



The Monterey Bay Muddler

HAPPY NEW YEAR MUDDLERS!

Present at today's meeting were the brothers Marcum, Lee and Larry, David and his grandson Evan, Tom L. and, of course, ME. The first order of business was our 50th Anniversary and what we want to do about it. We all agreed that a nice public show (not a contest) would be nice. Larry agreed to canvas the Salinas areas for large, weather-proof venues, while David agreed to do the same on the Peninsula. I volunteered to contact the various military/veterans groups for ideas and support. We still need the rest of you to step up to the plate and help out. The last order of business was our next meeting, which will be at my home on the 2nd Sunday of February. For information call me at 394-4940.

Next order of business came from our Treasurer, David. He told us that we have \$196.88 in our account. He also told us that we received 2 thank you notes; one from Veteran's Transition Center, and the other from the Salvation Army. There being no further business, we went straight to...

SHOW AND TELL!!!



Evan was first up with a puzzle model of the Empire State Building. Along with the model came a beautiful presentation of the history of the building, and some wonderful facts about it. Kudos to Evan for a great model and a great presentation.



Tom was next with 2 beautiful WIP's. The first is a yellow Lotus T 100 from Studio 27, and the other, a black McLaren MP4-30, from Ebbro Models. We noted that the McLaren was a newer car, and it was noticeably longer, making it much safer for the driver.



David was up next with a display of American planes in the Philippines, when the Japanese bombed it in 1941. The display included a P-40E, a P-35, a Grumman Duck, and 2 B-17's: - one a B-17C model and the other a B-17D model. As usual, there was a wonderful history lesson included.





Last, but not least came my busts. They included a Roman Gladiator, with full head and face armor, as well as right shoulder armor. There was also a 17th C. Highwayman, complete with a black mask, and long flintlock pistol in his belt. There was also a Saxon soldier from the conquest of Britain by the Normans in 1066 c.e. Next was a pirate with his pipe stuck in his hat, and a Frenchman, a “sans culotte”, “shoeless”, from the period of the French Revolution, 1793 c.e. Last was a WIP, a Renaissance Chevalier from the mid 17th C.

Model of the Month



MODEL THE MONTH went to Evan, with his model of the Empire State Building. Once again, kudos to you for a job well done. Also, kudos to David and his lovely bride for being such gracious hosts. The home made cookies were GREAT!

Looking forward to seeing all of you at my home next month!

Best Always,
-Lester

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