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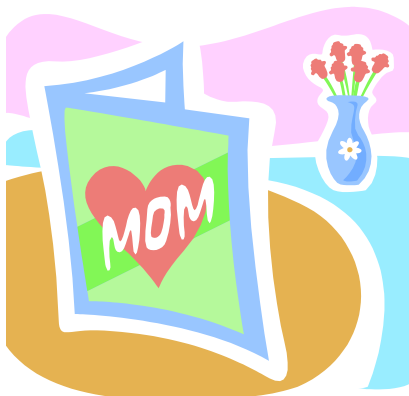
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## April Debrief by Duane Hayes

The usual suspects showed up at the meetings in April along with their latest bunch of excellent models to show off. Claude and Jack regaled us with their treks to the AMPS show in Virginia. Both of them were awarded medals for their models. The annual cookout was discussed with a tentative date of July 26th being set aside. Of course, this conversation will continue and all suggestions and ideas will be entertained. We are happy to welcome two new members to our ranks; Roger and Clayton Wright. Why don't you introduce yourself and say Hi! Just another reminder that if you are planning to attend the R-11 Regional on May 16-18 you should! This will be hosted by the Space Coast club in Titusville ([click this link for show info](#)). A special award will be available for this year only at that show in tribute to IPMS/USA's 50th anniversary! The National IPMS/USA has created a 50th IPMS Anniversary Plaque to be presented to one skilled modeler in our Region. The specific criteria for this award are; (1) Build something that is related to IPMS's founding year 1964. It could be the best model that represents an event that happened that year. It could be a model that was on sale that year. Anything related to 1964. Some background about the model as it relates to 1964 and the builder is required. (2) The entry must conform to acceptable levels of taste suitable to a family oriented society. See IPMS/USA Contest Rules section 1.5. on the [IPMS National Web](#) site under the current (2013) contest information. If you have any questions contact the Region 11 Coordinator, Tony Ivone by [e-mail](#) or telephone 352-237-6259. Start building for it now. Our annual Model Kit Auction will be held on May 24, 2014 from 12:00 - 5:00 PM at the Regency library. This is your chance to get rid of those duplicate and triplicate kits you have and will never build. Collect some money for them and maybe find that "Holy Grail" model you have always wanted.

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)



A couple of our members over the last few months have told me that they were taking a 'break' from model building because the stress in their lives was causing problems and they didn't want the stress of model building to add to it. Stress from model building!! This is supposed to be a hobby, and a hobby is what you do to RELIEVE stress and take your mind off of your troubles. If model building is causing you stress, then you are certainly not doing it correctly. Here are a few suggestions that I believe, will make your modeling time more enjoyable and help to relieve the stress and not add to it.

1.) As I often say don't try to build the 'perfect' model. It doesn't exist. There is nothing wrong with striving to do your best, but don't freak out if it doesn't meet "show standards". Remember, there is always the next one and the result might be more to your satisfaction. Nobody is perfect and we ALL make mistakes. A little secret that I learned from Joe is, don't tell anyone where the mistakes are and probably no one will even notice.

2.) Another thing to remember is that model building can sometimes be frustrating, but so are most hobbies at one time or another. No model just falls together, even when you're building it right out of the box. If you want to build a nice model it takes time, patience and effort, with time and patience being the major factors. The pitfall a lot of modelers fall into is falling short of building that contest winning model. Do not, I repeat DO NOT fret about not placing in a contest you've entered. If you don't place it doesn't mean you didn't build a great model. I've seen contest classes containing 15 or more entries, where 5 models were really worthy of 1st place, but there were only three awards given for that class. That means a lot of modelers went home empty handed. Go to a contest to have fun, enjoy yourself, look at nice models and meet some new people. If you place, then hey, it's a bonus.

3.) Sometimes we (yeah, even me) find ourselves in what some call a 'funk' and we just can't seem to get out of it because we can't decide what to build next. My theory on this is that most of us have too many models and therefore too many choices. (ROTFL) If you're in this situation, and you probably will sometime, one solution is to build a 'memory model'. Most of us involved in the hobby today built models when we were kids. You had that favorite model you built back then but it just didn't come out as well as you hoped, or didn't get finished at all due to your skill level at that time. Well, build that model, only do it using your present day skills, techniques and materials. You can usually find it at a show, on Ebay, or with all of today's re-issues you might even find it at the local hobby shop. Yeah, you may even have one in your stash (sound familiar). But, I think you'll find the reward well worth it. I've built a couple of these in the past 10 years and not only was it great fun but it brought back a lot of very fond memories. After all...memories are the most precious things we have of our youth.

4.) Last but not at all least, HAVE FUN!!!! That's the most important thing. It's a 'hobby'. Webster defines 'hobby' as something a person likes to work at in his/her spare time. Only sit down at the modeling bench when you feel like it. Don't fret about getting one project done before starting another and only build what you like. And never, ever let a TSA agent touch your model case at the airport while traveling to a show.

Until next month . . . Just Glue It.

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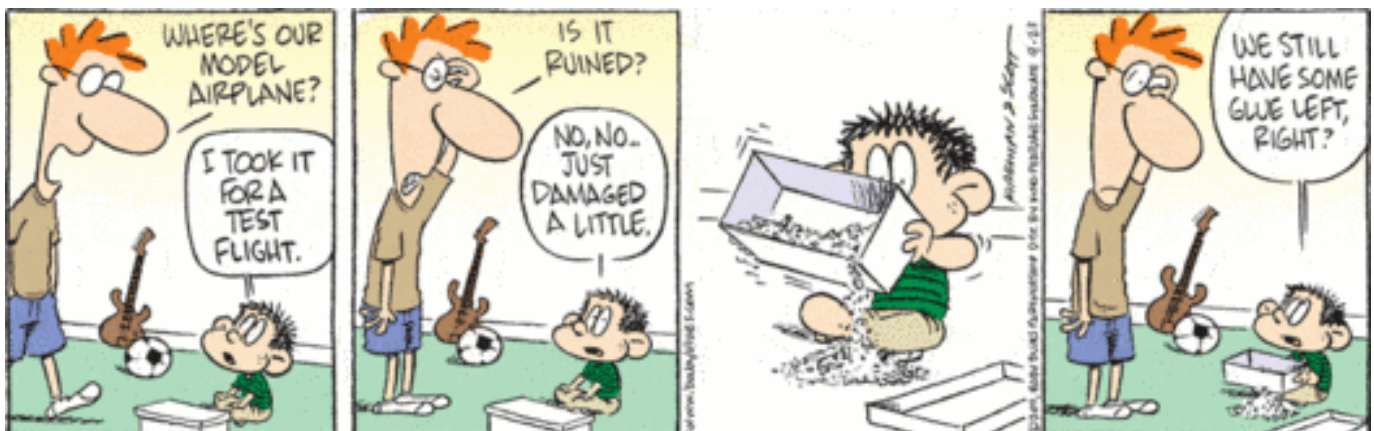
## Membership Dues in April



At the risk of instigating a rant from Jack, this section is all about club business. It's that time of year again to renew your membership by paying your dues. Our dues are very low compared to other clubs. At \$15.00 a year, and since we hold 28 meetings a year, that's just under 54 cents per meeting. Talk about a cheap date! If you are an out of town member and don't regularly attend the meetings you can choose an absentee membership for \$5.00 and our family membership is \$20.00 and covers up to 4 family members. Seriously though, our operating costs are low but they do exist. Our treasury is used to pay the club's IPMS charter fees and the prize award that the club sponsors at the IPMS National Convention. It also helps to pay for our annual Christmas Party and provides the prize money for our theme builds. So keep the plastic

addiction coalition solvent and renew your membership now. Our treasurer will accept your dues in cash or a check made out to Model Creations Unlimited.

## Just For Laughs





# Meet A Fellow Club Member — Duane Hayes

Your Name(include nicknames): Duane (The b!#ch)

Your birthday: April 19.

Your day job: Retired and very tired.

How long have you been building models: Off and on for 50 years.

Do you consider yourself a: Long time modeler

Do you consider yourself a: Model builder/collector

Size of your unbuilt model collection: 101 - 250

Primary area of modeling interest: Sci-Fi/Space

Favorite era of your primary interest: Star Trek, but really anything unusual or unique.



Number one reason you like building models: I enjoy doing things with my hands while they still work. It allows me to use my superior intelligence.

Who or what influenced or inspired you to build models? I was influenced by an interest in cars as a kid. I knew I would never be able to own an actual cool car and a model at least got me close to owning the real thing.

What other hobbies do you have other than model building? I use to build and fly model rockets. But my ability to chase them went away and so I came back to static model building.

Does your family have any negative opinions about the size/storage of your model collection? No, at least they don't express it to me.

Best/worst excuse you told your spouse for buying yet another model kit. Just think how much money you can sell them for after I'm gone.

What is the plan for your unbuilt model collection when you die or give up the hobby? I'm thinking a funeral pyre of the kits with me thrown on top.

First model you ever completed: It was a Lindberg model of a custom 40's style pickup truck. It had plastic tires and no engine. This was around 1965. My father bought it for me.

The longest time it took you to complete a model: I have a custom designed starship on my bench that I have been working on for over 6 years.

What was the best (in your opinion) model you have ever built? A custom designed Enterprise D that I converted into a ship from the Mirror Universe in Star Trek.

What was the worst (in your opinion) model you ever built/attempted? A 1955 Chevy Nomad that turned into a glue bomb. I still have it and use it to remind of how NOT to build a model.

Dumbest thing you ever did (to your model or yourself) while building a model: Using a Dremel tool to drill out holes for starship windows while holding the part on my thigh for stability.

Worst thing you did to a model to express your anger and frustration: As a kid I used a BB air pistol to "shoot down" a plane hanging from a tree.

Modeling story or experience you would like to share with your fellow club members: Build whatever you want, build it your way and don't be influenced by the "rivet counters".

# A39 Tortoise Tank Build by Steve Betts



The A39 was a member of a new class of tanks called heavy assault tanks. It was developed for the task of clearing heavily fortified areas and as a result favored armor protection over mobility. The Tortoise was the 16th design and was put into production February 1944. The British army placed an order for 25 A39's of which six were completed. One example was sent to Germany but the war ended before it could enter combat. The Tortoise was 33 feet long, 13 feet wide, 10 feet tall and weighed 80 tons. Front armor was 9 inches thick and the side armor was 7 inches thick. That rendered the vehicle just about impervious to the famous German 88mm anti-tank gun. The main cannon was a 32 pounder that was adapted from a 3.75 inch anti-aircraft gun. It also had two Besa

machine guns mounted in a turret and a single Besa mounted in the hull. It had a seven man crew. The 600 hp Rolls Royce Meteor engine could push the A39 to maximum speed of 12 MPH. During testing it was said to be mechanically reliable and shot with great accuracy. The lone survivor is in the Tank Museum in Bovington UK and was restored to operation in 2011. It is driven for the public every year at the museum's Tankfest.

I built this kit "out of box" so that it qualifies for the latest club build event for the first June meeting. The kit comes in a very sturdy box and features a really nice colored assembly manual. The kit is molded in a medium green color with dark rust colored tracks. The track links are glued together and are nonoperational. The detail is outstanding and even though it's a large model some of the parts require tweezers for installation. The parts are numbered sequentially on the sprues so they are very easy to locate. The only feature that I did not care for was



that many of the sprue attachment points wrap around the edges of parts which requires trimming on two sides that are perpendicular. It was not easy to clean up some of the really tiny parts that were attached this way. The barrel is plastic but is molded in one piece. Building the suspension you



need to follow the instructions as it shows where glue is required. This is important when assembling the suspension as some parts need to be rotated into position during final assembly. The right idler wheel assembly also requires trimming to shorten it to fit the hull. This is detailed in the instructions. It took a while to assemble the suspension as some of the assemblies require 16 examples. Eventually, I figured out the proper procedure and the assembly time became shorter. The tow cable consists of plastic end pieces and woven thread. The instructions want you to drill two holes in each end piece

for the thread. I just couldn't get the holes drilled so I glued the thread to the end pieces. I also needed one track link less per side than the instructions wanted. The overall fit of the parts is really good. You could easily snap the model together and glue it later. I painted my model with Tamiya XF-61 Deep Green that was thinned and lightly sprayed to let some of the green plastic color show through. Since the original A39 did not make it into actual combat I was planning to lightly weather it. The more weathering I added the better it looked so I probably went a little overboard. Overall this kit is excellent and I now consider Meng to be one of the best model kits out there. Now on to my Meng Caterpillar D9R DOOBI.





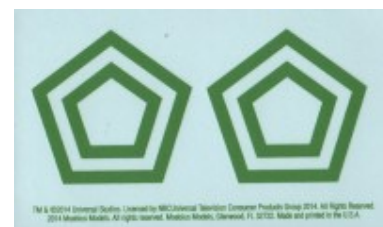
# Original Cylon Raider Kit Review by The Phantom Modeler

Moebius Models continues to produce some really interesting kits and this latest subject is no exception. Over the last few years, Moebius Models has been producing kits out of the reimagined Battlestar Galactica TV series including the Viper Mk II, Viper Mk VII, new Cylon Raider, redesigned Battlestar Galactica, and Battlestar Pegasus. Needless to say, science fiction fans and modelers alike were stoked when these kits started coming to store shelves while the series was still running. I'm still waiting for a lifesize Six kit. After the series concluded, we enjoyed a number of spin-offs including 'Razor', 'Caprica', and 'Blood and Chrome'. It was with 'Caprica' and 'Blood and Chrome' that we looked closer at the origins of the original (classic) Battlestar Galactica series from the '70's. Way back then Monogram released models of the original Viper, Cylon Raider, Battlestar Galactica and Cylon Basestar. In 2012 Moebius Models announced they had acquired the license to the classic ships and have since released the Viper MkI, classic Battlestar Galactica, and this new gem, the classic Cylon Raider. I saw a prototype of this kit at Wonderfest in 2012 and it was huge! At 1/32 scale, this kit is just under 18 inches across! The original Monogram kit was only 10 inches, obviously not in the same scale as the Viper MkI.



You can see by the parts layout how they managed to cram this beast into the box. Molded in light gray styrene, this kit is presented on five parts trees plus upper and lower main hull, a small tree of clear parts, and one HUGE clear display stand. Markings on this kit are simple as the only decals are two Cylon insignia. You conspiracy theorists will notice the proof that the Pentagon was behind the Cylons all along. My only negative comment is that the canopy is not clear to allow viewing the cockpit. I guess that will be something for the after market manufacturers to produce.

This kit looks to be a very simple build, the basic modeler will have no problems building this beast. It almost snaps together and the fit of the parts is very tight. Of course, the more experienced modeler will spend time painting and weathering this model while the modeler with Anal Modelers Syndrome will be lighting the engine exhaust ports, the spot lights, and perhaps even the cannons. Pick your skill level and have a fracking good time!



# Out Of The Box (What If?) Theme Build

Our next theme build is "Out Of The Box (What If?)". It will end at the June 4th meeting. Models must be built using only the parts in the box. You will justify your OOB by displaying the kit instructions with the model.

The rules are simple:

Build any type of subject you want, but only use the parts supplied with the kit. You can paint the model with any scheme you choose and use different decals to create a unique version of the subject, hence the "What If" portion of the theme..

Display the kit instructions with the finished model.

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.

## Report from AMPS Show by Jack Ratterman

My Spanish Leopard won a Gold in Closed To Tracked Armor Post 1945. (Although it did have a driver figure in the hatch). My JS3 won a Silver in Closed top Armor 1945 Allied, (It had a tank commander in the hatch) My Italian Centauro Early won a Silver in Wheeled Vehicles and Armored Cars all eras. Had a good time. I didn't participate in judges training as this was my first AMPS show. I liked the vendors very much and picked up some very nice deals. I thought the military briefing seminars were the best for me. Would have liked to have sat in on at least one more. I took a few shots of other entries and from a visit to the Bloody Angle Battlefield.





# Show n' Tell Models



F6F-5 Hellcat  
By Dan Smigaj



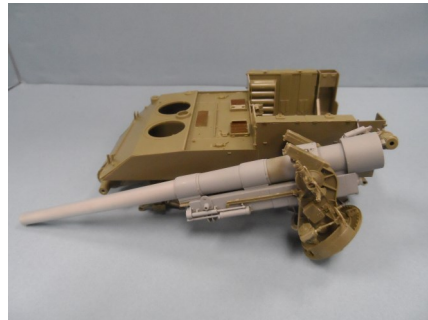
'99 Ford F-150 Rat Rod  
By Alan Zawacki



Honda CB750F  
By Steve Betts



Subaru Impreza WRC 1999  
By Steve Betts



WIP M40 Self-Propelled Gun  
By Kent Pruitt



Spitfire Mk 1  
By Don Alexander



Draconian Warrior  
By Mike Nigh



Canberra  
By Don Alexander



The Jetsons  
By Steve Betts



Sherman E8 Thunderbolt  
By Claude Moulton



Spanish Leopard  
By Jack Ratterman



Lorraine Campaign Diorama  
By Mike Nigh



# Upcoming Events

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 16-18, 2014 - IPMS/Spacecoast Model Club Presents the 2014 Region 11 Regional Model Fest - Hilton Rialto at the Melbourne Intl Airport, Melbourne, FL- Info: [Mark Warthling](#)

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

May 24, 2014 - Annual Model Kit Auction - 12:00- 5:00 PM - Regency Square Library.

June 4, 2014 - Business Meeting and Wrap-up of the "Out of Box" Theme Build - 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 26, 2014 - Annual Cookout - Time and Location to be determined.

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.

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

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

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

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

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

January 7, 2015 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

January 21, 2015 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

February 4, 2015 - Business Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

February 18, 2015 - Club Meeting - 6:00 - 8:30 PM - Regency Square Library.

## This Month's Featured Website

This website was submitted by Alan Zawacki. This is an online quiz game that tests your ability to identify cars from the 50's. [Car Quiz Game](#)

### 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.

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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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