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The day that would live in infamy is kept in remembrance at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The largest casualty, the USS Arizona, is still in place where it went down at its docks. The funnels and the hull are still visible under the harbor's clear blue-green waters.

Since the USS Arizona was sunk at its dock, you need to travel out there on U.S. Navy motorboats. First, you watch a 10-minute presentation on the events of Dec. 7th, and then you board the motorboat. The ride is about 7 minutes and docks at one end of the Arizona memorial.

Once you walk in, you are struck with a feeling of calm. Even though there are lots of people inside, they are all quietly observing the surroundings. The structure is all open air with tons of natural lighting and tropical Hawaiian breezes blowing through. The memorial's position is right over the funnels and main deck.

The more serviceable parts were taken off to fight another day, but the rest of the ship remains as a tomb for all who died there. The memorial wall listing the dead is to the rear of the structure and separate. If you look over the sides into the ship, you can still see fuel oil bubbling up from the wreck. Those tanks still have a lot of fuel oil.

Leaving the memorial, you can't help seeing the USS Missouri off to your right. It's fitting that it is here because on its decks is where World War II was ended.

As a historic site, Pearl Harbor consists of several other monuments, memorials and ships. To get to the Missouri, you'll need to go back to the mainland and take a separate bus to Ford Island. More on that side later.

The submarine USS Bowfin tour alone will take practically two hours of your time. While you wait for that tour, you can walk the lush gardens filled with plaques and memorials to others who gave their lives on Dec. 7, 1941.

If you include the Pacific Aviation Museum, the USS Missouri and the USS Bowfin, you're looking at an easy six-hour day, not including lunch. It's a great tour, and you'll learn more than you ever thought you didn't know.

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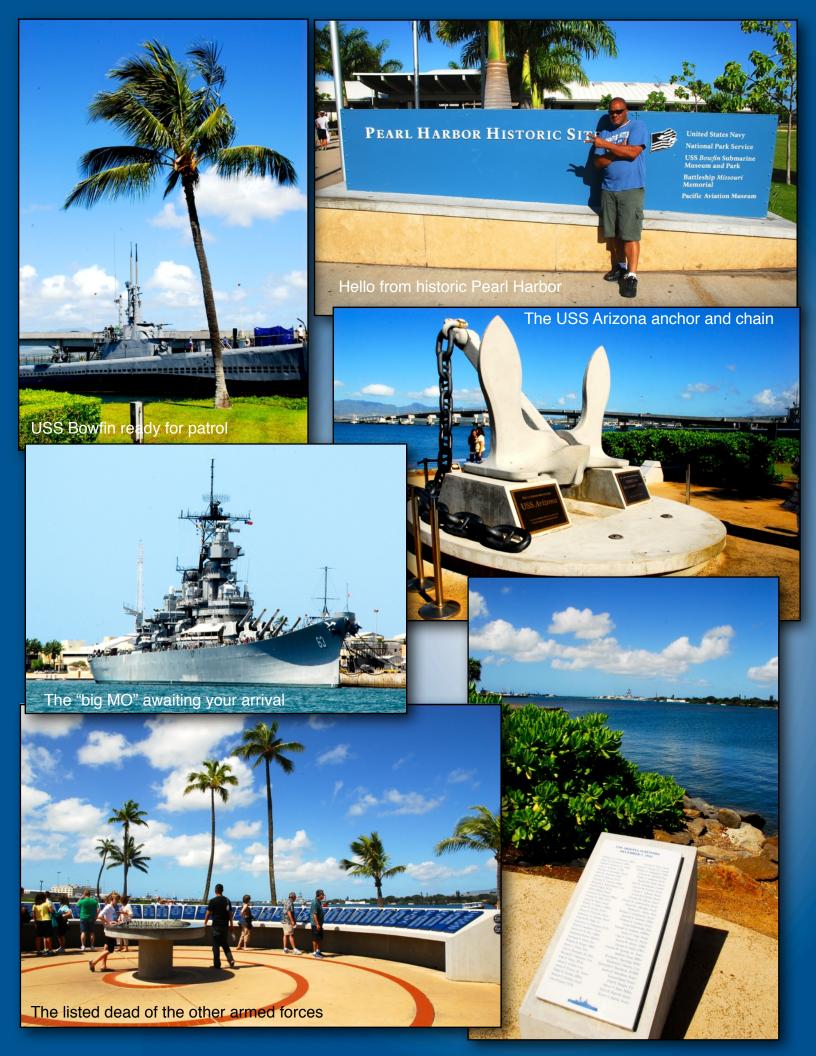
The 2014 Butch O'Hare Open Model Contest: "In Photos," pages 13–21.

#### Important Stuff:

Next Club Meeting at St. Paul's Church on:

Friday, December 12, 2014, 7:30 pm.

Special Theme: Snow Covered Demo: Christmas Party









#### O'Hare D.E.B.R.I.E.F.

By Ihor H.

Our November contest and show was a huge success: lots of participants and visitors, vendors galore, and great entries. The raffle was one of the best! While we normally don't have a regular club meeting in November because of the show, we did this time, and it was well-attended. John led a discussion of the contest, what went well (the raffle, quality of entries, the club tables) and what might be improved (presentation of the awards, the sound system, award tabulation).

A lot of good ideas were offered that we will be acting on in the coming year. We had a very good show-and-tell, ranging from an "in-progress" 1869 steam engine to a "spacecraft" from the old Thunderbirds show. We look forward to a great turnout at our next meeting, which is our Christmas party, and the very seasonally fitting show-and-tell theme of "Snow Covered." See you December.



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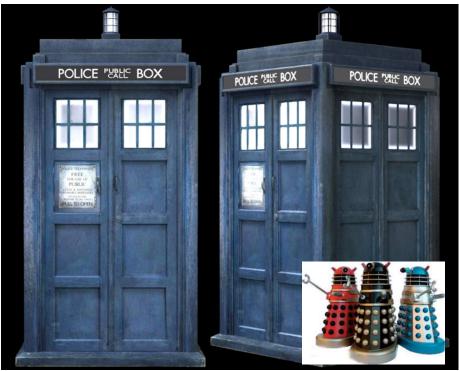
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to the editor

#### Judging questions and happy endings

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I was at the IPMS show this Saturday (11/8/14) and was wondering if I could contact the guys who judged the aircraft. I am not complaining or whining--I honestly would like to know what I can do to improve and what caught the judges' eye that was so bad it didn't even qualify for bronze. I understand they look at basics, and I thought I had that fairly well-covered. Obviously, I need a more objective view. I want to do better! I had the 1/48th B-17.

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Karl Hauffe

Karl,

The feedback written on the judges' card is:

- 1. Paint on de-icing boots not clean
- 2. Debris in clear parts

Hope this helps!

Next year (and I hope you enter again!) if you want to discuss your model with the judges after the contest that is totally acceptable – no matter how tired we look!

John Bishop

Thanks John:

I noticed the edges of the de-ice boots but didn't think that much about it. Oh well, live and learn. And the junk inside is quite frustrating. Gotta figure out a way to deal with that. Thank you and thank your judges. This is the kind of input I need. I intend to try again next year!

Karl



#### My first time...and not disappointed

John,

I wanted to write you today to express my thanks for everyone at IPMS/Butch O'Hare for a marvelous contest earlier this month. It was my first time attending this show (my friend Chris Merseal, of CRM Hobbies, talked about this show and how much he likes it), and I was not disappointed.

A great operation from start to finish, with helpful volunteers, a very nice venue, a contest room with some great entries, and a superb vendor room. I had a lot of fun being at the show the whole day.

One of my friends from college, who lives not far from Downers Grove, came by the show. I showed her around (this was her first time attending a scale modeling event), and she was impressed. That should say much for what a great job you all did.

Thank you again for this year's contest, and I hope to attend next year. In the meantime, I want to invite all of you to the 2015 IPMS Region 5 Convention, which my chapter, IPMS/Gateway, will host on Sept. 12, 2015. More info at our site:

http://ipms-gateway.com/2015-Region5/IPMS-region5-2015contest.html

Best wishes to everyone in Butch O'Hare Chapter, and happy modeling!

Regards,

Bob Delaney
IPMS/USA #17414
Secretary
Gateway Chapter IPMS
St. Louis, Missouri







I'm glad to see that Carl can tackle this 1/144 vacuform Nimrod and make it look great!





Carl's half-camo'd F-86 is an unusual scheme that is welcome anytime by my standards.

Break away from the expected from time to time!





Good job, Steve, for challenging yourself with this Type VII U-Boat that explores inner "space" underwater and not "outer" space.



Good going, George, on this P-51D. Nice silver work.



Always loved that "razorback" P-51B. I see it's got the Merlin engine as well. Thanks, George.





Those of you who remember the '60s TV show "Thunderbirds" will certainly remember Thunderbird 1, International Rescue's quick response ship piloted by Scott Tracy. This one is by Aoshima Models, approximately 1/80 scale, from Kevin Stover.



## FORGOTTEN SACRIFICE

By Michael G. Walling

Reviewed by Walt Fink

I admit it--I tend to get wrapped up in movies, books and even the occasional TV show, and find myself sorta emoting with the characters and the situations. Leaving the theater after seeing "The Days of Wine and Roses," I was so thirsty I couldn't believe it. After seeing "Dr. Zhivago," I walked out of the ol' bijou so tired I could've lain down in the lobby and slept. Those poor Russians slogging through hip-deep snow, mile after painful mile, with ice crusting in their beards and mustaches, gave me a bad case of exhaustion. Whew. Even Julie Christie's good looks didn't help.

This book affected me much the same way. Walling's documentation of people fighting and dying in what was perhaps World War II's most vile and unforgiving environment is so descriptive and depressing that it's easy to feel for them and the frigid hell they endured.

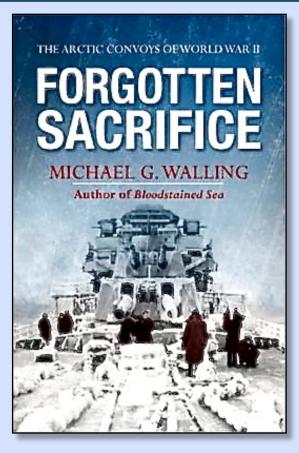
As the Arctic convoys slowly made their way through maelstrom seas to their Russian destinations, not only did

they have to dodge the Kreigsmarine U-Boats and surface craft, but also the Luftwaffe's bombs. Imagine ice accumulating on ships' superstructures so thickly that the ships listed and were in danger of rolling over on their beam ends. Picture crews beating ice off guns with mauls and sledge hammers so they could fire them. And imagine the mindset of preferring to die in battle or from fire,

shooting back, rather than abandoning a doomed ship into water so cold that death was only minutes away.

Author Walling has amassed an incredible amount of research into this frankly dismal theater of war, and in telling the tales of the convoys, he has interspersed the text with many first-person accounts from Allied and Axis personnel.

I recommend Walling's book for those wanting a background into this often neglected theater of war. Be prepared to read account after painful account of heroism, misery and despair.





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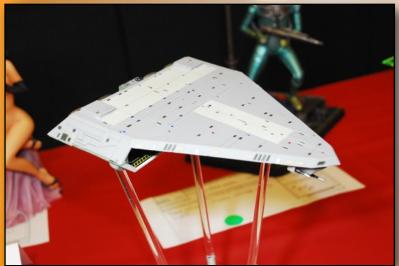


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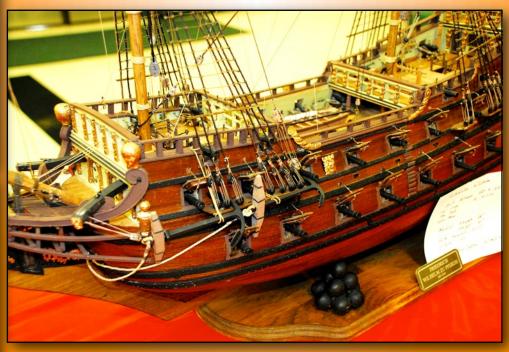
















































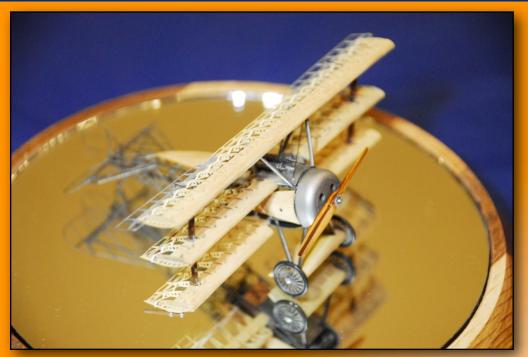














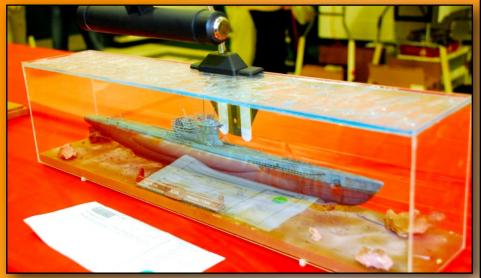








































### **SPECIAL AWARDS:**

**Best in Show - Whitehall Row Boats (Steve Wheeler)** 

**Best Use of Creativity in Modeling - This Way Lads (Michael Luedke)** 

**Silver Wings Award - P-40 Flying Tigers (Doug Burger)** 

**George S. Patton Award - M4A1-75 (John Wendt)** 

**Best Aircraft - Fokker DR1 (Robert Raver)** 

**Best Armor - Churchill (Victor Hernandez)** 

**Best Nautical - Whitehall Row Boats (Steve Wheeler)** 

**Best Automotive - Ferrari 458 (Carlos Martinez)** 

**Best Sci-Fi - Rhino (Matt Delk)** 

**Best Figure - Tomato Frog (Anzo Lee)** 

**Best Diorama - This Way Lads (Michael Luedke)** 

**Butch O'Hare Award for Best U.S. Navy - F9F-2 Panther (Kevin Stover)** 

**Best Junior - Wizard and the Sea Sick Dragon (Jamie Bizub)** 

**Best World War I Aircraft - Fokker DR1 (Robert Raver)** 

Charlie Metz Award for German Aircraft - BF-109G (Al Grimm)

**Best Club Display - IPMS McKinstry** 

#### **MEDALLIONS AWA**

28 Gold, 74 Silver and 80 Bronze for a total of 182 medallions (audited)
TOTAL CONTEST AWARDS:

197 awards presented to 252 entries

## Butch O'Hare Gear New items added!

The fine apparel makers at the Queensboro Shirt Company have put together a super package surrounding our newly designed club logo. These polo shirts come in multiple colors, and in adult sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL and 3XL. Christmas time is here!





www.butchohare.gbstores.com

Our online store has been recently updated. In this club store you will find many kinds of apparel including polo shirts, T-shirts, denim shirts, hats and jackets, with the Butch O'Hare logo on every item. Embroidered or digitally printed apparel with both color and black-and-white logos is available to be delivered to your door. Women's styles are also available.

The logo above is the representational stitched item, approximately 3.5 inches in diameter. The red polo is a heavier, traditional style, while the navy blue polo is a newer silk touch, lighter design made for the office or golf course. Both have flat "no curl" collars and come in multiple colors. Water wicking, high-tech shirts are also available.

### THIS MONTH IN MILITARY HISTORY

**Dec. 8, 1942** – Eight PT boats (PT 36, PT 37, PT 40, PT 43, PT 44, PT 48, PT 59, and PT 109) turn back eight Japanese destroyers attempting to reinforce Japanese forces on Guadalcanal.







Dec. 23, 1944 – Gen. Dwight Eisenhower endorses the finding of a court-martial in the case of Eddie Slovik, who was tried for desertion, and authorizes his execution, the first such sentence against a U.S. Army soldier since the Civil War, and the only man so punished during World War II.











### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

February 7, 2015

18th Annual Hope It Don't Snow Show Ramada Hotel & Convention Center

1517 16th St. SW Map

Rochester, MN

Chris Krco 507-254-4646

March 7, 2015
Madcity Modelers Model Show
Doubledays
4586 Baxter Road Map
Cottage Grove, WI
Rob Teubert 608-295-9258

March 14, 2015
KC CON
First Church of the Nazarene
11811 State Line Road Map
Kansas City, MO
Stuart Malone 816-560-8282

March 21, 2015

12th Annual Contest and Show
Five Lakes Center
#1 Center Drive Map
Fairmont, MN
Dan Bauer 507-822-3938

March 28, 2015
Omahacon 2015
Strategic Air and Space Museum
28210 W. Park Hwy Map
Ashland, NE
Scott Hackney 402-861-1999

April 11, 2015
Surgicon 21
HyVee #2 Euclid Room
2540 E. Euclid Ave. Map
Des Moines, IA
Joe Lotz 641-202-3579

## New Kits...and stuff

Thanks to those who brought in these new releases for us to see.



Soviet (9P117M1) Lanuncher with R17 Rocket of 9K72 Missile











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Date	Theme	Demo/guest	
January 10	****	****	
February 14	****	****	
March 14	****	****	
April 11	****	****	
May 9	****	****	
June 13	****	****	
July 18	****	****	
August 8	****	****	
September 12	****	****	
October 10	****	****	
November 14	****	****	
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