

# THE WANADA BULLETIN

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**\*\*2003 Washington Auto Show/Snow Ball Report\*\***

## 2003 Show Opens to Enthusiastic Crowds

*Saving the Best for Last Auto Show at 9th & H Streets WCC*



By Saturday afternoon, long lines of enthusiastic auto consumers stretched around the Washington Convention Center, promising a memorable sendoff for the last Washington Auto Show at the soon to be replaced facility.

Despite a near miss snow storm and a mid-week opening, large crowds of enthusiastic auto buffs, shoppers and families seeking holiday fun thronged to The Washington Auto Show for a “last hurrah” at the current Washington Convention Center before transitioning to the new center next year.

With the theme “Driving the Future,” the 61<sup>st</sup> Washington Auto Show offers eight acres showcasing over 500 new models, prototypes and

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## Snow Ball Raises Another Six Figure Purse for Boys & Girls Clubs



**Merrymakers at the 2003 Washington Auto Show Snow Ball**

“We can think of no better way to celebrate the resilience and strength of our nation and our industry than to help provide a better future for our youth,” said Tammy Darvish, chairman of The 2003

Snow Ball, which, for the second year in a row, raised more than \$125,000 for the benefit of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington. To date,

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## 2003 SNOW BALL

## Snow Ball

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The Washington Auto Show has raised nearly \$1 million for the clubs.

Sponsored by First Virginia Credit Services and *The Washington Post*, this year's Snow Ball was attended by over 700 invited guests, including dealers and industry VIPs and scores of elected officials from D.C., Maryland, Virginia and the federal level.

The Ritz Carlton, Washington, provided an elegant backdrop for one of Washington's premier black tie events, topped off with great entertainment by the renowned Washington dance band Spectrum. A silent auction helped push WANADA to its fundraising goal, organized by BGCGW.



Clockwise from upper left: In fine fiddle, a string quartet entertains guests at the reception. Browsing for bargains at the silent auction.

Tammy Darvish, Snow Ball chairman, welcomes guests to the gala. Kate Lindsay with Auto Show Chairman Chip Lindsay.



**Table Tableau: (From the left) WANADA Counsel Allen Jones (seated); Jack Ticer and Va. Sen. Patsy Ticer (standing); Crystal Newsome and Jeff McKay, chief of staff, Fairfax Supervisor Dana Kauffman (seated); Don and Chris Hall, VADA (standing, center); and Va. Del. Bob Hull with wife Laura.** Below, Md. Sen. Jennie Forehand chatting with Rich Parsons, Mont. Co. Chamber, and Gerry Murphy of WANADA, WANADA Chairman Vince Sheehy with Congresswoman Connie Morella and her husband Tony; T.J. Byrd of ExxonMobil and wife Julia.



## 2003 SNOW BALL

# Rockin' at the Ritz

To the irresistible rhythms of the dance band Spectrum, the joint jumps at The 2003 Snow Ball, Over 700 guests socialized and enjoyed a grand evening of fun and fellowship. What follows is a pictorial sampling of WANADA's members, friends and other area VIPs in full party mode.



**“ The aging process has you firmly in its grasp if you never get the urge to throw a snow-ball...”**

**-Doug Larson**



## 2003 WASHINGTON AUTO SHOW



Clockwise from left: It's a bird; It's a plane... No, it's a PT Cruiser, floating high atop the DaimlerChrysler exhibit. Hands On contestants get ready for an endurance ordeal. The new VW Beetle convertible draws interested shoppers.

Wrestling superstar Rob Van Dam poses with fans, while standout NASCAR driver Sterling Marlin signs autographs.



## Auto Show

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dream machines from more than 37 domestic and import automakers, as well as a host of celebrities, contests and attractions for families.

The show runs through Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2003, with all daily events posted on our Web site, [washingtonauto-show.com](http://washingtonauto-show.com).

A complete wrap-up of show highlights will be included in next week's *WANADA Bulletin*.



### Thought for the Week:

*Then sing, young hearts that are full of cheer,  
With never a thought of sorrow;  
The old goes out, but the glad young year  
Comes merrily in tomorrow.*

—Emily Miller (1833–1913), writer, poet.

*Happy  
New Year!*