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A very cool painting of an A-V8

~~~~~ the president's report ~~~~~

Greetings Model Citizens! November brings my favorite club contest of the year, the End of Year contest where we get to see the best models from all ten meetings. While these models represent the class, theme and Model of the Month winners, we would like to congratulate everyone whom brought models throughout the year for building and presenting their newest creations.

The only official note from the October meeting is the club officer nominations. One person was nominated for each of the positions. Edgar Linz for Secretary, Curtis Epperson for Contest Director and myself for President are running unopposed for the offices. The vote of approval will take place at the December meeting. See you all on November 12. *Rockne*

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from the editor's desk

During the month of October, I went to two swap meets. The first was the toy show associated with the Toledo NNL & the second was the Circle City Contest & Swap in Indianapolis. I go to the NNL because there is no other event where I can see the work of, without a doubt, some of the best builders out there today. In past years, the toy show has ranked as one of the best swaps going, whereas the Circle City event has been, for me, at least, sorta 'take-it-or-leave-it'. I'm generally so overwhelmed by the combination of the NNL & the toy show that I never really thought about any comparison to any other event. This year, & last, to be honest, I was very disappointed by the NNL experience, & with Circle City coming so close on the NNL's heels, I can't really help but compare.....

This year I found the NNL to be a very 'under-attended' show. Others may feel different. That's not to say that quality was lacking - that's not the case at all - but this year, quantity stayed home! & I can't deny that the toy show is really just a shadow of its former self. I found the offerings skimpy & overpriced, & as such, unappealing. I brought most of my money home with me. Luckily! It meant I had more ready cash for what would have been just another local contest & swap, but turned out to be all that the national event was not. The quality of the models on the tables was every bit as high as anything at the NNL (apples to oranges, I know, but still....) plus the swap meet was of the caliber I was looking for in Toledo. & the prices were way more realistic. I know that in the past, I have touted the NNL as the event you didn't wanna miss, & I doubt I've ever expressed any opinion at all concerning the Circle City show. As I said, I went to two swap meets during October, & was surprised at both of 'em.....

Robb

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**The Daddy Katz Model Car Contest & Swap Meet Oct 13, 2012**

Somehow, I got the date wrong for this show (by about five weeks!) & I couldn't reschedule. I've asked Dave Anglin for a few words, as he did attend.

"I did go to the show today. Went to do the swap, but left before awards went out so I have nothing there. Impressions mixed. Very short notice on this show as the Fall show last year was in November. Also, it was recently stated there would be no Fall Model Car Show there..... no events of any type until early next year. I think this was the reason for the low car count on the tables & few vendors setup. Those entered however were solid builds. A number I'd seen before but still many quality cars to be viewed. See ya on the trail... Dave"

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BENCH RACING - by Bill Bench

WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THIS SOONER? Model builders are always looking for a certain subject to build that has never been offered as either a kit or a resin conversion. During some of my travels this year to Franklin, Ohio and after a six year hiatus, Toledo/Sylvania, Ohio, I'd like to pass along a few things I've stumbled upon.

SLOT CARS - I stopped at a place called T/R Motorplex in Franklin, Ohio. While many of us thought slot car racing had died back in the '60's, it is alive, well, and full of innovations that can be used in static model building. They have a small hobby shop that carries a good selection of model cars and trucks. They also carry vacuum-formed bodies of subjects that I've never seen offered, such as a Pro/Stock late model Cougar, '74 Gremlin Bracket Racer, and a later Model Ford Ranger Pro/Stock Truck.



Here's something you may not have thought of. Some of the slot car classes use model car bodies. They will buy a kit for what they need to mount on a slot car chassis, and discard the rest of the kit. Think we could use those parts for kit-bashing? You betcha! A swap meet is in the works.

I was also impressed by the machined wheels that they have in stock. Some of them may be a little too deep-dished for your needs, but I bought a pair that looked spot-on to some of the front lightweight wheels used by the Pros these days.

You might want to check out T/R Motorplex. It's worth the trip.

PROMOS - I know there are some really pricey promos out there...and there are some dirt cheap ones also! I picked up a 1980 Monza, which I don't think was ever offered in kit form, for \$10 while I was at the Sylvania NNL. I plan on making a drag car out of it someday. I know some will cry foul saying it's too valuable to cut up. My thinking is, it'll make the rest of them that more rare and valuable.



I also picked up two '80's Camaros for \$5 that will make good models or Gravity drag cars, plus an '84 Corvette for \$4 that my Granddaughter now owns.

Hopefully this will get your modeling juices going and help you find that special project you've been looking for.

See you at the meeting, *Bill*

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## The Year-End Contest

### Factory Stock:

Bryon Doss, Miami Vice Ferrari  
Curtis Epperson, El Dorado  
Dennis Tull, 56 Plymouth  
Robb Shelby, 34 Ford PU  
& 50 Chevy Stake Bed.

### Street Machine:

Bill Owen, 69 Corvair Monza  
Bill Bench, 06 Mustang  
Randy Wilson, 61 Ford  
& 61 Ranchero  
Jack Fortier, Isetta  
Scott Spraul, 69 Super Bee

### Straight Line Comp

Don Perkins, 57 Chevy Gasser  
Travis Jeffery, Hawaiian F/C  
Curtis Epperson, 68 Camaro  
& 57 Pro Stock  
& Bad Medicine

### Comp Other:

Curtis Epperson, Sprint Car  
Bill Owen, 66 Penske Corvette  
David Ginandt, #25 Midget

### Street Rod:

Jim Wilkens, 32 Ford PU  
Paul Snodgrass, 37 Chevy PU  
Robb Shelby, A TUB  
John Ginandt, 40 Ford  
& T Bucket  
Curtis Epperson, Granny's Hot Rod  
Bill Owen, Outlaw

### Juniors:

Scott Spraul, Pink Cadillac

### Curbside Street:

Randy Wilson, 68 Torino GT  
Curtis Epperson, Escalade  
Bill Owen, 69 VW Beetle  
Jim Wilkens, 60 Fury Wagon  
& 59 El Camino  
& 58 Buick

### Curbside Comp:

Jeff Spraul, 68 Firebird  
Scott Spraul, 68 Charger

### Pre Decorated:

Ben Gibson, 33 Ford Coupe

Curtis Epperson, 06 GTO  
Randy Wilson, VW Van  
& 67 Mustang  
& 68 Mustang  
& 32 Ford

### Commercial:

Kevin Belanger, IH Lone Star  
Curtis Epperson, Pie Wagon  
& Beer Wagon  
Robb Shelby, Cowboy Cadillac  
& Bitch Creek Ale

### Misc:

Kevin Belanger, Lego Truck  
Kenny Linz, Lego Racer  
Rockne Riddlebarger, Park Ranger 6X6  
& Bulldozer  
Curtis Epperson, Rat Fink  
& Batmissile

### Collector's Diecast:

David Ginandt, Harvick Stock Car  
Jeff Spraul, 12 Dodge Charger  
Ben Gibson, 52 Hudson Hornet  
Jim Wilkens, Rat Fink Mercury  
Rob Rudney, 48 Buick  
& 54 Cadillac  
& 58 Chrysler

### Out-of-Box:

David Ginandt, Race Truck  
Travis Jeffery, Mysterion  
& Sand Crab  
Curtis Epperson, 06 Camaro  
& 60 Impala  
& Rail Rider  
& Monster Semi  
& Ecto1  
& F&F Mitsubishi

### Out-of-Box Plus:

Bill Owen, Black Widow  
Ben Gibson, 53 Hudson  
Dennis Tull, 58 TBird  
Paul Schneider, Torino Cobra  
Rockne Riddlebarger, VW Panel  
& Pinto Wagon  
Curtis Epperson, General Lee  
& Daisy's Jeep

The following earned a spot in the contest via Theme or Model of the Month win.

These models should compete in the classes where they were originally entered:

Paul Schneider, 76 Camaro

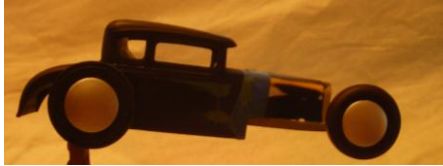
Bill Owen, Anglia

Curtis Epperson, Opel GT & King Cobra

Marshall King, 68 Dodge Dart Hemi

Mike Jinkens, Chrysler 300

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On the drawing board: Model 'A' Drag Coupe



Part Four:all the little things.....

Yeah, all those little things. Like the steering, the fuel lines, the throttle, clutch & brakes.....
OK, for starters I decided to move the seat back to the left side of the driveline, which throws out everything I'd done in terms of driver controls. I fab'd up a clutch pedal & linkage, as well as a throttle pedal & the linkages for that. Next the brake handle, the master cylinder, links & line. All scratched & mounted on brackets extending from the rails. The steering system (wheel, column, gear box, shaft, pitman arm, drag link, steering arms & tie rod) came next. I like to extend the steering shaft thru the side of the cowl, sprint car style. That means some sort of cowl loop, to hang the gear box from. So I pulled one from an old, gennie, Revell Parts Pack, along with a brake handle & master cylinder. The fuel tank returns to the driver's right side, with a hand operated pump, plumbed to the fuel block.
Next: more of the little things. Later, *Robb*

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2012 C.A.R. THEMES

Nov 12-End of Year Contest

Dec 10-EOY Awards, Election of Officers, Gift Exchange, Pizza Party

upcoming events:

Nov 25 Midwest Auto/Armor Toy Show, Model Contest & swap Meet Auburn IN

info: Jim 260-489-5015 or Preston 260-493-2032

Jan 11-13 Cavalcade of Customs Cincinnati OH info: < www.autorama.com >

Feb 8-10 World of Wheels Indianapolis IN info: < www.autorama.com >

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NEXT MEETING: North-Central Branch Library

11109 Hamilton Ave Cincinnati OH 45231

visit us @ < www.cincinnatiautoreplicas.org >

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The NGDA Points Chase 2012

The October meet turned out to be a wash-out, as only two of us brought our cars.....
So the August event became the season finale. Over the course of the season, thirty-three racers made any number of passes. Some were consistent winners, some were not. Every racer that made the show accrued points, & larger fields meant more

available points. &, of course, those available points went to racers that participated in every event & did well in those events! Every racer in the top ten appeared on the podium at least once, some more than once & one, every event. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone, participants & crew, for being part of & helping to make 2012 a successful season. *Robb*

Position	Entry/Entrant	#Points
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The top 10

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| 1) Dub/Robb Shelby 55pts | 6) Black Bug/Robb Shelby 19pts tie |
| 2) Ranger/Ed Linz 43pts | 6) '39 Chev PD/Ken Linz 19pts tie |
| 3) Trustee/ Robb Shelby 38pts | 8) Big Grn Burb/Ken Linz 17pts |
| 4) Concord/Jeff Myers 31pts* | 9) Frog/Robb Shelby 14pts |
| 5) Kahuna/Robb Shelby 23pts | 10) Challenger/Ed Linz 13pts |

The rest.....

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| Supercab/Kevin Belanger 10pts | Lil Red/Robb Shelby 8pts |
| '10 VW/Kevin Belanger 1pt | '18 Ford/Robb Shelby 8pts |
| Cobra/Kevin Belanger 1pt | Lady Bug/Robb Shelby 7pts |
| Blue 'Burb/Kevin Belanger 1pt | Blazes/Robb Shelby 6pts |
| Vette/Ken Linz 4pts | '29 Ford Cpe/Robb Shelby 5pts |
| '70 Stang/Randy Wilson 3pts | Suede/Robb Shelby 4pts |
| '53 Vic/Randy Wilson 3pts | '03 Ford/Robb Shelby 4pts |
| '68 Torino/Randy Wilson 3pts | '55 ChevPU/Robb Shelby 4pts |
| Turbine Car/Randy Wilson 2pts | #34/Robb Shelby 3pts |
| Holy Cheese/R. Riddlebarger 2pts | Digger/Robb Shelby 3pts |
| ZR1/Robb Shelby 11pts | Texaco/Robb Shelby 3pts |
| Bomber/Robb Shelby 9pts | |

*undefeated

NOTE: For the 2013 season, I'd like to see all racers numbered. Any number will do, class designations are not necessary. However, numbers one (1) thru ten (10) will be reserved for this year's top ten points leaders. As for the 6th place tie, my Black Bug will wear #7, allowing Kenny's 39 Chevy to wear #6. I hope everyone is cool with this. *Robb*

