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Greetings Region 12!

Welcome to the dog days of summer. For some of the guys in my club that means they don't have much longer to wait before they can start painting all the models they built during the hot and humid summer. See, they paint outside, so the heat and (especially) the humidity have a very real effect on their paint jobs. Since I have a paint booth in my hobby room, I paint year round. So, I am able to get those projects completed as I build them, which is nice. At any rate, the cooler months are on the way.

IPMS Continuous Membership Pins

If you were in Omaha for the national Convention, you may have gotten an IPMS Continuous Membership pin. They were distributed to members that have been in IPMS for 25 years continuously. If you did not get to go to Omaha, then you are probably wondering when you will get yours. IPMS's Ron Bell has asked the RCs to distribute the pins to the members in their region. So as soon as I get the list of names and the pins, I will get them to all of you that have 25 years of continuous membership in IPMS.

2018 Regional Convention

The Spartanburg Scale Modelers will be hosting the 2018 R-12 Regional Convention on September 14-15, 2018. The convention will be held at the Inman Recreation Center on 25 Oakland Avenue, in Inman SC. They will be releasing a full flyer in September. The theme for the convention is "Back to the Bijou," the Best TV/Movie Subject. There will also be a three special awards. "Best R-12 Desert Shield/Storm Aircraft," Best Foreign Sports and Racing Cars," and the Scott C. Stevens Memorial award for the Best U.S. Armor. There will be 85 Categories, with 12 of those designated for Juniors. If you have any questions or suggestions, you can contact Tim Kirkland by e-mail: Kirklandmr6@aol.com, or phone: 864-504-0745. Please call or e-mail Tim if you are interested in getting a vendor table or sponsoring a trophy package.

Event Schedule

There are quite a number of events planned for the next 12 months. The first being tomorrow up in Salem, Virginia. The 2017 Virginia Shootout will get things rolling. If you are looking for a schedule of events, just go to the IPMS National web page at www.ipmsusa.org and click on the News and Events tab. Under "All Events" you will see the list in order by date. I have pulled some of those events close to us and listed them on the page 3. Take a look and make plans to attend some of these contests and conventions. They are a great way to show your work, meet other modelers, learn judging techniques, find great buys, or simply get away from the rat Race for a day or two. I hope to see you at some of these.

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IPMS/USA Support the Troops Initiative

The IPMS/USA initiative was established to provide model kits, supplies and reference materials to our servicemen and women serving in combat zones, recovering in hospitals, and rehabilitating in specialized 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 these local programs, and to view images provided by the administrator, please visit: <http://www.ipmsusa3.org/gallery/v/stt/>

Click on any "album cover" to view information about that particular program, how to contact the administrator of that program, and to view images provided by that administrator. You can also contact the IPMS Director STT at models4troops@gmail.com. The Director attempts to support all local programs by directing potential donors to each program on an equitable and "as needed" basis. You may also report any issues or problems to the 1st Vice President, Dave Morrissette.

IPMS Membership

Do you know someone who is interested in joining IPMS? Give them this membership form!

IPMS/USA MEMBERSHIP FORM

IPMS No.: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____
If Renewing _____ First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Signature (required by P.O.) _____

Type of Membership Adult, 1 Year: \$30 Adult, 2 Years: \$58 Adult, 3 Years: \$86

Junior (Under 18 Years) \$17 Family, 1 Year: \$35 (Adult + \$5, One Set Journals) How Many Cards? _____

Canada & Mexico: \$35 Other / Foreign: \$38 (Surface) Checks must be drawn on a US bank or international money order

Payment Method: Check Money Order

Chapter Affiliation, (if any): _____

If Recommended by an IPMS Member, Please List His / Her Name and Member Number:

Name: _____ IPMS No.: _____

IPMS/USA

Join or Renew Online at: www.ipmsusa.org

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Events in Region 12 and the surrounding area:

August 12, 2017

2017 Virginia Shootout

Salem, Virginia

Contact: Greg Clower - gclower@aol.com

August 26, 2017

Huntsville Plastic Modelers' 41st Annual Model Show

Huntsville, Alabama

Contact: Skip Hassler - skiphas@comcast.net

October 21, 2017

SCMA Fall Contest

North Charleston, South Carolina

Contact: Ron Minton - Imcminton@gmail.com

November 11, 2017

RDUCON 2017

Raleigh, North Carolina

Contact: David Shaw - dashaw127@gmail.com

January 5, 2018

ModelCon 2018

Chattanooga, Tennessee

Contact: Mike Moore - mmoore1132@gmail.com

February 10, 2018

Atlanta Con 2018

Marietta, Georgia

Contact: Vicki Kohout - vkohout777@comcast.net

April 7, 2018

Phantom Phurball 2018:

60 Years of Phabulous Phantoms!

Anniston, Alabama Contact: William Nichols - phantomphocus@gmail.com

May 3-5, 2018

AMPS 2018 International Convention

Hope Hotel and Richard C. Holbrooke Conference Center, Dayton, OH

Watch for more info at www.amps-armor.org/SiteShows/ShowMain.aspx

June 22, 2018

IPMS/Mid-Carolina / AMPS Wildcats

Columbia, South Carolina

Contact: Pete Maher - opus575@twc.com