



## MAKE PLANS FOR JULY 2015

Okay, by now you know on July 9<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> the **36<sup>th</sup> FCA National Convention** is coming to Warwick, RI. The Northeast Chapter is working hard to make this National Convention a fun and exciting vacation for you and your family (and your Falcon). Easy exit off I-95. To make hotel reservation at the Crown Plaza Hotel call 401-732-6000 by June 1, 2015. Be sure to mention the Falcon Club. Look for more information in the FCA National magazine.



2015 National  
Convention INFO

**You have to make it to this one.**

**Start making plans RIGHT NOW !!!**

<http://www.northeastchapter.com>



2015 FCA  
Registration Form

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## KCFCA Dues \$12.00

Due in August (Macungie)

Send dues to the KCFCA Treasurer.

Make your check payable to KCFCA

**Must be a member of the FCA**



## President's Message

Well Spring is finally here according to the calendar as I look out the window and see six inches of fresh snow. I hope that everyone survived the brutal winter weather. It is time to start warming things up. Winter is over and it is now FALCON season. We have many events this year to look forward to. The next event we will be having is our Spring Dinner on Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup> at Blue Mountain Family Restaurant in Shartlesville, PA. This is always a FUN event and also the GREAT family style meal. Moving on, it is never too early to start planning on attending the 2015 FCA NATIONAL in Warwick RI. The National this year is close to the Keystone chapter. It would be great to show them our support. There is also the Mason-Dixon Regional in Edgewood, MD in September. It is always a fun time hanging out with our Mason-Dixon friends. Let us know if there is a show that you like attending so that we can pass it on to other members. I look forward to seeing you all this year. Let's make this a GREAT FALCON SEASON! Jeff

## IN A FUTURE NEWSLETTER

We need your Falcon story. Send some pictures and your Falcon story to the KCFCA editor. Use the email address [afutura@verizon.net](mailto:afutura@verizon.net) or send pictures (or a disc) by US mail. Look for the story of Bruce & Pam Wolfe's Bonnie Blue, their 1968 Futura 4 door sedan in the next newsletter.

## NEW KCFCA MEMBERS

Donald & Alyson Haring - Creamery, PA – Black 1961 Futura



# 2015 KCFCA Schedule

Our meets for 2015 (so far) are listed below. Some other meets are in the works. Did you attend a car show last year that would be a good show for the KCFCA members to attend this year? Did you attend an All Ford Show? If you did, get some information, a registration form or a web site and send it to the KCFCA Editor.

## KCFCA Spring Dinner and Auction

**APRIL 18<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) Social time starts at 5:00 PM, eat at 6:00PM**

**Blue Mountain Family Restaurant** [www.bluemountainfamilyrestaurant.com](http://www.bluemountainfamilyrestaurant.com)

**Located off exit 23 on I-78 in Shartlesville, PA**

The family style meal includes **SOUP, SALAD, HAM, CHICKEN, ROAST BEEF, FILLING, CORN, PEAS, CARROTS, ASSORTED PIES, COFFEE & TEA.**

**\$17.00 Adult & \$8.00 Child**

One of the fun things we do at the spring dinner is have an auction making some money for the chapter. So bring something along to donate to the auction.

Mail your payment to Ginny Servas at PO Box 10, Center Valley, PA 18034

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual AACA Museum CARnival – Hershey, PA

June 20<sup>th</sup> (SAT) 9 to 3 Featuring special parking for all Station Wagons

**\$10 Pre-Registration - \$15 Day Of Show – Valve Cover Races** [www.aacamuseum.org](http://www.aacamuseum.org)

## Falcon Club of America 36<sup>th</sup> National Convention

July 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Warwick, Rhode Island (see page 1 and FCA Newsletter)

## Das Awkscht Fescht - Macungie, PA [www.awkscht.com](http://www.awkscht.com)

August 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sunday) Pre-registration only

## Mason Dixon 7<sup>th</sup> Regional Meet – Edgewood, MD

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Ramada Inn Conference Center [www.masondixonfalcons.com](http://www.masondixonfalcons.com)



# Cabin Fever Meet Report

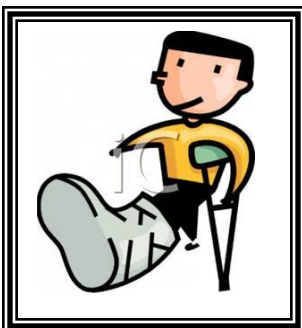


## @ Kauffman Chicken on Sunday March 1st

We had a few brave souls attend the Cabin Fever Meet on that snowy Sunday. Bruce & Joan Kichline (& granddaughter), Jerry Kratz, Mike Pateski, Don & Connie Snyder and Bruce & Pam Wolfe. The food was great, as usual, and some Falcon "Catching Up" stories were fun to listen to. Jerry was going to bring his black 64 hardtop but the weather killed that thought. Don still has his 68 Sports Coupe in a bag. Bruce K reported on his Rancho project in the body shop. Bruce W is still working on Pam's 63 Springtime Yellow convertible. Lets hope for "NO SNOW" for next year so we have a better turn out.

### Treasurer's Report

Balance on Hand January 31, 2015		\$4,591.75
Income:		
	Blue Mt. Dinner - Kichline	\$34.00
	Reinstatement – Don Haring	\$12.00
	Total Income	\$46.00
	Sub-Total	\$4,637.75
Expenses:		
	Northeast Chapter Donation for 2015 FCA National	\$200.00
	Mason Dixon Chapter Donation for 9/15 Regional	\$100.00
	JAN/FEB Newsletter Postage	\$9.80
	Total Expenses	\$309.80



### "GET WELL WISHES"

Please keep Barb Kuhn in your thoughts and prayers. You can send her a card at the address below.  
7312 Lincoln Way East  
Fayetteville, PA 17222-9539

Please send a note to the KCFCFA Editor if you know of a member in need of our cards and prayers.

## Future Falcon Projects by Jerry Kratz- FCA #2692

I have always been interested in cars that have a history of some type or a story that goes with it. I am also always looking around for cars that are sitting in garages, back yards, etc. I have been reading a series of books that started with "The Cobra in the barn" by Tom Cotter which deals with barn finds and cars that have been found with a history. Some of the stories in these books talk about cars that have been sitting for years and years with an owner saying he will fix it up one day or a person who is just a "collector" of old cars just to say he has one. I always thought, how can someone do this to an old car and then realized I am one of these people. I have been collecting Falcons since 1982 and have been selling new and used parts for falcons since 1996. I have a small collection of Falcons that I have been holding onto for some time that I thought maybe I would share a few of them with you and the story about each one.



FALCON # 1 is a 1963 Falcon Sprint, 260 auto with power steering. When I was going to tech school in 1984 this car was sitting on a used car lot down from school and it's appearance was about the same as it is now. I test drove this car and noticed it had a bad pull to the left. When I got back to the lot I noticed it had a broken left shock tower and the left front wheel was tilted in. To say the least I didn't buy it. Jump to 1991 and my father called about a 63 sprint that was in the local auto trader and wanted to go look at it. When we went to look at it I was surprised to find that it was the same Falcon I looked at seven years earlier. The gentleman had purchased it from the same used car lot and had not noticed the broken shock tower until after he had purchased it. He had not done really anything to it during his ownership. This Falcon sat in my parent's barn from 1991 to 1994 and has been sitting here since then under a cover. The only thing that has happened to it sitting outside is the cover is wearing the black spray paint off that was on it and showing the original color.

FALCON # 2 is a 1964 Falcon Futura hardtop, 260 4 speed, Rangoon Red with black bucket seat interior. I have many people call me looking for Falcons. I had spotted this car about a week before I had a gentleman call me looking for a 64 hardtop. This person had called me many times before and has tried to buy one of my car's ( I am going to fix it when I have time, you know the story). I hadn't had time to stop and look at this car yet and just wanted to give him a lead on a car so I told him where it was. He called me a couple weeks later and told me he had purchased the car and that it was a factory 260 4 speed car. I was dumbfounded that I had given this car up without first looking at it. I told him if he ever wanted to sell it I would be interested. About a year later he called me and needed money and wanted to sell. He had changed out the seized 260 engine with a 302 and sprayed grey primer on the fenders and doors. Even though the car is rough, I had a 64 Rangoon Red hardtop early on and wanted to replace it. I bought it for double what he originally paid for it. This Falcon has been sitting in this place with a cover over it since 1994.

## Future Falcon Projects by Jerry Kratz (cont)



FALCON # 3 is a 1963 Falcon Futura convertible, 260 auto with power steering. This car came as a parts car with my 1963 Falcon Sprint convertible I purchased in 1982 which was my first car (and still own). This Falcon has major rust issues, had a 289/FMX engine-trans combo stuck in it and no front sheet metal (which we came to find out was on my Sprint). For some reason I have not been able to part with this car. It was in my parent's barn from 1982 until 1994, then was in my pole building from 1994 to 2001 and has been sitting in this place since with a cover over it. This Falcon is destined to be a parts car for my wife's 63 convertible which came to me missing a lot of little stuff (window regulators, door latches, etc).

## LB Smith Side Story

It was Saturday, October 18, 2014. New KCFCFA members Mark & Donna Martin from Edison, NJ were making their first trip to a Keystone Chapter event. They arrived at the LB Smith show in Lemoyne, PA. They parked their red 1964 Futura Convertible and put the top down. This Falcon used to belong to long time KCFCFA member Rheel Meilleur from Canada. The weather was a bit nippy and Mark decided to get his jacket from the trunk. As I walked up to take a picture of his Falcon he said, "Bruce, I need your help. I locked my keys in the trunk". That week I happened to be checking out what hardware I needed to put a new convertible top on my wife's 63 Futura. So I was familiar with the construction of a convertible and what it looked like under the convertible top well. Mark had put the top down but we were still able to put it up without the keys. I asked Mark if he had a Phillips screw driver to remove the snaps across the back of the seat. He said yes, I have one in the glove box. He opened the glove box and said sorry I put it in the trunk. I reached in my pocket for my pocket knife. It had a screw driver on it. We took about three quarters of the snaps off so Mark could slide into the trunk for his keys. Donna's face expression changed from sad to happy in an instant. By Bruce Wolfe



# CAPTION CONTEST



What caption would you put under this picture?

Send your ideas to [afutura@verizon.net](mailto:afutura@verizon.net).

I will list all the suggestions in the next newsletter.

## **Pennsylvania Bill to Provide for Year-of-Manufacture Plates Signed Into Law**

Pennsylvania legislation to provide vehicle owners the option of using vintage, original model-year license plates on antique and classic vehicles was signed into law by Governor Tom Corbett. Under the new law, an application fee of \$75 would be charged to use year-of-manufacture plates. The law provides that vintage plates must have been issued by the state of Pennsylvania between the years 1906 and 1975, must be provided by the vehicle owner and legible from a reasonable distance. There is no obligation to pay the fee for model year license plates. Antique vehicle owners may still apply for special antique, classic or collectible plates that bear the designation 'antique vehicle.'

[http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/license\\_plates/vintage-registration-plates.shtml](http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/license_plates/vintage-registration-plates.shtml)

# LB SMITH FORD 2014

Homer Hetrick and his staff were well prepared for the record 120 Fords that attended the October 18<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> Annual ALL FORD SHOW in Lemoyne, PA. LB Smith always rolls out the red carpet with free lunch served by a local fire company and live entertainment by the well known oldies band Pentagon. In 2001 KCFCA member Andy Brown contacted Homer Hetrick to see if he was interested in the Keystone Chapter Falcons coming to his dealership on a Saturday for a mini car show. He was open to the idea. It grew from about 20 Falcons in 2001 to 120 Fords in 2014. Hope you can make it next year for the 15<sup>th</sup> meet. We will be parking all the Falcons in one area. Below are some Falcon Pictures and two of my favorite "Other FORD" pictures. Bruce



FCA member attendees: Rudy Dubravic, Andy Brown, Donald Snyder, Mike Garret, Jack Roberts, Jim Larken, Bruce Kichline, Paul Seitz, Mark Martin, Bruce Wolfe

Check out the KCFCA past Regionals at [www.sites.google.com/site/keystonechapterregional](http://www.sites.google.com/site/keystonechapterregional)