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# THE FALCON KEY

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Don't forget our last meet of 2021 at LB Smith Ford.

Saturday, October 16th, 2021

LB Smith 21st Annual All Ford Show

1100 Market St, Lemoyne, PA 17043

<u>Serving the Geographical Areas of Eastern Pennsylvania , Northern New Jersey, & Southern New York</u>

<u>Dedicated to Preserving the Ford Falcon Automobile 1960-1970 1/2</u>

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# **CHAPTER BUSINESS**

Dues are \$12.00
annually

Memberships expire
August 31st
Send dues to the
Keystone Treasurer

Make checks payable
to KCFCA

All Keystone Chapter
Members must hold
Membership in the
Falcon

Club of America

Treasurer's Report				
Balance on Hand August 8, 2021			\$4,097.88	
		19.00	1000	
Income:	19	40		
New Members - Lambert & Hoke		\$54.00		
Dues - \$12 x 16		192.00		
Online Store Deposit		46.92		
	Total Income	\$292.92		
1	Total income	<b>\$232.32</b>		
	Sub-Total		\$4,390.80	
Expenses:				
FCA for Lambert		\$30.00		
Online Store Postage		24.20		
	Total Expenses	\$54.20		
Balance as of October 2, 2021			\$4,336.60	
			7 .,	

## **Did You Pay Your KCFCA Dues?**

If you have not paid your dues this will be your last newsletter.

Send your \$12.00 dues to the KCFCA Treasurer,

Virginia Servas PO Box 10

Center Valley, PA 18034

Make checks payable to KCFCA.

**NOTE:** If you joined the Keystone Chapter in 2021 you need not pay dues until August 2022.



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Falcon

Another fine Falcon Key newsletter from Bruce. Where would we be without him? Only being a Keystone member for three years before stepping in as president in 2019, I've needed quite a bit of mentorship from Bruce and the other officers. Thank you for all you have done for the Keystone Chapter and The Falcon Club of America.

If you are like me, you have not made it to as many shows this season due to getting the "jab" mid-summer. That's okay, but do send me an email or letter with the shows you have attended. Your attendance will be listed on the website. It is nice to see where we are proudly displaying our Falcons. Amy and I attended a Mustang Club hosted show last weekend. We both noticed many fathers explaining to their offspring how the Falcon is the ancestor to their Mustang. The kids thought that it was cool. There is hope for the next generation.

The 2022 Regional is in the early stage of planning. A contract with the hotel has been signed and event insurance application has been submitted. Detail planning will kick in early 2022.

As Amy always says to me as I leave the house, "Drive Safely".

Jim



# **LAST MEET FOR 2021**

Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 FREE ADMISSION
LB Smith Antique & Classic All Ford Show 9 AM to 2 PM
1100 Market Street, Lemoyne, PA 17043 www.lbsmithford.com

Live Band (Pentagon). Food available with donation to local fire company.

## 2021 BONUS FALCON FRIENDLY PICNIC

The Mason/Dixon Chapter has invited the Keystone members to a picnic at Pat & Dianne Varricchio's house, 4 Kilkea Court, Nottingham, MD on Saturday October 23rd. Meal begins at noonish, dogs and burgers and bottled water provided by the chapter. Guests are asked to bring a dish to share. Anyone is welcome to bring their own soda or adult beverage, coolers will be available. Please let Dianne know if you plan to attend. 410-804-8247 Be sure to checkout the KCFCA website for more Fall car shows near you.

# **LOOKING FORWARD TO 2022**

KCFCA 20th Regional Meet September 23rd & 24th, 2022 Comfort Inn, Bethel, PA

**FCA NATIONAL MEET** 

July 14th to 16th, 2022

Meadowview Conference Resort, Kingsport, TN

# **DAS AWSCHT FESCHT 2021**

Falcons and Owners at Macungie August 8, 2021 13 Falcons					
Jim and Amy Ogram	Coatesville, PA	1964 Green Ranchero			
Ed Snyder	Perkasie, PA	1964 White 4-Door Station Wagon			
Gary and Dorothy Minnich	Whitehall, PA	1964 White Futura Convertible			
Bruce Kichline	Hellertown, PA	1965 Mango Tango Ranchero			
Thomas and Judith Deane	West Chester, PA	1965 Green Futura Hardtop			
Rick Barrett	Schnecksville, PA	1969 Blue Futura Station Wagon			
Frank and Ginny Servas	Coopersburg, PA	1965 White 4-Door Futura Sedan			
Bruce and Pam Wolfe	Grantville, PA	1963 Yellow Futura Convertible			
Glenn Hoff	Telford, PA	1966 Green Econoline Pickup			
Jerry Kratz	North Wales, PA	1963 Orange Ranchero			
John Kliminski	Newton, NJ	1962 Black 2-Door Sedan			
Daniel and Rhonda Haines	Levittown, PA	1964 White Futura Convertible			
Ike Blair	Kintnersville, PA	1964 Green Futura Convertible			
Jim Larkin	Monroeville, NJ				

NOTE: From the business meeting at Macungie, KCFCA officers have remained the same.

## IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN MACUNGIE PA.

TO CHECK OUT ON THE KCFCA WEBSITE

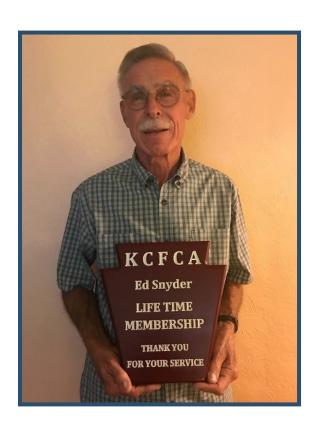
NEXT YEAR - SUNDAY AUGUST 7, 2022

(MARK IT ON YOUR CALENDAR)



## HONORING LOYAL KCFCA MEMBERS

At the Macungie meet, special Keystone shaped plaques were presented to two KCFCA members. Ed Snyder received a "LIFE TIME MEMBERSHIP" plaque. Ed is the founder and our first President. Ginny Servas received a plaque for her 20 + years as our KCFCA Treasurer. These plaques were to be presented in 2020 at the Cabin Fever lunch. Thanks to Bruce Wolfe for making the plaques.





Ginny & Ed also received a DNA T-Shirt.

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.



### WELCOME NEW KCFCA MEMBERS

**STEVE & DONNA HOKE** 

HARRISBURG, PA

**RED 1963 FUTURA CONVERTIBLE** 

**BRIAN & CATHY LAMBERT** 

HUGHESVILLE, PA

**RED 1963 FUTURA** 

# **AUSTRALIAN FALCONS SELL FOR BIG BUCKS \$ \$**

1971 Falcon GTHO Phase III sells for \$1.3 Million (\$950,000 US)





1972 Ford Falcon GT sells for \$1.8 Million (\$1.3 Million US)





NOTE "When the FORD XW Falcon GT-HO Phase II first debuted, it was hailed as the fastest sedan in the world."

### FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks to everyone who sent information and pictures of their modifications for installing a more modern radio in their Falcons. You might have sparked some interest in others to make the same changes. Check out these ideas below.

### FROM Kris Kollar,

I bought the smallest radio I could find at Advance auto. It is blue tooth capable and will accept a thumb drive to store all the music you want.

I made bracket for it from 18/16 gauge angle iron I got from HD. I custom made the bracket to rightly fit the radio and mount it above heater/defroster plenum box. The bracket is screwed to the fire wall and the bottom of the dash.

I typically only play music off the thumb drive and use the remote to advance a song I don't want to listen to or change the volume. The radio works but the antenna only pulls in a few stations.

### FROM Dan Haines,

I bent a piece of aluminum that would fit on the hump in front of the console and mounted a modern radio in it. I wired a plug that would plug into the car and attached two speakers into it.

### FROM Jerry Kratz,

What I have is a Sirius satellite radio that uses a docking station so I can move it around, I have a docking station in my garage, one in my daily driver, and the one that is in the ranchero which I can move from car to car. The satellite radio uses a radio station that you tune into on your car radio (has to be FM) or you can plug it into an auxiliary port if your radio has one. There is also a magnetic antenna that I put on the roof.

## FROM Jim Ogram,

There was a time back in the 70s when all the items on the desk were under the dash at the same time; FM to AM converter, cassette player, and the good old CB. The green dash picture is a gizmo that plugs into your smart phone, then transmits the input to the FM radio to be played on the cabin speakers. Maybe someday for the fun of it I'll try to use the smart phone gizmo to the FM to AM converter to play mp3s through the original AM radio on the single stock dash speaker. Amy also has a Bluetooth speaker for her phone, but that is too simple.





### FROM Bruce Wolfe,

I attached a CD player to an extra ashtray. I did this on my '62 station wagon. This set-up works nice on '60 to '63 Falcons. This allows me to remove the stock ash tray, install the other ashtray, plug in a connector and the antenna wire. I also have a metal strap on the back of the stock radio that I pivot down to support the back of the temporary radio with a wing nut on the stud. I can also hook up my i-pod to the radio. I also did the same on my '68 Futura.





Have you ever seen one of these that used a 45 LP? I think you need smooth roads to use this music player.



Here is an old reliable method to hide a modern radio in the glove box. Just a little stretch from the driver seat.



### FROM Bruce Wolfe,

This addition to my '63 convertible's sound system is a little more labor intensive. It includes 2 cup holders and a "GAGE STYLE" radio. This unit just plugs & slides into place. It's held in by the bucket seats and the console. The radio is a Nautic GMR-3 by MB QUART (3" dia. mounting hole). It is a waterproof AM/FM powered Bluetooth Controller with APPLE Control. LOOK CLOSE, It also has a USB port pigtail to charge my phone and Bluetooth to feed my i-pod. I first made a cardboard template to make sure it didn't interfere with the 4 speed shifter. I used some 5/8 particle board for the top. I used 1/8 Masonite for the sides with a contour matching the shape of the console. I used my wife's Taurus for a pattern for the cup holders. I covered the sides with black vinyl and the edges with a flexible door edge guard.











# WEBSITE UPDATE

From your Website Administrator

You may have noticed our website was static most of August and half of September. It was due to an issue with the administrative side of the site. Think of it as Oz behind the curtain. The public side functioned fine. However, we could not log into the admin side to make changes, including security updates. After several unsuccessful rounds with support. The officers then decided to find a new website host. Dreamhost was selected after much research. With Dreamhost the Keystone administrator(s) have full access to the servers and can request host support directly. Next, the site was moved to Dreamhost and the internet was informed of our new location. Thank you, Frank and Frankie. The original issue was quickly resolved. We are now fully functional once again. The old site, keystone.falconclub.com, will redirect you to the new site Ford-Falcon.org. It will be slightly quicker if you use FordFalcon.org. Eventually, keystone.falconclub.com will be demolished.

One of the benefits of the new host is unlimited email accounts. If you would like an email address <a href="mailto:seystone@FordFalcon.org">seystone@FordFalcon.org</a>. Once you change your password, only you will be able to see your messages. For example, my new email is <a href="mailto:jim.ogram@FordFalcon.org">jim.ogram@FordFalcon.org</a>. If you received an "undeliverable" error replying to this address, it is because I accidently used .com in my email client instead of .org. My bad, not the email system.

Recent content updates include all 158 issues of the Keystone Newsletters have been uploaded to the site. Thank you, Ed, Frank and Bruce for supplying the originals. There is a list of founding members on the "About" page. The pictures from the 2021 Macungie show have been loaded. Also, keep sending me shows you have attended. You will be acknowledged on your FordFalcon.org personal page, the show page and the Keystone attendees listing.

Let me know how our site can be improved. We now have full control and responsibility for the site. The sky is the limit.

Jim Ogram,

**Keystone Website Administrator** 

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