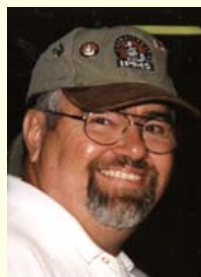




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## TONY'S TIDBITS

Tony Gliszczynski

Hi Everyone! I guess you are wondering what's going on with the changes in leadership, so, to put it briefly, Mike M. had to step down due to health reasons that he will explain in an article in this issue of Dispatch. We're all hoping for a speedy recovery, Mike.

Now on to club stuff:

First, this meeting will be a build and bull, so either bring your build or bull or both. Next, we will have a flea market, so bring on the unbuilt models. Also, Mike M. offered to do a wash on aircraft. I hope you're feeling up to it, Mike.

On to other topics; this is the time of the year of other clubs having shows, so we need to help them out as much as we can. As you all know, we have two big shows coming up of our own in the spring, so don't be afraid to pipe up if you have any ideas. Bob Collignon will keep us informed on what's going on with Noreastcon. Also, don't forget to contact Justin if you have any leads for sponsorship for either shows.

Thanks, guys. See you all on Monday.

Prez Tony G.

P.S. The next E- board meeting is at Bob's studio on Sept 22 at 7:00 P.M. As always, everyone is welcome and invited.

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## Mike's Farewell Memo

Mike Miodonski

Hi guys. By now I'm sure you're all wondering, "When did Tony G become president? Did I miss something?" Please allow me to explain.

A lot, but not all of you know that about 5 years ago I was diagnosed with Congestive Heart Failure (I hate that name) and had to undergo heart valve replacement surgery. Since then I have led a relatively normal life.

About 6 months ago I began to experience symptoms of kidney failure which was induced by the cardiac medicine I take. This in turn increased the stress on my heart which came to a head about 2 months ago when that, coupled with a minor respiratory infection, pushed me over the edge into full blown heart failure. This is why when you have seen me at meetings (which I know lately hasn't been much) I have looked so ill and my stay has been so brief.

All of this finally came to a conclusion a little more than a month ago when I underwent an additional cardiac surgery where my doctors installed a whole bunch of new state of the art hardware in my chest. It appears to have been successful. While in recovery my cardiologist reminded me that, while they were really happy that the device implant appeared to be working, I will never be cured of this but I can "manage the process". I needed to substantially reduce all the stressful activities I could in order not to risk a relapse. At that point I considered all the things I would be required to do in light of both a regular BuffCon and a Regional so close together and reluctantly accepted the fact that I need to step down as president in order to pay closer attention to my health. Tony G. has graciously stepped up and assumed the presidency through the remainder of this term. I am going to remain on the E-Board and continue to contribute but with a lower profile and less responsibilities. Tony has served a number of positions in the past including President, so the transition will be seamless. I think we all need to support Tony as he now has a full plate of things he will be addressing as president.

As you can imagine, after all of this my attitude was less than positive. One day while I was enjoying my scenic view from my suite at Casa De Buff General and trying to figure out what exactly was on the plate that had been placed in front of me that the staff called "lunch," my wife handed me a book titled 14,001 Reasons to Be Happy. As I read through this, it helped remind me that no matter how bad things get there is always something to be happy about that will help you get through it. That being said, let me end this with a few things that kept me going, as it relates to this club and my situation in general:

- I'm thankful for friends who let me know I have made a mistake, allowed me to learn from it and then let me try again.
- I'm thankful for the people who thought of my health before they thought of the welfare of the club and persisted because they know I'm stubborn and wasn't thinking clearly. You know who you are.
- I'm thankful that there are still doctors that really do care.
- I'm thankful to have been given this opportunity to serve as president. I was honored to do so.

God bless all of you. I already have been.

-Mike

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### Notes From The August Meeting

Dick Schulenberg

President Mike Miodonski started the August meeting off with a review of the differences between Niagara Frontier chapter membership and membership in IPMS/USA, following the write up he had in the last Dizpatch. Seems there has been some confusion. If you are still confused, reread the explanation in Dizpatch.

We had 16 people at the picnic on August 16th. No rain for a change, and no sports related injuries. Sounds like everyone had fun.

Tom Faith reported on the status of the Ft. Niagara diorama. We're stuck on making satisfactory water for the moment. About 1/3 of the 5 ft. x 5 ft. diorama is water, to emphasize the importance of the Fort in the naval strategy of the day, so getting the water right is critical. Paul Kittle's ships look great and building are underway, so we are edging closer.

NOREASTCON Show Chairman Bob Collignon reminded everyone that Justen Hanna has stepped up to the task of Award Sponsor Coordinator. He's got sponsorship letters and forms all ready and has begun making contacts. You can help with this by developing sources you may know about, like your employers and local businesses. See Justen for the stuff you need when you ask for a sponsorship.

The demo for the evening was all about soldering as it applies to small scale models. This was a joint presentation by Bob Collignon and Matt Keysa. Their work is centered on 1/35 armor, to the examples were primarily from that source, but the techniques are equally applicable whenever you need to stick small brass items together. The demo was very well attended and went well over the anticipated time. Nice job, guys.

Tonight was the end of the "I am Not a Modeling Loser Part Doh" contest that started at NOREASTCON 2008. Tom Faith read the solemn proclamation that we all signed, including all the whereas's and why for's, to remind the whole club just how serious the NOREASTCON attendees

were at that time. Well, the fire went out pretty quickly. Here are the results:

"Winners" are: Tony G (red and white Thunderbird), Chuck Nichter (Foden steam truck and Renault runabout) and Dick Schulenberg (MD450 Ouragan jet fighter). These guys each received Tim Horten gift cards from the Losers, who are: Dave

Schwab (who started his F8F Bearcat), Tom Faith (who started his Panzer III), Bob Collignon (who shipped his Fokker to Spain), Tony Bartoszek, Mike Miodonski and Mike Memmo. Wonder if we should try this again next year?

We had a good number of models on the tables tonight.



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Dave Armitage - HO scale (1/87) mine buildings, modified from high end commercial kits for eventual installation on a large model railroad. Lots of scratch built details. Also a 1/16 scale Civil War cannon modified from an old Palmer kit with wood replacing much of the plastic carriage for a much improved look, Verlinden figure and ball bearing cannon balls.

Chuck Nichter (by proxy) - his finished entries for the "I Am Not a Modeling Loser" uncontest, including a Pyro 1906 Renault runabout (a 41 year old kit) with the original vinyl tires and a 1/76 scale Foden Type C steam wagon (small truck) detailed up from a '60's vintage Keilkraft kit.

Tony G - His repainted red & white 1/25 Thunderbird on a nice display stand. (Tony just had his basement and work room flooded under 1-1/2 feet of water for the second time. Commiserations, Tony.)

Paul Hines - some beautiful automotive reference books he's looking to sell.

Dick Schulenberg - Completed 1/72 Heller MD450 Ouragan fighter for the "I Am Not a Modeling Loser" uncontest.

Bob Collignon - 1/35 Trumpeter KV-2 heavy tank for his soldering demo.

John Zachritz - 1/35 Dragon V-2 rocket that was damaged in a classroom accident. He's looking for some help in fixing it.

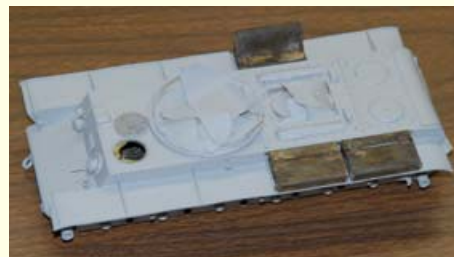
Bob Raithel - A 1/72 scale Tamiya FW-190D he's getting ready to start. Says he wants to try this scale. Good Man!

Justen Hanna - A Bell XP-77 lightweight fighter from the 1/48 Czech Model short run kit. Very nicely done in alclad over black. Also, a 1/48 Bf-109E in Swiss markings with colorful red/white identification stripes. Justen hand turned new belled cannon barrels to complete the Swiss conversion.



Eric Hillebrand - Lindberg 1/48 Snark, a Cold War intercontinental jet powered cruise missile. Vintage kit, recently reissued. Bright red with lots of white stripes on a bright yellow launch trailer. Eric added a man with a fire extinguisher for size.

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Eric also showed his in-progress gladiator figure obtained from Bob Raithel.



Tom Brown, Jr. - a metallic green street rod he's having fun with.

Bob Dzimian - 1/25 MPC Hemi Under Glass" project car. This is a work of the heart. Bob's rebuilding the chassis to scale along with pretty much everything else. Says he's up to the third go-around now. Looks like it was worth the effort.



Ilya Grinberg - Brand new 1/72 kit of the Russian Pe-8, their only 4 engine bomber in service in WWII. This Zvezda kit is for the inline engine version that carried Ambassador Molotov over the pole to the US during WWII. This relatively inexpensive kit is very nicely detailed with fine panel lines. Critical reviews have all been positive.

Just a reminder. Larry Osolkowski, our Webmaster, has been uploading photos and information into the new NOREASTCON website. You can access it at [www.noreastcon2009.com](http://www.noreastcon2009.com) so take a look.

Larry also has CD's with these photos for sale for \$3.00 with all proceeds going to the club treasury. See him at the meeting.

The next meeting is Monday, September 15th. It will be a Build and Bull session and flea market. We won't have a round the room question this month, but we have an aircraft wash demonstration scheduled. Bring your stuff to sell, new kits and projects to show, or just yourself. See you Monday.

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## I Am NOT a Modeling Loser!

Autumn Domino 2008

### Letter of Intent

We the undersigned, (the Traveling Tonys), aka (names found below) do intend, heretofore, to purchase, plan, build, present, & as defined below, finish, models, so selected, at the 2008 Noreastcon.

THEREFORE, whereas, models may be plastic, resin, or any material found and sold at Noreastcon.

Whereas, we the undersigned; are indeed model builders and have done so in the past.

Whereas, we the undersigned, recognize that competition is intended to be done in a sense of fairness and honesty.

Whereas, we the undersigned, will be the sole builder of said models.

Whereas, we the undersigned, do swear that the model entered in this contest are indeed the actual model purchased at Noreastcon.

Whereas, we the undersigned, agree to the following definition:

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build - not to begin before 4/25/2008  
at 10:00 pm.  
petroleum ~~shell~~ <sup>the</sup> exchange of currency,  
credit, or trade  
select <sup>action of which shall occur</sup>  
at Niagara in 2008 - 2 pm 4/24  
- 4 pm 4/25

finish - assemble & pass to the  
point of landing (dry) incl  
markings  
present - at each IPMS Niagara  
mtg. (absences will be  
punished one additional  
drink penalty)  
The final note (3rd heading  
of August 2008 at 6:59 pm)

Whereas, we the undersigned, will feed a  
piece of drink & poster at The Horton's,  
donated by each participant.

Therefore, be it resolved, . . . . .



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### The Next Club Meeting:

The next meeting of the Niagara Frontier Chapter IPMS will be on Monday, September 15, 2008 at the Harlem Road Community Center, 4255 Harlem Road (near Main Street), Amherst, New York. We meet in the basement youth room from 7:00 P.M. to about 10:00 P.M. Please do not arrive before 6:45 P.M.

### Important: All submissions to e-DIZPATCH

must be received by the Monday one week after our scheduled meeting night.

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