



# THE FALCON TIMES



*The Official Newsletter of the Northeast Chapter  
Falcon Club of America*

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On January 1, 2012, the temperature was a balmy 52°F and winter had yet to rare its ugly head (Last fall did a good job of that!). I started to think about how the days are getting longer and spring would be here before we know it.

As I write this, I am celebrating one week of my retirement from my job of 45 plus years. More time will be available to get your newsletter together in a timely manner. This year the two issues I owe you will be made up. I thank you for your patience. With all that said, we still need your input to make this a new and better Northeast Chapter Newsletter. Send us information on your Falcon, or what you did this winter, or how you and your Family got through the hurricane last August and the Halloween snowstorm. Maybe you have an old receipt, remedy, or funny story.

Last fall I received an e-mail from one of our founding members, Milt Robar (No. 1), informing me that he had sold his 67 Sport Coupe. He is unsure if he will get another Falcon. Well I am sure that even without a Falcon that Uncle Milty will be welcome at all our Northeast Chapter events. If you were not familiar with Milts Falcon, it is our featured car in "Feathered Friends".

In November, club officers and some members met at the Mystic Aquarium to look at the parking area for the show and discuss the dinner and other arrangements for the regional meet.

Rick has more information about the show in his "Letter from the President" on page 3. We have some pictures of the parking lot and the surrounding area on page 4.

In this issue, I also brought back "Modelers Corner" featuring my 1999 Mustang convertible model and build. If you are into modeling, feel free to send in some pictures/story of your models. Part three of the "Trailer Story" will be coming along in the next issue of "The Falcon Times". This is probably the funniest/dumbest story of the three. Well I will let you get on to the rest of the newsletter. Hope you enjoy it. 

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

*Gary*



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**CLUB BUSINESS**

**President's Message**

**"Happy New Year!"** I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and Hanukkah season. We have some exciting news to report regarding our 2012 Regional Show. We have changed locations as well as dates. The date is September 15<sup>th</sup> in historic Mystic, Connecticut.

We have arranged with Mystic Aquarium to hold our show in their parking lot. The banquet will be inside the Aquarium. Imagine having dinner with the Beluga Whales!

They will be offering reduced admission to the Aquarium as well as Mystic Seaport. Howard Johnson's gave us a rate of \$99 per night. During this time, the rate is usually \$179. Reservations can be made now and be sure to mention you are coming in for the Northeast Chapter Falcon show. It is located directly across from the Mystic Shopping area, walking distance from the Aquarium. The area also includes a great local shopping district as well as factory outlet shopping.

Mystic is located close to the Mohegan Sun Casino and the Foxwoods Casino. There are several restaurants in the immediate area, including The Steak Loft, Mystic Pizza as well as Friendly's and McDonalds. We are working on setting up a possible cruise for Friday night, September 14<sup>th</sup>. We hope to have a large turnout for this event. Look for the show application and flyer in the next Newsletter and on our website soon.

*Rich*



**From the Regional Director's Desk**

**W**inter in New England, oh how wonderful it is. Then I woke up from that nightmare and realized that it was 80 degrees outside here in southwest Florida.

Ginny and I are spending winters in the warm climate now. We watch the national weather and keep track of what is going on in New England, but do not miss it at all.

On Thanksgiving weekend we had planned to attend the Turkey Run Car Show at Daytona Speedway and meet up with many of the Florida Falcon Club members, but I hurt my back a couple of weeks before and the 4 hour ride was more than it could take.

The local Suncoast Chapter invited us to attend the Christmas Party on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December. It was a good time to see FCA Pres. Chuck and wife Carolyn again.

There is not a lot going on in the world of Falcons. I have made a request for the dates of September 14 & 15 for our Chapters purposed next Regional Meet. I hope that the new location will help increase the turnout.

I had planned to bring my blue 63 Hardtop down here to Florida and leave it here and be able to attend some of the local events. However, some last minute problems with the trailer brakes changed the plans. Maybe next year it will happen.

As I do a couple of times each year I want to remind all Chapter members that it is important that you keep your Falcon Club of America dues paid up. With the great job, that our Treasurers Bill and Denise Warburton do it is a job to track down and send reminders to members when their names do not appear on the quarterly FCA rosters.

Ginny and I would like to wish all a Happy 2012 and look forward to seeing you in the spring.

**"See you in a Falcon"**

*Ray*





**Treasurer's Report**

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**Members by State**

<b>MA - 38</b>	<b>NY - 15</b>	<b>ME - 4</b>
<b>CT - 30</b>	<b>NH - 6</b>	<b>NJ - 2</b>
<b>RI - 14</b>	<b>PA - 3</b>	<b>VT - 1</b>

**SEPTEMBER 2011**

**109 MEMBERS**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
<i>Beginning Balance 09/01/2011</i>				\$3,807.41
09/19/11	Deposit - New member dues	\$18.00		\$3,825.41
<i>Ending Balance 09/31/2011</i>				\$3,825.41

**OCTOBER 2011**

**112 MEMBERS**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
<i>Beginning Balance 10/01/2011</i>				\$3,825.41
10/17/11	Deposit - New member dues	\$31.00		\$3,856.41
<i>Ending Balance 10/31/2011</i>				\$3,856.41

**NOVEMBER 2011**

**112 MEMBERS**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
<i>Beginning Balance 11/01/2011</i>				\$3,856.41
11/20/11	#1056 - Cristine Bowes - Various mailing		\$51.01	\$3,805.40
<i>Ending Balance 11/30/2011</i>				\$3,805.40

**DECEMBER 2011**

**112 MEMBERS**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
<i>Beginning Balance 12/01/2011</i>				\$3,805.40
12/10/11	#1057 - Ray Chevalier - Website fees		\$42.95	\$3,762.45
<i>Ending Balance 12/31/2011</i>				\$3,762.45

**JANUARY 2012**

**113 MEMBERS**

DATE	DESCRIPTION	DEPOSITS	CHECKS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
<i>Beginning Balance 01/01/2012</i>				\$3,762.45
01/04/2012	#1058-Ocean Blue Catering-Regional banquet		\$500.00	\$3,262.45
01/09/2012	Deposit - new member dues	\$20.00		\$3,282.45
01/09/2012	#1059 - US Post Office - stamps		\$44.00	\$3,238.45
<i>Ending Balance 01/31/2012</i>				\$3,238.45



**MEETING NOTICES**

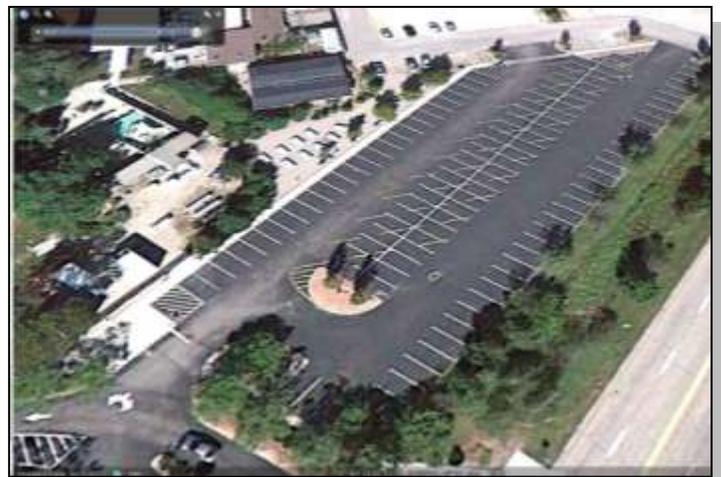


- Next Chapter Meeting TBA
- 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual FCA Nationals, Louisville, Kentucky - July 12-14, 2012
- 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Keystone Chapter Regional Bethel, PA – May 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 2012
- 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Northeast Chapter Regional Mystic, CT – Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> 2012

***MEET YOU IN MYSTIC***



Mystic Aquarium is the site of our next regional meet it will be a little different then past meets because the show and banquet are not at the hotel, but we feel it will be quite entertaining for the entire family with many activities between the hotel and show. Meet you in Mystic on Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> for a whale of a time!



**Welcome New Members**

- David Orr - Epping, NH**
- Vytautas Puidokas – Astoria, NY**
- Mark Muzzi – Townsend, MA**
- Tom McConnell – New Britain, CT**

**The Falcon Times by e-mail**

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

***Please think about it!***

**AN INVITATION FROM THE MASS CRUISERS**

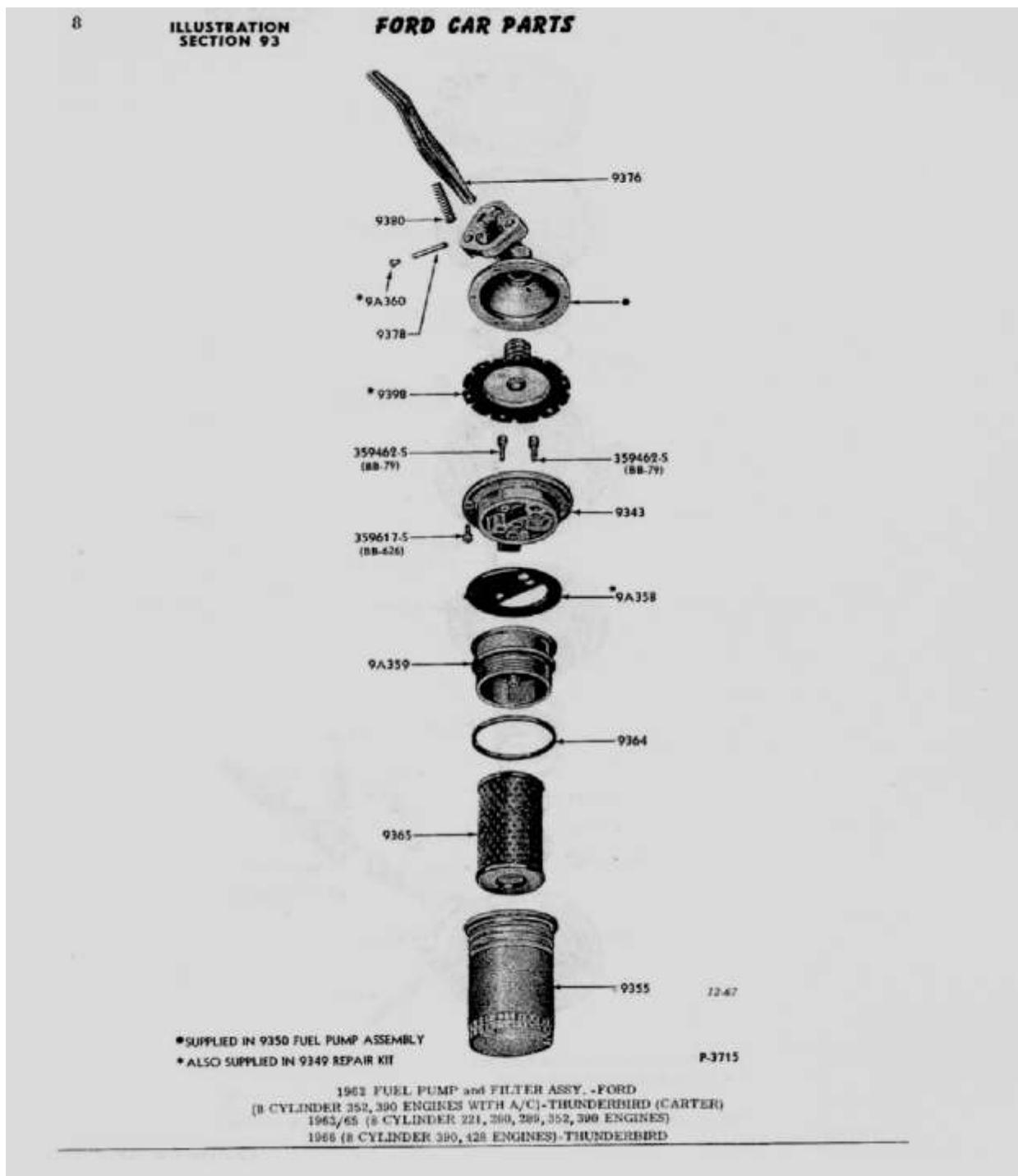
I have been a member of the FCA for 3 years I am also a member of the Mass Cruisers. We have the cruise nights at Foxboro Stadium. This year for the car show scheduled for August 19, 2012 at Wrentham State Park, the park has offered to give us 20 acres for the show. We are planning to have the show include a flea market, corral, entertainment, food vendors, and a Fifties/Sixties dance in the evening.

I would like to offer any FCA members that own a business to set up an advertising table free. In addition, if the FCA members would like to set up a table to sell spare parts that is ok as well. It will all be at no cost. Please contact me at [Zeke.Sawayer@cbre-ne.com](mailto:Zeke.Sawayer@cbre-ne.com) if anyone is interested. Please spread the word to other members in the New England area.

Thank You,  
Zeke Sawayer



*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.*





# ***BYE, BYE, BIRDIE!***

Text and Photography by Milt Robar

**Editors Note:** *The story you are about to read is an e-mail I received last summer from Milt Robar membership #1 for the Northeast Chapter and FCA membership #93. Milt lives in Belchertown, MA with his lovely wife Phyllis.*



**M**y time as a falcon owner is just about over. I have sold my 67 *Sports Coupe* to a consortium in Australia. Its way "down under". As of now, I no longer have any falcons for the first time in 33 years. It seems a little funky, but I think it was time this old duffer moved on. In the newsletter, you mentioned that you were a little disappointed in the lack of pictures and stories about member's rides. Well this is the story of my departed 1967 *Falcon Sports Coupe*.



**FEATHERED FRIENDS**

I acquired the car on the internet from a minister in Indiana. My wife Phyllis and I drove there to pick it up. It looked great with a frost turquoise exterior and a black bucket seat interior. We took care of all the paper work and left for Alabama where we were living at the time. The trip was okay except we had to stop in Kentucky and get a new set of plugs to replace the badly fouled set. We continued on, and made it back home that same night. After a few months of the car smoking badly, we had to take it to the car doctor to get some no smoking patches (my sick humor).



After a 100% complete engine rebuild along with a million other parts including a grille, bumper, and headlight doors along with bucko repairs, it finally looked like a 67 again. Karl Clark, another founding member (#19) touched up the paint and fixed a couple of bad spots last year and I got a chance to show it a few times, it always got plenty of attention. It has a C-4 automatic transmission powered by a 200 cu. in. six cylinder with a split manifold and dual exhaust. It runs very strong and is a nice driver with a smooth ride. The tires are radials

and sports 66 spinner hubcaps, a tinted windshield an aftermarket console, and power steering. Everything works including the original radio, and windshield washer.



**FEATHERED FRIENDS**



My wife and I will travel a little and spend a great deal of time with friends and family. I will always be a member of the chapter and the national as well, but from now on a spectator and maybe if needed, an advisor. I enjoyed reading the article in the newsletter about the clubs beginning and very thankful the club has folks like you and your wife still left in it. Times have changed things somewhat, the shows are much more upscale, and the cars are far better than the early restorations. It was very hard finding parts in the beginning as there were no repo' parts out there. Hope to see you soon. Milty 





**MODELERS CORNER**

*In this issue of the Modelers Corner, we will show the conversion of a 1999 Mustang Cobra Hard Top into a model of my 1999 GT convertible using parts from a 1996 Mustang convertible.*



We start by removing the windshield frame & boot trim from the 96 and the top from the 99.



The boot trim from the 96 was fitted then installed on the reworked 99 body.



The 96-windshield frame was installed on the 99 body using the top and glass for location.



The stock 99 Cobra hood has the scoop in the opposite position then the GT.



We had to build up the hood with putty to reform the scoop to match the GT before primer and paint.



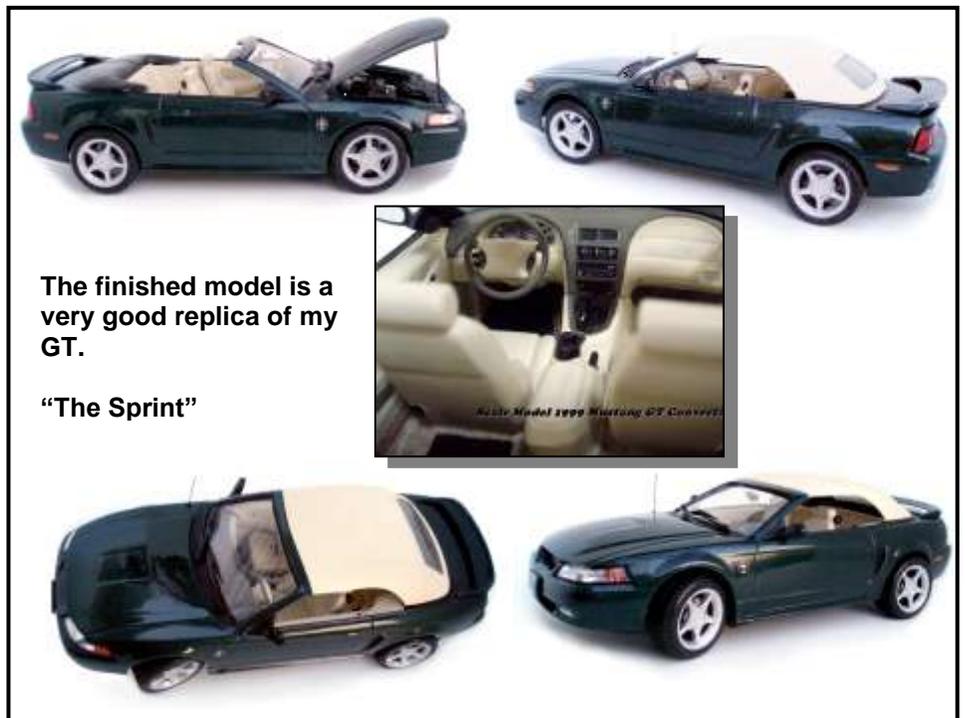
With all the finish work done, the body was ready for primer and the first coat of Dark Green Satin Clearcoat Metallic.



After a couple more coats of paint and clear, it was allowed to dry a couple of days then wet sanded and polished. The next step was the final test fit before assembly.



The intake system was scratch build using pictures from the Mustang as a guide.





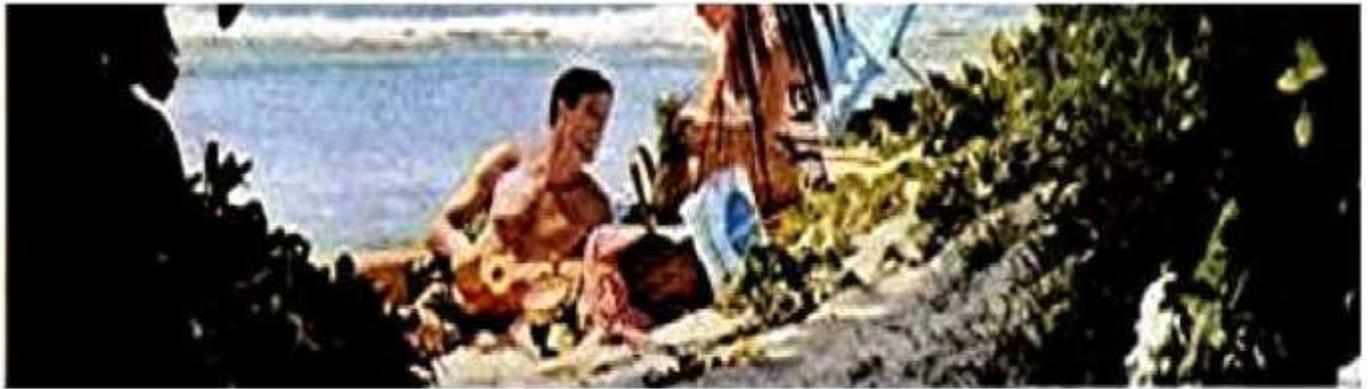
**ODDS AND ENDS**

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**FEATHERED FRIENDS INFORMATION FORM**

Fill out as much of the form as applies, if you need more space you can write on the back or use a separate sheet. Send the form with pictures to me by e-mail: [gnenninger@comcast.net](mailto:gnenninger@comcast.net) or mail it to me at 66 Willowbrook Rd. Cromwell, CT 06416

Name:		Chapter Membership Number:	
Address:		FCA Membership Number:	
Year:		Model:	
		Body style:	
When and how was the car acquired:			
History of car if known:			
Exterior color:		Interior color:	
Paint By:		Interior By:	
Body By:			
Engine:		Engine By:	
Engine Mods:			
Tires:		Wheels:	
Did anyone in you Family or friends own a <i>falcon</i> ?			
Any other interesting facts about your <i>falcon</i> that you want to tell us.			



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