

## WELCOME, KICKER!



We are pleased to announce that Kicker Performance Audio, Stillwater, Oklahoma, has come on board as The Official Performance Audio System of the Mustang Club of America.

The nation's leading producer of car audio systems, Kicker has audio systems for Mustangs of every vintage. Last year, the company designed and engineered a Kicker/Shelby system for 2005-'10 Mustangs. The new "plug and play" high-performance system provides exceptional sound quality and meets or exceeds OEM specifications for fit, function, and EMC. In addition, the Kicker/Shelby system vastly increases trunk space and saves 60 pounds over the stock audio systems. The Shelby system is available through Shelby Performance dealers and Shelby Mod Centers, Tasca Ford, Quantum Performance, and at Shelby American's Mod Shop in Las Vegas.

Kicker will award one sound system certificate good for Mustangs of all years at each National and Grand National event. The certificate can be redeemed at the winner's local Kicker dealer.

Check out all Kicker performance audio products at [kicker.com](http://kicker.com).

## FRIENDS OF THE MCA



The Friends of MCA is a new program that enables members and small businesses to contribute to the growth of the Mustang Club of America through an annual contribution and recognition of their support of the MCA.

For their contribution, every Friend of MCA will be showcased each month in a special Friends of MCA listing in *Mustang Times*. The listing will be comprised of the name of the person or company with phone number and email address contact information.

The Friends of MCA annual contribution is \$150. All contributions should be made payable to the MCA and sent to:

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## PAY IT FORWARD CAR AT BARRETT-JACKSON

The Pay It Forward Mustang created by the East Texas Mustang Club will cross the Barrett-Jackson auction block on Sunday, January 24, 2010. The auction will be broadcast on SPEED. Watch the excitement as the Mustang is auctioned with proceeds going to the East Texas Crisis Center.



## MCA 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETINGS

There will be four meetings in 2010 for the Board of Directors. The schedule is as follows:

- *January 22-24, Phoenix, AZ*
- *April 10, Dallas, TX.*  
*AER Manufacturing*  
*1605 Surveyor Blvd.*  
*Carrollton, TX 75011-0979*
- *July 10, Dallas, TX.*  
*Grand Prairie Ford,*  
*I-30 and Beltline Rd.*  
*Grand Prairie, TX 75050*
- *October 9, Dallas, TX.*  
*Reed Ford/Reed-Speed Performance Center*  
*1919 Oates Drive*  
*Mesquite, TX 75150*

*Host hotel for all Dallas, Texas, meetings:*  
*Courtyard by Marriott—DFW Airport South*  
*2880 Valley View Lane*  
*Irving, TX 75062*  
*972.790.8990*



**GCRMC ANNOUNCES CRUISE**

The Gulf Coast Regional Mustang Club announces that a cruise will be held in conjunction with the 2010 Gulf Coast National Mustang & All Ford Show on March 26-28, 2010. On Friday March 26, a Pony cruise will depart from the Pensacola, FL, show site at 10:30 am and return at 5 pm. The destination is the National Museum of Naval Aviation at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola. It will be a 30-minute drive to the museum. A driver's license will be required for entrance to the base. Museum admission is free, with donations accepted. Lunch will be available to purchase at the Cubi Bar Cafe (The actual Cubi Bar Cafe from Naval Air Station Cubi Point, Philippines, inside the museum).

The museum features more than 150 beautifully restored aircraft representing Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard aviation. A Japanese Zero aircraft is also now on display. The museum is the largest Naval Aviation Museum in the world and has 37 acres of grounds. The Navy's Blue Angels Flight Demonstration Team are homebased at NAS Pensacola.

Four IMAX films are available and start hourly. Members of the cruise will be eligible for discounted IMAX tickets. There are also several flight simulators at prices from \$5 - \$25. For more information on the National Naval Aviation Museum visit [nationalnavalaviationmuseum.org](http://nationalnavalaviationmuseum.org). The National Naval Aviation Museum is a great family attraction and admission is free.

For more information on the Gulf Coast National Mustang and All Ford Show go to [gcrmc.com](http://gcrmc.com).

**GALPIN BUILDS CAR AT SEMA**

Galpin Auto Sports (GAS), built a striking muscle car from the ground up as thousands looked on at the 2009 Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) show in Las Vegas. Seven Galpin staff members took less than 24 hours over three days to hand-build a complete 1969 Ford Mustang fastback on stage, from thousands of parts—a SEMA first.



The project was the brainchild of Beau Boeckmann, President and Chief Designer of Galpin Auto Sports, an expert at "pimping" rides under any unique circumstance.

"I received a call from Ford's SEMA Project Coordinator Bob Adams asking me if I had any ideas for the SEMA show," Boeckmann said. "After a day of thinking, I called him back and said 'What if we built a car live from scratch, in three days, right in the Ford booth?'"

At the start of the show, all the major components were positioned on the stage, along with tools and a lift. The centerpiece of the project was the Dynacorn reproduction replacement body shell, which was painted a brilliant custom-mixed PPG Green Pearl

Chartreuse. On a stand next to the Mustang body was the stroked 351-to-392 cubic inch Ford Racing V-8, topped with Hilborn injectors. Suspension, interior, dash, wiring, wheels, tires, glass, and trim pieces were also carefully arranged and ready for installation.

GAS technicians began assembly at 1 pm on Tuesday and worked for the remaining three days of SEMA.

"The audience was completely captivated by the constant activity and onlookers were compelled to continually revisit the Ford display to check on the car's progress through the duration of the SEMA Show," said Bob Adams, Ford Motor Company's SEMA Project Coordinator. "It was amazing to see that even some of the greatest legends in the automotive industry, such as John and Ashley Force, Parnelli Jones, and Edsel Ford all expressed intrigue and amazement in what the GAS team was doing live on stage in the Ford booth."

By 1 pm on Friday, the key was finally turned and the Mustang's motor fired up. The rumbles, accompanied by cheers from the crowd, created a deep echo throughout the SEMA halls. Immediately afterwards, drifting mega-star Vaughn Gittin Jr., took the Mustang out for a sideways drift around the strip.



In true Galpin fashion, the team took the beauty of a '69 Mustang, with classic lines and proportions augmented by an aggressive fastback attitude, and added a contemporary twist.

"We wanted to build a vehicle that respected the past, but reflected the future with very current design influences, and we feel we achieved that with this car," Boeckmann said.

In short, the hot rod is not just another 1969 Mustang; it's a piece of muscle car art that incorporates sleek and fresh design cues while still embracing the classic muscle car aura.

While the unique nature of the project attracted attention, the car itself is the prototypical American muscle car—and the components are first-rate. The potent Ford power plant—dressed in Billet Specialties accessories—is mated to a Ford Racing Tremec 5-speed transmission and a 3.89-geared Currie 9-inch rear-end. The independent front suspension and rack-and-pinion steering are from Chris Alston Total Control Performance with a Magnaflow 3-inch exhaust. SSBC front and rear disc brakes corral the power; Shelby 17-inch two-piece wheels are mounted with Nitto NT05 rubber.

GAS also paid special attention to the interior: Katzkin leather seats, designed by Galpin Auto Sports, feature custom stitching and bolsters. A 1,000-watt JL Audio system—Kenwood audio controller, speakers and 10-inch subwoofers—pumps out the tunes. And cabin climate is controlled by a Vintage Air a/c and heater unit, blowing through stock dash vents. An Ididit steering column is topped with a custom Grant steering wheel. The door handles as well as hundreds of additional switches and buttons were provided by National Parts Depot. All told, more than 20 suppliers contributed to the project.

The Mustang made its public debut in the Galpin Auto Sports booth in Kentia Hall at the Los Angeles Auto Show.

Visit [www.galpinautosports.com](http://www.galpinautosports.com) for videos and photos.