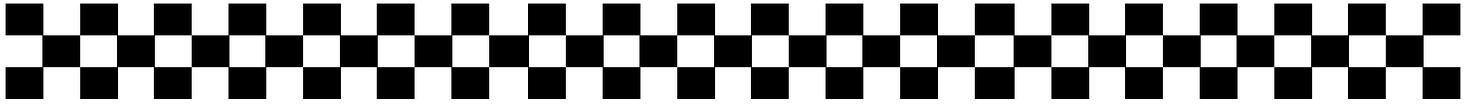


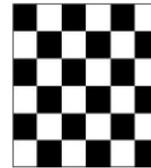
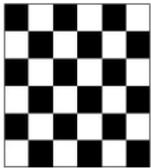
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2010 Convention Plans Updated

Check it out!

The 2010 National Convention will be held Friday, June 18 through Sunday morning, June 20 in Lima, Ohio. It will be at the newly renovated Howard Johnson Lima, 1925 Rochester Avenue, Lima, OH, 45004, phone 419-222-0004. The total is conveniently located immediately off I-75 at exit 125-4.

28 rooms have been reserved from Thursday night, June 17 through Saturday night, June 19. To reserve your room at the discounted rate, you must call the hotel directly at 419-222-8894 and specify code "CCC" (Checker Car Club) to get the special \$59 a night rate. (Check-in time is 3 PM) and check-out time is by 12:00 noon.

There are multiple events going on in Lima, OH the weekend of the convention, including a Hally-Devilless event. Rooms MUST be reserved before May 17, 2010. Any rooms not claimed will be released on May 12 and there is already a waiting list for the Hally group...so if you don't reserve a room, you'll be sleeping the back seat of your car (like a certain U-Haul distributor did in Halloween one year!).

The traditional Saturday night dinner will be held at "The Barn Out Back" and it will be a buffet for \$17.00 per person, all inclusive.

Friday afternoon we will tour the University of Northwood Ohio's High Performance Motor Sports Facility. This is a one of a kind training facility and many of the graduates go on to work at NASCAR. Friday evening will go out to the races, the University operates a pit track where they race sprint and modified cars, giving the students real hands on experience. Saturday morning we get a chance to see Superior Coach Division of Acoland. Acoland was formed by a merger of Superior Coach who have built a wide variety of custom vehicles since 1923 and S & S Coach who have built custom vehicles since 1970. The Lima location specializes in funeral coaches and related vehicles.

The 2010 convention registration form is now available online as a PDF.

[2010 National Convention Registration Form](#)

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Submissions can be emailed to jweinhoef@checkercarclub.org or mailed to the editor's address listed above.

GREETINGS FROM THE EDITOR

July, 2010

Since this issue had to be at the printers before the 2010 National Convention in Lima, OH., coverage of that event will be in the Fall 2010 issue.

This newsletter is smaller than normal by eight pages. The Fall newsletter will be larger than normal, in order to accommodate convention coverage. The article about riding in Earl Johnson's NYC cab just a couple of weeks before it was retired and sold at auction was also delayed to the Fall issue; it is still to be translated. Can't understand why a college student would think final exams are more important than getting the translation done for the newsletter.

Speaking of Earl Johnson, if anyone knows his current mailing address, please forward it to me. The author of the article wanted me to try to send a copy of the article to Earl.

Thanks to several members who took the time to write me, we have additional information about Checker's participation in auto shows. You can find that article on pages 4 and 5.

A non-member, Wayne Carey, contributed the information found on page 6. You can also see two of his photos in color on the back cover.

Occasionally I receive questions about the newsletter. You can read my answers on pages 7 and 8.

We can always use more articles. You can help by contributing stories and personal photographs. Don't worry about the structure; just get the content down and we will edit it for you.

Ideally, submissions will be in electronic format, although we also accept hard copy by mail. Photos should be original. All electronic submissions should be sent to: jweinhoef@checkercardub.org

We improve by comments from our readers. If you like what you see, tell us. If you don't like what you see, tell us also. I can be reached at the address on the left or by phone: (Home) 217-744-2986, (Verizon Cell) 217-494-2986
John Weinhoef

About the cover ...

The front cover is a screen shot of the new, improved web site's home page. You can read more about it on page 9.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

July, 2010

By the time this is printed, the National Checker Car Show in Lima, Ohio will be history. If you attended, you know what a convention it was. If you did not go, plan on Springfield, IL next year.

At the time of this writing, we have over 70 people registered for Lima. We will have a different venue with two cruises at 50's style dinners. We will tour a plant that makes hearses, visit a University and a 1/4 mile dirt race track run by the University. The Banquet will be a buffet with reasonable prices, and what about the bargain we had at the hotel?

Your Board of Directors in 2006 voted to have a meet every year. This has helped the Club get more exposure and some new members. Remember that all of the Board meeting are open to any member. Also, if you would like to be on the Board, please let me know.

Some of you have to be reminded that the Board also moved the date to renew your dues to February each year. A lot of people forgot and it makes it very difficult to mail late renewals, and the cost to the club is higher. Go ahead and mark your calendars for February now for renewal in 2011.

At the Los Angeles meet, The Board voted to

update the Checker Taxi Stand website. This has not been done since 1995. This project has taken longer than planned, but we hope to have it 100% done by the time you read this. (Ed note: as I was finishing proof-reading the newsletter on June 1, the site is up and running.)

With the Checker Factory going to the ground, we (CCCoA) are all that is left of Checker. Spread the word about the Club and get your car out to the car shows.

If you did not go to Lima, look at the green registration form that was in your last Newsletter. We have yellow Baseball Hats at \$12.00 each plus 100% cotton yellow Polo Shirts for \$20.00 and \$22.00 (sizes 2X and 3X); add \$5.00 shipping per item. Help support the Club.

If you have any comments, questions, or even a criticism, feel free to contact me. My address and email are on the inside cover. Home phone: 269-782-0635, Cell phone: 269-462-3444.

Ron Leatz

Below: Ron Leatz driving his Checker last fall.
Photo by his daughter, Donna Koprek.



FOLLOWUP - CHECKER MOTORS CORPORATION DISPLAYS AT AUTO SHOWS

The story in the Spring 2010 issue generated a number of responses, both about the particular photos and Checker participating in auto shows in general. With some minor editing, here are the responses in their own words:

Club member Denny Jackson:

I enjoyed your article on Checker displays at auto shows.

I can tell you that the man on the right of the cover picture is Earl Finn. Earl ran Checker Motors Sales Corp and Cab Service and Parts Corp (both wholly owned subsidiaries of Checker) in Detroit @ 15631 Plymouth Road. The man in the middle was a salesman, but his name escapes me at the moment. I think it was Frank ... Can't remember ... Frank Cook was the man next to Earl Finn.

I know for a fact that Checker was at the Chicago Auto show because I helped out on that one in 1969 I believe, and I am quite sure they were in the New York auto show also.

Cab Service and Checker Motors Sales in Detroit closed in the summer of 1970 and moved all of their parts inventory to Cab Service and Parts Corp. in Kalamazoo. Earl Finn came to Kazoo to run that operation till it ceased dealing with the public after car production ceased in July 82.

I know all this because I worked at Cab Service Kazoo from Jan 68 till April 82 as parts manager. When I started there, David Markin's office was across the hall and down about 10 feet from the parts department, so I worked with or knew most all the people who made the company run from the manufacturing end to the sales and service end. It was a great company to work for and had some of the finest people I have ever worked with to this day. Having worked there from age 18 until I was almost 33, I have many fond memories of the company.

P.S. I am in my 26th year with General Motors as a Stationary Engineer in powerhouse operations. I love the auto business and have been lucky enough to have been involved in it for 40 years of my life, so far.

Club member Lars Wennerqvist:

Hello over there; I've just read the articles about CMC's auto shows in US during the years. I suddenly recalled that I have some photos from the Stockholm Automobile Show on February 17 1962. Among lots of people, Volvos, MGs, Austins, Morris



and other makes you can see a 6 door Aerobus behind the rope!!! There were some comments in the papers and some laughs at the show, but one of our most fa-



mous body workers, Nordberg, says: "Interesting, so many passengers in such a compact car!!!" You can see a part of this in a magazine I've previously sent to Ben



Merkel and to Terry Vaught I believe. MHS magazine with my black/red A12 on front page. (I need to check

but I think Lars also sent the editor a copy.) I have 4 small b/w photos from the show if there are of any interest (Ed. Note: those photos are included here).

Next, have you heard of a Checker Washington 6 doors SEDAN!!!! 1962 model year. I have a photo showing this beautiful limousine, could it have been manipulated or did some body worker.....??? (Ed. Note: Lars and I had an email exchange about the Checker "school bus" conversions but he is sure the 6 door sedan was not one of those conversions.)

Club member Fred Kossegi:

1. I had an 1969 A-11E from 1969 thru 1984 with six kids using those rear doors and never had a problem.
2. AMC acquired Kaiser Jeep Corporation on 2/05/70. (Standard Catalog of American Cars 1946-1975)
3. In 1969 Checker participated in the New York City Auto Show displaying several entries including a MediCar.
4. The Suffolk County Police Department in New York had at least one Checker patrol car during late 1960's.

Thanks to everyone who took the time to write and comment on the auto show article.



THE FUN OF OWNING A CHECKER IS DRIVING IT

by John Weinhoft

As any Checker owner can attest, half the fun of owning a Checker is driving it. You never know who you will meet or what stories you will hear.

Recently I drove over to a local Long John Silvers for lunch. When I came outside after lunch, there was a person photographing the car and waiting for the owner to show up. Turned out it was a tour bus driver by the name of Wayne Carey and his hobby is photographing interesting cars he sees when driving around



Wayne with his tour bus

the country. We talked about my car, his job, etc. and exchanged contact information. A couple of weeks later Wayne sent me several emails with a bunch of photos he had taken of Checkers.

Here is Wayne's email:

John, I stepped out of my hotel in Santa Barbara, California for a short walk to the Venue and there was a beautiful Yellow Checker Cab - we got talking and I took the cab to the Theater.

I told him a little about you and I took pictures and then he sent me more pictures. I am sending this letter to both of you so you can communicate. I love your cars. I will send both of you any Checker cars I spot on my journeys.

Oscar, I have added the photos that I took of your cab that night. I am sending another email to

both of you of the little movies.

I hope to get to one of the rally's soon, I am in Phoenix, heading to Amarillo, then Portland, Oregon. then San Diego.

Wayne the Bus Driver. goldenbus@gmail.com

Here are a few of Wayne's Checker photos:



Wayne shot this yellow working Checker April 15, 2010 in Sanata Barbara - driver Herman is behind the wheel



Wayne shot this green Aerobus August 15, 2007 - according to his notes, it was a "Lake Front First Bus"



Wayne shot this light gray Checker December 7, 2003 - it's different with both a roof and a trunk luggage rack

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER?

by John Weinhoef

I get a number of questions about the newsletter. I will attempt to answer some of them here.

Why didn't the editor use my article?

Generally speaking, an article did not get used for one of these reasons:

- 1) It was cut out from a magazine or newspaper and the editor was unable to obtain reprint permission.
- 2) A substantially identical article was recently used and the submitted article did not contain any new information.
- 3) Space limitations did not permit inclusion in the current issue. Often, the article will be used in the subsequent newsletter.
- 4) The editor lost your article. As much as I hate to admit it, that does happen. I receive a huge amount of email and sometimes I miss one or I misfile it. I also receive a fair amount of postal mail. I try to review everything submitted and file articles for future publication ... but things do fall through the cracks. I would much rather publish articles written by other people than write articles from scratch on a short deadline; it's a lot easier to just edit up a submission.

Years ago I sent an article to one of the previous editors but my article was never used. Do I need to resubmit it for publication?

Yes, you do.

Where do I send articles and photos?

Electronic submissions can be emailed to either jweinhoef@checkercarclub.org or john_weinhoef@comcast.net

Letters and photos can be mailed to:

John Weinhoef
2525 S Glenwood Avenue
Springfield, IL, 62704-4535

All photos and other original material such as prints, brochures, etc. will be copied and returned. Sometimes I am a bit slow in copying the material, but eventually I do get around to it and mail it back.

Why don't you use more color photos in the newsletter?

I would love to use more color photos. Unfortunately, even with commercial processes, color is very expensive to print. The cost of doing just two pages in color (the front and back cover) is about the same as printing the other 18 pages in black and white. The newsletter budget just doesn't stretch far enough to do more color pages on a regular basis.

Why does the size sometimes vary?

Sometimes there are articles too big to easily fit in one issue and still include other items of interest. One example of this is the annual membership list; at 16 pages for the roster, if I limited that issue to 20 pages, there would be no room for anything else. While I could split up large articles, most readers would prefer to read the entire article in one sitting.

Other times, like this issue, I don't have enough articles to fill 20 pages. So, since I know I will have both the large Earl Johnson article and convention coverage for the next issue, I decided to shorten this issue and expand the October issue.

Why does my newsletter show up on a different date or why does it seem to take forever to get the latest issue?

Newsletters are scheduled for April, July, October and January. It is our goal to deliver the newsletter to your home during the first two weeks of the month it is due. To accomplish this, the newsletter is sent to the printer's no later than the 15th of the previous month and normally delivered to the mailing service about the 23rd of the month, with the newsletter being mailed on or before the first of the scheduled month.

There are a number of items that are beyond the control of the editor. Printing equipment breaks down and sometimes parts have to be ordered. The mailing service is sometimes very busy and can't get to

our order immediately ... but they rarely cause a delay. Then there is the post office. In order to save the club substantial money, the mailing service uses their bulk rate permit and bundles up the newsletter by delivery area, etc. When the newsletter is dropped off at the post office, the post office then has to verify the weight and count before processing. Sometimes the shipment just sits on the post office loading dock for one or more days before it is processed. Once it is processed and shipped to your local post office, if it is a heavy mail day, some postmen have been known to skip over handing bulk rate items until a lighter day. Lastly, if you are located in Chatsworth, CA ... the newsletter falls into a black hole and will emerge whenever it feels like it.

Are back issues available?

You can view every issue ever published on the web site in the photo gallery. If you want a hard copy, some copies of older newsletters are still available. If you want a specific newsletter that is not in stock, the editor has a personal collection of almost all newsletters and can make a copy. Costs vary depending on availability.

Is the editor paid?

No, it is a volunteer position. The only "payment" the editor receives is reimbursement for out of pocket postage to mail newsletters to newly joined members and to mail back issues.

CHECKER DEALERS FOLLOW-UP

We continue to get follow-up letters about Checker dealerships. Here is one from club member Randy Atkin.

Been wanting to contact you for some time. The reason for this message is in regards to your article about Checker dealerships in the summer 2009 issue. If I read your article correctly, on page 15 you are questioning if a dealership existed in Detroit at the corner of Plymouth and Evergreen streets. Yes, there was one there and I am 99% sure it is the building you have a photo of on that page. I know, as I purchased my first car there in 1968, a used 1964 Marathon A12, black exterior, blue interior, with a 283 V8 and overdrive. Actually it was a graduation gift from my parents. I don't live that close to Detroit area anymore, but the picture of the building is exactly as I remember it with the two overhead doors. On page 16 you list it as Cab Service & Parts Division, 15631 Plymouth Rd. I recall it did seem as if they were a Checker owned distributorship, as they only sold Checkers and had a fairly good sized building and service area and parts department. I don't believe there was a dealership on Grand River in Farmington Hills, Michigan, which is a suburb of Detroit, as mentioned in your article, as this is where I actually lived at the time. The only other one remotely close was in Ann Arbor, MI but I don't remember anything about it.

JULY 9th IS 'COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY'

(condensed from SEMA press release dated May 10, 2010)

United States Senate Resolution 513 declared July 9, 2010 as 'Collector Car Appreciation Day'. This designation was obtained through the efforts of the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) and the Automotive Restoration Market Organization (ARMO) Council. The resolution is intended to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. It was sponsored by Congressional Automotive Performance and Motorsports Caucus members Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC). These Senators have been strong advocates for the automotive hobby in Washington, and S. Res. 513 reaffirms their understanding of the cultural importance of collector cars. The Caucus is an informal, non-partisan group that pays tribute to America's ever growing love affair with the car and motorsports. The Caucus recognizes the integral role collector cars have played in fostering our nation's appreciation for motorsports.

WEB SITE UPDATED:

As a many members may have noticed, the web site was getting slow and dated. The web site was running on an older server seriously in need of update and was becoming increasingly vulnerable to new virus and other hijacking threats. Plus there was the desire to provide some added functionality.

Matt Fry, owner/founder of the Checker Taxi Stand website, put together a plan to upgrade it, including moving it to a new server, to remedy the problems and improve the user-experience. And while the upgrade did take longer than expected (security concerns forced some upgrades to be implemented sooner than originally planned and this resulted in some site features being temporarily disabled), the new site, including a shiny new paint-job, launched on June 1st.

Here's how it looks:



Things are looking good. There is a new, fresh look while retaining the flavor of the original site. And while there is still a bit of data conversion left to complete (there are almost 8,000 messages on the message board and over 7,000 images in the photo galleries alone!), most if not all of it should be humming along by show time.

2010 CONVENTION:

As of press time, there are 75 registrations for the Lima, OH convention. Since not everyone will be bringing a car and some people are attending with a spouse or significant other, it is expected that there will be about 30 Checkers in attendance.

CARS FOR SALE:

1982 Checker Marathon A12 For Sale - 1982

Checker Marathon A-12 Taxi Cab. 46k ORIGINAL fully documented miles. Never used as a taxi, hence the mileage. One of only 2000 made in 1982; the last year they were manufactured. 229ci. 3.8L V6 with automatic transmission. RUNS & DRIVES PERFECTLY. Needs a headliner, rear driver's side window is cracked and some surface rust but otherwise in amazing condition. Garage kept most its life. New Battery, Belts, Fuel Pump, Fuel Filters, Spark Plugs, Fresh Oil Change, U-Joints (front & rear), Exhaust, Muffler, ORIGINAL Checker Special door decal pair (NOT APPLIED) . YouTube video:

<http://www.youtube.com/v/YHHpg1iLLvI> Serious buyers only. No trades. \$10,500/OBO Selling to make room for other projects. Email trilogysound-crew@gmail.com

1982 Checker A-11 - Missing front windshield and weather stripping all around. Located in Pedricktown, NJ. Phone **856-376-3504** or email markcrelin20@comcast.net

1981 Checker Marathon A11 Taxi - 1981 Checker Marathon Taxi Cab with an automatic transmission and an odometer showing 38,000 miles. This Checker Marathon is equipped with the original GM 3.8 six cylinder engine that runs & drives perfectly with: Used Year Appropriate Checker Hubcaps. New working running lights, side markers lights, Two Tier Taxi Lamp Multi-Functioning, Headliner, Starter, Alternator, Window Channels, Window Sweeps, Weather Stripping, Control Arms, Tires, A/C lines, New Fuel lines, Fuel filters (all three), Brakes, Turn Signal Coupling, Tail Lights, Battery, Motor Mounts, Steering Coupler, Alignment, Oxygen Sensor, Catalytic Converter, Smog Certificate, Air Vents, Heat Vent, Glove Box, Sending Unit, Paint, Interior, Checker Ribbons, Rate Card Decals, Door Decals, Sun Visors, Dash Board and Back Dash, Carpet, Floor Mats. Rebuilt Engine, Transmission, Carburetor. Refurbished Radiator & Gas Tank. Located in Reseda, CA. If you would like to view ... call for an appointment. Without question ... this is the finest Checker Taxi you could buy. Price: \$19,999 If you have any questions please email carfinder2005@yahoo.com or phone **818-609-0777**.

CARS FOR SALE:

1978 A12E "Embassy Model" - Made to look like 1960's Checker with Chrome bumpers, Grille, stainless steel side trim. New springs front & rear, beefed sway bars front and rear, 350 California engine. Just passed California Smog test, currently registered. Embassy divider between driver and rear. Original radio, AC with Freon, just serviced, new brakes, new windshield and all gaskets, and new upholstery. Located in the Los Angeles area. \$20,000. Phone **818-999-1485** or email sales@checkerparts.com

1966 327 8-door, viper yellow - need to find it a good home. Located near Rutland, VT. Phone **802-282-6020** or email partch_john@yahoo.com

1969 Aerobus - A12W8M-5101-9284, New 283 GM Motor, 350 Turbo transmission, 4 Barrel Holly carb, original gear box, original hub caps, new brakes, bearings, brake calipers. Needs glass, new upholstery, electrical hooked up. Make offer, located in Farmington, NM. Phone **505-324-9904** or email bcjohnston1@msn.com

1978 Checker Marathon - V-8 305 engine, AC and radio. 120 wheel base. Wasn't a cab. Was in movie made in Minneapolis, MN. Currently located in Duluth. Best offer. Contact Bill Drake Phone **218-343-8703**

1976 A11 - ! hate to sell the old girl, I have owned it for 14 years. Is still a daily driver. Has a 350 V8, rebuilt about 100,000 miles ago. T400 was rebuilt in 98, rear end same time frame. All front end pieces were replaced around then. Never a cab, have the original Checker AM/FM radio. It has rust in all outer fenders. The floors and rockers are quite solid. Interior very presentable. Located near Carson City, NV. \$1500.00 Phone **775-884-3925** or email studehawk@earthlink.net

1960 A10W Superba Special Station Wagon - 1960 A10W Superba Special Station Wagon. Very solid car, good driver. Low mileage rebuilt Continental OHV FO6226. I do not know of any other A10W Superba Specials in existence. Overdrive transmission, Power back seat, Photos on request. \$9,000. Located in the Los Angeles area. Phone **818-999-1485** or email sales@checkerparts.com

1982 Checker Marathon LPG - 1982 Checker, late production. Never used as taxi. V6, auto, pw/pb a/c jump seats. Restored 7 yrs ago. Opera windows. New Landau top . No rust ever. Rare factory propane powered, which can be purchased in AZ. for \$1 per gallon, after rebate. Quite a deal! Located in Phoenix, AZ. Asking \$8500 Contact Ed Torel by phone **602-768-4156** or email bkset@live.com

1977 Checker Marathon - Checker Marathon, 1977, Automatic, 82,000 miles, 5.7 Liter V8 Chevy 350 Engine, Exterior: White, Interior: Tan, Tires: New w/Warranty, AM/FM Radio, Cassette Player , Bench Seats, Power Steering, Air Conditioning. This Checker Marathon is in excellent condition. Low mileage for its age. Just put in new starter and alternator. This is a great collectors car which there are very few of these out there in such good condition. Located in Dallas, TX. \$10,000. email ricet013@yahoo.com

1978 Checker Taxicab - Was a taxi. Purchased new in Phoenix, no rust ever. Chevy 6, auto, A/C, P/S, P/B, body & paint work completed. Located in Phoenix, AZ. \$5,900 obo Ed Torel Phone **602-768-4156** or email bkset@live.com

1976 Checker Marathon Restored - Beautiful Checker Restored with new paint job, custom interior - with new upholstery, headliner, door panel skins, and rug. Hidden Stereo system in glove box with custom speaker also hidden. Engine was painted and detailed. Trunk has new rug and speaker box. This car has photos over 100 photos documenting the process. There is also a video of the car here: www.craigslistadbuilder.com/id52.html Phone **917-337-7771** or email artsela@aol.com

1972 Marathon Wagon - Low miles, completely rebuilt [oem] 350, front end overhaul, lite green, under seat heater, air conditioning, not restored but in good condition, chrome package, photo on request, SEATTLE AREA 5,500, this is a daily driver and capable of going anywhere, runs excellent and nice looking! A steal! Cash only. Phone **425-208-9697** or email jck98pt6@yahoo.com

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PARTS FOR SALE:

CHECKER PARTS New weather strip, windshields, gauges, front end parts, fenders, decals, lenses, gas tanks, more. We have a Checker only wrecking yard. Visit us at www.checkerparts.com
Or phone Joe at **818-477-4386** or **818-999-1485**

1978 Checker Parts - 2 used windshields in excellent condition. 4 doors complete, no rust. left & right front fenders, fair condition. Good trunk lid. Located in Phoenix, AZ. Priced to sell. Ed Torel Phone **602-768-4156** or email bkset@live.com

Checker Roof Decal Set - Newest improved design, fully tested. Fits 1956 thru 1982 A-9, A-10, A-11, A-12 and all "E" Models. \$125 shipping included to US Address. Phone **818-999-1485** or email sales@checkerparts.com

Main fare box - new about \$650-\$700. Would look good in a A-11 Taxi. Will be at Lima, OH. \$300.00 Ron Leatz 269-782-0635 or email rrlfire@aol.com

Hub caps - 4 late model Checker Marathon hub caps. Phone **602-793-1763** or email con2010ny@yahoo.com

CARS WANTED:

Looking To Buy Checker - Located in NYC, looking to buy shiny mint checker setup as NYC taxi with low miles. email brooklynmark@gmail.com

8 door Checker - Wanted 8 door Checker cab, prefer good driver and good body but will consider one that needs work. Would like it to be close to Minneapolis MN. but would travel for the perfect car. **612-788-2044**

PARTS WANTED:

Parts Needed For 1969 Marathon - Need black steering wheel & horn ring. My wheel is badly cracked & missing horn ring. This is the old style wheel, not the GM style as on later models. Also hood latch assy, (1) front armrest, & (2) window crank handles. Call after 7:00 PM Eastern time. **810-982-8929**

CLUB MEMORABILIA:

Literature For Sale - Checker Cab Photo History - book by J. Hinkley \$15, 1963 Sales Brochure #B101, 12 pgs, \$10, "New Power Comes To Checker" 1964 brochure, \$10, Parts Catalog Nov. 1963 Models A11, A11L, A12, A12L, A12W, photocopy in binder, 336 pgs, \$65, Parts Catalog Supplement 1 Models A9, A9L, A10, A10L, photocopy in binder, \$20, Checkerboard News Spring 2006 through Summer 2009, 10 issues, \$25. All plus postage. Contact Andrew Harvey **814-226-6956 evenings**

Club logo belt buckles \$8.00, Logo patches \$2.50, Window decals \$1.50. All shipped First Class, Postpaid. Contact Don McHenry, 469 Tremaine Ave., Kenmore, NY, 14217-2537

RENTALS :

Worldwide Checker Rentals - Worldwide Checker rentals for the movie industry, television industry, and promotional projects. 30 years experience. References available. Email Joe at sales@checkerparts.com, visit www.checkerparts.com or phone: **818-999-1485**

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DETAILING SERVICES:

Ben's Automotive Painting Service - Specializing in the painting of Checker Motor Corporation Hood Emblems and Hubcap Emblems. For more information, please phone **207-847-3218** or email: bspaul41@yahoo.com

Another 1950 Checker Found



In 2002, only about eight or nine pre-1960 Checkers were known to exist. In the past eight years, close to sixteen additional old Checkers have been found, including several one-of-a-kind examples. These photos show the newest “barn find”, a 1950 model. While in rough shape, it is thought to be restorable. By the time you read this, it should be “home” and residing with several other old Checkers.



Below: More of Wayne Carey's Checker photos, an A-128-E 'Town and Country' art car and a A-12W8 'Aerobus'

