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# THE FALCON KEY

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## THE FALCON RETURNS



Above is the statue that Ed Snyder had displayed on his Vintage Burgundy 1964 Falcon Sprint Hardtop at the 1988 FCA National Meet in Atlanta, GA. Check out Ed's story to see how fitting the plaque on this statue is today.

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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 K C F C A

All Keystone Chapter Members must hold Membership in the Falcon Club of America

TREASURES REPORT			
Balance on Hand October 30, 2024			\$5,450.21
Income:			
Dues - \$12 x 7		\$84.00	
New Members - Schell, DeSiato, Maxwell		112.00	
Total Income		\$196.00	
Sub-Total			\$5,646.21
Expenses:			
FCA National Sponsor		\$250.00	
FCA for New Members DeSiato & Maxwell		76.00	
Total Expenses		\$326.00	
Balance as of January 20, 2025			\$5,320.21

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**FROM THE EDITOR**

**WHAT ARE YOU WORKING ON?**

Are you planning a winter project for your Falcon? Send me a few before and after pictures and a story about your **FALCON** project.

Send to: **afutura@verizon.net**



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As I write this message it is 6 degrees outside and was well below zero overnight. I am looking forward to getting the Falcon out this spring and meet with all of you and check out your F A L C O N. Be sure to put **Saturday March 1st** on your calendar as we meet for our **Cabin Fever Lunch in Myerstown, PA**. There will be a **FREE LUNCH** drawing. More information on our website under events. The other major meet this year is the FCA National Convention in Pittsburgh, PA July 10th to 12th. Get your reservations made at the hotel ASAP and send or fill out your registration on the FCA website.

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**WELCOME  
NEW  
KCFCA  
MEMBERS**

**Jim & Shirley Maxwell  
Mechanicsburg, PA  
1965 Tan 2DR Sedan**

**George DeSiato  
Quakertown, PA  
1963 Green 2DR Sedan**

# 2025 KCFCA MEET SCHEDULE

**MAR 2, 2025**                      **58th Annual ONTELAUNEE REGION AACA**

**(SUN 7 AM—2 PM)**              **Swap Meet and Car Corral**

Leesport Farmer’s Market, 312 Gernant’s Church RD, Leesport, PA

Admission Adults \$3.00 Children under 12 FREE

More INFO email [leesportswapmeet@ontelauneeaaca.com](mailto:leesportswapmeet@ontelauneeaaca.com)

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**MAY 3, 2025**                      **Vagabonds “SUPER CRUISE”**

**(SAT 11 AM—3 PM)**              **Amos Herr Park –1700 Nissley Rd, Landisville, PA**

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**JUL 10– 12, 2025**                  **FCA National Meet—Pittsburgh, PA**

**(THU, FRI, SAT)**                  **Doubletree by Hilton—Green Tree**

500 Mansfield Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205

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**AUG 3, 2025**                      **—Macungie. PA**

**(SUN, gate #1 opens @ 8:00 AM)**      **Feature Car is the Camaro**

\$20 Jan 1st to JUL 1st 2025

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**OCT 11, 2025**                      **LB SMITH ALL F O R D SHOW**

**(SAT 9—2)**                          **1100 Market, St, Lemoyne, PA**

Food & Live entertainment

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## WOW, Did you see that?

The 2025 FCA National Meet is in Pittsburgh, PA on July 10th to 12th. If you have never been to an FCA National, next year is the year you have to attend. These meets are amazing. Check out the FCA National Falcon News or the FCA website for all the information you need to register.

# Ed Snyder's 1964 Sprint

The story begins in 1982 when Ed bought the Sprint from the original owner. The Sprint was drivable, but Ed pulled and rebuilt the engine. That's when the complete restoration started. Ed searched for NOS parts at many car shows and flea markets for many years and after about 5 years it was complete. His first FCA show was in Atlanta, GA in 1988. He took first place in his class. He also won Best of Show at the first Keystone Regional in 1989.



1988 FCA National Meet in Atlanta, Georgia

After owning the Sprint for 17 years and taking it through all the stages of the AACA awards, including Grand National, Ed sold the Sprint in 1999 to the Classic Corvettes and Collectible museum in Tarpon, Florida. The museum closed in 2003. According to some extensive research, the Sprint went to Lakeland, FL then Huntsville, AL then to Ohio to it's current owner who then moved to Lambertsville, Michigan.

Ed had the VIN of the Sprint and kept searching. He found it for sale but no one answered his request to buy it back. Later he found it through a credit union but they would not give him the name of the person that owned the Sprint. The credit union contacted the owner and gave him Ed's number. On JAN 2nd, 2025, 26 years after selling the Sprint, Ed got the call from Bill the current owner. He stated it was not for sale. After talking to Ed he said he would sell it back to him but only him. The proof of Ed being the previous owner was in the documentation with the Sprint that included a copy of the PA title in Ed's name.

Ed had some help from his nephew Chuck in finding and retrieving the Sprint from Michigan. Chuck, being more internet savvy, did all the research and also offered his enclosed trailer to go to Michigan to get the Sprint the weekend of JAN 12th. Needless to say Ed is a "HAPPY CAMPER".

A few changes were made to the Sprint. It no longer has the stock spinner hubcaps. The 4 speed top loader was replaced by a 5 speed. An after market radio was installed to ruin the stock radio panel. Ed is keeping the mag wheels and the 5 speed but will change the radio back to stock.

## ED SNYDER - FOUNDER & FIRST KCFCA PRESIDENT

In 1988 Ed Snyder and 29 other founding members petitioned the FCA to form a new chapter called the KEYSTONE CHAPTER serving Eastern PA, Northern NJ & Southern NY. This was done at the 1988 Macungie, PA Das Awkscht Fescht car show. This is why the KCFCA holds it's election of officers every year at this show. Ed served as KCFCA President from 1988 to 1995. Ed and his wife Nancy served the KCFCA by organizing many meets including the 1994 FCA National meet and several Regional meets. In December of 2019 we lost Nancy, a truly dedicated member of the KCFCA. Ed has remarried a "Car Girl". The next time you see Eileen, be sure to ask her about her Torino, Mustang or El Camino.

In 1986 Ed purchased a white 1964 Four Dr Falcon Wagon. It was built for Nancy. It was originally a 6 cyl, 3 on the tree. Ed built a hot thumping 289 with a C4 to replace the 6 cyl. Ed, a veteran, is also interested in Military equipment. He owned a 1948 CJ 2A Jeep with all the military bells and whistles and lots of other memorabilia.

Nancy & Ed at the 16th KCFCA  
Regional in 2012



Nancy's Hot Rod Wagon



# MORE—Ed Snyder's 1964 Sprint



Picking up the Sprint in Michigan (Look at that smile!)



\*\*\*\*\* FINNALLY HOME \*\*\*\*\*

Thankyou Ed & Eileen for submitting the information for this great Falcon Key article.