

# Auto Review: 2006 Dodge Charger

The Dodge Charger—one of the biggest names from the muscle car era is back. The Charger coming off the line and out of garages this year will create a new reputation for the Dodge legend, featuring a modern design to back up its 21<sup>st</sup> century muscle car power, sports car handling and cutting edge technology. With a 250-horsepower high output V-6 engine or the optional 340-horsepower HEMI engine powering large 18-inch rear wheels, the all new 2006 Dodge Charger races into the car market with bold, provocative styling and substance without losing the convenience of a modern sedan.

The Charger features rear-wheel drive with near 50/50 weight distribution and advanced technologies that offer superb ride and responsive handling in all surface and traction conditions. "It's a car that evokes power and performance under the hood, yet provides everyday functionality and convenience," said Craig Love, Vice President — Rear-wheel-drive Product Team, Chrysler Group. "We have the proven technologies and the legendary HEMI engine that allow us to produce a modern rear-wheel-drive muscle car."

The Multiple Displacement System (MDS) on the Dodge Charger's HEMI engine seamlessly deactivates four cylinders in just 40 milliseconds — quicker than a blink of an eye — when full V-8 power is not needed, improving fuel economy by up to 20 percent. The HEMI engine with MDS completed more than 6.5 million customer-equiva-



Tested Vehicle Information: Price: \$44,520; Engine: 2.5 liter intercooled light pressure turbo, 6 cylinder Alloy Engine; Transmission: Geartronic 5-speed automatic w/adaptive shift logic and winter mode.

lent miles through the Chrysler Group's development and durability testing.

The Charger offers the clever functional use of interior space that has become a trademark of the Dodge brand and adds the convenience of four doors. It features an exciting, modern and unique design, both inside and out, that stands out from the crowd.

The Dodge Charger interior has a driver-oriented cockpit designed with a performance mind-set. It is sporty, functional and simple, featuring a sleek instrument panel and Viper-inspired tunneled gauges highlighted with white faces and

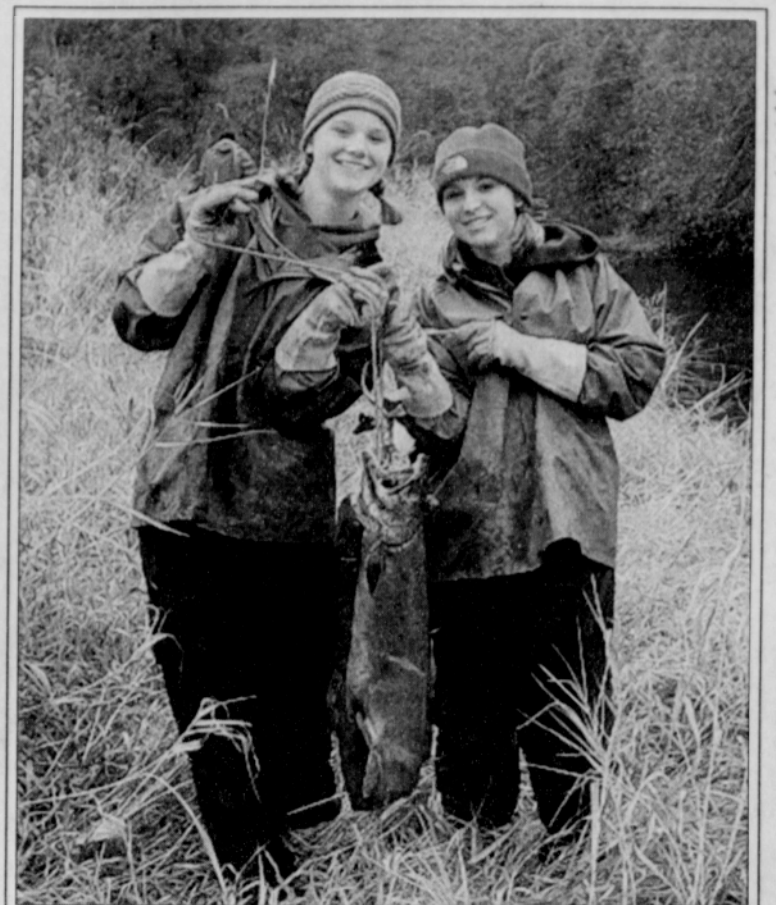
saturn silver accent rings. A silver trim bezel surrounding the shifter and additional silver accents in the center stack add just the right touch of brightness to the comfortable interior. The two-tone interior features a darker upper color and a lighter lower color, giving the cabin an open feeling mind-set. It is sporty, functional and simple, featuring a sleek instrument panel and Viper-inspired tunneled gauges highlighted with white faces and

Production of the 2006 Dodge Charger begins this spring at the Brampton Assembly Plant in Brampton, Ontario, Canada. The

Dodge Charger will join the Dodge Magnum and Chrysler 300 vehicles already built there.

The Dodge Charger will be available in North American markets early this summer and in select markets in Latin America and the Middle East in late 2005.

The target market for Dodge Charger includes trendsetting, young affluent males with incomes from \$65,000 - \$90,000. Customers looking for the thrilling ride and handling characteristics of a sports car, but with the added convenience of a functional, five passenger vehicle, will be able to experience the best of both with the 2006 Dodge Charger.



Two young women from Grant High School help place salmon carcasses provided by fish hatcheries in targeted watersheds in order to supplement stream nutrient levels.

## Local Students Widen Horizons

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and students, providing natural resource exploration opportunities, unique projects, mentors, and funding for field expeditions, equipment and substitute teachers.

Students have responded positively. At Jesuit High School, Danielle Jackson said that the program has piqued her interest in watersheds. "The McKenzie River is my favorite," Jackson said, noting that she is considering studying hydrology at OSU.

Oriented around field trips, the program is hands-on and offers contextual learning. Both high school and middle school students are working in the Columbia Slough on a salmon restoration project. In this instance, the city

of Portland is planning next summer to do some dredging of silt in various areas to improve what was historically a site for salmon maturation and migration.

But management officials wanted some baseline data on what bird and mammal species are now using the area and might be affected by this project — and the students are providing that. In this context, the program is more than just a student exercise, it produces original research and data being used by land management agencies.

"The ICYI experience encourages high school teachers to incorporate natural resource management issues into their classroom curricula," Norton said in making the recent award. "Thank you and keep up the good work."

## Police Seek Help Against Vandals

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appear together.

"Taggers" are known to keep notebooks full of their own tags as they practice and change their style. They sometimes draw their "tags"

in their own homes as well. Sometimes people use more than one "tag."

Sometimes vandals are caught in the act, other times they are caught through tips or police investigation. By publicizing these

common "tags" police hope to find the people responsible and hold them accountable for the damage they have done. Anyone who sees vandalism in progress is encouraged to call police right away.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony, and you may remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at 503-823-4357.

## Black Caucus Opposes Judicial Nominee

(AP)—A North Carolina judge defended himself Thursday against accusations that he's unqualified for a federal appeals court.

U.S. District Court Judge Terrence Boyle has been trying to get promoted to the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that covers Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia since 1991, when President George

H.W. Bush first nominated him.

Democrats have blocked his nomination, with senators and liberal groups saying he has been reversed too many times and that he has been hostile to civil rights, women's rights and employee's rights.

"What is most remarkable are the number and range of cases that bear out Judge Boyle's undisguised

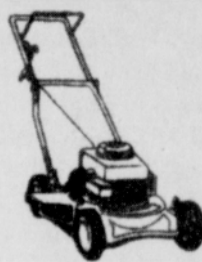
bias against civil rights, criminal justice, and disability statutes and case law," Rep. Mel Watt, D-N.C., and chairman of the CBC, said in a letter to the Judiciary Committee.

Boyle disagreed with those assertions.

"I hope that I'm clearly in the mainstream and have done my best

to apply the law, hear cases on an individual basis and have no agenda or predisposition about cases," Boyle said. "I think that a careful look at my record will show that I am evenhanded, that the cases I have decided have been decided on the facts as I understood them at the time."

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