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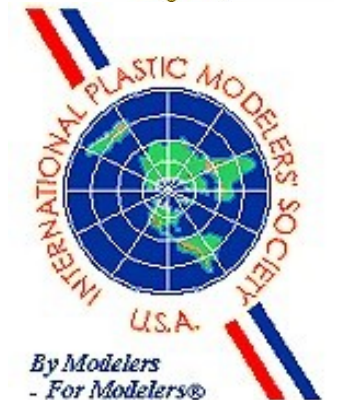
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IPMS OCALA

June 2009 Edition

Random Thoughts & Musings - [Joe Caputo](#) / [President](#)

Greetings Fellow Sun worshippers! Even though it's only June, Summer is upon us. Unlike our brother modelers up north, this is our "shut in" time. Except for an occasional "vacation", we're drawn to the air conditioning, which means more time at the work bench. Just about everyone I've talked to is proceeding with at least one project. Some of the guys I have talked to have several things going. We should have some interesting things to see at upcoming meetings. Speaking of upcoming meetings, June's meeting will feature our \$1.00 Club models, the U.S. Customs Blackhawk, as well as other helicopters. Add to this our bi-annual "Swap N Sell". For our IPMS members, we'll provide ballots for the National election, to those that didn't already vote on-line. It should be a fun gathering. July's meeting is our annual "Cruzin' Wid Da Car Guyz". That's the meeting where we turn things over to the fellows that build those beautiful objects of desire on 4 wheels (except for those that build those rusty, old jalopies. lol). It's always a fun evening, and this year will be no exception. Mr. Box & company have a full evening planned. Perhaps some of you "non-car" modelers will give building one a try. Trucks and motorcycles are welcome too I presume. Most of us attended "Modelpalooza". Once again, IPMS Orlando outdid themselves both in quality and hospitality. There were a ton of vendors, lots of fantastic entries, and a good time atmosphere. If you couldn't find something to buy, they just don't make it anymore and if you didn't have a great time, well you better look in the mirror. A BIG THANKS to IPMS Orlando! Congratulations are in order. If you haven't heard already, at the Regional Coordinators meeting with Chapter Contacts in Orlando, it was announced that once again, IPMS Ocala was selected "Region 11 Chapter of The Year". Our plaque arrived shortly thereafter. I'm certainly proud of all we've accomplished over what might seem an ordinary year for us. I guess we're having such a good time together that we don't notice the work and achievement. I'm sure there's a lot of "competition" from a lot of other fine clubs in Florida. Thanks to all of them, and thanks to you for making this the best region in IPMS. For me, it's back to the work bench. See you all at the next meeting, and if you can't make it just remember, you will be missed but it will be you who misses out! [Joe](#)



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The Difference between an "A-12" & an "SR-71"

Submitted indirectly by J. Gordon (via J. Muga)

To one and all;

When the Air Force Museum took the MN ANG Museum's A-12 with little or no notice a few years back I thought that I would never have a chance to see it again. Well thanks to the misuse of one of my photos (I'm sure it was a true oversight) I had a chance to shoot my old A-12 once again.

I won't get into the politics of how I managed to get on the campus of the CIA, all I can say is that I did and I must say the staff that I met there went out of their way to make my visit the most pleasant one I could have imagined.

According to my escort, I am the only person, i.e. civilian, she was aware of that has ever been allowed on the campus with a camera to shoot whatever. My heart felt thanks go out to everyone involved at CIA that made this very rare opportunity possible. The two Blue stars at the base of the wall beneath the A-12 is for the loss of life of two agency A-12 pilots, Walt Ray and Jack Weeks, may they rest in peace.



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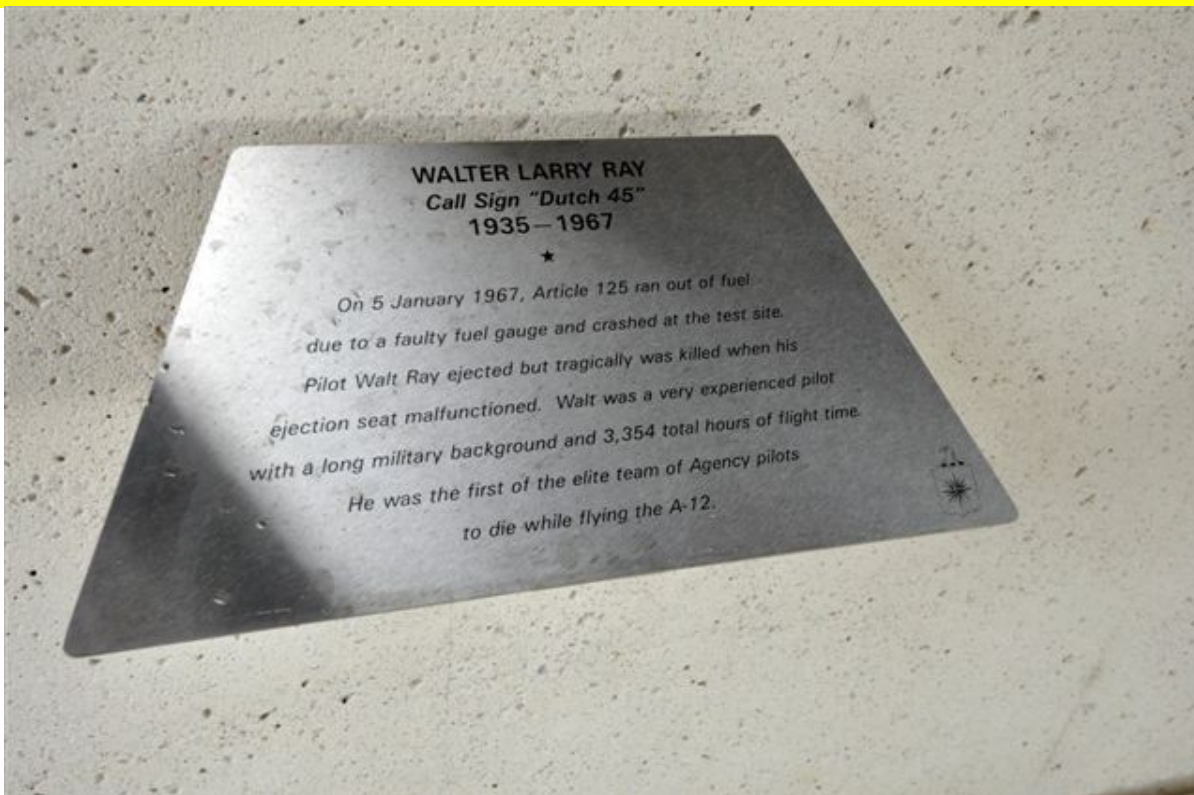
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The Voice from "On High"

Gil Hodges - Regional 11 Coordinator speaks about 'happening's' in our Region

Hello folks! I hope those of you who attended the R-11 Regional in Orlando had as good a time as I did. The Orlando guys did their usual bang-up job. Heck, I already received my "thank you for attending" email from them! Talk about efficiency! I also want to thank those who were there for attending my RC meeting on Sunday morning. I'm going to recap things briefly here for those of you who couldn't be there. CC's, please forward this to your club members!

1. Congrats to IPMS OCALA for winning R-11 CoY for 2008 . They'll be in the running for the IPMS CoY at the Nats in August. Their trophy is in the mail! (No, really! ;))
2. Modelpalooza closed out the contest season here in R-11. The show being planned for south Florida in the fall has fallen through for this year. The nearest shows over the rest of the year are:
 - a. Atlanta in June
 - b. The Nats in Columbus, OH in August (ok, not so close, but VERY important!)
 - c. Warner Robins at the WRAFB museum in October.
3. 2010 shows are as follows (so far)
 - a. Jaxcon in February
 - b. Venice in March
 - c. Titusville (R-11 Regional) at the Holiday Inn in Cocoa Beach in April (new venue!)
 - d. Orlando Modelpalooza at the fairgrounds in September. (Go to their website and check out their proposed new GSB judging system for next year. You can also post your questions and comments too!)

If you want to plan a 2010 show, plan on working around these shows with at least a 4-6 week separation time.

4. For the future, since the Space Coast guys in Titusville do their show every OTHER year; the spring of every ODD year (2011, 2013, etc.) should be open for a show! Keep this in mind when planning!
5. Get the word out to your IPMS members to VOTE! There is a constitutional amendment on tap right now AND officer elections coming up. You can go to IPMSUSA.org, click onto the link and vote on the amendment right now. Even if you don't care, go there and vote "I DON'T CARE". Your vote (of any kind) is needed to get the required numbers to make the voting "legal" and binding. It'll take you all of 5mins, so please do it! The ballots for the officers will be up soon, and you'll be able to vote online for them too. Again, it only takes a few minutes. This is your chance to have a say in your Society, so don't waste it!

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The Voice from "On High" (Continued)

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6. Chapter "perks": as a chartered IPMS chapter, don't forget that you can take advantage of getting free kits if you plan on having a MakeNTake. Please take pics of that event to both document it and so you can submit them to the IPMS website. If your club can afford it, IPMS can also use any and all contributions to the MAkeNTake fund! Also, if you're planning a public display (like at an airshow or a mall) you are entitled to IPMS insurance for that event (it ain't just for contests!). BUT, you need to file for the insurance with MJ (in the IPMS office) at least 2 months in advance! DO NOT wait until a week away from your event and then expect her to jump through hoops because you forgot. It takes a while for her to get the proper paperwork from the insurance company. That said, you paid your dues, use the insurance if you want to!
7. Please try to make a concerted effort over the last half of this year to encourage the non-IPMS members in your local club to become IPMS members. Make sure they know that IPMS is NOT just for contest goers! Please take the Journals to the meetings and make them aware of how much better it is. Point them toward the website (IPMSUSA.org) so they know that they have another modeling resource as a member. Remind them that IPMS is the ONLY modeling society that supports ALL modeling genres! It ain't the International PLANE Modelers Society anymore! Growing IPMS (by adding IPMS members) allows IPMS to strengthen its coffers, make more improvements to the Journal, offer more "specials" like the recent decal in the Journal, and to give YOU (as a member and chapter) MORE!

I think that's about it for now. As always, email me if you need help with anything and I'll do my best to help or point you in the right direction. Have a safe and fun Memorial Day! Cheers!
Gil Hodges RC-11

IPMS Puerto Rico updates - Ya'll need to check their website!

IPMS/Puerto Rico does not have not information, just some Member Gallery updates and our annual exhibition "Las (The) America Model Expo 2009" at the biggest mall in the Caribbean, June 20th all day.

The "Tips, Tricks and More" theme this month is "DECAL APPLICATION AND PAINT EFFECTS". Join us and have some fun at the [IPMS Puerto Rico Website](#)

In my case, I'm continuing with the "Recycling Revenge". I was getting a ride with my wife when I saw a real "oldie". A Chevrolet 1958 police car parked on the roadside. I took a photo and had an idea. Looking through my thousands of model boxes, I found the same model of the 1958 Chevy. Since it was completed, I removed all the old paint rebuilt it to make the same Puerto Rico Police car from that moment. *(Pictures and more IPMS Puerto Rico on the next page)*

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Click here to get to the
[IPMS Puerto Rico Website](http://www.IPMSPR.ORG)



**IN CASE ANYONE DIDN'T SEE IT,
JOSE RIVERA HAD A MODEL IN
FINE SCALE MODELER. HERE IT IS
FOR YOUR 'ENVIOS' ENJOY-
MENT! GOOD JOB JOSE!!!!!!**



Jose Rivera

To rev up Revell Germany's 1/24 scale Ferrari 250 GT, Jose added photoetched-metal interior detail, aluminum wheels, and a full engine. He painted the Ferrari with Model Master Italian red, applied a coat of Pledge Future floor polish, then polished with 3M wax.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM OUR CHAPTER CONTACT - A. IVONE

TO ALL IPMS MEMBERS

IT'S ELECTION TIME YOUR VOTE COUNTS

Gil Hodges has informed us of the IPMS elections and the electronic voting that has been made available to us.

I would like to ask your assistance in helping to elect an Executive Board that can work as a team allowing IPMS to create new programs resulting in greater interaction for our clubs and its members. By creating these new programs it will also increase our visibility as an organization allowing us to increase our membership and showcasing or importance to the kit manufactures. As with any organization a President must have a staff that will work together putting IPMS members ahead of any private agenda. I have had the good fortune of knowing Dick Montgomery for more than 8 years back when I joined IPMS in San Antonio. I have worked closely with him over the years and have been constantly impressed with his forward thinking which always put IPMS and its members first. To give Dick the support he needs at the Executive level to implement these programs he needs the help of **John Noack and Tim Darrah**. Spread the word to your club to help support IPMS by electing this team. Our club policy is to ensure that every IPMS member votes during an election because every vote counts.

Thanks for any help you can extend during this election.

Regards—Tony Ivone - #42445 - Chapter Contact - IPMS/Ocala

A REQUEST FROM THE CLUB SECRETARY! -Ya'll best pay attention!

Will the following members please bring their I.P.M.S. membership number to the May meeting;

Shaun Smith

Harold Fredrick

Thanks guys, I need this info to keep our roster up to date.

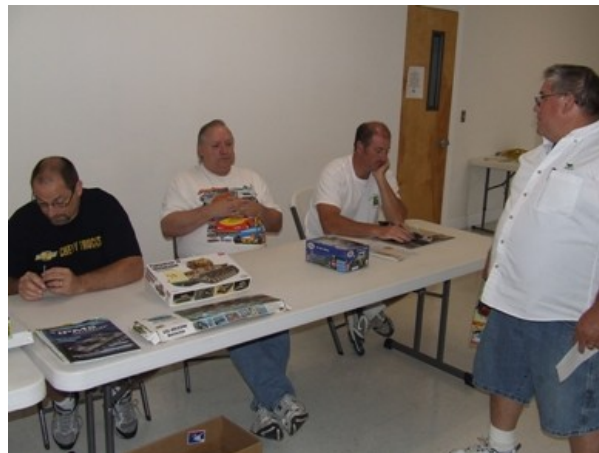
Dan Murtz, Secretary

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May Meeting Photos - Was there a LOT going on or what?



IPMS OCALA MASCOT "Spanky" - TRUE IDENTITY REVEALED!!!



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Yes it's 'real' - Yes it's the club logo - Yes THAT is dedication!!! :) Way to go Duane!!!!

**PHOTO's of IPMS Ocala's
"F-86 Night"
ENJOY!!!!**



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PHOTO's of IPMS Ocala's "F-86 Night" ENJOY!!!!



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PHOTO'S of IPMS Ocala's "F-86 Night" ENJOY!!!!



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PHOTO's of IPMS Ocala's "Other Models" ENJOY!!!!



“Crusin’ wit da Car Guys” Advance Information !!!!!

ATTENTION MODELERS! “She's real fine my 409”.....”look'n for that””Giddy up....giddy up.....giddy up.... GTO”....” three duces and a four speed.....she's a runn'in fine!”

Guys and gals.....Get ready for some fun ! Good music and good looking cars. It is time again for our annual "car night" meeting next month in July. Hopefully you club members with your real "HOT WHEELS" will show up all polished and looking good. Mustangs, Camaro's, Mopars, and Street Rods, maybe some surprise outsiders.....this will be an addition to some "good smellin" good tasting hot dogs and Italian sausages. There will be "ice cold" sodas and water, and this year, hopefully we can sit indoors in the A/C and eat. This will be a very casual night, all designed for fun, so the idea I have in mind is a simple one winner, contest, for built models only! I am asking for three volunteer judges. The only requirements are that you must be a club member, and you cannot have a model entered in the contest. The contest theme is Corvettes and Street Rods but anything you build including dioramas, automotive related, will be welcome on the table. The one single winner of the contest will not be announced until 8:30 pm. The winning prize will be a surprise! We will have a display table for Diecast automotive only, for your viewing pleasure and for those armor and aviation modelers that don't build cars. Feel free to bring in your WIP (work in progress) as we will make a table for such, if enough show up. This meeting is going to also include a swap and sell table. If you plan to swap or sell anything, please have your items priced, and your name on your stuff somewhere to avoid any problems. Each modeler will be responsible for policing his /her items. There probably won't be a roll call, you will be asked to wear name tags, but please understand, this is a NON structured meeting, all for a fun night of good food, good music and good looking cars and models. Bring in your car magazines, kits, parts, built models, dioramas.....anything automotive related. Basically a big party, open house type meeting. Anyone wanting to bring in an airplane, helicopter, or boat. No problem.....you will win the famous "Sore Thumb Award" for standing out like a sore thumb! Ask Mike Knowles, he will tell you about the award.....The first year we included the cooking thing in this meeting, ya'll got in my pocket a little. It was my pleasure. The next year, the club picked up the tab to feed and water all of us. This year, I will be asking our club President to again, okay the funding from our club treasury. I am not asking anyone to pay for this night of fun, but please help us keep the head count for eating and drinking "in bounds". We may have to feed 5 or 10 extra people if they show up with their real cars for showing, so please don't use this as a night to feed Aunt Jean and your 14 cousins, and or friends that don't normally come to meetings with you etc. I already have three individuals that are past club members that are being asked to bring in models for display and or the contest, to feed. I will pay their \$3.00 per head admission fee required by the club for anyone wanting to attend meetings without paying yearly dues. Since our club is a noted military based club, I need these past members to help me make this deal successful. Our illustrious Vice president, Tom Kuhn will be my "Wing Man" helping with all the set-up and grilling. Harold Frederick , our clubs' auto racing "Historian", will be another "big dog" helping work the food table to help everyone find plates, napkins, chips, as well as serving drinks. Anyone in this club willing and able enough to help us clean up afterwards, your efforts will be greatly appreciated. We need a big clean up crew to insure we get to eat indoors in the A/C. In closing, just a reminder, we have been blessed with this beautiful facility to conduct our model meetings, so please keep in mind, where we are, who we are, and be sure and thank Pastor Tony for being a part of our club.

Feel free to email me if you want to volunteer to help clean up, or if anyone is interested in helping serve food. It would be very helpful if I received an email from everyone confirming their attending and if they are bringing their spouse or family member. I want to have enough food and drink for everyone but we don't need to overspend if we can help it.

Email me mbb_1951@embarqmail.com NOW!.....get a new model built for this contest...the winning prize will be a surprise!

Running Away from Home - and LOVING IT!!!

The Perfect Way to Start the Summer!

Ever give any thought to what you'd like to do this summer? How about a road trip with one of your best friends, visiting some of your favorite places? Does it get any better than that? As much as I missed my wonderful wife, it was over too soon. Tom and I left Ocala, early (for me) on Wednesday, May 20th. Google maps in hand, we sped northward. On the north side of Atlanta, we began "hobby shopping". I believe we did 4-5 stores as we continued north to Bowling Green, KY., our destination for the evening. A long drive, with Tom behind the wheel all the way. (I took his wife's place, giving instructions!) A late dinner, and we were ready to collapse. The next morning, right after breakfast, it was off to the National Corvette Museum. We'd been past this museum a few times in the past, and wanted to see what was in the odd shaped building that sits aside I-65. As much as I enjoy sports cars, I'm not a big "Vette" fan, (they're just "OK"). I have to say I was very impressed. This museum is a "class act". It's a lot more than just a bunch of Corvette's lined up in a row. There were quite a few awesome "diorama" type displays, showing the history of America's #1, two-seater. There's also a fine display of Indianapolis 500 Pace Cars, "special" editions, and prototypes. Various forms of racing, that Corvette's take part in, were also in the lineup. Earnhart fans will find a section on him, as well as a very rare (3 in the world) Jack Daniel's Corvette Decanter collection. A Corvette gift shop (everything Vette) and a Corvette Cafe, round things off. Outstanding! (and a very friendly staff) I could go on and on, but it was time to go on up the road. Another place we'd traveled past but hadn't stopped at was The Patton Museum of Cavalry and Armor in Ft. Knox, KY. It must been at least 20 years since visiting this shrine. WOW! It's nice to know some of our tax dollars are being used to preserve our history. Before us lies the history of Armor, with examples from all eras, and from all over the world. Everything from a 2-man "Whippet", to a German "King Tiger", complete with "cutaway", and up to current day weapons. There are several full sized dioramas, depicting the tank, in its various transitions. Anyone with an interest in Gen. George S. Patton will find the rooms dedicated to him, beyond description. It's all there, the REAL DEAL! From his beginning to the car he was injured in at the end. Add to this, the obligatory, but very well stocked, gift shop, and you have a "must see" for the history buff. We completed Thursday drive, after stopping at a couple more hobby shops, in Zionsville, Indiana, our destination, and home for the next 3 days. Tom's sister Nan, is our gracious hostess, whenever we travel north for the Greatest Spectacle in Racing, The Indianapolis "500"! Another thing that makes our "500 experience" really special is our good friend Bob, who has been attending this event since he was 3 years old (about 50 years?) He knows his way around, unlike very many others. Our trip to the track always includes a tour of the famous "Gasoline Alley", complete with photos and autographs. That's how we spent Friday, "Carburetion Day" at the track. Saturday things are pretty quiet at the track. The city of Indianapolis is alive with "500 Fever" including parades and various events. We took the opportunity to do some more hobby shopping and just plain relaxing. It was a good time to pick up a few remembrances for those who were kind enough to let us make our pilgrimage. Sunday! "The Greatest Spectacle in Racing, the Indianapolis "500"!"

Running Away from Home - and LOVING IT!!! (Continued)

We start at the crack of dawn (5:15 AM?) and hook up with Bob & company by 6:30. We're parked and ready for a 3 mile hike to the track by 7:30. It's warming up early, the best weather Indy has had since last summer. It's a long walk, but the company is good. Once through the gates it's into the infield then into "Gasoline Alley" again only this time we have "cold" passes, which will allow us into the pit area while crews are setting things up as well as the track itself. Incredible! We're standing there as the Purdue Marching Band goes by. Time flies and soon we're seeing Jim Nabors and his entourage go by, as well as the "Indy 500 Princess's". It's almost race time. You can feel the electricity in the air. We'll move around the infield, viewing the race from various points. The bands, the fly-over (two B-25's, honoring the Tuskegee Air-men) and Star Spangled Banner, followed by the releasing of thousands of red, white and blue balloons. After that, it's 500 miles of wheel to wheel excitement. It turned out to be a long race (time wise), and a long wait for the crowd to subside, before a long walk back to the car and a long drive home. What is usually a 45 minute drive, approaches 2 hours with traffic. No regrets for sure. A fantastic (but tiring) day, we got back to Nan's later than expected, but our "going away" BBQ was waiting for us. The "party" and the packing lasted until we couldn't keep our eyes open. By 9:30 AM we were finally on the road. (There were some early morning stops to make). Our road led east on I-70 to Dayton, Ohio, home of the National U.S.A.F. Museum of Flight. The ride was a good couple hours of reminiscing about the previous day's events. Following Google is not always the shortest route, but we arrived in time for lunch. OK, we're at the Air Force Museum.....I'm at a loss for words. It's EVERYTHING you'd hoped it would be and more. To me it is, and has always been, the premier aviation museum in this country, followed closely by the smaller U.S.N. Museum of Aviation, in Pensacola and the Smithsonian Museum of Flight. It all depends on your individual preferences. Rather than get into all that is there, I'll just say there is a great memorial garden, an I-max Theatre, cafeteria. WWII Nissan hut/tower display, along with 3 gigantic hangars, loaded with over 300 aircraft (including the world famous OV-10 Bronco) and a silo full of missiles, both weapon and space program type. This shrine to aviation is a MUST SEE for anyone with even a vague interest in flight. (I'm envious of those who will get to see it in August, during the national IPMS convention. I couldn't get enough). We left Dayton and headed south, beginning our long trek home. We spent the night in the middle of the Cumberland Gap. I-75 - just beautiful country. Tuesday began well, but as we continued south the weather worsened. Rain off and on, occasional deluges and a lack of hobby shops, made the next 10 hours a long ride, but good company won out. We arrived home safe and sound about 7:30 PM. A great start to a good summer. That should hold us for a while, at least until next time! I hope you enjoyed this abbreviated version as much as I did the real thing. [Joe](#)

F.Y.I. I was in touch with the Testors Corp. this past week, and have some info. on items to be discontinued from their line. The following items are " pending disc." : Model Master "Acryl" MARINE COLORS. Model Master " Acryl" FANTASY COLORS I will have the color charts at the meeting so you can see what is being discontinued. If you use any of these lines of paint get them soon, as the stock at Testors is running low. You can order them from any of the Hobby Shops in the back of our Newsletter, or direct from Testors at 1-800-962-6654. See you at the meeting.....

[Dan Murtz](#) Sec/Trea.

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2009 Schedule

June 2009:

Theme: \$1 Model Club Contest - Helicopters AND "Swap-n-Sell"

July 2009:

Theme: "Cruzin With Da Car Guys"

August 2009:

Theme: Open Theme

September 2009:

Theme: Open Theme

October 2009:

Theme: "Something that Floats"

November 2009:

Theme: "Swap-n-Sell 2"

December 2009:

Theme: "Chinese Auction"

IPMS/Ocala Club Meetings

The regular club meetings are held the second Thursday of each month (unless specifically noted otherwise) from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Southwest Christian Church at the rear of the main building. Park in the rear and you will see the meeting room area. Setup starts at 6:30 p.m.

Please wear your club T- Shirt to all meetings and functions

IPMS/Ocala

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