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### The Years Keep On Rolling By!

t's hard to believe, but another car season has passed us by in the blink of an eye. The older I get the faster the years go by. Hey! I'm a poet and didn't know it!

Seriously though it's time to think about putting the car away for the winter and making sure it comes out of the storage in same condition in which it went in. We give you some helpful hints in "Odds and Ends" on page 15. Rav Chevalier reports coverage of "Cruisin" New England Wheels Magazine's Super Showdown at City Hall Plaza in Boston on page 7. In the "Feathered Friends" department on page 10 we look back at the Sturbridge Regional Meet.

Don't forget to send in pictures of your Falcon with some information so we can "Feathered feature it in Friends". We will be covering more of the verv successful FCA Nationals in Dearborn and our Regional Meet in Sturbridge in upcoming Speaking issues. of the Regional Meet, I would like to thank Sherry McGhghy for the excellent job she did, and to say we will all miss her. Good luck Sherrv!

I will also give you the complete story on "Adventures in owning your very own enclosed car trailer" in an upcoming issue. You will remember how in the past I spoke about not pumping my own gas, because I felt that the gas companies played us into thinking it was a great deal to save 3 cents a gallon. Well my friend AI who owned AI's Mobil in town retired and so did the last full service gas station that I knew of. So, on our trip to Dearborn, I pumped more of my own gas then I have since the early sixties when I worked at a gas station. I have not changed my mind, just my actions.

"Don't Worry, Be Happy and God Bless"



OR GO TO THE NE CHAPTER WEB-SITE FOR A DIRECT LINK

#### The Falcon Times by e-mail

If you would like to have, your copy of **The Falcon Times** emailed to you rather than regular mail, please send your e-mail to <u>gnenninger@comcast.net</u>.

It would save the club money on printing and mailing costs (and the world trees) and greatly appreciated by all.

Please think about it!



# A Note from the Regional Director's Desk

he weekend of September 10 & 11 Ginny and I traveled to Bethel, PA to attend the Keystone Chapter's 15<sup>th</sup> Regional Meet. Their turnout was not great but the friendship was as always, great. I am not sure if the turnout was a sign of the economic times or not.

Now that our 13th Regional Meet is history, I would like to thank Sherry McGhghy personally for all her hard work as Chairperson of the event. As of two weeks after the meet, she was still working on sending out thank you letters to the sponsors. Great Job Sherry! Also thanks to all the other members that pitched in to make the meet a success.

During my trip home from Sturbridge after the meet, I got to thinking how great the event was with a great turnout of new Falcons as well as the old standbys that always attend. I also got the feeling that these events are starting to get a little out of hand, as far as expenses are concerned. I can remember when I first started the Meets in 1995 it was a barebones, no frills event. We had just as many Falcons and just as much funs in those days.

I mentioned this to Rick Bowes, he agreed, and said he knew of a place in RI that can do a steak fry for cheap money and had enough parking to hold a meet. I brought this up at the September meeting and all was in favor but noted we needed to do more research. In the next couple of month's Rick and I will be meeting with the owner to see if we can put a plan together. The objective will be low cost and a more of a one-day event.

If you did not attend the Meet, or arrived late in the morning you may have missed the filming of our event. Cruisin' New England Magazine has a TV show on NESN that runs on Saturday afternoon during the winter months just before the Boston Burin's games. They do car shows and car museums and collectors of automobile memorabilia. I had spoken with the magazine's Publisher, Paul Mennett, in July about doing our meet and he agreed. I am not sure when it will air but the schedule will be posted on the magazine's web site at http://www.cruisinnewengland.com.



Magazine for October, you may not be

If you did not receive a Falcon Club of America alone. It seems that members in RI did not get one as of today 11/3. I have checked with four other RI Chapter members and they did not get one either. The October issue has an article about Bruce Ahlquist's Sedan Delivery. If you did not receive this issue please Contact the FCA's Corresponding secretary Denise Sword at ddsword1@yahoo.com or contact me and I will email for you. Be sure to include your FCA number in the email.

"See you in a Falcon"

Ray



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# CLUB BUSINESS

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		RI -	15	PA – 3	VT – 1		
AUGUST 2010							
119 MEMBERS							
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08/10/20	#1034 - Bill Warburton - refund for stamps		\$44.00	\$2,959.19			
08/16/10	#1035 - Cash - small bills for regional		\$200.00	\$2,759.19		\$2,759.19	
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08/16/10	Deposit - regional meet registrations	\$240.00		\$3,064.19			
08/21/10	#1036 - Publick House - dinners reg. meet		\$1,721.64	\$1,342.55		\$1,342.55	
08/24/10	Deposit - renewal dues	\$90.00		\$1,432.55		• •	
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08/24/10	Deposit - 50/50 raffle funds	\$177.00		\$2,564.55			
08/24/10	Deposit - Donated gift raffle	\$565.00				\$3,129.55	
08/24/10	Deposit - T-shirt sales \$1181 minus reimb of	\$1,109.00		\$4,238.55			
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08/24/10	#1037 - Ray Chevalier - show awards		\$154.00	\$4,084.55			
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113 MEMBERS							
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10/03/10	#1038 - R. Chevalier - Eagle Trophy (Waters)		\$85.00	\$4,10			
10/12/10	Deposit - T-Shirt Sales	\$12.00		\$4,11			
10/25/10	Deposit - New member dues	\$15.00		\$4,13			
<i>Ending Balance 10/31/2010</i> \$4,132.31							



### **CLUB BUSINESS**

Northeast Chapter Falcon Club of America Minutes of General Meeting on September 19, 2010 Greater Norwich Chamber of Commerce 2010 Auto Show Dodd Stadium, Norwich, CT

The Meeting started at 1:00 pm. Nine members were in attendance.

- 1. <u>Ed Lindberg, President</u> was not in attendance. Prez Ed contacted Ray Chevalier to run the meeting in his absence.
- 2. <u>Secretary's Report</u>: Kathy Nenninger No Report
- <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Bill Warburton In Bill's absence Ray reported a balance of \$4,077.00; He reported our current membership was (110-113) members. Treasurers Report was accepted.
- <u>Newsletter Editor</u>: Gary Nenninger Please send him information for the newsletter especially a featured car. Gary suggested that we list the "Founders" of the NE Chapter in each newsletter to acknowledge them.

### 5. President's Report:

- a. Ray talked about the "Regional Meet" for next year. He felt we needed to make a change and try to go a cheaper way. Perhaps do a One-Day show. He and Rick Bowes found a place in RI who said they could do a steak fry for \$12.50. If anyone wanted to stay overnight, there is a Best Western & Super Eight in the area. More will be discussed at a later date.
- b. NE members were disappointed at the disappearance of the Falcon Best of Show Trophy this year, so it was decided to bring it back. One will be purchased for Carl Waters and Ray said he already had one.

### 6. <u>Regional Director</u> – Ray Chevalier

- a. The FCA will be increasing dues to \$30.00 to defray rising costs.
- b. The Keystone Chapter changed their Masters Class to conform with FCA (four years out, vehicle can go back to the general voting).
- 7. <u>The Regional Meet</u> Sherry McGhghy did a great job chairing the Regional meet and a big thanks goes out to her.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.



Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Nenninger Secretary



### MEETING NOTICES



- Next Chapter Meeting November 20, 2010, *Publick House*, Sturbridge, MA, Dinner at 5:00, Meeting at 7:00
- □ 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual FCA Nationals, July 14-16, 2011, Steamboat Springs Colorado.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Northeast Chapter Regional Meet TBA



### The Eagle, I mean Falcon is back!

Ray Chevalier hands the Best of Show trophy to Carl Waters at the "Super Wheels Showdown" in Boston. The Eagle, I mean Falcon, was replaced by a Plate for economic reasons this year some members were disappointed that our signature Falcon Trophy flew the coop. When the chapter was sure of its finances the officers agreed to return to the traditional bird. And, I for one agree.

Gary

# 2010 Regional Meet T-shirts

We still have some T-shirts left over from the Regional Meet. If interested call Ray at 401-934-2105 or email at <u>RaysFalcon@cox.net</u> We have sizes Large, X-Large and a couple of XX-large \$12.00 includes shipping



### **CLUB BUSINESS**

## Chapter Falcons Shine in Boston

By Ray Chevalier

n Saturday October 2, two of our Chapters Falcons, Carl Waters 69 Sedan, and my 65 Ranchero were part of Cruisin' New England Magazines "Super Wheels Showdown" at City Hall Plaza in Boston. This event is where all the Best of Show winners from New England gather to celebrate the end of the show season. To qualify for the event you must have won a Best of Show at a selective show during the year or been selected by the magazine's Publisher Paul Mennett. Only 100 vehicles are chosen to participate.

At our Chapter's Regional Meet, I was given one selection that I in turn asked to be given to one of our Best of Show winners. Carl Waters won best modified with his 69 Sedan and I already was qualified from a show at Mohegan Sun, so Carl represented our Chapter at the event. Also in attendance was Kin Kerr with his 76 Australian Falcon. Kin spoke about his car at our

Regional meet this year.



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### **CLUB BUSINESS**

# It is with great sadness that I have to report the following e-mail received from our friend Rheal Meilleur.

Dear friends and car enthusiasts,

It's with great sadness that I am advising all of you that Diane Meilleur passed away October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, with all her family by her side at the Ottawa Heart Institute. She retired in October 2009 after 35 years with the Upper Canada School Board. In February 2010, she required emergency open-heart surgery and after 1 month it proved not to be successful. She returned late September for another open heart and never regained consciences and passed peacefully with myself, Trish, Tina and her brothers and sisters all by her side, She always said only the good die young and she proved that saying true. By her wishes there was no visitation and mass of the resurrection at the same church that she was baptized, confirmed and we were married and by the same priest.

> Diane Meilleur Sept. 9, 1954 – Oct. 3, 2010

Sincerely,

Rheal, Trish and Tina Meilleur



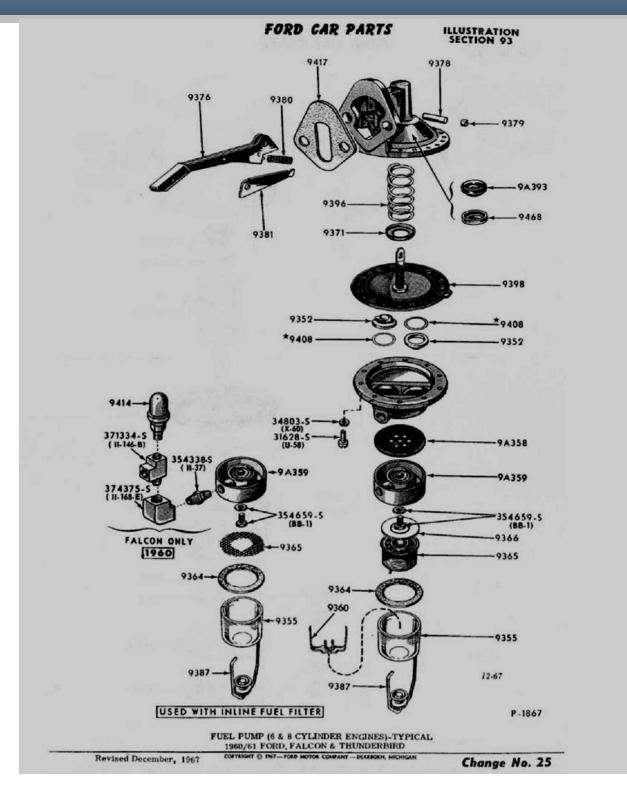
Our thoughts and prayers are with Rheal, Trish, Tina, and the rest of Diane's family.

We heard through the grapevine that Stan Miknaitis had surgery recently. Get well soon Stan and God Bless.



### <u>TECH STUFF</u>

In each issue of **The Falcon Times**, we will bring you a tech article or an illustration for your technical information. If you would like to see a specific illustration, drop us a line and we will dig it out for you. This issue looks at an exploded view of the typical Ford fuel pump.



# <u>FEATHERED FRIENDS</u>

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**Feathered Friends** Let's take a look at our Feathered Friends from the Northeast Chapters Regional Meet at the Publick House Inn in Sturbridge, MA on August 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 2010.



Text by Gary Nenninger Photos by Gary Nenninger and Carl Waters

t was a beautiful weekend for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Northeast Regional Meet in Sturbridge, MA. It was not to hot and no rain, and no rain is always a positive for any show. We had a good turnout with a bunch of new Falcons to admire. This was the first year of giving out two Best of Show awards, with the winners being Carl Waters 69 sedan in modified and Ray Chevalier's 65 Ranchero in stock (See below). FCA president Chuck Beason and his lovely wife, Carolyn, honored us with their presents for the weekend, as did Kin Kerr with his 1976 Australian Falcon. On Saturday, I had a long conversation with two of the founding members of the chapter,



Vinny Delucia No 2, and Milt Robar No. 1. It was very interesting listening to how the chapter got started. As we were talking, I got to thinking how we owe these men a lot. So I told them that I would like to get the of names the original members and put them in every issue of the Falcon Times to show our gratitude and not let their names fad away. There for, as I get the names I will add them to each Now lets take a issue. look at some of the action at this years regional.



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**Bill Mullaney Worchester, MA** 



**Bob Dupuis Oxford, MA** 



Andre Auger Douglas, MA



Travis Lipinski Farmington, CT (51,000 original miles)



Jack Jensen Southbury, CT



Will Tappin Webster MA



# FEATHERED FRIENDS



President Ed Lindberg relaxing



Stan Miknaitis Barre, MA



Jamie Shilelli Orange, MA



Tom Donnelly Sandy Hook, NY



Howard Spargo Winsted, CT



Tony Doyon Lisbon, ME



# FEATHERED FRIENDS

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Vinny Delucia Waterbury, CT



John Kaechele Lebanon, CT





FCA President Chuck and NE President Ed



Jack Ellis Bonner Springs, KS



The show lot was full of great looking Falcons, and happy viewers

# <u>FEATHERED FRIENDS</u>

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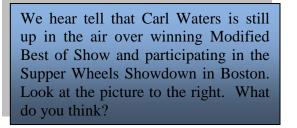


## **ODDS AND ENDS**

### WINTER CAR CARE TIPS BEFORE CLOSING THE GARAGE DOOR

- •**Fuel:** Top off the gas tank and include the recommended amount of fuel stabilizer. Make sure to circulate it throughout the system by taking a short drive before putting the car in the garage for the winter.
- •**Cooling:** If you have not done it lately, drain the radiator and block, flush the system, and then refill it with rust-deterrent antifreeze.
- •Oil: Change both the oil and filter using good oil for protection.
- •Battery: If you do not hook it up to a trickle charger, remove it from the car or at least disconnect the leads to avoid any fire hazards from shorts or overloads.
- •**Tires:** Deflate slightly to take stress off the suspension or, support the vehicle on jack stands.
- •Paint: Wash the car and dry completely, to avoid letting moisture settle in behind chrome trim, emblems, letters and other problem areas use your compressor to blow the water off or out of those places. If you don't have a compressor, try using a hand held leaf blower with the nozzle turned around pointing down at your target. Next, clay the car, a smooth clean surface is the proper canvass for your wax. Now apply a nice coat of your favorite wax, then buff. Finally cover your masterpiece, choose a car cover made of breathable cloth. Stay away from plastic covers that scratch and trap moisture. Of course, the best way to store the car is in an inflatable plastic humidity controlled bag, but that's not for everyone.
- •Vinyl, leather, rubber: In dry climates apply a preservative to the seats, dash, and other interior components to moisturize the material and ward off cracking.
- •**Convertibles:** Put the top up for the winter or you run the risk of shrinkage during extended periods of storage or damage by creasing and cracking.

Finally, we do not want to invite little varmints and insects to winter in your pride and joy, so put mothballs and plenty of them inside the car and trunk. Dryer sheets can also be used to deter our little fuzzy friends, and, they act as a deodorizer.







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