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Preflight
Submitted by Bob Niemiec

First, I would like to wish all Wings & Wheelers a Happy Thanksgiving. Just don't over-indulge (wink, wink).

This month we have our guy's results from GraniteCon and a tongue-in-cheek article from Brad Wells. Although not specifically hobby-related some of the "Laws" certainly apply in some cases.

Fred Shannon's presentation was certainly informative. The Korean War was not exactly one of our better known conflicts and until recently very few military history books covered this period in our history. This is the first time I learned about this exchange of deceased servicemen from all sides. I hope more information about this period is covered in the future.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at the First Congregational Church in West Springfield, starting at 7 PM. This is right after the elections. I hope you all get out and vote.

Meeting Notes
Submitted by Ed Potkai

Eighteen members turned out for our September meeting. Late arrivals found the front door locked. Following recommendations by the local police, the church will keep its doors locked most of the time. For assistance, use the doorbell to the left of the entrance.

We were introduced to Fred Shannon who was a Marine during the latter part of the Korean War. Mr. Shannon showed photographic slides he made on 1 September 1954 in conjunction with a ceremony which highlighted Operation Glory, the return of fallen soldiers who had died behind enemy lines.

Four of our members had attended PatCon. All received awards, but flawed judging was the main topic of their discussion.

Don Johnson is proceeding to order name tags for all paid-up members. Members are warned to respond to Don's forthcoming e-mail or accept that your nametag will display your name as he lists it.

On The Table
Show-and-Tell from the Last Meeting

- **Al LaFleche:** 1/10 scale Nut's Planet Tywin Lannister; John Jeffries base; out of box.
- **Al LaFleche:** 120mm PiliPili Ami du Royal-Roussillon; added extension to the sash; John Jeffries base.
- **Al LaFleche:** 1/35 scale Dragon T-28 Super Heavy US Tank; added blocks to winches; Verlinden figures.

- **Al LaFleche:** 1/35 scale Bronco Models MPCV Buffalo with slat armor; brass rod antennas; Live Resin .50-caliber MG; see full review at <http://web.ipmsusa3.org/content/mpcv-buffalo-bar-armor>.
- **Jack Maynard:** 1/72 scale Revell of Germany Fairey Gannet T.5; Floquil and Model Master Paint; Xtracal decals; converted from anti-sub model to trainer version.
- **Brad Wells:** 1/50 scale Corel Half Moon; added second planking and wales.

Laws
Submitted by Brad Wells

1. Law of Mechanical Repair - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch and you'll have to pee.
2. Law of Gravity - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible place in the universe.
3. Law of Probability - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.
4. Law of Random Numbers - If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal; someone always answers.
5. Variation Law - If you change lines (or traffic lanes), the one you were in will always move faster than the one you are in now.
6. Law of the Bath - When the body is fully immersed in water, the telephone will ring.

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7. Law of Close Encounters - The probability of meeting someone you know INCREASES dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.
8. Law of the Result - When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, IT WILL!!!
9. Law of Biomechanics - The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.
10. Law of the Theater & Hockey Arena - At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle, always arrive last. They are the ones who will leave their seats several times to go for food, beer, or the toilet and who leave early before the end of the performance or the game is over. The folks in the aisle seats come early, never move once, have long gangly legs or big bellies and stay to the bitter end of the performance. The aisle people also are very surly folk.
11. The Coffee Law - As soon as you sit down to a cup of hot coffee, your boss will ask you to do something which will last until the coffee is cold.
12. Murphy's Law of Lockers - If there are only 2 people in a locker room, they will have adjacent lockers.
13. Law of Physical Surfaces - The chances of an open-faced jelly sandwich landing face down on a floor are directly correlated to the newness and cost of the carpet or rug.
14. Law of Logical Argument - Anything is possible IF you don't know what you are talking about.
15. Law of Physical Appearance - If the clothes fit, they're ugly.
16. Law of Public Speaking -- A CLOSED MOUTH GATHERS NO FEET!
17. Law of Commercial Marketing Strategy - As soon as you find a product that you really like, they will stop making it OR the store will stop selling it!
18. Doctors' Law - If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor, by the time you get there, you'll feel better. But don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

Show Me The Trophy Updates from the Model Show Landscape			
Granitecon	Nashua, NH		Sunday October 19 2014
Name	Award	Class	Model
Ian Forgey	2nd and OOB	1/72 Single-engine prop	P-40
Scott Jamison	1st	1/72 Multi-engine prop	Bf-110E-4
Ron Harrison	1st	Sci-fi/Fantasy Figure	Cult of Ulrich Senechal
Al LaFleche	1st	Mounted figures	US Cavalry 1863
	1st	Figures larger than 54mm	Tyrion Lannister
	1st	Collections	Woodland Indian Busts
Interesting Links Various contributors			

Land Based Helicopter Operations - Precautions (1953)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sCn_FWLt5Hk&feature=em-subsub_digest

WW2: Aircraft Instruments [1/2] - Introduction (1943)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JpZIDCsXrNg&feature=em-subsub_digest

WW2: Aircraft Instruments [2/2] -Line Maintenance (1943)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PcF26nNFQPo>

WW2: A Welcome to Britain (1943)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b1vS1Pxry5k&feature=em-subsub_digest

Pictures and history of all the aircraft flown by Eastern Airlines.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YZf08LE9sDo>

A study of early manned Interplanetary Missions (1962)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8oe5m6YEpaM&feature=em-subsub_digest

THE FIRST AIR FORCE ONE

Recently discovered, is an airplane of historical significance that was found (2013) languishing in an aircraft facility in Marana, AZ.

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/ehwvZXVKmPU>



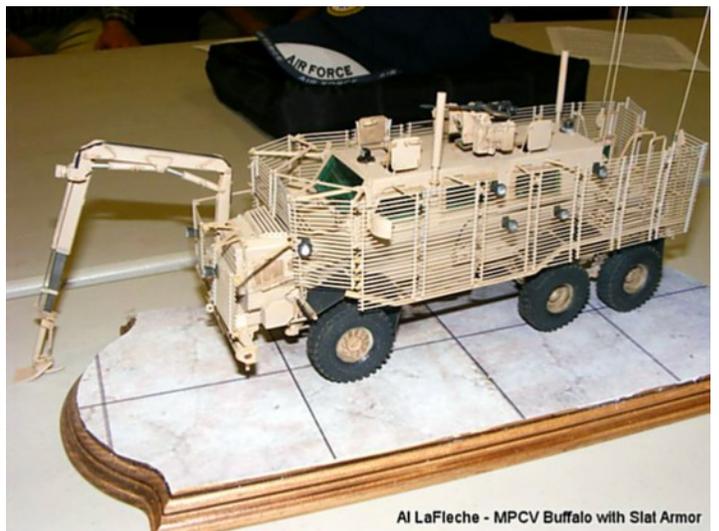
Al LaFleche - Tywin Lannister



Al LaFleche - Ami du Royal-Roussillon



Jack Maynard - Fairey Gannet T.5



Al LaFleche - MPCV Buffalo with Slat Armor



Al LaFleche - T-28 Super Heavy US Tank



Brad Wells - Half Moon