The Falcon Times

The Official Newsletter of the Northeast Chapter Falcon Club of America

Potential rain couldn't keep these birds from leaving their nest for Goddard Park

By: Lauren Gabel

On July 31st, Kevin and I attended the Autos of the World car show in Goddard Park in Warwick, RI, which was also the location of the Chapter's July meeting. Dubbed the "Largest Antique, Classic, Hot Rod & Exotic Car Show in RI", sadly 2016 will be the 16th and final year for this show.

Despite the rainy forecast for northeastern MA, we decided to hope for the best based upon the drier weather forecast for RI, and headed south bright and early on a Sunday morning with fellow Chapter member Pete Graves and our friend John. While not a Falcon owner, John is a longtime, diehard Ford fan, owning numerous classic Fords. Despite the pouring rain on our drive south, we arrived in RI to sunny skies and a parking lot full of Falcons at the designated meeting spot just outside the show.



Thanks to Stan Porter, we were able to drive in and park together in the show, which featured lots of trees and nice grassy parking area. This show usually draws 1,000+ cars and over 50 vendors, and although the rainy forecast may have kept some away, the turnout was great nonetheless. From fire trucks to a Duesenberg, there was something for everyone to enjoy. Personally, I love going to shows "away" from home, as it gives us the chance to see lots of new and different cars.

At 11am, Rick and Cris presided over our Chapter's monthly meeting, where we discussed the

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upcoming Regional and this year's National Convention, among other business. After the show, those of us who could make it went to Twisted Pizza in East Greenwich, RI for a terrific dinner and a great end to a fun day. Thanks to everyone who worked hard to put this together for us!





President's Message



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Presidents Message:

tremendous amount of work.

Hi Everyone,

Cris and I had a great time at this year's National Show. We travelled with Mike and Kevin Kennedy to Wisconsin. We met Gary Ottone, Ray and Ginny Chevalier, and Tony and Deb Utica at the show. There were approximately 200 cars at the show. There has been a lot of talk about problems with the show. Honestly, it never stopped us from having a great time. Cris and I think of the National Show as a reunion of Falcon friends. The chapters that put the show on did their best. They were volunteers and as we know a National is a

We are already getting ready to attend next year's show in California. My convertible is starting to get a little tired. I figure that it has about 130,000 miles on it. So it is time to rebuild. Last week I dropped of a motor to Phil Molski to do his magic. I've sent out the transmission for a rebuild and I'm ordering an air conditioning kit this week. Air is a must there is no way we are driving across the country without it. Twelve years ago we drove cross country without air. We survived but it's not happening again.

This year's regional is almost here. This is our 18th regional or better known as our Falcon Reunion. Come and see old friends and meet new friends. Hopefully you have made plans to attend. See you there, **Rick**

Member Update:

As you may know, Kathy and Gary Nenninger have not been able to attend our meetings for several months. Kathy has been ill and they have been to several doctors to determine what the health issue is. It has now been confirmed the she has Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), also commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease, a progressive neurodegenerative disease that causes muscle weakness, paralysis, and ultimately, respiratory failure.

Rick and I visited with her and Gary recently and the disease has progressed. She is aware of what is going on and could communicate with her eyes, her expressions and occasional written notes. They are

coping well and they are staying optimistic about the future.

Please keep Kathy in your prayers. If you would like to send a card or note, their address is as follows:

Kathy Nenninger 66 Willowbrook Road Cromwell, CT 06416

Thank you. Cris Bowes



Kathy & Gary - 2012 National Falcon Convention



Chapter Business

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Statement Date: 7/31/2016

Northeast Chapter Falcon Club of America Treasurer's Report 131 Members

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
		Beginning Ba	alance 5/31/16	\$9,779.81
06/06/16	#1127 - US Postmaster - Roll of stamps		\$47.00	\$9,732.81
06/19/16	#1128 - Cris Bowes -sponsor mailing		\$18.80	\$9,714.01
06/20/16	Deposit - Donation "Shine on Me"	\$150.00		\$9,864.01
06/20/16	Deposit - Reg. meet registrations	\$789.00		\$10,653.01
06/27/16	Deposit - renewal dues	\$168.00		\$10,821.01
06/27/16	Deposit - renewal dues	\$234.00		\$11,055.01
06/27/16	Deposit - renewal dues	\$234.00		\$11,289.01
06/27/16	Deposit - renewal dues	\$162.00		\$11,451.01

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	Beginning Balance 6/30/16		alance 6/30/16	\$11,451.01
07/07/16	Deposit - Donation - TK's Custom Auto	\$500.00		\$11,951.01
07/07/16	Deposit - Renewal dues	\$46.00		\$11,997.01
07/07/16	Deposit - Reg meet registrations	\$140.00		\$12,137.01
07/21/16	Deposit - New member dues	\$18.00		\$12,155.01
07/21/16	Deposit - Reg reg meet	\$35.00		\$12,190.01
07/21/16	Deposit - Renewal dues	\$38.00		\$12,228.01

<u>Membership</u>			
Connecticut	39	New Jersey	2
Florida	2	New York	10
Massachusetts	45	Pennsylvania	2
Maine	7	Rhode Island	16
New Hampshire	7	Vermont	2

Welcome New Members

Warm welcome to our newest chapter member!

Richard Patterson, Ridgefield, CT





Chapter Business

<u>Secretary's Report from June 18th Chapter Meeting</u> Respectfully Submitted By: Stan Porter

June meeting was held at the Pomfret Cruise in Pomfret , CT on June 18^{th} 2016. We had a total of 16 members in attendance for this spectacular afternoon cruise.

Rick Bowes welcomes everybody:

- Rick opened with talk of Ray Chevalier's membership crusade and ways to attract new members to our club.
- Bill & Denise Warburton spoke about the treasurer's report and our member status which included some new members



President's Report: Rick Bowes

- Rick also spoke of and offered open invitation to anybody wanting to join him and Cris to drive to this year's National event which will be held in Baraboo, WI on July 14-16, 2016.
- Next up was this years Regional Info: To be held at The Sturbridge Host Hotel again in Sturbridge, MA on August 19 & 20, 2016
- Registrations are \$20 and with Banquet it's \$35 per person
- Rooms are available at \$100 per night
- Neil had sent along samples of this years awards and t-shirts. We chose the design we liked on the awards and voted on the shirts to be in white. We also spoke about sending out more sponsorship letters to places like Harbor Freight and local auto parts stores.
- Rick also wanted to mention that he and Cris will be attending the Hemmings Cruise and offered invitation to anybody who wishes to join them for the overnight trip. The trip will be to Bennington, VT and they will be staying at the local Best Western in town.

Vice President's Report:

• Carl Waters spoke of planning a trip to the Good Guys show in Rhinebeck , NY and promoting the club at these big venue shows along with all of the local, close to home shows. Suggested we reach out to all other fellow Falcon owners

Last order of business was planning our July meeting which we will be held at Goddard State Park in Warwick , RI in conjunction with the last and final Autos of the World show . If we can get at least 20 vehicles to attend the show with our club then our registration fees will be given back to our club along with our own awards to be given out amongst the Falcon club members. They plan on having alot of spectators and fellow auto enthusiast at this event so it will be a great opportunity to promote our club and reach out to potential new members. Perfect timing to promote our local Regional event too

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm







June 18th Meeting—Photos provided by: Denise Warburton



Secretary's Report from July 31 Chapter Meeting Respectfully Submitted By: Stan Porter

7/31/2016 11:00am

Hi Everybody,

Here are last month's meetings minutes, looking forward to seeing everybody at the Regional's!!

July's meeting was held at Goddard Park in Warwick, RI in conjunction with the Autos of the World car show. We had a total 14 Falcons show up and 24 members on hand for this month. The Northeast Falcon Chapter shined above and behind all other clubs that attended the show and Mother Nature cooperated to provide us with a rain free day.



Photo By: Stan Porter

Rick welcomes all members and potential new members:

Secretary's Report:

• It was asked to have copies of the secretary's report available for members requesting them going forward at each meeting. Please see Bernadette or myself if you would like a copy.

Treasure's Report:

Bill Warburton presented this month's treasures report and are latest membership status

Newsletter Report:

• Kevin & Lauren Gabel introduced themselves to everybody and asked members to submit stories on their cars or other Falcon related information for upcoming Newsletters.

President's Report:

- Rick & Cris asked for everybody to get their registrations in for the regional's ASAP, They have ordered all the plagues and trophy's and are still looking for more raffle items along with volunteers at the regional's. If you are available to help out please call or email Cris. We have 36 registrations as of 7/31/2016. The Banquet will be held in the same spot as the last regional's and rooms are still available for any guests that would like to stay over. Rooms are \$ 100 a night, please mention the Falcon club when booking to get that discounted rate. We are still looking for donations of baked goods, etc. for the Hospitality so please let Cris know if you can help out and with what. Neil was on hand with samples of this year's t-shirts and awards with the final design / artwork on them, Great Job Neil!
- Rick mentioned that Jeff Barna will be our DJ for the regional's this year as he also handled this task at our National event last year.

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Chapter Business

<u>Secretaries Report from July 31 Chapter Meeting</u> *Continued from page 5*

- Rick spoke of this year's National event in which Cris and he attended and had a great time and
 another fantastic trip to and from their destination and that the Northeast Chapter was supported by
 a group of members that also made their way to the event. Rick also mentioned that after all the
 controversy concerning the Comets being allowed to participate in this year's National show that only
 about 10 cars showed up but never interfered with any of the going on's at the Falcon show, but it
 was also the end of the Northland Chapter as it has dissolved after this event.
- Rick and Cris also attended the monthly Hemmings Cruise back in June were their convertible was awarded "Best Muscle Car" Way to go Guys!!!
- Rick also spoke of forming a migration for next year's national on July 12-15th of 2017, if interested give Rick a call or email him for more details.
- Bruce along with myself obtained some pricing on having some sweat shirts and Jackets made up for the Club members interested. The club will have to pay a onetime fee for set-up. Prices range from \$55 to \$ 85 per jacket depending on if you want a lightweight / fleece jacket to a heavier lined jacket with all the logos and your name if desired to be fully embroidered on the garment, we are also able to have sweatshirts and hats done too if we have enough requests for them? Please reach out to us with your questions and requests and we can start to get an idea of how many people would like to order something.

Vice President's Report:

• Carl waters was also on hand to speak of continuing support of the club and reaching out to any and all fellow Falcon owners at car shows and cruises to seek out new members.

Next Month's meeting will be Sept. 17th in Pomfret, Conn. at the Tri State Cruisers Cruise night October's meeting will once again be held at John Kaechele's home And last on our agenda was Rick spoke of Gary and Kathy Nenninger and the illness she is fighting now, we all want to send our warm wishes and prayers out to them!

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am

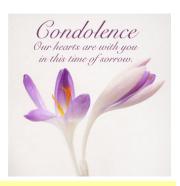


CONGRATULATIONS

This past May, Old Cars Weekly, once again honored "The Falcon Times" and especially our past newsletter editor and current web page editor, Gary Nenninger, with it's annual Golden Quill Award for 2015. This award is presented to car clubs that have outstanding publications, based on content, looks, and benefit to club members. On behalf of Lauren and I, and the entire chapter, Thank You Gary for all your hard work over the past years publishing "The Falcon Times". Fingers crossed that we continue your tradition for years to come.

SAD NEWS

On Saturday, August 6, 2016, long time member Ron Butz passed away. Ron and his wife Martha have been Northeast Falcon members for many years. Due to health issues they had not been able to attend our events in recent years. Ron was a member of the Nichols Fire Department in Trumbull, CT. He enjoyed his fire department and his fire truck, always decorating it with lights for the Christmas holiday. He is survived by his wife, Martha, and his children and grandchildren. Our thoughts and prayers are with Martha and all of Ron's family during this sad time.





Upcoming Events

CARTOBERFEST 2016

Submitted by Edward Lindberg

October 2, 2016 - 10am - 3pm (or the first Sunny Sunday in October)

Hurley Park on the River 37 Greenwoods Rd, just off RT 44 New Hartford, CT 06057

For the 11th year, great friends are gathering with the cars, trucks, motorcycles, etc. to have a great time and benefiting the New Hartford Volunteer Fire & Rescue.

All Welcome - if you love your ride, show it.

Dash Plaques, Door Prizes, Live Entertainment, Great Food Lets not forget, a Rose for the Ladies.

100% of the proceeds are donated to the New Hartford Volunteer Fire & Rescue.

Always a good time and a great place to meet new friends. Spectators Welcome

Thank you Connie O'Brien of Time WAS August 19-20 - Northeast Chapter Regional
Sturbridge Host Hotel, 366 Main St., Sturbridge, MA
(see attached registration form and website for info)

September 16-17 - Old Orchard Beach Car Show,

Old Orchard Beach, ME

http://oldorchardbeachmaine.com/upcoming/23rd-annualcar-show/

September 23-25 - Hemmings Motor News 10th Annual Concours d'Elegance,

Saratoga Springs, NY <u>www.hemmings.com</u>

September 30- October 1 - Carolinas Chapter 12th Regional Meet,

Kannapolis, NC www.ncfalcon.net

October 2 - CARTOBERFEST 2016,

New Hartford, CT

(see description to the left for details)

18th Annual Northeast Regional Meet Checklist

- √ Send in your registration form
- √ Book your hotel room
- √ Pack clothes
- $\sqrt{}$ Bake goodies to share in the hospitality room
- $\sqrt{}$ Donate water for the hospitality room
- $\sqrt{}$ Donate items for the raffles
- √ Wash Falcon
- √ Arrive and enjoy the show!!!

Coming up in the next edition...

- Cris and Rick tell us about their trip to the National this year in Wisconsin.
- More Northeast Treasures
- · Recap of the Northeast Regional
- A funny story from Ray Chevalier
- More photos, photos, photos!!!
- Anything YOU want to send us
- Maybe even a new member

Are your Chapter Dues... due?

If you received a renewal letter in the mail from our chapter Treasurer Bill Warburton please remember to send it back with your yearly dues and any updated information you might have. Failure to do so will place you on the inactive list for the chapter. You wouldn't want that to happen.





Goddard Park Car Show

Photos by: Stan & Bernadette Porter & Kevin & Lauren Gabel



Northeast Treasures

Do you have any photos of fallen Falcons from your local salvage yard or neighbors back yard. We would love to see them. A few members have suggested we try to make this a newsletter staple. Let's see if we can make that happen!



Northeast Chapter

Falcon CLUB OF AMERICA

PRESENTS THE 18TH ANNUAL REGIONAL FALCON MEET

August 19 & 20, 2016 at the Sturbridge Host Hotel & Conference Center 366 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566

Meet and Banquet Registration Form

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Website & Emails

Remember to keep up-to-date between newsletters by checking out the website and watching for emails containing important information about chapter events such as Chapter Meeting dates and locations.

Have you moved or changed email addresses lately?

Update your information with our Treasurer Bill Warburton @ billwarb@cox.com