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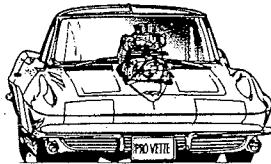
by: "GTO"

(The Maryland Automotive Modelers Association is a chapter of the IPMS in addition to the AMS)

Well gang, I guess somebody is listening! The sign-in sheet for March showed about 60 people, which is a little less than we have had in monthly attendance, but it was much easier to move around and talk with friends, wasn't it?

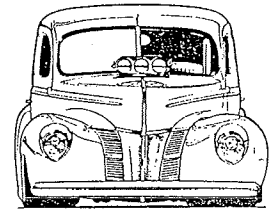
The raffle raised \$103.00 (as well as \$28.00 from the box!). A small note here-Please try not to put incomplete model kits on the raffle table for the simple reason that if one of our younger members gets it, and cannot build it due to the missing parts you 'borrowed' to kitbash with something else, then you have disappointed him, OK? The club would like to thank the raffle donors listed below: **Mike Hemp, Ron Bradley, Brad, Max Wolfthal, Jim McGuinness, Chris Whalley, George "4-Barrels, 4-Speeds, & Horsepower" Bojaciuk, George Johnson, Jr., Harry Charon, Jeff Decker, Tony Shanko, Steven Autry, CPMCC, and Replicas & Miniatures Co. Of MD.** Special thanks also go out to those as shown below:

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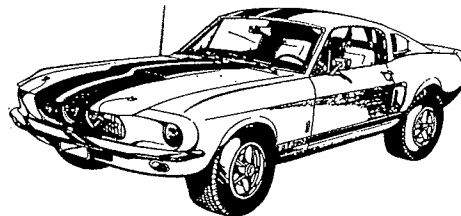
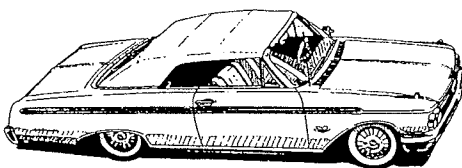


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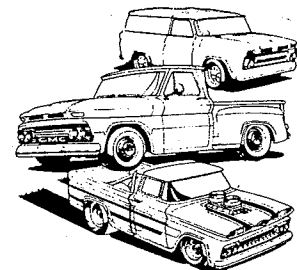
### '97 Meeting Schedule

Well guys, word has just come down from the mountain regarding next years' schedule and meeting place. If you have been on another planet or something, we are moving to the **Greenbelt Community center** multipurpose room for the dates listed below due to what I call the 'Greed Factor' of the folks at Catonsville Community College.

January 18th  
February 15th  
March 15th  
*April 26th*  
May 17th  
June 21st



July 19th  
August 16th  
*September 13th*  
October 18th  
November 15th  
December 20th



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

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

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

### **Sneakin' a Peek!**

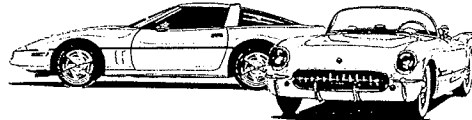
This column appears as frequently (or infrequently!) as new releases from the manufacturers. The idea behind it is to give a "thumbnail review" of the releases as they hit the shelves with a more detailed review to follow at a later date (hopefully!). We'll see how it goes! (Ed. Note: The kits are listed in no particular order)

- **1967 Chevrolet Impala SS427** (AMT/ERTL #8207): Molded in Lt. Gray....18-piece fat block, complete with separate alternator bracket....absolutely beautiful chassis with separate floorpan, includes multi-piece front suspension (looks to be posable), 10-piece rear suspension....platform-style interior w/separate door panels, rear seat, and 2-piece front bucket seats....upper and lower radiator hoses and heater hoses included....4-piece dual exhaust system....clear headlights along with front and rear windows....'427' air cleaner decal, "TB427" IA, "SS427" KS plates.
- **1997 Corvette** (Revell-Monogram #2490): Molded in white....(4) incredibly nice, soft O-rings masquerading as tires....chrome 5-spoke wheels....Small block, Torque Tube, and Transmission 2 pieces, with longitudinal seam....upper and lower radiator hoses....tub-style interior with separate, drop-in door panels....2-piece bucket seats....2-piece dash w/clear gauge face cover....disc brakes at all four wheels....separate clear and clear red lights and lenses....separate outside mirrors with chrome faces.
- **John Deere Motorsports Grand Prix** (Revell-Monogram #85-2492): Molded in White....nice, new Superspeedway Grand Prix body....new tires....colorful John Deere Motorsports decals include lighter Green on sides, hood, and roof of car, headlight decals, 'Goodyear Eagle #1' tire decals, and seat belt decal....new valve covers w/separate heat shields....electric fan molded to fan shroud. Roof flaps present in roof....windows feature rails molded in, and frosted areas for black paint.
- **1953 Corvette** (AMT/ERTL #8314, Snapfast Plus): Molded in White/red interior....(4) Firestone skinnies, w/hubcaps....glass/window frame molded as one piece....2-piece dash, with upper portion including tops of door panels....right and left-hand seats....separate, plated head, tail, and parking lights....separate rear view mirror, grille, and front bumper....'53-STYLE' CA, '150-HP' OH, and 'ROADSTR' TN plates (still undersized?)
- **"Goodwrench" Chevy Truck** (AMT/ERTL #8243): Molded in Lt. Gray....nearly identical to the Ford with the exception of the Chevy body and 'Goodwrench' graphics....pick-up bed lines present, compared to none on the Ford.
- **"Ortho Lawn & Garden" F-150 Truck** (AMT/ERTL #8304): Molded in Lt. Gray....re-hash of 'Raybestos' truck reviewed a few months ago in newsletter.
- **T-Bird Legends combo** (Revell-Monogram #85-6857): Molded in white....#21 Neil Bonnett/#15 Benny Parsons....separate front clip w/separate, chrome grille....older, correct Goodyear tires mounting chrome, slotted 5-hole wheels....chrome too bright....chassis virtually identical to '83 T-Bird....door lines present-some had 'em, some didn't....decals include all major markings, Goodyear white tire markings, windshield tint band, and *really nice* gold foil #21 numerals for Hodgdon car!
- **'55 Chevy stepside pick-up Pluspack** (AMT/ERTL #8598): Molded in a deep Metallic Burgundy....6-color paint set w/brush and non-toxic glue....full glue kit....chrome Edelbrock valve

covers and air cleaner....dual exhausts w/Supertrapp mufflers....5-spoke mags mounting Goodyear VR-series rubber.

- '67 Shelby GT 350 Pluspack (AMT/ERTL #8599): Molded in Red....stock Shelby 5-spoke mags mounting Firestone tires....again, 6-color paint set w/brush and non-toxic glue....full glue kit....white Shelby stripes.
- '95 Viper RT/10 Pluspack (AMT/ERTL #8655): Molded in Yellow.... again, 6-color paint set w/brush and non-toxic glue....full glue kit....'28M519' MI, 'Viper RT/10' plates, red or white 'Viper' window tint band....big 'n bigger Michelin XGT-Z tires....dark-tinted head/parking light lenses....great painting instructions.
- '96 Corvette Grand Sport Pluspack (AMT/ERTL #8643): Molded in Dark Blue.... again, 6-color paint set w/brush and non-toxic glue....full glue kit....white stripes, red fender hash marks, 'GS' logos, 'BLAZE' Hawaii, 'LT4 V8' KS plates....big 'n bigger Goodyear GS-C's....no chrome, wheels can be properly painted....bad flash in spots.

### Corvette Grand Sport



(Accurate Miniatures #5000; 1/24th scale; 100+ pieces; Light Gray, clear, vinyl tires, photoetched parts)

In the early 60's, Chevrolet unveiled the *Corvette Grand Sport* and opened the eyes of the racing public. Accurate Miniatures has thoroughly researched this particular edition (one of several), to present an unusual collector's model; a piece of racing history.

This kit should be number one on your list for an "Out-of-Box" competition. Excellent injection moldings, thorough list of painting directions, and an overall excellent representation of the era.

**ENGINE:** a 377 ci. In. Small block Chevy sporting four beautiful Weber carbs, photoetched header gaskets, over-the-frame headers and side pipes. **CAUTION:** Linkage and fuel lines are extremely fragile-I ruined mine. The block, bellhousing, and trans are not separate pieces. Linkage doesn't fit correctly, nor does the fuel harness. This engine should be in a Highboy or a fat-fendered Coupe. Excellent metalizer finish on wheels and assorted parts.

**CHASSIS:** Don't get me started. A valley is cast into the chassis rails as a stiffener, and you have to fill the bottom of the entire chassis. Couldn't it have been put on top? All the rest of the parts are beautifully done, and some are very fragile. No front coil springs, serious cutting and drilling. No shocks up front either. The rear is super. The calipers and rotors are to die for. Provision has been made for rolling wheels and posable steering. Funky spare tire. All of the parts are a tight fit. The interior is sparse, competition-style, with photoetch seat belts. The dash is another work of art. Decal gauges.

**WHEELS & TIRES:** The wheels are a perfect representation of the period coated with metalizer. The tires are excellent, but mine were sway-backed. To even out the tread area, I had to eliminate the tread and then some. Careful, there are two sizes of wheels, don't mix them up.

**BODY:** Many add-on scoops makes it ugly, but that was the experimental nature of the period in racing evolution. The body is well-done, crisp detail, with a good finish. It is a real pain to remove the cast-in oil cooler for adding the superdetailed kit piece, but it is worth it. Door opener guys will have a fight on their hands. I didn't try it on this one, maybe next time. Great door handles, photoetched hood louvers, windshield wipers, accessory lights for the car numbers, remote oil filter, on-board hydraulic jack fittings, gill slits, and air relief holes in the body, and optional headlight fairings. Overall, an excellent piece.

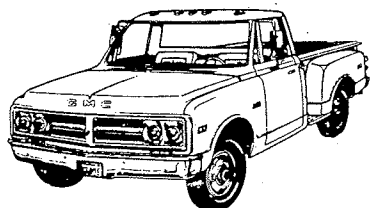
**GLASS:** The windows need some polishing, but all fit well. Optional clear headlight covers.

**DECALS:** White racing stripes, a few contingency stickers, dash and gauges, and valve cover placards.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** The drawings are fair, some parts were omitted from the illustrations, the timing chain cover is shown upside-down, and the writing needs some work. Extremely detailed painting instructions including a cross reference list of paint makers' stock numbers.

**SUMMARY:** This is not a Skill level one kit. To accurately reproduce the car, one needs more research, several test fittings, great care in separating tiny parts, and the patience of Job. Special care must be taken in separating parts from the trees. The tabs are large by model kit standards and placed in bad locations. The potential for greatness is there. Step up and try one of these if you are a Corvette collector.

Given enough care, a treasure can be discovered here. I would give them a 'B' for their efforts, and two thumbs up for tackling this unusual example of automotive history.



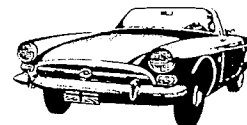
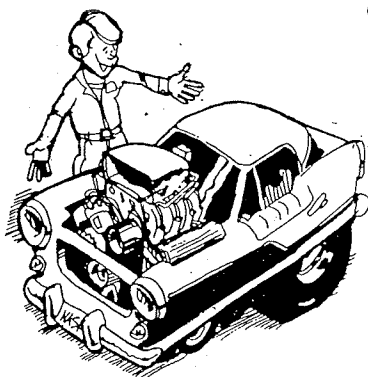
by: Rick Gondeck

### Ode to JATO Jake

(Sung to the tune of "The Beverly Hillbillies"!)

Remember some time back we published the story about the latest recipient of the *Darwin Award*. You know, *for the guy who did society the biggest favor by removing himself from amongst our midst?* The guy used the *JATO engine on his Impala for a thrill (and I'm sure a thrill he got!)*? The story has pretty much turned out to be another "*Urban Legend*", debunked as untrue by the *Arizona Highway Patrol*, but I recently came across this little number in the *Airbox*, the Newsletter of the *North Coast Auto Modelers*, and I was sure you'd get a 'kick out of it (get it? Kick?). It was written by *Bruce Lee*. Read on!

This here's the story of Ol' JATO Jake,  
Stuck on a mountainside, foot still on the brake!  
Clung to his steering wheel, in a Death Grip Squeeze!  
Left a scorched-out trail, and smokin' debris!  
Flew, that is....in a car....like a jet!  
He turned his '67 Impala into an F-Fourteen,  
four miles down the road, left a grisly scene!  
380 miles per hour was a little too fast,  
20 seconds later, poor Jake breathed his last!  
Died, that is....went KABOOM....said farewell!  
Puttin' a JATO motor on his old car was dumb,  
What a gruesome ride, this was sure to become!  
Blew off all four tires, melted his brakes,  
surely this day was turning out, not to be Jake's.  
Luck, that is....was the worst....Jake was cursed!  
Though Jake left this world, he didn't die in vain,  
The lesson here is clear, you'd better use your brain!  
Using surplus rocket thrust, to get a thrill,  
You just might end up like Jake, barbecued road kill!  
Fried, that is....fricasseed....vaporized!



### 1967 Chevrolet Impala Super Sport

(AMT/ERTL #8207; 1/25th scale; new tool; 98 pieces plus a decal sheet)

As I write this review, I notice that has been almost a year since AMT/ERTL made the announcement that they were going to produce this kit. Well, it's finally here, and I have mixed feelings concerning the detailing of the various elements of this kit. While some details are definitely world-class, some aspects of this kit leave me a little flat.

The *eighteen-piece engine assembly* goes together pretty well. You will notice that the alternator has an upper bracket, a nice touch, but the molded-in ignition coil, and the non-descript distributor and carburetor detract from the overall quality look of this assembly. In my opinion, this assembly begs for some aftermarket detail parts to liven it up.

The *chassis assembly* is *incredible*, in that this is one of the few kits to have a separate frame assembly. The front and rear suspension assemblies are both well detailed. The floorboard includes the trunk floor and fuel tank. The interior builds from the floor with the firewall/front floor assembly at the front, separate side panels, front bucket seats, and rear seats which are well-engraved. The instrument panel is lightly engraved, so light coats of paint are necessary to maintain the detail. There is a clear cover for the gauge panel, which is a nice touch. The steering column is molded to the dash, as are the brake and clutch pedals. The steering wheel, console, and shifter round out the interior. The well-engraved firewall

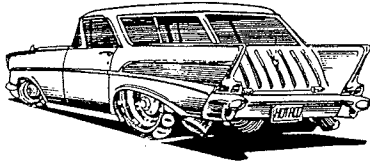
assembly has a separate brake booster, steering shaft and box, and heater hoses. The radiator and core support are also well-engraved with a fan shroud, upper and lower radiator hoses for the engine, and the battery.

The *exhaust system* consists of four pieces for the left and right exhausts, with pipes, mufflers, and resonators.

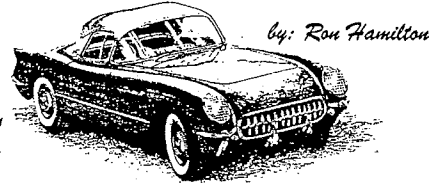
I have compared the new kits' *body* with the original kit, and I can say that they are not the same. The new body has been treated to the advances in model kit design over thirty years, such as a better fit for the glass assembly, separate windshield wipers and hood trim for the center ornament and the front of the hood. Positive locators for the front and rear bumpers are also present. The overall shape of the body seems perfectly proportioned in that the shape of the '67 Impala is right on the money. The proper body separation points are also in place. With all this perfection, a nice touch would have been separate door handles, and slightly heavier engraving for the emblems. The grille has separate, clear headlamps, which is a vast improvement from the previous incarnation of this kit.

The *wheels and tires* consist of the venerable Chevy Rally wheels and AMT's Firestone wide oval tires, which are correct for this vehicle. The builder has the choice of flowing red or white paint into the recess on the tire, either of which would be correct. Shallow brake and inner wheel detail is present, which is totally hidden once assembled.

AMT/ERTL has done a very good job with this kit. Can we say possible contender for Kit of the Year?! I would have to say that this kit is a strong contender in that the average modeler can build up a beautiful model with patience and care in assembly and painting, and there is enough there for the super detailer to go to town as well with selected aftermarket and scratchbuilt parts. You'll see mine soon. It will be *Butternut Yellow trimmed in black* (Sorry 'bout that, Lyle!).



## BITS & PIECES



- **Plastic Fanatic Sold! Garage Scenes, too!** In a recent staff newsletter, *Roy Sorenson* informed us that the new owner of the magazine is busy with a new look, setting up an Internet site, and going to the newsstand as soon as possible! *Gregg Hutchings* is the new owner, and you can view the *Plastic Fanatic Internet site* at <http://www.pixi.com/~gregkel/>. Check it out often as it will change frequently! Garage Scenes is now in the hands of a northern California modeler, who has already begun filling orders. Plans also call for him to add model kits to the catalog as well.
- **"Here we come-Again!"** The latest issue of *Pontiac Enthusiast* (Jan/Feb 97) includes a feature on, of all things, *Monkeemobile #1!*
- **"Rent-A-Racer" Revisited!** I'm sure you all remember *Hertz* renting *Shelby GT-350H's*? Well, on your next visit to *Beverly Hills, CA*, Budget will happily rent you a *Mercedes SLK* or a *Porsche Boxster* (\$205.70/day) or a *Viper GTS Coupe* (\$541/day)! And as if to top this off, Budget also tacks on a *54-cent-per-mile surcharge!* They also have on hand *AM General Hummers, Saleen Mustang GTs, BMW Z3's, Jaguar XK8's, and 2 1997 Red Corvettes* (no word on the tab for these guys, though!). You should also know that you will be asked to sign an agreement not to race the vehicles or use them in an irresponsible manner. *Geez, why don't they just take all the fun out of it?!*
- **Mowing Under the Influence?!** In Elkins, West Virginia, the cops recently arrested a guy for drunk driving after he crashed his *14 hp. Mower* into a *Mitsubishi 3000 GT*, then left the scene! It was easy enough to prove however, since the cops found him on the mower with a *Budweiser longneck in his hands!* Thanks to a local radio station for this one!
- **High-priced Ponchos!** I've been tellin' you guys about how *valuable* those *Pontiacs* are. Check out these listings from the *April '97* issue of *Hemmings Motor News*: *'69 Trans Am convertible-1* of 8, 4-speed, Scott Tiemann restoration, *\$185,000.00 (!)*. Or, *'62 Super Duty Catalina*-Scott Tiemann restoration, *\$129,000.00 (!)*. Believe it or stuff it!



- No Pontiac in Pontiac?! On or around April 18th, the last of 460 *Pontiac/GMC marketing employees* will move from *Pontiac, Michigan* to *GM's new headquarters* in *downtown Detroit*. Is nothing sacred? Thanks to *The Baltimore Sun* for this one.
- "Virtual dummies?!" In the computer 90's, with automakers using computers for crash test simulations, the obvious next step is *computer-simulated crash dummies!* A Michigan firm already markets just that to the Big 3. Virtual dummies mimic a large man, a small woman, and a 3-year-old child. These dummies (*that's 'Mentally Challenged' to you!*) can eliminate 10 or 20 crash tests during the design of a vehicle. Automakers typically crash as many as 50 cars (!) during that period. *Kinda gives new meaning to the phrase, "Hard drive crash", eh?*
- Now, that's a really **BIG** block!! What has been billed as the *world's largest auto engine* is now at St. Jude's Ranch for children in Boulder City, Nev. The engine previously hung in Auto World in Flint, Michigan, and was donated by Best Wrecking Company in Detroit. The engine is *three stories high, with a flywheel equal in height to a basketball hoop, with a fan two feet larger than that. The oil filter is 2 1/2 feet long, and 1 1/2 feet in diameter.* If real, *the engine would need a car 50 yards long to accommodate it.* The engine will be on display at St. Jude's Ogorek Gallery and exhibit hall, expected to open this summer. St. Jude's is a home for abused, abandoned, and neglected children.
- Slixx new decals! Latest word from the *BSR Replicas & Finishes* web site lists several new '97 issues from Slixx which include; *'97 Winston Cup stuff*-#6 'Valvoline' Ford, #18 'Interstate' Pontiac (regular), #37 'Kmart/RC Cola' Ford, #44 'Hot Wheels' Pontiac, #96 'Caterpillar' Chevy, #99 'Exide Batteries' Ford; *'97 Busch GN*; #9 'Track Gear' Ford, #32 'White Rain' Ford, #60 'Winn Dixie' Ford; *NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series*; #6 'Remax' Chevy ('96 & '97). No word on any new drag stuff, as they are into stock cars only. They are considering adding the straightline stuff, so give 'em a holler and let 'em know you wanna see it on their web page! They are at <http://www.bsrrrep.com>.
- "We got us a convoy!" *Matchbox* is at it again. This time, it is with *The North American Brewmasters Collection*-with the *Miller Genuine Draft Peterbilt, Red Dog Ford Aeromax, Corona Kenworth, Honey Brown Mack, Moosehead Kenworth, and Pabst Blue Ribbon Peterbilt.* No indication on the scale of these guys, though. They are \$19.95 each plus shipping, and can be ordered by calling 1-800-858-0102 between 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. Monday thru Friday.
- More diecasts! *The Danbury Mint* has just announced a *1962 Chevrolet Corvette.* It features *opening hood, doors, and trunk (complete with removable trunk mat and spare tire!), and lift-off hardtop.* Price is only \$105. Interested? Contact them at 47 Richards Avenue Norwalk, Conn 06857.
- Summerslam! No, the *World Wrestling Federation* isn't comin' to town, but the *latest series of limited kits* is! From *AMT/ERTL ('Buyer's Choice')* we can expect to see the *Peterbilt wrecker, Lincoln Continental w/station wagon option ('65? '66?), Ski/Drag boat, and a '61 Ford hardtop Styleline.* From *Revell-Monogram ('Selected Subjects Program'),* we should see the *Jeb Allen "Praying Mantis" Top Fuel dragster, a "Firebolt" jet racer, "Popper Chopper" 1/8th mini-bike, and an '82 Collector's Edition Corvette.* These should all be out by mid-summer.
- More New Stuff! *2nd Quarter releases* are due out from the gang at *Revell-Monogram.* They include the *'55 Chevy® Indy® Pace car convert, #16 'NAPA' Chevy® race truck (April); Harley-Davidson XL™ 1200C Sportster® 1200 Custom, #44 'Hot Wheels' Grand Prix (May); #24 'Quaker State' Chevy® race truck, 'Drag-On Lady' Dodge Coronet, #5 'Kellogg's' Monte Carlo®, Kenworth W900 wrecker, Batmobile™, Robin's Redbird™, Gatherer's Mercedes-Benz M-class™, Hunter's Humvee™ Snagger, Adult T-Rex, and Velociraptors, Dragonheart™ and The Relic™ (June).* Sounds like there's somethin' there for everybody!
- "Georgia Shaker" Drive-in! None other than the infamous *Hubert "Georgia Shaker" Platt* and his wife *Linda* can be found operating their *drive-in* located in Sugar Hill, GA. It is adorned with racing memorabilia from the glory days of drag racing belonging to not only Hubert Platt, but other racers as well. They recently hosted their *first cruise-in,* featuring stock cars, muscle cars, and street rods! You *'seasoned veterans' (I prefer that term to 'old'!)* may remember Hu from the *Thunderbolt* days at Ford! He is also credited with building one of the first *'funny cars'* a tube-chassised '65 Mustang.
- Diecast Mania! *Racing Champions* has gone off the deep end! In a recent mailing detailing their upcoming releases, they have initiated a *HOT ROD series (in connection with the magazine of the same name!).* The first series includes a customized *Dodge Ram, '63 Split window Corvette, '65/66 Mustang, '69 Olds 442, and as if to top it off, a '69 Pontiac GTO!* All are tubbed, with a nice set of bigs 'n littles, and the *GTO has a blower on it to boot!* Future releases in the series will include a '70

*Chevelle, '55 Chevy, '37 Ford, '57 Ford Ranchero, '71 Barracuda, '41 Willys, '32 Ford Coupe, and a '97 Ford F150.* In their regular *'Mint'* series, they will release later this year a *'70 Chevelle, '55 Bel Air convert, '58 Impala, '59 Caddy, '97 'Vette, '56 Crown Vic, '57 Bel Air convert, Prowler, '68 Camaro, '49 Buick Riviera (!), '58 Edsel, and a '40 ford pickup* just to name a few!! They are all in 1/64<sup>th</sup> scale, but word is that the HOT ROD series may also be out in 1/25<sup>th</sup> too.

- **More meetings!** *Mark Wheeler's club, "Our Model is Christ"* has set their '97 meeting dates. They are as follows: February 2<sup>nd</sup>, March 9<sup>th</sup>, April 13<sup>th</sup>, May 4<sup>th</sup>, June 8<sup>th</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup>, August 10<sup>th</sup>, September 13<sup>th</sup>, October 11<sup>th</sup>, November 8<sup>th</sup>, and December 14<sup>th</sup>. Special activities will occur at the February and December meetings. They are held at *The First Christian Church at 320 Oak Manor Drive Glen Burnie, MD 21061* from 2 PM to 5 PM in the *Fellowship Hall*. For info, call (410)761-3863 or (410)551-4230.

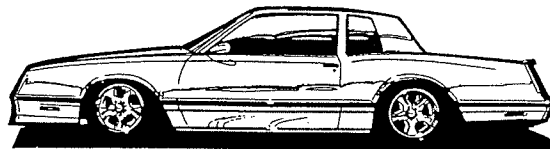
### COMING EVENTS

- *April 27th- Fallston Volunteer Fire Co. Semi-Annual Toy Show* at the Fallston fire House, 2201 Carrs Mill Rd, Fallston, MD from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. Admission is \$2.00, with children under 12 free with paying adult. For info, call June/Joe Livingston at (410)877-7644 or Hobie Howell at (410)877-3568.
- *April 27th- NCRMC Ford Mustang show* at Montgomery county Community college in Rockville, MD.
- *May 1st to 4th- North American Model Car Championship* in 'Detroit City'. For further info, SASE to NAMCC, 205 East Hibbard Road Owosso, MI 48867 or call (517)723-3147.
- *May 4th-19th Annual All-Corvette Show* sponsored by the *Northern Virginia Corvette Club* at Koons Chevy-GEO in Tysons Corner. First 50 registered cars will be indoors. Dash plaques, door prizes, and goodie bags will also be given away. For info, call Tim Anderson at (703)455-2815 or Dale Gray at (703)455-5476.
- *May 9th to 11th- Carlisle Import-Kit/Replicar Nationals* in Carlisle, PA. The giveaway car is a *1986 Alfa Romeo convertible* (I don't think it's a kit car!)
- *May 10th-Spring Funny Car Classic* at MIR.
- *May 10th-28th Annual Antique Fire Apparatus muster, parade, and flea market* sponsored by *Chesapeake Antique Fire Apparatus Association SPAAMFAA* at Culler lake, Baker Park. For info, write C. Richard Fox, 21 Park Ave., Westminster, MD 21157, or phone (410)848-9112.
- *May 17th- All-Ford car show, swap meet, and drag racing* at 75-80 Dragway in Monrovia, MD.
- *May 18th-A Day by the Bay XIV dust-off* at Downs Park in Pasadena, MD sponsored by the *Bay Country Region V.C.C.A.* from Noon to 4 P.M. *Open to all antique vehicles (UP THRU 1975 ONLY)*. Dash plaques for first fifty cars driven onto show field. Picnic tables, shade trees, and the Bay-bring a picnic lunch (no alcoholic beverages permitted on premises)! Pre-registration is \$10 (\$2 is donated to the 'Park Beautification Fund') Mail to Thomas J. Totushek, "Registration" 758 Hawthorne Road Linthicum, MD 21090-2312.
- *May 23rd to 25th-Big 'M' Spring Bash* at the drive-in in Churchville, MD featuring car show, corral, swap meet, and flea market, entertainment, top 100 awards, and fireworks! For info, call (410)879-5558.
- *May 24th & 25th- 11th Annual Rod Run* sponsored by The Custom Cruisers of Northern Virginia at Ida Lee Park in historic Leesburg, VA.. For info, contact Dave Jackson at (703)327-6764 or John Ennis at (703)754-7453.
- *May 25th-Chevy and GM car show, corral, flea market, and drag race* sponsored by *Heartland of Maryland Chevy club* at 75-80 Dragway. For corral/racing info, call Bill Wilcom at (301)865-5102; for show info, call Ed Zimmerman at (301)865-5270 or Jim Riggs at (301)829-0171.
- *May 31st-6th Annual AMC family car show, swap meet and flea market* sponsored by the *Mid-Atlantic AMX club* at Cecil County Dragway. For info, call (215)364-3548 (PA).
- *June 1st-Mid-Atlantic Harley-Davidson Spring Festival* at MIR.

- *June 1st-24th Annual Antique Car show and flea market* sponsored by the *Mid-Atlantic VCCA Region* at Montgomery Auto sales park. For info, write Peter Basti, 5012 Iriquois St., College Park, MD 20740 or call (301)474-1746.
- *June 6th to 8th- Street Rod Nats East* at the fairgrounds in York, PA.
- *June 6th to 8th- Carlisle All-Ford Nationals* at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA. The giveaway car is a *1967 Mercury Cougar*.
- *June 7th-93 WFLS Big Rig Truck Nationals* at MIR, including Country music, and *Bone Crusher*, the world's only *car crushing Monster Motorcycle!*
- *June 8th- Anything on Wheels Toy Show* at the Emigsville First Alert Fire Co. on North George Street (exit 10 off I-83, and north on North George St. 1.6 miles to fire hall on left) from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. For info, call Al at (717)751-7795 evenings or weekends til 9 P.M.
- *June 8th-4th Annual 58-64 Chevy Show* sponsored by *MD Late Great Chevys* at Win Kelly Chevy, free admission. For info, call (410)795-8578.
- *June 8th-24th Annual Concours* sponsored by the *Corvette Club of America* at Criswell Chevrolet, 503 Quince Orchard road. For info, call Phil at (301)774-8069 or Bob at (301)963-3089.
- *June 8th-9th Annual Quince Orchard Auto Show* at Quince Orchard High School, upper parking lot (corner of RTS 124 & 28) in Gaithersburg, MD Food, beverages, dash plaques, vendor spaces, and trailer parking. Registration \$10 in advance, \$12 day of the show. For info, call (301)840-1580 or write Quince Orchard Auto Show, 711 Hope Lane, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.
- *June 20th to 22nd- Carlisle All-Truck Nationals* at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA.
- *June 20th to 22nd-President's Nitrous Cup Nationals* at MIR (televised by ESPN!)
- *June 20th- Lexington Bluegrass Modelers* present *SummerSlam '97 Model Car Contest and Swap Meet* at Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School, 1600 Man 'O War Boulevard in Lexington, KY.
- *June 22nd- 10th Annual Mid -Atlantic Chevelle Show & Swap Meet* at the Big 'M' Drive-In in Churchville, MD hosted by the Maryland Chevelle Club. For info, contact Bob at (301)937-7383, Rick at (410)879-7893, or The Big 'M' at (410)734-7788.
- *June 28th & 29th- Super Chevy Sunday* event at Maple Grove Raceway in Reading, PA.
- *June 28th & 29th-The 1997 International Matchbox Collectors Show* at the Hershey Lodge & Convention Center in Hershey, PA. For info, call (201)470-0400 extension 31.
- *July 5th & 6th-East Coast Nostalgia Nationals* held at Virginia Motorsports Park in Richmond, VA. Dragsters, Altereds, Gassers, Funny Cars, Fuel Bikes, Modified Production, A/FX, Street, Junior Stocks, Rod & Custom Fun Run. Famous personalities barbecue. All cars & trucks up to 1972 welcome.
- *July 9th to 13th- 1997 IPMS/USA National Convention* sponsored by IPMS/Eddie Rickenbacker, and held at the Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio. For info, contact 1997 IPMS National Convention, PO Box 339, Blacklick, OH 43004-0339.
- *July 11th to 13th- Chryslers at Carlisle* at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA. The giveaway car is a *1967 Dodge Coronet 440 with only 19,226 miles on the clock!*
- *July 17th to 20th-Flashbacks Collectible Vehicle Show, Swap meet, Auction, and Music Fest* at Blob's Park in Jessup, MD. Street Rods, Customs, Antique cars, and commercial vehicles welcome. Kathie Martin & the Hot Rods (formerly with the Hubcaps) live Friday & Saturday night (7:30 to 11:30 P.M.); also Saturday & Sunday afternoon (1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.). Over 250 vendors, over 250 show cars & auction vehicles, cinder blocking engines (not to be missed!, dash plaques, skydiving exhibition, every kid under 16 guaranteed to win a prize! Adults \$12.00, children 12-15 \$6.00, children under 10 free. For info, contact Flashback Productions P.O. Box 3696 Crofton, MD 21114 (410)721-7074, FLASHPROD@aol.com.
- *July 25th to 27th- Summer Carlisle*. The giveaway car is a *1970 Cutlass Supreme convertible dressed up to look like a W30 442*.
- *July 25th to 27th- Super Chevy Sunday* event at Maple Grove Raceway in Reading, PA.
- *July 30th-Mountain Motor Nationals* at MIR.
- *Aug. 8th to 10th- Goodguys Carlisle Rod and Custom Classic* at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA.



- *Aug. 9th- Music City Modelers* present their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Contest and Swap Meet at Wilson Hall, Tennessee State Fairgrounds, Nashville, TN. For general info, call Jack Aaron Scoggins at (615)650-9942; for Vendor info, call Wayne Meeker at (615)847-0298.
- *Aug. 16th-Jet Funny Car Nationals* at MIR.
- *Aug. 17th-Pontiac Drag Sports Nationals All-Pontiac Car Show and Drag Race* at Maple Grove Raceway in Reading, PA. 8 drag racing classes with a guaranteed \$5,000 purse in addition to a Pontiac car show. A pair of Pontiac Edelbrock aluminum heads will be given away to a lucky participant!
- *August 22nd to 24th- Corvettes at Carlisle.* The giveaway car is a 1977 L82 Corvette with only 48,000 miles on its clock.
- *Aug. 31st & Sept. 1st- EIP Tuning Import Shootout Series* at MIR.
- *Sept. 5th to 7th-Big 'M' Birthday Bash* at the Drive-In in Churchville, MD featuring car show, corral, swap meet, and flea market, entertainment, top 100 awards, and fireworks! For info, call (410)879-5558.
- *Sept. 6th- Laurel Lions Club 33rd Annual Auto show* presented in association with the *Chesapeake Region AACA* and the *Street Survivors of MD* at the Laurel Park Race Course. Over 55 classes of Antiques, Classics, Street Rods, and Custom cars, as well as 160 flea market spots. For info, call (301)483-9807.
- *Sept. 6th & 7th-Super Stock Reunion* at Rockingham Dragway in Rockingham, NC. Only Super Stock, Stock, Junior Stock, Gassers, Modified Production and early Pro Stock cars thru 1972 allowed to compete.
- *Sept. 7th- The Lost in the 50's and Maryland Automotive Modelers Association 7th Annual Benefit Car Show and Model Car Contest for Boy Scout Troop 216* (for the physically and mentally handicapped) at the Glen Burnie Carnival Grounds at Crain Highway and 15th Avenue from 12 noon to 4 P.M. (registration from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon). Open to all years, games, raffle, live entertainment, door prizes, dash plaques to the first 100 cars. Vendor spaces \$15.00, car show registration \$10.00, model car registration \$2.00 (models are inside the building). For show info, contact Bob Everson at (410)768-0872, for model contest info, contact Tim Sickle at (301)249-3830.
- *Sept. 10th-The Yates Auto Parts Pro Stock Open* at MIR.
- *Sept. 13th- The Knoxville Scale Auto Modelers* present *Volunteer Classic IV* at the Holiday Inn Convention Center World's Fair Site in Knoxville, TN. For info, contact Terry Donald at (423)982-5056.
- *Sept. 20th & 21st-The Ford Fever Classic* presented at MIR by the Washington Area Ford dealers.
- *Oct. 2nd to 5th- Fall Carlisle* at the fairgrounds in Carlisle, PA.
- *Oct. 3rd & 4th- 1997 IPMS Region II Convention & Model Contest* at the Radisson Hotel of Bucks County, 2400 Old Lincoln Highway at U.S. 1, Trevose, PA. (Philadelphia exit, PA Turnpike). For info, call Convention hotline 1-610-325-5524; E-mail John Cottman at cottman@msn.com; write Jan Harrison 26 Schoolhouse Lane, Broomall, PA 19008-1830; call Radisson of Bucks county at 1-800-333-3333 or 215-638-3800 (be sure to request special IPMS Convention rate!).
- *Oct. 4th-The Superchargers Showdown* at MIR.
- *Oct. 11th & 12th- Super Chevy Sunday event* at Virginia Motorsports Park in Dinwiddie, VA.
- *Oct. 26th-EIP Tuning Import Shootout Series* at MIR.
- *Dec. 6th & 7th- 8th Annual Street Cars of Desire Car Show & Automotive Flea Market* at the MD State Fairgrounds, in the Cow Palace.
- *March 7th, 1998 (!)- The Birmingham Classic NNL Model Car Show and Swap Meet* sponsored by the *Magic City Modelers* and *IPMS Birmingham*. Themes are *any vehicle that is lowered (we're talkin' on da ground!), and weathered vehicles (a.k.a. 'Down and Dirty!)*. For show info, contact Tommy May at (205)591-8038 or write Magic City Car Modelers at 5605 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35222. For Vendor info, contact Dan Morgan at (205)739-1819 or write Magic City Car Modelers at P.O. Box 988 Cullman, AL 35056.



## CLASSIFIEDS

**FOR SALE-1987 Buck Regal Turbo**, rebuilt engine, transmission, and suspension. New turbo, radiator, fuel pump, belts, hoses, etc. Etc. Etc....Street chip, 3-inch dump pipe, many performance upgrades, full power. Fresh Gunmetal Gray paint, burgundy interior. Inspected, \$9,000.00 OBO. Very reliable, very fast, a unique sleeper. For more info, call Charlie Scheerer at (410)661-5140.

**FOR SALE-2 compressors**, 1 Badger (\$75.00), and 1 Sears Craftsman (\$50.00). Both are great for airbrushing. Call Tim Powers at (410)255-3976 and leave a message, or see me at a meeting!

**WANTED**-Anyone having a copy of the '96 *MAMA NNL* that aired live on channel 2, please contact me for copying....thanks! Ron Drechsler (410)255-7369.

**WANTED**- Body and hood for '79 *Plymouth Volare*-yellow plastic (*that's not a Chevy, Tim!*). Also, body, hood, front seat, radiator support, fan shroud, driveshaft, rear bumper, spoiler, fender spats, and front air dam for 1978 *Pontiac Trans Am*-white Plastic (*Again Tim, not a Chevy!!*). Contact Tim Powers at (410)255-3976, leave message.

**FOR SALE- 1923 Ford T-Bucket**. Black beauty, custom graphics, small block Chevy w/Tri-power, M/T tires (19.5 X 15 X 15), roll bar, 8" Ford rear with 4.11's, lotsa chrome, custom interior, too many items to list. This one is a nice street rod for anybody wanting a turn-key ride, \$12,000. Call Terry Adams at 795-4788 after 5 P.M.

**WANTED-Monogram '83 Trans Am #2202** (built-up or non-mint kit). Need nose, hood, and decals. Contact Ken Walkley at 36 Lincoln Street Little Ferry, NJ 07643, or call (201)641-0344.

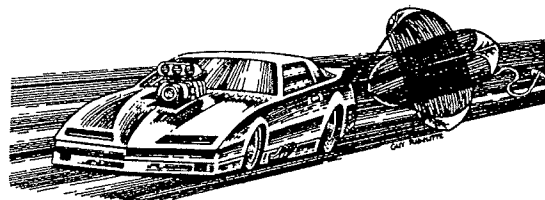
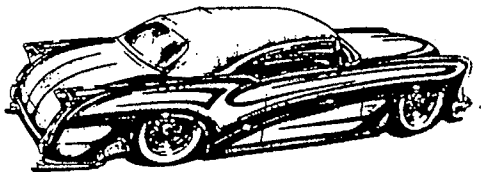
**FOR SALE-Thinning collection** (not quitting), list available. Contact Harold Bradford at (301)604-8591 or see him at a meeting!

**TRADE-GM or Ford engines for Mopar V-8's** (1/25th scale plastic, of course!). Call Ron Drechsler at (410)255-7369.

**FOR SALE-Over 500 model cars and trucks**. Call Dave Roehrle at (410)875-9476.

**WANTED- Chassis and front suspension for AMT '66 Nova**. Call Ron Palmer at (410)633-3260.

**WANTED**-Parts to complete a large scale (1/6th scale? 1/8th scale?) Jaguar XK120 produced by Model Toys. Parts needed are: windshield frame, front and rear bumpers, grille, headlights, and front roll pan. In search of replacements or someone who could scratchbuild same. Call Rich Moure at (410)515-3577.



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:

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