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This is the Minicraft C-54/DC-4 that I built using Vintage Flyer ([vintageflyerdecals@gmail.com](mailto:vintageflyerdecals@gmail.com)) in Canadian Pacific markings. I coated the model with Floquil Old Silver and then used shades of Alclad II on various panels. The kit is a good representation of the venerable DC-4 although the Vintage Flyer

decals needed care when applying them due to their thinness. I quickly learned that they wanted to fold over onto themselves so judicious use of Micro Set and gentle pressure when sliding them off of their backing paper was necessary and once I learned how to apply them, things went well and the markings looked like they were painted on the model. I used Testors White enamel in the small square bottles for the

crown. The Vintage Flyer website is worth a look as they cover a wide range of commercial aircraft schemes. The build article has been submitted to Random Thoughts, the Canadian IPMS publication. Every once in awhile I get the itch to do a commercial airliner and this scheme from the early 50's caught my eye when I visited the site.



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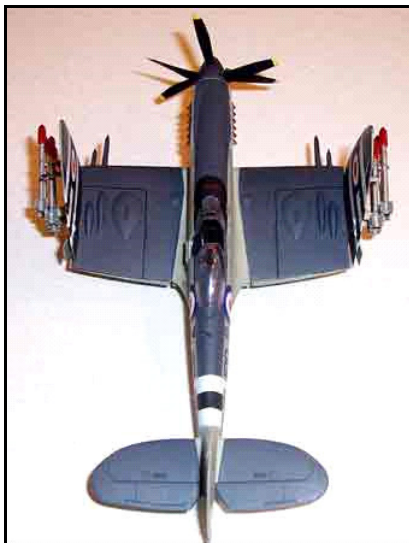
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## TCAH This Month

The monthly meeting will be held Saturday June 11, at Fleming Field, South St. Paul, beginning at 1:00 pm. Come early.



## President's Address

*by Mark Copeland*

Hello Everyone!! I hope the start of the summer is treating you well!!

Our first TCAH Field Trip went very well as we took a visit to the **Fagen Fighter Museum** in Granite Falls, Minnesota. We travelled out to see this fabulous Museum on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> to drool over the brilliant collection of flyable WWII aircraft!! It was a great day to be together with other "airplane geeks!!"

Not only is the pleasant weather a welcome sight, but summer also means....*it's airshow season!!*

Now that the Covid 19 restrictions have relaxed, summer airshows have bounced back and are now more popular than ever. Here are some wonderful shows in our neck of the woods for the upcoming season.

### June 2022

**Fagen Fighters Museum** – Granite Falls, Minnesota - June 18, 2022 – "Pride of the Pacific"  
[www.fagenfighterswwiimuseum.org](http://www.fagenfighterswwiimuseum.org)

### July 2022

**Duluth Airshow** – Duluth International Airport - July 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - Featuring the USAF Thunderbirds  
[www.duluthairshow.com](http://www.duluthairshow.com)

**Air Expo 2022** – Flying Cloud Airport - Eden Prairie Minnesota – July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.  
[www.wotn.org](http://www.wotn.org)

**EAA AirVenture 2022** - Oshkosh Airshow – Oshkosh, Wisconsin – July 25<sup>th</sup> to July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.  
[www.eaa.org](http://www.eaa.org)

Not to mention, the big event of year for we modelers. The **IPMS Nationals** in Omaha, Nebraska – July 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. It will be an amazing show with over 3000 models expected to be entered during the weekend, along with over 300 vendor tables. It will be modeling heaven in the "Cornhusker State!!"  
[www.ipmsusa2022.com](http://www.ipmsusa2022.com)

It is going to be a busy summer and I hope you will be able to enjoy some of the aforementioned events. Stay safe and stay well everyone!!



## Treasurer's Report

*by Dennis Strand*

Jay Budge and Chris Siemback are TCAH's newest members. Welcome aboard gentlemen! Their dues were the club's only income this month. There were no expenses during this period. The club account stands at \$4260.72. That is all for now. See you at the June meeting.



**WANTED: Volunteer  
Commission Model Builder**  
*by Mark Copeland*

I was approached by the Historian of the 934<sup>th</sup> AFRC, the "Global Vikings," Mr. Thomas Garcia to make an inquiry about a volunteer model builder to assist him in a dedication project to our 41<sup>st</sup> President, George Herbert Walker Bush.

As many of you know, George Bush was a U.S. Navy pilot during World War II where he flew as a Grumman TBF Avenger pilot. During Bush's initial flight training in 1943, he flew here in the Twin Cities at Wold-Chamberlin Field (MSP International Airport) and South St. Paul Airport (Fleming Field).

Tom Garcia wanted to ask if the **Twin City Aero Historians** would have a capable modeler to build the type of aircraft that Bush flew while he was here in Minnesota. That of course would be the Stearman PT-13/N2S-3 Kaydet.

I know Revell of Germany recently did a 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale kit and ICM Models also has a 1/32<sup>nd</sup> scale offering. I think that would be the appropriate size.

Eventually, Mr. Garcia wants to place the model in a permanent display at the 934<sup>th</sup> AFRC headquarters. If anyone is interested, this also could be a commission build. It would be a great tribute to President Bush and his time here in Minnesota.

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Garcia for further details at **t h o m a s . g a r c i a . 2 7 @ u s . a f . m i l** or (612) 704-0761.



A little modeling humor..

The real aircraft



How some modelers see it...



**On The Table 1 — May 2022**

<b>Modeler</b>	<b>Kit</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Scale</b>
Jay Budge	B-25 Mitchell	Monogram	1/48
Don Stauffer	USS Saratoga	Trumpeter	1/700
	SMS Emden	Revell	1/144
	Schooner Lucia Simpson	Scratchbuilt	1/75
	USS Olympia	Revell	1/350
	Cutty Sark	Aoshima	1/350
Bill Read	Jeep MB, "Seabees"	Tamiya	1/35
Harold Parsons	Heinkel HE-115	Special Hobby	1/48
Bob Maderich	1957 Chevy	AMT	1/25
	Schnellboot	Revell	1/72
	Type VII U-Boat	Revell	1/144
Steve Hustad	Mitsubishi KI-67 "Peggy"	Hasegawa	1/72
Chris S	Typhoon Sub	Hobby Boss	1/350
	Typhoon Sub	Mikro Mir	1/350
	Akula Sub	Hobby Boss	1/350

**On The Table 2 — May 2022**

<b>Modeler</b>	<b>Kit</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Scale</b>
Erik Zabel	Ju-88 A-1	Revell	1/72
	Liberty Ship "Jerimiah O'Brien"	Trumpeter	1/350
Bob Knowles	Small Scale Wooden Destroyer		
Steve Erickson	KI-10 Perry	Fine Molds	1/48
	A5M1 Claude	Fine Molds	1/48
	F11C	Lindbergh	1/48
	Hetzer	Tamiya	1/35
	M26 Chaffee	Italeri	1/35
Noel Allard	Waco GXE-1928	All three are Scratchbuilt	All 1/72
	Waco RNF-1929		
	Waco ZPF-6-1935		
Dennis Strand	ME 263	model	1/48
	Blohm and Voss BV40	Czech model	1/48
	Fieseler Fi 103R	Special Hobby	1/48
Paul Dial	Yamato	Tamiya	1/350
	Tirpitz	Tamiya	1/350

**On The Table 3 — May 2022**

<b>Modeler</b>	<b>Kit</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Scale</b>
Josh Barney	1941 Plymouth	AMT	1/25
	1928 Ford Model T	AMT	1/25
	Peterbilt Cabover	AMT	1/25
	1978 Chevy Pickup	Revell	1/25
	1976 Land Rover	Revell	1/25
Ed Vigilante	2001 PanAm Space Clipper	Aurora	?
	2001 Moon bus	Mobieus	1/55
Sean Brzozowski	MWD Catapult	Gamebody	1/100
Winston Vermilla	JA37 Viggen	Jet Mods	
	Whirlwind	Special Hobby	
	Yak 28 Brewer	Bobcat	
	I 185	Ark	
	Stru 104	Amusing Hobby	
	Tiger	Sauta	
	Covenetor	Tamiya/ Friendship	
	Crusader III (early)	Tamiya	
	Crusader III	Tamiya	
	Crusader II AA	Tamiya	
	T-90	Sauta	

## Directions to the Club Meeting Location

**Where: South St. Paul Municipal Airport, a.k.a. Fleming Field,** located on the southern extremity of South St. Paul, south of 1-494, west of Concord Street and East of Highway 52.

**If coming from the western Twin Cities going east on 494:**

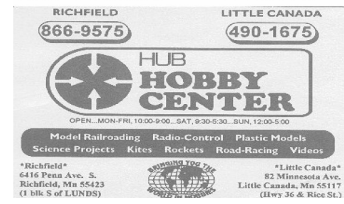
- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn right (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left there will be a McDonald's; to your right front there will be a Walgreen's.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .6 miles. Along the way you will encounter three more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2

- miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building.

**If coming from east Twin Cities on westbound 494:**

- Exit at the 7th and 5th Avenue exit (Exit No.65)
- Turn left (South) on 7th Ave and go approximately .6 miles to a 4-way Stop sign. This is South Street W. To your left front there will be a small strip mall; to your right there will be an Amoco station.
- Turn left (East) at the 4-way Stop onto
- South Street W and go approximately .4 miles. Along the way you will encounter two more Stop signs—the third Stop sign (Henry Avenue) will be a "T" intersection. At the "T" intersection on your left will be homes and on your right softball fields.
- Turn right (south) onto Henry Ave. and go approximately .2 miles toward the Fleming Field airport terminal building

The terminal is on the right with parking available.



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The group is open to aviation enthusiasts from teenagers on up who are interested in aviation modeling, photography, collecting, art and writing.

The Twin Cities Aero Historians (TCAH) meet the second Saturday of every month at 1:00pm.

See above for the new meeting locations and directions.

Mail Newsletter material to the editor and address changes to the treasurer.

