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ROAD RUMBLINGS...

Well here's something you want to hear...less than 60 shopping days until Christmas. Where did the year go!!!

Let me wish everyone a very HAPPY THANKSGIVING holiday later this month. We truly have a lot to be thankful for.

I want to thank everyone who came out to participate or spectate or volunteered to help make the 1st Annual "CRUZIN THE GROVE" Motorsports Expo a huge success. We had 134 TOO COOL rides come out and show off their stuff!!!. The whole event with the food & arts/crafts was a big hit. If you missed it (we gave away over \$4500.00 in prizes/awards) plan on attending in 2007. Look for 2007 soon as we are planning now to make the 2nd Annual "CRUZIN THE GROVE" Motorsports Expo bigger & better.

Here's some event news that a lot of folks near and far are grumbling about. NHRA has decided to move the NATIONAL HOT ROD REUNION from Bowling Green KY to National Trail Raceway near Columbus Ohio. Beside the obvious of not having a very cool event close by, a lot of folks who have been to both facilities say that the move to OHIO will take away from the flavor of the event. Apparently space and getting in/out was a concern. Sounds like "we want more \$\$\$" so we're moving this event. Atmosphere makes an event and it appears right now that this event is going to lose some.

Be sure and check out the events section, as there is "stuff to do" for the Gearheads during the winter months. Plan on attending the Annual Kris Kringle Car Show Nov 11 & 12th. Tom Akers and the staff have filled up the lower section of the Williamson County AgExpo center with some very cool rides to check out. This show is run in conjunction with the annual BIG craft show for Christmas. Having participated last year (and this year too!!) I can tell you it's a very cool deal. Speaking of indoor type shows, whether you want to look or show, there is some info for the upcoming "FROSTY WHEELS" show in Jan. Also a little further out is the HUNTERS Show on March 7-9 2007. Get then cleaned up and

ready to show...we're gonna be there to see whatcha drivin'.

If you have a club function going on during the winter months and you want the Gearheads to know about it, send me the info and we'll get it out there to maximize your function.

Speaking of indoor shows, there a couple of big ones coming up that every Gearhead should see at one time or another. 1st up is the Grand National Roadster Show in So-Cal. This is one of the oldest and coolest shows you'll ever see. Tie in the open house at So-Cal Speed Shop and the other sites to see and this one is a blast. I've been there with some other Gearheads and we had a blast. They are going to kick off the "DEUCE 75th Anniv tour here. In Feb the PETERSEN Museum (another must see for all Gearheads, I know...been there) is hosting the 75th anniversary kick off party for the 32 FORD. This one is a week long "carucopia" for all the hot rodders. Speed Shop tours, parties and more. Cheep flights on Southwest gets you there in 4 hours and you're having HOT RODDING Fun!!!

As the outdoor car show season winds up, I am going to step out on an issue I have heard about more than a few times, from some of the Gearheads. These are not whiney, crybabies (you know what I am talking about) type of folks, but stand up type of folks that you would love to have as part of your club, organization or for just a friend. Also as I help put a car show on, I have 1st hand experience in this issue. What is it??? JUDGING AT CAR SHOWS. There is no perfect way to do it, there are many different ways that work for a club or show, and you'll never make everyone happy...NEVER!!!! One issue that has surfaced this year, and it appears it will have an effect on the shows/clubs that did this (read "I aint going back to that show") is entering and judging the clubs members cars in the show. The majority of attendees appreciate the efforts it takes to make a 1 day show happen let alone a multi day show. The rumblings are though, here in the middle TN area is that some clubs are taking care of there own vs. being fair to the participants. Yes the club members are

being judged and winning the classes. Now how a club or organization chooses to run there show is their business. The participants don't like it though, when a far nicer car gets 2nd, 3rd or 4th and the "club member" gets 1st because the club takes care of him. It happens folks...admit it!!! It may not be discussed but it happens.

There are more incidents with this than not. I do know that there are 2 shows that caused a lot of energy around this issue this past year. No I am not going to call them out. They know who they are. Time will tell if they pay the price in drops in attendance / participation.

This is a numbers issues folks. We someone puts on a show they want to have the highest number of participants possible. The first question asked is "how many cars did you guys have". That need to excel and be the biggest, drives folks to include any and all cars they can, so they can have bragging rights for being #1 in entries.

My suggestion is, instead of being the biggest, why not be the best. Be the show that everyone says "that is the best show I have been too". It doesn't always happen when you're focused on big numbers. Next month I'll continue with the people focused on trophies only...hang on for that one!! Again, have a great Thanksgiving Day holiday and may you and yours be blessed.

Until next issue, keep it between the lines...

Jimmy B.

As always, if you want the **GAZZETTE** direct instead of forwarded 2nd hand, let us know. All you need to do is send me an email at gearheadgazzette@aol.com. You can also always check out the current issue of the **GAZZETTE** on line at www.gearheadgazzette.com in case you erase your copy and need to see it again

"Remember...we're here for a good time...not a long time...Enjoy the Ride".

SATURDAY NITES:

- **MOST OF THE CRUISE NITES HAVE ENDED FOR 2006. LOOKS LIKE THESE MAY BE STILL GOING ON. LET ME KNOW IF THESE ARE DONE OR STILL GOING ON SO WE CAN UPDATE THE LIST.**
- **MEMORY LANE CRUISERS: WEEKLY CRUISE IN TO BE HELD IN THE PARKING LOT BEHIND WENDYS IN CLARKSVILLE TN. LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF MADISON ST AND THE I-24 CONNECTOR ROAD. CRUISING STARTS AT 5PM AND LASTS UNTIL THE FINAL CLUB MEMBERS LEAVES. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT BILL BAGGETT AT 931-648-0955 OR EMAIL AT baggett@yahoo.com.**
- **MT JULIET SONIC. A LOT OF FOLKS ARE TALKING ABOUT THIS BEING A PRETTY NICE LITTLE CRUISE IN. DON'T HAVE A LOT OF DETAILS BUT TO GET THERE IF YOU'RE COMING OUT OF NASHVILLE HEADED EAST ON I-40, TAKE THE MT JULIET EXIT AND GO SOUTH APPX 3 MILES TO THE SONIC AND HAVE A GOOD TIME. IF ANYONE HAS MORE INFO ON THIS SEND IT TO ME SO WE CAN SPREAD THE WORD.**
- **SMYRNA A & W / LONG JOHN SILVERS: THIS ONE HAPPENS EVERY SATURDAY NITE. LOCATED IN FRONT OF PUBLIX ON SAM RIDLEY BLVD.**

FOR ALL OF THE CRUISE NITE HOSTS, OR IF YOU KNOW OF A CRUISE NIGHT HAPPENING IN 2007, BE IT WEEKLY OR MONTHLY, SEND ME THE INFO. SEND THE COMPLETE INFO TO ME AT

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"WAY COOL STUFF TO DO".

THE NEW STUFF IS LISTED IN ITALIC'S

NOV 2006:

- ***NOV 3RD: NASHVILLE TN: LOOKING FOR REPRESENTITIVES OF CAR CLUBS IN MIDDLE TN!!! MUSCI CITY MOTORPLEX IN NASHVILLE IS MEETING TO DISCUSS EVENTS WITH THE CAR CLUBS IN MIDDLE TN. LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CAR CLUBS TO BE INVOLVED AT THE MOTORPLEX DURING 2007. LOOKING FOR WHAT COULD BE DONE AT THE MOTORPLEX BESIDES THE RACING, LIKE "DUKEFEST" A BEACHBOYS CONCERT (THEY'RE GONNA NEED HOT RODS & COOL CARS FOR THIS ONE) AND MORE. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE HARD ROCK CAFÉ AT 6PM ON FRIDAY NOV 3RD. THERE IS ONLY SPACE FOR 30 PEOPLE SO YOU NEED TO CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE. BEER, WINE & FREE TICKETS FOR THE ALL AMERICAN 400 WILL BE PROVIDED TO THOSE WHO ATTEND. PLEASE DON'T ATTEND FOR THE FREE STUFF, ATTEND SO YOUR CLUB CAN HELP PLAN SOME REALLY COOL EVENTS FOR THE GEARHEADS IN 2007. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT STAN HARDCASTLE AT hotshoe@bellsouth.net or CALL HIM AT 615-794-4204 OR 615-948-4204.***
- ***NOV 4TH: NASHVILLE TN: GROOMS ENGINES IS HAVING AN OPEN HOUSE. I GOT SOME LAST MINUTE INFO FOR THIS BUT CAN'T FIND IT. CALL GROOMS FOR DETAILS AS YOU HAVE TO RSVP SO THEY KNOW HOW MANY TO PLAN FOR. SORRY I DON'T HAVE ALL THE INFO AND IF SOMEONE DOES, PLEASE SEND IT TO ME AND I WILL GET IT SENT ON A SPECIAL MAILING.***
- ***Nov 8-11th: PANAMA CITY BEACH FL: EMERALD COAST CRUIZIN 06. SPONSORED BY O'REILLYS AUTOPARTS. FOR MORE INFO CALL 800-722-3224 OR GO TO www.emeraldcoastcruizin.com .***
- ***NOV 9TH: FRANKLIN TN: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH LAYOUT FOR THE KRIS KRINGLE SHOW. NOT HARD WORK JUST TIME CONSUMING WORK. LOOKING FOR HELP FROM 12:30-3:30PM AT THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY AgExpo CENTER LOCATED RIGHT OFF EXIT 61 OFF I-65. IF YOU CAN HELP CONTACT TOM AKERS AT BELLEVUECRUISERS@HOTMAIL.COM .***

- NOV 11 & 12: FRANKLIN TN: THE 3RD ANNUAL KRIS KRINGLE CAR SHOW. THE SHOW IS HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BIG CHRISTMAS ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW HELD AT THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY AG EXPO CENTER LOCATED RIGHT OFF I-65 AT EXIT 61. THIS IS A GREAT SHOW AS IT HIGHLIGHTS ALL KINDS OF VEHICLES FROM 1900 & ON. SHOW TIMES ARE SATURDAY FROM 9AM-4PM & SUNDAY FROM 12PM-4PM. CONTACT TOM AKERS AT bellevuecruisers@hotmail.com FOR MORE INFO.
- NOV 22-26: DAYTONA BEACH FL: 33RD ANNUAL TURKEY RUN AT DAYTONA SPEEDWAY. OPEN TO 1979 AND EARLIER VEHICLES. FOR MORE INFO ON THIS HUGE SHOW GO TO www.turkeyrun.com or call 386-767-9070 OR EMAIL TO rick@turkeyrun.com

DEC 2006:

- CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!!!!

JAN 2007:

- JAN 5-7: FRANKLIN TN: FROSTY WHEEL 2007 CAR SHOW WILL BE TAKING PLACE AT THE AgExpo CENTER IN WILLIAMSON COUNTY. MORE TO COME ON THIS ONE. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN SHOWING YOUR COOL RIDE AT THE SHOW, CALL 615-453-0039 10AM-9PM OR 615-374-2852 NIGHTS.

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COOL HAPPENINGS IN YOUR GARAGES...

SEND THE PICTURES AND INFO ON YOUR RIDE OR YOUR FRIENDS RIDE AND WE'LL SHOW IT OFF RIGHT HERE!!

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