# The Final Word

We hope you enjoyed this fourth issue of the new *Texas Takeover*. A special thanks goes out to all of you who have written articles and sent in other items useful to this publication. We need to get the rest of you involved now. I'll say again; please send in, drop off, mail, fax, or leave under my Eagle's wiper blade any and all things AMC that can be used as newsletter fodder. Write up your attempt at a repair (successful or not), car show experience, parts house fiasco, road trip, junk yard visit, whatever.

The Member Profile series, which was postponed this issue to make room for the S.W. Regional reports, will resume next issue. Any volunteers for the next issue??!! Want to bare your soul to the rank and file??

Until next time; Ramble on, dudes.....







The Official Newsletter of the American Motors Club of Houston



### The AMCoH Tent at the Southwest Regional Show

A Small Example of the Hard-working AMCoH Rank & File. Hey; <u>somebody</u> had to keep the chairs from blowing away......

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# Club Information

The American Motors Club of Houston was founded in the early 1980's with the goal of advancing the image and preservation of AMC vehicles in Southeast Texas and the surrounding area. Our Club is one of a triad of AMC organizations in Texas - the American Motors Club of Houston, Alamo AMC based in San Antonio, and North Texas AMC headquartered in Dallas form a strong contingent of Texas AMC fellowship, experience, and support.

We are a chapter of the American Motors Owners Association (AMO). Although we strongly suggest joining this fine organization, AMO membership is NOT required to be a member of the *American Motors Club of Houston*.

Planned activities include a large display in the annual indoor Thanksgiving Houston AutoRama Show, the annual AMO Southwest Regional Show (location rotates between Houston, San Antonio, & Dallas), family picnics, cruises, parties, races, etc. The 2001 AMO National Meet was also held in Houston!!

We have regular monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month (7:30 PM) at the Hickory Hollow restaurant, located at 101 Heights Blvd. (just a few blocks south of I-10). If you are not already a member, feel free to join us for a "get acquainted" session before you sign up.

Ownership of an AMC vehicle or residence in our local area is NOT required to join our group. Interest and enthusiasm are more than enough. We'll gladly help you find your own treasured AMC if you don't already have one!!

Dues are \$18 per year - we are a non-profit organization, and 100% of your dues go to supporting club activities. The club officers do not receive a salary for their efforts. Dues and an enrollment form may be submitted at our monthly meetings, or mailed to our Treasurer.

AMCoH exists specifically to support you in your AMC endeavors; and we look forward to adding your own AMC experience to our knowledge base. If you need any additional information, feel free to contact any of our club officers.

#### Check us out on the Web at www.AMCofHouston.com

The American Motors Club of Houston (AMCoH) is a nonprofit organization which exists expressly for the purpose of aiding and encouraging the use, enjoyment, preservation, and restoration of all American Motors vehicles. Any suggestions in this newsletter regarding modification of your vehicle are subject to common sense compromises among safety, longevity, reliability, legality, and resale value. AMCoH will not assume or accept any liability resulting from information contained herein. Any modifications are the sole responsibility of the person(s) performing those modifications.

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# The Club Store

to Kevin's hard-nosed negotiation style; the Club purchased a load of slightly mis-colored 2001 AMO International Convention T-shirts at a greatly-reduced price; and we are passing the savings on to you. We are asking only \$10 each for the first one (including postage) and \$6 for each additional shirt (or \$6 each for all if you pick up), and we still have plenty of all sizes. Further discounts for BIG multiple purchases!! These are still the first-quality Hanes Beefy T's" coloring is the only problem. Since the photo above doesn't show a real good representation of what went wrong color-wise, I'll try to explain:





- 1. On the front; the "blue" in the lettering and AMC logo is purple (instead of fading across in red/white/ blue; its red/white/purple).
- 2. On the front, the yellow on the Javelin is just a touch brighter than we wanted.
- 3. On the back, the "red" areas came out more of a florescent reddish-orange, instead of the correct AMC red.

These are first-come, first served; limited to stock on hand. Please contact Prez Kevin Dalley or VP George Graham to purchase these while you still can.



The Club also has a few remaining AMCoH Hats left in stock. These hats were hot sellers at the AMO meet, and we almost sold out during the show. In case you haven't seen these yet; they are red, white, & blue, with the Club logo on the front, an AMC emblem on one side, and the famous Texas Lone Star on the other side. These 3 logos are **embroidered** on the hats; not just painted on. These are \$15 each (plus postage).



Also for sale is our new AMCoH Golf Shirt, in both plain and fancy collar/sleeve versions (fancy shown here). \$37 for the fancy, and \$22 for the plain. Both styles have the AMC logo on the sleeve, and the Club logo on the front. The fancy shirts are very high-quality items.

Show your colors!!!

As always; 100% of the proceeds from the sale of the above items goes directly into the Club Treasury to support Club activities.

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# Classifieds

Please submit all Classified requests to AMCoH VP George Graham

**For Sale:** 1923 T-Bucket with no eng/trans, needs finishing, no interior or paint, but it is a rolling chassis, (it has real 12 spoke American spindle mounts up front that are worth about \$600, on line) I bought it for \$2500 in San Antonio about 2 years ago and haven't done a thing with it except pay for storage for it, make me an offer. Contact Randy Helm at 281-578-6206.

# **Monthly Funnies**

A lady goes into an auto parts store and asks for a "seven-ten cap". All the counter guys looked at each other and said, "What's a seven-ten cap?". She said: "You know, it's right there on top of the engine? Mine got lost some how and I need a new one". "What kind of a car is it on?" they asked; thinking maybe it's off an old Datsun 710. But no; she said its a Ford. "OK lady, how big is it?", the counter guys asked. She makes a circle with her hands about 3-1/2 inches in diameter. What does it do?," they asked. She said, "I don't know, but its always been there". One of them then gave her a note pad and pen, and asked her if she could draw a picture of it. So she makes a circle about 3-1/2 inches in diameter, and in the center she writes "710". The guys behind the counter are looking at it upside down as she writes it...and they all promptly fall down behind the counter laughing hysterically. If you haven't yet figured out the punch line; draw a circle, write 710 in the middle of it, and turn it upside down.











### Draggin' Dave Tears Up the Strip -- Again!!

By David Vasquez

Well, you guys missed it. The Gremlin and I "put em on the trailer" and took home the "Big Trophy" last night (June 15) at Lone Star Raceway Park. I ran dozen or so time trials with the new Edelbrock "Air Gap" intake, and it seems to have improved the E.T. by a little more than 2 tenths as compared to the "Performer", and MPH was up by about 3. My best run (winning round) for the Street Stock Class was as follows:

Reaction Time....6034 60 ft.....1.9189 330 ft.....5.3630 1/8th ET....8.2483 1/8th MPH...........84.88

I must say, that this was an exciting night for me as my 14 year old son Michael and his friend made the trip with me for moral support, and it was their first time ever to a drag strip. I noticed they kept their distance from the car early in the afternoon but, they kind of grew fond of the Gremlin as the night went on; and I even caught them sitting in it (being cool) between elimination rounds. I look forward to going out on Friday nights again. It's a chance to get in a lot of time trials (I got 12 passes in 45 minutes), and see a lot of different cars that are not usually at the Car Club Races. Hopefully some of y'all will make it out there too.



Club VP George Graham wondering how much to offer David for his car!!

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# From the Officers:

We want to thank all of you who have renewed your membership, and voted in the Election. Remember, this year, everyone who paid their dues in April earned a FREE 2001 Houston AMO Convention T-shirt!! The shirt must be picked up at a monthly meeting, or at Kevin or George's house (except for out-of-town members; those have been mailed). Come on out to the next monthly meeting at Hickory Hollow and get your shirt, have some somewhat questionable Bar-B-Que, and enjoy the AMC company!!

The AMCoH Officers are now kicking around some ideas to spiff up the annual AutoRama display in honor of the new digs at the Astro complex. Stay tuned for details; and feel free to add your own ideas to the fray!!

### Presidential Perspectives, by Kevin Dalley, AMCoH President

Here we go again!! In our membership's infinite wisdom, they have chosen me to serve for yet another year as **The Prez**. You guys and gals must be gluttons for punishment!! Well, at least our membership was smart enough to also vote in a great staff of Officers to keep me in check.

**George Graham**, our VP for a third term; intelligent, funny, and always ready to accept any challenge the Club gives him. I could not ask for a better VP.

**Charlie Fisbeck**, our Treasurer for many years; honest and always on top of the finances. He's sure to be at every Club activity; and knows where every cent of the money comes from and goes to.

**David Vasquez**, our new Activities Director, is the most gung-ho person in the Club at this time. He's constantly coming up with new activities for the Club to participate in; and he's guaranteed to be at every one of them!!

**Tom Diehl**, our new Secretary, has the biggest shoes to fill; and he's already shown that he's up to the challenge. Tom replaced Larry Roberts (our Club Secretary for more years than I can remember), who wisely decided to take a little time off for family needs. There is no one who could have done a better job than Larry. I learned a long time ago that you don't say *anything* at a meeting that you don't want recorded in the AMCoH records!! Larry never missed a thing, and he will be missed in the Officer ranks (of course he'll still be a very active Club member).

So much for embarrassing the Officers!! Back to business. By the time you're reading this, the 11<sup>th</sup> annual S.W. Regional in San Antonio will be history. As expected, it was a great success. Alamo AMC is a strong Club, and always puts on a great show. I really enjoy the fact that Texas has three great AMC Clubs. The Houston, San Antonio, and North Texas Clubs all have great leadership and strong memberships. This makes for a fantastic time for all!! Enjoy your Summer and your AMC's. And don't ever forget; **AMC Rules**!!

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## 11th Annual AMO Southwest Regional

by Alfred Koos; Alamo AMC Newsletter Editor

Saturday, June 8th saw some "big AMC fun in the blazin' sun" as Alamo AMC sponsored the 11th Annual *Southwest AMC Regional Car Show and Swap Meet* at Biff Buzby's Hamburger's in San Antonio, TX. Although temperatures soared into the 90s, the show was an overwhelming success with a half-dozen vendors and over sixty cars participating. The Regional also welcomed the South Central Chapter of the Nash Car Club of America (which presented seven early Nash and Hudson vehicles) and saw the debut of the Charity AMX, making it's first show appearance under it's own power.

Originating in Houston in 1990, the Southwest Regional is now co-sponsored and shared by AMC of Houston, Alamo AMC of San Antonio, and North Texas AMC of Dallas. The three clubs take turns acting as host, so the show was last held in San Antonio in 1999. (Last year, Houston sponsored the AMO International Convention instead of holding a Regional.) This year's show broke a record for pre-registrations (44), and San Antonio broke it's car count record with sixty-two Nash, Hudson, Rambler, and AMC vehicles registered and four others present for a total of sixty-six (the official all-time record was set at the 2000 Dallas show with 73 entries).

The proceedings started on Friday afternoon, as Alamo AMC set up an early registration booth at the La Quinta host hotel. Registrants were able to receive their registration packets and goody bags early to streamline the process on Saturday morning. Incoming visitors were able to chat with the Alamo AMC officers and watch videos of past shows during Early Registration. At 7 PM, Tom Garza and Mike Strawbridge of the Alamo AMC Events Committee led a 'cruise' to Harper's, a San Antonio restaurant that sponsors a classic car cruise every Friday night. Approximately 30 cars participated in the cruise event.

The actual show was held in front of Biff Buzby's Hamburgers, a restaurant adjacent to the host hotel. A number of vendors including South Texas AMC, Planet Houston AMX, and Randy Guynn Performance Parts were set up by 7 AM Saturday morning, and Alamo AMC's' administration tent' was ready by 8 AM. Biff Buzby's served the growing crowd breakfast tacos until 10 AM, switching to delicious hamburgers and salads for the rest of the day. The Charity AMX made it's appearance at 10:30 AM, being driven on to the showfield by Alfred Koos, Alamo AMC's newsletter editor and the local coordinator for the Charity AMX project. Judging began at about 11:30 and continued to almost 3 PM, with judges selected from all three of the Texas clubs participating. Door prizes were awarded throughout the day, and Alamo AMC also sold tickets for a 50/50 Raffle to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society.

The awards ceremony took place about 4:30 PM, with Alamo AMC Vice-President James Medlock once again serving as the tireless announcer. George Graham of AMC of Houston won the 50/50 drawing, and generously donated most of his winnings back to the MS Society so that over \$250 was raised for the charity. AMC of Houston then presented Alamo AMC with a check for \$150 to be donated to the Charity AMX Project. The first trophies awarded were two special awards: the Dennis Raffensperger Memorial Trophy was awarded to Michael Mortimer ('68 Javelin) and the Planet Houston AMX Trophy was awarded to Joan & John Mead for their '74 Gremlin. Alamo AMC proceeded to award plaques based on the AMO 'Concours Judging Points System' as follows (from lowest average points to highest):

#### **BRONZE:**

Debbie Manrique, '70 Javelin George Larza, '69 Javelin SST Alfred Koos, '64 Classic 660

Lewis Holekamp, '71 AMX Joan & John Mead, '75 Matador X Charles Harness, '66 Classic James Medlock, '74 AMX Page 9 - American Motors Club of Houston

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David continued to follow Tom to rescue him, but the others exited correctly. Tom and David did the U-turn thing and were there a few minutes behind the others. Warm welcomes for fellow AMC lovers followed, and then it came time for the show cruise. For sure, this had to go smoother than the trip to San Antonio. It didn't.

We lined up as a group and that's where it ended. Several cars lined up at the light and roared off as if at the dragstrip. Before you knew it, we were following someone who eventually told us that he didn't know where he was going!! Many more missed turns and we finally arrived. Lots of cars, looking, walking, looking some more, and we headed back to the hotel to rest.

Fast forward past the actual show, and all were off on "The Road to Houston" Sunday morning. No one trusted Tom to find his way back to I-10 East, so others lead him there; and then we resumed the caravan formation (minus Charlie who was visiting family and would catch up with us somewhere). Brian Tolley joined the return caravan, and is trailering his AMX, as are Kevin and Tom. David is pulling the Gremlin, George is driving his American, and Ted is guarding the rear of the caravan again.

It's not too long before we run into rain. We find ourselves in and out of the rain several times, all of which is fairly unnerving when you're trailering cars. The rain was so bad at times that running the wipers at full speed didn't do much of anything. About that time Tom's rear wheels hydroplaned, and in an instant he was really scared. Thank God for high-speed four-wheel drive...which Tom immediately engaged. Five minutes to get his heart back operating properly and Tom's copilot (Randy) says "look at that". A full size pickup is coming across the median from the opposite direction at about 60 MPH, spinning like a top. Tom knew he'd miss his truck, but was concerned for those following. Fortunately, nitwit stopped on the grass before entering oncoming traffic. Another 10 minutes to get Tom's heart beating again. At this point, the rain was terrible and speeds were down in the 45 mph area. Just when everyone thought things were going to smooth out, the tractor-trailer in front of Tom has a blow out in the rear tire, and pieces are flying everywhere. Tom managed to avoid the largest pieces without losing control of the trailer, and luckily those following behind were also able to negotiate the flying debris safely. During the rains, Brian had pulled way out in front and we eventually catch him near Columbus, where we stopped for food. I think everyone was glad to relax for a bit. As everyone left, Tom thought about guiding the caravan back through the little town of Columbus again, but headed East on I-10 fearing death and dismemberment from the ranks.

The rest of the ride was pretty smooth, and we peeled off for our various destinations once in the Houston city limits. David and Tom transferred all of Randy G.'s merchandise back to his truck, and Randy got home and unloaded just in time to avoid the next rain. All in all, a safe return for all members and good time had by all.





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### The Road to San Antornio Diehl

Years ago, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, and Dorothy Lamour put together a series of films known as the "Road Movies"; such as The Road to Morocco, The Road to Singapore, etc. They were funny flicks, and featured the mishaps and near misses encountered as they roamed about the world. Well, the "Road to San Antonio" for the 11th Annual Southwest Regional that was taken by our caravan was also full of events; so I thought I'd share them with you. Caravans are peculiar things. How many people are going, when do we leave, what's the route, where do we stop for gas and, of course, who's going to lead are the usual pre-trip topics.

We met at David Vasquez's shop; and the first order of business was to load Randy Guynn's (Performance American Style) vending stuff into David's and Tom Diehl's vehicles so it would stay dry if it rained during the jaunt. So far, in attendance were David, Tom, Ted Davis, and George Graham. It was quickly decided that Tom would lead because he would require gas before anyone else (pretty smart, eh??!!). Ted would be last in line, and would be in radio contact with Tom via a pair of walkie-talkies. George slipped in the middle of the train so he could avoid flying debris that might do in his Rambler's windshield and paint, and David filled out the inner group.

Off we went onto I-10, and immediately hit a traffic jam due to two (count 'em, two!) different wrecks in the first 2 miles of the trip. Ted did a great job of running block to we could all stay together; a tactic that would prove his undoing at a later stage (keep reading!!). Not too far down the road, Charlie Fisbeck met up with us in his beautiful red Camaro drop-top; and now there were five of us. We motored down the road for awhile, and then found out Kevin Dalley was way up in front of us. We soon made arrangements to have lunch, and hook up with Kevin in Columbus.

It was a nice break, and then we were off again. Tom took the lead, and immediately missed the entrance to I-10 West (DOH!!) and we were now on the road to the quaint historic town of Columbus. In Tom's defense, he DID see the TINY entrance, but a bit late; and didn't want to jam on the breaks with a car in tow. Anyway, it was a pretty drive through some nice cattle country and then over a vintage iron bridge, and then we were in downtown Columbus. Randy used to run a route there long ago, so he told Tom how to get back to I-10. So, everyone dutifully followed the leader, and we were now six strong and headed West.

Ted (babe magnet that he is) managed to raise some gals on the radios he and Tom were sharing, which broke the monotony of I-10. It's difficult to run six cars, three of which are pulling other cars, and stay together without aggravating someone. We decided to make one more stop for fuel near San Antonio. Everyone pulled off and were waiting for tail-end Ted and Charlie, but they were nowhere to be found. Heck, they were just there....what happened to them. What's that....police lights?? The police were stopping Ted; and Charlie realized the better part of valor was discretion, so he left Ted and whooshed on by. Now, you've got to picture this. All of us are standing at the gas station looking down the road at the cops and Ted. Ted is outside his truck with his hands on it. Could it be that Ted was smuggling some non-NOS parts or something?? What happened was that someone dialed 911 and told the police Ted was driving in an erratic manner. Remember his tactic of running block for us mentioned earlier? Well, I guess someone didn't like the fact that Ted wouldn't allow non-AMC people to break up our group. Good old Ted. Well, after the cops were comfortable that he hadn't taken any drugs, wasn't hitting the sace, or displaying a little road rage, they decided to let him go. Unfortunately, Ted had now closed the doors to his truck, and in his panic left the keys in the ignition....whoops! Enter a mobile locksmith, exit \$35; and a half-hour later and we were "on the road again".

Tom took off in the lead again, and actually found the entrance to I-10 this time!!. Things were going smooth until we got about a mile from the host hotel. At that point, Tom's co-pilot (Randy) couldn't find anywhere on the maps George had prepared that showed the exit in detail. By the time it was found on some other paperwork, Tom had passed it. Should have been watching the signs instead of the map!!

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#### **SILVER:**

Jeanne Koos, '77 Pacer D/L Keith Rumbo, '70 Rebel Machine Keith Rumbo, '71 AMX Rufus Cormer, '78 Matador Coupe Tom Diehl, '69 AMX Philip Taggart, '77 Hornet AMX Kevin Schuble, '70 AMX GOLD:

Joe Kolesar, '74 AMX Brian Tolley, '70 Rebel Machine David Vasquez, '72 Gremlin

Matthew Mortimer, '72 Gremlin X Steven Holekamp, '77 Hornet AMX Dave Lorance, '57 Nash Ambassador James & Irene Eckelkamp, '56 Statesman Tom Garza, '72 Javelin Frank Russo, '69 AMX Charlie Pelezo, '49 Hudson Commodore Brett Schneider, '70 Rebel Machine Allen Brown, '66 Classic 770 Convertible

> Onnie Weaver, '78 Matador Cpe. John C. Wilson, '69 AMX Joan & John Mead, '74 Gremlin

Keith Rumbo, '69 Javelin SST Jerry Hill, '68 AMX Craig Caudle, '73 AMX Andre Jacobs, '69 S/S AMX Ron Story, '64 American Paul Schneider, '66 Rogue Robert Kirkley, '56 Nash Ambo

Michael Mortimer, '68 Javelin George Graham, '64 American 440 Brian Tolley, '69 AMX

**BEST OF SHOW** --- Steven & Mary Williams, '74 Matador X (190.33 points out of 200)

PARTICIPANT'S CHOICE --- Debbie Manrique, '70 Javelin

The three clubs also present a plaque to Donna Humphreys of Biff Buzby's Hamburgers in appreciation for her sponsorship. Special thanks goes out to SW Regional Event Coordinator Tiffany Rumbo, SW Regional Planner and Announcer James Medlock, all the members of Alamo AMC for their tireless efforts, all the members of AMC of Houston and North Texas AMC for their support, participation, and assistance, the Nash Car Club of America's South Central Chapter, and sponsors Club Humidor, South Texas AMC, Tom Garza, Ancira Jeep, and La Quinta Inn I-35 North. Coming soon! Watch Alamo AMC Online at www.alamoamc.org for pictures of the show!









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### AMCoH Welcomes Two New Officers!!

The votes are in. He populace has spoken. The hanging chads are no longer hanging. Please welcome back the incumbents who were reelected by a landslide vote; **Kevin Dalley** as The Prez, **George Graham** as VP, and **Charlie Fisbeck** as Treasurer.

We also have two new elected members of the AMCoH Inner Sanctum; **Tom Diehl** as Secretary, and **David Vasquez** as Activities Director. Both Tom and David are high-energy types who will do their respective positions justice. Please offer up your congratulations (and/or condolences!!) the next time you see either of them. If you have any ideas for new activities, please contact David (Officer contact info on page 2).

The rest of you members please think about running in next year's election - I'm sure some of the current officers will be close to burnout by then, and will gladly let someone else in for a term!!

#### AMCOH HAULS IT TO THE PASADENA STREET MEET

By Tom Diehl & David Vasquez

It's Saturday, April 20th, and numerous Club members were on the way to the Pasadena Street meet in the Kroger parking lot on the corner of Red Bluff and Spencer Hwy.

On the way to meet up with David Vasquez (driving his '75 Gremlin 360), Tom Diehl (with his '69 AMX 390) ran into a guy in a Firebird that says he loves the AMX. A few lights later he pulls up along side Tom and says he's got a 350 and he's ready to go. The race was from a 20-mph roll, and the AMX outpaced the Firebird by a full car length in second gear; so Tom didn't even bother to jamb third. So much for the Firebird.

David and Tom finally met at a convenient Jack-in-the-Box, grabbed a couple of large drinks, and off they went onto the Beltway. They cruised from Highway 290 and Beltway 8 all the way around to the Pasadena area. It was a nice leisurely ride (except for the %\$#@ tolls) and the cars ran great. Then, they met up with George Graham (in his '64 American) and Ted Davis (riding with George) near the show area, and cruised over to the meet to try and find adjoining parking spots. Larry Roberts and his wife (with his '69 Javelin), along with Steve Colello and his family (69 Javelin) were already parked, and managed to save a few spots near by for their fellow club members. As is usual for this weekly gathering, over 200 cars of different makes and models were in attendance. Kevin (The Prez) and Lucille Dalley, and Gary Parente and family were there to give moral support, although it would have really been awesome to have Kevin's racecar in attendance. Brian and Judy Tolley (69 AMX) arrived (long haul from Katy!!) and were eventually able to get a spot with the rest of the club members.

As we looked at all the other cars, it was easy to feel very proud of the AMC representation. Our cars looked SUPER and drew a lot of positive comments and attention from the crowd (along with a few hand prints from teens with no manners!!). About 9:30 that evening, the older folks were leaving and the younger set was coming in with their boom boxes and neon-lighted rice rockets. It was time to go. It was a great ride home in the cool air.

Visit the AMCoH website (<u>www.amcofhouston.com</u>) and see the events that are coming up, and that you can participate in. If you have any event suggestions, please feel free to make them known to any of the Club Officers.

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# New AMC Art

Well-known automotive artist David Snyder pays homage to some of the best AMC's ever produced in his new limited edition print titled *RED*, *WHITE & BIG BAD BLUE*; depicting the used car side of a performance-oriented AMC dealership circa 1972. This limited-edition print (printed from one of his original paintings) can be purchased directly from Mr. Snyder for \$80 (or \$95 for an Artist Proof). Artwork size is 18x26 inches, and is printed on a 22x28 inch acid free stock; leaving room to mat or trim as needed for framing.



Since I (your VP & Editor) used to live in Milford (a Cincinnati suburb) before I moved to Houston; I was used to seeing his work around town in the parts houses and shops in Old Milford (quaint old antique downtown Milford). His work is well worth the price of admission. This is **NOT** starving artist junk, but rather something you'll be proud to display at home or in the office. Yes; I have already bought one.

You can order this gorgeous print via Visa or MasterCard by calling 513-722-9608 9:00am-9:00pm EST; or send a check or money order for \$80.00 (\$95.00 for artist proofs) + \$7.00 shipping and handling to the address below. Ohio residents please add 6% sales tax. Fax orders 513-722-9698. Car Art by David Snyder, 1755 Cottontail Dr. Milford, OH 45150.



Unknown cruise patron barfing on George Graham's seat.

Brian
Tolley
trying
to
explain
to
Kevin
Dalley
why he
still
doesn't
have a
Torker
on his
car!!



Larry Roberts' one-owner white '69 Jav;

David Vasquez Gremmie,

and Steve Colello's blue '68 Jav.

