



Bits-N-Pieces

by Club 'Prez '

Del Vito Corleone Paone

This column is meant to enlighten, bore, insult, disgrace and/or humor the 'serious' and 'not so serious' modeler with rigatoni, er, I mean nuggets (sorry, I need some pasta and vino) of unuseful information. Warning: reading this column will do you absolutely no good...and may result in a long rest with the fishes.

Bit - I've done some articles called 'Doctor-In-Drag'. Our newsletter editor claims that this is not a computer altered photo. I won't say that I didn't have fun dressing 'In-Drag' ...however, if I had a pair like that I'd never leave the house

Piece - I hope Doug E and Ed D get their s--t together and put on a show more like the old MassCar show. I know it's a lot of work but I know some of our guys would be willing to help. Stu's gathering in March is nice, but not quite the same.

Bit - It's only December...but I'm already getting excited to attend NNL East. I'm going to start taking names at our January meeting to see who will be attending the best show and road trip of the year.

Piece - I feel that our show this past October was our best to date. It has become one of the best judged shows on the east coast.

Bit - I hope Dwayne's luck changes for him in 2017. He is one of the founding members of our club and we all miss him.

Piece - Paul A is one hot s--t! Without members like him we'd be an awful dull bunch

Bit - It's wonderful to see how many new members have joined our group of enthusiasts in the past year. Perhaps it's because we have very little business to discuss (mostly around show time), have great Show-N-Tell's at our meetings, as a group we attend many other shows, and last but not least we have a lot of laughs!

Piece - I know the guys from Globe 25 in Montreal receive our newsletter. We're still waiting for them to revive their show. It was one of the best of the year.

Bit - The last model I built almost put me in the looney bin (twin-engine El Camino). Perhaps I should turn it down a few notches...I know the 'prestigious one' just turned 70 and I'm not too far behind.

Piece - I haven't done a 'Bits-N-Pieces' article in quite some time. I must be out of practice...I've not yet come close to insulting anyone yet.

Bit - I'm having such a good time with this club, and all it's members, I hope I can enjoy this for years to come.

Piece - Our Christmas Party was a blast. I really enjoyed watching my daughter Robin (after drinking countless Bud Lights) try to butter a crumbling muffin at the donut shop after the party. Also, how about Marie drinking 'Makers Mark' at the party - heavy duty!

Remember - I'll be watching, talking to snitches (rats) at meetings, road trips and 'sit downs' for more enlightening tidbits of 'meatballs', er, I mean information. Be careful what you do and when you do it...I may have to send Luca Brasi to pay you a 'visit'.

Best of days to you all, -D-



L.I.A.R.S. club show 2016

by Joe Baril

It was my first time at this show, what a great time it was. We left the VFW in Lowell, MA a little before 10:30 A.M. It was Del, Barry, Mike F. and Paul A. in Del's car and Scott Ridley, Eddie and Paul Y. and me in my car. According to Del we were going to stop a couple of times on the way down for a pit stop, lunch or whatever. It was my first time heading into Long Island so I borrowed my daughters EZ Pass figuring Del had one and I planned to stay right on his bumper because I didn't want to get lost in New York somewhere. They've been there many times so I figured they knew exactly where they were going. So here we are in the middle lane of the Mass Pike somewhere near Sturbridge, MA. Suddenly Del spots the truck stop and cuts to the right for the exit. Well I couldn't get over because there was a box truck to my right. Oh well, we called Del on the phone to say that we missed the exit so we'll continue down the road and meet up somewhere. We proceeded onto I-84 and stopped somewhere in Tolland, CT. there we had lunch at a Subway right off the exit. When we finished lunch we called Del and told him where we were. They met us there and we continued back on our journey.

Smooth sailing until Del nearly missed a critical exit, oh no, hard on the brakes and a hard right, whew, that was close. We then came upon a bad wreck on I-91 in Meridan, CT that had traffic stalled for quite awhile. It was a pick-up truck pulling a trailer with a pick-up on the trailer. All three vehicles were upside down in the ditch. We finally made it into New York but

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it was still a bit crazy. I was 'glued' to Del's bumper, I even paid a toll when I didn't need (because I had the EZ pass). I just didn't want to get separated from Del.

The traffic was crazy in New York, so many lanes of traffic cutting in (or trying to cut in) to our lane. No way was I letting someone separate us from Del. My eyes were glued to his bumper while I listened to the guys in my car talk about all the tall apartment buildings on either side of us that reminded them of the opening scenes of the TV show 'Good Times'. It was confirmed later that they took a wrong turn somewhere.

Remember, Del said we would stop a couple of times? As it turned out we only made that one stop. Now we'd been on the road for some time with all the traffic and wrong turns and some of the guys really had to make a pit stop, but there was absolutely nowhere to stop. We finally made it to our hotel and I swear the guys in my car bolted to the bathroom in the hotel before I even had my car door open! We rested for awhile and then headed off to dinner at this wonderful diner called the 'Imperial Diner'.

Next morning we were up early and headed back to the Imperial for breakfast where we met up with Barbara and Ken. After breakfast we proceeded to the show. There were lots of great models on display. Since I haven't built in quite some time, I entered 3 of my older builds, 32 Ford rust bucket, a 1/16 scale 55 Chevy rusty beater and my small diorama 'Bones Backyard'. I never thought I'd place but to my surprise the '55 Chevy beater placed first out of about 7 entrees (I was ecstatic, I couldn't believe I even placed, never mind it being first place). 'Bones' placed first too, but to be honest it was the only entry in its class. However, I did see a few people writing down the entry number for the people's choice ballot. It was a good feeling to see that. Several members of Classic Plastic did very well at the show.

There were so many great models on display. I think I counted over 300 entrees. There were plenty of vendors too with some great deals to be had. The only disappointing part of the show was the lack of a microphone when it came time for the awards presentation. It was very difficult to hear the names of those who placed and the classes they placed in. I'm sure this was a problem beyond their control for this event. Hopefully it's rectified for next year. All in all it was a great show that I look forward to attending next year.

The trip home was much smoother than the trip down. We followed Del until we hit I-95 and then we went our separate ways. We stopped in Norwich, CT and had a nice dinner at a 99 restaurant. Did I mention that we had two GPS units in our car? Yeah, Paul Y. brought his GPS in case we needed it and I had the GPS on my phone as well. But I was determined to follow Del since he knew the way. However the GPS came in handy when we took a wrong turn getting back on the Interstate after leaving the 99. It was a nice easy ride the rest of the way. Scott, Paul Y. and Eddie it was great having you guys along for the ride. Good laughs, good conversation. There's nothing like a good road trip to bring friends closer.

Thanks and Happy New Year to everybody,
Joe B.



Goals and Improvements by Mike Siesicki

I have a long-term goal of improving my skills as a model builder and so far, I seem to be progressing towards meeting that goal, but I think I still have a long way to go. My building has been cleaner and not as messy like I have in the past. I am using less glue, just enough to attach a part and not leaving a huge blob of adhesive surrounding a glue joint. I'm adding details that I haven't added before. But, deep down I knew what was missing from completing a much better build, one that would really catch a judge's eye...a quality paint job!

At a recent Model Get-Together, Mr. Prestigious Barry Fadden said that I need to start polishing my paint and not just buffing it out like I do now with Meguiars Scratch X, but with sanding pads or sand paper and water. My argument with this has always been that I don't like that kind of polishing because I end up with water up my sleeves and those sitting at the table were quick to offer me their solutions to that issue. Wet sand with my hands lowered into my lap. I think this is something I have known for some time and I have been reluctant to do anything about it. Well, I'll just use the Meguiars like I always do and everything will be fine. WRONG!!!

Years ago, I had purchased a MicroMark polishing kit to use on an AMT '68 Roadrunner that I was building that had a lousy paint job. The paint had a lot of orange peel and I wanted to try to smooth it out. The end result was a really nice glossy finish! Not bad for a first time I thought. My attempts since then have not been as successful.

Lately, when I do wet sand, I have sanded through to the primer, and in some cases, to the plastic. I need to control my hand movements when sanding, along with less downward pressure, and I need to control my painting better, too. I am also starting to learn when enough paint is enough. This has been difficult for me as I find myself trying to cover mistakes with more paint which just makes more of a mess.

I know I can do a better job!

I just need to apply myself to using this technique. I need to get some water with a little bit of dish soap in it, my sanding cloths, and sit down and carefully wet sand my paint. I know I can do it...I have to do it. If I am to do a better job of building a better model, I need to do it!!! I can do a better job on my paint and I can make it shiny, smooth, and glossy! I just need to be patient and use everything that I have learned and to apply it correctly.

Update: I've recently painted a Plymouth 'Cuda snap kit with Dupli-Color Forest Green Pearl spray paint, noticed many flaws and set about sanding the body to rid it of the specks of dust and sanding marks in the primer that the paint brought out. I painted the 'Cuda again and the paint blushed due to the high humidity. I chose to take a short cut by using an 8000 grit sanding cloth and Meguiar's Scratch X 2.0. I removed the specks of dust and most of the flaws and brought out a really glossy and shiny paint that was previously blushed and flat in some spots. I don't recommend this to everyone, but it worked for me. I would suggest trying it on a scrap body or plastic.

Thanks for reading, - Mike S.



Modelers Corner

by Barry 'Mr. Prestigious' Fadden

I know that from time to time most modelers seem to get what we call "modelers block" which is a condition where we just can't decide what to build next. My theory on this is that most of us have too many kits on our shelves and that's why it so hard to choose. It was much simpler to choose when we were kids because when a new issue hit the hobby store shelves, we bought and built it before buying the next one. I've heard some modelers say they 'beat' this by putting numbers on each kit and then putting a slip of paper with the numbers on them into a hat or paper bag, pull out a number and that's the kit you build. I solved that problem the couple of times it happened to me by building what I call a 'memory model'.

Just think back to that favorite model you built or tried to build as a kid, then find a kit of that model and build it as close to the original as you can remember, using only the parts that were available then wherever possible. Most of those kits have been re-released a number of times or are available from model car swap meets, online model companies or from online auction sites such as Ebay. I've done a couple of them now and have found it to be a very fun and rewarding experience.

The problem that I seem to be facing now is a lack of enthusiasm. Part of it may be that I'm getting older and have noticed my skills have started to diminish a bit and a part of it may be that I've been doing this for over 60 years now and may be getting a little 'modeled out'. I have been working on two different subjects now for over a year and finished one, the '66 Chevy Nova SS I built for the club project this year and finished it the day before the show. The other kit is a '40 Ford Sedan Delivery that is not yet finished, but is 'getting there'. My intention is to have it finished in time to enter it in the Fulton NY show in November 2016.

The Nova is the car you see in the photos on this and the next page. As I mentioned earlier I built it for the club project and was undecided as to what version I would do, the stock version or the Pro-Street incarnation. I finally decided on the Pro-Street car, and instead of using the kit-supplied small block engine, I 'swapped' it for a big block Chevy, this being the 396 cu. in. engine from the Lindberg '66 Chevelle kit. I added a parts box tunnel ram manifold, two four barrel carbs and a body colored scoop (from the Revell '41 Willys kit) sticking up through a hole in the hood. I do believe I had as much trouble installing this 'mill' as I would have had doing a 1:1 scale car. It was a really tight fit and I'll wager I went through at least 100 sets of headers before I found a set that would work and I scratch-built an exhaust system using styrene tubing and kit-bashed mufflers. I also used a set of 'racing bucket seats' in the interior and added a 5-point seat belt harness to each seat with ribbon and photo-etched racing seat belt pieces. A roll cage was also scratch built from styrene tubing. Chevy bow-tie emblems were fabricated, flocked along with the floor and placed on the door panels. The racing slicks supplied in the kit were replaced with treaded tires found in AMT 'Pro Street' kits and the wheels came from a Revell '57 Chevy Soff Seal drag kit. The car was painted with

the Testors lacquer System basecoat/clear coat color Dark Bronze Metallic, a '69 Mopar color. The clear coat was polished with an LMG 'polishing kit' and waxed with The Treatment model wax. I was fortunate enough to win the club project class and now have to come up with something for next year's subject. I've decided on 'Convertibles' from 1937 to the present, done in any way and level of detail you prefer, 1/24 or 1/25 scale.

Well, we just had a model get-together at the home of Barb and Ken Denza on the 22nd of October. We had 10 members attend, Barb and Ken Denza, Debbie and Moto Maguire, myself, Paul Anagnostopoulos, Mike Siesicki, Guil Rosa, Pat Wilkins and Joe Baril. As always we had a great time with a lot of laughs and everyone brought something they are working on or have recently completed to show. A lot of ideas, tips and advice was 'bantered about'. Barbara made a delicious American Chop Suey and rolls for dinner along with Debbie Maguire's delightful Potato Salad. This is something the girls do (they're both great cooks) when we meet at Barb and Kens and is a nice change from the pizza we usually have when the get-together is at either my house or the home of Paul Anagnostopoulos. I know my house or the Denza's is a bit of a drive for most members (Paul A's is a bit closer for some members), but if you can make one of these little 'soirees' then by all means do so. We have great fun at them every time.

Well, that's all for this time. See you in the next installment.





What's been on my mind...

by Joe Baril

It's been awhile since I've written anything for the newsletter, so here are just some thoughts that have been on my mind. First let me say that 2016 has been a very difficult year for me with the passing of my wife of nearly 39 years, all of the first (birthdays, anniversary and holidays) without her have been a struggle and continue to be as I approach the one year mark of her passing on February 2nd. Members of Classic Plastic are like family to me and have gone out of their way to show compassion and friendship to me at this most difficult time in my life and I am truly grateful and blessed to have them as friends.

In 2016 I've attended Stu Marcus' first RTS show in Taunton, MA, the NNL EAST in Wayne, NJ and for the first time, I attended the LIARS Show in Freeport, NY. Also this year, I can honestly say that I have started to build again, it's slow going but I have begun to build! I even brought something in for Show and Tell at the November meeting (haven't done that in over 10 years), I was sure nervous about standing up in front of everyone and I'm sure it was noticeable as I was fumbling and trying to find the words to explain what I was doing with the build. It didn't help that I was rushing because I had to be somewhere within minutes of my turn at show and tell.

Our Facebook group is doing great. There seems to be lots of participation in the group with photos, conversation and people posting photos of their builds as they go along (a great way to document your build). Currently we have 220 members in our Facebook group. Classic Plastic Model club currently has 46 club members and 25 of them are actually in our Facebook group. Come on those of you that are **NOT** on Facebook yet, sign on and join our group, you'll love it! As Facebook says "it's free and it always will be".

As you know, I created the club member profiles in 2013 after the loss of club member John Chapman. John left us unexpectedly and I felt that I didn't know much about him outside of the club meetings, so I basically created it so that club members could learn a little more about each other. I'm sure it's safe to say that it has been well received. I've been thinking about something on the profile pages that I should have done differently. That being, where I ask the person's age, I should have made note of the year this questionnaire was filled out. Here's my concern, if a new member gets his copy of the profile book and looks at, well let's say my page for instance. The age on my page says I'm 53, that's fine but that was in 2013, now it's 2017 and I'm approaching age 57. See my point, it's not current. You could figure it out though if you look at the top right corner of the first page and go by the year listed, which is the year that I created that persons profile page. On more recent profile pages I also put the year on the bottom right of the second page. I think going forward, I might change the wording to 'Age: ____ as of this writing in 2017' or something similar.

Another thing on the profiles as suggested by Pete 'The Wiz', and I think it would be a nice touch. Pete suggests that we add the year that the club member joined the club. Without

specific dates, we could just say "Member since: 1991" or whatever year it is that you joined. Sometimes I think about doing a total revamp of the profile pages and letting people change /update photos of their models, etc. Then I think, "what, am I crazy?", that's a lot of work for me and quite a task for Paul A. to do all the printing, not to mention the cost of the ink and paper. I won't rule out the idea of updating member's profile pages in the future, maybe spread them out over a one year span or something, we'll see. I'm thinking I might be able to add 'member since' under the members name on the photo page for now. The challenge would be for club members to determine what year they actually joined the club and unfortunately, there are no such records. Most could be determined with a little research though, perhaps by trying to remember the first show they attended or where they found out about us. That could help.

Speaking of the Facebook Group and the Profile project I was totally surprised when Del Paone presented me with the Club President's award at our 24th annual show in October. It was a total shock to me, I never had a clue. I should have suspected something but I didn't, especially when my daughter stopped in at the show like she sometimes does. Only this time, she left and returned a while later. Someone must have told her I was getting the award. Not only did she come back but my son also showed up, my daughter must have mentioned it to him. So yes, I was totally surprised and it was nice to have my son and daughter in attendance for this presentation. Del referenced that it was for the behind the scenes things that I do for the club, he mentioned the Facebook site and the club Profile project. Thank you Del, I am so honored to have received this award!

Been thinking about some ideas for our 25th Anniversary show coming up in the fall. There are many things we could do and I'm sure we'll come up with something special, but one simple thing I thought of was to display all of our show flyers through the years. I have them all; maybe we can display them on the outer edge of our club memorial table where show attendee's could look them over throughout the day of the show. Just a thought!

Something we should revisit doing in the future is a club promotional and maybe some field trips to local hobby shops. We've done promos in the past that included in a mall outside of a hobby shop. Remember when we did the 3-day promo at the World of Wheels in Boston from 1992 through about 1999. Let's not rule out some cruise nights. Just some thoughts, we can discuss it at the meetings.

The last thing I'd like to mention is that I am truly grateful that the club let me place a donation canister at the entrance of the show to collect donations for the 'Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes - (Boston)' that I was participating in two weeks after our show. Through the kindness of club members, Friends of Classic Plastic, show spectators and show entrants, we raised a total of \$209 on that day alone. This, with donations before and after the show I was able to exceed my personal goal of \$500. Our small team combined, raised a total of over \$1300 for the Diabetes walk event. I plan to do this walk every year going forward. I will do this in memory of my wife, Judy. Thank you all so very much!

See you at our meetings.

Joe



The 2016 Holiday Party at Lenzi's Millhouse in Dracut

By Santa the 'Don'

Ho, Ho, Ho, Yo...the club again this year held our club member holiday get together at Lenzi's Millhouse in Dracut MA (the same place as last year) and it was fantastic. My elves Joe and Art worked their magic again. The food, drink and company were great. We even took a collection to benefit the Marine's Toys-for-Tots program collecting over \$500...yuse guys should be proud! Here are a few pictures of the event.



Club annual Christmas Swap kits all wrapped and ready!



2016 donation

by Joe Baril

I'm so glad that Art thought about donating to Toys for Tots once again. The last time we did this was in 2008. That year we collected \$250 from club members and had two uniformed Marines at our annual Christmas party to accept the toys. This year was bigger and better. Through the kindness of our generous club members we collected \$425. I'm happy to say that allowing my daughter and me to do all the shopping for the toys has lifted our spirits just a bit. In addition to the \$425 dollars raised at the Christmas Party, we were able to purchase more toys with a mail in donation from Cal Richardson and additional funds from Art Paquin, my daughter Tammy and me. With the additional funds we were able to spend a total of \$531.31 for Toys for Tots donation gifts.

Once we had the toys for donation our next concern was where to donate the toys. I found on Facebook that the Chelmsford MA Police Department was having their annual Toys for Tots 'Fill-A-Cruiser' event close by on the Saturday following our party. Art and I decided that this would be the perfect location to bring our donations so on a bitter cold Saturday morning Art, my daughter Tammy and I brought all the toys to the freezing cold police officers who volunteered their time to stand outside all day collecting for this worthy cause.

Club members should be proud of our large donation, which included a bicycle and helmet for some lucky child. Pictures of all the items donated follow on page 6.



Donation box at our Christmas Party – many thanks to all that donated.

"bringing the joy of Christmas to less fortunate children nationwide"



TOYS FOR TOTS OUR GOAL: 1K FOR KIDS!

Chelmsford Police Dept.

FILL-A-CRUISER

Bring new, unwrapped toys to the CFD cruiser in the Walmart Parking Lot, 66 Parkhurst Rd., Chelmsford

SATURDAY 12/10/16 All day from 8AM until we collect 1,000 toys!

COMING EVENTS

- Feb 4, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- Mar 4, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- Mar 19, 2017 – Sun. – RTS Expo Club second annual Model Kit & Die-Cast Exhibition at the Holiday Inn, Taunton, MA
- Mar 26, 2017 – Sun. – IPMS ValleyCon 27 in Chicopee MA
- Apr 2, 2017 – Sun. – IPMS DowneastCon in Saco ME
- Apr 2, 2017 – Sun. – Spring Thaw Model Show in Utica NY
- Apr 8, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- Apr 22, 2017 – Sat. – Road Warrior trip to the NNL East show in Wayne NJ. See Del Paone if you want to go with us
- May 6, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- May 13, 2017 – Sun. – Mid-Atlantic NNL in Severna Park MD put on by the MAMA's club. Possible CPMC road trip
- Jun 3, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- Jul 8, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM
- Aug 5, 2017 – Sat. – Club meeting at Lowell VFW at 1 PM



Annual Model Kit & Die-Cast Exhibition



Sunday, March 19, 2017

Holiday Inn Taunton, Exit 9 off I-495, Taunton, MA



50+ Vendor Tables of model car kits, promos, accessories, resin-cast, parts, die-cast & more!
NNL Style Model Car Exhibition: Display your built models and projects here at our non-competitive gathering of model car builders and enthusiasts!! Model car fun for all!!
People's Choice Voting Awards for This Year's Special Themes:

- ✓ Best Station Wagon – Vintage or Contemporary
- ✓ Best Camaro – Celebrating the Camaro's 50th anniversary!
- ✓ Best Vintage Drag – Pre 1975: Top Fuel, Funny Car, Altered...
- ✓ Best Junior Build – Ages 18 and under
- ✓ Club Awards to be presented by local and regional clubs

See reverse side for vendor sign-up and hotel information. For additional show and vendor information, contact Stu Marcus at 603-382-9724 marcus_stuart@yahoo.com

Lincoln Johnny Lightning Race Club
 Side by Side 1/64 Scale Die-cast Down Hill Racing Competition!!
Door Prizes to be awarded all day!!

Doors Open on Sunday, March 19 at 9:00 AM

Spectator Admission:
 \$8 (ages 12 to adult), children under 12 free
 There is no model registration fee. Feel free to bring and display as many of your model cars, trucks and dioramas as you can carry!



24th Annual Mid-Atlantic NNL

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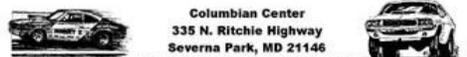
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Admission \$10.00 (under age 16, free)

"Cars in Song"



"Drag Cars with Doors"



Columbian Center
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Meeting Minutes

November and December 2016
by Club Secretary Barry Fadden

November 2016: We had 33 members attend the meeting
Club Business discussed at this meeting:

- According to club treasurer Art Paquin we made a profit of \$1131 during our show in October. This was down a little from last years show profit even though we set a record for entries at the show and consider it our most successful to date. Art said he attributed the decrease to the cost of everything had gone up some from last year.
- Our annual Christmas Party will be held at the same place as last year, Lenzi's Restaurant on Rte. 110 in Dracut Ma. (yeah, that Rte. 110) The club will pick up the tab again this year and we hope you can all attend.
- It was decided, voted on and passed that we move the 'twenty-something' awards handout to the beginning of the awards ceremony to assure that the winners will be present at the awards ceremony. Some award winners had already left the hall last year, probably thinking the awards ceremony was over.
- Our show was discussed and it was brought out that most all the comments we heard or read about our show were positive.
- Our annual club trip to the L.I.A.R.S show is all set with all the people going in what cars and we will leave the V.F.W. Parking lot at 10:30 a.m. Friday, October 11th.
- The club project 'subject' for next years show will be CONVERTIBLES. They can be built to any level of detail, 1/24th-1/25 scale and can be any make or model starting from 1937 to present. It must be a car with a retractable or removable top and 'T-tops' do not count.

Raffle Winners:

John Davison - AMT Viper GT Coupe
John Davison - AMT 1962 Corvette Roadster
Moto Maguire - AMT 1964 Chevy Impala SS
Nick Arvanites - Revell 1967 Camaro SS
Mike Luzzi - Monogram 1978 Pontiac Trans Am

Show-N-Tell:

Scott Ridley - AMT Model T, bag of parts to build a T-Bucket, added wheels, tires and grill shell, resin Webers
Scott Ridley - Arena 1/43rd scale Porsche 935, built box stock, Tamiya paint with two-part clear
Scott Ridley - Testors/Flintstone Frankenstude, modified the body to a 'Ute' using Evergreen plastic, scratch built interior using parts box seats and steering wheel, Pegasus wheel set, Tamiya paint with Pearl-X powder and two-part clear
Al Copeland - '40 Ford, channeled, Nail Head, spokes, white walls finished in red and black
Luis Sanchez - WW2 tank, old Tamiya kit, applied rust weathering
Luis Sanchez - front engine Dragster, brass tubing frame, scratch built gas tank
Luis Sanchez - '30 Ford, lowered suspension, opened doors
Luis Sanchez - Motorcycle gas tank in green candy and custom color changing paint finish
Joe Baril - '32 Ford vintage racer
Joe Baril - Rat Packer Nova being built box stock

Guil Rosa - '67 Alan Green Camaro Trans-Am (version 2.0), body parts are on and in white primer (finally!), attempting to scratch build air cleaner/induction system, I can see the light! :)
Ken Denza - Valvoline Sprint Car, added 5-point seat belt system, fuel line, MSD box, electric fan, plug wires, magneto, parts box radiator, braided radiator hose, braces to the wing, parts box gas pedal, fully wired, finish in Tamiya Racing Blue, Tamiya White, Tamiya clear coat and Shabo Goodyear dray transfer decals

Barb Denza - Monogram 1/32nd '71 Trans-Am, small scale, drilled distributor in preparation for wiring, finish to be Tamiya Light Blue Pearl

Mike Siesicki - Moebius '55 Chrysler C300 work in process, body painted with Model Master Guards Red using my Badger Universal 360 air brush, interior to be painted Model Master Radome Tan, chassis has been assembled

Mike Siesicki - Moebius '65 Plymouth Belvedere I work in process, to be painted Tamiya TS-18 Metallic Red with Model Master Insignia Red interior, engine has been partially assembled and will be wired, using kit 'big and little' tires and mag wheels, hood scoop from Revell '67 Charger kit

Mike Siesicki - AMT Snapfast Plymouth 'Cuda work in process, being built as the '72 'Cuda convertible from the TV show Mannix, roof removed and body is primed for paint, which will be Duplicolor Forest Green Pearl with a black interior
Mike Luzzi - Revell '66 Shelby Mustang GT350H, engine wired and plumbed, added fuel pump and lines, AMT Goodyear Polyglass tires, seat belts are Eduard Phototech, paint is Scale Finishes Ford Raven Black

Mike Luzzi - Tamiya Xanau Nismo GTR (R-34), built box stock, Tamiya paint and photo-etch added

Nick Arvanites - RD Mack tri-axle Dump Truck, resin hood, AMT Mack 'R' cab, MPC Mack DM600 chassis, AMT Autocar kit dump body

Del Paone - Chevy SSR pick-up, making into a street machine, working on front suspension, replacing Vortec V-8 with larger engine, possible fuel injection or hi-rise with dual carbs and NOS system, kit plastic is terrible (too soft)

Joe Freitas - '25 Model T pick-up, scratch built cage and box, doll house wood frame, hinges, clasps, ladder made from tooth picks, much scratch building and parts box accessories

Lee Jones - '65 Chevy built out of the box, won first place at IMPS show in Belgium

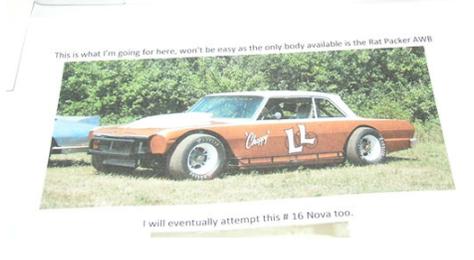
Lee Jones - resin body 'Rat', looking for windshield ideas from other club members

Show-N-Tell Photos for November



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**Classic Plastic Model
Exhibition 2016 – my photos**
by Guil Rosa

I just thought our members would like to see some of the hard work that goes on in the background during our show.



...from the Editor
by Art Paquin

Thanks to Del Paone, Mike Siesicki, Guil Rosa, Joe Baril and Barry Fadden for all their inputs and efforts which help create this issue newsletter. Also many thanks to Tammy Baril for helping out with the Toys for Tots event, your help is much appreciated; if it was left up to your dad and me the kids probably would have had awoken on Christmas morning only to find model kits, glue and paints under the tree.

The next deadline for newsletter submissions is Friday, April 14th, 2017 with a scheduled distribution date of Saturday, May 6th, 2017. Please take some time to write something for our newsletter, it will be much appreciated.

Thanks, Art

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December 2016: We had 39 members and guests attend the Christmas party at Lenzi's Millhouse in Dracut, MA **Club Business** discussed at this meeting:

- The Christmas Party held at Lenzi's Millhouse Restaurant that was held on December 3 was a great success and I believe a good time was had by all. The food was good and the Lasagna (with MEAT this time) was very good as were the steak tips. We had a good turnout of members and some of the members brought their wives or girlfriends and it was nice to meet them and to see some of our newer members attend. It is a good place to have this function and hope to have it there for many more Christmases to come. Afterwards a good number of us went down the street to the Heavenly Donut shop and had coffee, tea and other refreshments and had a great "gab session". This is something we do after each meeting at the Dunkin' Donuts on Rte 110 in Lowell (yes, that 110), near the V.F.W.

RAFFLE: There was no raffle due to the Christmas Party. We did however have a Christmas "gift swap" with a good many of our members participating.

Club T-Shirts are still available

We've have limited stock remaining of brand-spanking new club T-shirts in Grape and Black color with our logo in white over the left breast. Available sizes range from Medium through Triple-X in 50/50 poly cotton. All shirts are \$10 each. Contact Art Paquin

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Upcoming CPMC Road Warrior Show Info:

Tri-State Scale Model Car Club
Presents:
THE 31ST ANNUAL NNLTM East

- Model Car Show
- Scale Market Place
- Cottage Industry Expo

This Year's Themes:
Hot Rods from HELL
AND IN GOD WE RUST

April 22, 2017 Wayne, New Jersey, USA

Wings & Wheels Modelers - IPMS
VALLEYCON 2017

THE GREAT WAR CENTENNIAL
ANY AIRCRAFT, SHIP, VEHICLE OR FIGURE, FROM 1914-1918
OPEN STYLE JUDGING

SUNDAY 26 MARCH 2017

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
460 GRANBY ROAD
CHICOPEE, MASS.

Directions: Mass Pike Exit 5, left at the fork, right at the end of the ramp, left at the first lights, about a mile on the right.

Open Judging (Gold/Silver/Bronze)

Figures, Dioramas/Vignettes, Juniors, Collections, Armor, Ships/Boats, Sci-Fi/Space Machines and Miscellaneous

FREE RAFFLE TICKETS!

Download your Registration and Model ID forms from www.wmodelclub.org, complete them in advance and present them at registration to get 2 free raffle tickets.

REGISTRATION 9:00 A.M. TO NOON

CONTESTANTS - ADULT: \$5 for first 3 MODELS, \$2 for each additional MODEL
CONTESTANTS - UNDER 17: FREE for first 3 MODELS, \$2 for each addl. MODEL
GENL. ADMISSION - ADULT: \$5 (under 17 FREE with paid Adult admission)
ON SITE FOOD AND BEVERAGE

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New Host Hotel

LA QUINTA INN

38 Two Bridges Road
Fairfield, NJ 07004
973-575-1742

Just across the highway—no more confusing service road! Back road leading directly to PAL Building!

For 2017 we are pleased to announce that we have moved our host hotel to a much nicer hotel with more rooms for everyone! Amenities include free breakfast, an indoor pool and free wireless throughout the hotel.

We will announce NNL Eats at one of the restaurants on the property for Friday evening.

We have heard everyone's issues with our former hotel and have taken on a considerable obligation to secure the new hotel. We hope you will support this by making your reservations with us here!

Room Rate \$89 (plus taxes etc)

Group: "NNL East 31"
Call hotel direct at 973-575-1742 for reservations