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## 2005 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!

- 🔊 January 15th
- 🔊 February 19th
- 🔊 March 12th (**2nd Saturday!**)
- 🔊 April 16th
- 🔊 May 21st
- 🔊 June 18th
- 🔊 July 16th
- 🔊 August 20th
- 🔊 September 17th
- 🔊 October 15th
- 🔊 November 19th
- 🔊 December 17th

**Incident weather phone number: (301) 474-5255.** ☎️

## "Git 'R Done!"

About 40 members attending last month's meeting were treated to *pretzels* thoughtfully provided by the **'Philly Gang.'** *Thanks, guys!*

Remember the annual **Club Auction in September**. So, start rounding up those automotive-related items that you wish to donate to the cause now!

And let's not forget that the club elections in November, so please consider nominating a club member, or maybe

even running for an office yourself. Club Prez Lyle has told me that my position of newsletter editor is for life, but if there were someone who thought they would like a crack at it, I say go for it!

This month's issue features impressions of **Polar Lights'** retooled **2005 GTO** by yours truly.

We have what may turn into a monthly column entitled **"Did I Do That?"** which will highlight behavior stupid

enough that it should require their removal from the **'gene pool.'**

Remember the upcoming **Super September Showdown—git them projects finished!**

The raffle raised **\$70.00**, while the door box contributed **\$64.00**. Kudos to the following: **Bob Foster III, Ron Bradley, Mike & Deb Brown, Ray Wickline, and Replicas & Miniatures Company of MD.** *Thanks, y'all!* 🎉

## "Mr. Motion" Returns!!

Always wanted a **Baldwin-Motion** car? Now's your chance: **Joel Rosen** is building **12 "new" 1969 Baldwin-Motion Camaros**. The man who put motion into musclecars in the late 1960s is back and building a very limited number of Baldwin-Motion 1969 Camaros. Yes, **"Mr. Motion"** himself, Joel Rosen, who now

lives in Florida, has announced that he has teamed up with several former employees to build a dozen 1969 Camaros with **540 cu. in., 600 hp plus Merlin/Motion fuel-injected big blocks**, according to his publicist **Martyn L. Schorr**. The new cars will have 1969 Camaro bodies with correct VINs, but that's where

the similarity between old and new ends. The new cars will feature electric-powered hoods, no door handles, custom-made tube chassis, carbon-fiber axles, four-wheel independent suspension and giant four-wheel disc brakes with eight-piston calipers. All of the Camaros will have A/C and a Sony sound

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## 2005 Drift GTO

[Polar Lights #53004, 1/25th scale; approx. 80 pieces, rubber tires, plus decals – modified reissue]

Anyone unfortunate enough to have purchased one of these kits has, for the most part, already seen it in the company's recently released 2004 GTO.

**Engine:** Exactly the same as the 2004 release (*not that that is a bad thing*). It is correct with the exclusion of the 'GTO' logo for the cam covers.

**Chassis:** A correctly retooled dual exhaust system is included. Beyond that, there is no apparent difference in the remainder of the chassis and suspension.

**Interior:** A fully upholstered interior is present. OK for the street versions, wrong for the two Drift car versions.

**Wheels & Tires:** The same set of wheels and tires that appeared in the 2004 GTO make a repeat appearance. Again, OK for stock '05s, wrong for the Drift car versions.

**Body:** I have no idea why, but on the Drift car versions, the

Yellow/Silver/Grey (2004) paint scheme is devoid of sponsor markings on the rocker panels, while the Yellow/Blue (2005) paint scheme includes them. A new 3-piece 'Tooner' rear wing is included, as well as a black-painted stock rear spoiler. A yellow 'Pontiac' banner (*instead of 'DI'*) appears across the top of the windshield. Separate outside rear view mirrors include chrome faces – OK for stock, wrong for Drift car! Good news – a correct twin-scooped hood was tooled up and included. The rear bumper is incorrect, lacking the black area and GTO lettering. The front airdam is also incorrect, (*no chin spoiler*) for Drift car versions.



**Instructions:** No difference. Still small and hard to read.

**Decals:** Yellow gauge face decal, (4) wheel center decals, & front and rear "Pontiac – Fuel for the Soul" license plates.

So, in the final analysis, a correct stock 2005 GTO could be assembled, but a Drift car, whether 2004 or a 2005 version will be a bit of a stretch.

By: Tim Sickle 🇺🇸



## GTO Shows AND Goes!

Well gang, it's official. *The new GTO is a winner!* Not only did the car win in it's third race out (*the Fram-Autolite NHRA Nationals, at Sonoma, CA*), driven by *Pro Stock champ Greg Anderson* in "*Summit*" trim, regaining the no. 1 ranking early in the day and scoring his 35th career victory (*coincidentally tying him with "Big Daddy" Don Garlits on the all-time wins list*), it also makes an appearance in the movie "*Stealth*," about a new generation of fighter plane, which debuted in theaters on July 29th.

Strange but true—with the sales of the 400 hp. GTO taking off, **GM will stop building** the Aussie version of its Pontiac GTO (*that's Monaro, for all you Yanks!*) performance coupe later this year, but the U.S. model will remain in production at least through the 2006 model year, and an all-new model is in the works, a Pontiac spokesman said.

After a slow start in 2004, U.S. sales of the 400-horsepower GTO have taken off this year. Pontiac sold 87% more GTOs in the first half of 2005 than for the same period last year. Listening to loyal

GTO owners helped. Hood scoops, real dual exhausts, and more horsepower didn't hurt either!

The car is based on the Australian Monaro coupe that went into production in 2001. GM's Australian unit, Holden, will drop the Monaro this fall to concentrate on getting a new model of its higher-selling Commodore rear-drive sedan into production. The new Commodore goes into production in mid-2006.

The Monaro and GTO are built in the same plant in Elizabeth, near Melbourne.

The next-gen GTO will come from a new global family of rear-wheel-drive cars, Pontiac spokesman Jim Hopson said.

GM insiders say that car's appearance will be more eye-catching than the somewhat anonymous GTO. The new model is likely to go into production in **2008** and will probably be built in Australia.

Holden will continue to build a version of Monaro for sale in England by GM's Vauxhall unit.

(*The following comes from the autoweek.com website on the same subject*)

What you see in



this illustration above is a fairly close rendition of what we can expect when the next-generation Pontiac GTO hits the market in 2008. We say "fairly close" because we've seen the super-secret spy photos upon which it is based, and the actual shots show a sleeker, wider, lower and, frankly, far more appealing car (*"fairly close rendition?!?"*).

That's the good news.

The bad news is General Motors' Aussie division Holden reportedly may not start cranking out these future Goats until 2008, a full two years after production ceases on the 2006 Holden Monaro-based GTO.

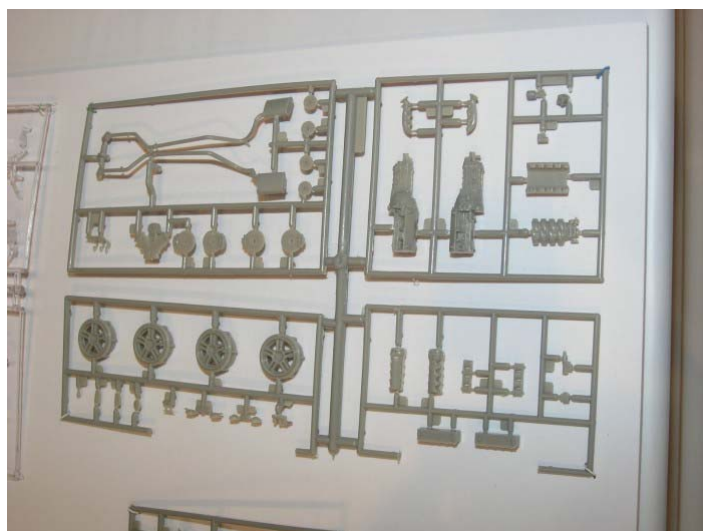
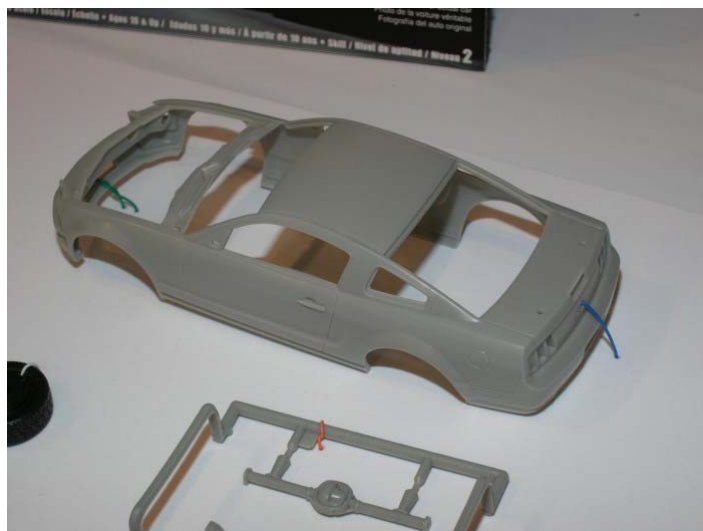
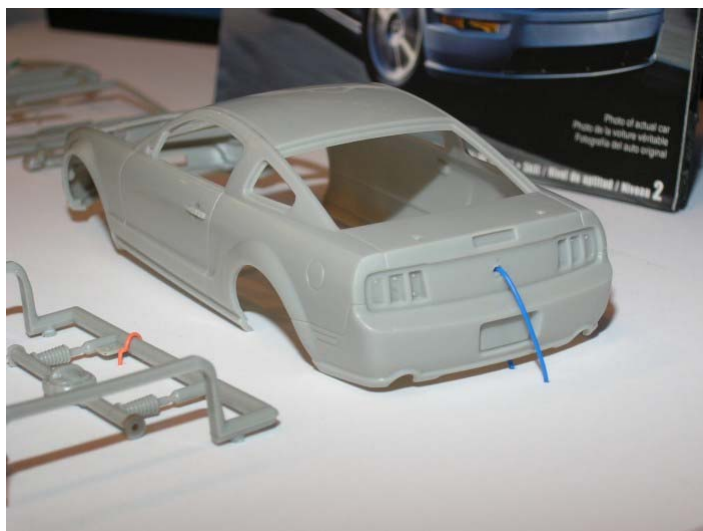
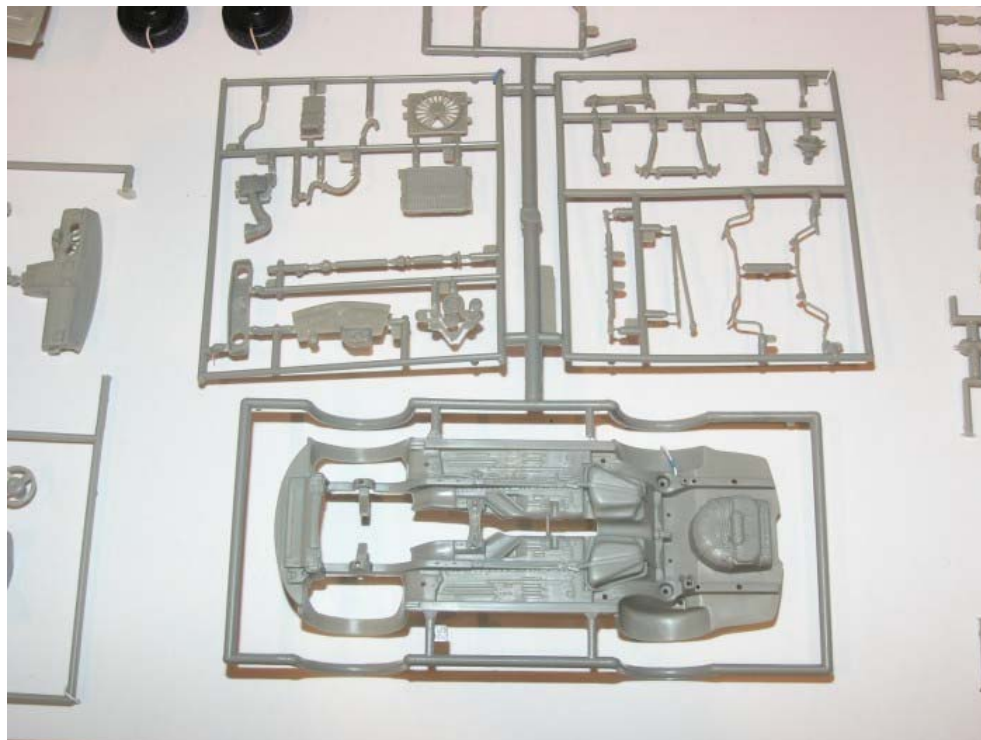
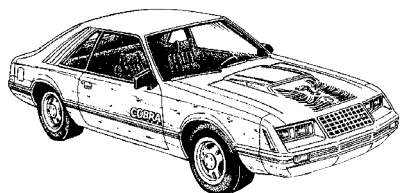
One more tidbit: It's not shown here, but we hear GM is considering doing this GTO as a **four-door coupe**, using **rear-hinged rear-access doors** without visible handles (*Ed. Note: Say it ain't so!*).

**Thanks for the scoop, Matt!** 🗣️



## Test Shots!!

Well gang, on this page you will see test shots of the upcoming **Revell 2005 Mustang**, while on the facing page is info on the upcoming **Testor's 2006 Dodge Charger**. Both of these broke cover at the recent **IPMS National Convention** in **Atlanta**. Enjoy, and make plans to get yours from your favorite supplier (a.k.a. **Ron Bradley**)! 🚗



## More New Plastic!

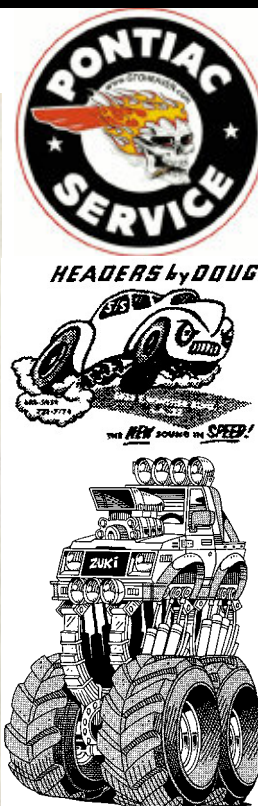
*This thing's plastic, AND has a Hemi!* Apparently, at the IPMS Nats held recently in Atlanta, Testors announced something for all you Mopar guys out there—a **2006 Dodge Charger**!

They showed a box mockup for the car at the show. The deal is pretty fresh, and it fits well with their licensing of the Hemi trademark. The kit will be 1/24th scale plastic (*they will also have a diecast*), and it will be a Testors kit made for Testors, not a rebadged kit from another model manufacturer. Dodge wanted someone to make a model of it in 1/24th scale, sort of a tie-in with the full-scale promotion that we saw here earlier where they put a “model” together of the 1:1 car. Kinda like a promo kit from the sound of it. The kit is due at the end of the year. We'll see how well that deadline holds up, eh? Rumor has it that there will be not one, not two, but **THREE** versions to choose from! They reportedly include: a **Police version** (#5314), a **Charger R/T** (#5315), and a —**Daytona Charger R/T** (#5316).

Like it or not, I guess the Charger is here to stay (*at least for now!*). Thanks to **Bob Downie**, via the HHMB for the scoop! 🍷



## “Blast From the Past”



## “World’s Fastest HHR?!”

While it remains to be seen how quickly HHRs will *‘fly’* off showroom floors, **THIS** HHR will undoubtedly be PDQ – pretty darn quick! The SoCal Speed Shop has chopped, channeled, slammed and sautéed this version to run up to 250 mph at the Bonneville Salt Flats on Aug. 13th to 19th, aiming for **226.835 mph**, the G/Blown Fuel Competition Coupe record.

The car’s turbocharged / intercooled 2.0-liter Ecotec four is tuned to make 800+ hp. Steering wheel-mounted boost control allows the driver to crank pressure up to 45 psi. In addition to body mods, the SoCal car has a Pro-Mod drag race-style double-rail chrome-moly tube chassis built by SoCal’s Robin Silk and Paul Rivera. The body also sports NASCAR-style roof flaps to help keep it on the ground should it spin.

HHR driving duties go to Jim Minneker, engineering group manager for GM High Performance Vehicle Operations. Minneker drove a Saturn Ion Red Line Coupe to a G/Blown Fuel Altered Coupe record of 212.684 mph in ‘03.

The Ion Red Line will be back this year, along with the Ecotec Lakester, both driven by lucky GM engineers. 🏎️



## HHR Notes

GM is already dialing back its sales forecast for the retro-styled **2006 Chevy HHR wagon** that goes on sale this fall.

During an interview at the LA auto show in January, Gary Cowger, then president of GM North America, said Chevy expected to sell 80,000 to 100,000 units annually. The revised goal is about 60,000 a year, with no reason given for the cut.

The HHR draws on styling cues first seen on the 1949 Chevy Suburban, and more recently on the SSR that debuted in 2003. It shares GM’s front-drive Delta (*Cobalt/Ion*) architecture.

Some journalists have criticized the HHR as being a **Chrysler PT Cruiser copycat**. And they note that buyer interest in retro vehicles

has waned: The base PT Cruiser has a \$4,500 dealer rebate, while Ford will end T-Bird production this summer.

Chrysler sold 115,955 PT Cruisers in the US last year.

GM has set a \$15,990 base price, including shipping.

The HHR faces a challenge—how to make a splash with trendy buyers who are turning to modern shapes such as the Scion xB.

The HHR’s versatility will be promoted in ads. For example, with the back of the front passenger seat folded forward, it can carry an 8-foot kayak or ladder with the liftgate closed.

It also aims to carve out a niche as a small delivery wagon. Fleet operators will be able to order a less expensive version without a rear seat and remote starter. Both features are standard on retail HHRs. With the rear seat left out,

space is available for the placement of shelving created for commercial applications. Prices and sales targets were not revealed.

Also, Chevy is designing a moveable tray as wide and as long as the rear cargo area. That tray would be on rollers and could be pulled in and out through the rear cargo hatch to handle items such as laboratory materials.

To hide the contents from view, Chevy is considering two window applications. The first is a composite panel that would cover the rear quarter windows.

The second is a special film that would be applied to the HHR’s middle side windows and rear quarter windows, kinda like a two-way mirror.

Time will tell as to how well the HHR is received.

I want the SoCal HHR version!



## Photo Page

Enclosed below are some photos taken at the *GMs at Carlisle show* earlier this year for your enjoyment. 🍷



**A numbers-matching, Hugger Orange 1970 Chevy Nova, with a 6-cylinder, three-on-the-tree, and 5,800 original miles on the odometer!**



**"I didn't know that there were that many Chevy Citations still on the roads!!"**



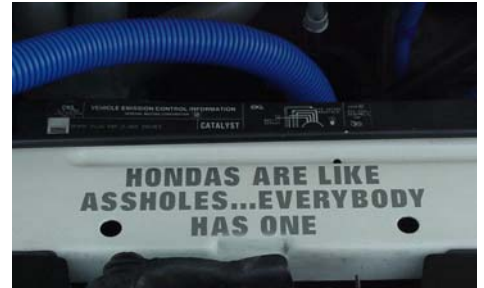
**Here's a nice candidate for those Model King '70 Bonnevill convertibles headed our way!**



**The new 507 hp. Z06 Corvette**



**A Pro Street Fiero with a fat block and a chassis certified to 7.50s?! Only \$33,000, IIRC!**



**And finally, here's an Import Tooner sentiment on, of all things, a mid-80s Grand Am.**

## "Did I Do That?"

A man ticketed for speeding thought he'd get even by paying his fine with **12,000 pennies**. But the judge had the final word by making him wait for the change to be counted.

"If the person is mad at the cop, why take it out on court administration?" said a Clay County District Judge. "They're punishing the wrong people."

Rather than count the small garbage can full of pennies by hand, the Court Administrator took them to the bank, where they were put in a counting machine. They returned with \$120 in cash and

some extra pennies, which were given to the Seattle man, who waited in the courthouse. He was cited for driving 70 mph in a 55 mph zone.

A reliable family car suddenly developed a tendency to decelerate, leading to the discovery that it had been driven for years with **\$US40,000 (\$52,000) worth of cocaine stashed in the petrol tank**. A New Orleans family had bought the **1996 Toyota Camry** from a used car dealer in 1997. When the car started losing speed, it was taken to a mechanic, who discovered two bricks of cocaine wrapped around the vehicle's fuel line. Police are now trying to trace

earlier owners of the car.

A man recently **drove his car into a wall at the DMV building** in Anchorage, Alaska. He then walked in and renewed his driver's license. Police believe he was driving while impaired on medication and charged him with driving under the influence. No one was injured as the man mounted the footpath and plowed into a side wall of the building. No one in the public area of the building noticed the accident, and by the time police arrived the man had paid \$20 and renewed his license.

Thanks to **Matt Guilfoyle** for the preceding insanity! 🍷

## This 'n That

**Apologies!** For those of you who didn't see it, **MAMA's Boy Pat Maphis** received some photo coverage in the August, 2005 issue of **Street Rodder**. **Sorry, Buddy. Thanks, Lyle...**

**Condolences.** **Motorsports pioneer and former IHRA President Larry Carrier** passed away in June following a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was 82. With the help of former Tennessee state Sen. Carl Moore, Carrier built **Bristol Motor Speedway** in 1961 and opened adjacent **Bristol Dragway** in 1965. The drag-strip hosted the NHRA Springnationals from 1965 to 1967 before switching to AHRA sanction. Carrier later founded the **International Hot Rod Association** in 1970 and presided over it until 1987. When Carrier opened Bristol Speedway, the track had seating for 18,000. By the time he sold it to Bruton Smith in 1996, capacity had increased to more than 70,000. NASCAR driver **Coo Marlin** also died just this past weekend....**More Plastic!** **Dave Burket** (a.k.a. **Model King**) is going to do another short run of the **Hemi under Glass** with **new box art**. He is negotiating with **Phil Bonner** to do another **Mustang** based on the **Dick Brannan Mustang**. **Thanks, Dave...Happy Anniversary!** For all the loyal **Toledo NNL attendees** among you out there, didja know that the **Ohio turnpike** is **celebrating 50 years (1955-2005)** in business? **I sure didn't!...Camaro Rebirth?!** The continued success of **Ford's**

**red-hot Mustang** is being noticed at General Motors. There has been talk reviving the **Chevrolet Camaro** as a competitor to Ford's pony car. Mark Reuss, GM's executive director of vehicle architecture and Performance Division, says his engineers are looking to develop a low-cost rear-wheel drive platform that makes good business sense. **So, what're you waitin' for?!...Big-engined Hondas?** Last month Honda Motor Co. said it will develop a **V10 engine** for the successor to its **NSX sports car**. Now it says a **V8 is possible** for some of its other vehicles. Honda's president says they must offer something new to customers who now own V6 vehicles, such as the Ridgeline pickup and MDX SUV. Honda expects a V8 engine to be one option to attract those customers. Honda is expected to decide whether it will produce a V8 in about three years, after the V10's debut. They long resisted a production V8, saying it can produce sufficiently powerful V6s....**Metro Saturns?!** **Saturn** is positioning itself as an eco-friendly brand starting next year with at least two models planned. The vehicles will be called **Green Line** (following the performance-oriented **Red Lines?!).** One will be a **Saturn Vue SUV** equipped with a fuel-saving starter/generator, going on sale next summer as a 2007 model. The starter/generator system will save fuel by shutting down the engine when the vehicle stops. Saturn will also introduce a **sport wagon** for the 2007 model year that will be called the **Outlook**. A **mid-sized sedan** that arrives next summer will retain the

**Aura** name used on the concept car last January. Those vehicles, along with the **Sky roadster** that arrives in showrooms early next year, will double the number of models in Saturn's lineup. **What's next – the Blue line?!...**

**Expensive Honda?** The **Honda Ridgeline** has a price problem. The innovative V-6 pickup costs about \$10,000 more than other compact trucks in the U.S. And that is hurting sales, says American Honda Motor Co. president. **Here's an idea—lower the price!!...Guinness Record-holder!** The **Mazda Miata** is listed in the Guinness book of world records as the **Most Successful two-seat convertible in history**. **Believe it or not!...Bejeweled Dubs?!** If the Dub wheel craze seemed to be slowing down, the addition of **jewels** (albeit fake!) apparently has reinvigorated it. These bejeweled rims could set you back anywhere from **\$8,000 to \$250,000 (!)** for a set of wheels carrying up to **65,000 carats of cubic zirconia!!** And if jewels aren't your taste, how about rims covered in **cowhide** or **ostrich skin?!** Or maybe even wheels with **LED slogans** of your choosing?! I think this whole wheel thing has kinda gotten out of hand!...

**Bastard Child?!** D-C's AG Chrysler Group will use a **transmission** created by **Nissan Motor Co.** and a **diesel engine supplied by Volkswagen AG** in the new **2007 Dodge Caliber**, set to debut next year, as part of efforts to cut the time and cost of vehicle development. The car will use an **all-wheel drive system** developed

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with **Mitsubishi Motors Corp.** To address complaints that transmissions sound different when they shift than a traditional automatic system with gears, Chrysler **helped develop software that simulates the sound and feel of gear changes.** Whatever works... **The Odd Couple.** If you can find an odder couple, hire them. That approach seems to underlie the Chrysler group's latest TV commercial for its blowout summer sale, which pairs **former Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca** with **rapper Snoop Dogg.** The ad, which debuted recently, shows the two pitchmen in a golf cart, both in pink shirts. Iacocca remarks that with the automaker's Employee Pricing Plus program, "Everybody gets a great deal." Snoop Dogg concurs: "Fo' shizzle, I-ca-zizzle." Market research found that earlier Iacocca commercials weren't connecting with young shoppers; Snoop's on the scene to address that problem. And while on the subject of advertising, another deal between **Ford** and **Detroit rapper Eminem** is off. Hip-hop music videos are big auto product-placement devices these days. And Ford thought it had a terrific opportunity to introduce the **Ford Fusion** to young buyers when Eminem expressed interest in putting the new mid-sized sedan in his latest video, a Detroit newspaper says. Then Ford execs perused the contents: an enthusiastic though not very tasteful appreciation of **young women's posteriors,**

**in language you wouldn't want your mama to hear.** The deal was off. "The song was over the top," Ford spokesman Jon Harmon told the newspaper. "It just wasn't Ford." Meanwhile, Ford Motor Co. **IS** teaming up with **auto enthusiast** and **hip-hop disc jockey FunkMaster Flex** to promote customized versions of the **Ford F-150 pickup** and new **Fusion sedan.** Ford wants to make the vehicles more appealing to young trendsetters. Flex is the star of **"Ride with FunkMaster Flex,"** a show on the Spike TV cable network. He will appear at Ford promotional events and lead a five-city tour that includes the customized vehicles this summer. Ford marketing officials say they anticipate the partnership with FunkMaster Flex will attract black consumers to the F-150 and Fusion. Flex says he plans to customize the Fusion with **wheels, chrome accents, tinted windows, exhaust modifications** and **two TV sets.** He plans to paint the car's mirrors to match its exterior color. Flex will give away the Fusion and F-150 he is customizing after the summer tour. He will coordinate the contest on his website, [funkmasterflex.com](http://funkmasterflex.com). Ford's black marketing agency, UniWorld Group Inc., brokered the deal between Flex and Ford. The agreement with Ford also calls for Flex to customize versions of the **Explorer SUV** and the **2007 Expedition SUV.** Through his customizing group, **Team Baurtwell,** Flex has customized vehicles for musicians **Mariah Carey, Moby** and **Wyclef Jean;** model **Tyra Banks;** and sports figures **Tracy McGrady**

and **John Madden...No to CAFÉ!** Oil is \$60+ a barrel (*and increasing seemingly by the hour!*). Gasoline costs nearly \$3 a gallon in some places. At the same time, **advocates of higher federal fuel economy standards are losing ground.** The Senate recently voted 67-28 to kill a proposal that would have boosted Corporate Average Fuel Economy standards. This year's CAFE standards are 27.5 mpg for cars and 21.0 mpg for light trucks. The defeated proposal would have increased those standards in increments by 2017, to 40.0 mpg for cars and 27.5 mpg for light trucks...**New Challenger Enroute?** Watch out, **Ford Mustang.** Dodge is preparing a challenger. In fact, it's likely to be called **Challenger.** Chrysler plans to resurrect a respected name from the pony car era for a **rear-wheel-drive Mustang fighter,** industry sources say. The car is expected in 2009 on the LX platform, the basis of the Chrysler 300/Dodge Magnum/Charger. Chrysler hopes to sell 60,000 to 70,000 of the cars a year. An assembly site was not identified. Production of the 300, Magnum and recently introduced Charger is expected to fill Chrysler's Brampton, Ontario, assembly plant. Chrysler execs are not talking about the car, but industry analysts say they are familiar with the plans. The 2005 Mustang has exceeded initial sales estimates. **Ford expects to build 192,000 Mustangs this year,** and most retail units are selling at a price near the sticker. The 1970-74 Challenger was Dodge's answer to the Mustang, as well as the **Chevrolet**

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## '06 Ford Fusion Racer

Ford has raced in NASCAR for **56 years**. They are putting a new face on their NASCAR Nextel Cup entry next year. The automaker announced that the new **Ford Fusion** will replace the venerable **Taurus** on North America's most popular racing circuit. The Fusion will be its 8th-gen entry.

After 20 years, Ford is pulling the plug on Taurus production early in 2006, and NASCAR rules require that race cars be based on showroom models. The Fusion arrives on dealer lots this fall.

When the **Charger** returned to NASCAR this year after an absence of more than two decades, Dodge recorded a 25 percent hike in its Web site traffic.



According to [NASCAR.com](http://NASCAR.com), **Chevrolet** is expected to roll out a new version of its **Monte Carlo** next year. And **Toyota** has submitted a design (*Camry?*), which has been approved by NASCAR, but the automaker has not indicated when—or if—it will compete.

While Fusion's NAS-

CAR presence could benefit Ford's bottom line, will it perform on the track as well as Taurus?

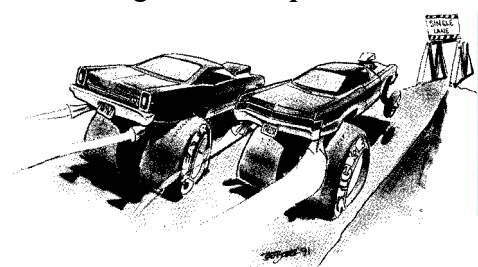
**Roush Racing** has won the last two NASCAR Nextel Cup championships using Taurus entries, and expects the car to be just as competitive as the car it will replace. 🏆



## Model Buffet

How about decals from **Keith Marks** for the **reissued International** kit from **Model King**? You can check out these and other decals available from Keith in his Fotki album (<http://public.fotki.com/mofobow/>). Contact Keith regarding pricing and availability via email at [mofobow@hotmail.com](mailto:mofobow@hotmail.com).

Thanks again to **Matt Guilfoyle** for his work in putting this column together! *We 'preciate it, Matt!* 🏆





☞ **May 14<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>—Flashlight Drags**, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. on St Rt 288, in Zelienople, PA. Legal street racing, all street legal cars and trucks compete in heads-up 1/8 format. Spectator fee: \$5, registration fee: \$25. Info: PO Box 119, Bradfordwoods, PA 15015, (412) 973-8608, [www.alteredgas.com](http://www.alteredgas.com), [info@alteredgas.com](mailto:info@alteredgas.com).

☞ **Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>—Jet Wars** at MIR in Budd's Creek, MD. Info: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>.

☞ **Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>—Cruisin' East Coast Regionals Custom car & truck show**, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Kahunaville, in Wilmington, Delaware. Slow drags, dyno runs, burnout contest, Play Station tournament. Info: <http://www.kahunaville.com>.

☞ **Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>—Corvettes at Carlisle**, at Carlisle, PA Info: Carlisle Productions, (717) 243-7855, <http://www.carlisleevent.com>.

☞ **Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>—4th Annual Stewart Warner NMCA Hot Rod & Muscle Car Nationals**, at Maple Grove Raceway, Reading, PA. Info: <http://www.maplegroveraceway.com/>.

☞ **Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>—The Super September Showdown VI Model Contest and Vendor Show**, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Gilbertsville Fire Hall, Route 73, Gilbertsville, PA. Info: Len Feinberg, at [FnPlastics@aol.com](mailto:FenPlastics@aol.com).

☞ **Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>—IMSTAR Import Showdown** at MIR in Budd's Creek, MD. Info: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>.

☞ **Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>—IHRA President's Cup Nationals at MIR** in Budd's Creek, MD. Info: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>.

☞ **Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>—Fall Carlisle**, at Carlisle, PA. Info: Carlisle Productions, (717) 243-7855, <http://www.carlisleevent.com>.

☞ **Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>—Ford Fever Classic at MIR** in Budd's Creek, MD. Info: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>.

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☞ **Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>—TAMS Thirteenth Annual Model Contest and Swap Meet**, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., hosted by The Tidewater Automotive Modeler's Society, at the VFW Post 4809, 5728 Bartee St., Norfolk Va. 23502. Theme—"Any 55-57 Chevrolet Product," and a new Import/Tuner Class. Info: Ronnie Ward at [sk8trmaker@inteliport.com](mailto:sk8trmaker@inteliport.com), or Jerry Quick at: [tamsmodeler@aol.com](mailto:tamsmodeler@aol.com)

☞ **Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>—Old Toyland Show Model & Diecast car swap meet**, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Gilbertsville Firehouse, Route 73 and Route 100, Gilbertsville, PA. Info: <http://www.oldtoylandshows.com/>.

☞ **Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>—World Cup Finals (Import vs. Domestic)** at MIR, in Budd's Creek, MD. Info: <http://www.mirdrag.com/>.

☞ **Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>—East Coast Indoor Nationals 2005**, at the MD State fairgrounds Cow Palace, in Timonium, MD. Info: David (410) 628-6262, [www/eastcoastindoornats.com](http://www.eastcoastindoornats.com).  
*Th, th, that's all, folks!* ☞

## Classified

**WANTED: 6 Deuce Pontiac intake manifold setup**, as found in the *Monogram '36 Ford* (If I recall correctly). Also want unbuilt (or rebuildable) *Monogram Pro Stock Cutlass/Firebird/T-Bird kits* ("STP," "Pennzoil," "Summit," "Super Clean," "Jeg's"). What've ya got? Contact Tim Sickie, at (301) 249-3830, or e-mail [gtoguy@verizon.net](mailto:gtoguy@verizon.net), or see me at a meeting. ☞

## Late-Breaking!

MAMA's Boy **Bill Geary** won *first place* in *Replica Stock at GSLMCC* for his '57 *Corvette*, and *second place* for his '58 *Impala convertible*. **Congrats!**

Word is that *former MAMA member Larry Boothe* is threatening to return for our September auction!

Look for a *parts-spruing seminar* this month from *MAMA's boy Norman Veber*. ☞

## Websites

**Carlisle Events:** <http://www.carlisleevent.com>

**Maryland Intl Raceway:** <http://www.mirdrag.com/>

**Maple Grove Raceway:** <http://www.maplegroveraceway.com/>

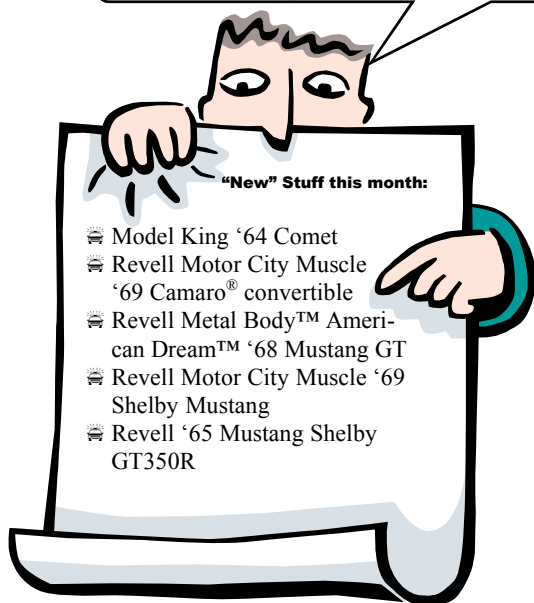
**Kahunaville:** <http://www.kahunaville.com>

**Old Toyland Shows:** <http://www.oldtoylandshows.com/>. ☞

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**MAMA's BoyZ do it in scale!**



#### "New" Stuff this month:

- ☞ Model King '64 Comet
- ☞ Revell Motor City Muscle '69 Camaro® convertible
- ☞ Revell Metal Body™ American Dream™ '68 Mustang GT
- ☞ Revell Motor City Muscle '69 Shelby Mustang
- ☞ Revell '65 Mustang Shelby GT350R

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**Camaro, Pontiac Firebird, Mercury Cougar and AMC Javelin.**

And, yes, the original Challenger obviously had a Hemi in it...

**DOA.** A man, apparently very annoyed by the sound of a blaring car alarm, pumped at least *three shots into a Toyota Camry*, not only silencing the alarm (*but good!*), also getting himself arrested in the process! He was charged with reckless discharge of a firearm, and felony vandalism (*Thanks to the Washington Times, autoweek.com, and other Internet sources for this insanity! Ya just can't make some of this stuff up!!*) ☞



Here are the *ten bestsellers* with total sales figures for calendar year 2004, based on data published by *Automotive News*:

- 1 Ford F-Series, 939,511
- 2 Chevrolet Silverado, 680,768
- 3 Toyota Camry, 426,990
- 4 Dodge Ram, 426,289
- 5 Honda Accord, 386,770
- 6 Ford Explorer, 339,333
- 7 Honda Civic, 309,196
- 8 Chevrolet Impala, 290,259
- 9 Chevrolet TrailBlazer, 283,484
- 10 Ford Taurus, 248,148 ☞

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<http://www.mamasboyz.org/>

## B-M (contd)

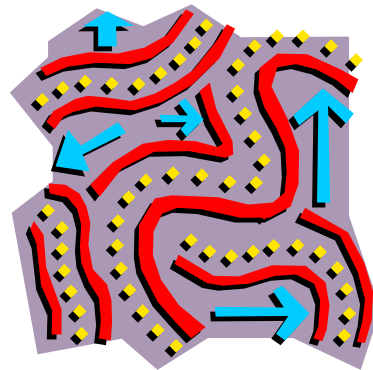
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system. Since each new car will be built to order, there will be a full menu of luxury and performance options, including engines to 1,000 hp. "Bragging rights are standard," Rosen said. He built the original ground-pounding **SS** and **Phase III 427** and **454 Camaros**, **Novas**, **Chevilles**, and **Corvettes** from 1967 to 1974 at his shop on Long Island, New York, creating the now legendary **Baldwin-Motion cars**. Rosen, now 66, has had many requests to go into business recently but, for legal reasons, all were turned down, Schorr said. It will debut Nov. 1st, at the Sony display at SEMA in Vegas. **Welcome back, Joel! Thanks to Hemmings.com!** ☞

## 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 off-ramp, 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. ☞