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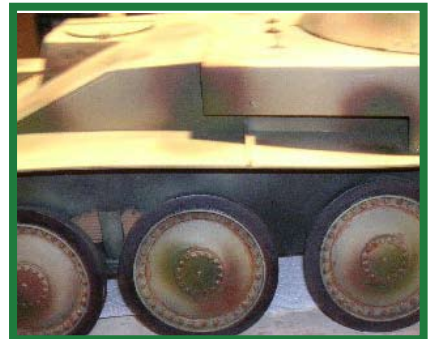
PROJECT INTRODUCTION!

VEHICLE PROJECT... REPAIRING A DAMAGED MARDER III

Hammer Six has been working at refurbishing a damaged model...

...that was mutilated by our good friends in the postal service. The vehicle arrived on his doorstep with broken wheels, hull cracks and more. The small black and white shot shows what the vehicle is supposed to look like, the rest of the pictures show you what Hammer Six is dealing with. Wheels broken off of their axles, track that fell apart. The muffer on

the back of the vehicle was partially crushed and large sections of the hull needed repairs because of cracks. Hammer Six has been tackling it one problem at a time and is starting to get the upper hand. You can see a couple of shots of his repainted wheels here and since he sent me these photos he has made more progress. I should have an update for the next issue. - PM



APRIL MEETING
It was a great meeting night. There was plenty of eye candy and a good crowd of folks. Got some pictures for you .
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RUSSIAN T-34
Panzercommander's newest ride. Check out the beautiful work on a James DeSimone classic
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COLUMBUS SHOW
A Weekend of Heroes/
Airsoft Expo
JUNE 1st and 2nd.



A look at the **APRIL** CLUB MEETING

What a great meeting it was Wednesday night. We had so much eye candy there it was hard to focus in on one thing. On this page and the next are some of the highlights. I wish I had been able to do it all justice, but you put a camera in my hand without a tripod...well, there are going to be a lot of wasted shots. We lead off with Dr. Zorkon's fantastic looking stage with Magician. This was really cool. There was a support in the center of the "levitating" figure to hold it in place, but it was impossible to see and the figure really did look like it was floating in the air. That stage is made out of cardboard believe it or not. The other figure that Dr. Zorkon was showing off was the "Southern Orator", giving a speech about the cause I suppose. A Sideshow figure with Mattel period suit. CK2 had his fantastic Dodge Weapons carrier on display. It's a

The part of the magician was played by Vlad the Impaler, he was perfect for the part.

converted 21st Century Command Car. Maddog Cpl showed the great looking Russians below as well as the Dragon Schwimmwagen on the next page. I love that Dragon Schwimmer, I definitely need one of those. One of the big highlights of the evening was Panzercommander's beautiful T-34. Incredibly it is a James DeSimone kit. WOW! It looks good. It is amazing job, a custom job that PC picked up at the Toy Chest and Collectibles open house. It truly is an amazing piece of work and I know PC is glad to have added it to his motor pool. Makes me wish I had kept the one I had (drool!).



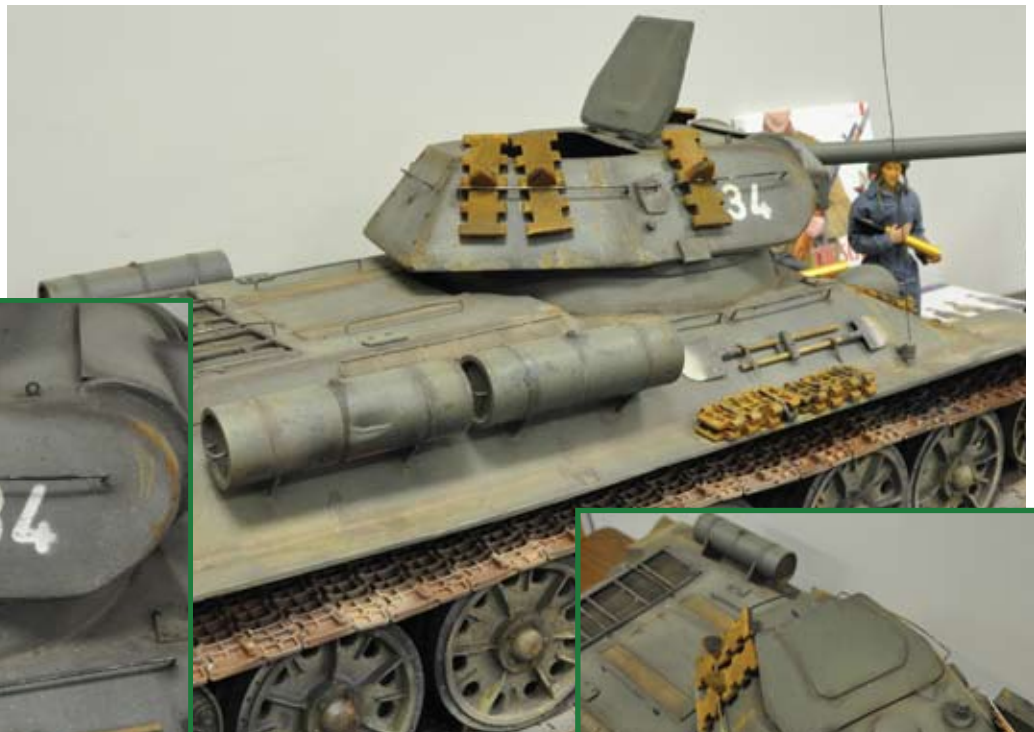


Pedro showed a huge selection of his Waffen SS troops. Every one of his figures are a piece of eye candy. He does the nicest job of weathering. I really like the foliage that was on some of the helmets. Very cool looking. Hans Albin had some terrific looking Afrika Korps

figures that we all drooled over as well (there was a lot of drooling going on). Wish I could afford that new DID figure, the Afrika Korps stuff looks really sweet. And that's the lowdown. If you weren't there, you really missed out. It was a great meeting.



T-34



The James DeSimone T-34 has been around for a number of years, but you can still find one here and there.



RUSSIAN FRONT HERO

Panzer Commander's T-34 is a work of art. The kit is basically a hull, turret, wheels and track, pretty plain-jane, but a good starting point for a simple hull vehicle.

The running gear and track on this one has been replaced with better quality parts. It is amazing what good wheels and track do for the model. The hull and the turret got a tremendous amount of attention as well and it really shows. A dremel was taken to the fenders all the way around and that makes a huge difference in the look of the vehicle as evidenced by the insert of the original kit. On the back deck of the hull, the engine covers were cut out and replaced with screen, the look of the cover is tremendous when you do this. All over the tank details were added - grab handles



Picture from James DeSimone Site

and tie-downs, tools, spare track and more. A spacer was added to the turret ring to add a little additional and needed height above the back deck. The hatches were cut out and replaced with working styrene hatches.

The final piece of the puzzle is a beautiful paint job and incredible weathering. The tank looks like it has been in the field, rusty and grimy. Panzercommander has added a great looking Russian crew and other accessories to create the perfect Hero of the Russian Front. Nice ride buddy!

