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December News

December's Fame Cities meeting was a little short on models, but long on fun and food. The traditional Christmas party was better than ever in 2008, with all the good eats we've come to expect and the addition of not one but two raffles. After gorging ourselves on pizza, wings and an assortment of side dishes and desserts we held our first Chinese Raffle. Everyone who wished to participate brought in a wrapped gift, and names were drawn. The catch was that anyone could exchange their gift with anyone else, and you could not say no. After some chicanery and back-stabbing everyone went home with something, but not necessarily what they wanted. This was followed by a conventional raffle, with gifts bought by the club and supplied by Ken Patterson and Amers Hobbies in Boardman. Amers also graciously provided a Grand Prize of an Academy 1/32 F-18 Hornet. Steve Dottavio took this big kit home, and will have it built right after his SU-27 is finished. In other words, don't hold your breath.

With so much partying to do, no real business was conducted. The January meeting should see us back to business with new President Larry Davis. High on the 2009 agenda is to bring the Wing Fold Group Build to fruition for the Columbus Nationals. What seemed far away just a short time ago is looking awfully close now, so we need to crank up our efforts to bring this club project home.

Dues for 2009 remain at \$12.00, and can be submitted to Treasurer Joe Staudt at any time. Speaking of Joe, and Secretary Rick Slagle, we were proud to present each with a special plaque recognizing their long and excellent service to IPMS Fame Cities. If you didn't do so at the meeting, take a moment to thank Rick and Joe.

As usual, the December meeting also offered Ralph Nollan's yearly National Guard and Reserve contest, as well as a non theme contest. Results can be found on page 5.

I hate to end on a down note, but during December our chapter website was taken down without notice. If and when more details become available we will pass them on, but as of now it appears we no longer have a website or a webmaster. Fame Cities may be accepting applications for this position, so stay tuned. The primary requirement for the job is a willingness to do it.

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December Models



Larry Davis Special Hobby 1/72 F-86H



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Rick Slagle







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Steve Dottavio Jimmy Flinstone 'Elvis'







Jerry Royer Accurate Miniatures 1/48 F3F-2





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Special Service Awards



Rick Slagle

Secretary



Joe Staudt

Treasurer

Fame Cities IMPS was pleased to present two special awards at the December meeting, for exceptional service to the club. Joe Staudt and Rick Slagle have been Treasurer and Secretary respectively since - well as far back as I remember! Both these fine gentlemen and modelers will continue in their positions in 2009. Congratulations and a big Thank You to both Joe and Rick.





After a short two month stint as President following the departure of Dave Morrisette to Columbus, Jerry Royer gratefully took his last bow in December, and now turns things over to new President Larry Davis and Vice -President Kevin Hess. Thanks Jerry.



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December Contest





National Guard and Reserves

First Place

Ed Kinney Trumpeter 1/32 F8F-1





Non-Theme Contest



Second Place

Larry Davis Special Hobby 1/72 F-86H

Third Place

Rick Slagle Tamiya 1/35 Humvee

First Place

Steve Dottavio Jimmy Flintstone 'Elvis'











Jerry Royer Accurate Miniatures 1/48 F3F-2



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Christmas Party and Raffle - 2008



















Jerry ponders his next move......



Incoming President Larry Davis and outgoing President Jerry Royer conducted the big Christmas raffle.



Steve Dottavio took home the Grand Prize, a 1/32 Academy F-18, courtesy of Amers Hobbies.