



# TAIL OF THE COUGAR

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## FROM THE LAIR OF THE PRESIDENT

JEFF GOLDMAN

Happy Birthday to us ☺

This March we celebrated our 13th year of Cougar motoring in Northern California. We held our 13th birthday in subdued fashion since, despite beliefs to the contrary, California does have “unsettled” weather – especially in March. We held our birthday meeting in Fairfield and the weather held out for many of the members to let their “Cats out of the bag”. At the meeting we covered our regular meeting issues as well as plan our club events. This year our goal is for more tours of the Bay Area and Sacramento and less viewing of Round Table Pizza. I still end up eating too much during our meetings – oh well.

During our birthday meeting we set the destination of our inaugural Spring Cougar Run. On April 22nd we'll take a 60 mile tour through the hills of San Mateo County along the coast through Half Moon Bay and ending up for dinner on the water in Pacifica. It should be a great day and we're looking for a great turnout since in April the weather is GREAT. I REALLY have to get my cat running now.

I want to thank Steve Toumi for updating the Stray Cats website. It really has a nice look and feel. He built in a link to the bulletin board on [www.mercurycougar.net](http://www.mercurycougar.net) and improved the members vehicles section. Steve will be doing some more things to it as we move forward, but I hope you all check it out and give us feedback. Check it out at [www.classiccougar.com](http://www.classiccougar.com).

I can see that a few of you are already using the Mercury Cougar message board to post a Stray Cats message board under the Regional Clubs. We're getting a lot of looks from out-of-town members as well.

I didn't get one day on my Cougar this past month. Between work and weekends on club functions it just wasn't in the cards.

Lastly, I set up a new email address since my personal address is getting too much Cougar stuff. I will continue to respond from my personal address, but please try to use [straycatspres@yahoo.com](mailto:straycatspres@yahoo.com).

I hope the weather gets better for our next meeting which is in Pleasant Hill. See you ALL there. And remember:

No bad karma on my Car.

Jeff Goldman

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

JEFF GOLDMAN

MY NAME IS JEFF GOLDMAN AND I'M A COUGAR-HOLIC. THERE I SAID IT. I'M ADDICTED TO COUGARS AND HAVE BEEN SINCE I SAW THE 1<sup>ST</sup> COUGARS ON THE STREETS OF BOSTON IN 1966. WHEN THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DROP TOPS CAME OUT IN THE FALL OF 1968, THAT WAS IT, I WANTED A COUGAR. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN INTO CARS AND THE COUGAR, TO ME, HAS THE JUST RIGHT MIX OF MUSCLE, SIZE, AND STYLE.

FUNNY THING IS, OTHER THAN THAT 1966 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE MY DAD HAD FOR 4 YEARS IN THE LATE 60'S, WE OWNED NOTHING BUT GM. PONTIACS, OLDSMOBILES, AND EVEN A CHEVY, BUT NO FORD (ESPECIALLY AFTER THAT MUSTANG), LINCOLN OR MERCURY.

TODAY IS DIFFERENT. I NOW OWN THE CAR OF MY DREAMS – 1969 COUGAR CONVERTIBLE IN TRIPLE BLACK. THIS IS MY 2<sup>ND</sup> COUGAR WHICH IS AN INTERESTING STORY IN ITSELF. I BOUGHT MY 1<sup>ST</sup> COUGAR IN SEPTEMBER 2002 FROM A GUY IN VEGAS WHO HAD ACQUIRED THE CAR FROM HIS GODFATHER (NOT THAT KINDA GODFATHER ☺). HIS GODFATHER HAD IT FROM NEW AND TURNED IT OVER TO HIM IN THE MID-80'S. AFTER DRIVING IT THROUGH COLLEGE AND A BIT THEREAFTER, THE CAR FELL INTO DISREPAIR. MOSTLY MINOR STUFF, BUT ANNOYING AND EXPENSIVE FOR SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T WORK ON THEIR OWN RIDE. THE CAR WAS RUST-FREE AND RAN WELL BUT AS SOON AS I GOT IT HOME I PUT IT UP ON BLOCKS AND REBUILT THE STEERING, SUSPENSION AND EXHAUST. I DROVE IT UNTIL JANUARY 2005 WHEN I RECEIVED A CALL FROM THE SELLER WHO ASKED ME IF I COULD FIND MY WAY TO SELLING THE CAR BACK TO HIM. SOMETHING ABOUT A DYING GODFATHER AND MAKING ME WHOLE ON THE DEAL. WELL, NOW YOU KNOW WHERE MY SAYING COMES FROM – NO BAD KARMA ON MY CAR. THERE'S NO WAY I'D EVER FEEL GOOD ABOUT DRIVING THIS GUY'S DYING GODFATHER'S CAR SO THE SEARCH WAS ON. I FOUND A REASONABLE REPLACEMENT IN JUNE 2005 DOWN IN LA. I FEEL GOOD ABOUT SELLING HIM BACK HIS CAR AND AM HAPPY WITH MINE – EVEN THOUGH I HAVEN'T DRIVEN IT.

### 1969 STANDARD COUGAR CONVERTIBLE

#### COUGAR SPECIFICATIONS

- TRIPLE BLACK W/RED STRIPING COMING.
- XR7 WIRING HARNESS AND CUSTOM DASH PIECES
- THE CAR WILL GET COBRA SEATS ONCE I GET IT RUNNING
- I HAVE NO CLUE ABOUT THE MILEAGE AND QUITE HONESTLY DON'T REALLY CARE.
- 351W, 4BBL (M CODE), FMX TRANNY, 9" REAR END (LIKE ALL 69 AND LATER COUGARS), HOOKER HEADERS & 2 ½ INCH PIPES

#### COUGAR HISTORY

I HAVE NO IDEA HOW MANY OWNERS, BUT ITS AT LEAST THREE (3): ME, THE GUY FROM WHOM I BOUGHT IT, AND THE GUY FROM WHOM HE BOUGHT IT. I THINK THAT GUY GOT IT FROM A LADY WHO LET IT SIT FOR A WHILE. I TOOK TITLE IN JUNE 2005.

**RESTORATION HISTORY**

**WHAT HAVE I DONE TO THE COUGAR? THAT'S WHAT MY WIFE KEEPS SAYING, BUT IT'S SAID W/MORE "EMPHASIS", LIKE: "WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO THE COUGAR?!! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU!! ARE WE EVER GOING TO DRIVE THAT THING?!!" :-D**

**EVERYONE HAS THEIR THING, OURS IS COUGAR. EACH OF US HAS A DIFFERENT VISION OF WHAT THE COUGAR IS TO US. I'M A RESTO-MOD KINDA GUY, WHILE OTHERS PREFER FACTORY RESTORATION. I GUESS IF I HAD A SPECIAL VERSION SUCH AS A 428CJ CONVERTIBLE, I'D BE MORE INCLINED TOWARDS A TRADITIONAL RESTORATION, BUT THAT'S NOT ME ANYWAYS. I'LL STICK W/THE DRIVER THAT I CAN MAKE MINE.**

**WE CAN MAKE THIS CLUB ANYTHING WE WANT. FOR ME THE STRAY CATS IS MY WAY TO SHARE MY PASSION WITH OTHER LIKE-MINDED COUGAR-HOLICS. ITS DEFINITELY MORE FUN DRIVING DOWN THE HIGHWAY W/A CARAVAN OF CATS THAN BY MY LONESOME.**

**I'VE GOT MY DREAM CAR, NOW I'VE JUST GOT TO GET HER RUNNING ☺**

**MEETING MINUTES:****MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup> MEETING IN FAIRFIELD**

**INTERNET: STEPHEN TOUMI HAS COMPLETED THE SITE UPDATE AND IT LOOKS GREAT!!**

**SPRING COUGAR RUN: THANKS TO ERIC**

THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE MEETING WAS TO DECIDE ON THE DESTINATION FOR THE INAUGURAL SPRING COUGAR RUN. WE AGREED ON A HALF MOON BAY EXCURSION. THE PLAN IS TO MEET ON THE SAN MATEO-SIDE OF THE SAN MATEO BRIDGE AROUND LUNCHTIME THEN MAKE OUR WAY ALONG RT92 TO SKYLINE DRIVE, SOUTH TO RT84, WEST TO THE COAST, THEN NORTH ON RT1 TO PACIFICA WHERE WE'LL MEET @ ROCKN' ROBS FOR AN EARLY DINNER & SHOW. OUR STARTING POINT IS ARMADILLO WILLY'S BARBEQUE 2260 BRIDGEPOINTE PKWY, SAN MATEO, CA 94404-1569 (650) 571-7427 @ 12:00 FOR A REASONABLE MEETING SPOT AND A PLACE FOR SOME OF US TO GET A LUNCH.

**FROM SAN JOSE:**

TAKE THE US-101 NORTH EXIT TOWARD SF - GO 25.9 MI  
TAKE THE CA-92 EXIT TOWARD HAYWARD/SAN MATEO BR - GO 0.8 MI  
TAKE THE MARINERS ISLAND BLVD EXIT TOWARD EDGEWATER BLVD - GO 0.3 MI  
TURN RIGHT ON MARINERS ISLAND BLVD - GO 0.4 MI  
TURN RIGHT ON FASHION ISLAND BLVD - GO 0.2 MI  
CONTINUE ON BRIDGEPOINTE PKY - GO 0.1 MI

**FROM SACRAMENTO:**

I-80 WEST BECOMES I-580 EAST - GO 0.3 MI  
TAKE RIGHT FORK ONTO I-880 SOUTH TOWARD ALAMEDA/SAN JOSE - GO 18.3 MI  
TAKE THE CA-92 EXIT TOWARD SAN MATEO BR - GO 12.4 MI  
TAKE THE MARINERS ISLAND BLVD/EDGEWATER BLVD EXIT TOWARD FASHION ISLAND BLVD - GO 0.3 MI  
TURN RIGHT ON FASHION ISLAND BLVD - GO 0.1 MI  
CONTINUE ON BRIDGEPOINTE PKY - GO 0.1 MI  
ARRIVE AT 2260 BRIDGEPOINTE PKWY, SAN MATEO, ON THE RIGHT

**NCCC:** BY THE WAY, NCCC MEMBERS HEARD ABOUT OUR SPRING COUGAR RUN AND A FEW WANT TO JOIN. I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM W/THIS, BUT THOUGHT I SHOULD BRING THIS UP AND SEE IF ANYONE HAS OBJECTIONS TO THEIR PARTICIPATION.

**ANNUAL REGIONAL PICNIC:** LEVIN PARK, MILPITAS IS SET FOR THE 22<sup>ND</sup> OF JULY. WE NEED TO CONCLUDE THE CATAGORIES AND BREAKOUTS FOR THE "JUDGING". STEVE EIZEN MENTIONED THAT CCOA NO LONGER REQUIRES JUDGING TO GET SPONSOR MONEY FROM CCOA. WE SHOULD CONSIDER ASKING FOR SOME SPONSORING FROM CCOA TO HELP FUND SOME OF THE COUGAR FUN. SINCE THE MARCH MEETING WE'VE BEEN WORKING W/NCCC TO SETTLE ON THE CLASSES AND TROPHIES FOR THE PICNIC. WE WILL CONCLUDE, FOR BETTER OR WORSE, W/THIS BY OUR NEXT MEETING.

**FUN FORD SUNDAY:** 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SHOW, SOLANO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, VALLEJO, CA. I WENT TO THE MEETING IN PLEASANTON MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>. WE WENT OVER THE KEY ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE SHOW. THERE WERE MEMBERS FROM MOST, IF NOT ALL, OF THE FORD & MERCURY CLUBS IN THE BAY AREA. THEY'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR 10 YEARS, SO IT WASN'T LIKE THIS WASN'T MOSTLY DONE. I DID GET A SAY WHEN THE ISSUE OF T-SHIRT PHOTOS AND LOGOS CAME UP. I SAT AND LISTENED MOSTLY, BUT WAS ASKED NEAR THE END OF THE 45 MINUTE DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW I FELT (AS THIS WAS MY 1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING). AS A RESULT, THE COUGAR IS GOING TO BE ON THE FRONT OF THIS YEAR'S T-SHIRT AND IN 2007 WE GET A COLOR POSITION ON THE BACK (WAS ALREADY PLANNED). WE WILL NEED TO PRE-ORDER SOME SHIRTS. THIS IS A GREAT SHOW AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTICIPATING THIS YEAR LET'S MAKE A GREAT SHOWING. I HOPE I'VE DONE YOU PROUD!! ☺

THERE'S A COUPLE OF LOCAL CHARITIES FOR WHICH WE DONATE SOME OF THE PROCEEDS AND THIS YEAR THERE'LL BE A QUILT THAT GETS RAFFLED OFF. ELIZABETH WILL MAKE THE QUILT AND INCLUDE EACH OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S T-SHIRTS AS PART OF THE QUILT. SHE ALSO IS LOOKING FOR T-SHIRTS OR SHIRTS FROM EACH CLUB. DENNIS PEROCIER HAS ALREADY OFFERED A COUPLE OF SHIRTS FOR THE CAUSE.

**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:** STEVE TOUMI'S IDEA (AND A GOOD ONE). STEVE WOULD LIKE TO SPOTLIGHT A MEMBER AND THEIR CAT ON THE WEBSITE. A STORY ABOUT WHAT IT IS, HOW YOU GOT IT, AND WHY YOU KEEP IT. ITS GREAT WAY FOR MEMBERS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT EACH OTHER AND WHAT THEY HAVE IN COMMON ABOUT COUGARS (OR EVEN THE DIFFERENCES). FOR THOSE MONTHS WHEN WE DON'T HAVE AN ARTICLE, WE CAN PUT THE MEMBER SPOTLIGHT IN THE NEWSLETTER. SINCE THERE WAS NO ARTICLE, I DECIDED TO SPOTLIGHT MYSELF TO START THINGS OFF (HOPE YOU DON'T MIND!)

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### CARS FOR SALE

67 Cougar Dan Gurney Special. The car is in pretty good shape. Minor tears to the seat, some dings to the exterior paint in front, minor door dings, etc. Car is located in Fair Oaks near Sacramento. For details call Jeff Kaiser at 916.715.8305 or email KAISERJ@Nationwide.com. Photos available if interested. 4/06

1967 Cougar GT, not stock, new 390 motor, less than 500 miles, runs great. New factory carpet, new dash, new window mechanisms & weather seals, Alpine sound system, custom chrome mag wheels. Painted (dark blue) about 15 years ago, could use new paint. Body is straight, no vinyl roof. Call: Rich (408) 369-0601 make offer. 1/06

### PARTS FOR SALE

1969 351W 4bbl engine complete w/FMX transmission \$400.00 or trade for useable 428 short block. Call Bruce at (209) 723-0543 after 6:00 PM (Merced, CA) 4/06

Set of 5 14X6 Cougar styled steel wheels complete with caps 1969-70 version. \$350.00 or best offer. Call Bruce at (209) 723-0543 after 6:00 PM (Merced, CA) 4/06

Drivers' door glass and vent window for 1968 Cougar. Call Mark Demieville at 415-382-8755 and make an offer. 4/06

Set of 1967 Cougar wire wheel covers in decent condition for \$150. Six 1967 Cougar standard wheel covers, 4 are decent enough for daily driver for \$80. Call: Dennis at (415) 621-7648 or via email at: [dsp1968@earthlink.net](mailto:dsp1968@earthlink.net). 1/06

Stock 4V intake manifold for 351 Windsor, needs cleaning up, \$150.00, 8-inch rear end with 3.55 ratio, does have slight howl to it, \$150. Please call Chris evenings at (510) 632-3952. 1/06

Set of 4, Goodyear Eagle GTII tires, size 215-60R14, nearly new condition with less than 200 miles of use. \$250 for the set. Call Dennis at (510) 526-7987 or Email at [Dens68Cat@aol.com](mailto:Dens68Cat@aol.com) 1/06

### PARTS WANTED

Big-block radiator, 3-row in good condition, 1967-1970 Cougars. Call John Swanson at 415-760-6382. 4/06

Complete rear speaker deck and supports for 1968 Cougar. Must be nonmolested and removed at the tack welds. Call David Morton at 916-635-9176 4/06

Drivers' fender for a '69 Cougar. Call: Mark Demieville at (415) 382-8755. 2/06

72 Cougar Power Rear Window. Should be the same for 1969-1973 Cougar and 1971-1973 Mustang. Contact Charlie, email [csb120@earthlink.net](mailto:csb120@earthlink.net) 4/06

Parts wanted for 1968 XR7: Clock/Radio Cover (black), dash vents (left and right), heater switch panel and cables, heater core, fan motor, emergency relay (in trunk), beauty rings for styled steel wheels. Also, have 1968 Tilt Column Steering Wheel for sale, price is negotiable. Call Mikey at (707) 425-9572 home or (707) 372-9096 cell. 1/06

1969 XR-7 Instrument cluster, complete woodgrain. Call: Darren Aquino at (707) 557-3618. 1/06

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Please keep us up to date on your ads! We will run ads for three (3) months unless otherwise notified. To update your ads, or place an ad, drop us a note at the club P.O. box or at [info@classiccougar.net](mailto:info@classiccougar.net). Thanks.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

MILLIE SWAFFORD

AS OF MARCH 2006

Beginning Balance	\$1464.09
General Expenses	
Bank service fees	\$ 8.20
Park Reservation for show / picnic	\$ 65.50
Total General Expenses	(\$ 73.70)
General Income	
Memberships	\$ 100.00
Total General Income	\$ 100.00
CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE	\$ 1490.39
Club Merchandise	\$ 718.34
Total Club Assets	\$ 2208.73

### NEW MEMBERS

The Stray Cats Welcome:

**John Griffin**, Sandwich, Massachusetts (Cape Cod), owns a 70 Cougar 428 Convertible

**Eric Braverman**, San Francisco, CA owns a beautiful red 1970 XR-7 Convertible

## CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS

April 8, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill. 11:00 AM.
April 22, 2006	Inaugural Spring Cougar Run – Half Moon Bay. Armadillo Willy's Barbeque, 2260 Bridgepointe Pkwy San Mateo CA 94404 (650) 571-7427. 12:00PM
May 13, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 3336 N. Texas Street, Fairfield. 11:00 AM.
June 10, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill. 11:00 AM.
July 8, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 3336 N. Texas Street, Fairfield. 11:00 AM.
July 22, 2006	Annual Regional Picnic – Ed Levin Park. (408) 262-6980. 3100 Calaveras Rd, Milpitas, CA. Joint event w/NCCC
August 12, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill. 11:00 AM.
<b>September 10, 2006 Sunday</b>	Special membership meeting. Solano County Fairgrounds, Vallejo <b>8:00AM</b>
October 14, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd., Pleasant Hill. 11:00 AM.
October 2006	Catistoga. Exact date and location to be determined.
November 11, 2006	Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 3336 N. Texas Street, Fairfield. 11:00 AM.
December 9, 2006	Board of Directors meeting. <i>There will be no regular membership meeting in December.</i>

## OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

April 9, 2006	Fabulous Fords Forever. All-Ford Show, Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park. <a href="http://www.fordcarclubs.org">www.fordcarclubs.org</a>
April 30, 2006	Pacific Coast Dream Machines Show, Half Moon Bay, CA <a href="http://www.miramarevents.com/dreammachines/">http://www.miramarevents.com/dreammachines/</a>
May 20, 2006	Golden Hills Mustang Club's 22nd annual car show at the Suisun City Waterfront, Suisun CA. <a href="http://www.goldenhillsmustangclub.com">www.goldenhillsmustangclub.com</a>
May 26-28, 2006	Restomods In Reno, Reno Hilton, Reno, NV. Sponsored by Mustangs Plus of Stockton, CA. The event is open to all models of 1964 ½ to Present Mustangs and Fords from Original to Mild to Wild. Entry Fee \$30 and includes one event T-shirt and one dash plaque. Awards banquet is \$36. <a href="http://www.restomodshows.com/">www.restomodshows.com/</a>
September 10, 2006	10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Show Nor-Cal Ford Car Club Council 2006 Fun Ford Sunday. Solano County Fairgrounds, across the street from "Six Flags Marine World" in Vallejo. <a href="http://www.funfordsunday.com/">http://www.funfordsunday.com/</a>

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## WHO ARE THE STRAY CATS?

The Mercury Stray Cats Classic Cougar Car Club is a non-profit organization founded in 1993. The club is made up of Cougar enthusiasts dedicated to the restoration, preservation and enjoyment of classic Mercury Cougars (1967-73).

The club produces a monthly newsletter and organizes shows, events and outings throughout the year. Monthly meetings are also held for members and interested parties to exchange ideas, ask questions, plan events, and socialize with other Cougar enthusiasts.

### MEETING PLACES:

Round Table Pizza, 3336 North Texas Street, Fairfield.

Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd, Pleasant Hill.

### EARN STRAY CASH!

Stray Cash is club money. Club members who are responsible for joining received one (1) Stray Cash Dollar for each member referred. Stray Cash Dollars are redeemable for all club products, outings, events and dues.

Get out there and sign up a few new members so that you too can earn Stray Cash Dollars!

### CLUB MERCHANDISE

Show your Stray Cats Pride by wearing our merchandise! We've just restocked our inventory and have plenty of shirts and hats.

**Shirts:** \$30 each plus \$4 shipping

**Hat:** \$10 each plus \$4 shipping

**Hat & Shirt Combo:** \$40 plus \$6 shipping

Contact Millie Swafford, Club Treasurer, to order yours today!

## MEMBER DISCOUNTS

### CUSTOM AUTO BODY

1150 Erickson Road, Concord, CA 94520 Specializes in framework as well as paint and bodywork. (925) 676-4521 10% OFF  
Ask for Lou.

### FUEL DOOR REFURBISH

185 Quaker Meeting House Road, East Sandwich, MA 02537. Beautifully refurbished fuel doors for 69/70 Cougars. See John's work on eBay or email him for estimates to refurbish yours. Email John @ [johnnycougar428@msn.com](mailto:johnnycougar428@msn.com)

### TRED SHED

50 Bliss Avenue, Pittsburg, CA 94565 (925) 432-3422 Full Service auto repair (excluding smog and A/C). Specializing in suspension, alignment, and tires. 10% discount on parts and labors (excluding tires). Ask for Craig Schoenthaler.

### VINTAGE AUTO RADIO

30422 Mountain Lane, Waterford, WI 53185. (262) 514-3811.

[www.vintageautoradio.com](http://www.vintageautoradio.com)

The original electronics are replaced with a new high power digital stereo receiver designed to work with the original mechanical tuner and controls. Ask for Steve.

**Remember to ALWAYS present your current STRAY CATS MEMBERSHIP CARD before ordering or having services performed.**



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## Membership Renewal Form

Dear Stray Cats Member:

It is time again to renew your membership. We hope you enjoy the club. We encourage you to attend the monthly meetings. We would like you to contribute to the newsletter with articles and news of your Cougar. Your ideas make the club stronger. And, we look forward to another year of activities and fun.

*Annual Dues: United States = \$20.00 - International = \$25.00*

**Make check payable to: Stray Cats**

**Mail signed form and check to: Mercury Stray Cats - PO Box 41 - Fairfield, CA 94533-0004**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

Cougars owned or wanted:

\_\_\_\_\_

### WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration of acceptance of the right to participate, Club members, by the execution of the waiver form, release and discharge the Mercury Stray Cats Classic Cougar Automobile Club, and its officers, directors, employees, agents, representatives, and servants and anyone else connected with management or presentation of any and all club meetings, shows swap meets, events, outings, clinics or functions from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any Club member, member's family, friends, guests, or acquaintances to his/her person or property. Further, each Club member expressly agrees to indemnify all of the foregoing entities, firms, persons, and bodies of and from any and all liability occasioned or resulting from the conduct of a Club member, member's family, friends, guests or acquaintances or participant assisting or cooperating with the Club member, member's family, friends, guests, or acquaintances and under the direction of control of a Club member, member's family, friends, guests or acquaintances.

*Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, April 8, 2006:** Regular membership meeting. Round Table Pizza, 1938 Oak Park Blvd, Pleasant Hill, CA. New time: 11:00 AM.

**Saturday, April 22, 2006:** Inaugural Spring Cougar Run. Meeting @ Armadillo Willy's Barbeque, 2260 Bridgepointe Pkwy, San Mateo, CA 94404 (650) 571-7427. 12:00PM

***It's time to renew your membership! See the enclosed renewal application for details.***



P.O. Box 41  
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**First Class Mail**

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