

Chapter Contacts

Please forward to your members!



Stateline Area Modelers

Yes, I know that.....y'all thought you were rid of me and my part of this chapter newsletter forwarding business. But the deal was that I would end this newsletter forwarding business with the December newsletters, and DLC Dave Lockhart would take over with January.

But this DECEMBER newsletter was just a teensy bit late!

Among other very interesting things.....that you'll find in this newsletter from the "State Line" region of Illinois and Wisconsin, is member Ernie Petit's scratch built 1/35th scale Waco

CG-4 AND Art Giovannoni's matching "Truck, 1/4 ton, 4X4, Command Reconnaissance" (better known as the "Jeep") that it is disgorging.

The CG-4's life experience was brief; so brief that very few of the THOUSANDS built (*thirteen thousand, nine hundred and three*, to be precise: many by furniture and coffin manufacturers!) survived long enough to become museum pieces. In the article's text you'll find a most interesting mention of how the New York metro area's "Cradle of Aviation" museum had found their glider. The surviving remnants were of one that a farmer had purchased decades earlier ...but only for the crates in which the glider had been shipped!

Because of their rarity, aviation museums have had to become creative in how they displayed their CG-4 glidersor their surviving pieces of gliders. For example; the **Museum of Aviation in Warner Robins Georgia, being one of the late comers to the aviation museum business, found all surviving COMPLETE gliders had long since been gobbled up. They were able to acquire only the surviving hinged nose and cockpit of a CG-4, so it has been displayed as a very believable diorama in a section of the museum depicting the D-Day invasion. The presentation is complete with a French country chapel, and a C-47 (in full invasion markings, of course) "flying" overhead.**



The CG-4 nose (only) is portrayed as the glider having crashed through one of the famous thick hedges of Normandy's "bocage country".



With similar (and worse) fates having happened to NUMEROUS CG-4's during the D-Day invasion, the presentation is eminently believable.



Where the field might have been big enough to land relatively safely, the glider pilots found that the Germans had inconveniently filled it with posts, connected by wire and now known to us as "Rommel's Asparagus"! (He called the defensive concept *Luftlandehindernis*, or "air-landing obstacle".)

The interior of this lonely and austere cockpit may be viewed on other side of the "hedge" (wall). Be sure to check out additional detailed pictures of this 1:1 scale diorama showing BOTH sides of the noseand its complete interior at this link. <http://heroicrelics.org/museum-of-aviation/waco-cg-4a/index.html>

A better idea might be to see it in person (along with all the other neat airplanes and other interesting artifacts



.....of the Museum of Aviation, by attending the **2016 IPMS**
Region 3 Contest, which will be held IN the museum this coming
June 9th.

(Go ahead, put it on your calendar, I'll wait.)

WELL BUTTER MY BUTT AND CALL ME A BISCUIT!

The 2018 Region 3 Regional
is coming to

SCOTTCON

Saturday
June 9, 2018

9:00-5:00

Museum of Aviation
Warner Robins, GA

Special Awards Include

Best WWI Subject
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Of The Tet Offensive
and
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As you can tell....these guys (IPMS/General Robert L Scott) don't take themselves too seriously: they just concentrate on everybody having a wonderful contest! Y'all come on down, you'll have a great time!

....and so with that....I'll quit forwarding newsletters, again!

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