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#### 2018 Meeting Schedule

Meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month from 11 am to 2 pm (unless noted otherwise). Do NOT assume meeting dates—confirm them with a club officer!

- √MJanuary 20th
- ♠ February 17th
- ← March 17th
- ♠MApril 28th
- ♠May NONE (!)
- June 16th
- July 21st
- AMAugust 18th
- September 15th
- October 20th
- November 17th
- ✓ December 15th (10 3!)

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# MAMA Sez!

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"Serving Delmarva Car Modelers for over 25 Years"



# "Big Go East" Is History!

By now, I am sure you have all heard about the *Hobbico bankruptcy* and *sale of Revell's US and German divisions*. As of press time, things are far from settled. News as it becomes available.

You all likely also know that *Scale Motor-sports* is attempting to sell the business. It was his *final NNL East ap-*

pearance this year. If you have some spare change, it is up for grabs. How much is in the MA-MA treasury, Matt?!

Kudos to *MAMA* member Matt Guilfoyle for the ongoing appearance of cookies at club meetings.

This month, Rich Wilson looks at the ICM 1913 Speedster. Thanks, Rich!

The raffle raised **\$60.00**, while the door kicked in **\$97.00**. Made the rent—**Thanks!** 

Thanks also to the following raffle donors: Brad, Ed Brown, Steve M. Buter, Mike Costic, Rich Meany, Steve Scott, Bradley's Car Collectibles, and Replicas & Miniatures Co. of MD. Thanks guys—we 'preciate it!

### **Condolences**

It is with sadness that I share the news that Wayne Moyer passed away recently after a battle with esophageal cancer. Please remember Wayne and his family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

He was such a fixture in our hobby, we will surely miss his contributions and his friendship.

During their last conversation, they were discussing how much the

them, and he pointed out that Wayne always felt that he received more from it than he gave. More relationships, more friendships, more lifelong memories he cherished.

hobby meant to

The preceding came from *Randy Derr*, while *Club Prez Tim Powers* said it best as follows:

"On behalf of myself and all the members of the Maryland Automotive Modelers Association, please pass our deepest condolences to Kay." "We were deeply saddened by the news of Wayne's passing. While Wayne stood out in several fields including aviation, the automotive industry, and writing for automobile racing publications, we knew him as a fellow model car builder and the author of thorough reviews of 1/43 scale kits and diecast models. He was one great guy."

"A person who departs from this earth never fully leaves. Wayne has left behind myriad

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### The Presidential Brief?

I attended a couple of very well-done model events between the February and March MAMA meetings. While one was a judged contest and the other an NNL-style show, both were very enjoyable experiences and I am looking forward to attending each one again next year.

First was the Old Dominion Open *(ODO)*, a well-established show hosted by IPMS Richmond that is still growing, changing, adapting, and embracing. I know some of you are thinking "IPMS, yuk." I've heard your stories over the years. I've heard the good stories, too. My own experiences with the IPMS in general and IPMS Richmond in particular have all been positive.

The ODO takes place each year in a 30,000 square-foot hall at the Richmond Raceway in Virginia. It was the largest model event I have ever been to. Being an IPMS contest, there were all sorts of models: plane, trains, automobiles, tanks, figures, ships, helicopters, and more: you name it! This year there were more than 875 of them!

Richmond Raceway Complex
The Henrico Building
600 E Laburnum Richmond, VA 23222
Doors open 8:30 Registration closes 12:30

Over 70 Model Categories
Hobby Vendors
Special Awards
Huge Kit Drawings

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Blog: http://ipmsrichmond.blogspot.com
FB: https://www.facebook.com/IPMSRichmond

One ship model truly stood out from amongst all the entrants. It was an 11-foot long 1/96 scale scratch built replica of the SS United States, an innovatively designed ocean liner built in Virginia in 1952 that was 100 feet longer than the Titanic. It was also the fastest ocean liner to cross the Atlantic in either direction. Built by Gene Berger using just about every media imaginable, this ship model won the "Best Maritime" award and the "Contestants Choice" award. No wonder – it was surrounded by throngs of people throughout the day.

The ODO also had lots of vendors. Several of them were exclusively selling model car kits, aftermarket parts, and built ups. There were also plenty of places to sit, rest, and talk. Several of us really enjoyed that. We rarely get to just sit and talk with each other at shows. They also had a busy food concession that didn't seem to run out of food. I didn't try any so I can't comment on how good it was.

From a car modeler's viewpoint, the most impressive aspect of the show was how hard the IPMS Richmond club has worked to make sure us car guys felt welcomed and appreciated. It showed in the large variety of automotive categories they had set out and even in where they placed the car model tables – right up front!



The cars were the first models everyone saw when entering the display area. That made me feel like we were honored guests.

At the heart of making the ODO an enjoyable experience for model car builders is Chazz Klanian. For the past seven years Chazz has been the chairman of IPMS Richmond's ODO leadership team. A lifelong model airplane builder, he's also a member of the Richmond Automotive Modelers Society (RAMS) with a passion for building 1/43 scale model cars. He and his team members spent time talking with some MAMA members, RAMS members, and Tidewater Automotive Modelers Society (TAMS) members to be sure they understood and delivered on what car modelers are accustomed to in a contest or show.



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Even now, just weeks after the ODO, Chazz and his team have already conducted their after-action reviews of the show and the comments/suggestions they received and are already hard at work to make adjustments for next year's show. So thank you Chazz, the ODO Leadership team, and IPMS Richmond for putting on a truly enjoyable show and making us car modelers feel welcomed.

The second show I attended was the Inaugural Philly NNL hosted by the *Philly Area Car Modelers* (*PACM*). You know, those guys like Uncle Bobby, Tommy, Ariel, Fernando, etc.

The Philly NNL was held at the Simeone museum in Philly. The model display tables filled with hundreds of scale automobiles and the busy vendor spaces were surrounded by one of the finest collections of rare and important racing sports cars in the world. The museum houses 65 retired and beautifully preserved road racing survivors presented in 21 themed diorama vignettes. These exhibits represent motor racing venues such as Le Mans, Nürburgring, Sebring, Bonneville, Watkins Glen, Brooklands, Mille Miglia, and Targa Florio.

I don't think Tommy got one moments rest that day. Every time I saw him he was addressing one issue or another, like finding more tables for the model displays or making important announcements and checking on vendors.



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### "VeePee" Pick

In VeePee Dave Toups' absence last month, I was pressed into service to select an interesting model on the tables to highlight. I am always fascinated by work I have seen in the smaller 1/43rd scale, so, *Chazz Clanian's* "*Dynamic Duo*" got the nod. Here's Chazz with a few details.

### The Joy of 43rd!

<u>Company</u>: Marsh Models <u>Subject</u>: Cheetah & AC

Coupe

Molding: Resin Fit: Excellent

Accuracy: Excellent Ease of Assembly: Simple

<u>Instructions</u>: Pictorial <u>Decals</u>: Excellent, solid white!

Clear Parts: Vacuform
Multimedia: Resin & spun

white metal

Value: Not for the faint of

heart—\$70+

Pros: Both models were just a great build, for the subject matter is unique and not a lot of parts.

### Cons:

Learning how to work with clear vacuform parts, i.e. windshield and headlamp covers. *Be PA-TIENT!!!!* 

There is no car, however unimaginable, that cannot be found in 1/43rd scale. Though I think others are more versed on the history of 1/43rd than I, this scale is really the preferred scale in Europe. It is really incredible at how extensive the selection is throughout so many countries. I was introduced to this scale by a gentleman from Chesapeake, VA, Sandy Moorman. Thanks Sandy for the upstairs hall closet, which is now filled with many 1/43rd scale kits.

Anyway, construction was quite simple and the Cheetah was

painted with Tamiya Bright Red, decanted from their spray can and thinned with Dupli-Color lacquer thinner. The AC Coupe was painted with Model Car World. Both models were then covered with Tamiya TS-13, again decanted, and shot through my airbrush.

Every model car builder should try one of these little gems, at least once in their lifetime. You might be pleasantly surprised with how much fun they can be.

> Cheers, Chazz Klanian, MAMA South







### **ICM '13 Speedster**

Well here's another brass T in ICM's line of very early automobiles. Supposedly, someone long ago commented something about that as soon as the second horseless carriage was built that a race was inevitable. This speedster and others like it were the inevitable conclusion of that race. And by the sales of this kit I'd say it's a grand slam home run. The kit is already out of stock at the wholesaler, but I'm sure more are on their way. Since chrome plating hadn't been invented yet, cars of this era had brass instead. Previous versions of this kit had a tree that was brass plated; this kit does not. You'll need to figure out some way to duplicate it yourself. If you've bought one of those earlier kits then you'll recognize a great deal of these parts. I've built one of the phaeton versions and was very pleased with the parts, their ease of assembly and the outcome product. As simple as these cars are/were, I'd still recommend a Google image search for inspiration and details. Mine will be a stripped down racer. And to that end, I got out my collection of Ford flathead 4 cylinder hop up parts from old AMT kits and was glad to find that they will fit perfect. If you are ever in Homestead, Florida, it's well worth the time and effort to go to the "Coral Castle" and see how the guy that built it made use of Ford Model T parts.

Engine: There's actually 12 parts, but you have to count the

exhaust manifold that is cast as part of the exhaust system and installed later. The engraving on these parts is far superior to any Model T engine parts we've gotten in the past.

Chassis: It's the same as before with the longitudinal rails cast with the fender unit, but the front and rear cross-members are cast to the front and rear axles. Just make sure you remove any paint so you get a good bond on these parts. There are 11 parts that make up the chassis, but the instructions want you to glue the radiator/grille to the front axle and that to the frame. I think this time I'm going to put the radiator/grille on later as well as the two headlight brackets that attach in that spot just to make things interest-

<u>Tires/Wheels</u>: These too are the same as previous kits and are very accurate in detail. For those unfamiliar with model Ts, the spokes were wood while the rims were steel. The spare tire kind of shows that. Despite the black rubber tires you see on some brass Ts, white is the original color since the rubber tire manufacturing business was in its infancy and adding carbon (tire black) hadn't been thought of yet. And here's the one place I had a problem; keeping the assembled wheels on their axles. There is nothing short of glue to keep them

<u>Body/interior/glass</u>: Like the Phaeton kit, the body and interior are really one and the same, but unlike the other Model Ts, this Speedster has very little body. For

all the clear parts we get, this kit uses only the monocle piece. There is a hand brake, shifter and pedals, steering column and wheel with separate spokes; all very delicate. I'd hate to have to pay for the gas to fill the huge gas tank and there is a trunk that actually looks like a trunk. The hood is two pieces with a separate piano hinge. You'll have to brush up (pun intended) on your wood graining for the floor, firewall and seat support.

Bear in mind if you build a racer like I plan to, there are pics on Google that show racers with headlights and taillights and license plates. I'm sure those are only for legal traveling on the roads today. Any way you build this kit will be fun and a welcome change from Ferraris and Mustangs. And just think these didn't have a battery or electrical system. So you won't need to add that detail!!

by: Rich Wilson 🖷



It should be noted here that with ongoing constraints on my time due to work and personal issues, I am unable to devote sufficient time as in the past to fine tune our monthly newsletters. Consequently, whatever appears herein is fully provided by the noted reviewer without undue attention from the editor (beyond simple formatting). This is, as I have said MANY times YOUR newsletter—I am simply the messenger. We all do what we are able to do in support of it. Thank you for your submission!

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### **Old Dominion Open**

2018 Old Dominion Open, from Richmond, VA, has come and gone. It was measured in many ways. Starting with 196 contestants who proudly displayed their 875 exquisite models. The 45 vendors and their 64 helping hands spread across 121 tables, everything imaginable selling from this great hobby of ours. Then the raffle, which Ron Bradley proclaimed was "huge," at 470 kits. And finally adding 682 general admission pilgrims, making their annual trek to the 30,000 square foot temple of ODO, bringing the total number of faithful believers to 986. All day long the walls and roof could not dampen the growing buzz of excitement that filled the air for the first model show of the mid-Atlantic season.

But don't take my words as gospel. You can see the magic of the day that I talk about through the eye of the ODO camera. For a single picture can reveal many a

great story. For example; how does one measure the size of someone's smile when meeting old friends and making new ones? How does one weigh the

size of a hearty laugh from a rollicking good story? How does one appreciate the amazement that is captured by building in the world of miniature? How does one convey the serious assessment afforded another modeler's wonderful work? All of this, and more, did not happen once, but happened hundreds and hundreds of times throughout that day of fun and excitement. Here are those pictures where all you have to do is supply the caption.

If history is truly kind to February 24th, 2018 as being a "good day" for the ODO, it is not only because of the toil put forth by so



many clubs from the community of modelers who wanted to see the ODO succeed, but also because of you, each and everyone of you, wanting to add to the experience of what is known as the Old Dominion Open. Where the "art of scale modeling" is open to one and all. Thank you for making the experience what it is today, joyful to say the least. Till Feb. 23, 2019... "build on" and participate in every model show that you possibly can between now and then.

Chazz Klanian IPMS Richmond & MAMA South ⊜





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# **Philly NNL**

Many model car clubs, including our own, have put together model car shows based on the original NNL format established almost 40 years ago. Two years ago the Philadelphia Area Car Modelers (Philly Boys) decided to have their own NNL. Okay, so there will be vet, another NNL to attend. We all hoped they could get the finances and legalese stuff out of the way, fit in a workable show date, find vendors, and advertise to get enough people through the door. Most importantly, they had to find an acceptable Philly venue in the area that...wait...what? The Philly NNL will be inside the SIME-ONE FOUNDATION AUTO-**MOTIVE MUSEUM?** Holy...I mean WOW!

The museum houses many of the most rare and valuable cars in the world with a heavy emphasis on racing cars. There are several *ONE-OF-ONE* cars on display, not to be seen anywhere else in the world. Collector values on many of the cars range from 5 to 10 million dollars.

And in the middle of this wonderful, prestigious museum is the *PHILLY NNL*. Attendees paid the standard \$12.00 admission fee to the museum,

which included the NNL.

One was greeted by rows of model display tables down the middle of the open area in the museum, flanked by various model car and aftermarket vendors. An impressive model count of *near 650* was *VERY* good for *ANY* show, let alone a first endeavor. Oh, and those top quality models were built by many of the best car modelers in the Northeast and Mid Atlantic area. Show photography was handled by our own president, *Tim Powers*.

When your eyes and/or camera got tired of looking at the incredible 1/25th scale detailing,



you then could tour the rest of the entire museum and take in the amazing 1:1 historical cars. Around 12 noon, a couple of Ford GT40s fired up and they were driven around the large parking lot behind the museum to the delight of about 100 onlookers. Just to smell the Sonoco 107 racing fuel was a thrill.

What a great day, a great model car show, a great location. Thank you to all the PACM men and ladies who worked so hard, before, during and after the show. I am truly looking forward to the second annual Philly NNL.

Enjoy the photos.

Lyle 🚔





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Caddys a dead issue?! The sedan isn't totally on a death march just yet, but sales continue to disappoint as consumers turn to crossovers, trucks and SUVs. At Cadillac, it's been a shortcoming since the brand's current portfolio is heavy on passenger cars.

The brand's president, Johan de Nysschen, spoke with Motor Trend in a recently published interview and offered up his explanation on why sedan sales continue to fall. The short story? Younger buyers aren't interested, and today's infrastructure isn't as conducive for a sedan.

On the younger buyers, de Nysschen said it's hard to flaunt driving dynamics when the buyer group isn't exactly interested in them. He said handling and dynamics excited buyers yesterday, but not so much today.

"It's more about the way cars complement and enable their lifestyle now," he said of younger car buyers.

However, he didn't stop short

of blaming the US' infrastructure.

"When roads no longer support high-performance sport sedans and ultra-low-profile rubber, people are going to respond to it," he said.

Meanwhile, trucks, SUVs and crossovers can offer some

relief from pothole-filled roads and dicey roadways. Low-slung sedans? Not so much.

Cadillac will focus on strengthening its core portfolio before it thinks about adding other niche models, which means we'll see a focus on crossovers and updated sedans first.

Breaking news has the Caddy boss suddenly leaving the brand! No comment from the detached

exec.

It's difficult to capture the essence of the Corvette as it's shifted its design motif over seven generations. but Equus thinks they have done a pretty bang-up iob. The firm revealed the Throwback.

which works to exude a little bit of every Corvette.

### **GOVERNMENT MOTORS**

IN SOVIET AMERIKA, THE CAR DRIVES YOU... BANKRUPT!



### AN AMERIKAN REVOLUTION

The shape is certainly reminiscent of the C3 and C7 Vettes, though small details such as the split window and circular taillights, recall the C2 Vette. The body is made entirely of carbon fiber, which should prove helpful in keeping weight down. We all see some massive fog lights at the front and giant rear tailpipes.

The Throwback's cabin is awash with alcantara and diamond stitching on the seats. The metal trim is love-it-or-hate-it, but it doesn't look all too bad.

It is unknown what engine lurks under the hood, but Equus says an optional upgrade will produce 1,000 horsepower and 822 pound-feet of torque. Specs seem promising, too, with a 0-60 mph time of 2.5 seconds and a top

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### **GMC Recall Ticker**

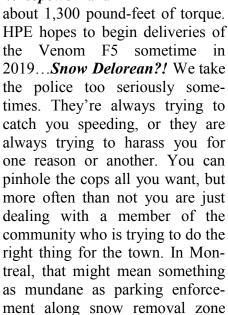
# of Recalls
150 (!)
# of Vehicles Affected
37,023,171



### This n That

**SOOPER** Supercar Performance!?! Hennessey Performance Engineering made the trek from Texas to Geneva, Switzerland, to show off its Venom F5 *supercar*—the car it hopes will hit 301 mph with over 1,600 horsepower. HPE CEO John Hennessey said in a statement, "it's no question of if we will break 300 mph but a question of when." As we've said before, it's one hell of a claim, considering most super and hypercars can't touch those kinds of speeds because of current tire technology. No tire available today can handle the forces at speeds clipping 300 mph. HPE has previously said it plans to develop its own set of tires to handle the forces if it can't find rubber fit for the 300 mph goal. Despite the obstacles, the tuning company must overcome, it hasn't stopped customers from plopping down deposits. Hennessey said it will build 24 Venom F5 supercars and it's already sold 10 of them for

their **\$1.6** milasking lion price. When HPE does have a working car the show car is made of plastic with no interior—it will house a 7.4-liter twin-turbo'ed V8 engine making over 1,600 horsepower and



owner, an



roadways. Nobody wants their car caved in by a plow, and no cop wants to have to deal with a scene that involves a very pissed-off equally pissed-off plow operator, and the mess that has to be cleaned up. So picture it: late at night, sure enough, officers roll up on a snowed-in car parked along a city street. The sleek 1980s sport coupe is buried well and good the tires to the roof. Except it wasn't. 33-year-old Simon Laprise, a machinist, had a little fun with a lot of snow and had sculpted a life -size snow-monument to the De-**Lorean DMC-12**. There was no car, just artwork and a few hours killed. And the cops had to deal with it one way or another...so they ticketed the offending "car." Translated: "You made night!" Now, you know that if someone in Boston tried this same stunt, chances are higher that the officer might not be as impressed. Maybe...it's always good to give the benefit of the doubt and there are good people out there. But your snow Time Machine would be blocking traffic and would be one more headache to deal with. Kudos to the cops for having a sense of humor about it. And don't weep for the Snow DeLorean...the plow swiftly removed it from it's parking spot shortly (Thanks thereafter autoweek.com, and other Internet sources for this insanity! Ya just can't make some of it up!! Thanks also to those of you in the Peanut Gallery who have helped me entertain y'all by sending stuff—I preciate it!) 🚆



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# Govt (contd)

(Continued from page 10) speed in excess of **250 mph**.

Naturally, this won't be an inexpensive vehicle. Equus estimates pricing to start at \$130,000. Only 25 Throwbacks will be made. Sounds like 25 too many.

Self-driving cars (SDCs) are not above the law, and a 'GMC' Cruise-operated SDC received a ticket in San Francisco on March 20th. It happened one day after an Uber SDC struck and killed a pedestrian in Arizona.

The police officer observed the Chevy Bolt EV come close to a pedestrian in the crosswalk, and the officer initiated a traffic stop on the grounds that the SDC failed to yield to the pedestrian. Cruise Automation told CBS news affiliate KPIX that the SDC never posed danger to the pedestrian and data showed the car kept a safe distance at 10.8 feet away.

Yet, the citation stands, and Cruise told the news affiliate that the human safety driver inside the Bolt EV is responsible for the ticket. The San Francisco police department did not comment on the matter any further.

It's the second mishap involving a Cruise SDC in San Francisco after an autonomous vehicle collided with a motorcyclist in the city. Police found the motorcyclist at fault for the crash, but the man is now suing 'GMC' over the incident. *Of course he is!* 

'GMC', and Chevy specifically, has often prided itself on offering a car for every segment. Soon however, *Chevy will exit the subcompact market*.

The Wall Street Journal reported recently that the Sonic will exit production as early as this year. Sonic sales have dwindled from a high in 2014 when Chevy sold around 100,000 units. Current sales are a fraction of the 2014 figure as the market shifts to crossovers, SUVs and trucks.

What the news means for the Orion assembly plant is unclear. The plant currently builds the

Sonic and Bolt EV. Orion once built the Buick Verano, which also exited production. The plant also builds the Opel Ampera-e which will soon exit production following the sale of Opel to PSA Groupe.

Prior to the report, it was understood that plans for a next-gen Sonic had been pushed back to early next decade. However, the market's shift to utility

vehicles likely killed the Sonic for good.

The report also claims, according to sources close to the matter, that the full-size Impala is next on the chopping block.

Luxury pickup trucks have become a staple market for many automakers, and it's lent great fortune to 'GMC', Ford and Fiat-Chrysler. Specifically, 'GMC' and the Denali sub-brand has become a money-printer for 'GMC.'

Have we reached a price ceiling on just how expensive a GMC pickup can be? *Apparently, no*.

**Motor Authority** spoke with 'GMC's' global vice president, Duncan Aldred, and he told the publication in a report that there's still room for premium truck pricing to grow.

The typical GMC sells for \$44,000, which already nips at German luxury brands' transaction prices. However, the models sell for money that tops Mercedes-Benz, Cadillac, Audi and BMW.

Aldred also told the publication that 60 percent of buyers choose the Ultimate Denali package when shopping the rangetopping Denali trucks. Last year, 29 percent of all GMC sales were Denalis.

And GMC is capitalizing on a mass-market trend. A recent report detailed the shift from lux cars to lux trucks is underway, and more GMC dealers are filling their used car lots with pre-owned German lux cars. Sales figures reflect the momentum, too; in 2012 GMC accounted for just 0.1 percent of domestic sales. Last year, GMC's share was up to 11.3 percent.

And there is your dose of 'GMC' insanity for the month.



# **26th Annual**

# Mid-Atlantic NNL

www.mamasboyz.org

May 12, 2018

9 AM-3 PM

Admission \$10.00 (under age 16, free)

# "Vintage SUVs"







Sub-Theme:

"Six-cylinders" Prizes



Straight
OR
Bent!



Columbian Center
335 N. Ritchie Highway
Severna Park, MD 21146
Vendor/Show Info—Contact Tim Sickle
E-mail: gtoguy@verizon.net
Phone: (301) 249-3830

Make & Take
(Up to age 12)

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# **Brief (contd)**

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The Philly Boys worked hard at planning this show for more than a year and that work really paid off. Car modelers from clubs including PACM, MAMA, Jersey Shore Model Car Club, Diversified Scalerz, and the Tri-State Scale Model Car Club attended. displayed model cars, and had a truly good time. Even more importantly, the Philly boys consulted members of all those clubs the whole time that they were planning their show. They discussed every detail from when to hold it so it didn't conflict with any other show to attracting vendors and how the operations of the day should work. That's why everyone had a good time.

If there's a common theme across these two very different kinds of shows it is that part of their successes came from the support shared among multiple clubs for each effort. Consulting each other while planning the shows, providing financial support to each other for the production of the shows, helping each other out where we can, and attending each other's shows were all factors. We've always seen and appreciat-

ed it with putting on our Mid-Atlantic NNL.

And the more we continue to embrace and work with other clubs, the more success I think we'll all see in the years to come. With the introduction of the Tuners class to our show, we've begun embracing a new generation of builders. Currently we've been working to get the *Charm City Collector's Club (C4)* that our own *Nick Sickle* is involved in to set up a club display to share enthusiasm, information, and insights to their 1/64 scale diecast aspect of the model car hobby.

So that reminds me: Our own *Mid-Atlantic NNL* is coming up on 12 May. *See you there!* 

### **News Flash!**

NNL East '18 was as good as ever, especially for two MAMA members. Lyle Willits won the Modelhaus theme with a '40 Ford, and Irv "Arter Rake" Arter

won the 59th Anniversary theme with, of all things, the poster car! Congrats, guys! More next month.

### **Ron's Rant**



### **Diecast**

- ACME '53 Ford F-100 So-Cal Speed Shop
- ACME So-Cal Speed Shop Tandem car trailer





#### March

A1801819 - 69 Boss 302 Trans Am Mustang #1 Sam Posey SOLD OUT

A1801819B - 69 Boss 302 Trans Am Mustang Street Car SOLD OUT

A1806106 - 70 Plymouth Barracuda AAR Vitamin C Orange \$129.95

#### April

A1801208 66 Pontiac GTO Tiger Gold w/ vinyl top \$129.95

US005 - ACME Exclusive GT Spirit New Tooling '17 Chevy Corvette Z06 Torch Red \$149.95

A1805409 New Tooling 65 Chevy El Camino Drag Outlaws New Series \$144.95

### May

M1801001 - The Masterpiece Collection 1:18 #11 Sunoco 512M Mark Donohue - 1971 24 Hours of Le Mans - \$379.95 New Series

### **Poncho Perfection Parade!**

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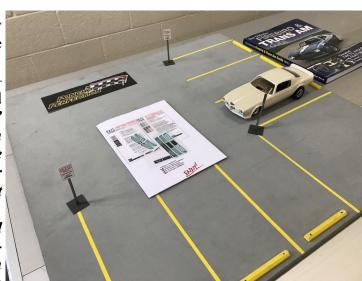
Things seemed to focus on Firebirds in the Pontiac reserved parking area last month.

Ron Hamilton brought along some pretty cool Firebird tail light decals that he found online somewhere (I need to find out exactly where!).

Meanwhile, I displayed a *Firebird funny car*, along with an autographed copy of *Rocky Rotella's* new book on Firebirds and Trans Ams. After an initial scan, it appears to be quite complete. I may attempt a review in

the next few issues, if time permits.

So, c'mon—bring em and show em! 'PoP' (Pontiacs on Parade!) Sickle signing off for now! And don't forget—MAMA may not need all these Ponchos, but I'm sure diggin 'em!!

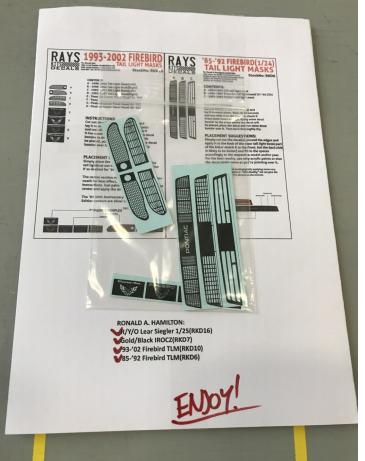












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MAMAs BoyZ do it in scale!



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Central PA Model Car Club:

http://www.freewebs.com/cpmcc/

NNL East:

http://www.nnleast.com/

East Coast Indoor Nationals:

www/eastcoastindoornats.com

Maryland Intl Raceway:

http://www.mirdrag.com/

**Old Toyland Shows:** 

http://www.oldtoylandshows.com/.

Carlisle Events:

http://www.carlisleevents.com

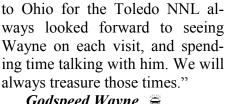
York US30 Musclecar Madness:

www.vorkus30.com

### **Classifieds**

**WANTED**: I'm on the hunt for unbuilt/rebuildable (GTOs, specifically '68 MPC hardtops and convertibles, and '71 hardtops in particular!). I have a collection to trade from. Want 1/8th scale Monogram '79 T/A and Red Baron, 1/25th scale '81 Firebird (snap), '66 Bonneville (MPC or Hasegawa), '69-'72 Grand Prixs, '70-'81 Firebirds, and empty Pontiac kit boxes. Would like to buy or borrow old model car catalogs. Contact me at gtoguy@verizon.net, or see me at a meeting. Thanks!





Godspeed Wayne. 🖷

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Those of us MAMAs Boyz who

over the years have made the trip

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### **Directions**

From the Baltimore Beltway (RT 695): Take Exit 7, Route 295 (Baltimore-Washington Parkway) south towards Washington approx. 18 miles to Route 193 (Greenbelt Road), and exit. When on the offramp, stay to the right and merge right onto Southway (see below).

From the Washington Beltway (RT 495/95): Take Exit 22 north, towards Baltimore. Stay in the right lane and take the first exit onto Route 193 (Greenbelt Road). When on the off-ramp, bear to the right and take Greenbelt road west, towards College Park. Stay in the right lane and immediately after passing over the Parkway, make a right (at the light) onto Southway (read on!)



Once on Southway: straight to the second (2nd) STOP sign. Make a left onto Crescent road. Go to the STOP sign and make a right into the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Library. Once in parking lot, look to the right. The large, white building is the Greenbelt Community Center. Enter building using the doors near fenced tot lot. The multi-purpose room is on the second floor. There is an elevator to the left of the entrance.

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