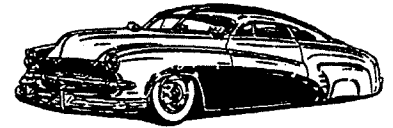




# MAMA Sez!

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## Spring is Here! Car show Time!

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- ☞ January 19th
- ☞ February 16th
- ☞ March 16th
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- ☞ July 20th
- ☞ August 17th
- ☞ September 21st
- ☞ October 19th
- ☞ November 16th
- ☞ December 21st

After some good-natured ragging on **Bill Geary** a little bit about his *well-deserved NNL East win*, the club members in attendance last month put NNL East behind them.

The meeting otherwise was very low-key. I pointed out that with the full-size show season ramping up, we will all have some hard choices to make. I cited the example the weekend following our club meeting (*April 28th*), which had no less than **FIVE** different car shows going on around the area (*Cadillac/LaSalle, British cars, Mustangs, and two All-GM shows!*). **Decisions, decisions!**

I would have to say that

one *highlight* of the meeting was the *outrageous wheels* on the 'Dubs' magazine '02 **Chevy S10 pickup** that my son Nick brought along. See page 3 for further details!

This issue is *jam-packed* with lotsa neat stuff, i.e., the *return of the GTO (!)*, as well as the *Mach I*, the *new Cobra*, the *GT40*, *Art Andersen resurfaces (!)*, and a visit to the *Batcave!* The page count may have to remain at current levels for now, in order to accommodate all the info being passed on to you guys!

The raffle brought in **\$77.00** (*while the box*

*contributed \$43.00*). The *raffle coordinator* would like to thank the following people this month:

**Ron Bradley, Lyle Wil-lits, Bob Ege, Mike Hemp, Rich Wil-son, Bruce Black, JC Reckner, Barry Horner, yours truly, and Repli-cas & Miniatures Com-pany of Maryland.**



A word here about the raffle – with *no review samples* arriving from the 'Little Three', we can always use automo-tive-related items to help pay the monthly rent! **Thanks, I 'preciate it!** 🍷

## HOT ROD Honda (?!)

**HOT ROD TV** has stooped to a new low! In a recent segment, they went 'Import hunting,' finally settling on a \$3,500 '94 **Honda Civic**, sporting a bit over

100,000 miles, eagerly taking it back to their shop, with an eye on hopping it up. Initial dyno runs pegged the stock hp at somewhere around **84**. A *new cold*

*air kit, header, new catalytic converter, and oxygen sensor* all con-tributed to a whopping **10 hp increase to 94**. And, it only cost 'em *about a grand (\$100 per hp?!)*! **Kinda pathetic, don't ya think?!** 🍷

## GTO to Return!!

For all you 'car guys' out there, if you haven't been living under a rock somewhere, or just returned from Mars, I guess you have heard the news that the **Pontiac GTO** is about to make its return to the lineup just in time to celebrate the car's **40th Anniversary**?! Yup, Ex-Chrysler guru and **new GM Vice**



Holden Monaro coupe.

**Chairman Bob Lutz** (Thanks, and better luck next time, Daimler-Chrysler!) made the announcement at the New York Auto Show.

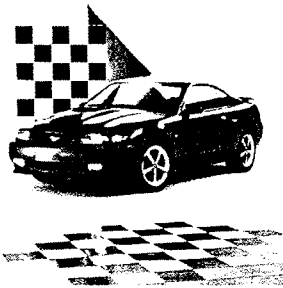
Funny thing is, in the last issue

## Ford Hot Rods!

The **Mach I** also returns in 2003! Ford will build **6,500 serialized examples** in late 2003. It will feature the 4.6-liter motor, with **at least 300**

**hp., a shaker hoodcoop,** and today's interpretation of the classic **Magnum 500 wheel**

(in 17" variety), backed up by **13" Brembo front rotors and calipers.** It also gets a firmer ride, lowered by 1/2", and a 3.55:1 rear axle ra-



'03 Mustang Mach I

of **Pontiac Enthusiast** magazine, editor **Paul Zazarine** teased all 'Ponchophiles' with the "**GTO you couldn't buy**" on the cover! The story inside detailed the Australian-built **Holden Monaro GTO** and **GTS** hot rods. Apparently, GM is

going to bring the two-door, rear-drive Australian Holden

coupe into this country in limited quantities, and rebadge it as the GTO. It should hit the showrooms in late 2003 as a **2004 model.** It is rumored to be in the **low to mid-\$30,000**

**price range.** According to the Holden website (<http://www.holden.com.au/>), the specs on the car are as follows:

- 109.7" wheelbase
- 3,615 pound curb weight
- Multi-Point Fuel Injected 5.7-

tio.

Meanwhile, **SVT boss John Colletti**, debuted the **390 hp., 2003 SVT Cobra** with a **massive burn-out**, and declared, "**The venom is back in the Cobra.**"

When asked about the decision by **GM** to discontinue the **Camaro** and **Firebird** said: "**The 38-year Pony wars are over, and Mustang wins.**"



'03 Mustang Cobra (and distant cousin!)

liter V-8, w/302 hp., & 10.0:1 compression ratio



Holden Monaro, 'enhanced' to add Pontiac styling cues for the GTO.

- T-56 6-speed manual transmission (3.73:1 rear), 4L60-E or 4-speed automatic (3.07:1 rear)
- 18" x 8" Alloy wheels
- Anti-Lock braking
- Power-assisted rack & pinion steering

**Start saving yer money!** (Ed. Note: Before I get mine, my wife will get a new one! Besides, I've already got one!). It's good to have the 'Goat (!)' back!! 🍌

With **Jack Rousch's** help, **Ford** will produce the **GT40** in **VERY** limited numbers in 2003. The concept was equipped with a 5.4-liter, super-charged V-8.

Referring to

'03 Ford GT40 (!) **Daimler-Chrysler's** upcoming **SRT/10 Ram pickup**, John Colletti declared, "**While you are trying to dethrone the Lightning, the GT40 will reduce your Viper to a status somewhere between a garter snake and an earthworm.**" 🍌



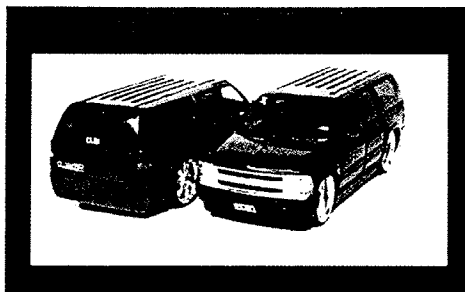
## 'Dubs' (?!?)

At the recent *Hot Wheels convention* attended by my intrepid son Nick, in nearby Reston, Vir-



ginia, he came across new diecasts (*this is a big surprise?*). Manufactured by *Jada Toys*, for *DUBS magazine* (an ethnic reference to *LARGE wheels*), there are five in all: a *Chevy Suburban*, *Avalanche*, *Astro Van*, and an *S10* (four-door) (all '02 models), and

an '03 *Cadillac Escalade*. There seems to be four main colors – *red*, *white*, *blue*, and *black*. All vehicles are available with or without *flame graphics*. They are all also equipped with *sound systems*, *opening doors*, and *LARGE five-spoke wheels* and *tires*. These guys are pretty good looking, but scale out to *about a 27" rim* in 1/24th scale! These guys are apparently



available in *BOTH* 1/24th and 1/64th scales. Check 'em out at [www.dubmagazine.com](http://www.dubmagazine.com). 🍷

## Two Million Mile Man!

Remember the story last month about the guy in the *Volvo P1800* who traveled over *two million miles*? Well, I actually saw the guy on the *Tonite show* with *Jay Leno* in the beginning of April (*shortly after putting the newsletter to bed!*). Apparently, he had the '*Buy American*' mentality, starting out with a Chevy, which broke down within sight of the dealership. For

some unknown reason, Chevy wouldn't honor his warranty. Undaunted, he traded it in for another Chevy, which had ignition problems, cutting out at inopportune times (*like in the middle of the freeway!*). At this point, a friend took him to see the new Volvo. After a *three-hour test drive*, he bought it, and the rest is, as they say, history! 🍷

## Oops!

Either *msn.com* can't count, or I am dyslexic (*maybe a little bit of both?*). In last month's "*Mo' Money!*" column detailing the top 10 most expensive cars that are available in the US, numbers nine

and 10 didn't appear to be in the correct order. The *Ferrari 550 Maranello* at number nine should be priced at *\$213, 990*, rather than *\$213, 900*, or the same as the *Bentley Arnage Red Label*. Sorry, hope my dyslexic act didn't slight Ferrari *OR* Bentley! 🍷

## New Magazine!

You knew it was coming - this spring, new *Musclecar Power magazine* hits the streets. It's published by *former Musclecar Review editor Tom Shaw*, with top writers you know and trust – *Greg Donahue*, *Paul Zazare* (?!), and *Dan Jensen*. With double the color, more action and more sizzle, *Musclecar Power* packs more cubic power than anything that's come before. Don't get left in the dust! The first press run will be only 5,000 copies, so reserve your *Premier Collector Issue* right now. Send *\$9.95 check or money order* to *Musclecar Power*, P. O. Box 6085, Lakeland, FL 33807-6085. Your issue will arrive in the Spring, postage-paid and custom mailed in a protective envelope with subscription information. If you love American musclecars don't miss this opportunity. *Musclecar Power* will feature both the *Factory Stock Drag Race* in May of 2002, and the *Pure Stock Drags* in September! 🍷

## 'All American'?

The Hoosier Model Car Association newsletter reports that former *All American Models* proprietor *Art Anderson*, has changed jobs again. Apparently, *Playing Mantis* recruited and hired him to do some *automotive research* for them. You know, the *Johnny Lightning/Polar Lights* folks?! It'll be interesting to see what he comes up with, and whether or not it will be used in their diecast or model lineup! 🍷

## This 'N That!

Not surprisingly, the gang at *Revell* have announced *more new diecast stuff*, which includes: Cars from *"The Fast and the Furious"* (in both 1/64th and 1/25th scale) - a *Mitsubishi Eclipse*, *Acura Integra*, *Honda Civic hatchback*, and the *'70 Dodge Charger* (Ed. Note: *ERTL* also has this one out in 1/18th scale!); a *'Route 66' '62 Corvette convertible* (incl. *Todd and Buzz* figures); *"Jurassic Park Bigfoot T-wrecks"* *Ford monster truck*, and *"Universal Monsters"* *Dodge monster truck*; a *'Rat Rods' series* in 1/64th scale, that will include a *'29 Ford Model A roadster*, *'25 Model T roadster*, and a *'29 Model A tub*; and finally, a *'Lowrider Mini-diorama' set* in 1/64th scale....*Porsche* will debut the *Cayenne SUV* for soccer moms early in 2003, in two versions, both equipped with 4.5-liter V-8s. The *Cayenne S* will have a *340-hp V-8*, while the hotter *turbo model* (?) will have *450-hp!* Guess that version's for soccer moms who *need to get to the games in a BIG hurry!*... *Hemmings* will publish a magazine focusing on all aspects of the *Ford Mustang*. The 32-page, black and white monthly will be called the *Hemmings Mustang Market and Tech Guide*, and will provide current data about the current market, and reliable tech info to Mustang owners and enthusiasts. A yearly sub will cost *\$19.95*. Interested? Contact 'em at Hemmings Mustang Market and Tech Guide, P.O. Box 100, Bennington, VT 05201, call (800) 227-4373, ex. 550, or go to [www.hemmings.com/hmnguides/](http://www.hemmings.com/hmnguides/)

*index.cfm*....According to the April 5th edition of the *Autoweekend* section of *The Washington Times* newspaper, *Ford* will *cease production of the Lincoln Blackwood luxury pickup truck* this year after lower than expected demand and engineering delays. Lincoln sold only *379 copies* (out of about 1,000 units produced since last Summer) of the truck from November through February. The truck was *delayed five months*, missing the chance to beat the *Cadillac EXT* to market. The EXT, by comparison, sold *2,236 units* through February -

*"The Blackwood was never intended to be a long-running vehicle."*

*more than five times* the Blackwood. The Blackwood is priced at *\$52,500*, while the EXT is *'only' \$49,990* (whatta bargain!). Word is that the delay was due to the production of a composite material pickup bed with fake African wood laminated onto the surface, and stainless steel interior panels with Dutch doors. *Jim Cain*, a spokesman for *Ford's Lincoln division*, said, *"The Blackwood was never intended to be a long-running vehicle."* *Longer than four months, I would hope!*...Remember the *'Talivans'* from last month? You know, the *speeding cameras* mounted in *unmarked vans in Hawaii?* Well, after only two months on the job, Governor Benjamin J. Cayetano *ordered a halt to their deployment*. He claims that the legis-

lature was about to repeal the program anyway. Who cares? One way or the other, the cameras are gone....In an effort to stave off a *'Bumper car' reputation*, *NASCAR* not only parked *Kevin Harvick* for the Winston Cup race at Martinsville, they subsequently fined him an *additional \$35,000 and extended his probation until the end of the year for rough driving at Martinsville*. This was the first time in NASCAR's 54-year history that a driver was forced to sit out a race under these circumstances. Apparently, Harvick vowed to spin out Coy Gibbs over the radio, before ramming his truck from behind entering the back straightaway. *Doh!*...*Robert Urich*, star of *'Vegas'* (along with a *'57 T-Bird*), and *'Spenser for Hire'* (along with a late-model *Mustang GT*), *died of cancer* last month at the age of 55....For those of you unaware that *Brooke Gordon is suing Jeff Gordon for divorce*, I just heard that his lawyer is *countersuing* her. Jeff and his lawyer contend that since *Jeff puts his life on the line to earn his money, he should get more than 50 percent of it*. Brooke and her lawyer contend that he made the choice of careers, so this should not be an issue, so, the battle rages on!...*GM's Bob Lutz* is out to *strip GM vehicles* of their *cladding*, and some *standard features*, as well. The *Avalanche*, for example, which sold *15,000 copies* in *just two months*, would lose it's cladding, but it would still be available as an option (*no word on how*

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*much!*). Other examples of this 'Cladding-free' environment he is intent on creating are the **Pontiac G-Force concept car**, which is rumored to be the next **Grand Prix**, due out in 2004, and a new **Bonneville**, known as the **GXP**, which is basically a Bonneville sans cladding, with a flush-mounted spoiler, painted in a **Dark Argentinian Blue metallic**, with smoked head and tail light lenses (*a special edition that will be sold in 2003*). This one, like the **Solstice** concept car, went from *concept* to *show car* in *four months*. GM will apparently drop cladding on *all 2004 Bonnevilles* as well as the **2004 Grand Am SE**. As far as 'decontenting' vehicles, it is Bob's goal to revert some things such as anti-lock brakes, to option status. His belief is that costly features should only become standard equipment if a large number of consumers order them as options. *I'm glad to see that Lutz has been able to light a fire under the gang at GM!...*  
 Don't know about you guys, but I just ran across some *neat display cases* at **Hobby Works**. They are made by **Hobbico** (*hobbico.com*), and actually have *diorama accessories* available! They are available in 1/18th, 1/24th-25th, 1/43rd, and 1/64th scales. You can get scenery background and asphalt and checkered flag base inserts, along with *road signs*, a *gas pump*, and a choice of *flush* or *base-mounted lighting* (w/battery packs, *IIRC!*). So, for that special model, check 'em out at Hobby Works, or online – *thanks, Kevin! ...Ferrari is seeing red!* Seems as though *gray-market importers*

*won a battle over bringing non-U.S.-spec Ferraris into the country*. A nearly year-long battle – at least related to **2001 model 360s** and **550 Maranellos** – was resolved, in some cases with onsite inspections of certified U.S. Ferraris and gray-market imports. For example, Ferrari says that non-U.S. 550 Maranellos lacked door beams required under federal crash standards, meaning importers would be required to remove the door skins to weld the steel bar in place. The DOT determined that the door beams were installed during the manufacture of both U.S. and non-U.S. models. The 550 Barchetta, for example, has the door beams installed for structural strength for the roofless model. I guess that local importers, such as **Baltimore-based JK Technologies LLC**, can now get back to work on customer cars, meaning that former **BET chairman Robert Johnson** (*whose plight I detailed in the January, 2002 newsletter – "Prancing Horsies and Big Kitties!"*) will now get his Ferrari!....  
**Danbury Mint** is throwing a *retirement party*, and you're all invited! The party is for their **Iris Mist '65 GTO convertible**. As of **June 30, 2002**, you will no longer be able to order one of these. So, if you are interested, this is your last chance. You can reach 'em at 47 Richards Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06857, or toll-free at 1-888-854-7108, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Time. *Sorry to see ya go, baby!...*In the meantime, the gang at the 'other' **Mint (Franklin)** is offering a three-dimensional representation of modern man's 'cave' - his garage!

Their latest masterpiece, entitled simply "**The Garage**", attempts to define the mystique of this modern-day 'cave.' It includes things commonly associated with men's hangouts – a *scale workbench (with a recently delivered pizza on it), complete with repair manuals, a toolbox filled with an assortment of tools, spare tires and quarts of oil, a trash can, overflowing with empty soda cans empty pizza boxes, and other assorted items; and, finally, man's best friend, a dog, ready to snatch some donuts off of the bench!* The *topper* is the **red and white '58 Corvette convertible**, with the standards we have come to expect – *opening doors, hood, and trunk, and in this case, a car cover!* I must assume that it is 1/25th scale, as the brochure does not give the scale, nor does it list the price. For further info, you can contact 'em at Franklin Center, PA 19091, or by phone at (610) 459-6553....As I write this, the condition of **NASCAR team owner Jack Roush** has been upgraded from *critical* to *serious*. For those of you unaware, he was involved in a *plane crash* on Friday, April 19th (*ironically, on his 60th Birthday*). He was *flying an experimental aircraft* when he clipped a power line, and flipped upside down into a lake, settling into about eight feet of water. A local resident was able to pull him to safety, and perform CPR on him. He ended up with a closed head injury, and broken legs. *Get well, Jack!* 🍕



## NASCAR Ace Buck Baker dies at 83

Hot off the wire! **Buck Baker**, a two-time Winston Cup champion who was included on NASCAR's 50 greatest drivers list, has died. He was 83.

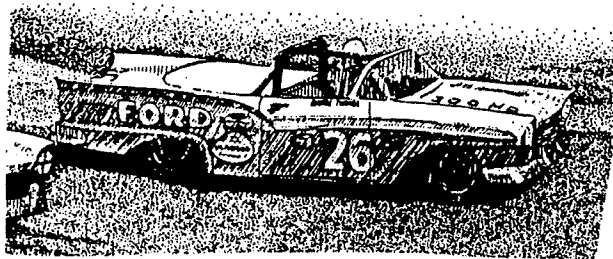
Baker died late Sunday night (April 14th) at Carolinas Medical Center. Family members said he was in the hospital for a procedure involving a pacemaker that had been implanted earlier.

Baker was part of NASCAR's history, learning his driving skills while running moonshine along the backroads of North Carolina. He was a city bus driver in Charlotte when he turned to racing full-time, competing in NASCAR's inaugural season.

He went on to win 46 Winston Cup races – 13th on the all-time list – and 44 poles. He was the first back-to-back series champion, winning titles in 1956 and 1957

Buck Baker, born Elzie Wylie

Baker on March 4, 1919, in Richburg, S.C., started 631 races, seventh-most in NASCAR, and ran the most laps and miles for three consecutive years beginning in 1955. He was a three-time winner of the Southern 500 at Darlington Raceway, one of NASCAR's most



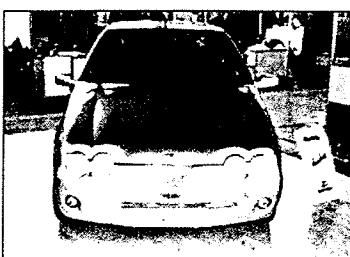
storied races.

"There was a time in the modified division that nobody could beat him," Buddy Baker said. "He won 27 in a row once at old Charlotte fairgrounds track, and the bad part was that we were the promoters at that track. They'd boo him coming in and boo him going out, but the next day everybody would be hanging around at his shop."

## Yugo Revisited!!

For those of you who miss poking fun at the *lowly Yugo*, fret no more—**Malcolm Bricklin**, the American entrepreneur responsible for importing the original to these shores, is *gonna try again!!*

He is currently cutting a deal



with Zastava Motor Works in Serbia to

introduce Americans to their latest product, tentatively dubbed the *ZMW* (I'm sure BMW lawyers are probable already salivating!)

He is reported to be setting up distributors across the U.S., planning to import the first cars in 12 months, and is confident his new company, to be called *Zastava Motor Works USA*, could sell *60,000 cars* in its first year.

Four models will be available: a *two-door, a four-door, a convertible, and a pickup truck*. Engines will come from a major European automaker (I.e., Volkswagen, Fiat,

Buck Baker, who retired in 1976, was inducted into the *National Motorsports Press Association's Hall of Fame* in 1982 and the *International Motorsports Hall of Fame* in 1990.

For the past 20 years, Baker had operated the *Buck Baker Racing School*, one of the first schools to teach the skills involved in stock car racing. The school was based at North Carolina Speedway in Rockingham and also operated at tracks in Atlanta and Bristol, Tenn.

Four-time Winston Cup champion *Jeff Gordon* drove a stock car for the first time at Baker's driving school in

Rockingham, the first step in his move from open-wheel racing in Indiana to the NASCAR stardom he now enjoys.

Baker is survived by his wife of 30 years, Susan Painter Baker; two sons, Buddy of Sherrills Ford and Randy of Kannapolis; a daughter, Susie Baker of Charlotte, a sister, two grandsons and two great granddaughters. We'll miss ya! 🍀

or Peugeot/Citroen).

Prices will range

from *\$5,000 to \$10,000*, again making them the cheapest cars on the market.

The factory, that was partially destroyed in 1999 during air strikes against Serbia, has been rebuilt. More than 120,000 Yugos were sold in the U.S. the first go-round. *Yugo, Boy!* 🍀



## Events (?!)

- ☛ *May 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> – Cruisin' Ocean City 2002*, at the Ocean City Inlet parking lot in Ocean City, MD. Info: Jack Hennen at (410) 798-6304.
- ☛ *May 18<sup>th</sup> – Fieros at Carlisle 2002* sponsored by Mid Atlantic Fiero Owners Association at Carlisle fairgrounds, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.. A show within a show, part of the *Carlisle Import, Kit/Replicar Nationals* held May 17th – 19th. Trophies, contests, food, entertainment, door prizes, \$6 admission. Info: Tom Derr, 248 Indian Creek Dr, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050, (717) 763-5748; [tom6derr@yahoo.com](mailto:tom6derr@yahoo.com), or [www.fieropride.com](http://www.fieropride.com).
- ☛ *May 25<sup>th</sup> – Bluegrass in the Park Music Festival, Bull Roast, and Classic Car Show*, from 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. at US Rt. 301 and Cherry Crossing Road (across from veteran's cemetery), hosted by the Brandywine Lions Club. Gates open at 10 a.m. (non-judged). No alcoholic beverages, coolers, or pets allowed. Food concessions available on the field. Advanced tickets \$8.00 (adults), \$10.00 at the gate, children 11 and under free with adult. Info: Roger Hamilton at (301) 292-3238.
- ☛ *May 26<sup>th</sup> – Supreme Chevy/GM Sunday*, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 75-80 Dragway, in Monrovia, MD. Info: Jim Riggs (301) 829-0171.
- ☛ *May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Twentieth Annual Street Rod Nationals East* sponsored by National Street Rod Association at York Expo Center. Info: NSRA Nationals East, 2058 Summitview Dr, Longmont, CO 80504-7761, (303) 776-7841.
- ☛ *June 1<sup>st</sup> – Maryland Penny saver Superchargers Showdown*, at MIR in Budd's Creek, MD.
- ☛ *June 1<sup>st</sup> – Thirty-Third Annual Maryland Antique Fire Apparatus Muster* sponsored by Chesapeake Antique Fire Apparatus Association at Carroll County Farm Museum. Open to any fire department or private owner of fire apparatus at least 25 years old. Parade at 10 a.m., fire engine pumping contests, booster line contest, old fashioned bucket brigade and a static display of approximately 50 pieces of antique fire apparatus, hand drawn and motorized. Flea market of fire-matic items 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. and much more. Food vendors, held in conjunction with Carroll County Farm Museum 150th Anniversary of the Alms House, \$2 admission, under 12 free. Info: Robert Alexander, (410) 848-8508 or Dick Fox, (410) 848-9112.
- ☛ *June 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Wings and Wheels Benefit show* from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Bay Bridge airport, Stevensville-Kent Island, hosted by the Kent Island Lions Club, and the Kent Island Cruisers.
- ☛ *June 1<sup>st</sup> – Fifteenth Annual McHenry Highland Festival 2002 British Auto Show*, at Garrett County Fairgrounds, Rt 219, in McHenry, MD, from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., in the middle of a large Four Seasons resort community known as Deep Creek Lake, with trophies, entertainment, contests & food; beer/alcohol sold at event, none permitted through gates. Free registration, \$7 pre-admission, \$10 at gate. Info: Chip Smith, PO Box 163, McHenry, MD 21541, (301) 387-6976, [chip@humberson.com](mailto:chip@humberson.com), or [www.highlandfest.info](http://www.highlandfest.info).
- ☛ *June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Concours and Fun Shows*, Sponsored by Corvette Club of America at Criswell Chevrolet, 503 Quince Orchard Rd, in Gaithersburg, MD, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Trophies, entertainment, food & door prizes, \$25 Concours, \$15 Fun Show, \$35 both, \$3 donation admission. Info: Tim Bowie, 1008 Village Gate Dr, Mount Airy, MD 21771, (301) 829-0478, [timbowie@md.adelphia.net](mailto:timbowie@md.adelphia.net), or [corvetteclubofamerica.org](http://corvetteclubofamerica.org).
- ☛ *June 2<sup>nd</sup> – All-Chevy Show*, from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., at Sport Chevrolet, in Silver Spring, MD. Info: EJ Whitcomb (301) 989-0121.
- ☛ *June 8<sup>th</sup> – Car Show* sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Camaro Club at Jim McKay Chevrolet, from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., rain or shine. Info: Rick, (703) 385-9160.
- ☛ *June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> – Mid-Atlantic Classic '55-'72 Chevy Festival*, hosted by Mason-Dixon Classic Chevy club at the Fran-

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- cis Scott Key motel, in Ocean City, MD.
- June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> – Second Annual Mid-Atlantic Cruise-In**, Sponsored by Custom Cruisers of Northern Virginia at Motorsports Park, in Petersburg, VA. Pre-1972 autos, nostalgia race cars. Track open to show cars to race as well - trophies, races, entertainment, contests, food & door prizes, \$20 registration includes car, driver & 1 passenger, \$10/1 day admission, \$15/2 days. Info: Ron Henaghan, 8018 Boydton Plank Rd, Petersburg, VA 23803, (804) 862-3174; [rhenaghan@virginiamotorsportspk.com](mailto:rhenaghan@virginiamotorsportspk.com), or [virginiamotorsportspk.com](http://virginiamotorsportspk.com).
  - June 9<sup>th</sup> – VCCA Atlantic Central Chevrolet Car Show #10**, sponsored by Free State Region of VCCA at the Community College in Catonsville, MD. Info: Dorothy Miller, 4305 Windy Hill Rd, Randallstown, MD 21133-1409, (410) 922-5971.
  - June 9<sup>th</sup> – Tenth Annual Big M All Ford and Mustang Spring Show** Sponsored by Mustang Club of Maryland at Big M Drive-In, Rt. 22, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Trophies, entertainment, food, door prizes. Info: Len Dodson, 2317 Bulls Sawmill Rd, Freeland, MD 21053, (410) 357-5615; [lhodsonjr@yahoo.com](mailto:lhodsonjr@yahoo.com), or <http://www.bcpl.net/~ldodson/mcom.html>.
  - June 9<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Annual All-Chevy Car and Truck show** from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., hosted by the Late Great Chevies of Maryland Car Club at Win Kelly Chevrolet in Clarksville, MD.
  - June 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> – All GM Nationals** at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA.
  - June 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> – Chevytalk Nationals**, sponsored by Chevytalk.com in Carlisle, PA. \$20 admission. Info: Tony Schaefer, PO Box 4875, Mission Viejo, CA 92690, (949) 289-0269, [tony@chevytalk.com](mailto:tony@chevytalk.com), or [www.chevytalk.com](http://www.chevytalk.com).
  - June 16<sup>th</sup> – British Car Day**, sponsored by Chesapeake Chapter of New England MGT Register at Smokey Glen Farm in Gaithersburg, MD. Open to up to 1,000 cars and held in an attractive country setting, with food & drinks available. Info: John M Tokar, (301) 831-5300, [tokarj@erols.com](mailto:tokarj@erols.com).
  - June 16<sup>th</sup> – All Chevy Show**, sponsored by Baltimore's Best Classic Chevy Club downtown in the parking lot at the corner of Ellicott Mills and Main St, in Elicott City, MD. Registration 9 a.m. – 12 noon, judging begins at noon with over 40 awards at 4 p.m. Door prizes, raffle and dash plaques to first 100 registered. Info: Mark Brashears, (410) 461-6363 or April Grammont, (410) 876-8898. **Rain date June 23rd.**
  - June 19<sup>th</sup> – Mountain Motor Nationals** at MIR, in Budd's Creek, MD.
  - June 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> – Eighteenth Annual NMRA Ford Motorsport Nationals** at Maple Grove Raceway. Info, contact ProMedia Events, (714) 444-2426.
  - June 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mid-Atlantic Chevelle Show and Swap Meet/ACES Northeast Regional** from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., at the Northeast Community Park in North East, MD. Info: Donnie at (301) 464-7618, or Rick at (410) 879-7893, or [www.chevelles.net/mcc/mcc.htm](http://www.chevelles.net/mcc/mcc.htm).
  - June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup> – 2002 Classic Thunderbird Club Int'l Convention and Concours d'Elegance**, Sponsored by New Jersey Open Road Thunderbird Club (NJORTC) at the Parsippany Hilton, in Parsippany, NJ. 1955-1957 Thunderbirds from all over the world will be displayed and vie for various awards for their owners. Over 300 T-Birds and 1,500+ persons are expected in attendance. Info: NJORTC, Mike Meehan, PO Box 565, Hewitt, NJ 07421, (973) 267-2958; [nj2002@njortc.org](mailto:nj2002@njortc.org), or <http://www.njortc.org>.
  - June 28<sup>th</sup> – 2002 Edition All Truck Nationals**, at Carlisle Fairgrounds, in Carlisle, PA. Gates open 7 a.m. daily, interested drivers can take part in the Carlisle RTI (*ramp travel index*) Challenge, **Meguiar's Sweepstakes 100-Point Judged Competition** will take place indoors, \$100 pre-

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registration, burnout demonstration, high/low competition, **Street Glow Competition**; also, 3 days of **Monster Truck Madness**. Info: Carlisle Events Hotline, (717) 243-7855, or [www.carsatcarlisle.com](http://www.carsatcarlisle.com).

☛ **June 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> – Stars, Stripes and Stangs car corral, car show, concours, convention, model show, & swap meet**, sponsored by National Capital Region Mustang Club, at Hyatt Fair Lakes, in Fairfax, VA. Fri, Sat 9 a.m. – 11 p.m., Sun 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.. Pre-register to ensure a spot. MCA membership not required (*\$10 registration discount if you are*), \$5 pre-registration discount, \$40 per Mustang entered in concours, unrestored, thoroughbred, street, daily driven, modified or late model classes. Info: Pat Porter, 4886 Tobacco Way, Woodbridge, VA 22193, (703) 590-4512, [ranessa@erols.com](mailto:ranessa@erols.com), or [www.starsstripesstangs.org](http://www.starsstripesstangs.org)

☛ **June 28<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> – Le Belle Macchine d'Italia car show, concours, convention, flea market, motorcycle show**, in Hershey, PA. The **largest 3 day Italian automotive event in North America**. Trophies, entertainment, food. \$55 registration, \$20 admission. Info: (717) 394-7218, [italiancars@aol.com](mailto:italiancars@aol.com), or <http://mhkaye.com/italiancars/>.

☛ **June 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> – Sixteenth Annual Rod Run**, Sponsored by Custom Cruisers of Northern VA, in Leesburg,

VA. Sat cruise 6 – 10 p.m., downtown historic City center closed to traffic, entertainment. Sun car show in Ida Lee Park, Rt 15 N, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Show field limited to pre-1972 vehicles, dash plaques for first 100. Trophies, door prizes, NSRA Inspections, 50/50 drawings. \$3 admission, under 12 free. Info: Steve Dodson, (703) 369-2014 or Tank Edwards, (540) 668-0445, [tanke2@earthlink.net](mailto:tanke2@earthlink.net). ☛

## Trivia Answers

As I promised last month, here they are:

1. John Mueller, Dave Carlock, Bill Depuy, Phil Sheldon, Dave Wilder.
2. Al Borst (*art director*), Al Schrank, Kenny Wiktorowski, Steve Wazslo.
3. 1961.
4. AMT introduced him on the instruction sheet for the original '36 Ford coupe/cabriolet kit.
5. Surf Woody, Munsters' Coach, Dragula.
6. Norm Grabowski.
7. Revell's "Customizing Series" '56 Buick hardtop kit (1/32 scale).
8. George Barris: Revell, AMT, MPC, Monogram (*'Bathtub Buggy'*), Aurora, & Testors.
9. MPC "The Mail Box Chopper" custom motorcycle, among others.
10. He was a California surfer mascot who was included in MPC's "Wild Ones" '28 woody/pickup kit. He was also

produced as a figure model by MPC.

11. Ed Roth
12. 19
13. Henry Blankfort, who was the PR director for Revell
14. "Spider" and "Froggie"
15. He was an Oakland firefighter.
16. Revell (*pattern maker*), AMT, IMC, MPC
17. He mentioned only the Pontiac Club de Mer. Primarily, he designed patterns for ship models.
18. Ed Roth came to your house and hung out for the day.
19. "Scuzfink."
20. Tweedy Pie with "Boss Fink."
21. Fred Flypogger.
22. "Speed Shift", "Super Fuzz", "Flip Out!", and "The Beachcomber."
23. He painted the box art for the original version of Revell's '57 Chevy hardtop in 1962.
24. '65 Dodge "Ramchargers", '28 Ford Model A sedan, "King T/Wild Dream" double kit, "Car Craft Dream Rod."
25. MPC (*"Carl Casper's Paddy Wagon"*), Monogram (*Daniel*), and AMT (*'25 T Double Kit variation*).
26. "The Tiger Cat."
27. A T Bucket kit produced in 1/32 scale.
28. Their Indy Car.
29. Issue number 44.
30. "Dirty Old Dodge," issue #29, December 1983.

Well, how'd you do? Know as much as you thought you did? Hope those of you who hadn't seen it enjoyed it! *Thanks* again to *Terry Jessee* and *Hobby Heaven* for challenging us. ☛

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MAMA's BoyZ do it in scale!



**"New" Stuff for May:**

- AMT H & C Coyote
- AMT Louisville Dump/  
Snowplow
- AMT 'Ford C-900 w/trailer
- Revell Nash Bridges 'Cuda
- Revell Roth '56 Ford p/u
- Revell '40 Ford Coupe
- Revell '63 Vette convt.
- Revell PT Cruiser convt (snap)

## Hot Rod Lincoln!

The well-known tuning firm of *McLaren* is back in the tuning business! They intend to turn out a *Hot Rod Lincoln LS* this year in limited quantities (*500 or less*) at somewhat elevated prices (*\$56,000!*). They will not be real hot rods in the sense of the word, but more like BMW and its M series of vehicles. They even made reference to *Commander Cody and the Lost Planet Airmen*, and their '*Hot Rod Lincoln*' song!

To the stock 252 hp. 3.9 liter V-8, McLaren adds an *Eaton supercharger*, and a *McLaren-built cat-back dual exhaust system*, in an attempt to boost the horsepower to



around 350 (!). Power runs through a *six-speed manual transmission* to taller rear gears for better performance. McLaren estimates these mods will shave *more than two seconds (!)* off its zero-to-sixty and quarter mile times!

The suspension will not be left alone, either. It gets *18" OZ wheels* with a *replaceable rim*, bigger brakes, performance-tuned shocks and springs, and rides 1" lower than stock.

McLaren sees all the Lincoln SUVs as prime targets for upgrades. Lincoln is not a partner in the project, but Ford is supportive (*and likes the good publicity!*). *Sport compacts* are next on their list of things to do! 🚗

We're on the web!

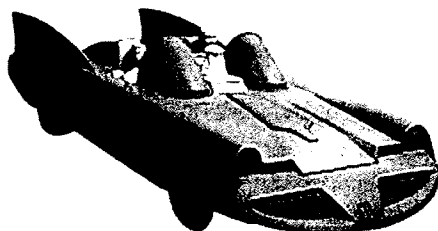
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**Once on Southway:** Go straight to the second (*2nd*) STOP sign. Make a left onto Crescent road. Go to the STOP sign and make a right into the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Library. Once in parking lot, look to the right. The large, white building is the Greenbelt Community Center. Enter building using the doors near fenced tot lot. The multi-purpose room is on the second floor. There is an elevator to the left of the entrance. 🚗

## 'To the Batcave!' Directions

Just in case you guys have not heard as yet, *Polar Lights* is set to release several '*Bat vehicles*' this Fall. They will include the *1960's Batmobile glue kit* (reported to be an all new original tool), a *Bat Plane glue kit* (Aurora re-release), a *1960's Batmobile 1/24th diecast*, and a *1950's Batmobile 1/24th diecast* (both all new original kits). Thanks to *Tom Carter* of *Hobby Heaven* for the scoop! 🚗



Test shot of the 1960's comic book version of the Batmobile.

**From the Baltimore Beltway (RT 695):** Take Exit 7, Route 295 (*Baltimore-Washington Parkway*) south towards Washington approx. 18 miles to Route 193 (*Greenbelt Road*), and exit. When on the off-ramp, stay to the right and merge right onto Southway (*see below*).

**From the Washington Beltway (RT 495):** Take Exit 22 north, towards Baltimore. Stay in the right lane and take the first exit onto Route 193 (*Greenbelt Road*). When on the off-ramp, bear to the right and take Greenbelt road west, towards College Park. Stay in the right lane and immediately after passing over the Parkway, make a right (*at the light*) onto Southway (*read on!*)