmsusa.org) and click on the Join IPMS/USA button on the left side of the page.

### IPMS/USA NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

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Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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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