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## 2022 MAMA Schedule

In the near-term, with our Greenbelt location unavailable (alternate locations are being considered, including the Fire museum), interested modelers may "show up" at the Fire museum on the schedule listed below (based on their comfort level), from **10 am to 1 pm:**

- ☞ January 15th
- ☞ February 19th
- ☞ March 19th
- ☞ April 16th
- ☞ May—**No Meeting!**
- ☞ June 18th
- ☞ July 17th
- ☞ August 21st
- ☞ September 18th
- ☞ October 16th
- ☞ November 20th
- ☞ December 18th

**Hope to see you there** 🚗

## Mid-Atlantic NNL Wrap-Up, Part 2!!

With our highly successful NNL in a brand-new location last month, there was obviously no meeting to talk about at the Fire museum in Lu-  
therville.

Did any of you show up at the museum looking for us? But the more importantly—would you admit it if you did?!?

One thing's for sure though. It appears as

though things are getting to the point that we may have to seek out a new location, as things have gotten kinda crowded, and seem to have **STAYED** that way. We'll see. The officers will also keep the membership up-dated.

For now, refer to the schedule below for dates and hours, and the last page for museum loca-

tion details.

There was obviously no raffle!

This month, we have some poetry from our own Steve Buter.

Poncho Parade sees the return of an "old friend" - the '65 Bonneville reissue.

I hope all of you are still doing whatever is necessary to be safe—*Tim* 🚗

## Poetry Corner?!

As you all well know, I have always said that I would find a way to use **ANYTHING** you felt like contributing. With that said, our own **Steve M. Buter** decided to call me on that.

He has been unable to attend the meetings due to tough family matters that occupied his Saturdays for nearly a year.

It gave him an idea: April is touted as "National Poetry

Month"... among other things. So, here a bit late, is Steve's contribution (based on a true story!).

### THE LADY, IN SCALE

So sorry, m'lady, to have forsaken your trust after carefully sculpting your glutes and your bust.

The alchemist's styrene, drawn from a die Is plastic that spurs the modeler's rally cry! I'd fashioned you lov-

ingly, from some Japanese kit  
Putty and crazy-glue fixed what at first wouldn't fit  
From somewhere in the 70s you strike a scale pose  
At my whim your hands fondle a scale garden hose  
Life size onlookers gawk, and respond with a whoop  
As your gams flash before a scale '61 Chevy coupe.

My mistake: to favor a

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MAMA NNL

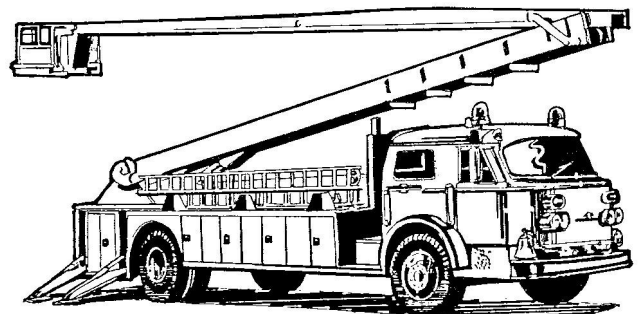
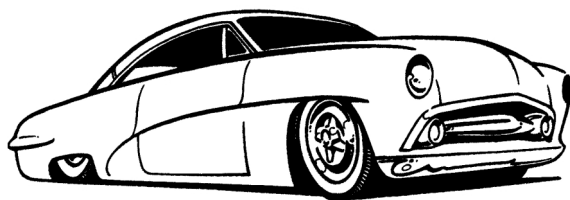
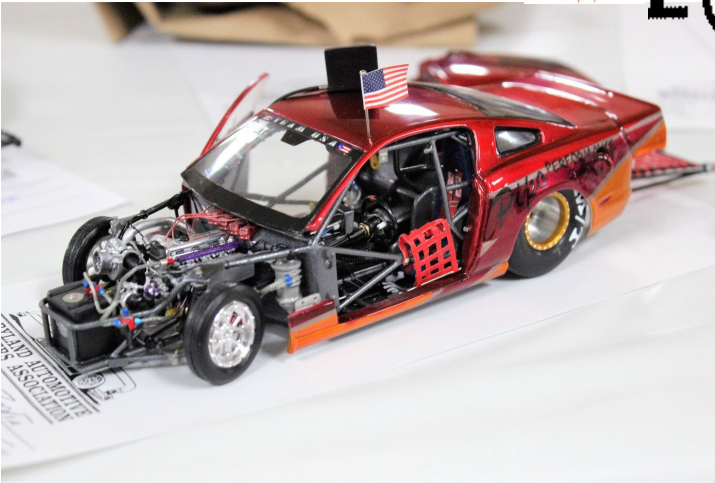




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# LOOK





## Poetry (cont'd)

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more recent project  
Which I feared that house dust  
would attack and infect  
Twas a forlorn old VW, a scale  
weathered beater  
I favored this new heart-throb, I  
played callous cheater  
Harrying to shelter the VW from  
the dust  
I'd deigned to expose same to  
your glutes and bust  
Resolving to house you 'neath a  
smaller dust shield  
I ripped you and Chev both from  
your spacious field  
And on that site the weathered  
VW I did place  
As you and your Chev got  
cramped in smaller space

Sorry, m'lady, to have maligned  
you so  
After my loving attempts to en-  
hance your show  
I'd done Pygmalion proud, sculpt-  
ing your legs and thighs  
Then I'd harried to shield you

from dust that  
flies

But in choosing  
to relocate you  
to a tight place  
I'd virtually  
thrown glue in  
your pretty scale  
face  
Bereft of your  
vast field, your  
Chev and your  
hose,  
On cheap dollar  
store crazy glue  
you wouldn't  
pose  
On your new  
display base you  
left prints of you  
feet  
cause on its  
plastic that glue  
did nothing but  
eat.

Sorry, m'lady, to have taken you  
to test  
You rate larger digs to show off

your butt and breast  
So the forlorn VW simply gets a  
new case,  
While you'll hose down your  
Chev back in the same old place

Thanks to quality glue, you still  
strike that scale pose  
While life size folks gawk at your  
way with that hose  
Lore of the 70s peeps from your  
enameled blue eyes  
Now if you'd just *come to life*, I  
would apologize  
For my botched attempt to usher  
you out of your place  
'Neath your dust shield a dream  
smile plays on your scale face

Steve M. Buter, 4/30/99 🌞  
(Ed. Note: **Thanks, Steve!**)



'GMC' has issued a recall for **245 2022 Cadillac XT4s, 2022 Chevy Equinoxes, Blazers** and **2021 Malibus**, over an issue related to the structural integrity of the driver's seat framing.

The seat cushion frames may have an improper weld in the power tilt adjustment mechanism that could compromise the structural integrity of the seat frame.

These improper welds may prevent occupant loads from being properly managed in certain crashes. This can increase the risk of injury for some occupants seated in the affected driver's seats.

'GMC' technicians will be instructed to replace the driver's seat cushion frames as necessary. These repairs will be performed at no cost to the vehicle owner. Dealers cannot sell vehicles affected by this product safety recall until the repairs contained in the associated repair bulletin have been carried out.

An **unknown number of 2022 Chevy Silverado Medium Duty trucks (4500/5500/6500HD)** have



been recalled over an issue related to the brake line pressure sensor fitting.

Navistar, which manufactures the Silverado MD on behalf of 'GMC' at its plant in Springfield,

Ohio, has determined that the pressure sensor fitting on the primary hydraulic brake line assembly may not have been tightened to the correct torque specification at the factory and may therefore leak brake fluid.

A brake fluid leak could lead to reduced braking performance and extended braking distances, increasing the risk of a crash.

Dealers will be instructed to tighten the brake pressure fitting to the proper torque specification, bleed the brake system, and top-off the brake fluid. This should prevent the brake lines from leaking at the pressure sensor fitting going forward.

'GMC' will mail notification letters notify to owners of affected vehicles instructing them to make an appointment with their dealer. If owners are unsure whether or not their vehicle is affected by this recall, they can visit [my.gm.com/recalls](https://my.gm.com/recalls) and type in their VIN to see any open recalls

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or other actions that may be active on it.

Whatever happened to good 'ol GM?!—Assorted sources 🚗



#### 'GMC' Recall Ticker

**# of Recalls**

**242 (!)**

**# of Vehicles Affected**

**55,291,866**



## C8 Watch

A robbery suspect was shot dead in Houston, Texas in late May after they attempted to car-jack the driver of a C8.

According to ABC13, the owner of the Rapid Blue-painted C8 was leaving a late-night Mediterranean restaurant at around 4 AM when he was approached by a man who told him to “give me your car.” The C8 owner, fearing for his life, then pulled out a firearm and shot the suspect multiple times. Oddly, the suspect at this point jumped on top of a nearby car that was not connected to the suspect or the victim, which attempted to drive away before the suspect fell off the roof and died.

HPD Det. Jason Campbell said the victim’s account of the events was backed up by multiple witnesses who were also on the scene.

“A couple of witnesses did see the vast majority of what occurred,” Campbell said. “That shooter is cooperating with our investigation and he has since been transported down to (HPD headquarters) where he is being interviewed by detectives. That suspect is dead on scene via gunshot wounds.”

With its flashy exterior and huge curb appeal, the C8 has

proven to be a hot commodity among car thieves. Back in March, the California Highway Patrol recovered a C8 following an investigation into vehicles that were fraudulently purchased from local dealers. We also saw an absolutely wild video last year that showed a thief attempting to steal a C8 by driving it through a dealership’s window, however that thief made it less than a mile before the car was shut down remotely.

The C8 may be appealing to thieves, but it’s one of the worst vehicles to attempt to steal. Not only is it constantly connected to the internet through ‘GMC’s’ Global B electronic architecture, but it can also be easily tracked via OnStar. A Rapid Blue Stingray is also a rather uncommon sight, so the thief probably wouldn’t be able to take it anywhere without someone recognizing it as a known stolen vehicle. That’s not to say anyone would expect a lowly car thief to know any of this, though.

The late May 35th Annual Mecum Auctions Indy Spring Classic saw 2,504 vehicles cross



the block, with total revenue for the event topping \$126 million. The third most expensive lot sold was \$159, the Dr. Richard Foster Corvette Pace

Car Collection that changed hands for **\$1,375,000**.

As was reported in late April, the collection was comprised of nineteen pace cars. No other car has been honored to be an Indianapolis 500 pace car as many times as the Corvette. Several of these pace cars have been reproduced as replicas and sold to the public, whereas others were built specifically for the event.

Dr. Foster has long been a dedicated fan of the Corvette pace cars, and has spent a number of years bringing together an exhaustive collection which includes six Corvette pace car editions, eight Indy Motor Speedway authorized replicas, and two official pace cars. Four of the six Corvette pace car editions have received honors from Bloomington Gold or the National Corvette Restorers Society. Many of the Corvettes are exceedingly low-mileage examples, with several showing fewer than one hundred miles driven. The entire collection was sold as a single lot.

Here is a closer look at the collection: The earliest pace car is a 1978, with fifty miles on the clock. This unrestored example has been Bloomington Gold Benchmark Certified.

A 1986 pace car convertible in bright yellow with a black cloth

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## T 'n T

**Joyriders?! Seven Camaros** were **stolen** from the ‘GMC’ Lansing Grand River plant in Michigan in late May, leading to multiple high-speed chases and several arrests. Law enforcement managed to recover five of the stolen vehicles. According to Michigan State Police, troopers from the Lansing Post and Brighton Post, as well as several other police agencies, “flooded” I-96 in the early morning hours in search of the seven stolen Camaros. Five were located traveling at high speeds. Law enforcement attempted traffic stops, but the drivers of all five vehicles failed to yield, giving way to multiple pursuits that led officers into neighboring Counties. Law enforcement employed “stop sticks” to puncture the tires on the cars, resulting in several of the vehicles crashing. The estimated value of the cars recovered is \$375,000. In total, nine male subjects, between 20-24 years old, were arrested and taken to Lansing City Jail. Eight of the suspects are from the Detroit area, while one is from Saginaw. The suspects now face a long list of charges, including fleeing and eluding, receiving and concealing of a stolen vehicle—\$20,000.00 or more, conspiracy to commit an illegal act, and more. Luckily, no law enforcement or any of the suspects were injured. ‘GMC’ addressed the incident

with a statement, saying, “We are cooperating with local law enforcement to recover stolen vehicles from ‘GMC’s’ Lansing Grand River Assembly Plant. We’ll be enhancing our security at the plant and surrounding parking lots.” The recent theft of the Camaros from the plant follows another vehicle heist at a storage lot situated near the Lansing facility, which took place early in the morning of March 1st, 2022. According to reports, several vehicles

were stolen from the lot after suspects illegally entered the grounds and drove the vehicles away. The ‘GMC’ Lansing Grand River plant produces the Camaro, Cadillac CT4, and CT5 (Thanks to GM Authority, Autoweek, and other Internet sources for this insanity! Ya just can’t make some of it up!! Thanks also to those of you in the Peanut Gallery who have helped entertain by sending stuff—I ‘preciate it!)—Assorted sources 🍌



Nick & I are now on the “Donut Cruise” circuit ☺

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**Admission:**

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Please limit your entries to 10 per class per person.

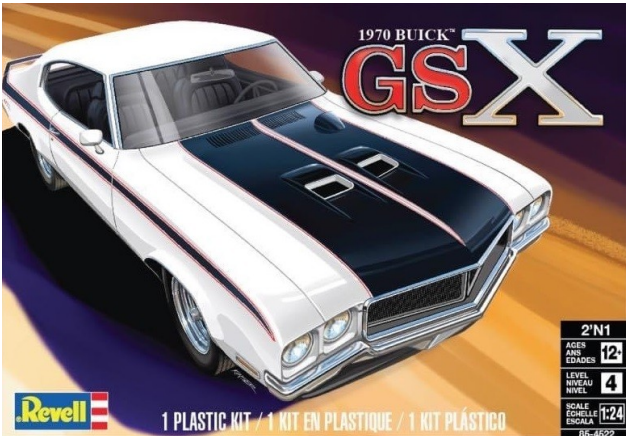
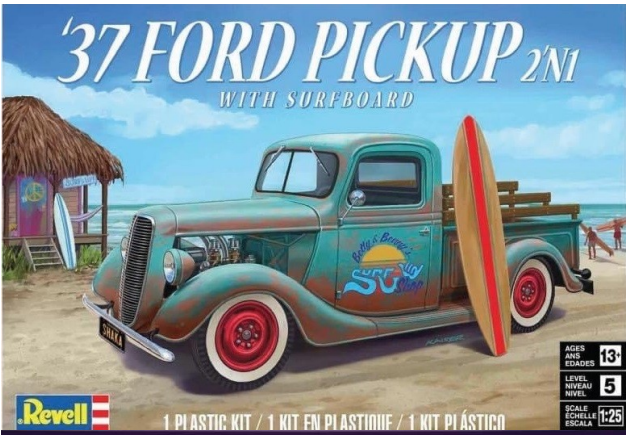
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Miscellania





## C8 (cont'd)

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top was the second oldest entry. This Triple Diamond Award and Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals winner is in unrestored, original condition.

A Bloomington Gold Benchmark Certified 1995 pace car edition finished in Dark Purple and Arctic White that has covered just 121 miles from new.

The 1998 pace car edition in retina-searing purple and yellow, is one of 547 built with a six-speed manual. This is another exceptionally low-mileage example, with just seventeen miles from new.

Having driven only ten miles, the 2003 pace car 50th Anniversary coupe was painted in Anniversary Red, a color exclusive to 2003. It has been Bloomington Gold Certification.

The final year for the C5 generation, a 2004 pace car was a parade car used for the 2004 race. It is finished in Arctic White and LeMans Blue.

A 2005 pace car is one of eight Official pace cars used for the 89th Indy 500. All eight were finished in Victory Red.

The 2006 Chevy pace car was an Arctic White with red and blue stripes Z06 coupe, one of only six official pace cars built for the occasion.

For the 2007 Indy 500, the pace cars were finished in Atomic Orange. Appropriately, only 500 copies were produced, and this example shows just 500 miles.

Only 266 copies of the 2008 pace car were built. All were fin-

ished in Black and Machine Silver.

2013 marked the end for the C6 gen. The pace car this year was the flagship 60th Anniversary ZR1, with 638 horsepower, and a six-speed manual. As a 60th Anniversary version, it was finished in Arctic White with Blue Diamond leather interior. This one is another extremely low-mile example, having been driven just 34 miles.

For the 97th running of the Indy 500, the all new C7 finished in Laguna Blue and powered by the 460-horsepower LT1, paced the race. It shows nine miles on the odometer.

For 2015, the pace car was a Z06 coupe finished in Arctic White with red and blue graphics.

A Grand Sport coupe served as the 2017 pace car replica. It is painted in Arctic White paint with red and blue graphics, and is powered by the 6.2-liter LT1.

The Indy 500 had two pace cars for 2019. One of each Corvette pace car replica is represented in the collection. The first is an Admiral Blue ZR1 coupe (*one of just 39 in that color*) with a carbon fiber insert in the hood, carbon fiber roof, and a massive rear wing.

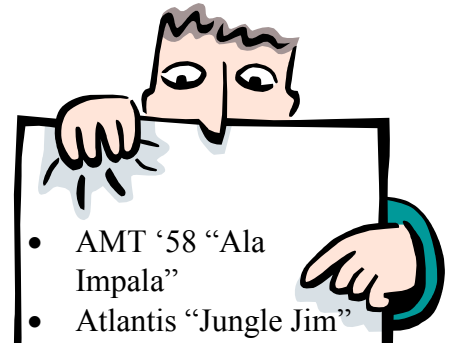
The second is a Long Beach Red Grand Sport coupe.

With the debut of the C8 Corvette in 2020, a Torch Red example of the new mid-engine coupe with the Z51 Performance Package paced the race.

A 2022 Corvette (*not pictured*) is being finished, and will be delivered to the winning bidder upon its completion.

The sale result can be seen at

## Ron's Rant



- AMT '58 "Ala Impala"
- Atlantis "Jungle Jim" Camaro f/c
- Revell '66 Malibu SS
- Revell '70 Buick GSX
- Revell '37 Ford pickup
- Revell '69 Camaro SS
- Salvinos JR K Larson Camaro
- Salvinos JR C Elliott Camaro
- Salvinos JR W Byron Camaro
- Salvinos JR Bowman Camaro
- Salvinos JR "Roll Out" Camaro 🚗

(24th & 25th, unless noted)

the Mecum Auctions Indy Spring Classic page—*Assorted sources*







This month, we'll look at a brand-new issue of a 41-year-old racing Pontiac that caused quite a stir when it was unloaded at the 1981 Daytona 500.

Harry Ranier had secretly built and tested no less than **FIVE** different cars to see which one would take to the track.

When this '81 LeMans rolled out of the transporter, many of the other crew chiefs ran right to NASCAR officials and began whining. The slightly sloped nose and rear window were perfectly legal, per NASCAR.

In practice, driver Bobby Allison was at the top of the time sheets. The only one close was Darrell Waltrip, in the Mountain Dew Regal.

These two locked up the top two starting positions. For the

500.

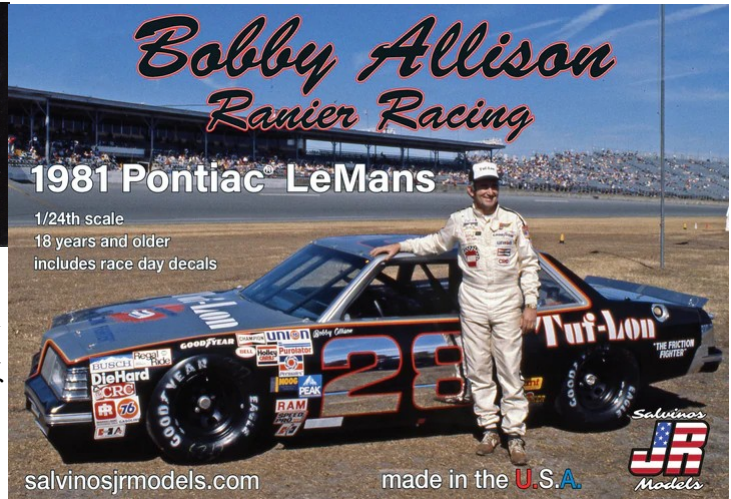
The quick little Poncho led more than half the race, building up a sizeable lead, until he ran out of gas a lap earlier than calculated, pitting on lap 174.

Richard Petty's Regal (!) became the race leader for the first time all day. He pitted on lap 176, taking on fuel only, due to excellent tire wear.

With a fast-closing Pontiac in his mirror, "King Richard" took the checkered flag four seconds ahead of Bobby's LeMans.

His win was the 193rd of his career, and the first for a Buick since 1955.

After this show, numerous teams picked up on the LeMans as a viable race car.



Revellogram stock car tooling, with a newly-tooled body.

Since it is newly released, I have yet to add it to my collection, but don't worry—I will!

If you are interested, you can get yours at [Salvinos JR Models](http://SalvinosJRModels.com), or any of a number of well-stocked hobby retailers.

Let's continue bringin' 'em and showin' 'em—virtually! 'PoP' (Pontiacs on Parade!) **Sickle** signin' off! And don't forget—MAMA may not need all these Ponchos, but I'm diggin' 'em—thanks!! Here's looking for a better year in 2022—Tim 🐾

The Salvinos kit is obviously based on the old





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## Websites

**Central PA Model Car Club:**

<https://www.freewebs.com/cpmcc/>

**LIARS Model Car Club:**

<https://www.liarsmodelcarbuilders.com/>

**Philly Area Car Modelers:**

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

**NNL East:**

<https://www.nnleast.com/>

**Carlisle Events:**

<https://www.carlisleevents.com>

**East Coast Indoor Nationals:**

<https://motoramaproductions.com/east-coast-indoor-nats>

**Online Event Calendar:**

[www.NortheastWheelsEvents.com](http://www.NortheastWheelsEvents.com)

If you would like to attend the monthly "Get-together," here is the necessary info:

The Maryland Fire Museum is located off York Road (1301) at the Beltway I-695, Exit 26B, in Lutherville, 410-321-7500. Go north on York Road and make the first right to go behind the Heaver Plaza Office Building. Free parking is available, and it is handicap accessible. No RSVP is required.

FYI—current Maryland COVID-19 guidelines will be respected and enforced.

Come join the fun! 🍷



## Classifieds

**WANTED:** Unbuilt/rebuildable Ponchos (GTOs, specifically '68 MPC hardtops and convertibles, and '71 hardtops in particular!). I have a collection to trade from. Want a Red Baron, an 1/8th scale Monogram '79 T/A, '66 Bonneville (MPC or Hasegawa), '69-'72 Grand Prix, '70-'81 Firebirds, and empty *Pontiac kit boxes*. Would like to buy/borrow *old model car catalogs*. Contact me at [gtoguy@verizon.net](mailto:gtoguy@verizon.net), or see me at a meeting. *Thanks!* 🍷

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