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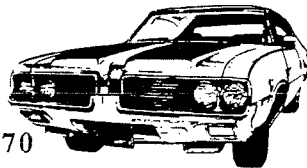
by: Timothy Sickle

About 40 people were in attendance at the November meeting which had numerous highlights, the most significant of which was the presentation of the "Healthy Modeler of the Year" Award which consisted of a certificate noting this fact and a surprise award. If you were unable to attend last month's meeting, see related item in "Bits & Pieces" for the winnah!

Irv Arter also entertained us with a clinic on Use of a technical pen for body panel lines. Thanks, Irv! Anyone with an idea for a clinic, speak up and we'll see what we can do! Still more entertainment was provided by Larry Boothe tellin' tales of his and Norm's misadventures in Dallas. Again, see related story in "Bits and Pieces" for the lowdown!

The raffle raised \$90.00. The club would like to thank the raffle donors as shown below: Irvin Arter Jr., Gary Sutherlin, Pat Maphis, Ron Roberts, Lloyd Waddington, Dave and Karen Roehrl, yours truly, George Openhym, Frank Andersen and Replicas & Miniatures Co. of Md. Special thanks also go out to those as shown below:

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Sterling, Va. 22170



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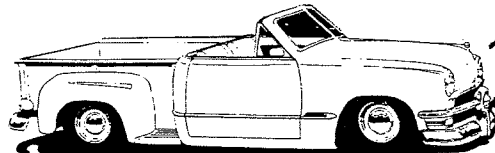


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Testor's Corporation  
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HEY,  
LYLE !!!

It should also be noted here that our club has contacted several local hobby shops (Family Hobbies, Your Hobby Center and Hobby World) about support for our Toys for Tots drive. Basically, these Hobby Shops have agreed to help us purchase several hundred dollars of snap together model kits at their cost to be donated to the local Marine Corps office for the children. Charlie Atkinson, Ron Ware and Bill Henschen we truly appreciate your unselfishness in support of this endeavor!

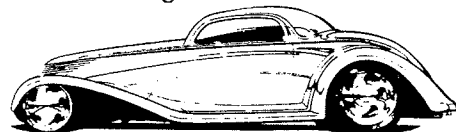
At this point, I would like to take the time to try to thank the many, many people who have supported our club through raffle donations this past year. These people range from the

manufacturers listed above (including Dan Johns at Lindberg), to the supportive Hobby Shops (including John Southan at Hobbytown, Eric Baugher at GPA Hobbies, John Camarda at Pastimes, Ltd., Roy Dwyer at Squadron Shop, Ron Ware at Your Hobby Center, Bill Henschen at Hobby World as well as Bobby's Hobby Lobby, Hampstead Hobbies and Pro Custom Hobbies, not to mention Runkles' Sign Service, and Tom Barry of Barry's Books. But the list doesn't stop here. We cannot forget club members and businesses that exist within the club such as Replicas and Miniatures Co. of Md., Detail Master, Resin Casting Specialties, (the now defunct) Detail Depot and Scale Resin Detailers. And lastly, to anyone and everyone who made a contribution (significant or otherwise!) to the newsletter this year. I really get a charge outta doin' it, but it is sometimes a monumental task which is made easier by your contributions. So, to everyone who helped out in some way this year, the club (and yours truly) wishes to extend their sincere thanks and wishes for a Happy Holiday and a thriving 1992! I tried to remember as many of you as I could, but if I overlooked you, I assure you it wasn't intentional! As I said, things can get out of hand.

It also bears mentioning at this time that Dirk Johnson (a.k.a. Detail Master, P.O. Box 1465, Sterling, Va. 22170) will be a very active supporter of not only our club, but many other clubs across the country as well. It's up to us to actively patronize Detail Master in appreciation of his continued support [Ed. Note: With the detail items he has currently available (or on the way!), I don't believe this will be a problem!]

**\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE!! \*\*\*\*\***

The rundown for the January thru May meetings is as follows-January: Third Saturday from 12:30-5:30 in Building B (Upper level). Park near bldgs D & E and enter the upper floor of bldg B (the "Quad"). The months of February, March and May-Third Saturday from 12:00-5:00. The month of April we will be meeting on the fourth Saturday from 12:30-5:30. So, please note the room change in January (Bldg. B) and the day change in April (Fourth Saturday). See ya there! If everything works as planned, there will be a map elsewhere in this newsletter showing the location for the January meeting.



**NEW STUFF!**

(Unless otherwise noted, every kit listed is 1/24 or 1/25 scale)

**AMT/ERTL**

**MONOGRAM**

**REVELL**

**JANUARY**

- \* Knight Rider, KITT 4000
- \* '92 F-150 P/U
- \* '72 'Vette convertible

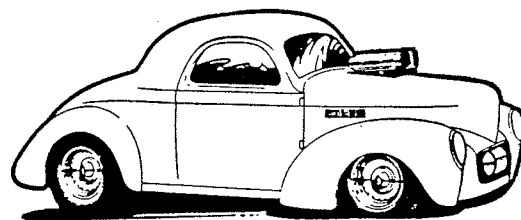
- \* "Essex Wire" Cobra
- \* "Owens-Corning 427 Corvette
- \* Porsche 904

- \* "Castrol" Olds (1/32)
- \* "Otter Pops" Olds (1/32)

**FEBRUARY**

- \* '92 'Vette ZR-1
- \* '92 Stealth

- \* #28-"Hayoline" T-Bird
- \* #12 "Raybestos" Buick
- \* #75 "Dinner Bell" Olds



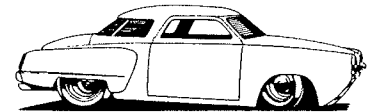
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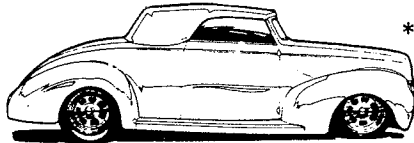
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\* '92 Z28



MARCH

\* Viper RT/10  
\* '66 Firlane  
GT/GTA



\* #28 "Havoline"  
T-Bird (1/32)  
\* #3 "Goodwrench"  
Lumina (1/32)  
\* Unnamed race rig  
(1/32)

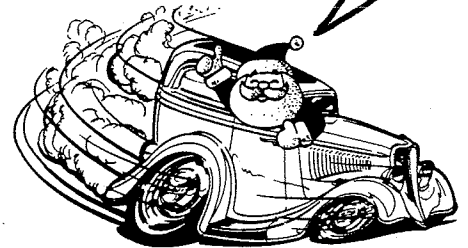
\* Viper RT/10  
\* "Mobil 1" Rail  
\* "Jolly Rancher" Rail

APRIL

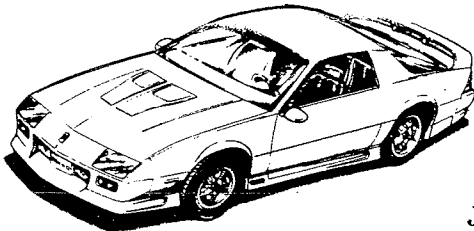
\* "Mello Yello"  
Pontiac (1/32)  
\* "Interstate  
Batteries"  
Lumina (1/32)  
\* "Phillips 66"  
Pontiac (1/32)  
\* "STP" Pontiac  
(1/32)  
\* "Maxwell House"  
T-Bird (1/32)

\* "Kraco" Indy car (1/32)  
\* "K-Mart/Havoline"  
Indy car (1/32)  
\* "Pennzoil" Indy car (1/32)  
\* "Valvoline" Indy car (1/32)  
\* #3 "Goodwrench" Race Rig  
(1/32)  
\* Unnamed Race Rig (1/32)

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND A HAPPY LAQUER  
PAINT JOB!



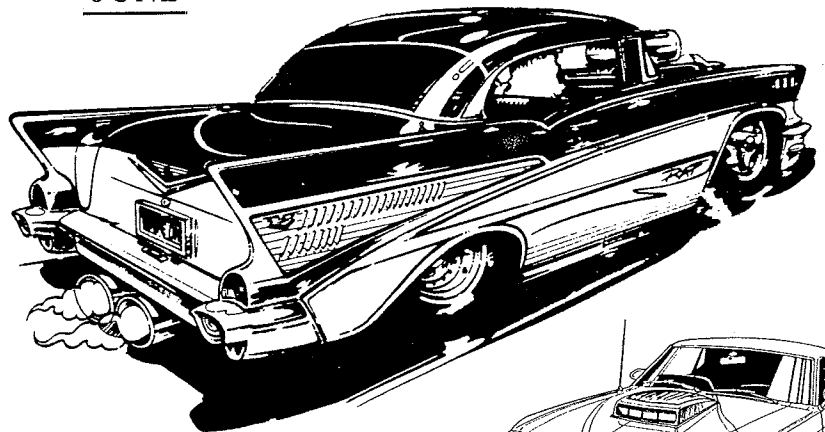
MAY



\* "K-Mart/Havoline" Race  
rig (1/32)  
\* "Castrol" race rig  
(1/32)  
\* GMC Typhoon

JUNE

\* Chevy C-1500  
(1/32)  
\* Viper RT/10  
(1/32)  
\* '55 Chevy Pro  
Street (1/32)  
\* Porsche 935  
Turbo (1/32)  
\* Corvette (1/32)  
\* '92 F-150 P/U  
\* Great Dane Flatbed  
Trailer  
\* White Freight-  
Liner

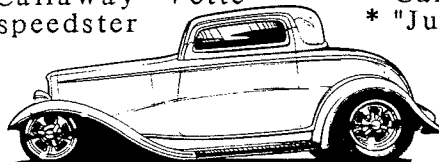


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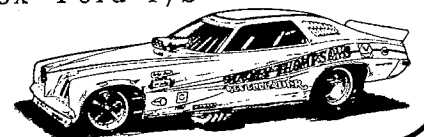
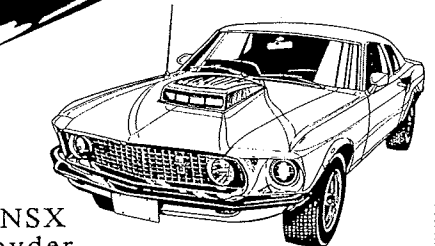
\* '70 Coronet  
Pro Street



\* Ferrari Mythos  
\* Porsche 911 Turbo  
\* Callaway "Vette  
speedster

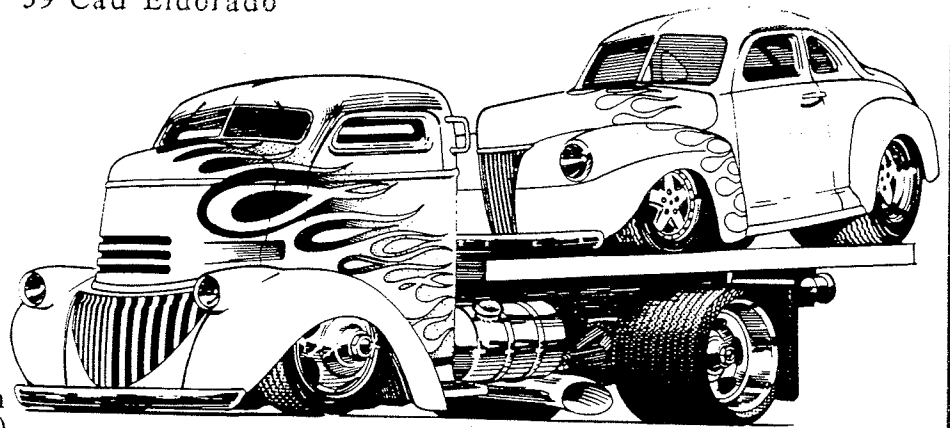


\* Acura NSX  
\* ASC Spyder  
\* Cal pick-up  
\* "Jukebox" Ford T/S



## AUGUST

- \* Stock Car Gift Set (#4, #22, #43)
- \* Hot Truck Gift Set ('55 & '72 Stepsides, '91 Sportside)
- \* Exotic Car Gift Set (Countach, Diablo & Viper)
- \* Muscle Car Gift '65 GTO, '67 Chevelle & '68 Roadrunner)
- \* Christie American Fire Engine (1/12)
- \* General Locomotive
- \* '59 Cad Eldorado



### Notes:

AMT's new 1/32 scale Snapfast Series feature easy, no glue snap assembly. This series will include: All the 1/32 scale stock cars, the C-1500 Sportside, the Viper, the '55 Chevy Pro Street, Porsche 935 Turbo, Corvette and F-150 P/U. AMT's new 1/25 scale Snapfast Plus Series feature both snap and glue assembly. This series will include: '92 ZR-1, '92 Stealth and '92 Z28. Also of note is that the '65 GTO in the Muscle car gift set will only be available in this set. AMT will also be expanding their line of 1/18 scale diecasts with the addition of (2) LS-6 Chevelles, (2) GTOs (1 Judge), an "STP" Pontiac and a "Kodak" Lumina.

### Sneakin' a Peek!

This column will appear as frequently (or infrequently!) as new releases from the manufacturers. The idea behind it is to give a "thumbnail review" of the releases as they hit the shelves with a detailed review to follow at a later date (hopefully!). We'll see how it goes!

\* "Mello Yello" Grand Prix (AMT #8106): Molded in Lt. Gray.. (good) rehash of earlier Pontiac Stock car releases....All colorful decals present on decal sheet, cut at panel lines....new decals include "Goodyear" and "Eagle" lettering....tires feature one unlettered side to make use of decals.

\* "Back to the Future" Trilogy set (AMT #8718PO): Molded in Med. Gray....features all 3 complete Deloreans....Lotsa pieces!...."BTF III" features railroad track to display finished kit...."BTF II" displays car in "hover" mode....This set will be available only in conjunction with the release of the "Back to the Future" trilogy tape set....so...the Future is now!

### COMAtose Comments, Part 3

Well guys, we did it again (and again, and again....). COMA 3 is history and COMA 4 is in the planning stages, so here's what little I can remember of the weekend's festivities. Some guys are so eager that they just can't wait-Scott Kircher arrived Thursday evening and spent Friday at Dayton's two major tourist attractions, the U.S. Air Force Museum and the newly expanded Harrah/Schlumpf/Blackhawk Museum & Flophouse. Unfortunately, there must be an overexposure factor (above and beyond the cat

hairs) associated with the latter that hadn't been previously recognized, as Scott spent much of the next two days buying 1/43 scale kits. Grand Somnambulist McNutt, evidently fearing contagion/epidemic/financial ruin, has threatened to exile Kircher to the other side of the aisle for next year's Toledo show. Vaccinations (Floquil's primer and resin dust) will be available next year for those whose resistance is low.

The Chesapeake contingent (that's us, guys!)-say guys, we may have to reconsider the name; besides the COMANDOs, who were with us this year in spirit but not in body (everybody notice the I heart COMA on the 1/32 scale Cheetah?). Roy Vaughn trekked up from Florida, having been transplanted to the land of soggy fruits and nuts by Uncle Sam, while Andy Martin and John Powers trekked down from Minneapolis to join the fun. I don't want to cast any doubts about their intelligence (after all, this is an elite group) but by all appearances they went back up there when all was said and done. If the snow melts by next October we may hear from them again. Come to think of it, perhaps the lack of snow in Dayton had something to do with the lack of COMANDOs? Strange things happen in the frozen North!

Anyway, (where was I?) the Chesapeake contingent arrived at the HSBM&F about 5:00 P.M. Friday, or at least part of them did. Seems as though one of our more famous members either has a great respect for the Penn. and Ohio State Troopers, doesn't trust his station wagon, or has so much stuff crammed into it that it just can't get above 55 (I've graciously discounted the "can't see beyond the end of his nose", "little old lady", and other suggestions as to his lack of velocity-that's velocity, not verAcity, by the way-so all his friends just ran off and left him. Overwhelmed by COMAnxiety, no doubt. This caused some concern on the part of the Ohio Contingent because, a)the maps mailed out showed the route to the Nothing runs like a Derr Machine Shop & Pizza Parlor (McNutt, you gotta start picking shorter names!), not the HSBM&F, and b)the station wagon demonstrated a strong tendency to get lost on its last visit to the Midwest Wilderness. For the sake of unity I will not repeat the CC comments! Much to everyone's relief/surprise\*\*\*, the wagon occupants and cargo did arrive at the HSBM&F in due time.

In true COMA tradition, the caravan left for the NRLADMS&PP (gotta have shorter acronyms too, McNutt!) only about an hour late (and just moments before Randy called to ask where everyone was) without counting the number of vehicles and without a map in the lead car. Following a delay to count heads (or at least hoods), things proceeded uneventfully until Lead Nav (who will remain unnamed, but suffice it to say that it looks like he's been sitting in the sun too much already), operating from memory, missed the next-to-last (well, it should have been the next-to-last) turn and the CC contingent was treated to a short tour of Centerville, parts of Bellbrook, and places I'd never been before. I'm pretty sure that we didn't make it to Kentucky-none of the rivers we crossed seemed that big. We finally did join forces with the rest of the OC, and found that the Minnesotans (Minnapoleans?! Oh well, Guys from up North!) were already there. They'd found the NRLADMS&PP, first time out, with only Randy's map for guidance. Casts serious doubts on their qualifications for COMA, I fear.

For those who missed the event, we had our usual ball. Roughly summarized, I think there was about 4 hours of BS, at least an hour of standing in line to see The Camaro, 4 to 5 minutes of pizza (somebody goofed and let Larry Boothe get up to the head of the line!) and two hours of discussion as to who was going to spend the night where. During one of the technical

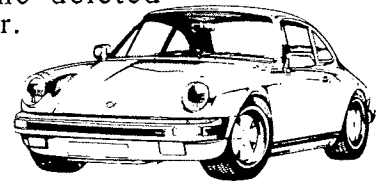
seminars, GSMcN unveiled documentation proving that Sunoco Blue is quite different from the shade of blue previously thought to be correct, and that the trim color was a very unique fluorescent shade. It wasn't easy, but we did manage to keep Randy from trashing The Camaro. The Plastic Police were sorely missed when the light finally dawned and Derr attempted to trash GSMcN. The CC, as usual, brought along several new faces (well, some were pretty well used), all of whom fit right into the "group". After all, anybody who's a friend of Larry's really needs other friends, right? At the end of the evening, one CC car was to follow our resident author (authors write books, for those who don't know the difference) to Xenia, while the rest would follow yr hmbl svnt to the HSBM&F or a nearby Inn (Red Roof, of course), as required. Naturally, Bill found two carloads behind him when he got to the Zinnia Annex, one of which didn't have the slightest idea where they were, but strongly suspected that it wasn't the Red Roof.

Saturday morning got off on just the right note when McNutt assaulted one of the HSBM&F resident cats. Gary contends that orange cats shouldn't lay on orange carpets at the bottom of steep, unlighted stairways; Nicky's argument is that even someone walking in their sleep couldn't miss a cat of his size. Can we vote on this?? We had decided to break tradition by eating breakfast before commencing our pilgrimage in order to spare Norm the horrors of another morning McBreakfast. Coulter led Norm from the Zinnia Annex to the RRI exit, pointed him in the right direction, (you can see the Roof's roof from the exit) and took a detour to pick up Loar, arriving about 15 minutes later. Just before we all headed for Bob Evans (some traditions cannot be broken), somebody noticed that Norm, wagon, passengers, and cargo weren't there yet. I think we've got another tradition!

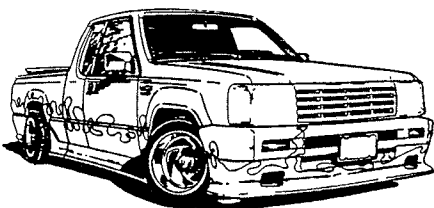
Neither Al or the Thunderbird were with us, so once we got started for Toledo, we made it more or less on schedule. Those who've been to Toledo and the NNL show know what the rest of the weekend was like; those who haven't won't understand anyway. COMA made its usual mark on the event; Andy's new Mini-Buggatiste subgroup (just we three, the GFun and me-could be a song there!) put on a display of 1/43 scale Bugatti models which seriously underwhelmed the peasantry, and The Camaro was voted Best of Show. I was unable to reach J.D. Boothe (Boothe II? Half-a-Boothe?) after the vote to get his comments. Saturday evening brought its usual quota of memorable moments, too. Few of us will ever forget that van blowing the whistle on Shelton for just lingering in its vicinity. I'll never forget being awakened several times by soft calls of "Roy. Oh Ro-0-oy!". Some of them weren't so soft either. Sort of made me yearn for the deleted expletives and sweet young voices of the previous year.

I can hardly wait to see what happens next year!

Yr Hmbl Svnt,  
Wayne Moyer



**FLASH!! Derr does Dallas!!** Latest scoop from the Plastic Hot-Line is that The Camaro was voted **People's Choice for Best in Show** at the Southwest Challenge!! COMAgratulations, Randy!!

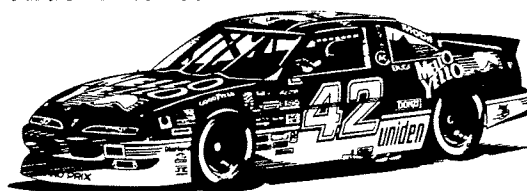
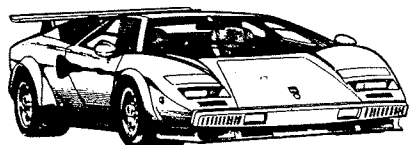


**DOUG'S**  
**Hobby Shop**



## BITS & PIECES

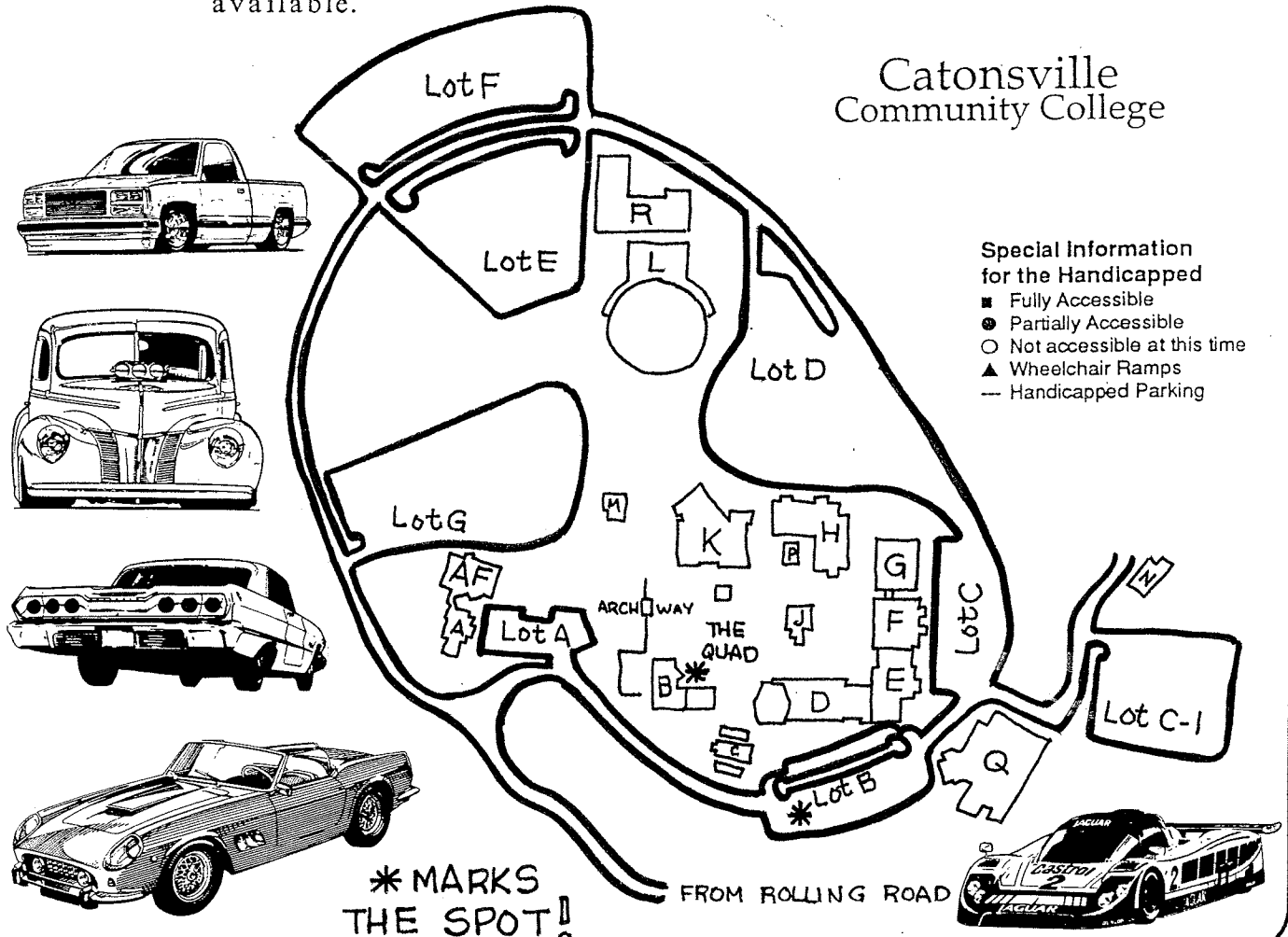
- \* **FLASH!! MAMA** has a new member by association! On Dec. 5, 1991, Jerry & Nina Flynn became the proud parents of a 5lb. 7oz. baby boy by the name of Allen J. (or A.J. for short!) Flynn! According to Jerry, he already has his first model car kit, a Monogram "STP" Firebird Pro Stock (Surprise! Surprise!) which will be his to do with as he pleases on his tenth birthday. Congrats Jerry & Nina! Now the fun **REALLY** begins!
- \* **Dino-Brownies!** Thanks go out to that "dare to be different" couple Dave & Karen Roehrle for this new taste treat ("Breakfast of Maryland Modeling Champions?").
- \* Thanks, again! With regard to the business card collection request last month from Lyle Willits, Lyle estimates he received about 10,000(!) cards both from club members and even from "out-of-towners" (thanks, Wayne!). It is really great when people can come together in this fashion to help out a total stranger. So, pat yourselves on the back!
- \* **Still more thanks!!** If you are readin' this Ed Sexton at Monogram/Revell, both Larry "Cadillac man" Boothe and Lyle "Lloyd Woddington" Willits would like to shake your hand for finally giving them the '59 Cadillac they have prayed for so desperately to these many years! They said to tell you that for them, Christmas just came a little early!
- \* **Congratulations!** It seems as though the Aftermarket Manufacturer of the year has turned out to be a Three-way tie! The finalists include S & S Specialties, The Modelhaus and our own Detail Master!
- \* **Congratulations again!** Everyone was well aware of the "Healthy Modeler of the Year" award campaign to get modelers out into the sunlight and fresh air and out of those dark workshops. Well, the "Well Modeler of the Year" is....drum roll, please....our own Pat Maphis! At last month's meeting, Pat was awarded a certificate and the Taurus Sedan Delivery (a custom resin body) with body work by Budd Andersen. Way to go, Pat! We'll have a cake at the December meeting to celebrate! P.S. A message from The "S & S" Boys from Texas: "Build Sumpin'!"
- \* **"Deuce Coupe"!** Norm recently got a letter from the "Coupster" and everything seems to be doin' just fine out his way. Drop him a line, I'm sure he would love to hear from you!
- \* **Road Trip!** Norm and Larry recently took their show "on the road" so to speak at the recently completed Southwest Challenge. At the November meeting they were tellin' tales of their "incredible journey" of 1400 miles in a rental car returning from the Big "D". Why? No, Larry didn't lose a bet! A severe flare-up of a medical problem forced Larry to forego the plane ride home in favor of a nice, relaxing (?!) drive with Norm. Hope you are feelin' better, Larry! And thanks go out to Norm (I think!) fer makin' sure that Larry made it back safe and sound. They also told tales of 13 million dollar Ferraris, 206 mph Cadillac Sevilles (complete with vented roof to keep from blowin' the windows out!) Sounds like some real tall tales there, pardner!



- \* Crabcon! For anyone in attendance at the IPMS convention at BWI Airport, it would appear to have been very successful. If I am not mistaken, the final tally was 520 models entered with the sponsoring club not only breaking even but actually making a little money.
- \* Wishin' and hopin' Didja see the AMT '70 Pro Street Super Bee being released in July? What'll you bet that AMT releases a stock '70 Super Bee sometime thereafter (similar to the '68 Roadrunner and the '67 Chevelle? How 'bout it John?

### COMING EVENTS

- \* Jan 18, 1992-1992 NNL Western Nationals (the same weekend the Oakland Roadster show!) held at the Oakland Airport Hilton, #1 Hegenberger Road, Oakland, Ca. 94621 from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. For info, write or call (days only!) NNL Western Nationals, 19088 Santa Maria Avenue, Castro Valley, Ca. 94546 (415)582-3297.
- \* Jan 19, 1992-Buy/Sell/Trade West Coast Model Expo held at the Oakland Airport Hilton (see above for address) from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M. For info, see above.
- \* April 4, 1992-2nd Annual NNL Mid-Atlantic Model Car Show & Swap Meet held at the Orchard Beach Volunteer Fire Department from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. For info, call Jerry Flynn at (301)255-3776.
- \* April 11, 1992-Northern Virginia Modelfest sponsored by Northern Virginia IPMS. Further info as it becomes available.





CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED-AMT '34 Ford Coupe either unbuilt or in restorable condition. Contact Dave Roehrle at 876-8007.

FOR SALE-AMT "Bigfoot" kit (original issue). Kit is open, but sealed in bags in box. \$15.00 or interesting trade. Call Tim at 249-3830.

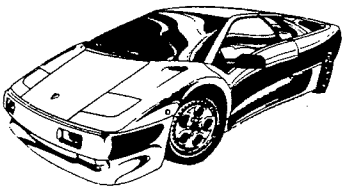
WANTED-Decal sheet and/or kit for large scale Monogram "Red Baron", Monogram 1969 GTO Judge kit, AMT 1963 Ford Pick-up. Call Dave Johns at 437-1893.

FOR SALE- Majority of personal collection. Call Matt Guilfoyle at 551-6070 for specifics and to place your order!

Anyone having an item for the Newsletter whether it is a Bit, a Piece or even a Classified, it can be included by contacting one of the individuals listed below:

Timothy C. Sickle  
15905 Ark Court  
Bowie, Maryland 20716  
(301)249-3830

Norman F. Veber  
317 Roosevelt Ave., S.W.  
Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061  
(301)768-3648



In case you missed it last month,

## FAMILY HOBBIES

is repeating their



# INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE

thru the end of December!

Most kits' retail prices\* will be reduced by \$1.50!

So, c'mon down 'cause they won't last long at  
at these prices! See map for directions.

\* Kits selling for \$6.75 and up.

(ED. NOTE: DROP IN AND BUY SOMETHIN' TO  
SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION OF THEIR  
CONTINUED SUPPORT OF  
OUR CLUB!)

