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**New Exhibit Arrives in the T.T. Wentworth Jr. Florida State Museum:
*Going Down Hill Fast, Derby Days in Pensacola***

PENSACOLA – A new and exciting exhibit will race its way into the Wentworth Museum on Dec. 11, 2009. Artifacts and exhibits will highlight the Cubmobile Derby, Soap Box Derby and the Pinewood Derby, while exploring the fast-paced history of derby car racing in Pensacola. Local Boy Scouts have a long tradition of making derby cars and participating in races. Gale Messerschmidt, Wentworth curator, states, “This exhibit means a lot to the museum because it is a wonderful example of community and history intersecting. It is local history that is still relevant to many people today, and it has been a pleasure to meet with local Boy Scout Troops, to see actual derby car races in person and to listen to their stories.” The larger Cubmobile and Soap Box Cars, the smaller hand-crafted Pinewood Cars, as well as a derby car track will be on display.

The T.T. Wentworth Jr. Florida State Museum, located at 330 South Jefferson Street, is open for free to the public, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Wentworth Museum is part of Historic Pensacola Village, a house museum and museum complex in the heart of Downtown Pensacola.

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