

CROSSWINDS

Where the spirit of the Lord is there is liberty. II Cor. 3:17

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Perry, GA.

The new year is moving forward and Perry GA should be on your list of places to go this year. On March 1 - 2, 2019 join thousands at one of the largest swap meet in the world. If you need something in the modeling hobby field and you can't find it there, they don't make it.

FCM president Tony Gaffney will be on hand at the FCM table with a great raffle prize. Stop by, say hi and enter the raffle.



Toledo Expo 2019.



Toledo Expo would also be a great stop to make this year. The expo is slated for April 5-6-7, 2019. Although FCM will not have a booth this year, we will be around Friday the 5th at the NASA booth.



1.

Look for new features on the FCM website. New on the site is *Modeler of the Month*. The story picked for the month will be posted on our "gallery" link. After your reign as *Modeler of the Month* your picture will be archived and can be viewed under the same link.

To enter your model send us a picture and a short story of your modeling history. You may be chosen as *Modeler of the Month*.

Please send your information to: fcm95@comcast.net



2.

Also new to the website is a store. For your gift of \$20 or more you can choose an FCM T-shirt or FCM baseball hat. Both new items will be available in February.

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If you have an event this year drop us a line with all the information and we will post it on the web site and advertise it in our Crosswinds newsletter.



Just for the fun of it.



Our good friend Pete Klepsic from Pennsylvania designed and built these Disney models. Although Pete is a C/L scale builder and competitor he still finds time to just have fun with it.



A Word from Tony

Greetings FCM, It is a new year and I hope that all had a great Christmas and New Year celebration.

I just want to share something that I think will be a help for all of us for in this new year. It is in Isaiah 43:18,19--18; Remember ye not the former things, neither the things of old. 19; Behold, I will do a new

thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it?

2018 is behind us and whether it held a lot of good or a lot of not so good what the Lord wants us to do is to leave it behind us and look for what is ahead and what God has in store for us. There are some things about keep looking back that do to us we need to know. One is that if we had a bad year last year and we keep dragging it around with us this new year then it will do nothing but put us in prison and never being able to overcome the past. Remember that the Lord said in his word that we are more that conquerors through him that loved us, but we cannot overcome if we keep looking back at all the bad instead of looking at Jesus Christ. Remember Peter when he was walking on the water, when he took his eyes off of Jesus and looked at the waves, he sank and so will we in 2019 if we keep looking back at the things that happened to us last year. Remember that God is also the God of the past. You know when I crash a plane I do not dwell on it. I try to see what I may have done wrong or what failed on the aircraft but that is it, otherwise I would start being afraid to fly again if all I do is keep looking at the crashed plane and what I lost.

Second, if we had a great year last year and we just keep looking back at it we will miss the great things that he wants to do for us this year. You all know what happens when you are driving and instead of looking forward you start looking backward, you will crash. Many children of God have missed the new great things that God has in store for them because they cannot look ahead for they keep looking backward. The Apostle Paul said, " This one thing{ and I want to emphasize "one thing"} I do, the things which are behind I forget, and that which is ahead I look for". I don't know about you but I am excited about what God has in store for me this new year. And I also never thought about being excited about getting older, but this year I can start drawing my Social Security and that will happen starting in May, Praise the Lord! So keep Isaiah 43: 18,19 to heart and do it! It just might change your whole life for the best this new and blessed year of the Lord, 2019.

**God Bless you all and have a Great Year of Flying,
Tony Gaffney**



Restoration project.



1950 kit by Berkeley pictured above.



A family in Indianapolis approached us to restore a Pitt's special their father built in the early 1950's. As you can see, storage over the years has created a challenge.

So off we go.

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As the story goes the father let his children fly his models but never this one, his pride and joy.



The landing gear, struts, control system and a few other parts had to be fabricated. After finding pictures of decals on the computer we reproduce them. Time and patience was the key here, but it was successfully completed.



Finally the rebuilding. At times it looked like a war zone in my man cave but cleaning in between segments was not on the top of my list.

After the blocking coat it can sit for a couple of days while I clean the room of all the balsa dust. Now it is ready for the base coat and graphics.



Decals and clear coat auto 2X urethane was up next.



Finished project.

The Brodak engine pictured here was installed for a test flight, but the weather at the time did not allow for that to happen. So the original McCoy 29 was cleaned up and installed.

The family was satisfied with the finished airplane and they said each of them would take turns having it on display in their offices.

Total time of restoration was.....I don't remember but I can say it was a fun and challenging project. I would do it again.



Scripture for the month.

II Corinthians 5:19-20

NIV.

19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

The theme of this newsletter seems to be the new year, so let's continue with this Scripture in mind. The new year would be a great time to start a daily commitment for reading a devotional and Scriptures. There are many good devotionals on the market to choose from. Pick one that highlights a Scripture to go along with the author's commentary.

Blessings



FCM National Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a member on the FCM prayer chain contact Will Hinton, National Prayer Chain Coordinator

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Thank you.

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