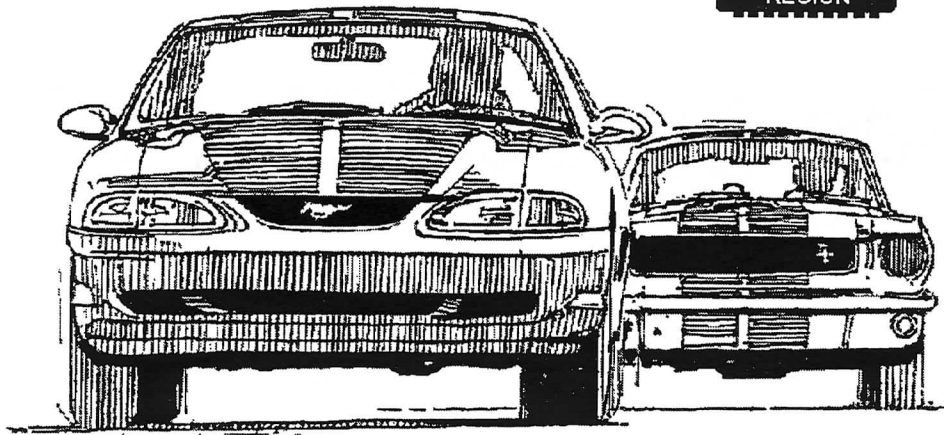


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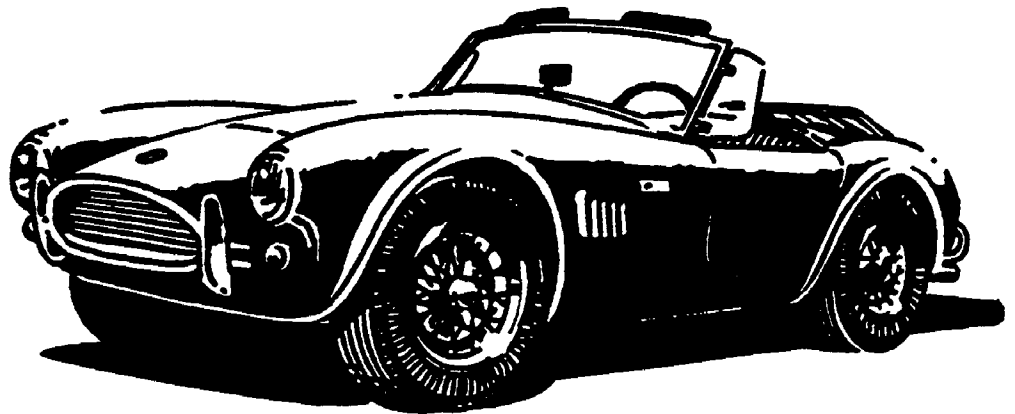
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CALENDAR of EVENTS:

SUNDAY, June 11, CARNIVAL of CARS 8 AM to 5 PM at Waterford Hills Race Track. Call Bob Leich (810) 851-0510

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FRIDAY, August 4 to SUNDAY, August 6 MEADOWBROOK HISTORIC RACES at Waterford Hills Raceway for info call Michael Sheridan (810) 373-1648 or Ed Ludtke (810) 626-4312

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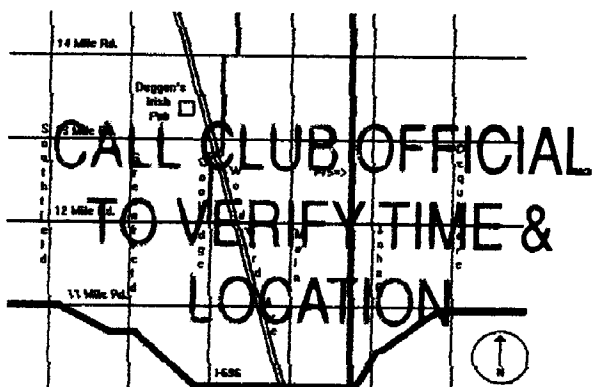
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FIRST THURSDAY of EACH MONTH SHELBY CLUB MEETING at DUGGAN'S IRISH PUB 7:00 PM



The President's Report

by Dean V. Ricci

... and Twenty years later, here we are. To all readers new and old, welcome to our special issue to commemorate the efforts of the last Twenty Years, by this organization now known as the Shelby American Automobile Club, Motor City Region.

Going back to 1975, I was a junior in High School and spent most of my time trying to stay out of trouble with my parents ! My knowledge of cars was pretty minimal back then, but I can tell you my favorite cars at that point in life were the '71 - '73 bodystyle Mustang Fastbacks. I also remember the Shelby Mustangs of '69 and '70 and remembered how I thought they looked strange to me. I guess I'm fortunate that like so many others, when you learn more about the man, you really acquire a special affection for these vehicles assembled by the famed Shelby American.

My knowledge of the "grass roots" beginnings of this club are few, but I know right from day one, the club has always been blessed with dedicated members committed to keeping the name "Shelby" first in everyone's mind and heart. As it's been told to me, the club was originally formed back in 1975 by one **Jeff Burgy** and it was known simply as the Cobra club. When guys like me were tucked away in school, Jeff and his pals were out having fun with these great automobiles. I've heard so many tales of the times the guys used to run their cars at the Michigan International Speedway. They ran the "old course", the same 4 mile course the big Trans Am cars ran in the 70s. I've heard tales of a club member putting his Shelby right through a chain link fence at M.I.S., only to wipe it off and get right back out there. These days if mishaps such as this occur, you hardly be able to carry the insurance

forms, let alone find the time to fill them out. I remember watching the memorable video tape of the guys running at the old Mt. Clemens Speedway, and a 427 Cobra lost a rear tire exiting a turn. The damage to the aluminum fendered car was a bit of a wrinkle. This minor mishap then spawned the story of the little old man who went to the Cobra owner's house, sat on his little wooden bench, surveyed the dent, gave it a good wallop with his ballpeen hammer and had the Cobra back into it's bulbous shape that quickly.

I've been a member of this club since 1983. The deal was that in 1982 I purchased a '66 Mustang Convertible and was terribly consumed with restoring the car to it's original beauty. During a brief rest period from restoration on July 4th weekend, I turned on the news and they were broadcasting live from the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. An event was taking place (known to us all now as SAAC 8) with all Ford Mustangs and I saw two rows of blue and white Shelby Mustangs. It was about thirty seconds before the TV was turned off and I was in my car driving down to Dearborn from Sterling Heights. This was my first car show ever and man it was totally cool ! There were vendors there, I was buying parts for my convertible, and there were gorgeous cars everywhere. I was quite impressed. The next day I found out that there was to be a speed event at the old Packard Proving grounds (Ford Utica Test Track). "Hey, that's right buy my house"; I screamed to the bearer of good news. The next day I was at Utica watching all the Fords go buy ... what a treat it surely was for me !

And, right there in the middle of the track, was a busy little guy holding a bunch of flags ... trying to keep the cars going. I would know him later in life as Jeff Burgy.

Quite a guy ... Quite a club ! ENJOY !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Steve Yates

1939 - 1995

We are one less. Steve Yates passed away quietly on Sunday morning, April 9th, after a battle with leukemia that lasted for more than a year. After a couple of recent bouts with pneumonia and other complications he left the hospital so he could spend his final days at home, to be in surroundings with his devoted wife Joyce and the cars that had come to be so much a part of his life.

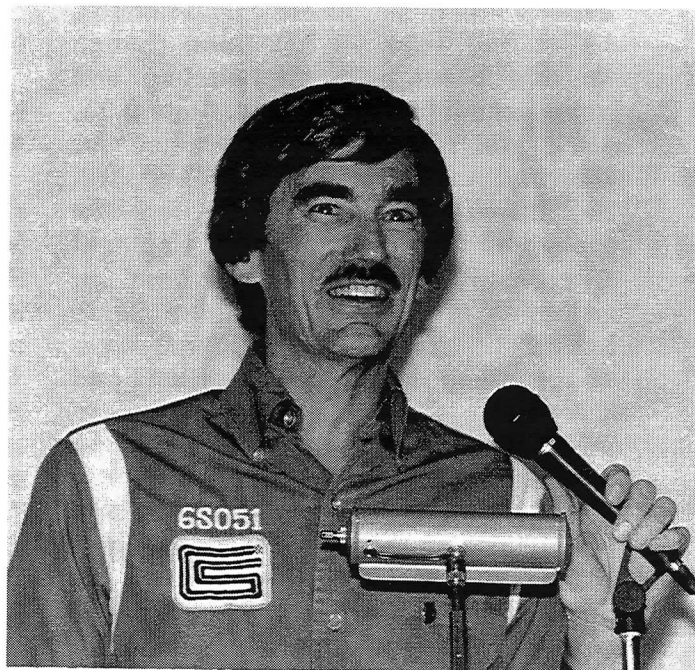
Steve purchased 6S051 in February of 1976 but his Shelby spark really caught fire after attending SAAC-2 in Hershey, PA in July of 1977. He returned home to Indiana with a contagious enthusiasm and determined sense of purpose that became his trademarks. He and Joyce started the Indiana Region and after careful cultivation, watched it grow and flower. He also became one of the club's most active Regional Representatives and was among the first to advocate the establishment of serious concours competition on a national level. Steve was not the type to make a suggestion and then walk away, content to let someone else take it from there. He started working on what would eventually become SAAC's concours guidelines and was one of the first to see how the establishment of a set of standards for originality and craftsmanship would effect the long term appreciation of the cars [aesthetically as well as financially].

Steve was elected to the club's Board of Directors in 1982 and was asked to assume the position of Concours Chairman, which he eagerly accepted. He threw himself into the task of creating standards for cars and rules for judging, something made even more difficult by the fact that within model years there were often more exceptions than commonalities. Once set down, the concours guidelines continued to

evolve each year and Steve lost none of his original enthusiasm. In fact, the continual challenge seemed to spur him on. His dedication in this regard and his innate sense of fairness served as an inspiration to everyone who would come into contact with him. He never let his importance within the club or his position as Concours Chairman prevent him from interacting with anyone on a one-to-one basis. He always found time for everyone and went out of his way to view both sides of every problem that he was confronted with. And with the concours there were many.

To say that Steve Yates left his mark on SAAC is an obvious understatement. Everyone who is involved, in any way, with the club's concours event will feel Steve's shadow falling on them. This is as fitting a tribute to him, his dedication and his enthusiasm as anyone could envision. We'll not forget him.

Contributions may be made, in Steve's name, to the Indiana Chapter of the Leukemia Society of America, 921 E 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46240 (317) 726-2770.



May, 1995

To celebrate Show & Go 20 a history of the Motor City Region is in order. To do this it is necessary to go back more than twenty years.

Carroll Shelby and the cars he was involved with are the original elements behind the club, but the direct ancestors were the Shelby Owners Association (SOA) and The Cobra Club.

To find information on the club, newsletters starting from the early 70's were studied. After studying them, it was decided to let them speak for themselves with only a few comments. You will notice some names appearing repeatedly, these are the people who built the club and many remain a part of it today. Others have gone on to different interests, some to a better world.

August 1972 Newsletter

THE COBRA CLUB

Dear Cobraphiles,

The Michigan Region of The Cobra Club is proud to announce its second annual "Cobra Convention". Labor Day weekend has been chosen for this event, with the meeting and party scheduled for Sunday, August 31, 1972 and road racing scheduled for Monday, September 1, 1972. There will be no charge on Sunday and the festivities will begin at noon. Regional Director, Phil DiMambro, will host the gathering at his home on Cobra Circle in Franklin Village. The Shelby Owners Association is cordially invited and Cobras, Shelybs and some miscellaneous exotics will be on display all afternoon about the grounds. The Cobra Club's expanded files and albums will be available for browsing. A concession stand will be set up for purchasing of lunches, with beer and wine being sold all afternoon. There will

be a short meeting at 2:00 pm to discuss the rules and regulations for the following day's competition event. A large tent will be used for dancing and mingling through the evening, with the activities beginning at 8:00. There will be a cash bar with music provided by "McIntosh". The party will end at 11:30.

On Monday, September 1, 1972 The Cobra Club will sponsor a full day of racing at Waterford Hills Raceway.



FEBRUARY / MARCH 75 SOA

MICHIGAN REGIONAL FLEA MARKET AND MEETING

One of our better organized active regions is in the state of Michigan. Headed by Jeff Burgy and Roger Hodyka, the region has grown at an outstanding rate since this duo took over the controls a year ago. On January 19, 1975 SOA members were treated to a flea market where all sorts of Shelby-American paraphernalia were sold and traded. Ken Young, SOA Regional Director from Wisconsin, and Jim Cowles drove down in a Honda Civic and, with enough parts to sink a battleship, managed to load the Honda and drive back to Green Bay in a snow

storm no less!

After stocking up on everything from Stewart-Warner gauges to Detroit Lockers, the members headed to the Henry Ford Centennial Library for the remainder of the meeting.

Over 125 members attended from Wisconsin and Ohio as Ralph Wexler, Ohio Regional Director, brought a group with him to the meeting. Thanks to the hard work by Jeff and Diane Burgy, the meeting was highlighted with movies from the National Convention, Road America, plus tech and restoration seminars. The activities of the meeting brought sunshine and warmth to the members despite the harsh Michigan weather. [The SAAC MK I wasn't the first time the "Shelby Club" thought of building a car]



Diane & Jeff Burgy give trophy for sideburns

APRIL / MAY 75 SOA NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

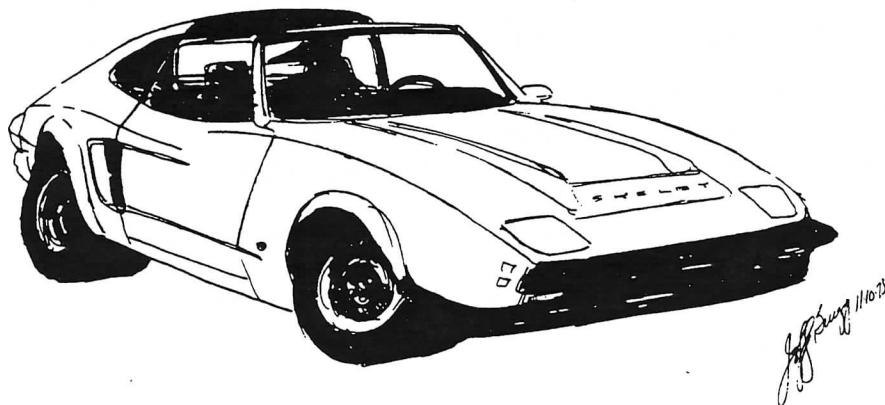
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The new car project is really floundering and I plan to drop it unless some members or people who are not members want to contact me about it and want to get involved. Otherwise, it will go down the tubes like many other nice things. I will not get technical about the car except to say that it incorporates everything you would consider desirable. This may seem a bit far fetched, but I spent almost two years and a lot of money putting a package together.

to Mike Riemenschneider



John Guyer at the wheel of his '68 GT-500KR convertible prepares to take a fast lap around the road course at Michigan International Raceway during an autocross last summer.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The convention is shaping up in fine style. I understand that it is on Carroll Shelby's calendar. However, he is a busy man and there is still the possibility that he might not be able to attend. I am sure that he will make a monumental effort to be able to attend and meet all of you who attend. At the present time five of the seven appointed district managers have been appointed. They are the following:

Ken Eber (Northeast-Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont,

Pennsylvaria, Delaware, Maryland)
Robert Hudson (Southeast-Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi)

Jeff Burgy (Great Lakes-Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin)

Jerry Wagner (North Central-Kansas, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado)

Barbara Gray (South Central-Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana)

All district managers will serve on the Board of Directors of this organization.

It looks like the beginning of a long and active summer. Already there have been actively attended regional functions all over the country. They are rapidly growing in size, number, and interest. I hope that all of you who are planning to attend the convention are registering early. The last minute rush is always a problem and leaves many people without things they would have desired. Register early and let's have a super turnout for our 1975 National Convention. This will be our third and finest yet. I hope I see all of you there.

We will raffle off a 1965 GT-350, number SFM5S502 at the convention.

You do not have to attend to win. The cost per chance is \$25.00 with net proceeds going into our treasury. Chances for the raffle will be available in two weeks and will be sold only to SOA members and their families. We must sell a minimum of 250 chances. If we don't sell our minimum by August 24, 1975 at 5:00 P.M. the contest will be cancelled and your money returned. The drawing will be held at the Convention Awards Banquet on the evening of August 24, 1975. All mail chance sales will be accepted until August 17, 1975, after that they will be purchased only at the convention. Do not wait for the last minute, buy your chances now! The winner will be responsible for the cost or means of shipment of the prize from New York to it's destination. It should be noted that First Shelby Owner's Inc. does not endorse or in any way guarantee the service, merchandise or work of any business listed in our parts and assistance section. The parts and assistance section is merely a means of informing you of what and where certain items are available. If there are any of you who have a related business which you would like included in our parts and assistance section simply drop a note to Austin Craig, 1510 Delaware Avenue, Wyomissing, Pennsylvania 19610, explaining your interest and inform him of the matter of your business and what you can provide, including discounts. As you can see, this publication is now legally and officially copyrighted and any reproduction of it in part or whole for profit or not is prohibited by law, unless it's done with written permission from the publisher. There will be no more free Newsletters to any one with the exception of our mailing list to persons and organizations such as Car & Driver Magazine, SCCA, etc.

David A. Bythewood President

From the last SOA Newsletter

LADIES' TEA

By: Diane Burgy

Thirty dozen cookies, huge urns of coffee and iced tea adorned the table for the Convention's Sunday Afternoon Ladies' Tea. So, while our beloved husbands walked around a 100⁰ parking lot, asking Carroll Shelby to "lean" on their cars for pictures (something we're never allowed to do), the Ladies of S.O.A. sat in air-conditioned comfort enjoying the company of the Guest of Honor, Jeanne Shelby.

Jeanne Shelby was much the way you pictured her to be. . . full of poise and always smiling. A soft-spoken woman who loves the out-of-doors, she gardens and plants Bonsai Trees as a past-time. Jeanne and Carroll Shelby have three children, the oldest, a son who is 30 years old. However, he is married and happily raising his own family. . . some people have all the luck. As Carroll Shelby was busy signing autographs outside, Jeanne too, was kind enough to sign Polaroid snapshots and name tags for our scrapbooks.

As usual, when two or more women get together, many things were discussed; from Carroll Shelby, to the cars he built, to the hours of patient waiting until the Shelby is tuned, polished and whatever, only to find that by that time, it needs to be tuned, polished and whatever all over again. It was at least comforting to learn that for one afternoon, women from all over the United States got together and found that all households had one thing in common: "What the Shelby needs, the Shelby gets - FIRST".

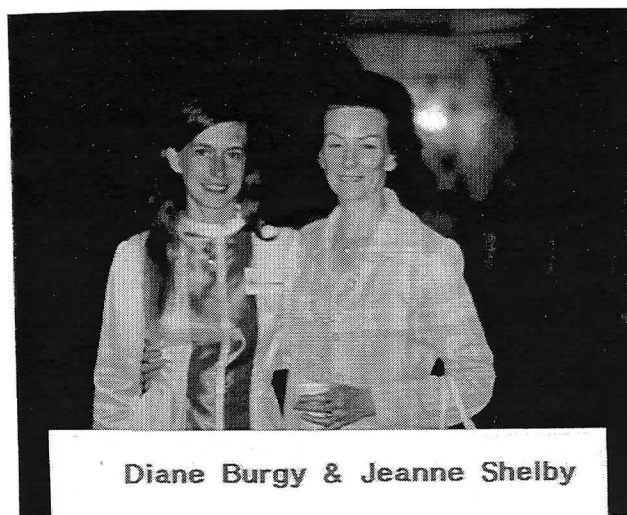
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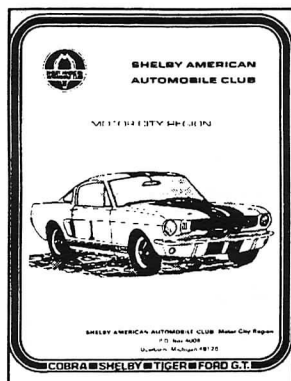
Perhaps, if you can picture little 4'11" Susan Greene doing hers, your grimmy chore will seem smaller. Her husband, Dr. Bill Greene of Florida is blessed with an 18 1/2" neck and at least a 6'3" body to go with it. She can barely load the washing machine since, one soiled work outfit weighs almost a ton. Once the one outfit is in the washer, the poor machine can hold no more. As it goes through its cycle, banging from side to side, one wonders if Dr. Bill has taken pity on her and rigged up a conveyor belt from washer to dryer.

When the Tea was nearly over, we were paid a visit by our Club President, Dave Bythewood. He discussed the club and wanted to assure us that the wives were members too, not just the men, and that anytime we had something to say, to write it down and he would print it in the newsletter. I'll bet there are a lot of wives who have a story to tell about their Shelbyized with each other, knowing that we're not alone.

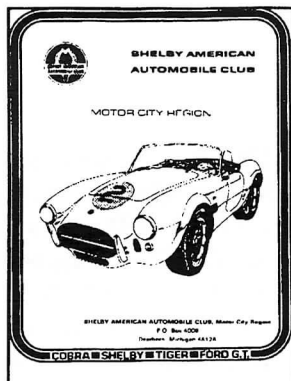
A very special thanks goes out to Tami Wagner, who organized the Tea. It was a very nice idea to have something just for the ladies to do. Also, to be thanked are all the ladies of the Kansas Region who baked the many dozens of cookies enjoyed by us all.



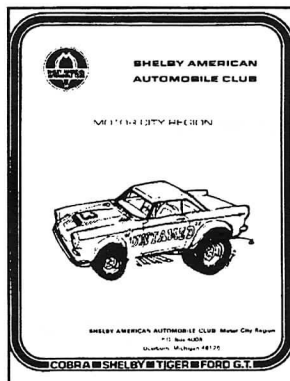
Diane Burgy & Jeanne Shelby



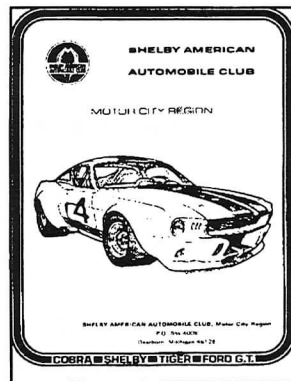
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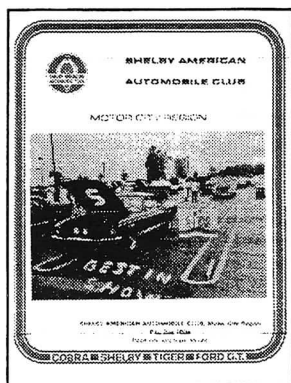
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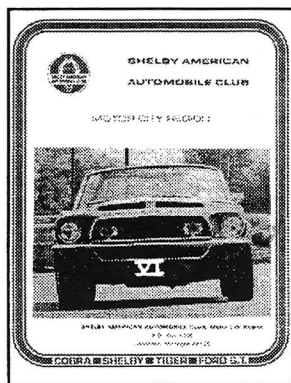
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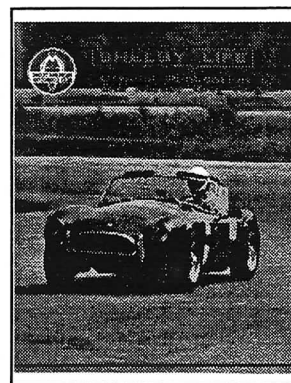
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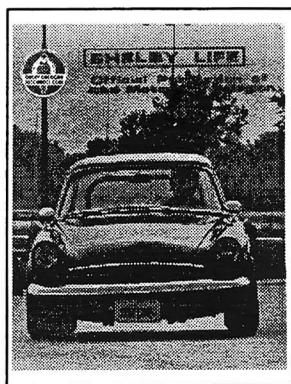
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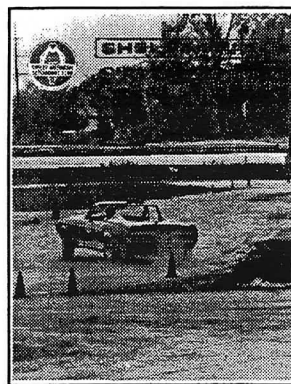
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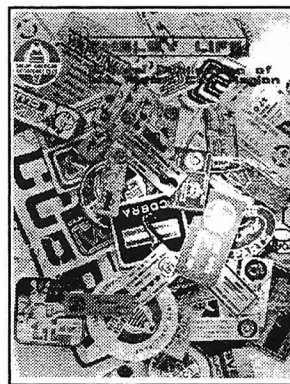
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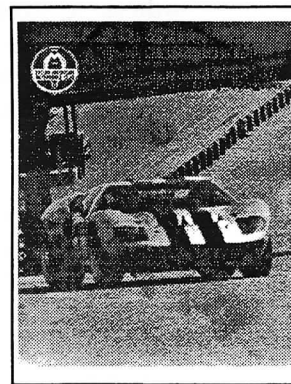
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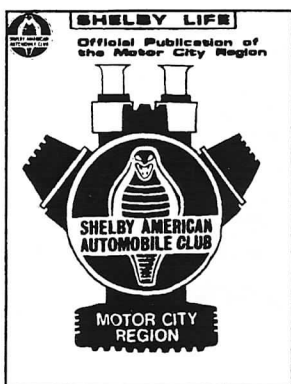
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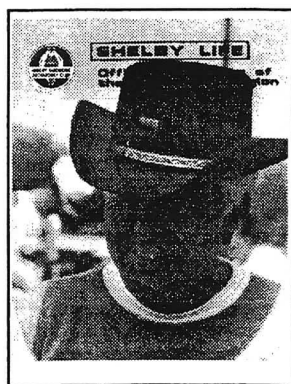
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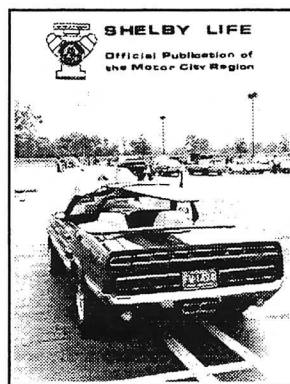
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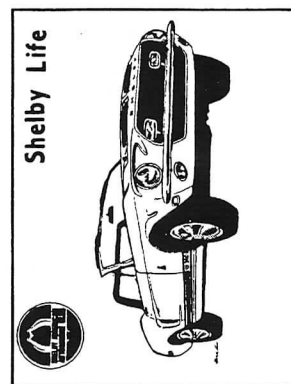
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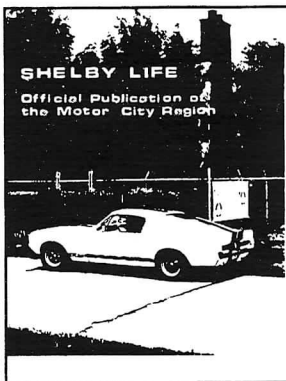
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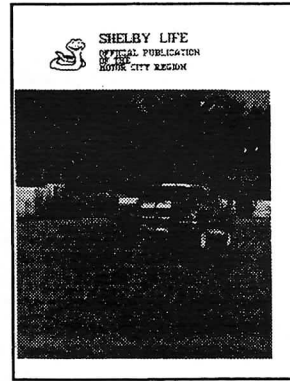
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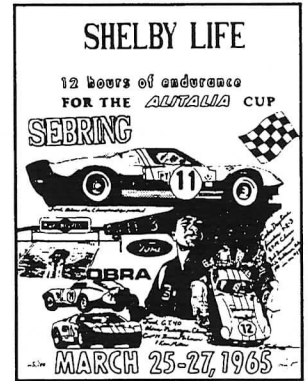
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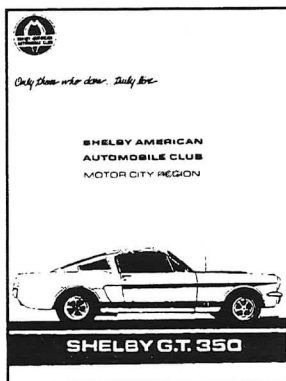
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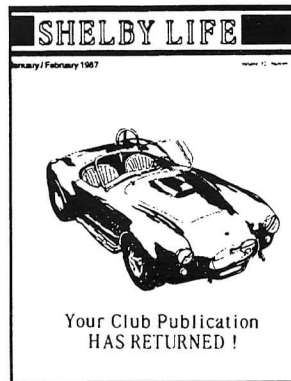
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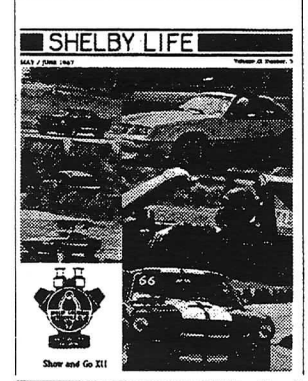
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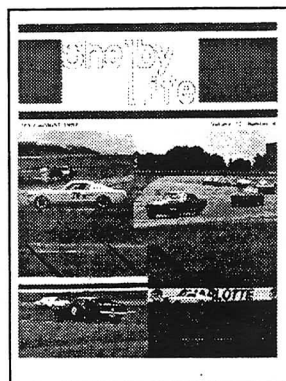
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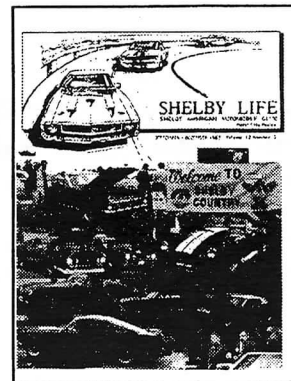
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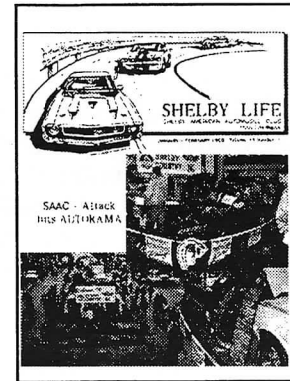
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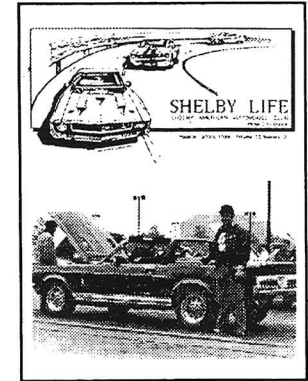
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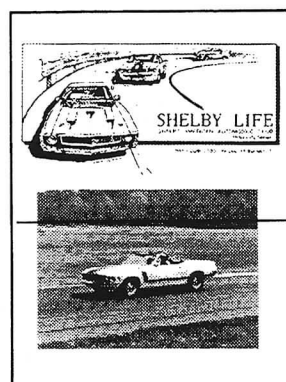
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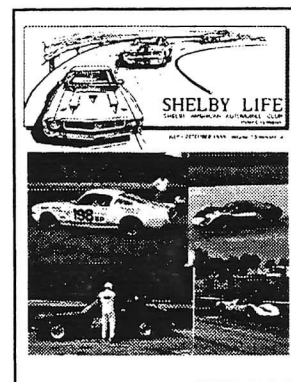
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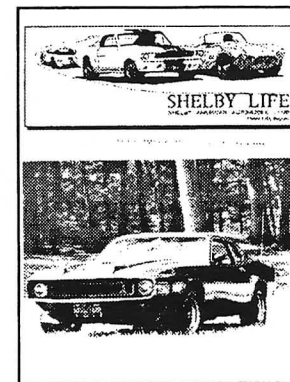
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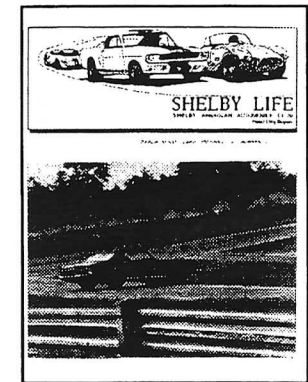
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October 28, 1975

Dear Cobra Club Member:

We are pleased to send you a brochure describing the newly formed Shelby - American Automobile Club. As you probably know, your membership in the Cobra Club has been transferred to SAAC as a result of the merger, and a renewal notice from the Shelby - American Automobile Club will be sent when your dues would have expired in the Cobra Club.

Your membership is valued, and we hope that you find the new club both beneficial and enjoyable.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Eber
Secretary-Treasurer

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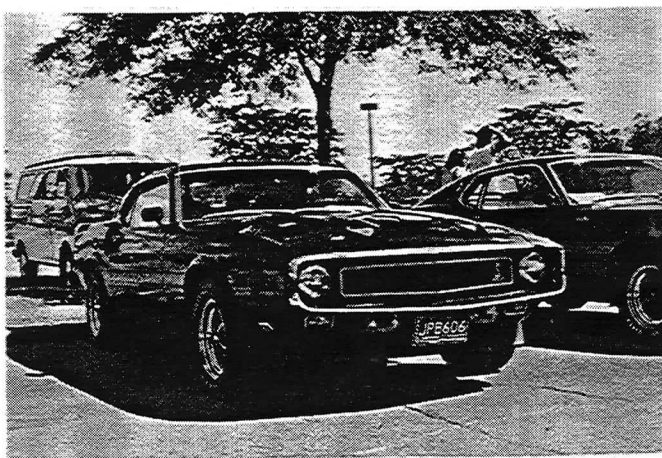
Motor City Regional Meet

— Austin C. Craig

The sights and sounds of Shelby-American came alive this past Labor Day weekend in Detroit, Michigan. Jeff Burgy and Diane Guyer, along with other members of our Detroit Region, put their heads together and the result was three fun-filled days not only for the Michigan members but for members from all over the eastern half of the country. Members came from as far away as North Carolina, Long Island, New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois. Judging from the response generated by all, the members felt their long drives were more than worth it.

From the moment 'Parts King' Roger Hodyka picked me up at the airport in his 289 Cobra Friday night until Jeff Burgy dropped me off Monday afternoon in his Boss 351 Pantera, it was evident that the region had its act together as all activities went off like the smooth precision of a well oiled machine.

After checking in Friday night, I reported to the parking lot of the Dearborn Ramada Inn to find quite a few of the members already engaged in conversations about Cobras, carburetors and cubic inches. At a glance, it was easy to see that some potent and beautiful automobiles had traveled from near and far and I knew right then and there that the Labor Day meet weekend was going to be a smashing success.

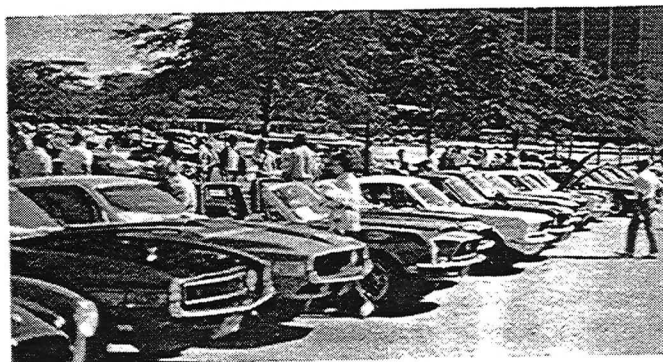


The fantastic 1969 GT-500 of Floyd Morgan, Toledo, Ohio. Pictures do not do this car justice, as it was a show

One of the first cars to catch my eye was the beautiful and meticulously maintained 1969 GT-500 of Floyd Morgan of Toledo, Ohio. The Shelby has a black paint job that seemed 30 feet deep and with the gold side racing stripes, looked like a million dollars. The GT-500 looked like a real show stopper and, as we'll see later, it certainly was.

Not far away from Floyd's masterpiece was the 1965 R model, 5R095, owned by SAAC representatives Dave and Nancy Trimby of Decatur, Illinois. I first saw 5R095 at the 1974 National Convention at Heidelberg Country Club, Bernville, Pennsylvania, and at the time could not imagine how Dave and Nancy could improve upon the GT-350. They have! The Trimbys have taken a perfect car and made it better — a winner in every respect. Dave and Nancy are very enthusiastic Shelby-American disciples and even if you had your house burn down, car stolen and bank account closed out, after talking with these two, you'd be fired up and ready to tackle anything. As usual the parking lot exploits continued into the early morning hours as the examples described above are only two of the many fantastic cars and people who attended the meet.

The weatherman must work for FOMOCO as Saturday, like all the days of the meet, was bright and clear. Jeff had plotted a caravan route in, out and through the large Ford Motor Company facilities. If any of the Ford executives were working in the world headquarters, I bet they had the windows rattled by the potent machinery in the caravan. Let's face it, one doesn't get to see a line of Panteras, Shelbys, 289 and 427 Cobras rumbling down the street every day going to work!



Ford Motor Company World Headquarters was an excellent background for the car show and parts swap. Anyone in the 'Glass House' saw a parking lot full of champions that day.

MOTOR CITY REGION

— Dianne Guyer and Jeff Burgy

True to form, our Detroit skies dumped several inches of wet snow on our Spring Invitational Meet on March 20. What a way to welcome spring!

Sixty-three enthusiastic members and guests attended this first meeting of the 1977 season. Chairman Ben Scheiwe welcomed all, and proceeded to initiate them as to the ways and benefits of membership in SAAC. A spectacular slide and home movie presentation, assembled by aficionados Jon Murrel and John Guyer, provided a fresh approach to recapping the 1976 season for this region. This show was complemented by Bill Cosby's recording '200 MPH,' and the applause following was a clear indication of everyone's appreciation of a job well done.

The 1977 calendar of events was outlined and includes autocrosses at Waterford Hills Raceway and Michigan International Speedway, concours events at the Carnival of Cars, and Autorama 1977, road rallies, holiday parties and movie nights.

Exciting film of the sights and sounds of the 1969 Donnybrooke Trans-Am race (showing Ol' Shelby and his blue and white Mustangs) capped the question and comment session. Regional members were reminded to bring proof of membership (cancelled check or Marque) to the next meeting so that regional membership cards could be distributed.

Special thanks to the aforementioned and also to John and Donna Storrie, Brad and Cindy Claes and Jann Scheiwe for their efforts and contributions in helping to organize this important meeting.

The members agreed that any profit made from the Labor Day autocross at MIS will be donated to Muscular Dystrophy. This applies also to profits realized from other events; the money will be donated to various charities. Members agreed their efforts and fun should benefit those less fortunate; also this will provide positive exposure for the club.

Ben & Jann Scheiwe

Ben originated the "GO"

in Show & Go



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— Ben Scheiwe

True to form, rain greeted the ending of the first road rally sponsored this season. Luckily, the sun cooperated during the 51 mile transversal of a fun filled agenda.

Following the trophy award ceremony (no club members placed) everyone ran for cover as rain cascaded down. A car caravan proceeded to Brad and Cindy Claes' home nearby for an impromptu party. Special thanks to Donna Storrie, Cindy Claes and Jann Scheiwe for a super effort!

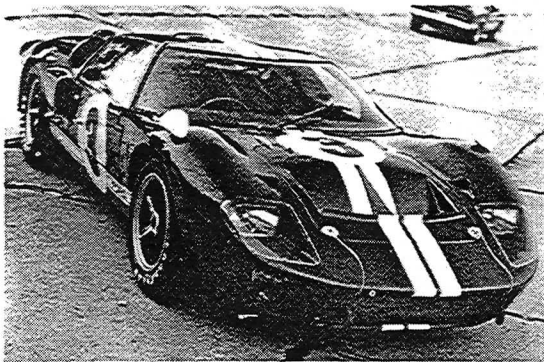
The sound of unmuffled exhaust, and the screeching of tires, greeted the five Shelbys, two Boss 302, one Tiger, four Cobras and two Panteras of the Motor City Region as they descended upon Waterford Hills Raceway for autocross action.

Sixty-one cars, representing local regions of the Porsche Club, Trans-Am Club, Jaguar Owners Association, and the Toledo Sports Car Club, including six SAAC members (John Guyer, Tom Tyson, Tim Young, Steve Riefler, John Zweber, Ben Scheiwe) donned their hotshoes and helmets and charged into the foray.



SAAC Motor City Region members who won three of the seven classes at Waterford Autocross are (left to right) John Zweber, Capri RS; Steve Riefler, '67 Shelby and Ben Schiwe, '70 Boss 302.

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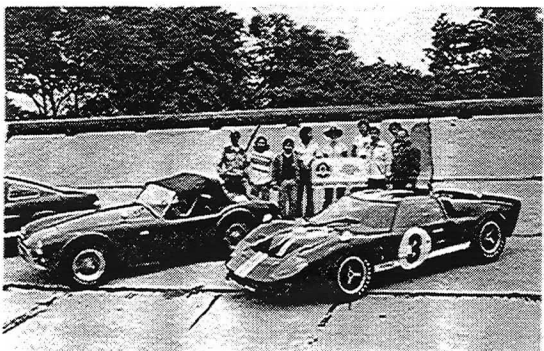
The Dan Gurney/Jerry Grant '66 Ford Mark II Le Mans car was driven to Motor City Regional Meet by Don Eichstadt of Berkley, Michigan. Mark II led in the '66 24 Hours of LeMans before going out with heating ills.

John Zweber blasted and spun his way into the winners circle in his R/S suspensioned Capri, while Steve Riefler showed his tail end to everyone by a wide margin! Ben Scheiwe screamed to another familiar class win, as he romped over the competition in his trusty Boss 302.

June 12 welcomed the eleven tired SAAC members to the 14th Annual Classic Car Carnival Concours with — you guessed — rain! Nevertheless, these dedicated SAAC members brought their cars to the old Packard Motors Car Proving Ground, Utica, Michigan, to show their proud colors. The Motor City Region was the only club in competition that day, and everyone who registered, showed. The Ferrari and Corvette clubs failed to show, lest the raindrops dampen their fragile machines.

Larry Anderson drove in from Baltimore to show his Cobra while Don Eichstadt wheeled his Ford GT MK II LeMans onto the high banked oval track for judging (a lap around the track was the final reward following judging).

Members and participants were cautioned to

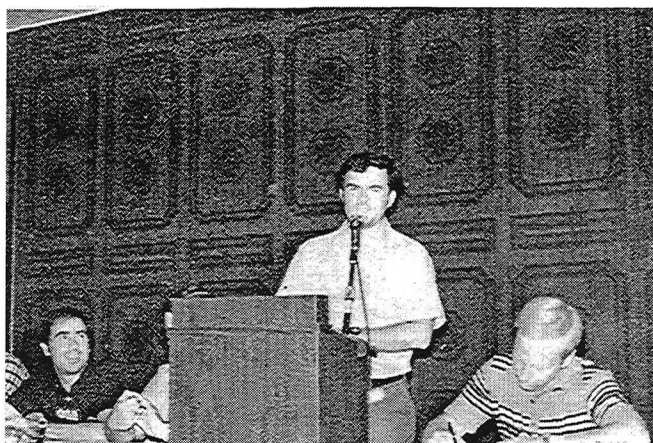


Motor City SAAC members line up on the Packard test track behind the Mark II and Larry Anderson's 289 Cobra. The event was Motor City Region's participation in the Classic Carnival of Cars held in Detroit.

drive carefully on the high banked track and Ben Scheiwe did just that — at 125 mph!

Show the colors and they did, with Gary Bassett, 1967 GT-350, 1st; John Zweber, 1969 GT-500, 2nd; and Ben Scheiwe, 1966 GT-350, 3rd, in class competition.

Coming events include a softball game in August with the local Trans-Am Club and a super Labor Day car show on September 4 at Ford World Headquarters, Dearborn. Last year this event drew close to 150 cars; three trophies per class will be awarded, and all proceeds will go to the Muscular Dystrophy fund. Please call Brad Claes (313) 628-0097 or Ben Scheiwe (313) 288-5416 for details.



The newest member of the Operating Board of Directors, Jeff Burgy, Taylor, MI, says a few words at the convention as Ken Eber (l) looks on and Lynn Park makes notes. Burgy brings over 10 years' Shelby-American expertise to his new position.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER

The Board of Directors held its annual meeting on Wednesday, August 16, 1978.

Elected to the Board by a unanimous vote was Jeff Burgy, Taylor, Michigan. A longtime Shelby-American buff, Burgy is one of only a handful of hard core enthusiasts who has attended every Shelby-American convention dating back to August, 1973, when the first one was held in Reading, PA at the Heidelberg Country Club.

Never one to sit at home, Jeff has been to just about every regional meet in the Midwest, East and South. His '66 GT-350, 6S1206, was one of the first Shelybs to be seen in all parts of the country and featured dual quads, roll bar, big tires and ten spoke mags at a time when the cars from Shelby-American were all but forgotten.

MOTOR CITY REGION FALL PICNIC

— Jeff Burgy

The backwoods trails near Bloomer Park in Utica, Michigan, rumbled with the echoes of tremendous horsepower as the Motor City Region wound down the '78 season with a fall picnic on October 8. Despite the chilly fall day, more than a dozen Shelbys and several Panteras showed up.

Rick Johnson brought out his newly acquired TVR Tuscan. This little Cobra-powered bomb makes a Cobra look like a 'mid-size' car. If the finished product turns out half as nice as Rick's 289 automatic Cobra, it ought to be a real show stopper.

Ray Napier brought several cars from the Toledo area, including Dick and Jan Degener along with their new baby girl. Gregg Burgy drove in from Akron, Ohio in his black and gold '69 GT-500 that he bought recently from Floyd Morgan. This car has won its class two years straight in Motor City Show & Go events, and it's difficult to imagine any improvements to it, considering the immaculate condition Morgan had it in. Gregg's wife Jan says he's had part of one front fender painted six times to get rid of a stubborn fiberglass blister no bigger than a pencil eraser.

Bob Kropp was there, TV camera in hand, recording the event for posterity. Bob's GT-350 was left at home to rest, waiting for a thorough refurbishing in the spring. Bob's 'camera car,' a 1978 Pinto, was seen sporting a large 'flammable' warning sticker in the back window.

Lee and Sandy Swonder brought 5S425, one of a very few genuine factory supercharged '65 GT-350s. Dick and Jeanne Wagner came in their red '66. This is Dick's third red '66 GT-350 in less than two years. The car is in fine, original condition, including original paint and ten spokes. With Dick's attention to detail, I'm sure the car will soon be in better than new condition.



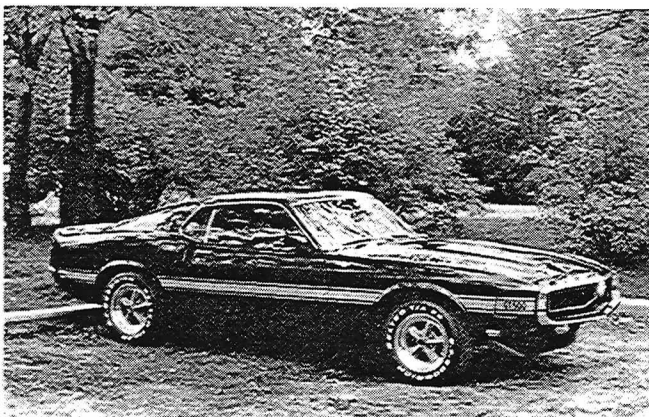
Even though he works for Pontiac Division, Ben Schiewe, the Berkley, Michigan enthusiast drives this dark blue '66 GT-350. At the picnic Schiewe held school for Pantera and big block owners. Could there be a small block mania sweeping the Motor City? Only Ben knows for sure! John Guyer photo

The highlight of the day seemed to be an impromptu 'Ben Schiewe School for High-Performance Driving' session during which Ben gave nearly every Pantera owner present an opportunity to drive his '66 GT-350. Ben has an affinity with Panteras because of his former association with Tope Racing and the late Warren Tope who campaigned one of the most successful competition Panteras in the U.S. before his tragic accident at the Pontiac 'Street Grand Prix' a few years ago.

The Pantera owners were impressed, judging by the smiles on their faces as they emerged from the cockpit of the snarling dark blue GT-350.

Who knows? Maybe we'll soon have more Pantera people buying Shelys. They certainly should be able to appreciate the difference in gear changing, comparing the sensation of shifting by remote control on the Z-F with the split-second sharp, crisp shifts of a beefed-up C-4.

As the afternoon drew late, the cars dispersed in all directions, as the owners, all Cobra lovers that we are, headed out to be sure we'd be home in time to watch *Gumball Rally* that night on TV.



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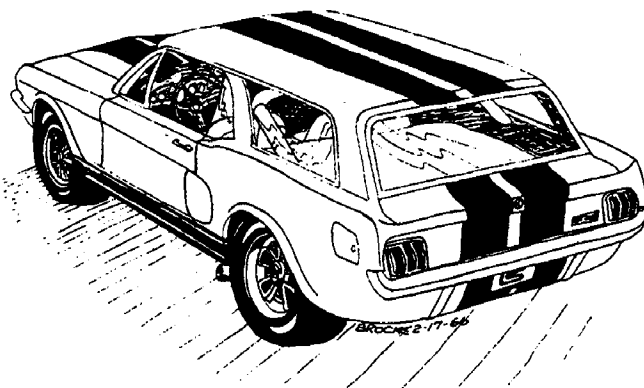
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us his winning recipe.

Tarantula Jack's Chili

3 lbs. lean beef, diced
3 12 oz. cans tomato sauce
1 10 ounce can chicken broth
2 medium size sweet onions, diced
3 large cloves garlic, crushed
7 tablespoons chili powder
2 tablespoons ground cumin seed
1/4 teaspoon tabasco sauce
1 generous jolt tequila

Lightly brown the beef, onions and
garlic together in a little cooking oil,
then dump in everything else. Simmer
covered for a while, then uncovered for
a while to thicken. Stir the mess
frequently during all the cooking time,
about two hours total. Any tequila left in
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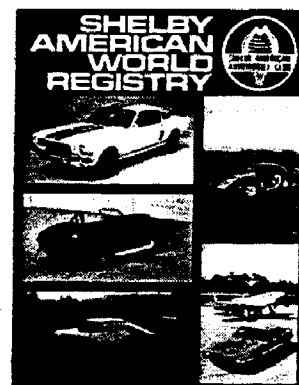
- popular vote car show
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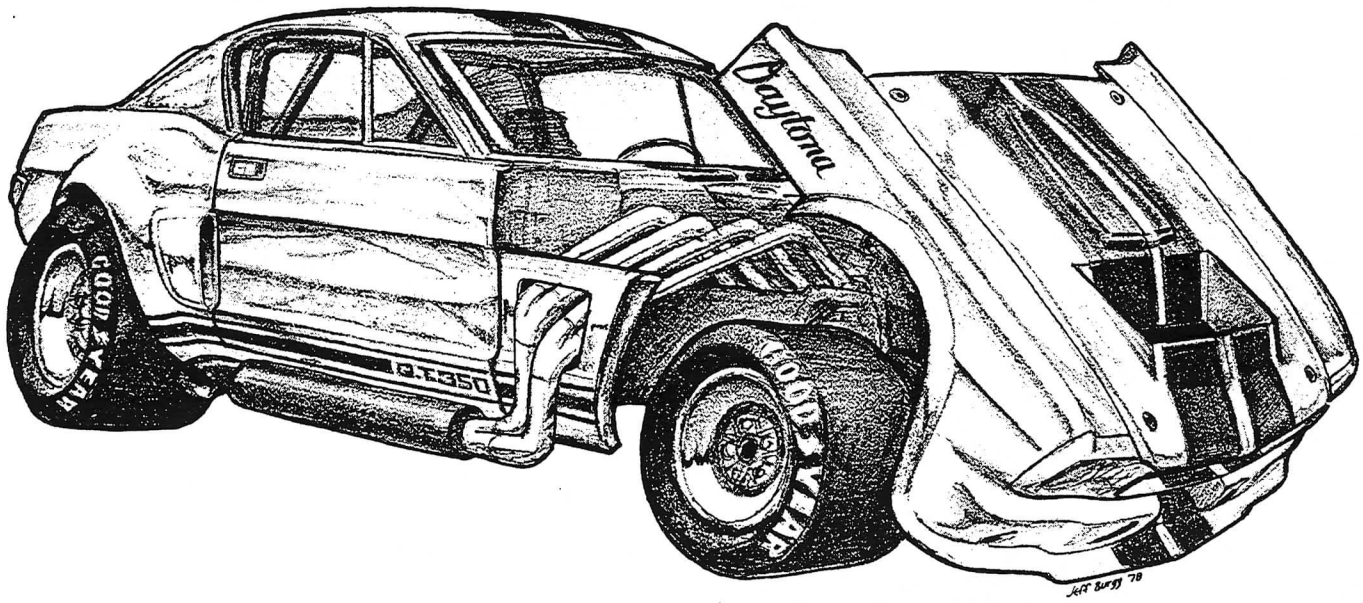
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