# Special Dearborn '09 Edition!

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# Feature Vehicle: 1964 Falcon by Gordon Leslie



Cars have always been a part of me. Even as a small kid, I had model cars and toys-- some of which I still have to this day. I even blew up a few! Just recently I was given a picture of me and my 1961 Rambler American racing four wide at Detroit Dragway in 1962.

So over the years, I've had a lot of cars and motorcycles. I could count them all but I don't think I want to know. Many I wish I still had, but that is another story.

The Falcon came around in 1997 when I wanted something different. I didn't want a Mustang or a Camaro. I came across a



A roomy interior. Note the factory A/C.

# FMRCOA Swap Meet 2009: A Special Report by the Roving Reporter



Louis Ironside (The Roving Reporter) stands at his swap spot.

There were forty candles on the Dearborn '09 cake. We blew them out, and got our wish: perfect weather, a great swap meet, and a packed car show!

In spite of the predictions of on and off rain all weekend, the cooler weather, light breeze, and sun brought in a steady crowd on Saturday. The members who worked the gate and parking did a great job of keeping the traffic moving. There were plenty of buyers on hand and I spoke with several vendors who said this was the best in years.



Carol Bader won "Best of Show" with her 1964 Thunderbird at the car show on Sunday.

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## **Editor's Message**



What a busy month with our successful car show and swap meet! Hopefully this newsletter will capture some of those activities as well as others during the summer of '09. For example, we covered the Ann Arbor Rolling Sculpture Show that involved club members—a super event.

We thank Gordon Leslie for the Feature article. We also thank our team of Staff Contributors for providing articles for this newsletter and, particularly, Louis Ironside who contributed three articles.

Thanks also go to Hank Dawson for his article on the recent Motor Muster.

Please keep materials/leads coming. We are still running low on Feature Vehicles. And with a larger newsletter, we do need more material! If you want to report on an event that you attended, let me know.

Just give me a call (734.717.5444), email me, or put something in the mailbox. Typically, it really doesn't take more than a 10-15 minute conversation to get great "stuff" for an article.



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Consider the 15th of the month as a deadline for getting announcements or other materials to me for that month's newsletter.

Finally, don't forget to visit our website <a href="www.fmrcoa.org">www.fmrcoa.org</a> where you can read these newsletters in color and see more event pictures, and videos.

Steve Rohde, Editor



July 2009
Our 40th anniversary and still going strong!

By the time you read this message our swap meet/car show will be over for 2009 and it was a huge success! Not only did the Weather Gods shine upon us, but we were treated to a perfect view of the fabulous display of the Blue Angels and all the other participants in the Yankee Air Force air show called "Thunder Over Michigan" which just happened to fall on the same weekend as our event....how lucky can you get!

My heartfelt thanks to all of you who put in all those hours to make it a success. As I've said before, when you consider all that the club gives you throughout the year a couple of hours helping at the swap meet is the least that you can do. A good many of you belong to other clubs as well as ours and you know what I'm talking about. Check out our website FMRCOA.org for the latest pictures and videos of our events (thanks Steve!). Our Treasurer, Steve Rohde, is like a kid in a candy store when it come to taking pictures and making those videos....our own "Cecil B."

Our cruise season continues.....there is still so much to do this summer....Telegraph, Meadowbrook, Woodward, and oh, don't forget the club picnic Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>. Same place as last year in Wixom. Thanks Phil Lyon and Mike Fontana for putting it on. The location is excellent and adds a lot toward making it a great day for our outing. Boat ride anyone? Captain Mike at your service.

Please note that Steve is always looking for Newsletter material....let's keep it coming. Everyone of us has at least one car story in us, so let's get them in print.

On to (we hope) Hot August Nights.....

Art Cervi, President

#### **New Members**

Steve Densel (Karen) 1906 Houston St. Dearborn, MI 48124 rdensel@wowway.com 1939 Ford Truck





Art presents a membership badge to Linda Dicks at the July meeting. Her husband, Larry, has been a club member since 1992.

# The Ann Arbor Rolling Sculpture Car Show

Several FMRCOA members participated in the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Ann Arbor "Rolling Sculpture Car Show" on July 10 from 2-10 pm.

Your Editor has participated in this show for many years and has been a volunteer for the past several years. The show was sponsored by Bill Crispin Chevrolet and the Ann Arbor Main Street Area Association.

This year club members Larry Miller, Dick Monroe, Doyle Julian, Larry Haase, and Bill Krueger also attended. Larry Miller and Doyle brought their gorgeous '57 Oldsmobile and '56 Ford cars, respectively; and Steve his un-restored '34 Buick.



Larry Miller's beautiful 1957 Oldsmobile '88 drew much attention on Main Street in Ann Arbor.

At 12 pm downtown Ann Arbor closes, and some show cars and other exhibits are set up. Then at 2 pm the cars roll in – big time! The cars park on the streets, and the show ends at 10 pm.

This top-quality show features more than 400 exotic, antique, classic, and one of a kind cars on the streets in downtown Ann Arbor. Hot Rod DJ, Surfer Joe, "spun" hot rod songs throughout the show.

This show also featured a special "Dream Street" exhibition area on Liberty Street that included educational and race car demonstrations. In particular, the Ann Arbor District Library had a "build a toy car" activity for children that was staffed with top fuel dragster driver Hillary Will. I interviewed Hillary – she's the fastest woman in the world: 0-330 mph in 4.5 seconds!

Awards presented included ones by Bill Crispin Chevrolet, Toyota, Car and Driver Magazine, and Automobile Magazine.



**YOUR CAR!** 

The Rotunda Times would like to feature your old car or truck in an upcoming issue. We are interested in how you came about finding your vehicle of choice, and what you have done to enhance its beauty, and / or mechanical condition. Simply mail or e-mail us your article accompanied with a photo to:

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#### **New Location for Monthly Club Meetings**

Our monthly club meetings are now at **St Mary's Cultural Center at 18100 Merriman Rd** in Livonia between 6 and 7 Mile Roads. This is the beautiful facility where we have held the last several dinner dances. Moreover, it has a extremely large parking lot enabling club cars to be easily parked together (and the food is good!).

Meetings will continue to be on the first Wednesday of each month and will begin at 7:30 PM. And do bring a friend!



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#### FEATURE VEHICLE cont. from page 1

1962 Ranchero. It was an all stock six cylinder with three on the tree. It was fun for a few years until I came across a V8 engine and trans. Then came the whole redo. Four years later, it was back on the road.

During that time I found a 1960 Falcon 2 dr with 20,780 original miles with no rust anywhere on the body. It was just a nice 144 cu. inch three speed that had been sitting in a garage for 33 years. The car was just three blocks from the K of C in Dearborn.

But somebody wanted that car a lot more than I did. So off it went to a new owner and I bought a 1965 Sprint Hardtop with 35,000 miles. When I got the Sprint I started to work on the Ranchero for a third time. It now has a built 347, a C/4, 3:55 gears and all the goodies.



A shiny underhood too! Note the factory A/C (r).

Then someone took a liking to my Sprint and then it was gone too. Now I have money in hand again and still no running Ranchero.

I spent some time in San Diego and then in Charlotte, North Carolina early this year just looking for something to catch my eye but I found nothing.

Then one day. while on Craigslist, I found a 1964 Falcon with no picture. It was close by in Northville so I decided to go in search of this car. It was a 1964 Sprint, black with a red interior, and a bench seat. It had 59,000 miles and had been sitting in this garage since 1998. It had never been taken out since it was brought back from North Carolina. The price was right and it looked real good. I drove it home, cleaned and shined it up and drove it to Louisville, Kentucky for a Regional show.

So that gives me two Falcon barn finds (sort of) and still always looking.

I have lived in Allen Park since 1954 and have been married to Carol for 41 years. I retired eight years ago from the Ford Wixom plant after 37 years as a hilo repairman. I have two children: David works at Henry Ford Village for retirees , and Kelly lives in North Carolina where she is a school teacher.

I am also President of the Metro Detroit Falcon Club and have been a member of the FMRCOA for four years.

## **Mustang's Movie Magic\***

For 45 years, the Ford Mustang has been lighting up the silver screen. From the time of its introduction at the World's Fair in New York four and a half decades ago, the iconic pony car has appeared in more than 500 movies and hundreds of television programs.

Ever since 1964 when the Mustang appeared in the Bond film Goldfinger, filmmakers have often used the Mustang to symbolize the quintessential American cool. In the 1968 film Bullitt, Steve McQueen played a hardened police detective chasing down killers in a 1968 Mustang GT390.

But the Mustang can also be aspirational. In the 2007 film The Bucket List, starring Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman, Freeman's character is dying and lists "Drive a Shelby Mustang" as one of the things he longs to do before he kicks the proverbial bucket.

Here are just a few of the Mustang's memorable moments on the silver screen:

- **Goldfinger** (1964) A white 1964½ convertible is driven by a beautiful woman assassin.
- Bullitt (1968) Steve McQueen drives a 1968 Mustang GT390 in a nineminute, 42-second car chase.
- Diamonds Are Forever (1971) Sean Connery eludes police pursuit in a red 1971 Mustang Mach I.



Steve McQueen in Bullitt.

- Gone in 60 Seconds (1974) A 40-minute car chase that destroys 93 cars involves a 1973 Mustang Mach I.
- **Bull Durham (1988)** Kevin Costner picks up a 1968 Shelby Mustang GT350 convertible.
- True Crime (1999) Clint Eastwood and a 1983 Mustang convertible with more than a few miles on it star.
- **Gone in Sixty Seconds (2000)** With Nicolas Cage and Eleanor, a silver and black 1967 Shelby GT500.
- The Princess Diaries (2001) A 1966 Mustang is a 16th birthday present.
- Hollywood Homicide (2002) Stars a 2003 silver Saleen S281 supercharged Mustang.
- **Cinderella Story (2004)** With Hillary Duff, and a sky blue 1965 Mustang convertible.
- I Am Legend (2007) –Will Smith's co-star is a red and white 2007 Shelby Mustang.

<sup>\*</sup>Adapted from <a href="http://ford.digitalsnippets.com/mustang/">http://ford.digitalsnippets.com/mustang/</a>.



## 2009 FMRC Meetings & Events Calendar

Below is the *tentative* table of meetings and events for 2009. New information will be posted each month as events and dates are "firmed" up. Bold font represents club sponsored activities. Also, if you have an idea for a Club event, please let a Board Member know!

August 5	Club Meeting	
August	Dearborn Homecoming TBA	
August 15	Woodward Dream Cruise	
Sept.	Overnighter TBA	
Sept. 2	Club Meeting	
Sept. 11-13	Frankenmuth Auto Fest	
Oct. 7	Club Meeting	
Oct.	Color Tour - TBA	
Nov. 4	Club Meeting	
Dec. 2	Club Meeting	
Dec. 8	Christmas Walk-Greenfield	
	Village	

#### A Special Day at the Henry Ford Motor Muster 2009 by Hank Dawson



Two beautiful '54's: Bob Haas's (I) and Hank Dawson's (r).

It was Father's Day at the Motor Muster and my son joined us for the better part of the day. That was great as the '54 Sunliner, and Janet and I were enjoying Greenfield Village.

Our shiny Ford, with its top down, was parked in the 1954 lineup of cars. There was a 1954 Buick Roadmaster one spot over that brought back high school memories as my father owned a '54 yellow and white Buick with a red and black

interior—my school "cardinal" colors.

We were there about 30 minutes or so when Bob Haas arrived with his red '54 Ford convertible and Miss Vicky as a passenger. We enjoyed the afternoon talking to everyone. Terry Worful, wearing her poodle skirt, and I had a fine discussion.

We viewed the "Stars, Cars and Guitars" show at the museum. It was a very nice display of cars and guitars with a lot of history. It was just wonderful to be at Greenfield Village on a special day with family and friends.

At around 4:30 pm we prepared to leave and Bob suggested that we go over to a few places in the Village with our '54's. Our first stop was the Ford Motor Company manufacturing building where Ford cars became a reality. Bob took a picture

of my car in front of the building.

Then we went over to the grand opening of "Henry's Drive-in." The roller skating girls were there to serve ice cream sodas and other



food items. The Henry Hank & Janet at Herry's Drive-in.

Ford had set up a soda shop serving you in your parking spot—tray on the window just like in the 1950's when I used to go to Richard's Drive-in on Northwestern Highway! Daly's, and Sonic Drive-in still have the girls in some locations.

It was a super day and Bob made it even more special. Janet and I had a great time at the 2009 Motor Muster.

#### COME TO OUR SHOW



Club VP Bob Guetschow expended a lot of energy getting vendors and participants to come to Dearborn '09. Here we see him handing out flyers at a weekly Ypsilanti cruise-in on July 9.



# **July 2009 FMRCOA Meeting Minutes** July 1, 2009

rt was able to start the meeting promptly because there  $oldsymbol{\Lambda}$ were fewer cars than usual to check out due to threatening rain. After the national anthem and the pledge of allegiance to the flag, we introduced our guests. Don Killing, a friend of Phil Lyon, and Mike Bailey, a friend of Bill Gipperich. Don's ride is a '69 Dodge Charger, and Mike's is a '29 hot rod roadster. Both have indicated interest in joining up.



About 117 club members & guests attended the meeting.

Bob handed out new member badges, and we welcomed Linda Dicks into the fold. The June minutes were approved, and the Treasurer's report was read and approved.

As usual, the swap meet is anticipated with some apprehension, but Laurel told us that workers are in place, and Bob said that spaces are just a bit behind schedule. Let's hope the weather cooperates! The car show is also on track.

Leo Chouinard handed out fliers and suggested that we take advantage of the opportunity to get a ride in a Ford tri-motor plane. This is a rare chance indeed.

Our guest speaker for the evening was John Clor, a journalist with Ford Racing. He gave us a great presentation (see next column).

The Board of Directors has decided that our treasury limits us in the ability to financially support non car related activities, but encourages us to promote non-sponsored activities such as baseball games and golf outings in order to promote closer friendships among members.

We had an interesting show and tell and the much anticipated raffle drawing followed with adjournment and a great snack.

Phil Lyon, Secretary

## **Author John Clor Speaks at Club Meeting**

t the July meeting we enjoyed a presentation on the history of hot-rodding and, in particular, the Mustang by author John Clor.

John is a longtime journalist and automotive editor who now serves as communications for the Ford manager where Performance Group, he works with Mustang clubs and develops content for the ww.FordPerformance.com website . A former PR man for



John Clor at meeting.

the Ford Special Vehicle Team and owner of three '70s-era Mustangs, Clor is also a regular columnist for Mustang Enthusiast and Mustang Times magazines, as well as editor of SVT Enthusiast magazine.

John introduced us to his new book "The MUSTANG DYNASTY: Mustang 45th Anniversary 1964-2009 Collector's Edition" which is a comprehensive insider's history of the Mustang. It explains how the nameplate has triumphed over five decades of corporate politics and an ever-changing marketplace. John provides context to the story behind every Mustang generation, from the original 1964 pony car to the heralded

2009 Shelby GT500.

Cover of John Clor's book.

With the 2007-08 printing of The Mustang Dynasty sold out, an exclusive, updated 3,000copy "Mustang 45th Edition" Anniversary print run has been released for 2009, making this limited edition an instant collectible and a

"must-have" for any enthusiast. In addition to featuring more than 150 photos, there are 15 removable artifacts that can jump-start even a novice Mustang fan's memorabilia collection. Included are reproductions of a 1965 Owner's Manual, a 1979 Official Indy Pace Car bumper sticker, a replica 2003 Mach 1 logo patch, and even an audio CD of Mustang engine sounds.

After the meeting, club members flocked around John and a lively car discussion ensued!

For more information visit <a href="www.MustangDynasty.com">www.MustangDynasty.com</a> .

#### FMRCOA 2009 EVENT cont. from page 1.

On Sunday the crowd was quite a bit lighter, but the car show area was packed and there were many excellent cars to view. In fact, the car show had a record number of entries this year! There was a tent under which there was a beautiful bevy of 1969 Mustangs -- the show's "featured" vehicle.

At 3 PM on Sunday the car show winners were announced.

During my time at the gate I was pleased to see many young families visiting our show. These are the future of our hobby... let us hope they had a great time and return for many years to come!

Although I was told that we were down on vendors, the swap meet still looked great, and I spoke with no one who mentioned that it looked like fewer vendors. Although the final figures are not in, it is my personal feeling that we had a great swap meet.

The club owes a big "THANK YOU" to everyone who helped put on this meet. There are a lot of members who are in the background, working hard (often all year long) who do a lot for our club. When you see one of those members....tell them thank you...it will mean a lot. The other thing to do is sign up, help out, and make or forty-first swap meet in 2010 another success.

Oh yes, the air show was a nice added bonus, and it didn't cost \$25 a ticket to see! Of course, if you left at 4:30 PM and found the roads to be total grid-lock, you might not have been quite as thrilled! Until next month...see you at the swap meets.



Top: The Fairlane Club was very well represented (I) & the tent containing the featured '69 Mustangs was amazing (r). Below: Rust removal never looked this good (I)! And there were parts for everyone too (r).



## CZ Safety Series: Cut the Grass, Not Your Fingers by Dr. Rachel Rohde\* Beaumont Hospital - Royal Oak

This month we are going to continue our safety series focusing again on something that most of us do: cutting grass.

While training to be an orthopedic surgeon, I developed a healthy fear of a variety of motor vehicles (motorcycles and ATVs) and household appliances (garbage disposals, snow

blowers, lawnmowers).

Almost 100,000 people in the U.S. are treated each year for lawnmower injuries. Almost a quarter of these involve the wrist, hand or fingers, while about 15% involve the ankle, foot or toes.



Result of a mowing accident. These fingers were sutured by Dr. Rohde.

Unfortunately, many of these result in amputations.

Here are a few ways to keep you and your loved ones safe from the lawn monster!

#### Before you start:

- Children should not be in the yard while the lawnmower is being used.
- Children should not be using the lawnmower.
- Do not lift the mower by the bottom; the blades are sharp and can cut even when the power is off! (I have a patient who unfortunately can attest to this.)

#### While you are mowing:

- Only the operator should be on a riding lawnmower; people (especially children) do fall off and get hurt!
- Wear protective clothing, boots, and eye goggles while mowing.

#### If there is a problem:

• Do not use your fingers to clear the blades!

<sup>\*</sup>For more information, please see <a href="http://rachelrohdemd.com/">http://rachelrohdemd.com/</a>

#### **Dearborn '09 Car Show Award Winners**



Show Chair Terry Worful & Club President Art Cervi present awards.

This year's car show was probably the largest in the FMRCOA's history thanks to Terry Worful and her crew. About 200 vehicles participated. The awards ceremony started at about 3PM on Sunday to a "backdrop" of the Blue Angels overhead! The major category winners were:

Category	Vehicle	Owner
Best in Show	1964 Ford Thunderbird	Carol Bader
Best Feature Car	1969 Mustang Mach 1	Ken Janus
FMRCOA Car	1963 Ford Fairlane	Jerry Worful
City Official Pick	1929 Ford Roadster	Jerry Robinson
Best GM	1968 Pontiac Catalina	Charles Hutchinson
Best Mopar	1969 RoadRunner	Tony Grammer
Best Ford	1970 Mustang	Mike Sudek
Best Orphan	1956 Desoto Fireflight	H. Clemens

In addition, the award for "Best Supporting Club" went to the Fairlane Club of America. The award was accepted by Club President Eric Miller.

We thank the participants and hope to see you all next year!



Mike Sudek's Best Ford (I) & Ken Janus's Best Feature Car (r).



Best GM was a 1968 Pontiac Catalina (I) & Best Mopar was a 1969 Plymouth Road Runner (r).



Participants' Choice Award went to Jerry Worful's 1963 Ford Fairlane.

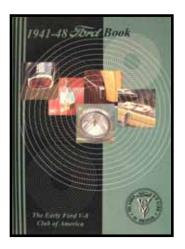
Belleville City Official's Pick was Jerry Robinson's 1929 Ford Roadster.

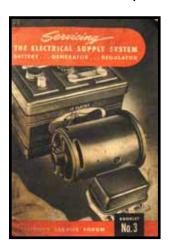


#### July Show & Tell: History Time by Bill Timoszyk

The July meeting brought forth some interesting Ford history.

Larry Wolohan brought The Early Ford V8 Club's official book on 1941-48 Fords. A great book for the restorer. Phil Lyon brought a 1951 FoMoCo issued book on Ford electrical systems.





Early Ford V8 book (I) & 1951 Ford electrical system service guide (r).

Art Cairo displayed 1960's & 70's era Ford campaign bumper stickers from big marketing programs, and some re-issues of the 1930's Ford Rouge badges. These surviving paper items are probably quite rare.



Rare Ford marketing banners. Between them are re-issues of 1930's Ford Rouge plant badges.

Cole "Toy Boy" Grandy brought in a group of old original cap guns, some tootsie toy cars, and matchbox cars including a NIB 1970 Ford pickup.



More toys from "Toy Boy" Grandy!

Jeff "Whizzer" Gniewek brought in his recently won 2nd place "trophy" for his Whizzer at the Greenfield Village Motor Muster.

Hopefully we will be all rested up after our "The Big Meet," so we can carry our goodies in to the August meeting!



Whizzer trophy.

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# Brian's Tip: HVAC, etc. by Brian Kuta

This month I am going to provide some mini tips, just because there are some good tips to know to avoid issues, along with escaping expensive and needless repairs.

On your heat, defrost and air conditioning controls inside your vehicle, there are ways to not only save gas, but to save wear and tear on the vehicle too. If you run on 'floor' or 'vent' the compressor is not used and will save some horsepower. Also, make sure to turn your A/C off about a minute before you turn the vehicle off, because that will equalize the line

pressures, and save wear and tear on the units seals. Lastly, if the A/C is off before you turn the engine off, it will not be on when you start the vehicle – which is good. In fact, I just found out that some newer vehicles have an on/off switch that turns off the compressor.

The temperature control knob for your heater and/or A/C should never be all the



2010 Ford Taurus console.

way to the hot or cold side. Inside the mixing door, there is a plastic gear drive that opens and closes for proper mix, and going all the way to one side or the other puts needless strain on those drive gears, and they are very expensive to repair if they fail.

Ever had a vehicle that had a loose steering box, or one that broke? To avoid needless wear and tear on the box, and other components, never turn the steering wheel when the vehicle is not moving. Imagine tons of weight on top of those tires that are designed to not skid, then imagine the force put on everything while you nonchalantly turn that steering wheel forcing it to do what you want it to do. Also, you should never go lock to lock; that squealing noise you hear is the unit screaming for mercy before it blows a line or fitting!

Finally, when you are just cruising around the local strip malls, and not getting up to any high speed, lock out overdrive. The overdrive unit is like a clutch pack that does not need to be continually going in and out of overdrive, just because the vehicle is getting up to some forty miles per hour. As the clutches needlessly wear, debris enters the fluid. Because most people never bother to service their transmissions, that debris will cause even more wear on other components inside the transmission and converter.

#### The Blue Angels at Our Event!



The Blue Angels over our swap meet.

On Saturday and Sunday during our event, we were privileged to be able to view the Yankee Air show featuring the Blue Angels.

The Blue Angels' mission is to enhance Navy and Marine Corps recruiting efforts and to represent the naval service to the United States, its elected leadership and foreign nations. The Blue Angels serve as positive role models and goodwill

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# The FMRCOA Roving Reporter: Three Swap Meets in Michigan & Ohio

C everal swap meets to report on this month: So, lets start with Othe Sloan Summer Fair in Flint, MI. Although the swap meet has suffered greatly in the past few years, this is still one of my "must attend" summer activities. This year there were a record amount of cars registered,

and parking was hard to find in the late morning. Along with the swap meet, there is free admission to the Sloan Museum, Buick Museum, and the Flint Art Institute. For a modest fee, you could also attend a showing in the planetarium. There are vehicles of every type, and no matter what you like, there was something you would enjoy.



Is Alfred P. Sloan smiling about his Summer Fair?

The second swap meet was the annual "Easy Rodders" swap meet and car show in Warren, MI.. This year the day started off dark and with rain, and that kept many of the swap vendors home in bed! Later in the morning the sun came out, so plenty of cars to look at later in the day, but the swap meet was pretty sparse. Although never a big meet, there are usually many more vendors....maybe next year a better day.

Last but not least, the Goodguys show in Columbus, OH. This is always a good swap meet, and this year was no exception. Although not a huge swap meet, there are lots of great deals on both cars and parts. Both my 32 Ford roadster and Mike's 29 Ford roadster gained some needed parts at the show.

The highest car show registration number I saw was in the 5800 range....usually they are in the 7500 range. So, it is my guess based on that observation, along with lots of available parking, that fewer cars were displayed. Another observation was that on top of the \$6. to park, the admission was \$17. a day per person and under 12 years old was \$10. That, is a pretty steep tab for a young working class person that would like to take the wife and kids to see the cars. We were registered for the show, and our \$35 gave us free entrance and parking....but I feel sorry for the many people that wanted to just enjoy the show. Also, no need to mention that the price of food rivaled world class restaurant prices. They talk about the young people not being involved in the old car hobby.... with prices like these: how can they.











#### Postcards from the Past by Lou Ironside

This month we have another postcard from the series which were sold in the gift shop of the Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village. This card, which dates from the late 1930's to the early 1960's, shows the Rose Cottage; which is better known as the Cotsworth house.

The best memory I have of this home is the many school trips we took in the late spring to the village. No matter how hot the day was, the interior of the Rose Cottage was always nice and cool due to the thick brick walls.



Rose Cottage in Greenfield Village.

However, on one of the Christmas walks a couple years ago this home was open, and was still cool inside....the only trouble was, it was 20 degrees outside! Guess that the stone walls that hold the cool in the summer, don't exactly do the best of holding heat in the winter. Still, it is one of my favorite stops on a tour of the village, as it brings back memories of those end of school days in the early 1950's.

#### Blue Angels, cont. from page 11.

ambassadors for the U. S. Navy and Marine Corps. A Blue Angels flight demonstration exhibits choreographed refinements of skills possessed by all naval aviators.

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For more information see <a href="http://www.blueangels.navy.mil/index.htm">http://www.blueangels.navy.mil/index.htm</a>













#### A Note from the Treasurer

We did it! Although the final tallies (and bills) aren't in, it appears that our event was very successful from a financial perspective. I'll report the final numbers at our next meeting.

I'd like to very much thank Pat and Maurice Horger, Sandy Olson, Julaine Niehaus, and Angie Saylor for their help during Dearborn '09! Thanks also go to Dave and Vivian Cheklich for developing the procedures that we used.

Steve Rohde, Treasurer

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#### **July 2009**

#### **For Sale**

- '66 Thunderbird, 68K, dark metallic blue town hardtop 390 PW, PS, PB. Nelson. 313-928-7692.
- '69 Ford pick-up 8ft. bd. Factory side boards for heavy duty special. \$75.00. Dave. 313-928-2095.
- '66 Lincoln continental coupe. Rebuilt c6, new tires, brakes, water pump, mounts engine needs to be rebuilt but does run. Brake parts and extra c6. \$3,000 o.b.o. Bill Gipperich member, call Robbie 586-803-3726. lincoupe66@yahoo.com
- 1975 Lincoln Continental for parts. No rust, engine fire. Roger Hodyka. 517-282-4738
- Model A fender model A carb Mustang II headers. 351w engine block and crank. '32 Ford bitchin' firewall big block indent make offer. Frank Omilion. 734-765-3853.
- 1966 Corvette convertible 427, Mike. 734-284-0003.
- 1950-51 Chevy rear panel arm rests left and right. Hood ornament 1951 Chevy. Hank. 810-231-3184.
- 1991 Cadillac Allante. 49K miles, red/black. Soft top. Loaded. New condition. Howard Voigt. 734-944-6930.
- 1 pair 24 stud aluminum performance heads. No name. No fins, but they look pretty good. \$200. John Miller. 313-891-2640 or 586-756-4279.
- "Uniroyal hideaway" temporary spare tire. T-125/80D 16" with universal hole pattern rim. \$100.00. Bob Pilarowski. 313-561-0737.
- 1955 Ford Crown Victoria Steeltop consistent Award-Winner!..., 18 year-old professional restoration, 272-2V motor, 3-speed manual, b&w exterior with NOS black & white cloth & vinyl interior. Many other NOS parts including front fenders. 12 volt electrical, electric windshield wipers, new wiring harnesses throughout, and all-new chrome; asking \$27,750. Bill. 248.348.1768.



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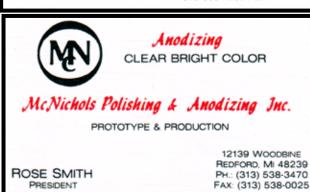
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#### Wanted

- Used oil (waste oil). Bring to the meetings. John Miller. 586-756-4279 or 313-891-2640.
- 1967-72 Ford pick-up with dr without engine. Roger Hodyka. 517-282-4738
- Any police equipment. 60's 70's. Scott. 734-770-8519.
- Coil springs and struts for 96-2004 Mercury Sable and Ford Taurus. Ken. 734-377-6552.
- Set of 4 port-o-walls 15" X 2". Bob Haas. 248-719-0952.
- '69 or '70 Boss 302 engine complete. Howard Voigt. 734-944-6930.

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#### **June 2009**

#### For Sale

- Original wheels. Set of 4-16X7. Fits Ford Fusion or Mercury Milan. \$250.00. Ron Szurminski. H:419-478-8127 or W: 419-385-1712.
- Car Cover California Car Cover. Custom fit. All weather snow, rain, indoor, outdoor. Fits Ford Fusion or Mercury Milan. \$100.00. Ron Szurminski. H:419-478-8127 or W: 419-385-1712.
- 1959 Ford 2-dr hardtop. Stock V-8, nice car. Asking \$10,000. Jack Krompatic. 313-689-0819
- 1950 Chevy 4-dr Sedan. Stock 6-cyl, nice car. Asking \$8,500. Jack Krompatic. 313-689-0819
- 1951 Ford Club Coupe. 302 V-8 automatic C-4. \$6,500 o.b.o. Pete Stevenson. 248-434-7999
- 1975 Lincoln Continental for parts. No rust, engine fire. Roger Hodyka. 517-282-4738
- '94-'99 Camero rear seat red/black. \$15.00. Jim Robb. 313-291-3147.
- '97 Lincoln Towncar. Lady driven. 52,000 miles. Call Hoppy at Krug Ford in Howell. 517-546-2250.
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