



## **OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE NJIPMS**

### **NEW JERSEY CHAPTER OF THE INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC MODELING SOCIETY.**

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**From the Editor: This will be an abbreviated edition of the Newsletter. The E-Board is gearing up for the new year, and Le Grande Guillaume (Big Bill) has computer issues. Which means no news is good news!**

#### **THE CONTACT'S VIEW**

**By Mike Pavlo, VP**



#### **The Contact's View**

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and very enjoyable holiday season! The December meeting and its annual Holiday party was fantastic. The food from DeMarco's was outstanding and I think everyone had a fun time. Thanks go out to Big Bill for arranging everything and bringing all the food. There were lots of laughs and good cheer at every table and it was a great way to celebrate the year and our friendships. Congrats to each winner of the end-of-year awards. The tables were certainly packed with truly amazing best of the best models. The only thing that would have made it better would have been to have those we lost with us. Losing Buzz in December was a difficult blow. I felt like he was with us in spirit, and I think that he will be whenever we get together and think of him.

I wish everyone a very happy and healthy 2020!

Best Wishes,  
Mike P.



**Mike Terre, John Bucholz and Mike O'Connor were recognized for their scale building prowess in 2019.**





**Marc Rocca's Aircraft were awarded for their Complexity and exactness.**

**Vince D'Allessi was best Armor Modeler. His series on the Panzer IV were great!**









**Mike Terre shared Modeler of The Year with Marc Rocca. Mike's continuing to build interesting kits  
And writing about them is a big help for the Newsletter.**

## THE JUDGES TABLE

By Jon Da Silva



**With 2019 in the wraps, we look forward to 2020. We've all lost many friends and family during the past year. Let's hope that this new year is filled with far more joy than sorrow. I'm sure we all have goals for the year, and I hope that you're able to achieve those. Congratulations to all of our awards winners from 2019. Mike Terre, Mike O'Connor and John Bucholz all won Model of the Year awards. We should all be working / finishing our Thunderbolt group build projects and our 1/72 scale armor projects. My Tiger kit is very Spartan in parts count, which I'm a huge fan of. I've found that computer part packing foam is great for making hill like shapes. At risk of the entire thing exploding on the ride to the meeting, I'll bring it with me.**

**For the contests this year, both monthly and yearly, I am thinking (along with many of you I'm sure) of having Air, Land, Sea. 3 categories instead of two. I know not every month will have entries in all categories, but I think that, especially with a lot of fictional vehicles being in the land and sea category, it's unfair to only have 2 categories.**

**Let me know what you think Jon**

**Editor's note: My own P-47 and 1/72 Armor ARE actually in progress. I swear they are!**

**Once again!!! Gerardo Rinaldi keeps us smiling.**



**HOPE ALL OF YOU RECEIVED A GREAT MODELING KIT FOR CHRISTMAS!!**

**Fred Horkey sent me a wonderful story with some great photos about his service with multi-engine aircraft. Here's the link**

**<https://www.facebook.com/Love.Scale.Models/photos/pcb.2200336293595817/2200333696929410/?type=3&theater>**

**You KNOW there will be some references there!**



I am proud to say I am a member of the DelMarva Marvels! I'm sure many of us recognize this bunch of miscreant model makers!!! Damn!, They look like they're here to collect a debt!!! What...those decals silvered!!!???

See all NJIPMS members at the KOC Garfield, Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Bring theme night ideas!!! Bill Schroeter