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Shelby Spring Fling '09

May 15-17, 2009—Brown County State Park.

Early cars, late cars, boy we had 'em all. Our special thanks go to participants who, despite gas prices and a less comfortable ride, chose to forego their newer Ford/Shelby vehicles and brought their vintage cars for our 32nd Fling. We're known for bringing out those early cars and you didn't fail us this year. Again, about 70% of participation was by early and exotic cars (we certainly include here the '07 Shelby GT500s and Shelby GTs)!

Oh, the weather got us this time! For the second time in 32 years, Saturday's car show got drizzled on. It cut down the number of late registrations—the fair-weather guys who only come out if the sun shines. But all the pre-registered folks were there, and we had a nice variety of vehicles on display. The weather didn't seem to dampen anything except the cars—enthusiasm ran high. The food tent got a little muddy underfoot with 500 of us tramping through to enjoy the noontime picnic. The sun did shine for the Friday Pony Trails and the Sunday Road Rallye.

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It was more of an on-and-off drizzle than a pouring down rain. It cleared off now and then for our photographer: see page 3.

SAAC on the MOVE

2009-10 Schedule of Events

July 25-26

29th Annual Tri-State Mustang Club Mustang and Ford Car Show. Dave & Busters, Springdale, OH. Sat pony Trails to an interesting destination; Sun Car Show. For information: Jim Freidel (513) 772-0882 james@jccotechnology.com. www.tristatemustang.com.

August 6-8

SAAC-34 National Convention, Beaverun Motorsports Complex, Wampum, PA. Open track, Swap, Car Show, Fri evening dinner and program. Rick Kopec (860) 364-0449. saac@saac.com www.saac.com.

Aug 8

Michiana Mustangs 26th Annual Mustang & Ford Car Show, Concord Mall, Elkhart, IN. 8:00-4:00. Judged and Popular Vote classes. Karl Kindig 574-256-2173. ckindig@michianamustangs.com www.michianamustangs.com

Aug 7-9

34th Northwoods SAAC Road America Hi-Speed Track Event at Elkhart Lake, WI. Three days on the famous road course. Erik Gustafson (262)248-9560 egustafson@wi.tr.com. www.nwshelbyclub.com

Sept 11-13

September in the Park. 12th Annual Derby City Mustang Club Car Show, General Butler Park,, Kentucky. Fri

Pony Trails, Sat Car Show/evening program, Sun awards program. Ron Kimberger (502) 241-4451 gt500@bellsouth.net www.derbycitymustangclub.com.

Sept TBA

NW Ohio SAAC Open Track Event, Mid-Ohio Race Track, Lexington, Ohio. Event Uncertain. Limited to 80 cars per day. Classroom sessions and in-car instructors included on Sat & Sun only. Rod Harrold. shelby68kr500@aol.com.

Nov 7

Indiana SAAC Board Meeting. In Nashville, IN. All members welcome. Joyce Yates (812) 988-7146. jcyates@indiana.edu. www.indianasaac.com

May 21-23 2010

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Shelby Spring Fling '09

The Registration and food tents went up, and the cars flowed in. Due to our heavy spring rains this year, we were unable to park on the grass, making parking all those vehicles on paved roadways a real challenge.

Shelby GTs and GT500s made a dramatic presentation with 28 cars on display.

Lots of exchanges of information with owners of vintage cars and new cars getting to know one another.

Despite the rain, every participant to a man declared they'd had a wonderful weekend and would be back next year.



Pony Trails Kick-off



Driver's meeting at the Lodge. Line-up down by the pool. Then off to Salem Motor Speedway. A few laps and everyone was feeling better and smiling broadly.

Then downtown to be greeted by the Mayor of Salem, Indiana, and lunch on the square with a mighty display of Ford power!

Friday's Welcoming Bash



Friday evening is when everything gets rolling. Making new friends, greeting old ones . . . This year's game was cooperatively putting together a jigsaw puzzle of a drawing of a '69 Shelby by Ford designer, Rob Gelardi. All participating in completing a puzzle were entered in a drawing to receive a complete boxed puzzle.



Saturday . . . Car Show Day



For the second year, there was a special class for Young Owners under 25. It brought out three proud youngsters this year.



Shelby GTs and GT500s were out in force. These largest two classes boasted 28 vehicles this year.



The Saleen Club of America, one of the larger classes with 22 vehicles on view, tied with Michiana Mustang Club for the Club participation award of \$100 each. Indy Mustang Club was close behind. If they had all remembered to indicate their affiliation when registering, they would have been a contender, too.



The Pick-a-Pop game table, run by the Kulwik guys did a walloping business. The top prize was a Lane Automotive Exact Detail model of a Shelby.



Early Shelbys, 1965-1970 were out in good numbers.
Forty-two of them in all



This is one of the few Shelby shows that includes Concours judging. And those judges do get down and dirty.



Just a few Tigers this year. Where are you Tigers? This used to be one of our largest classes. Let's see you all out there next year!



The evening program following the banquet again featured the more intimate round tables again and lots of awards.



The Steve Yates Memorial Award was presented posthumously to Tim Mercier, a 25-year member of Indiana SAAC who left us far too soon. The award was accepted by his parents, also 25-year members, George and Luetta Mercier.

The Car Show Award-Winners Were Concours Winners



Division II — Non-Nos Cars

66 Shelby	Div II Gold	Ray & Peggy Koetter	IN	66 GT350 Shelby
66 Shelby	Div II Gold	Ragis & Debbie Koetter	IN	66 GT350H Shelby
66 Shelby	Div II Gold	Ragis & Debbie Koetter	IN	66 GT350 Shelby
66 Shelby	Div II Gold	Rick Næh	MI	66 GT350 Shelby
67 Shelby	Div II Silver	Shawn & Patty Long	IN	67 GT500 Shelby
68 Shelby	Div II Silver	Ronald & Barbara Kimberger	KY	68 GT500 Shelby
68 Shelby	Div II Gold	Rick Næh	MI	68 GT350 Shelby
69 Shelby	Div II Gold	Don & Diana McNicholas	IN	69 GT500 Shelby Conv
69 Shelby	Div II Gold	Darryl Schlegel	IL	69 Shelby GT500 Conv
69 Shelby	Div II Gold	Danny & Sharon Krumm	MO	69 Shelby GT500 Conv

Judge's Choice Mike Poston Kansas City, MO 1967 GT500

Popular Vote Winners

SHELBY'S

65-66 Shelby			
3rd	Terry & Susan Grandt, Ill	66 GT350H Shelby	
2nd	Ronald Vail, Ind	65 GT350 Shelby	
1st	Jerry & Eloise Oldridge, Ark	65 GT350 Shelby	
67 Shelby			
3rd	Dick Imel, Ind	67 GT500 Shelby	
2nd	Frank & Janice Bowers, Okla	67 GT500 Shelby	
1st	Craig & Bonnie Shefferly, Mich	67 GT500 Shelby	
68 Shelby			
3rd	Paul & Cathy Streacker, Oh	68 GT350 Shelby	
2nd	Nikki Diss, Tenn	68 GT500KR Shelby	
1st	Mike & Suzan Taylor, Ill	68 GT500 Shelby	
69-70 GT350 Shelby			
2nd	Rich & Lola Soerba, Ill	69 GT350 Shelby	
1st	Steve & Tammy Schenck, Ind	69 GT350 Shelby	
69-70 GT500 Shelby			
2nd	Cindy Cherry, Oh	69 GT500 Shelby	
1st	Terry & JoAnn Bach, Oh	69 GT500 Shelby	
Cobra — Original			
1st	Marshall & Diane Lowe, Ill	66 427 Cobra	

EXOTICS

Exotic Sport			
3rd	Bill Dickie, Ind	06 Ford GT	
2nd	Terry Hankins, Ind	05 Ford GT	
1st	Blake & Renee Hartman, Ind	05 Ford GT	
Shelby GT			
3rd	Todd Jackson, Oh	08 Shelby GT Conv	
2nd	Blevins & Wanda Hensley, Oh	08 Shelby GT	
1st	Robert Noggle, Ind	07 Shelby GT	
Shelby GT500			
3rd	Lester Combs, Ind	07 GT500 Super Snake	
2nd	Norm Swettenam, Ind	08 Shelby GT500	
1st	Rick & Karen Lynch, Ill	08 Shelby GT500	
Superformance			
3rd	Tom & Adare Hoppenjans, Ky	Superformance Cobra	
2nd	Robert & Christian Nix	Northville, MI	
1st	David & Kristi Ice, Ky	Superformance Cobra	

MUSTANG SPECIALS

Boss			
1st	Ed & Lori Marlatt, Ill	70 Boss 302	
Mach 1 69-70			
3rd	Floyd & Bradley Paul, Ind	70 Mach 1	
2nd	Marvin & Joyce Exline, Ind	70 Mach 1	
1st	Glen & Chris Wilhoit, Oh	70 Mach 1	
Mach 1 2003+			
3rd	Bruce Stopher, Ind	03 Mach 1	
2nd	Mark & Julie Stutler, Ind	04 Mach 1	
1st	Frank & Sandra Bayles, Ind	03 Mach 1	
Mustang Special Edition			
3rd	Jeff & Julie Yergovich, Mo	10 Mustang Dominator	
2nd	Merlyn & Vicky Witte, Ill	06 Roush Mustang	
1st	Chad & Kami Woody, Ind	02 Roush Mustang	

SALEEN MUSTANGS

Saleen 84-93			
3rd	Joe & Bev Thornsberry, Ky	88 Saleen Hatchback	
2nd	Charlie & Sandy Smith, Ind	89 Saleen	
1st	Kenny & Diane Reed, Mich	88 Saleen Conv	
Saleen 94+			
3rd	Tony & April Brodzeller, Wis	99 Saleen Speedster	
2nd	Gary & Trish Carr, Ky	06 Saleen	
1st	Charlie & Sandy Smith, Ind	00 Saleen Conv	

EARLY MUSTANGS

Mustang 65			
3rd	Bob & Peggy Nicola, Ind	65 Mustang Coupe	
2nd	Bill & Mary Brunkow, Ill	65 Mustang FB	
1st	Tom Kasting, Ind	65 Mustang FB	
Mustang 66			
3rd	Donald Baltes, Ind	66 Mustang modified	
2nd	Dwight & Fran Becker, Ill	66 Mustang Coupe	
1st	George & Shirley Wachs, Ind	66 Mustang FB	
Mustang 67-68			
3rd	Dave & Jane Yoder, Ind	67 Mustang Conv	
2nd	Curly & Karon Long, Ind	67 Mustang Coupe	
1st	Richard & Karen Maloney, Mo	68 Mustang GT	
Mustang 69-73			
3rd	Erich & Susie Bozzer, Mich	69 Mustang Grande	
2nd	Glenn & Sherry Baldwin, Ky	69 Mustang FB	
1st	Jeff & Denise Chipman, Ill	69 Mustang Grande	
Mustang Early Conv			
3rd	Jeremy Bevington, Oh	66 Mustang GT Conv	
2nd	Larry & Shirley Weaver, Ind	69 Mustang Conv	
1st	David & Linda Payne, Ky	66 Mustang Conv	



More Popular Vote Winners

LATE MUSTANGS

Mustang 74-93		
3rd	Jason & Tracy Smith, Ind	82 Mustang GT
2nd	Gary Mazuk, Oh	90 Mustang GT
1st	Tim & Kim Stone, Ind	77 Cobra II
Mustang 74-93 Conv		
3rd	Jason & Tracy Smith, Ind	85 Mustang GT Conv
2nd	Nick Sullivan, Ind	93 Mustang GT Conv
1st	Alan Wright, Ind	85 Mustang Conv
Mustang 94-04		
3rd	Steve Ellenberger, Ind	04 Mustang GT
2nd	Art & Becky Campbell, Ind	99 Mustang GT
1st	Tony & Sherrie Spears, Ind	97 Mustang GT
Mustang 94-04 Conv		
3rd	Rose & Hal McClure, Ind	99 Mustang GT Conv
2nd	Gregg & Jennie Justice, Ky	98 Mustang GT Conv
1st	Larry & Linda Dicks, Mich	99 Mustang GT Conv
Mustang 2005-6		
3rd	Maurisio & Pam Castro, Ill	06 Mustang GT
2nd	Jim & June Schmidt, Ind	05 Mustang GT
1st	Blake & Renee Hartman, Ind	06 Mustang GT
Mustang 2007+		
3rd	Catherine & John Zerkle, Ind	07 Mustang GT
2nd	Steven & Dawn Scarborough, Ind	08 Mustang
1st	David Kujawski, MichI	07 Mustang GT

Mustang 94+ Cobra

3rd	Dale Bergman, IN	95 Mustang Cobra
2nd	Dan Worthington, Oh	99 Mustang SVT Cobra
1st	Aaron & Teresa Gardner, Oh	94 Mustang Cobra
Mustang 94+ Cobra Conv		
3rd	Len & Deb Goff, Ill	98 Mustang Cobra
2nd	Pat & Lisa Lair, Ind	03 Mustang Cobra
1st	George & Luetta Mercier, Ind	94 Mustang Cobra Pace Car

SPECIALS

Special Interest		
3rd	Enrique & Guadalupe Marquez, Ill	93 Lincoln Mk VIII
2nd	George Meinhardt, Oh	65 Tiger
1st	Gary & Lisa Long, Ind	70 Cougar Eliminator
Young Owners		
3rd	Heather Cherry, Oh	84 Mustang GT
2nd	Sean Everly, Ill	05 Mustang GT
1st	John Longoria, Ill	89 Mustang GT

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Blevins & Wanda Hensley, Oh

65 Comet Cyclone

Road Rallye Award-Winners

The line-up Sunday as the crew checks in participants for a beautiful ride through the hills of Brown County.



Sunday's Road Rallye wrapped up our 32nd Shelby Spring Fling event.

Jason and Tracy Smith from the Saleen Club of America set up the Rallye this year and did the honors bestowing awards on the winners in each class. Then it was off for home as the 32nd Fling wound down.

<i>Class</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Sport	1st	Dave & Becky Fister, Replica Cobra
	2nd	Dave Doddek, Pantera
	3rd	Will Martens, 05 Ford GT
Shelby Late	1st	Todd soderquist, 2010 Mustang
Saleen	1st	Tony Brodzeller, 1999 Saleen
	2nd	Josh Reel, 1989 Saleen
	3rd	Mark & dianna Sweet, 1985 Saleen
Mustang pre-2000	1st	Dan & Lori Aiken, 1994 Mustang
	2nd	Len & Deb Goff, 1998 Mustang
	3rd	Nick Sullivan, 1993 Mustang
Mustang 2000+	1st	Matt Marlin, 2008 Mustang
	2nd	Doug & Ellen Scott, 2000 Mustang
	3rd	Katie O'Brien, 2006 Mustang
Open Class	1st	Rich & Steph Rensberger, Cherokee
	2nd	Mike Wagner, Honda
	3rd	Dale Buwalda, Toyota



Meeting Our Members

By Dave & Jo Groeninger, Indiana Board Members :
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Vic & Connie Garrison

Laborite, IN
1971 Mustang Mach 1

Vic & Connie's black '71 Mustang Mach 1 has a 351 Cleveland-4 barrel V-8 and has the pet name of Mr. Shivers.

Mr. Shivers was purchased in Laporte, IN, ten years ago. The previous owner had purchased the Mach 1 in North Carolina for his 16-year-old son but later decided a Mustang with a 351 Cleveland 4- barrel and his 16-year-old son were not a good match. He put the Mach 1 up for sale. Vic saw the Mustang was for sale and contacted the owner, making arrangements to look at the Mach 1. Vic looked the Mustang over and then asked what was his lowest price. The owner gave Vic a price. Having brought cash money with him Vic reached into his pocket and pulled out a wad of cash and told the previous owner, "This is all I have; if you to take the cash I brought I'll take the Mach 1." The previous owner then asked Vic how he knew that is what his final price would be.

When Vic drove the Mach 1 it had a bad vibration and was then crowned Mr. Shiver. A process of elimination was started as the engine was torn down. Several problems were located during the rebuilding process, the first being that one of the eight pistons was different than the other seven. Two of the pistons had broken rings, the block also had a cracked cylinder wall, the torque converter was damaged, the transmission was bad, drive shaft was changed and finally the rear end was rebuilt. The vibration was now gone, but Vic points out he has to pay close attention to the speedometer now because the Mustang cruises along at a good pace without realizing the speed.

The Mach 1 is driven as often as they can manage in good weather and occasionally to Vic's work place and the drag strip. Vic raced the Mach 1 against his wife Connie who ran their '94 5.0 Mustang. Connie beat him and that is when Vic decided to tear Mr. Shivers down and found the problems in the engine.

Vic first became interested in cars when he was 11 years old and saw the Mustang at the New York World's Fair. Vic always wanted to own a Mustang and finally bought his first Mustang 16 years ago from his brother-- a 1967 Mustang coupe which they still own. The most memorable events with the Mach 1 include displaying it at John Force's open house in Brownsville, IN, and when Connie beat him in the 1/4 mile drag race. Vic points out now that he has rebuilt the '71 Mach 1 Connie will not race him.

The '71 Mustang Mach 1 was driven to the 35th Mustang Anniversary in Charlotte, NC, the 40th Mustang Anniversary in Nashville, TN, and several times to NJ.

Vic works for Motion Industries and has worked for them for 30 years. Connie works as a waitress at Hesston and as a ladies fitness trainer. They have one son Tommy who is 34 and lives and works in Indy. Vic is especially fond of his die-cast collection of over 2000 Mustangs.

The Garrisons joined Indiana SAAC in 2007 but have been attending the Spring Fling since 1997.



★ Cherry's Car Corral ★



In The News!

Ford reaps more benefits from not accepting government bailout funds

Ford will receive \$5.9 billion in government loans to retool factories for production of fuel efficient vehicles, while Nissan will receive \$1.6 billion. Tesla Motors also received approval for a \$465 million loan.

Energy Secretary Steven Chu made the historic announcement at Ford headquarters.

The loans are part of the Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Program, The \$25 billion program is supposed to reduce America's dangerous dependence on foreign oil and create "green collar" jobs.



The program is not related to any economic stimulus package or bailout funding that General Motors and Chrysler have received.

Ford will receive the funds throughout 2011 to retool several factories in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky and Missouri in order to produce 13 models.

The 2010 Ford Shelby GT-500 Hits The Ground Running



The new 2010 Ford Shelby GT500 is on its way to dealers real soon. The new Snake will deliver the most power and refinement ever for a Ford SVT-tuned performance Mustang – and a few surprises, too. "The new Shelby GT500 demonstrates Ford's continuing commitment to high-performance vehicles," said Derrick Kuzak, Ford group vice president, Global Product Development. "In addition to the numerous performance and refinement improvements inside and out, it's also two miles per gallon more fuel efficient on the highway."

Ford Expects 10 to 25 Percent of its Fleet to be Electric by 2020

The future of plug-in electric cars boils down to their adoption by drivers. Automakers are working with utility companies, local governments, and municipalities to develop such an infrastructure in a timely manner.

Lack of infrastructure has not dissuaded automakers from developing EVs and shifting future production to EV models. After all, everyone has an outlet at home.

Ford is beginning to sway towards an electric car future, not in small part due to the push of the Obama administration or the fact that the company recently got \$5 billion in advanced technology loans.

Ford's director of hybrid vehicles Nancy Giola said, "for now the goal is simply to convince motorists to plug in... from 10 to 25 percent of Ford's production by 2020 will be some type of electrified vehicle." A bold statement for sure, but it goes to show that the major automaker has decided that EVs are here to stay.



Handful of new Shelby Series II roadsters still available for purchase

Back in the mid 1990s, Carroll Shelby set out to do something he had never done: build a complete car from scratch. The Series 1 seemed to have the right formula on paper – lightweight aluminum honeycomb chassis, carbon fiber body, sophisticated coil over suspension and a 4.0-liter V8 created for the Indy Racing League. However, just like so many others before (and after), ol' Carroll found that building a production car was a much more difficult task than simply stuffing hi-po engines into Mustangs and Cobras. The Series 1 suffered from unexpectedly high production costs that nearly doubled its \$100,000 price tag, and the IRL engine was dropped in favor of an Aurora-based V8, producing just 320 horsepower. Despite additional investment in the car and a supercharger option, customers who had put down deposits fled and less than 250 examples left the Shelby factory.

2010 Shelby GT-500 Super Snake Preview



Then in 2006, Shelby Automobiles, Inc. announced it would be continuing production of the car, renamed the Series II and featuring a revised front and rear end and a price tag of \$225,000. Despite claims that most of the production run was already sold out, the Series II never materialized due to the excessive costs needed to re-certify the car for modern Federal standards. We haven't heard about the car since then and thought the story had ended. But wait, there's more!

Apparently there were still a few Series II bodies lying around, and Superformance Distribution, the same company that sells the Foose Coupe, has a handful for sale. Each are sold as "specially constructed vehicles" sans engine and transmission, leaving the responsibility of adding the power train to the new owner. We've heard that only four Series II roadsters have been built, making it one of the most rare and intriguing Shelbys ever built.

New 2010 Saleen Photo

With all the news of Saleen Inc. being sold off to MJ Acquisitions earlier this year to Steve Saleen starting his own company SMS Supercars, it has been more difficult to keep up with what is happening. Will there be a Saleen Mustang again? And if so, who will make it?

The answers come with many caveats. Steve Saleen announced at the Mustang 45th Anniversary Celebration that he intends to build a new Mustang marketed as the SMS 460 and SMS 460X. He unveiled a rendering at the show that outlines the new style. This new car of course is made by Steve Saleen, but not called a Saleen.



The car made its debut in Tulsa, OK, at the Mid-America Ford Meet. The event has always been a strong Shelby cultured event, and the debut of the new 2010 Shelby GT-500 Super Snake package will surely be the center piece of stories to come.

This package is specifically for 2010 Shelby GT500s only and only 500 will be built, making this model one of the rarest of the breed.



The Shelby GT 500E "Eleanor" chopper

Take a look at this chopper. It's selling for \$800,000, but the owner claims it was appraised for \$1.2 million. . . .

It's the Shelby GT 500E "Eleanor" chopper for Carroll Shelby, built by Orange County Choppers. Designed as the ultimate Shelby motorcycle, the chopper features handcrafted sheet metal including a Shelby rear spoiler. The tank looks like the head of a cobra with fangs below the handlebars and airbrushed snake scales. Lecarra fabricated the handlebars, which feature wood inlay like the original Shelby's steering wheel. Rowe performance wheels are machined to resemble the Shelby's PSE wheels. The mirror uses the GT 500E logo and the Super Snake logo stands proudly across the bottom of the bike. Shelby GT 500E logos adorn the chopper in many key spots. Carroll Shelby's signature and the Shelby GT 500E logo are embroidered into the custom leather seat. The engine is supercharged just like the Shelby GT 500E Super Snake, producing an amazing 131HP.



From The Old Man's Mouth

"I'm not going to take this defeatist attitude and listen to all this crap any more from all these people who have nothing except doomsday to predict." [Carroll Shelby](#)

"I am very pleased that the way the Cobra turned out and how well it was received by everyone, especially enthusiasts and the media." [Carroll Shelby](#)

"It's a massive motor in a tiny, lightweight car." [Carroll Shelby](#)

"When I built this dual supercharged 427 Cobra in 1966, I wanted it to be the fastest, meanest car on the road," said Shelby. "Forty years later, it will still kick the tail of just about anything in the world. It's the fastest street legal Cobra I've ever owned." [Carroll Shelby](#)

"Anything worth doing is worth doing in excess" Carroll Shelby

"You keep good tires on that thing and you will blow anyone's ass off the road!" [Carroll Shelby](#)

Trivia Fact About Carroll Shelby:

Shelby was a technical advisor on the 1966 movie Grand Prix starring James Garner and Eva Marie Saint.

Carroll was named by his mother for a fire breathing minister of the era. His mom was hoping that being named after a pastor would keep him away from bad company .

After graduating high school, Shelby enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps, serving in World War II as a flight instructor and test pilot.

Cherry's Ramblings!



Well it's official... I am now officially a grandpa. Her birth name is Tabitha Lilly Hill. After hearing her name, my first thought was of the little girl of the same name on the TV show Bewitched—she was cute, and so it's OK. But this got me thinking about the importance of a name. Had she been given the name Bertha instead of Tabitha, would she grow up into an overweight gospel singer or the name Candy and grow into a slender pole dancing stripper? I know this doesn't make sense, but why did I think of it in the first place? Is it because I'm a middle-aged sexist male or could it have something to do with the fact that all the sexy looking cars out there have names like Cobra, Viper, Mustang, Jaguar and the plain ones have names like, Aspire, Tempo, Rambler and my favorite, Ford Focus. No wonder they're losing sales. More than likely though, it's a combination of both. This must be why Ford tried changing the slow sounding name of Taurus to a faster sounding one, Ford 500. Only to bring it back in less than 2 years. Seems like a lot of Taurus-loving republicans didn't want change, and voted with their wallets.

Some of the new car names out there are not names at all, but a series of letters and numbers like BMW's M3, Z4, then there's Infiniti's FX35, M35, Acura's TI, TSX, RSX and coming late to the party Cadillac's STS, CTS, SRX, and Lincoln's MKS, MKZ, MKX. And we certainly can't forget my all-time favorite, of course, the one they'll be talking about for years to come—the fabulous and truly remarkable B.M.W.X.5.G.T.S.U.V.

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Two original Cobras face off at the 32nd Shelby Spring Fling in May, 2009.



Not quite what we had in mind when establishing this class, but these guys thought it an appropriate place to hunker down.