

16th International Automotive Media Awards

Lifetime Achievement

Jim Dunne

Detroit Editor

Popular Mechanics

Best of 2006

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“Veyron in the USA,”
in *AUTOMOBILE*

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International Automotive Media Award for Lifetime Achievement

Veteran auto writer/spy photographer Jim Dunne is the 2006 recipient of the International Automotive Media Award for Lifetime Achievement. This is the 9th annual presentation of this peer-driven award.

Dunne has been Detroit Editor of *Popular Mechanics* for the past 21 years. As photographer or writer, Jim's extensive travels have taken him all over Europe as well as to several Asian countries and parts of Africa.

His automotive career began with a column for national magazines in the mid-1960s, which continues today.

Jim's specialty is revealing the secrets that auto companies like to keep from the public, especially having to do with their future vehicles. Jim's reputation nowadays is equally based on being one of the pioneers in so-called spy photography.

In addition to all the above--auto writing, photography and travel, together with an active sports life--Jim Dunne is a safety device inventor/patent holder, and fit in a stint as technical writer for Redstone Missile.

A native Detroiter, Dunne is a graduate of the University of Detroit and a U.S. Army veteran. He has seven grown children, and lives now in Grosse Pointe, Michigan.

Previous honorees are:

Beverly Rae Kimes, historian, author, writer, 2005

Jerry Flint, *Forbes*, 2004

John Lamm, *Road & Track*, 2003

Brock Yates, *Car and Driver*, 2002

Chris Economaki, *National Speed Sport News*, 2001

Denise McCluggage, author, writer, 2000

(the late) Leon Mandel, *AutoWeek*, 1999

David E Davis, Jr., *AUTOMOBILE*, 1998.

The IAMAs Best of 2006 and Best of Divisions

Best of 2006

Jean Jennings, for "Veyron in the USA," published in *AUTOMOBILE* Magazine

Best of Divisions

Best of Division winners are selected from the IAMA Gold awardees in each division having 98 points or better. For 2006, nine Best of Divisions are awarded, as follow:

Best of Books

Michael Argetsinger/David Bull Publishing, for *Walt Hansgen: His Life and the History of Post-War American Road Racing*

Best of Newspapers

Tim Spell, for "'30s Speed Busters: Blitzen Benzes shatter prewar records," published in the *Houston Chronicle*

Best of Magazines

Jean Jennings, for "Veyron in the USA," published in *AUTOMOBILE* Magazine

Best of Graphics

Ivan Galvan, for The Texas Truck & SUV Guide cover, published in the *Houston Chronicle*

Best of Newsletters

No Award

Best of Single Issues

Sabu Advani, for *The Flying Lady*, publication of the Rolls Royce Owners' Club

Best of Multimedia

No Award

Best of PR/Marketing

Coyne Communications, for Land Rover North America "Accelerated Tax Write-off" brochure

Best of Radio

Bob Long, for "Design Perspectives -- Bring Back the Challenger," on *Motor Trend Radio*

Best of Video

Ohana Road TV, for "Back & Better Than Ever," on KITV (ABC-TV), Honolulu, producer Bill Maloney

Best of Internet

Phil Floraday/AutoWeek.com, for the Geneva Motor Show

2006 Foundation Awards

IAMA Bronze, Silver and Gold Medallions

A, Books Writing

A-1, Autobiography

Racing in the Rain, Gold to John Horsman/David Bull Publishing

A-2, Biography

David Buick's Marvelous Motor Car, published by Buick Gallery and Research Center, Alfred P. Sloan Museum, Silver to Lawrence R. Gustin

Walt Hansgen: His Life and the History of Post-War American Road Racing, Gold to Michael Argetsinger/David Bull Publishing

A-5, History: Motorsports

Paved Track Dirt Track, published by Coastal 181, Bronze to Lew Boyd

A-6, History: General

Hot Rod & Custom Chronicle, by Thom Taylor, Gold to Publications International, Ltd.

Muscle Car, published by KP Books, Gold to John Gunnell

Muscle: America's Legendary Performance Cars, published by MBI, Gold to Randy Leffingwell and Darwin Holmstrom

A-7, History: Single Marque or Manufacturer

Porsche 911: Perfection by Design, published by MBI, Bronze to Randy Leffingwell

Cobra: The First Forty Years, published by MBI, Gold to Trevor Legate

A-18, Collector Vehicles

The Cobra in the Barn, published by MBI, Bronze to Tom Cotter

Cars of the Fantastic '50s, published

by KP Books, Silver to Dan Lyons

A-23, Motorsports Event

12 Hours of Sebring 1965, published by Hurst Communications, Gold to Dave Friedman and Harry Hurst

A-34, Entertainment

The Big Book of Car Culture, published by MBI, Bronze to Jim Hinckley and Jon G. Robinson

B, Books Graphics

B-40, Design: Total publication

The Alphabet & the Automobile, Gold to Charles W. Queener/David Bull Publishing

B-46, Illus: Photographs

Porsche Moments, Silver to Jesse Alexander/David Bull Publishing

Grand Prix: Rare Images of the First 100 Years, Silver to Quentin Spurring/David Bull Publishing

Cars of the Fantastic '50s, published by KP Books, Gold to Dan Lyons

Porsche Rennsport, Gold to Jeffrey R. Zwart/David Bull Publishing

C, Newspaper Writing

C-5, History: Motorsports

"Challenger I: the Salt revisited," in the *Houston Chronicle*, Bronze to Tim Spell

C-7, History: Single Marque

"'30s Speed Busters: Blitzen Benzes shatter prewar records," in the *Houston Chronicle*, July 30, 2006, Gold to Tim Spell

C-15, News

"Stop Payments, Car Won't Start," in

the *Chicago Tribune*, Gold to Rick Popely

"No Corinthian Leather, but sense of humor smooth," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Gold to Jim Mateja

C-19, Concours

"Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance," in the *Florida Times-Union*, Gold to Dan Scanlan

C-22, Column

"Amelia on Board," in the *Reading Eagle*, Bronze to Amelia Lowe

"John Peige," in the *Baltimore Sun*, Bronze to John Peige

"Jeffrey Fazio," in the *Reading Eagle*, Bronze to Jeffrey Fazio

"Jim Mateja," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Silver to Jim Mateja

C-25, Business

"Can You See USA in Car?" in the *Chicago Tribune*, Gold to Rick Popely and Jim Mateja

C-26, Personality Profile

"Zetsche on Mark in Chrysler Turnaround," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Silver to Jim Mateja

C-28, Introduction of New Model

"Spyder Spins Web into Region," in *The Times*, Munster, Indiana, Bronze to Jim Jackson

C-31, Road Test

"International Truck comes up Big," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Gold to Jim Mateja

C-35, Feature

"Forget the Small Talk," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Silver to Rick Popely

"Miracle Mustang," in the *Reading Eagle*, Silver to Amelia Lowe

"MPT's locally produced 'MotorWeek' celebrates 25 years...", in the *Baltimore Sun*, Gold to John Peige

D, Newspaper Graphics

D-41, Design: Cover

"Quick Study," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Silver to Dennis Odom

The Texas Truck & SUV Guide cover, in the *Houston Chronicle*, Gold to Ivan Galvan

D-45, Illustration: Collected Art

"Satellite Radio," in the *Reading Eagle*, Gold to Kevin R. Hoch

E, Magazine Writing

E-2, Biography

"The Racer's Racer: George Follmer," Bronze to Dave Arnold/Vintage Motorsport Inc.

"The Biff," in *Speedway Illustrated*, Gold to Dick Berggren

"Moving On," in *Stock Car Racing*, Gold to Jerry F. Boone

"Through the Years: Bill Krause," Gold to William Edgar/Vintage Motorsport Inc.

E-5, History: Motorsport

"Phil Hill and the Green Hell," Silver to Chris Nixon/Vintage Motorsport Inc.

"When Giants Raced, parts 1-3," Bronze to Hal Crocker/Vintage Motorsport Inc.

E-6, History: general

"The Future is Now," in *Motor Trend Classic*, Bronze to Todd Lassa

"Sting Racer, in *AUTOMOBILE*, Gold to Don Sherman

"Brother Road," Gold to

Kevin A. Wilson/*AutoWeek*

E-7, History: single marque or manufacturer

"Caged Lion: Maserati Tipo 60/61, Bronze to Willem Oosthoek/Vintage Motorsport Inc.

"20 Years and Counting," by Arthur St. Antoine in *AcuraStyle*, Gold to Sunset Custom Publishing

E-8, Technical: how to do it

"Hot Rod Civic," in *GEARS*, Bronze to Mike Van Dyke

"Vapor Trails: Finding and fixing evaporative system faults," in *MOTOR*, Bronze to Bob Battengale

E-9, Technical: reference

"The Evolving A/C Service Picture," in *MOTOR*, Bronze to Paul Weissler

"The Mercedes 722.6," in *GEARS*, Silver to Dennis Madden

E-11, Technical: general

"Troubleshooting the 604," in *GEARS*, Bronze to Dave Skora

"The secret life of engines as told by EMC's," in *Land Line*, Bronze to Paul Abelson

"Maintenance Reminder: Systems Go Mainstream," in *MOTOR*, Silver to Karl Seyfert

E-15, News

"Flood of Cars," Gold to Andrew Luu/*AutoWeek*

E-18, Collector Vehicles

"King of the Hill," in *Motor Trend Classic*, Silver to Frank Markus

"Unreliably Reliable," in *AUTOMOBILE*, Silver to Jamie Kitman

E-20, Commentary

"What the Teacher Sees," Bronze

to *MACS Action* magazine/
Richard McCuistian

"Haulin' Dirty Trailer Laundry," in *Speedway Illustrated*, Gold to Dick Berggren

"Think About It," Gold to *MACS Action* magazine/Marc Roland

"Car Wars," in *AUTOMOBILE*, Gold to Richard Feast

E-21, Editorial

"Confessions of a car user," in *MACS Action*, Bronze to Elvis Hoffpaur

"Global Warming," in *Modern Tire Dealer*, Bronze to Bob Ulrich

"Editor's Report," in *MOTOR*, Silver to John Lypen

E-22, Column

"Fuel School," in *Land Line*, Bronze to Terry Scruton

"Technically Relay-ted," Silver to *MACS Action* magazine/
Paul DeGuisseppi

"Offside Undo," Bronze to Dutch Mandel/*AutoWeek*

"Technologue," in *Motor Trend*, Silver to Frank Markus

"Trade Secrets," in *MOTOR*, Silver to Bob Cerullo

"The Theory of Large Numbers," Silver to Bob Wilson/*AutoAccionado*

"Opposite Lock," Gold to Kevin A. Wilson/*AutoWeek*

"From the CEO," in *GEARS*, Gold to Dennis Madden

E-23, Motorsports Event

"Notes from the Wild, Wild West," in *Il Tridente*/Maserati club, Bronze to Andrea Lazzaro

E-24, Motorsports: Other

"Midwest Racing, intro and part 1" in <i>Cavallino</i> , Silver to Jerry McDermott	"Multiple Choice," Silver to Roger Hart/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	Silver to Frank Markus
"The Classy Champion," in <i>Speedway Illustrated</i> , Gold to Dick Berggren	"When the Label Lies," Gold to MACS <i>Action</i> magazine/Bruce Pasfield	"A CARS is Born," Silver to Dutch Mandel/ <i>AutoWeek</i>
"The Road Not Taken," in <i>Stock Car Racing</i> , Gold to Jerry F. Boone	"Are we there yet?" Gold to Kevin A. Wilson/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"The Ride of a Lifetime," in <i>Car and Driver</i> , Silver to William Jeanes
E-25, Business	E-31, Road Test	"The Lap of Auto Interior Luxury," in <i>Shore Magazine</i> , Silver to Jim Jackson
"Shocking Developments," Bronze to MACS <i>Action</i> magazine/Ken Newton	"MC 12 Stradale," in <i>Il Tridente</i> /Maserati club, Silver to Frank Markus	F, Magazine Graphics
"Hold 'em or fold 'em," in <i>Land Line</i> , Bronze to Jami Jones	"An Excellent Exelero," Silver to Mark Vaughn/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	F-40, Design: Total Publication
"Becoming an award-winning repair shop," in <i>MOTOR</i> , Bronze to Sam Bell	"Bullitt-the Rematch," in <i>Motor Trend</i> , Gold to Todd Lassa	<i>AcuraStyle</i> , Summer 2006, Silver to Sunset Custom Publishing
E-26, Personality Profile	"Veyron in the USA," in <i>AUTOMOBILE</i> , Gold to Jean Jennings	<i>Antique Power</i> , May/June 2006, Silver to Jamie Sharp
"Character Counts," in <i>Modern Tire Dealer</i> , Bronze to Mike Manges	E-33, Public Service	<i>Vintage Truck</i> , April 2006, Silver to Jeremy Cundiff
"The Strange Travels of Andy Santerre, in <i>Speedway Illustrated</i> , Bronze to Dick Berggren	"Seven ways forward," Bronze to Kevin A. Wilson/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	<i>Vintage Motorsport's</i> 2006 Annual, Silver to Vintage Motorsport, Inc.
E-27, Travel	"Grassroots start growing in your own backyard," in <i>Land Line</i> , Silver to Keith Goble	<i>Motor Trend Classic</i> , March/April 2006, Gold to <i>Motor Trend Classic</i>
"Overlake Route," Bronze to Roger Hart/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"You don't mind if I look inside your truck, do you?" in <i>Land Line</i> , Gold to Aaron Ladage	F-41, Design: cover
"Dances with Quattro," by Liz Turner in <i>Quattro Quarterly</i> , Bronze to Audi Club North America	E-34, Entertainment	"Not a Small World," Silver to MACS <i>Action</i> : Laina Casey
E-28, Introduction of New Model	"A Fiat Accompli," Gold to Mark Vaughn/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	<i>AcuraStyle</i> , July 2006 issue, Silver to Sunset Custom Publishing
"Italian Sportsman," Bronze to Roger Hart/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"So Many Cars, So Little Time," Gold to MACS <i>Action</i> magazine/Jim Taylor	"Miura," Silver to Ken Ross/ <i>AutoWeek</i>
"Marvelous Toy," Bronze to Kevin A. Wilson/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	E-35, Feature	September 2005 issue, <i>MOTOR</i> , Gold to Harold Perry
"Jeep Does a 180," Bronze to Bob Gritzinger/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"Mini Summer Treat," Bronze to Mark Vaughn/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"20th Anniversary," Gold to <i>AUTOMOBILE</i> Magazine
"Emirates Express," in <i>AUTOMOBILE</i> , Silver to Ezra Dyer	"Makeover Mobsters," in <i>Land Line</i> , Silver to Aaron Ladage	May 2006 issue, <i>Il Tridente</i> /Maserati club, Gold to Seymour Pond
"Boosted Seat," Silver to Natalie Neff/ <i>AutoWeek</i>	"Building the first 2006 Z06," in <i>Corvette Fever</i> , Silver to Alan Colvin	F-43, Design: article
"Predictable Excellence," in <i>AUTOMOBILE</i> , Silver to Joe DeMatio	"Shattered," in <i>Land Line</i> , Silver to Suzanne Stempinski	"Muscle Rules Again," in <i>AUTOMOBILE</i> , Silver to Tim Andrew
E-29, Environmental/Regulatory	"Virtual Smackdown," in <i>Motor Trend</i> ,	"Modern Redefined," in <i>AcuraStyle</i> , Gold to Sunset Custom Publishing
		"Do Rich Guys have all the Fun?" in

AUTOMOBILE, Gold to Tom Salt

F-48, Single Photo: Color

"Veyron in the USA," in *AUTOMOBILE*, Silver to Tom Salt

"Summer 2006," *Quattro Quarterly*, by Tyson Sadlo, Gold to Audi Club North America

F-49, Single Photo: digitally manipulated

"Mini Cooper," Bronze to *AUTOMOBILE* Magazine

I, Special Sections

I-53, Newspaper

"First Time Buyers," in the *Chicago Tribune*, Apr. 30, 2006, Gold to MJ Grandinetti

"Auto Show" in the *New York Times*, Apr. 12, 2006, Gold to Rich Taylor

I-54, Magazine Under 20,000 circulation

Il Tridente, May 2006, publication of the Maserati Club, Silver to Seymour G. Pond

Vintage Motorsport, July/August 2006, Silver to Vintage Motorsport, Inc.

The Flying Lady, publication of the Rolls Royce Owners' Club, Gold to Sabu Advani

I-55, Magazine, 20-100,000 circulation

Inside the Oval, Dec. 2005/Jan. 2006, Bronze to *Inside the Oval*

Performance Handbook, April 2006, Silver to Mike Mavrigian

Collectible Automobile, August 2005, Gold to *Collectible Automobile*

I-56, Magazine, over 100,000 circulation

MOTOR, June 2006, Bronze to *MOTOR* Magazine Editorial Staff

Land Line, May 2006, Silver to *Land Line* Staff

AutoWeek, May 29, 2006, Gold to *AutoWeek*

I-57, Newsletter: more than 16 pages

Fiero Focus, May/June 2006, Silver to Northern Illinois Fiero Enthusiasts, Inc.

J, Public Relations/Marketing

J-25, Marketing/Business

Land Rover North America
"Accelerated Tax Write-off" brochure, Gold to Coyne Communications

J-40, Design: total publication

Allstar Performance Parts & Accessories catalog, Silver to Allstar Performance

Lane Circle Track Parts & Accessories catalog, Gold to Lane Automotive

J-48, Single Photo: color

"Charles Edmund 'Titch' Allen, founder," for 60th Anniversary of the Vintage Motor Cycle Club, Ltd., UK, Gold to Dr. David G. Styles

J-60, Single Campaign Element

Motor State company brochure, Gold to Motor State Distributing

J-61, Press Kit

Mercedes-Benz 2006, Gold to Mercedes-Benz USA

J-62, Adv/media kit

2007 Editorial Calendar, Bronze to MACS *Action* magazine Staff

J-65, Print, not otherwise specified

Justice Brothers 30th Annual Calendar, Silver to Ed Justice, Jr.

K, Video: for company in-house, instructional purposes

K-28, Introduction to New Model

What's New for 2007? produced for Subaru, Bronze to Coyne Communications

K-32, reference

The New Gold Standard, produced for Subaru, Gold to Coyne Communications

L, Video: for consumer/public event purposes

L-15, News

"The Next Invasion," on WWMT-TV (CBS), Kalamazoo, Silver to Jeff McAtee

NADA Convention 2006 Orlando, Gold to Marc Stertz/Deborah Hopkins, Executive Producers, NADA

L-34, Entertainment

"Back & Better Than Ever," on KITV (ABC-TV), Honolulu, producer Bill Maloney, Gold to *Ohana Road TV*

M, Radio

M-5, Motorsports History

Carroll Shelby at NY Auto Show, on *Road & Track Speed Radio*, Gold to Ed Justice, Jr.

M-16, Interview

"Jill Lajdziak--Saturn's GM," on *Drivers Talk Radio*, Gold to Jackson-Dawson Communications

M-21, Editorial

"A Salute to Dealers," on *Drivers Talk Radio*, Silver to Jackson-Dawson Communications

M-22, Regularly Scheduled Show

Driver's Talk Radio, Bronze to Jackson-Dawson Communications

M-26, Personality Profile

"Funkmaster Flex visits SEMA," on Motor Trend Radio, Gold to Bob Long

M-28, Intro of New Models	feature article appearing in special advertising section of <i>Popular Mechanics</i> , Silver to Rich Taylor	on TheCarConnection.com, Silver to Douglas Flint
"Design Perspectives -- Bring Back the Challenger," on <i>Motor Trend Radio</i> , Gold to Bob Long		"Interstates: Life in the Vast Lane," on TheCarConnection.com, Gold to Paul Eisenstein
M-34, Entertainment	P-15, News	P-24, Motorsports: Other
"Private Eyes - Spy Photographer Brenda Priddy," on <i>Motor Trend Radio</i> , Silver to Bob Long	"Volkswagen at Crossroads," on TheCarConnection.com, Silver to Marty Padgett	"Ride with Wayne Taylor," on the <i>Times Union</i> site on www.jacksonville.com, Bronze to Dan Scanlan and Ryan Garfat
N, Multimedia/CD	"Toyota Takes on the Top," on TheCarConnection.com, Gold to Paul Eisenstein	P-27, Travel
No Award		
O, Other	P-17, Car Show	"Planes, Trains, and Automobiles," on windingroad.com, Silver to William Jeanes
O-65, Print, not otherwise specified	"2006 Geneva Motor Show," Gold to Phil Floraday/AutoWeek.com	P-31, Road Test
The Maserati Club 2006 Calendar, Silver to Seymour G. Pond	P-20, Commentary	"2006 Porsche Cayman S," on TheCarConnection.com, Bronze to Paul Eisenstein
2006 American Classics Calendar, Silver to Dan Lyons	"Techno Beat: TV in your Car," on TheCarConnection.com, Bronze to Marty Padgett	"Everything's Relative," on Automedia.com, Gold to Dan Lyons
"Grand Wagoneer: The original SUV gets a modern makeover," marketing	"Mechanic's Tale: VW, Heal Thyself,"	

Rules, Judging, and Contact Information

Overview of IAMC Rules

The International Automotive Media Competition (IAMC), a function of the International Society for Vehicle Preservation, is an awards program. The purpose of this program is to recognize and encourage excellence in all forms of automotive media.

Judging is by peers, to a standard; entries may earn up to 100 points. The Foundation International Automotive Media Awards (IAMAs), Bronze (85-91), Silver (92-96) and Gold (97-100) medallions, are presented for those works so qualified.

From among the highest-point (98-100) Gold awards are chosen the Best of Divisions, with Best of 2006 being chosen from the Best of Division awardees.

Thus, the Foundation IAMAs are a competition against a standard, whereas the Best of Divisions and Best of the Year IAMAs are a competition against other award-winning works.

Judging

Judging of entries is by peers. Entries must meet a minimum standard to qualify for awards. If no entry in a

category meets the minimum standards no award will be made in that category. Entries will be judged by Category within their Division.

About the International Automotive Media Competition

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All entries are made at the discretion of the entrant. Entering does not mean that you will be presented with an award or receive recognition for entering. The use of an award for commercial purposes is permissible; write for details as to how to present it.

Recognition of Lifetime Achievement

This award is given to an individual who has, in the eyes of his peers, made a substantial contribution to the craft over a period of twenty-five or more years.

This award is determined by a committee of thirty members of the automotive media from a variety of disciplines voting for two of five names submitted by the Selection Committee.

Both committees change each year. The continual varying of selectors and voters ensures a broad cross-section of input in determining each year's recipient.

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...more about Jim Dunne

An automotive writer for over 40 years, his career began with a column for national magazines in the mid-1960s which continues today. His writing duties focus on evolving activities in the auto industry worldwide, especially as they affect the auto business - mostly the products - in Detroit.

His specialty is revealing the secrets that auto companies like to keep from the public, especially those that reveal the shape and substance of their future vehicles. Despite Dunne's skill with the written word, and many years of track testing cars and trucks, his reputation nowadays is equally based on his ability with the spy camera.

His product-related coverage ranges from air bags, FM, XM radio, DVD, night vision, drive by wire, navigation, turbines, 3-, 5-, 10-, 12- and 16-cylinder engines, flex fuel, turbines, and hydrogen fuel, to rotaries, electrics, and many more.

High profile personalities in the field of autodom found a place in Dunne's writings as well. Five icons of the past stand out: Henry Ford II, John Z. Dloean, Lee A. Iacocca, Mario Andretti and Jimmy Clark. More recently, he has written about newsmakers including Michael Jacson (AutoNation), Bob Lutz (GM), Dieter Zetsche (DCX), Jim Padilla (Ford) and Bob Stemple (GM/Ovonic).

Dunne's photographs have appeared

in all the major newspapers and car magazines in the US, in many European and Asian publications, and on television around the world. One of the pioneers in so-called spy photography, Dunne's success spawned numerous wannabees.

His first spy photo to make publication was of the revised Corvair, shot on a test track at the GM Proving Grounds in Milford, Michigan. Taken from over the fence in an area now known as "Dunne's Grove", the photo had the dramatic quality of real life testing, not something posed. That prompted one national magazine buyer to write Dunne that the "Š. photo is electrifying. Get us some more."

Magazine cover photo credits included cars like Corvette, Mustang, Lincoln, Camaro, Chrysler LH.

Dunne points to his Army service as a precursor to a big part of his life's work. During the Korean War, he served as NCO in charge of an infantry Intelligence and Reconnaissance Squad. Jim claims the Recon part - spying from unlikely places - serves him well in his picture-taking pursuits.

Through the years, his work travels have taken him to just about every country in Europe, several Asian countries, Morocco and South Africa.

He has been sued for millions of

dollars over a story written on the unproven benefits of so-called "miracle gas savers" (lawsuit withdrawn), and, been investigated in a matter of pilloined proprietary photographs (the investigation stopped well short of official government interviews).

And yes, there was life before journalism. In the early years his resume would include a long list of medium-skill jobs, including newspaper boy, produce clerk, driving instructor, salesman (shoes, magazines, office and construction equipment), postal service driver, roofer, furniture mover, Chrysler press machine operator, and repo driver.

A life-long sports enthusiast, Jim's current top recreations are tennis, reading, sport fishing, and travel. Of course, the art of Palmistry, practiced by Dunne as a professional and amateur, is one of his more notable pastimes.

In addition to all the above--auto writing, photography and travel, together with an active sports life--Jim Dunne is a safety device inventor/patent holder, and fit in a stint as technical writer for Redstone Missile.

A native Detroiter, Dunne is a graduate of the University of Detroit and a U.S. Army veteran. He has seven grown children, and lives now in Grosse Pointe, Michigan.