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Well it's show time. The graphic to the right is pure plagiarism but is also true. Our August 7th, 35th almost annual car show is upon us and we cannot do it without your help. Everyone is needed from members, spouses, friends and older kids. It takes an army to pull this off. Please consider helping even if you cannot arrive first thing in the morning.

We will have our "check off" meeting on Wednesday, August 3rd. This is the night that we make sure that we have everything that we need for our car show. All are welcome if you want to come and see how we set up our car show. We will meet at McDonnell Park at 7pm, rain or shine.

We will have a pre-show BBQ on Saturday, August 6th at 5 pm at McDonnell Park at the upper pavilion. That evening, we will pre-register our vehicles, set assignments where possible and just have some fun. Please note that you must be classified by Paula Goodrich when you pre-register. The same rules hold for members as for participants. The club will supply the burgers, hot dogs, buns and tableware, but you must **bring your own drinks**. If you would like to bring a side dish or dessert, it would be appreciated. We will have a pre-show pool to guess the exact number of registered vehicles in the show to benefit our charities. Winner gets half the pot. If no winner, all the cash will go to our charity fund. The pool will close Saturday night. This night will be rain or shine. Come join us for this pre-show celebration.

If possible, we will need our workers arrive at the park at 7am on Sunday. That will give us 90 minutes to set up and it will be a very busy time. Some cars arrive early so we must have everything in place as soon as possible. After we have finished classifying, registering and parking the cars, we need our members to help with the concessions, the 50-50 sales and ballot counting. Many hands at ballot counting makes things go faster. We especially need concession workers. This is a very profitable part of our show and we need all of the help that we can get. Spouses and other teen and adult family members are encouraged and welcomed. See Jaclyn Kreder to help.

Note that anyone selling 50-50 tickets or counting ticket money will **NOT** be allowed to purchase tickets. If



Fords Unlimited Needs You

you are selling tickets and want to purchase some, please have a friend or relative do that for you. It just looks bad otherwise. Other members not involved with selling tickets may participate. The 50-50 will profit our charity fund.

This year we will again have a silent auction that will benefit The BackStoppers. Members will not be eligible for attendance prizes or the grand attendance prize.

We will again this year have two different ballots. Vehicles that are registered in the Ford/Fairlane classes will receive a ballot for those classes only. The Muscle Mustangs will have a separate ballot for their classes only. This is done to address the ongoing complaint that there is too much area to cover to vote for all the classes, especially on a hot day. It seemed to work well in the past and we have had few complaints.

A special note to those parking cars. It can get very busy at classification and registration and sometimes cars are put into the wrong class. Please check each car as it comes into your area to see if it is properly classified. If you see a mistake, please notify John Walling ASAP. Also, some entries will try to change their window card or registration form so please check into anything that does not look correct. (yes, it happened before).

At the close of the show, all show items need to be packed and taken off and we will need to do a sweep of the grounds to police up all of the trash. Most importantly is that we need help to load up the truck and take our show items back to the storage facility. Last year, everyone left before this was done leaving just a few members to accomplish this. It's not a big job if we have enough help.

We will again have car show shirts this year. An example is on page 7 of this newsletter. The cost will be \$15 per shirt for the normal sizes and xx large adds \$1 and anything above that is another \$1. There will be a limited order of shirts and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. We have some "STAFF" shirts for the classification and car parking workers. These will be loaned out, then collected for reuse next year.

If you are a new member or one who has not worked our show before, we could sure use your help. If you would like to help, just ask for Mike Lechwar or any committee member who will find something for you to do.

Patriots in the Park Car Show

After a two year hiatus, the Patriots in the Park car show held in Granite City had returned. The show was held on the grassy fields of Wilson Park.

The weather forecast varied from rain starting anywhere from about noon to 4pm. Of course, they were all wrong as the rain started at around 11am and never stopped. Most of us did not get as wet as we did at the Emily Dallas car show the previous week, but never the less, we had to deal with the rain. It was nice to see new member, Jim Hild join us for the first time.

At trophy time, it was a challenge holding an umbrella, clip board and pen trying to get all of the winners listed. If I missed your award or have you winning the wrong place, I apologize. Members in attendance include Jim Hild, Dennis and Debbie McBee (1st place), Bill and Donna Bauer (1st place), Willie Cole (2nd place), Rick Miller (2nd place), Burt Pennington (1st place), Terry Koch (1st place), Paula and Jim Goodrich, (1st place), John Walling (1st place), Steve Hendricks (2nd place), Dave Baugh (2nd place), Gary and Barb Warneke (3rd place), Rich Garavaglia (1st place), and Bob Layton with Donna's car (3rd place).

The highlight of the show was that Paula and Jim Goodrich won "Best of Show" with their Raptor. Congratulations. Also congratulations and thanks to all of our members who braved the inclement weather to represent our club.



Patriots in the Park Car Show



Best of Show



Odds & Ends

After being hammered for two years from the pandemic and it's aftereffects, we are definitely on the road to recovery. We had 46 people at our July meeting, the largest since COVID had arrived. Another good sign is that we sold sponsorships for all 40 of our show classes.

We are privileged to have Jaclyn Kreder as our new show concession chair. Let's make her new position a success by helping with the concessions. Thank you Jaclyn.

Dennis McBee gave a report on the "new" cost of concession items. Not unexpected but all prices went up but what was amazing, the jumbo franks went up 71%. Although we have raised our prices, it may not cover the increases. WOW.

At the Independence day parade in Bridgton, our club was represented with their convertibles by Jerry Grimmer and Syl Biermann. Thanks guys for your efforts.

We have improved what we do with the "Best of Show" to prevent a club from all voting for the same car in their class. We now have a judge for each segment. This year we have 2 gentlemen from the Fairlane Club of America and are pleased to an-

Points Competition

Listed below are the points totals up to and including our July club cruise. The show sponsor points will be added next month.

1st. Dennis McBee - 325 pts	- 150 pts
2nd. Debbie McBee - 175 pts	7th. Donna Layton, Burt Pennington - 145 pts
3rd. Terry Koch - 165 pts	8th. Syl Biermann - 130 pts
4th. Rich Garavaglia - 160 pts	9th. Bill Bufka, Jack Griewe - 125 pts
5th. Dave Baugh - 155 pts	10th. Steve Hendricks - 115 pts
6th. Mike Lechwar	

nounce that Bruce Kunz, the Fin Man as our 3rd judge.

For those who attended the Dallas Emily charity show, Dennis McBee reported that the show raised \$6,500 for the family.

Our 50-50 winner for July was Rich Lenten. Congrats.

Club Events

August 3rd

Show "check off" meeting at McDonnell Park at 7pm. All are welcome

August 6th

Pre-show BBQ-McDonnell Park-5pm

August 7th

Our car show-Arrive by 7am if possible

August 10th

Membership Meeting at JJ's-7pm

August 13th

Dynamic Duo car show-Meet at the PitStop @ Highways 94 and 367-8:45am

August 21st

Club cruise at Maggie O'Brien's 4-7pm-bring chairs

August 27th

St. Louis Car Museum car show.

Not a points event but a 3 class sponsor of our show. Held 10am-2pm. Free admission with a dry good for the Food Bank.

We will meet at the Visitation Academy at 9:30am, leaving at 9:45am.

Trip down memory lane? Recently Jerry and Nancy Grimmer dropped the top on their Mustang and headed to Alton to see what was left of the old Alton dragstrip. This lane of the dragstrip is now a main street in a mobile home park. Memories of the 60's.

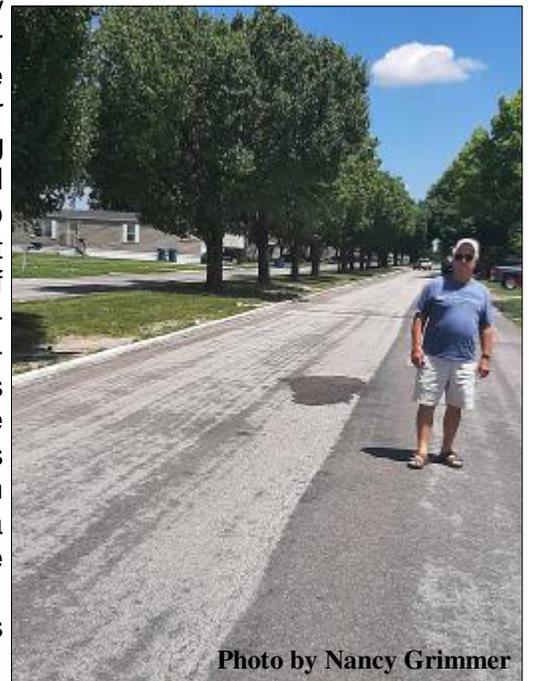


Photo by Nancy Grimmer



It appears that mother nature is determined to not give us a good day for our monthly club cruises. Our July cruise held at Bandana's in Chesterfield was at the end of another heat wave. All three cruises have been effected by the weather. Surprisingly we still had 10 cars and trucks and 18 members attend. Unfortunately, your editor failed to put his memory card back into his camera and was only to take this last minute phone photo but some members had already left. We thank Dennis McBee for setting up our monthly cruise. Better luck next month.



This month marks the 5th anniversary the passing of our dear friend, Cindy Ahrens who died on August 9th, 2017. I know that our newer members never knew Cindy, but she was an important silent force in our club.

Cindy joined our club in 1991 but was involved even before she joined. She served on our board of directors in 1996, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2017 and would have finished her term at the end of 2018. Cindy was named official club secretary in 2004 and remained as our only secretary until her death.

There is not enough room to tell of all her contributions to our club. She took on so many of the jobs that we all took for granted and she never complained of all the work that was trust upon her. Other than on the on Missouri State



filings, our club had never had the official position of secretary until Cindy came along. That's when our club made the secretary an official position just to keep her quality work in place. After her passing, we were afraid that our car show would never be the same.

When there was a meeting or other club event, Cindy would load up her Escape with everything that she had that was club related. She actually passed away while doing this the night of our meeting after our car show.

To use an old saying, Cindy "spoke softly and carried a big stick". She would sit quietly at a club or car show meeting but when she spoke, everyone listened.

She was truly the heart and soul of our club. More importantly a great friend to all of us.

Henry Ford's Detroit Home hits the Market for \$975K

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Automotive history buffs are well acquainted with Fair Lane, Henry and Clara Ford's 56-room mansion in Dearborn, Michigan. Before the Fords built that palatial home, however, they lived in a smaller but also lavish home at 140 Edison Street in Detroit. More than a century after the Fords moved to Fair Lane in 1915, that Edison Street house is for sale.

Offered on Zillow for \$975,000, the 7263-square-foot home sits on a 3/4-acre lot near Voigt Park. The Fords had it built in 1908. The home's current owners are the fourth stewards of the historic property. You could be the fifth.



The landmark Ford home has four bedrooms, five bathrooms, and plenty of opulent charm, as you'd expect from the founder of the Ford Motor Company. Henry Ford was a fan of architecture and historic buildings—which explains how his famous Greenfield Village and The Henry Ford Museum came to be—so he no doubt had a hand in designing the beautiful Edison Street home, in addition to Fair Lane.



As you step inside the Edison house's vestibule and walk upon its hardwood floors, double French doors welcome you to a grand dining room for entertaining. There is also a beautiful living room with a fireplace and a private library with built-in glass bookcases. A screened-in porch overlooks the terrace, and the kitchen retains its original scullery and butler's pantry. The basement has a laundry room, a second kitchen, recreation rooms, and storage. The home has forced air, steam, natural gas,

and central air. Outside are elaborate gardens and a private yard, as well as a carriage house that features additional living space, along with 2.5 garage spaces.

Zillow's "Zestimate" values the property at \$853,300, but it appears you'll have to pay much more than that to get it. Ten years ago, the house was valued at \$282,600, so its value has skyrocketed. Perhaps the asking price is on target then, considering the home's magnificent luxury and amazing history. If only those walls could talk.





35th ANNUAL CAR SHOW SHIRT

Since we had too many show shirts leftover the past couple of years, we have only ordered a limited number of shirts this year. If you want to assure that you have a shirt, contact Judy at quiltlady7220@gmail.com and place your order. They will be sold on a first come, first served basis and will be sold until the supply runs out.

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Cars For Sale

1970 Mustang Coupe. Red, 302 V8. New items include tires, weather stripping, fuel tank, fuel pump, fuel filter, carb, PS hose. The trans fluid has been changed. Restored about 2010. Purchased in 2019. Rick @314-805-5551 (July)

Parts For Sale

For Sale. Raxiom Dual Halo Projection Headlights. Fits '99-'04 V6 & GT Mustangs. Like new. \$125 636-352-9188 Jim Goodrich.

For Sale. 1966 Mustang 5 blade fan \$40
1994 Ford & Mustang complete shop manual set \$60.
Steve Dennis 314-703-3179 or
stevedstang6995@yahoo.com

For Sale. 351 W longblock, new set of std pistons, and ring set..\$250.Pair of GT40P heads, bare...\$100
Contact Gary 636-575-3376

Area Events

FUCC Club Cruises for Points.

Cruises are held from 4 pm until 7 pm. **Bring chairs.**

August 21st. Maggie O'Brien's.

September 18th. JJ's of O'Fallon

Car Cruises

Caffeine and Chrome. Held at Gateway Classic Cars located at 1237 Central Park Drive in O'Fallon, Illinois. 8/27, 9/24, 0/29 (trunk or treat), 12/3.

JJ's of St. Charles cruises. Held 8/13, 9/10, and 10/8. Located at 1215 S. Duchesne, St. Charles, 63301.

Cloverleaf Sports Bar cruises. Held 8/20, 9/17, and 10/15. Held at 6070 Telegraph Rd. Oakville, MO. 5-9pm. Info: 314-293-1815.

DQ cruises. Held 8/6, 9/3, and 10/1. Held at 120 Jefferson Square, DeSoto, MO. 5-9pm. 636-337-4465.

Grace Union Church cruises. Held 8/13, 9/10, and 10/8. Held at 3900 Union Rd. at S. Lindbergh. 5-9pm. Info:314-892-2757.

Hot Shots Sports Bar cruises. Held 8/19, and 9/16. Held at 131 Arnold Crossroads Center. 5-9pm. Info: 636-287-6078.

Hot Shots Sports Bar cruises. Held 8/12, and 9/9. 5-9pm. Held at 1239 S. Laclede Station Rd. Webster Groves MO. Info: 314-755-1550.

Memories Car Club Cruises held at Faith Church located at 13001 Gravois in Sunset Hills. For 1979 & older classic cars. Held Aug. 5th, Sept. 2nd, and Oct. 7th from 4-9pm. Info www.memoriescarclub.com

Raising Cane's cruises. Held at 1163 Jeffco Blvd. 5-9pm. Held 8/27, 10/22, and 10/29. Info 636-287-1971.

Sonic St. Peters Car Cruises. Held every Friday 5-10 pm. Located at 651 Salt Lick Road, St. Peters MO, 63376.

Car Shows and Swap Meets

August 5th. Rumble In Manchester Car Show. Held on Friday, 5-10pm. Located at Paul Schroeder Park. 359 Old Meramec Station Rd. Info: 636-391-6326-ext 430.

August 5th. Wentzville Rod Run.

August 6th. Show-Me Mustang's club all Ford Rally held at Pundmann Ford. \$10 entry.

August 7th. Fords Unlimited's 35th annual all Ford car show to be held at McDonnell Park in St. Louis County. This is a date change. 40 classes. Show features 3 separate segments with a best of show in each. Cars must be Ford bodied or replica and Ford powered. You must park in your class. Participant judged. Free raffle for a \$500 TV by Kevin Hall of Bommarito. Attendance prizes. Dash plaques for the first 175 entrees. \$100 grand attendance prize. \$50 club participation. Show held on grass with lots of shade. Info: John Walling 314-791-0667. **Club event.**

August 13th. Dynamic Duo car show, Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, Illinois. Info: 618-946-0159. We will meet at the PitStop located at Hwys 367 and 94 at 8:45am. **Club event.**

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Our monthly membership meetings are held at the JJ's of St. Charles, located at 1215 S. Duchesne, St. Charles, Missouri. Their phone number is 636-946-3500.

Meetings start at 7 pm. Come early if you plan to eat.



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August 21st. Maeystown car show held at the Maeystown Civic Park at 4002 Baum Rd. in Futts, Illinois. 26 classes. \$20 entry. Info: Paul @ 618-458-4849.

August 27th. 4th annual St. Louis Car Museum car show. Held at 1575 Woodson Rd. St. Louis, 63114. We will meet at Visitation Academy off Ballas Rd and Hwy 40 at 9:30 am and leave promptly at 9:45 . **Donating any dry good item for the St. Louis Area Food Bank is your ticket to the show.** Info 314-993-1330. We need to support this new show sponsor.

August 28th. VFW car show held at Arnold Post 2593 located at 2301 Church Rd., Arnold MO, 63010. 5 awards. Raises money for veterans. Registration 8-noon. Info: 636-296-4066.

September 3rd. Trinity Lutheran Classic car show to benefit LCCOA and the Robinson Center. Registration 10-noon. Show location is 1307 Boone, St. Troy Missouri. Info: 636-775-0306.

September 4th. Collinsville VFW car show. Post 5691. 14 classes. 1234 Vandalia, Avenue, Collinsville, Illinois 62234.

September 10th. Kicks on Route 66 to be held in Edwardsville, Illinois. Info jkennedy.design@gmail.com

September 11th. Wheels in Motion Charity Event held at Westport Plaza. We will meet at the Bandana's on Dorsett at 8:15 am. **Club event.**

September 18th. The 44th annual Manifolds on Main Street car show in downtown Cape Girardeau. 30 classes. Registration ,8am until noon. Info: rhorrell@sdfreight.us or 573-388-6536.

September 18th. Daniel Boone Shrine Club charity show. Registration opens at 10am. 8 classes. Location, O'Fallon Plaza. I-70 to Hwy. M & K in O'Fallon, Missouri. Go seven tenths mile North on Highway M.

September 24th. Justin Delivers Hope car show. No classes, no awards. To benefit the K9 Unit. \$20 entry fee. Located at Chic's Lumber, 2625 E. Terra Lane, O'Fallon, Missouri 63376.

September 24th-25th. Annual Fly In & Car Show held at the St. Louis Regional Airport. 8 Terminal Drive, East Alton, Illinois.

September 25th. The Oktoberfest car show to be held in historic downtown St. Charles, Missouri. Show limited to vehicles 1997 and older and stock only. Info 636-928-8672.

October 1st. Immaculate Conception Church car show held in Columbia Illinois. Meet at Des Peres Hospital Parking Lot at 8:15 am. **Club event.**

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