



**February 2023**

## **Jim Davis — The End of An Era**



Last Friday February 10, Jim Davis passed from this world. On that morning, as we had done for several years, we talked about making though one more week and discussed our plans for the coming week. Since 1971, we had gone to the hobby shop or bookstore and had lunch some place on Saturday morning. Many times, we met other friends and members of the model club at lunch. Until 2020 we had only missed a few Saturdays of this routine. During the pandemic, we broke our usual routine. The past year we picked up the old routine, except for lunch as a few of the folks we had lunch with had passed away, as well. Shortly after, his usual message to, “have a Blessed day and stay safe,” Jim collapsed and died.

Rest in Peace. God Speed, Old Friend. Jim was a member of the El

Paso Scale Model Society for at least fifty years and had built a huge collection of aircraft of the U.S. Navy and the USAF in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> and 1/48<sup>th</sup> scales.

If you wish to send a card to his family, the address is 2612 Fir Street, El Paso, TX 79925.



Arthur Berdick's [Takom KrAZ-6322](#)

## The meeting

We had a nice turn-out of 23 members and family for the February meeting. At the end of the meeting Mike Garcia stated, "Great meeting." Agreed.



Fabian Nevarez's Revell Rafale "C"

**Our next meeting will be on March 7, 2023, 2000 Edgemere at 2:00 P.M.**

There were a number of outstanding models that were photographed by Michael Kennedy. Thanks to Mike for his efforts.

We had two former members send photos of some of their latest work, which I will include in this newsletter. Jerry Richardson also sent photos of his latest Phantom.

Dues are being accepted for the 2023 year.



Hector Gonzalez's AMT 1963 Nova Station wagon



Zahir Vera's Trumpeter An-2 Colt



Mike Boudreaux, a former member, and photographer sent pictures of his latest work. He also spent about three or four hours visiting with John Estes while in El Paso for the weekend during late January.



Mike Boudreaux's Sword 1/48 Regianne Re.2001.



Carlos Delgado's 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale AFV Tiger 1



Arthur Berdick's Dragon Sd.Kfz 250/3 "Grief," Rommel's well-known halftrack with an Italeri Horch Kfz .15 all 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale.



Roger Gutierrez's AMT "Hot Wheels Snap Kit" 1996 Mustang



Carlos Delgado's 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale Hasegawa Hurricane II



Hector Gonzalez's 1/25<sup>th</sup> scale AMT Gremlin





Carlos Delgado's 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale Hobbycraft A4-M



Carlos Delgado's HobbyBoss 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale Me 262



Arthur Berdick's 1/24<sup>th</sup> scale Heller Citroen Fourgon type H Van



Arthur Berdick's Dragon 1/6<sup>th</sup> scale 5m Pak 38 Anti -tank gun





Don Fenton's 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale Tamiya F4U-1D.



Don Fenton's P-47D is the 1/72 Revell kit with the cowl flaps and belly corrected.

Don Fenton sent three photos of some of his recent modeling efforts. Don is one of the founding members of El Paso Scale Modeling Society. He lives in the Austin area.

He often adds the interior structure to his models and is well known for his expertise on colors and modeling skills.



The last was a fun project for a surfer friend. It's the reissue of the classic Hawk Silly Surfer kit. The kit figure was modified by removing most of the head and sculpting a new look including a new eye and hairdo.

Don Fenton

As promised last month, here is Jerry Richardson's latest F-4.



This time it is the Hasegawa 1/48 F-4C of the 188th TFG of the Arkansas ANG. Jerry Used Quickboost resin seats, the Zoukei Mura PE cockpit set and Speed Hunter Graphic decals.



Hector Gonzalez's AMT 1960 Ford Ranchero

The decals were made for Hector by Fabian Nevarez



Fabian Nevarez's Revell 1/32<sup>nd</sup> scale Spitfire Mk.1A "East India Squadron"

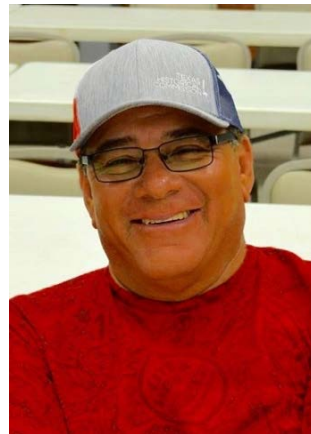




Fabian Nevarez



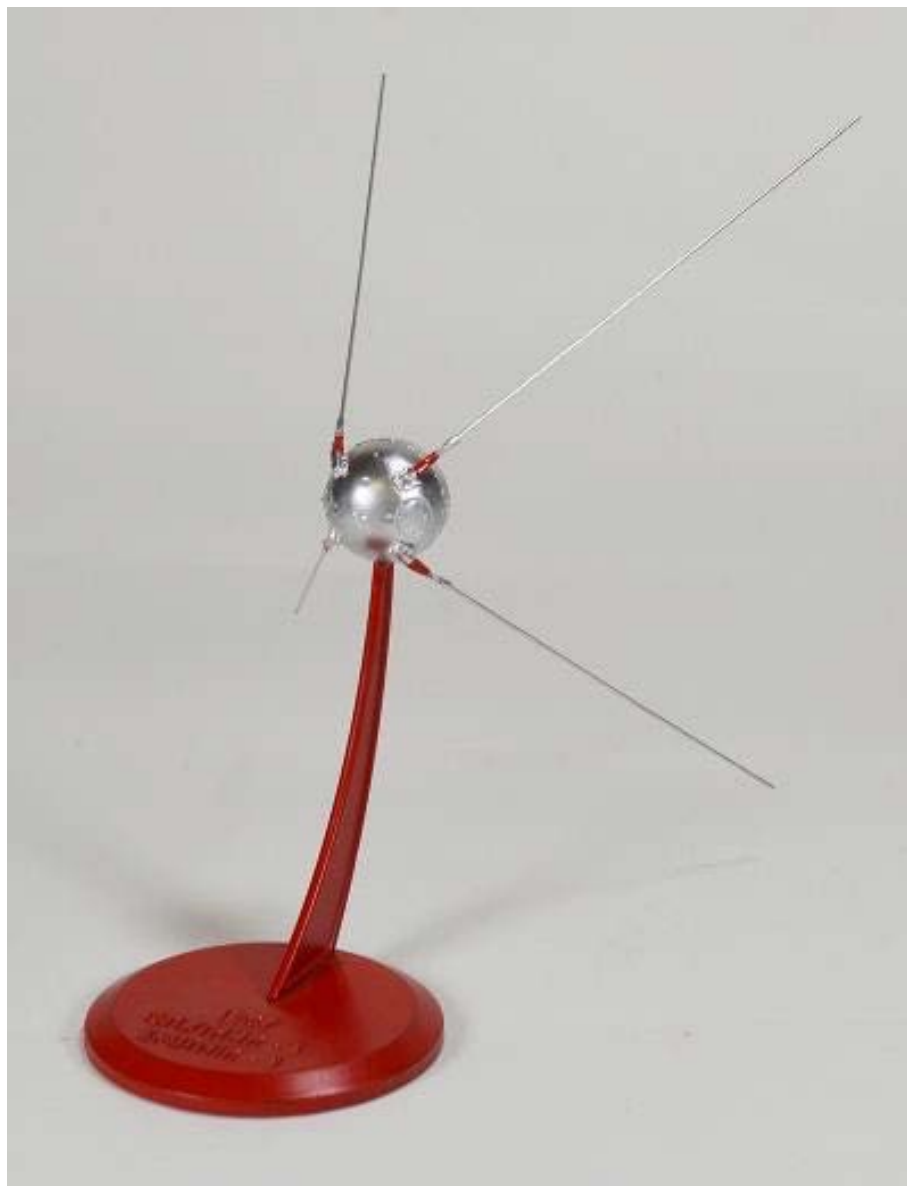
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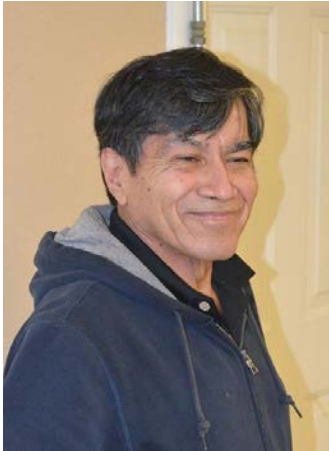
Zahir Vera's 1/24<sup>th</sup> scale "Sputnik" a Red Iron Models Kit



Zahir Vera

Justin Segovia

Joseph Roper



Jose C. Diaz



Richard Macias



Bill Coster



Ron Franco



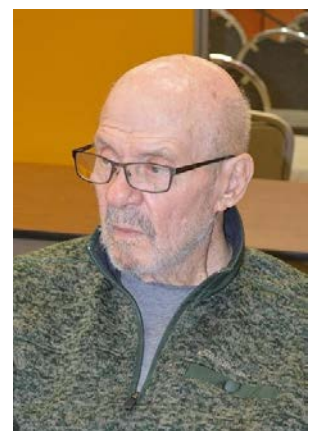
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