



# The Plastic Whittler



## Our Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be on **Monday, September 15th 6:30 pm**, at HobbyTown USA.! Again due to continuing popular demand we're going to wrap up at 8 PM and go to Chili's for dinner.

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UPCOMING EVENTS	DATE
IPMS/Piedmont R-XII Regional	9/19&20/2014
IPMS/Huntsville	10/04/2014
"Remembering Our Heroes" battle re-enactments Oct. 25 at Ft Ogle-	10/25/2014
IPMS/Middle TN	11/15/2014
<b>IPMS/AMPS/ Chattanooga Scale Modelers Association MODELCON</b>	<b>2/6&amp;7/2015</b>
Atlanta Model Figure and Armor Shows	2/13-15/2015
IPMS/MTMA (Cookeville )	5/16/2015
IPMS Nationals—Columbus	7/22-25/2015

The Monthly Newsletter of:  
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Mike Moore—Webmaster

**Our Last Meeting:** Pages 7 to 14 show a series of photos and a list of who brought what

**Our Last Build Day:** Pages 15 to 17 show a report from Roger and photos from Emanuel.

**Chattanooga Cruise In:** See pages 24—25

**Various Show Flyers are scattered about the end of this issue**

**SPECIAL THANKS:** Special Thanks to Brandon Lowe, Jeff Mattheiss, Ben Bonvillian, Mike Mattheiss, Roger Trochelman, and Philip Chandler for contributing e-mails or articles to fill out the narration of this edition. Special Thanks as always to Emanuel Roland for doing double duty and providing the photographs for both our last meeting and our build day!!!



## World War II USS LST 325 Comes To Chattanooga Sept. 11-17

Chattanooga will welcome a piece of history to the downtown waterfront Sept. 11-17. The World War II USS LST 325 will dock at Ross's Landing for an extended visit to offer tours of the World War II Landing Ship Tank.



LST 325 will arrive the morning of Thursday, Sept. 11, and an opening ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. with the crew and Bob Jornlin, commanding officer of the WWII LST.

The USS LST 325 participated in the D-Day Invasion on June 6, 1944 as well as other invasions and occupations. It was launched on Oct. 27, 1942 and commissioned on Feb. 1, 1943. On Sept. 1, 1961, the ship was struck from the Naval Register of Ships and transferred to the National Defense Reserve Fleet. In November 1999, by act of the Congress of the United States, she was given to the LST Ship Memorial, Inc.

Tours will be available from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Tours last 30-45 minutes. Tickets are adults \$10, ages 6-17 \$5, and children five and under are free. A family of two adults and two minor children is \$20. Other armored military vehicles will be on display as well.

LST 325 now visits waterfront cities across the country to offer a rare glimpse of this piece of history.



# Battle of Tunnel Hill Civil War Reenactment

This is one of the activities that David Scott was telling us at the August meeting. Looks like it would be one of the better re-enactments!

2014 - September 6 - 7 (Civil War 150th Commemorative event)

Tunnel Hill, Georgia Just south of Chattanooga

Admission is \$10; kids 12 and under are free.

Reenactment, Museum, W & A Railroad Tunnel and Clisby Austin House are all included with admission.

Open 9:00am - 4:00pm; Battle begins at 2:00pm each day.



# Tennessee Valley Railfest

This is the activities that David Blackwell was telling us at the August meeting. Another event noteworthy to those interested in large load machines of beauty!!!

2014 - September 6 - 7 Railfest is being planned for September 6 & 7. A great time to visit TVRM for train rides, special exhibits, operating model railroads, equipment on display, children's activities, and live entertainment!

TVRM—Grand Junction: 4119 Cromwell Rd, Chattanooga, TN 37421

For Scheduling and Pricing see their webpage: <http://www.tvrail.com/pages/Railfest/>



**Locomotive #4501** will be "Rollin' Out Again" at Railfest on September 6 & 7. A great time to visit TVRM for train rides, special exhibits, operating model railroads, equipment on display, children's activities, and live entertainment! Locomotive #4501 is freshly re-stored and ready to roll, don't miss it!

# Another Shout Out From Brandon

Brandon Lowe—Our member and supporter in Blue Ridge, Georgia (AKA—Mr. Freetime Hobbies) is continuing to work away at keeping the PR machine moving for our show in February. He sent me the note below regarding getting more information out there on Face book to advertise our show. I am not a Face Book person but here is the link for the photos (same photos as our standard webpage) from our show last January. Now we're out there in two places!!!!!!

Received the flash drive and got all the pictures uploaded for the public to view. I linked it from the Face book page... but... the direct link (that anyone can view) is here....

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/126387673@N02/sets/72157646949768016/>

- Brandon

## A Thought from Ben - Group Build - Part 2

**At last month's meeting we discussed the group build and it seem to gather a bit of favor from the group. We didn't necessarily tie down a firm date. In fact Ben seemed agreeable to making the due date our Christmas party time frame. SO let's run with that until someone nails down a better date. THE GROUP BUILD IS ON!!!!**

Hey Lynn,

I just had a thought, What do you think of sending out an email to every-one,

"Let's have an F-4 Phantom club build, both 1/72 and 1/48, any air Force, any Navy, any markings, no restrictions, OOB, aftermarket, Etc... Whatever you want to do, bring it to our November 17, 2014 meeting, that gives you 3 months, who's in for it",

Personally I think it would be fun. Now whether we would get a lot people involved ? I was thinking about who's who, I could be wrong, but I think we would get at least 7 to 10.

Ben

# UNBROKEN

A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption

What makes a good story? Or better yet, what makes a good story readable? How is it that, once you've found a book with information you've been craving for years, it's so hard to actually read it? And then there's the book you have no interest in but it's hard to put down 'cause you're enraptured by what you're reading? The older I get the more convinced I have become that an author makes or breaks a subject. Such is the case with Laura Hillenbrand. She is the author of this book.

A couple of months ago my brother, Mike, had asked me if I had heard of this person or of his story. No, I had not. He then went on to tell me how much I really needed to read this 'cause it's hard to believe what he went through for starters then it's hard to believe the man survived. The subject of the book is Louis Zamperini. Mike told me about him being an airman in WWII and being shot down and taken captive by the Japanese and then surviving. My studies of WWII were enough to know that surviving being a Japanese POW is in and of itself rather incredible. What I didn't know, and Mike didn't tell me, was everything else that is "wrapped around" Louis' story. I've never quite seen so much "stuff" or so many "things" that have come together in the life of one person. It's almost unbelievable.

This is where my previous comments on an author come into play. Once you've heard about Louis and his story, you'll probably want to read about him. Laura's work on his life is extremely good. It's one of those "I can't put it down 'cause I've got to find out what happens next" type of books. I am not a big biographical book reader but I am VERY glad to have read this book. This book also has been on the New York Times best seller list for the past three years. That's got to be saying something for it.

Now, this story is supposedly coming out as a movie at some point possibly this year. Don't wait 'til the movie. Get the book! Actually, after reading the book, I can't fathom how they'll get the story across in a movie setting. There's that much detail involved.

Bottom line: here's another REAL winner of a book to not pass up.

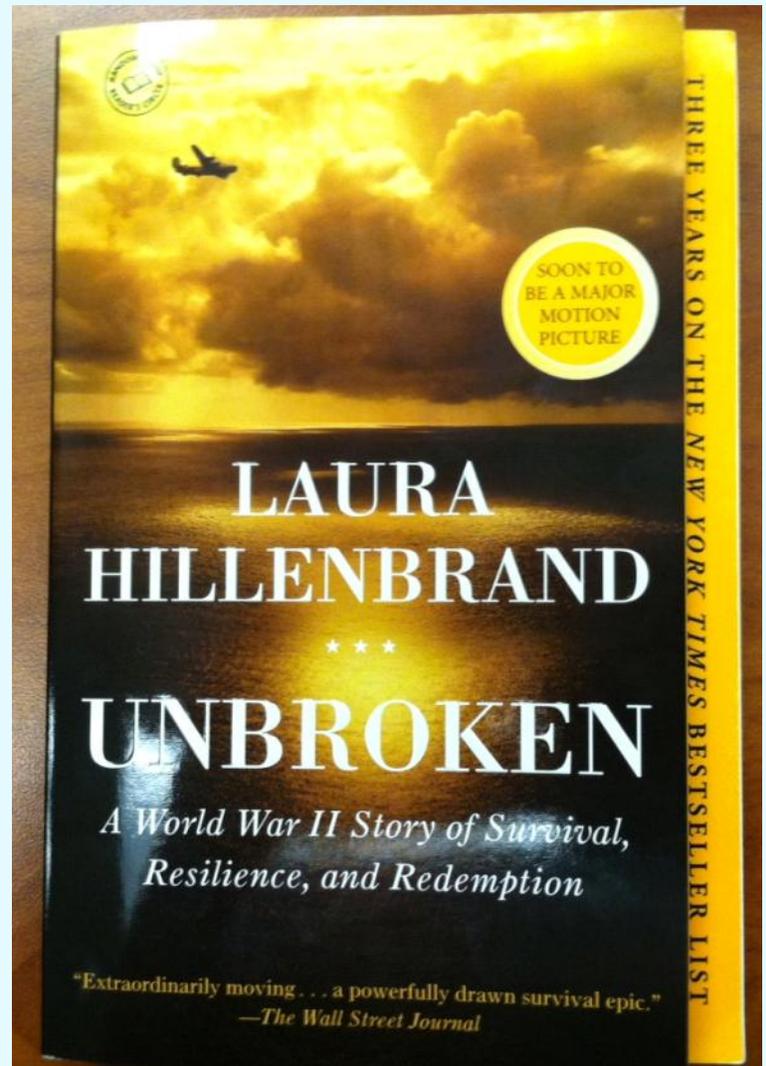
Thank you for your time,

Jeff Mattheiss,

Amateur book reader.

Editor Note—This is being developed into a movie—expected release

12/25/14



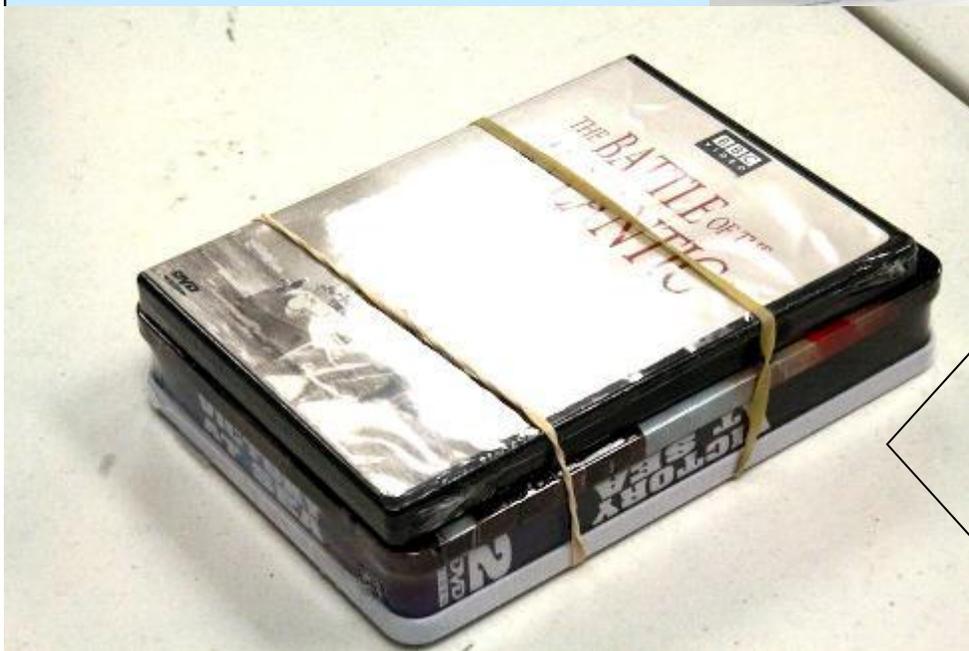
## Photos from our last meeting

1	Dave Blackwell	Photos, 1/48 Revell Spitfire (just purchased)
2	Ben BonVillain	1/32 Revell Moskito Mk IV (just purchased)
3	James Burton –	1/35 Commanders Models MBT-70 W.I.P.
4	Phil Chandler	
5	Mike Fiore	1/32 Hasegawa Ki-84 Frank
6	Tom Gaston	
7	Don Hixson	DVD donation to the show raffle—Wyler’s containers for storage
8	Steve Lewis	1/72 Airfix Messerschmitt Bf109E-7 Tropical
9	Jeff Mattheiss	
10	Mike Moore	1/144 Dragon U-2R
11	Lynn Petty	
12	Rodger Price	1/8 '32 Coupe Kit Modified & Scratch W.I.P.
13	Mike Roby	1/8 12 Cylinder Lincoln Rail Dragster W.I.P.
14	Emmanuel Roland	Photos
15	Dave Scott	Civil War Book: The Andrews Train Raid
16	Tim Simmons	1/12 Revell '57 Chevy in box
17	Ed Sunder	1/72 Testors F- 19 “Stealth” converted to A-19B Navy Stealth, 1/72 Heller D’Assault Ouragon







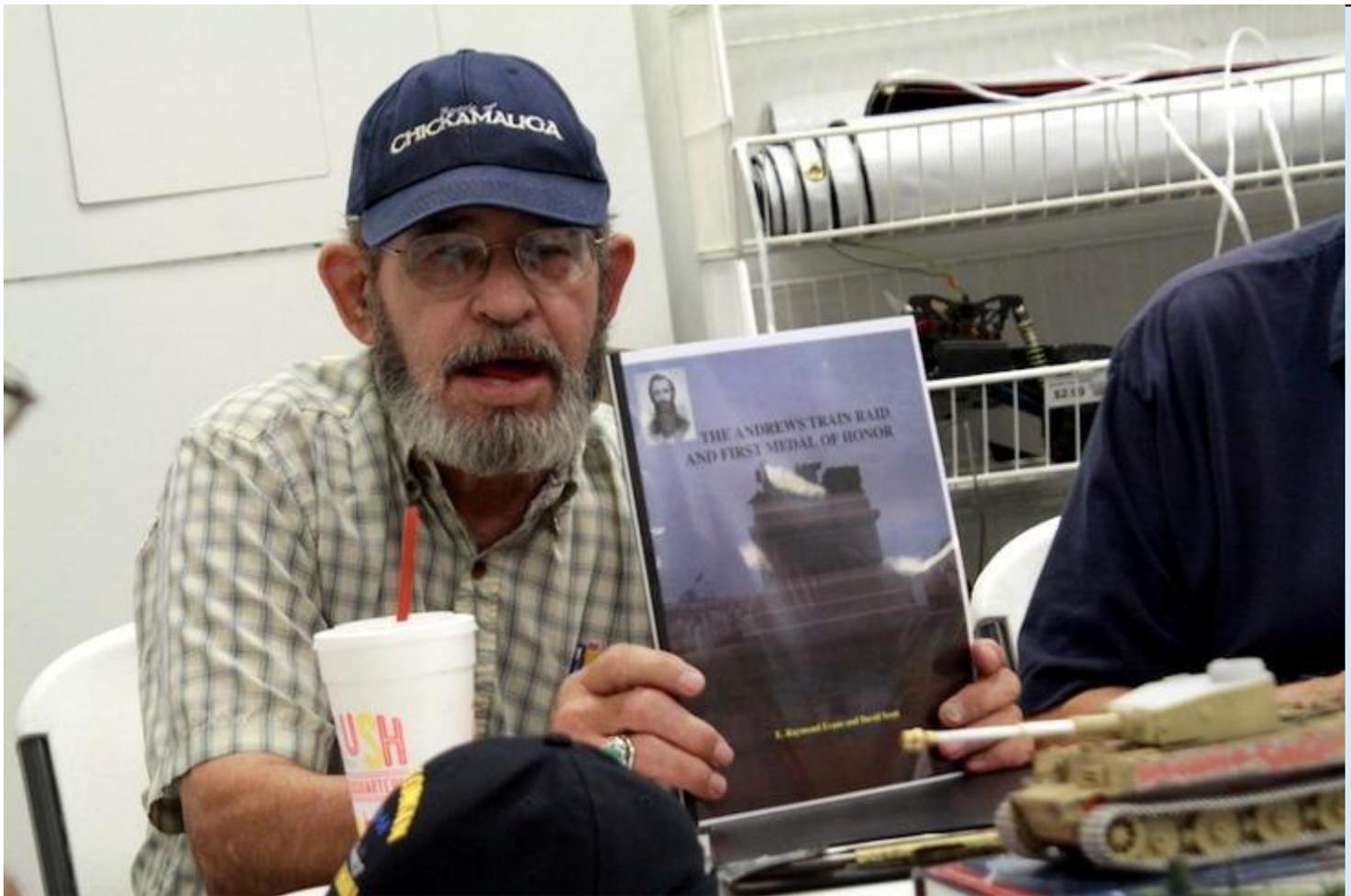


Raffle Donation  
Thanks Don Hixson!!!









# BUILD DAY - AUGUST 23RD

By Roger Trochelman

Guys, we had about 7 come out yesterday. Ed was there with his twins and a friend of theirs. Emanuel was there and taking plenty of pictures. Tom came in with his 1/48 oob P-47 and a 1/48 Avenger. Horton

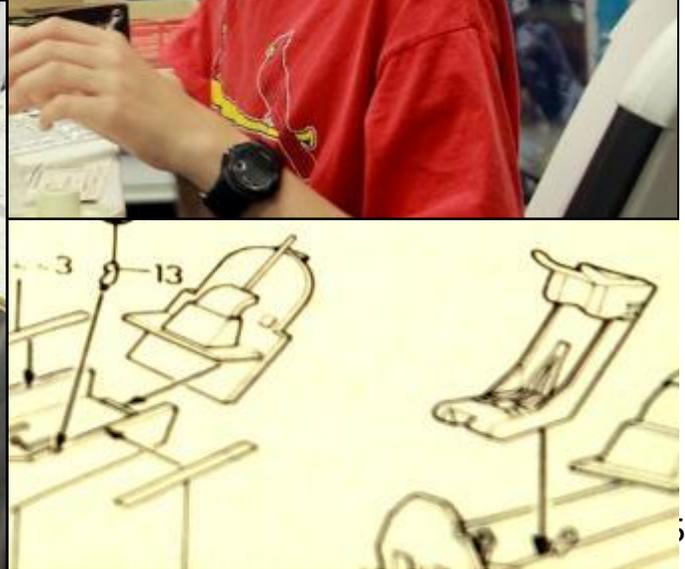


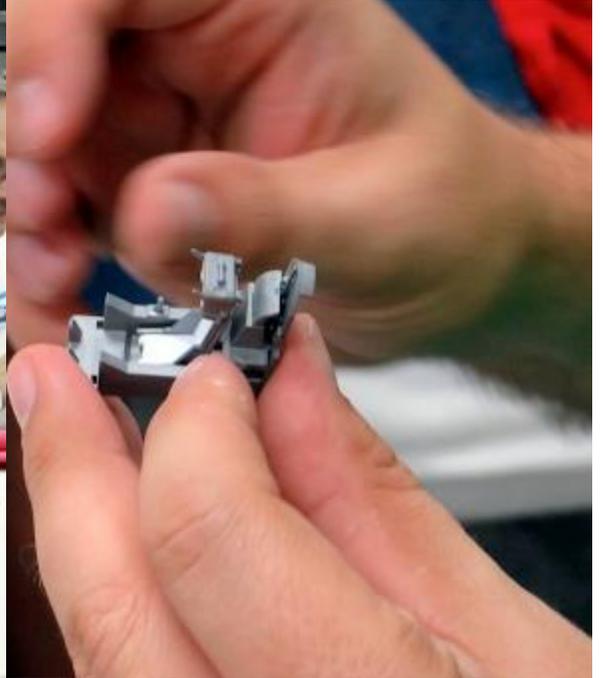
Herrin was there with a new model. He wanted Mike to take a look at them to see why they didn't win anything at the national's, I think.

Between us we were working on a car, 2 ships, a spacecraft and the rest were aircraft. A pretty good cross section of the modeling hobby. Tom showed me how to stretch sprue for antenna wire or rigging or

whatever. I've tried it before but never had much luck. Now I'm pretty sure I can do it. For what it's worth, I'm still interested in having a build on a monthly basis.

Roger







# HPMS 38TH ANNUAL CONTEST

## 4 OCTOBER 2014



### Location

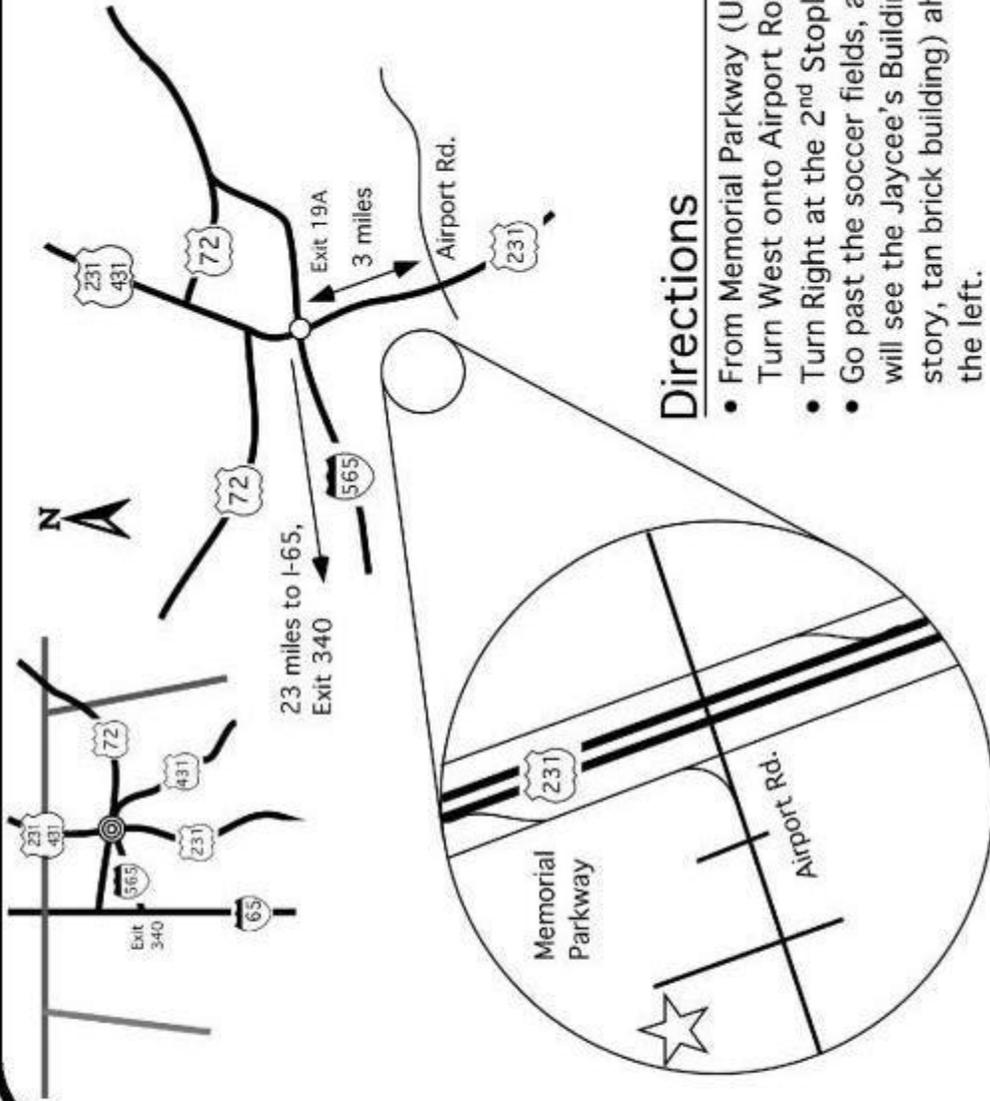
Huntsville Jaycee's Building  
2180 Airport Road SW  
Huntsville, AL 35801  
<http://tinyurl.com/lj34ppy>

### Point of Contact

Phil Cassibry  
256-656-9624  
[vendors@hpmsonline.org](mailto:vendors@hpmsonline.org)

### Rates

\$10.00 for the 1st model  
\$2.00 for each add'l model  
\$2.00 discount for IPMS members.  
Juniors (16 & under) \$1.00/model  
Vendors Tables \$25.00 each  
Free admittance



### Directions

- From Memorial Parkway (US 231), Turn West onto Airport Road.
- Turn Right at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stoplight,
- Go past the soccer fields, and you will see the Jaycee's Building (one story, tan brick building) ahead on the left.

[HTTP://WWW.HPMSONLINE.ORG](http://www.hpmsonline.org)

# CATEGORIES

## 100 Aircraft

- 101 Single Engine Prop, 1:60 & Smaller
- 102 Axis Single Engine Prop, 1:59 to 1:33
- 103 Other Single Engine Prop, 1:59 to 1:33
- 104 Jet or Rocket Military Aircraft, 1:60 & Smaller
- 105 Jet or Rocket Military Aircraft, 1:59 to 1:33
- 106 All Aircraft, 1:32 & Larger
- 107 Rotary Wing, All Scales
- 108 Civil Aviation, All Scales
- 109 Out Of The Box, All Scales & Subjects
- 110 Multi-Engine Prop, All Scales
- 111 Rugged and Multiwing Aircraft, All Scales

## 300 Automotive

- 301 Racers: Open Wheel
- 302 Racers: Closed Wheel
- 303 Replica Stock
- 304 Street Rods: 1948 & Older
- 305 Street Machines: 1949 & Newer
- 306 Out Of The Box: Race
- 307 Out Of The Box: Non-Race
- 308 Trucks: Medium & Heavy Duty
- 309 Other: Motorcycles, Dioramas, etc.
- 310 Curbside

## 200 Armor

- 201 Military Vehicles, All Eras & Type, 1:49 & smaller
- 202 Allied Armor thru 1945, 1:48 & Larger
- 203 Axis Armor thru 1945, 1:48 & Larger
- 204 All Armor 1946-Present, 1:48 & Larger
- 205 Halftracks, Wheeled Fighting Vehicles & Softskin Vehicles, All Eras, 1:48 & Larger
- 206 Towed Artillery & Rocket/Missile Launchers, 1:48 & Larger
- 207 Out of the Box, All Scales

## 400 Miscellaneous

- 401 Ships
- 402 Spacecraft/Rockets/Science Fiction/Fantasy
- 403 Miscellaneous

## 500 Juniors



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# Chattanooga ModelCon

February 6th & 7th 2015

**CHATTANOOGA TRADE AND CONVENTION  
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- Same Location as Last Year
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  - Improved Speedier Judging Software
  - 18,000 SF of Carpeted Space
  - Well Lit and Spacious Convention Center
- Same Weekend as the Chattanooga Boat Show

Plans Include:

- Show rate at the convention Hotel
- Vendors can be open for business and registration to begin early Friday afternoon
- Friday Night Hospitality Room
- And more...check out our web site—Updates as plans come together

### Show Hours

Fri 2 - 7 PM

Sat 8 - 4 PM ish

### Vendor Info

8 FT—Tables

\$25 prepay

\$30 late pay

[www.chattanoogascalemodelers.com](http://www.chattanoogascalemodelers.com)



General Contact—Mike Moore [maxwinthrop@yahoo.com](mailto:maxwinthrop@yahoo.com)

Vendor Contact—Jeff Mattheiss [emilyshouse@juno.com](mailto:emilyshouse@juno.com)





*MODEL CONTEST*

**November 15, 2014 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Rutherford County Agricultural Center  
315 John Rice Boulevard, Murfreesboro, TN  
37129**

**Theme: 50th Anniversary of the Ford Mustang & 100th  
Anniversary of the Great War**



**Vendor information:**

**Walter Bowen 615-429-5191 [bowen723@juno.com](mailto:bowen723@juno.com)**

**[www.ipmsmiddletennessee.com](http://www.ipmsmiddletennessee.com)**



# Atlanta Model Figure and Armor Shows

February 13-15, 2015

2015 Figure Theme:  
Napoleon's 100 Days  
150 Anniversary

*free seminars*

*workshop offered*

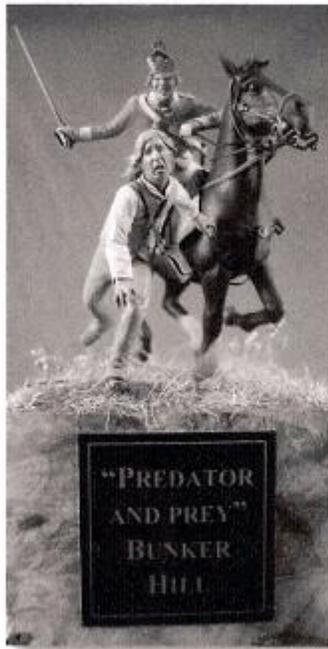
*silent auction*

*large vendor area*

*theme participation award*

*[www.atlantafigures.org](http://www.atlantafigures.org)*

*[www.ampsatlanta.org](http://www.ampsatlanta.org)*



# Build for Victory!

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THROUGH  
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**JULY 22-25, 2015**

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# CHATTANOOGA CRUISE-IN

Our own Michael Mattheiss works as the Art Director for Coker tire and Honest Charley's. He reminded me of the upcoming event. Special Thanks to him for doing that and Special Thanks to Coker Tire and Honest Charley's for kindly allowing us to reprint items from their event web page.

Even if you're not a car modeler you should check out the upcoming Chattanooga Cruise In. It will be held on Saturday, September 13th from 10am to 4pm EST. The event is located in the four block area around Coker Tire in Downtown Chattanooga. The event consists of a huge gathering of cars, trucks and motorcycles, and an Open House at the Coker Tire, Honest Charley Speed Shop and Honest Charley Garage facilities. The mix of vintage, classic, souped up, stock,



and antique cars and trucks is phenomenal. It is easily worth the effort just to go view the event. And it cost you no money to look!

The following two paragraphs are from the event web page. These serve to further describe the event.

“The Chattanooga Cruise In is one of the premier car events in the South! With hundreds of cars, and thousands of spectators con-

verging on downtown Chattanooga, Tennessee, it's an incredible event that continues to grow. The Chattanooga Cruise In is a laid-back car show located in the Dynamo of Dixie, Chattanooga, Tennessee. It all started as an open house at Coker Tire and Honest Charley Speed Shop, in downtown Chattanooga, Tennessee, and has grown into one of the premier Cruise In events in the South! The event is sanctioned by the Coker Tire staff, and each Chattanooga Cruise In features an open house, allowing spectators to view all of the cool stuff inside the 100-year-old Coker headquarters."

"Streets surrounding Coker Tire are closed for the event, allowing participants to park on the street and nearby parking lots. Hundreds of cars and thousands of spectators invade Chattanooga for the one-day event. Two restaurants are within walking distance of the Cruise In area, but there are also food vendors who set up at the event. We promise you won't go hungry!"

"Don't forget to check out the Coker Museum while you're there!"

