

#### This is the newsletter of the Maryland **Automotive Modelers Association**

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#### 2004 Meeting Schedule

Meetings are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month (unless noted otherwise). Do NOT assume meeting dates—confirm them with a club officer!

- March 20th
- April 24th (4th Saturday!)
- May 15th
- **(1)** June 19th
- July 17th
- August 21st
- September 18th
- October 16th
- November 20th
- December 18th

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### **Hot Summer Fun**

Well gang, modelers in attendance at last month's meeting were regaled by club Prez Lyle Willits' recollections of the formation of our little group, and his initial meeting with worldrenowned modeler Larry **Boothe**. Sadly, Larry is leaving the area (See related story, This 'n That).

There was plenty of neat stuff (built/unbuilt), on display (new stuff, too!). I understand that there was some neat stuff changing hands dirt cheap. Missed it!

This month, I guess I'm gonna catch mucho flack. In the spirit of our Big Deuce Special issues, this month's Model Buffet col*umn* is gonna focus on all things **Pontiac**. Again, like

the last two issues. you can thank (or rag on, depending on what you build!) MAMA's Boy Matt Guilfovle for his hard work in diggin' this

stuff all up. I just put it on paper for you guys, so there!! Wait'll you see what he's got comin'!

The raffle yielded \$58.00 (plus \$84.75 from

the box). Kudos to the following people: Irv Arter, Walter Bassford, Larry Boothe, Ron Bradley, Charlie Magers, Bill Riblett,

Ray Wickline, Rich Wilson/Frank Knapik (are these two interchangeable?), and Replicas & Miniatures Company of MD.

#### **Model Buffet**

With what MAMA's Boy Matt Guilfoyle has planned for this month's column (and probably several months immediately following!), I elevated it to front page status, in order to get more room between the covers for the meat of the column.

Along the lines of the well-received Big Deuce special issues we re-

cently ran, in which we spotlighted aftermarket items for the kit, Matt embarked on a mission to create a **Pontiac theme** issue (actually, several issues, due to the amount of Poncho stuff available!). And, no, I had nothing to do with it!! I will admit to making a few small contributions on items which I had prior knowledge of, but that's it.

Due to the amount of stuff available (Ed. Note: How long have I been tellin' you guys about Pontiacs?!), Matt and I decided that the items would be grouped, i.e., resin kits, decals, detail items, etc. This month, I believe we'll start with resin kits.

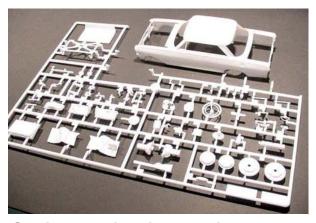
Thanks to Matt Guil*foyle* for his diligence in bringing us this column! Remember, if you find something interesting, lemme know, and I'll run it here, with proper credit given, natch!

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### **Trumpeter Nova Shots**

Thought you'd all like to see some shots of the new *Trumpeter Chevy II*, which is due out any day now. I'm told parts count is lower than the Pontiacs (as is the price!). An added bonus in this issue is the inclusion of a picture of the soon-to-be-released *Model Car Garage photoetch* set that will enhance this kit. *How many you gonna get, Lyle?* 



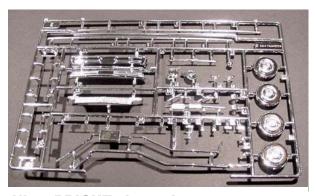
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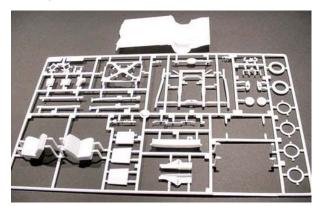
Interesting treatment of the glass unit.

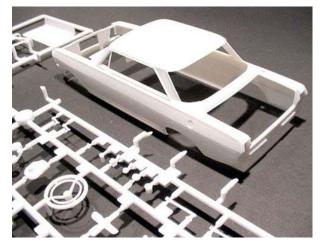


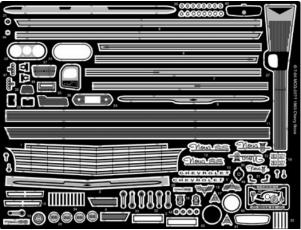
Kit photoetch vs...



Nice, BRIGHT chrome!







...upcoming MCG photoetch

### **Cadillac Escalade**

[Revell #2189, 1/25th scale, 123 pieces and decals, new tool]

Today it seems that Cadillac is on a roll. The Cadillac Escalade is the most popular luxury sport utility vehicle on the market. It is also a popular vehicle with the people who are in the business of customizing vehicles. The kit depicted here is of a mildly modified 2003-2004 Escalade, as it cannot be built as a replica stock vehicle (more on that later).

The box the kit arrived in was very heavy as compared with other model kits. Once open, I was pleasantly surprised that not only were the kit parts in a plastic

bag inside of the box, there were several smaller plastic bags within the plastic bag, each containing the pieces which made up various assemblies in the kit. Thanks Revell, for

listening to us. This kit is designed as a curbside kit, with the hood molded in, and no engine or under hood detail.

The *front suspension assembly* consists of a well engraved chassis plate, to which the front driving axle, front suspension unit, the front half of the exhaust system with the cross members, disc brakes, and tow hooks attach. Even though they appear very appropriate behind the wheels, the disc brakes should be stripped of their chrome plating, and painted with the appropriate metallic finishes for accuracy's sake.

The rear suspension assembly consists of a muffler with a dual

outlets. Polished real metal tips are included to finish off the ex-

haust—a nice feature. The exhaust system depicted here is an aftermarket system, as the factory system ends in a single 3" diameter satin pol-

ished aluminum oval tip. The rest of the rear suspension system consists of a simplified two-piece axle, which incorporates the drive shaft and suspension links, shocks, rear stabilizer bar, coil springs, and rear disc brakes, which, like the front pair, are incorrectly chrome plated. This as-



are nicely engraved, and fit well. The dashboard assembly consists of a dashboard unit with a grab handle for the right side, clear gauge face, steering column, and

steering wheel. Curiously, there is no parking brake on the dash panel. Decals depict the gauges, and wood accents throughout the interior.

The one piece, well engraved **body** captures the shape of the Escalade perfectly. The mold lines are carefully hidden, and **NO** filling of voids is required in order to prep the body for painting. The hood is molded in as a part of the body. There is a headlinermounted DVD-entertainment unit.

and hinge retainer and hinge for the rear liftgate. The "glass" in this kit is unique in that the windshield and two front door windows are clear, and the rear door glass,

rear quarter fender windows, and rear liftgate glass are deeply tinted. By the way, the windshield and door glass mount from inside the body, and the rear quarter and lift-gate glass mount from the outside. Chromed tail-light buckets, which mount inside of the body complete the body.

The aforementioned assemblies can now be joined together as a unit.

There are *two tail-lamp options* for this kit. The *factory stock* red clear lenses with separate clear backup lamps, as well as clear *"Altezza" lenses*, which require

"The Cadillac Escalade is the most popular luxury sport utility vehicle on the market."

sembly attaches to the well engraved chassis plate, with the balance molded in. Detail painting will bring out this assembly.

The *interior assembly* consists of a floorboard with center console molded into it. Two-piece front and rear bucket seats are included, along with the CD changer control plate, which mounts onto the front of the console. There is also a two-piece third row seat assembly, which could be substituted for a speaker/amplifier system. This assembly also includes a pair of side panels which depict the kick panels, door panels, and rear side panels, which

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F&F Resin Casting (http://www.resinkits.com/), 30 High Street, P.O. Box 148, Nicholson, PA 18446 or 570-942-6101, offers several resin Pontiac transkits. First off, the 1957 Super Chief 2 door sedan transkit (\$49.95), includes 13 pieces, and uses the AMT 1955 Bel Air kit as a donor. Also for \$49.95 you can get their 1957 Safari 2 door station wagon transkit for the AMT 1955 Nomad

kit, which is 15 pieces; and a 1967 Firebird 400 hardtop nine piece transkit uses the AMT 1969 Firebird 400 as the donor kit goes for \$44.95. Finally, although it's not currently available, F & F has offered in the past (and may again) a 1955 Safari 2 door station wagon transkit for the AMT 1955 Nomad (Note that the photos show plated parts. I do not believe they currently offer plated parts with their transkits. I'd suggest contacting them for confirmation.).

Hendrix Manufacturing Company, 1536 White Bear Avenue, ST. Paul, MN 55106, (651) 778-1550 or Fax (651) 778-0530 now offers a 1953 Pontiac Sedan Delivery (body, grille and non-plated

*bumpers)*, for **\$30.00**.

The Modelhaus (http://www.modelhaus.com), 5480 Traughber Road, Decatur, IL 62521-8800, (217) 864-4402. Don &

Carol Holthaus, the acknowledged leaders in the resin kit business, offer a veritable cornucopia of Pontiacs, including but not limited to: 1955 Safari station wagon kit (\$82.00, a Joe Wheat master) in-

cludes two door station wagon body with hood molded in, interior tub, dash, steering wheel, bench seats, front bumper and grille, rear bumper, hood ornament, headlights, taillights, fender skirts, promo wheels, T-232 tires, chassis and glass; 1958 Bonneville 2 door *hardtop* kit (\$71.00) includes two door hardtop body with hood molded in, interior tub, dash, steering wheel, front bumper and grille, rear bumper, taillights, headlights,

promo wheels, T-232 tires, chassis and glass; *1959 Bonneville convertible* kit (*\$73.00 - \$76.00*) includes convertible body with hood molded in, interior tub, dash, steering wheel, front bumper and



grille, grille insert, rear bumper with taillight bezels, taillights, boot, fender ornaments, hubcaps, T-400 tires, chassis and glass (w/fender skirts add \$3); 1959 Bon-

neville 4 door hardtop kit (\$70.00) includes four door hardtop body with hood molded in, interior tub, dash, steering wheel, front bumper and grille, grille insert, rear bumper with taillight bezels, taillights, fender ornaments, hubcaps, T-400 tires, chassis and glass; 1959 Bonneville 2 door hardtop kit (\$71.00 - \$74.00) includes two door hardtop body with hood molded in, interior tub, dash, steering wheel, front bumper and grille, grille insert, rear bumper with taillight bezel, taillights, fender ornaments, hubcaps, T-400 tires, chassis and glass. (w/ fender skirts add \$3); 1961 Bonneville convertible (\$78.00, master by Mitch Thimsen) kit includes convertible body with hood molded in, complete interior with separate dash and steering wheel, front and rear bumpers, fender ornaments, taillights, taillight bezels, boot, hubcaps, wheel backs, T-193 tires, engine plate, chassis and glass; 1966 Grand Prix kit (\$75.00) includes two door hardtop body with hood molded in, interior tub with separate bucket seats, dash, steering wheel, front bumper, grille, rear bumper, promo wheels, T-302 tires, chassis, engine plate, glass; 1967 Grand Prix convertible kit (\$75.00) includes convertible

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body with hood molded in, convertible boot, interior tub with separate bucket seats, dash, steering wheel, front grille, rear bumper, taillights, promo wheels, T-302 tires, engine plate, chassis and glass; 1967 Grand Prix hardtop kit (\$73.00) includes two door hardtop body with hood molded in, interior tub with separate bucket seats, dash, steering wheel, front grille, rear bumper, taillights, promo wheels, T-302 tires, engine plate, chassis and glass. Sadly, no photos are available.

Jimmy Flintstone (<u>http://www.jimmyflintstonestudios.com/</u>)

doesn't offer a catalog, although you can buy his products on eBay or at shows. He has some very interesting items available, in-

cluding a 1959 Pontiac ambulance, available as a body only, or as a transkit for the Polar Lights Ghostbusters Cadillac ambulance kit. From what I can tell, the body list for \$20.00 and the transkit is around \$75.00.

**R&D Unique** (<u>http://www.</u> <u>rndunique.com</u>), 17113 S.E. 149<sup>th</sup> Street, Renton, WA 98059, 206-



772-2507 or Fax 206-277-5296 offers a sweet resin kit, mastered by Tom Coolidge, of a 1950 Pontiac 2 door Coupe Sedan (Item #2888, \$70.00) in their new "Detroit Iron" series. It's 1/25th scale, includes 35 resin, pewter

and brass pieces, with vinyl tires and white-wall inserts. Bumpers and grille are chrome plated. You can purchase the body as a separate item for only \$33.00 (body, bumpers and grille from kit

RDU-2888, except that there is **NO CHROME** on the bumpers or grille).

Scale Equipment Ltd. (<a href="http://www.seltd.net/">http://www.seltd.net/</a>),

P.O. Box 20715, Bradenton, FL 34204, (941) 751-6584 or Fax (941) 753-4677 offers a few items for the Ponchophiles out there. *Pontiac* 

Rallye II wheels w/trim rings (#24612R, \$10.00); Pontiac Rallye II wheels w/deep trim rings (#24612D, \$10.00); and finally, Pontiac Rallye II wheels w/o trim rings (#24612, \$5.00).

We covered John Piotrowski, a. k.a. Poncho Pio (http://www.public.fotki.com/ponchopio/), (http://www.fullsizepontiacs.com/) in a previous column, but his info bears repeating. He has a small line of resin Pontiac stuff including, but not limited to the following: 1962 Grand Prix exterior conversion set (\$8.00); Includes grill/nose section, rear



**Model by Mike Hanson** 

ribbed tail panel, two GP exterior door emblems and 8 lugs wheels; 1963 Grand Prix (\$35.00), includes body w/hood molded in, grilles, turn signals, bumpers, 8 lugs, inte-

rior side panels, bucket seats, rear seat, console, dash as well as arrowhead and "Grand Prix" script decals; 1964 Catalina (\$25.00), includes body with hood molded in, grilles, 8 lugs, Grand Prix interior tub with buckets, console and dash; 1970 Grand Prix (\$25.00), includes body, hood, bumpers, headlights, rear valance, interior tub, bucket seats and dash; 1961-1964 8-lug rims (\$2.50/set), just specify year; 1962 Catalina 8-lug rims (\$8.00), steel rims (\$6.00), & Torque Thrust mags (\$4.00)  $(1/18^{th} scale)$ .

None of the parts are plated, and priority shipping is \$4.00, while rims sets are only \$1.50 each. John mainly does eBay and request sales. Send orders to: John Piotrowski, P.O. Box 85, Flossmoor, IL 60422.

Hang tight, 'cause there's plenty more coming in the next few months! Thanks to *Matt Guilfoyle* for his diligence in bringing us this column! Remember, if you find something interesting, lemme know, and I'll run it here, with proper credit given, natch!

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### This 'n That

**Condolences.** In what is starting to be a bad habit, Lyle was again the bearer of bad news at last month's meeting—the untimely passing of yet another model builder—this time, talented New Jersey builder Dave Dickash. Dave was known for his "Dare to be Different" style. He died of cancer in mid-June. You'll be missed, Dave...More Bad (?) *News*. It also came to light last month that award-winning **MAMA member Larry Boothe** is leaving the area (not the club!), not for greener, but hotter, dirtier pastures (read: Texas!). Larry and his lovely wife, Betsy, are **relocating** to **Texas** to be near family. Make sure you kick in yer fifty bucks before attending your final meeting in August, Larry (unless you plan on commuting, and I wouldn't want THAT bill!) ...Diecast news. Danbury Mint is at it again. They are set to release a stock 1940 Ford convertible, in black with a tan interior and up top. They are also announcing a light blue over dark blue 1958 **Packard Hawk** with a tan interior. All the 'now-standard' operating features are included on this duo. The tab for either one of these gems is \$115, payable in four monthly installments of \$28.75 (plus \$7.80 shipping and handling). The contact info is as follows: Danbury Mint, 47 Richards Avenue, Norwalk, CT 06857...More new goodies! Looks like you big truck guys will have a couple more options later this year—the AMT Peterbilt 352

Pacemaker Cabover, and AMT White Freightliner Single Drive Cabover, will be a special run made for the same company that has brought us the Trumpeter kits. Thanks to the HHMB for the scoop...

Eleanor Cancelled.
The Eleanor Mustang announced by ERTL has been cancelled.

The already announced '71 and '73 Mustang kits are reportedly still on track...Slixx is back! Apparently, Slixx' death was greatly exaggerated! It was recently reported in this nerwsletter that Slixx was getting out of the decal business. Well, for anyone present at NNL East in March of this year, seeing the run on the Slixx table apparently caused them to have a change of heart. They will discontinue their NASCAR decal line as June 30th. but will maintain their sales of drag racing decals, and miscellaneous sheets. Apparently, the high cost of NASCAR licensing has another victim. How long before the whole thing implodes? Time will tell...200 mph Club! In

tell...200 mph Club! In 1966, a GT40 reached a trap speed of 201 mph on the Mulsanne Straight during the 24

Hours of LeMans endurance race, and now the new Ford GT has joined that legend in the 200-plus club. The GT has become the first production road car wearing the Ford badge to achieve a top speed in excess of 200 mph. Dur-





ing engineering testing for high-speed stability and power-train durability at Italy's Nardo test facility, the Ford GT reached a *certified top speed* of *205 mph*. The Ford GT engineering team took two cars to the Nardo test facility to conduct high-speed stability evaluations

and run a 500-mile powertrain durability test. The GT40 exhibited major lift at high speeds, and the team determined that the Ford GT would also have the same issue if care was not taken to attend to the problem. In order to not disturb the exterior design, the engineering team limited aerodynamic changes primarily to the underside of the vehicle. As a result, a subtle rear spoiler extension, front and side splitters and venturi tunnels wrapped under the rear clip are the only visible changes. Production of the 2005 Ford GT will begin this summer at Ford's Wixom, MI assembly Plant. ... NASCAR Soap Opera?! Casey Mears, driver of the #41 "Target" Dodge,

will make an appearance (playing himself) on "Days of Our Lives," an afternoon soap opera.
Apparently, a character on the show purchased

ad space on the car to locate her boyfriend. If all goes well, maybe Casey *WILL* quit his day job... *Baby Bugatti?* Bugatti plans to sell a second model alongside its *987-hp*, *8.0-liter W16-powered* 

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Vevron. The new car will be produced in far greater numbers and sold at a much lower price than the 50-a-year, \$1.2 million Veyron. News reports indicate the new model is a mid-engine sports car that will sell for as little (?!) as \$125,000 and would be produced in volumes of up to 2000 per year. The baby Bugatti shares a lot with other VW models, including Lambo, Bentley and Audi... Amphibious price cut. Gibbs Technologies is increasing production and cutting the price of its \$220,000 Aquada amphibian. Responding to criticism of its high price, company founder Alan Gibbs will cut the sticker to about \$110,000 and boost production to 500 a year... Trail Rated Hummer? Next year, Hummer will introduce an as yet unnamed heavy-duty equipment package aimed at serious off-road enthusiasts. The heavy-duty equipment will debut on the H1 next year and then expand to H2 and H3 models, and will be different for each model. The H3 will debut in 2005. The H1 package will include a Duramax diesel engine, Allison transmission, and special offroad equipment...Jeep by Dodge. Dodge will sell a *compact SUV* in two years built on the same platform as the Jeep Liberty. Until now, the Chrysler group has not shared Jeep platforms. The Dodge will have a different body style, incorporating the look of a Dodge... Camaro coming? Faced with the imminent introduction of

an already highly praised *all-new 2005 Mustang* this fall and nothing in the showroom to do battle with it, GM is eyeing a return to the pony car

wars. So says Chevrolet's general manager when asked about plans for a future Mustang fighter. "We're working on that. We'll have a competitor." We'll see. ... Arrogant French! A recent newspaper story details efforts by the city council of Paris is considering a ban on SUVs. because they are "Polluters, space occupiers, dangerous for pedestrians, and other road users, and a charicature of a car." The resolution could lead to a ban within 18 months if included in an overall plan to improve traffic flow in the city. Looks like politicians are getting too big for the britches, when they can start dictating what types of vehicles we can drive...**DWB** (Driving While Blind!). A blind man was recently charged with reckless conduct after he drove a golf cart several miles through Peachtree City, Georgia, with his seeing eye dog, and guidance from an inebriated friend. He eventually ran into a parked car, without injury... Long Distance Opel. An experimental hydrogen fuel cell **Opel** set a distance record, travelling 6,214 miles across Europe, almost doubling the previous distance. The trek started in northen Norway, and took 38 days to reach the farthest point west in Europe, near Lisbon, Portugal. Opel hopes to bring a fuel cell car to market by 2010...



Macho Dodges. Dodge reports it will add two new vehicles to its lineup—an SRT0-10 Quad cab, and the new Power Wagon. The Power Wagon is based

on the Ram 2500, and, with 33" tires, seems to be designed more for rugged working conditions than everyday driving. Chrysler is also working to build more *Hemi* V8 engines at its Saltillo, Mexico, plant. As if to underscore this, Dodge confirmed that it will bring back the Charger name on a fullsized rear-wheel-drive sedan in 2005, and that it will be Hemipowered.... Hemi Puruit vehicles! While on the subject of *Mopar* and Hemis, word is that Dodge will mount a serious challenge to the Ford Crown Vic police car later next year with the new Dodge Magnum. It will include heavier-duty brakes and suspension, and will be available in both pursuit (Read: Hemi!) and non-pursuit SXT versions (3.5liter V6, rated at up to 250 horsepower)...Bonneville escapades. After last year's success with the Ecotec-powered Saturn (212 mph, shattering the old record held by a Honda), GM is continuing their assault on speed records at Bonneville this vear with at least four new vehicles: A Cobalt SS, packin' a 700 hp. turbocharged Ecotec motor (currently undergonig wind tunnel testing) aiming for 250 mph, a belly tanker aiming for 200 mph, a streamliner, and a '34 *Ford*. The projects are attributed to the GM Performance division,

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GM Racing, GM Powertrain, Chevrolet, and So-Cal Speed Shop...Staten Island Rednecks? NASCAR is studying the feasibility of a speedway on

**Staten Island**, as well as a few possible sites in **New Joisey**, and is also considering running a **Busch race** in

Mexico City in 2005...Pumped up STS? Rumors are rampant about a Cadillac-powered hot rod. The STS-V is supposedly powered by a 400+ hp. supercharged Northstar V-8, that is due out after the 2005 STS debut this Summer...Low-flyin' Jets! Rusty Wallace gave a new meaning to the term "high speed communication" recently, when he piloted his Miller Lite Dodge at speeds up to 228 mph at Talladega Superspeedway. He reportedly hit 228

mph at the end of the straightaway, and averaged 221 mph for the lap. They were there at the request of NASCAR, Nextel (series sponsor), and Racing Radios for a test of high speed communications...Lease a hot rod! Ford is throwing performance-vehicle enthusiasts a bone. Since they have

> no new Special Vehicle Team products coming until the 2006 model year, they are offering customers a special

lease program to keep them interested. The program, called Power-Lease, gives consumers a lease deal on 2004 model SVT Mustang Cobras and F-150 Lightnings. It also guarantees that they will be among the first to receive one of the new SVT vehicles when they are ready. A customer with a \$2,500 down payment would pay \$488 a month for a 30-month

PowerLease on the *Cobra coupe*. A comparable standard lease would cost \$665 a month. A 24month PowerLease for the Lightning would cost \$492 a month with \$2,500 down, while a standard lease would be \$687 a month. The new Lightning is due in the 2006 model year, while the redesigned Cobra is due in the 2007 model year... See the USA on your motorcycle? 56-year-old Gary Eagan of Salt Lake City recently broke a transcontinental record by riding a Ducati Multistrada motorcycle 5,632 miles from the northernmost road in Alaska to the southernmost tip of Florida in only 100 hours, beating the old record of 114 hours and 49 minutes, set by a MD man on a BMW motorcycle. A few hours after starting, he was forced off the road by a truck,

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### "Blast From the Past"



### Croozin'!

#### **Mondays:**

• Asphalt Angels of Maryland Glory Days restaurant, 15505 Annapolis Road, Bowie, MD. Trophy awarded weekly. Phone (301) 855-1430 Or (410) 672-0094

#### **Tuesdays:**

- Ledo's Pizza Plaza, 6:00 9:00
   Ritchie Hwy, Glen Burnie, MD
- Silver Diner, 6:00 9:00. Route 1, 1/4 mile south of Laurel Mall, Laurel, MD
- Old Branch Crossing, 6:00.
   6333 Old Branch Avenue,
   Camp Springs, MD (301) 856-3332

#### Wednesdays:

• St. Mary's Rod & Classic Car Club

Calloway's A&W. (301) 475-8288

• Wendy's, Route 4, Upper Marlboro, MD

#### Thursdays:

- Sam's Club Parking Lot Route 301 South, Waldorf, MD. Classic Cars and Street Rods -Trophies
- Bad Boys Street Rod Club, Lamont's Entertainment Complex, 7:00, 4400 Livingston Road, Indian Head, MD, (301) 932-0176
- Calvert County Cruisers , Tastee-Kwik, 6:00, Route 4, Two miles South of Prince Frederick, (410) 535-3242

#### Fridays:

• Southern Maryland Corvette Club

Calloways A&W, (301) 863-1038 Roy Rogers, 7:00, Route 40, Pulaski Hwy, Edgewood, MD Tastee Freeze, 6:00 - ???. Route 1, Laurel, MD

• Street Rod Gathering of The Street Survivors

Burger King Parking Lot, 5:00 -10:00, Brooklyn Park Shopping Center, Ritchie Hwy, Glen Burnie, MD

• Antique and Classic Car Cruise

Rose's Deli in Calvert Industrial Park, 1 ½ mile from Benedict Bridge, (410) 414-9080

### First Monday of the Month:

 Southern Knights Rod & Custom Club

American Legion, 7:30, Route 231, Hughesville, MD, (301) 843-3219 or (301) 705-9763

### First Friday of every Month:

• Denny's, Route 50, Easton, MD

### First Saturday of every Month:

 Ocean Gateway Resort, Dale Road & Route 50, mile marker 128, Whaleysville, MD

# First and Third Saturday of every month:

• Street Rod and Muscle Car Cruise In

Jimmi Cone, 5:30, Rts. 70 & 27, Mt. Airy. MD

## 2nd and 4th Saturday of each Month:

• Street Rod Gathering Dairy Queen, Liberty Road, Eldersburg, MD

### 2nd Saturday of each Month:

 Downey's, Route 213, Chestertown, MD

### 4th Saturday of each Month:

 Mid-Shore Cruisers Meet Wal-Mart Parking Lot, Off Route 50, Cambridge, MD

#### **Saturdays:**

- Lost in the 50's, 5:00 9:00, Sicily's Pizza, Route 176 (Dorsey Road), Glen Burnie, MD
- Ledo's Pizza at Park Place, 6:00 - 11:00, Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie, MD
- Gathering Of the Gearheads
  Mid-Atlantic 4 X 4 and Speed,
  Ritchie Highway, between 6th
  and 8th Avenues, Glen Burnie,
  MD
- Big M Drive-In, Churchville, MD
- Bayside Custom Cruisers,
   Aim's Marley Station Mall,
   5:30 9:30, Glen Burnie, MD

#### Sundays:

- Dunkin' Donuts, Burtonsville, MD
- Cheeseburgers in Paradise, Frederick, MD



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# THUI OSHOW

- *July 18<sup>th</sup>−Vintage Tin of MD Car Club 33rd Annual Street Rod Picnic*, at Fort Smallwood

  Park; Pasadena, MD. Info:

  (410) 760-6277.
- Fisher and Carlisle Summer Carlisle and Carlisle Summer Bike Fest at the fairgrounds. Stars of Discovery Channel's "American Chopper," Paul Sr., Paul Jr. and Mikey Teutul will appear on the 24th. Info: info@carsatcarlisle.com, www.carsatcarlisle.com.
- July 24<sup>th</sup>−2nd Annual Mid-Atlantic Plastic Model Swap Meet, presented by Collectibles in Action and Collectibles in Action Models, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Marlboro VFD, 7710 Croom Road, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772. Info (Vendor tables available): Bill Brierton at engco45@mindspring.com, or Michael Howe at mchowe@juno.com.
- *July 25<sup>th</sup>−Pontiacs at the Grove* (Maple Grove Raceway)
- Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>–Moscow County Fair 27th Annual Car Show, at North Pocono School Grounds, Route 690, Moscow, PA. Info: (570) 842-8629, or (570) 676-3200.
- Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>-Carlisle All-Truck Nationals at the fairgrounds. Info: (717) 243-7855.
- Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>—Ames Performance Pontiac Tri-Power Nationals, at Norwalk Raceway, in Norwalk, Ohio.
- Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>−30th Annual All-GM Show, at the Rockville Campus of Montgomery College, from

- 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Hosted by the Metro chapter Buick club of America, and the Centennial and Capital City Rockets chapter of the Oldsmobile clubs of America, it is open to all year GM products. Barbecued food available, DJ, T-shirt, dash plaques and awards. Info: Cory Correll, (240) 686-0229 or corydraw@starpower.net.
- Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>—Corvettes at Carlisle, at the fairgrounds. Giveaway vehicle is a 1990 Corvette coupe. Info: (717) 243-7855.
- Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>−Custom Cruisers Labor Day Car Show, in Clifton, VA. Info: Jim (703) 830-2129.
- Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>-Cancun Cantina
  Annual Car Show, at the
  Cancun Cantina, intersection of
  Dorsey Road and Telegraph
  Road, Glen Burnie, MD. Info:
  Cancun Cantina (410) 7616188.
- *East Coast Nationals*, at the Dutchess county fairgrounds. 2,000+ Rods, Customs, Classics, and Muscle cars through 1972, along with a swap meet and cars for sale corral. Info: www.goodguys.com.
- Sept. 19th—Super September
  Showdown V model contest
  and vendor show, from 9 a.m.
  to 2 p.m. at the Gilbertsville
  Fire Hall on Route 73, in Gilbertsville, PA. Info: Len Feinberg (610) 923-7534, FnPlastics@aol.com.
- *Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>*−**Bohn Pontiac All Pontiac car show**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., hosted by the Royal GTOs at Bohn Pontiac, in West-

- minster, MD. Info: Tim Sickle, (301) 249-3830, gtoguy@mindspring.com.
- Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>–Chesapeake Classic Car Club Annual Fall Show, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Easton Elks Lodge grounds on Dutchman's Lane, in Easton, MD. Info: Bruce Perry (410) 822-6242, Bud Shorter (vendors) (410) 820-8473, or Dick Maxwell (410) 820-8558.
- Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>−Fall Carlisle Collector Car Swap Meet & Corral, at Carlisle Fairgrounds, 1000 Bryn Mawr Road, Carlisle, PA 17013-1588. Info: 717-243-7855, info@carsatcarlisle.com, www.carsatcarlisle.com.
- Gct. 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>–AACA Hershey Fall Meet, in Hershey, PA. Info: (717) 534-1910.
- Show & Drags; Route 301 South & Race Track Road, Crofton, MD. Info: Capitol Raceway (410) 721-4550.
- *Model Car Show and Swap Meet*, sponsored by the Tidewater Automotive Modelers Soci-

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ety, at VFW Post 4809, 5728
Bartee Street, Norfolk, VA
23502. This year's theme: 19642004 "Forty Years of Mustangs." For info: Ronnie Ward
(252)465-9904,
(datamsprez@earthlink.net) or
Jerry Quick (757)468-6854
(tamsmodeler@aol.com).

- *October 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>−Ford Fe ver Classic*, at MIR, sponsored by Washington Area Ford Dealers.
- Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>—Capitol Miniature

  Auto Collectors Club Fall

  show, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at

the Dunn Loring VFD, in Dunn Loring, VA. Info: James William Brostrom, (703) 941-0373, <a href="mailto:jwbrostrom@yahoo.com">jwbrostrom@yahoo.com</a>.

*■ Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>***−2004 Model Car** Challenge, presented by the Long Island Auto Replica Society, at the Freeport Recreation Center, 130 East Merrick Road, Freeport NY 11520 (516) 377-2310. Doors open at 9 a.m., judging starts at 12:30 p.m. Admission: \$7.00, entry fee \$2.00 per model up to 5; additional models are *free*. Receive \$1.00 off admission with contribution of a canned good for Long Island Cares. Theme -any Vehicle with 4 doors! Show info: George Vita: (631) 736-3556 GLIARS@AOL.COM, or Rich Manson, (631) 969-4472, *RAM*-FINS59@AOL.COM

*Dec.* 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>−East Coast Indoor Nationals, at the Timonium Fairgrounds Cow Palace, in Timonium, Maryland. The largest indoor all American Car Show & Marketplace on the East Coast. 300 of the Regions finest antiques, street rods, customs & musclecars. Info: David (410) 626-6262,

jitrbug57@hotmail.com, www. EastCoastIndoorNats.com

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the lights in the buckets be appropriately painted before the lenses are glued in. There is also a separate rear liftgate unit that has an inner section, an outer panel, the rear window, a "high mount" brake light, and rear wiper, all of which mount to the hinge. The rear bumper mounts to the rear frame.

The top body assembly consists of a set of chromed door handles, a pair of outside rear view mirrors, with separate chrome faces, a pair of chrome roof rack side rails, the roof rack cross rails, which should be painted black, an "XM" radio antenna, and an "OnStar" commu-

nications antenna.

The balance of the body assembly consists of a pair of three piece running boards, front bumper with a pair of separate fog lamp lenses, a pair of chrome headlamp buckets with clear lenses, and a chrome plated replica-stock grille, or an optional custom bar grille. Decals depict various body emblems. There are also a couple of sets of license plates in decal form. A set of flame decals for the hood and the front fender and door area are also furnished, and are totally inappropriate for this vehicle, in my opinion

The final assembly consists of *two different sets of chrome custom wheels*, which mount on wire axles. In my research, the wheels

are the following brands: Sporza Bourgeois custom chromed alloy wheels or Dayton 100 Spoke Wire wheels, with a cone knock-off.

The wheel detail is excellent, especially the wire wheels, with their well-engraved separate spokes. Either wheel mounts on an accurate set of *Toyo Proxess XT*, *22inch tires*, which have excellent sidewall detail, but a very soft tread detail, like the tire tread is mostly worn off. These wheels will no doubt find their way onto other projects. Maybe Revell can sell these wheels as separate parts packs.

The Escalade comes in the following exterior colors:

- Red E A Cherry Red Metallic
- White Diamond A Pearlescent

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White

- Black Raven Black
- Blue Chip A Dark Navy Blue Metallic
- Quicksilver Silver The Escalade interior colors are:
- Shale Pale beige seats, door and rear compartment panels, headliner and carpeting, and lower dashboard, with a darker brown dash top, steering column and wheel.
- Gray Pale gray seats, door and rear compartment panels, headliner and carpeting, and lower dashboard, with a dark gray dash top, steering column and wheel.

This kit is accurate, well engineered, and, represents the product

well. With proper detail painting, it will yield an excellent replica of the subject matter. I am waiting to see who is going to be the first modeler who is going to do a full engine compartment detail and the engine/transmission from the Revell 2000 Chevrolet Silverado kit, with the opening hood.

I wish that Revell had seen fit to include a set of replica-stock wheels and tires with this kit. I have quite an interest in this vehicle, as I am a sales representative at a Cadillac dealership. Contrary to popular opinion, there are a lot of Cadillac Escalades which are not customized.

Bling, Bling!

by: Ron Hamilton 🖷

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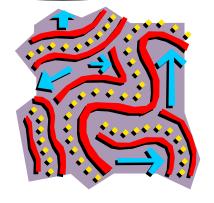
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flipping the bike and damaging his windshield, rear view mirror, auxiliary fuel tank, and shearing off the saddlebag. He suffered minor injuries, but was able to continue... Hot enough to fry an egg?! Recently, a truck carrying 30,000 pounds of eggs spilled its load off a Houston, Texas overpass, shutting down a highway. It is believed that the driver, who suffered minor injuries, may have taken a nap... **RIP Sable. Taurus next?** Ford is killing the *Mercury Sable station* wagon, and the Ford Taurus wagon may not be far behind. (Thanks to the Washington Times, autoweek.com, and other Internet sources for this insanity!)

### **Directions**

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 offramp, stay to the right and merge right onto Southway (see below).

From the Washington Beltway (RT 495/95): 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!)



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.