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ROAD RUMBLINGS...

HAPPY NEW YEAR GEARHEADS!!!! My wish for all of you is that it is a Happy, Healthy New Year, full of all the Gearhead Stuff you can stand to do or take in!!

And HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the **GEARHEAD**

GAZZETTE!!! This issue starts our 10th year of publication, if you will. What started out as an e-mail monthly to a small bunch of "car guys" from a guy who seemed to know where the car shows were at in the middle TN area, has grown into what you have on your PC in front of you today. Its not super flashy or fancy, but it is the **GEARHEAD GAZZETTE**. I try to make it informative and fun too. No point in doing it or reading it if it doesn't do those 2 thing for ya!! I will still get up on my soapbox once in a while, but hey...I am the editor so I can. Don't be afraid to send me your comments, thoughts and idea's. That is what will make this a better publication for all. What you have in front of you has been driven by your comments and feedback. Keep it coming. I count on all of you to keep the info coming in so I can help let everyone know where all the fun "car guy (car gal too)" stuff is going on. Now let's get into the good stuff.

If you were worried about things to keep you busy and kill the cabin fever, just take a look at the all the **EVENTS** going on in the winter months!!! If you cant find something to do, well you aint reading the **GAZZETTE!!**

This year, the **NHRA WINTERNATIONALS** celebrates its 50th Anniversary. In honor of it, we have a special section about the "BIG GO WEST" in the back part of this issue. Thanks to NHRA for letting us use this. As an added bonus, there is a **VERY INTERESTING** article on how a **TOP FUEL Motor (NITRO BURNER)** really works. Thanks to our buddy Gary Haneberg for the Top Fuel Info. This one will open your eyes to what **HORSEPOWER REALLY IS!!!**

Here in Nashville area, a lot of questions are up in the air around events (**HUNTERS SHOW, STONES RIVER SWAP MEET, NASHVILLE AUTOFEST, BIKE SWAP MEETS, etc**) that are held at the Tennessee State fairgrounds. The Mayor

has got his way to kill the fairgrounds. Racing was stopped right away in late 2009. Couldn't even run the All American 400!! After June of this year, supposedly no more events will be held there. What will happen with it is unknown at this time. Stay tuned for more on this one as it affects all of gearheads that go to participate in these events / shows.

Speaking of events, don't forget The Frosty Wheels Show in Williamson County Expo center, Nashville Auto Fest, Nashville Speed and Sound and all the other really cool stuff to see and do this month. Check out the events section, and grab your coat and have some fun.

Check out a really cool feature on a very nice 1969 Roadrunner in the "**COOL HAPPENINGS IN YOUR GARAGE**" section. You also get to check out what an original Hot Rod Style 32 Ford chassis looks like all polished up. Probably the most exciting news in this section is the **FACT** that Terry Tuckerman, Mr Chevrolet bought a Ford!!! That's right....he **BOUGHT A FORD**. Check it out.

When you see Bob Woodside of the Battlefield Region of the AACA and Brian " **MILK CONTAINER**" Baker, give them a High 5. Their garages were recently featured in the Tennessean in an article on garages or as some call them...**MAN CAVES**. Some nice "man caves for sure!!! Brian calls his the "**GARAGE MAHJAL**" and it truly is. Only thing Brian, I thought **GW** did most of the construction while you were missing and on the mile containers!! Ha!!!

Until next issue... "FLOOR IT AND HANG ON!!!!" We're gonna do it again in 2010!!

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

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

"CRUISE NITE FUN" FOR 2010

FOR ALL OF THE CLUBS & CRUISE NITE HOSTS, OR IF YOU KNOW OF A CRUISE NIGHT HAPPENING IN **2010**, BE IT WEEKLY OR MONTHLY, SEND ME THE INFO. SEND THE COMPLETE INFO TO ME AT gearheadgazette@aol.com

TUESDAY NITE CRUISIN':

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WEDNESDAY NITE CRUISIN':

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FRIDAY NITE CRUISIN': THESE CRUISES ARE HELD EVERY FRIDAY NITE:

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1ST FRIDAY NITE OF THE MONTH CRUISIN':

- *MT PLEASANT TN: FRIDAY NITE CRUISIN HOSTED BY THE CLASSICS FOR A CAUSE CAR CLUB. CRUISE WILL BE HELD AT THE TIEGANS CEE BEE FOOD STORE PARKING LOT. CRUISING HAPPENS FROM JUNE THRU AUGUST. FOR MORE INFO CALL 931-446-2385 OR E-MAIL TO roberts3630@bellsouth.net.*

SATURDAY NITE CRUISIN': THESE CRUISES ARE HELD EVERY SATURDAY NITE

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1ST SATURDAY NITE OF THE MONTH CRUISIN':

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2ND SATURDAY NITE OF THE MONTH CRUISIN':

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3RD SATURDAY NITE OF THE MONTH CRUISIN':

- *DECATUR AL: STEAK & SHAKE CRUISE IN. HELD AT THE THE DECATUR AL. STEAK & SHAKE. CRUISE RUNS FROM 6-9PM, FROM APRIL TO OCTOBER. ALL RIDES ARE WELCOME. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT CARL AT 1968cuda@gmail.com.*

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4th SATURDAY NITE OF THE MONTH CRUISIN':

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2010 SHOW INFO AT A GLANCE

- **JAN 8 & 9: NASHVILLE TN: SPRINT SOUND & SPEED EVENT.**
- **JAN 8-10: FRANKLIN TN: 11TH ANNUAL FROSTY WHEELS CAR SHOW.**
- **JAN 8-10: CHATTANOOGA TN: 42ND ANNUAL O'REILLY AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS CAR SHOW**
- **JAN 8-10: CINCINNATI OH: 50TH ANNUAL KOI AUTO PARTS CAVALCADE OF CUSTOMS**
- **JAN 9-10: NASHVILLE TN: MUSIC CITY BIKE SHOW & SWAP MEET**
- **JAN 16-17: NASHVILLE TN: 19TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS NASHVILLE AUTOFEST**
- **JAN 29 -31: ATLANTA GA: 35TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS**
- **JAN 29-31: L.A. CALIF: 61ST ANNUAL GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW.**
- **JAN 30TH: SPRING HILL TN: NO CARS ALLOWED CAR SHOW**
- **FEB 4-7: COCOA BEACH FL: 18TH ANNUAL ECKLERS CLASSIC CHEVY WINTER NATIONALS**
- **FEB 7: NASHVILLE TN: 22ND ANNUAL NASHVILLE AUTOMOTIVE SWAP MEET - STONES RIVER AACA**
- **FEB 12-14: BIRMINGHAM AL.: 39TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS SHOW**
- **FEB 19-21: LOUISVILLE KY: 48TH ANNUAL CARL CASPER CHAMPIONSHIP CUSTOM AUTO SHOW**
- **FEB 26-28: DETROIT MI: 58TH ANNUAL OREILLY AUTOPARTS AUTORAMA**
- **FEB 26 - MAR 7: DAYTONA FL: DAYTONA BIKE WEEK**
- **MAR 5-7: CHICAGO IL: 48TH O'REILLY AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS.**

- *MAR 13-14: NASHVILLE TN: HUNTERS AUTO EXPO 2010.*
- *MARCH 27: SHELBYVILLE TN: 2010 SPRING THAW BIKE SHOW & SWAP MEET.*
- *APRIL 24: DECATUR AL: 2ND ANNUAL CHIK-FIL-A CAR SHOW*
- *MAY 21-23: NASHVILLE TN: 5TH ANNUAL NASHVILLE NATIONALS GOODGUYS SHOW*
- *MAY 21-22: WAYLAND MO: 2010 RUST REVIVAL TRADITIONAL HOT ROD & CUSTOM SHOW*
- *JUNE 5-11: MID-AMERICA USA: 2010 HOT ROD POWER TOUR*
- *JUNE 11-13: INDIANAPOLIS IN: 22ND GOODGUYS HOT ROD NATIONALS*
- *JUNE 18-20: BOWLING GREEN KY: NHRA HOT ROD REUNION*
- *JUNE 18-20: INDIANPOLIS IN: 10TH ANNIVERSARY ROAD ROCKET RUMBLE*
- *JULY 9-11: COLUMBUS OH: 13TH GOODGUYS PPG NATIONALS - "THE BIG ONE"*
- *JULY 9-10: DECATUR AL: 23RD ANNUAL GREATER TENNESSEE VALLEY CAR SHOW AT POINT MALLARD*
- *JULY 16-18: BOWLING GREEN KY: NATIONAL CORVETTE HOMECOMING*
- *AUG 6-9: SEIVERVILLE TN: ROD & KUSTOM NATIONALS*
- *AUG 9-15: STURGIS SD: STURGIS BLACK HILLS RALLY*
- *AUG 14: MT PLEASANT: CLASSIC FOR A CAUSE CAR SHOW*
- *AUG 27-29: PLEASANTON CA: 24TH WEST COAST NATIONALS*
- *AUG 27-29: EVANSVILLE IN: 36TH ANNUAL FROG FOLLIES*
- *SEPT 18: LEBANON TN: ALL FORD CAR SHOW AT THE NASHVILLE SUPER SPEEDWAY*
- *SEPT 25-26: LEBANON TN: 21ST ANNUAL MUSIC CITY MOPAR CLUB SHOW*
- *OCT 14-17: DAYTONA FL: DAYTONA BIKETOBERFEST*
- *OCT 15-17: BOWLING GREEN KY: 3RD NOSTALGIA NATIONALS*

"WAY COOL STUFF TO DO".

THE NEW STUFF IS LISTED IN ITALIC'S

JANUARY 2010:

- JAN 8 & 9: NASHVILLE TN: SPRINT SOUND & SPEED EVENT. BEING HELD AT THE NASHVILLE AUDITORIUM. FAN AUCTION, jam-packed day of driver and artist autograph sessions, legends storytelling hour, Q&A with the stars of country music and NASCAR, as well as sponsor displays and 2010 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series show cars! Driver appearances include Dale Earnhardt Jr., Tony Stewart, Kasey Kahne, Michael Waltrip, Denny Hamlin, Reed Sorenson, Aric Almirola, David Stremme AND MORE! FOR MORE INFO GO TO www.soundandspeed.org
- JAN 8-10: FRANKLIN TN: 11TH ANNUAL FROSTY WHEELS CAR SHOW. TO BE HELD AGAIN THIS YEAR AT THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY AgExpo CENTER LOCATED RIGHT OFF I-65. THERE WILL BE COOL CARS, VENDORS AND A CAR CORRAL. FOR INFO ON SHOWING YOUR RIDE OR A VENDOR SLOT CONTACT JOHN McGee AT classven@aol.com . **CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**
- JAN 8-10: CHATTANOOGA TN: 42ND ANNUAL O'REILLY AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS CAR SHOW. BEING HELD AT THE CHATTANOOGA CONVENTION CENTER. FOR MORE INFO OR TO SHOW YOUR CAR CALL ERIC MILLIANS AT 706-861-4555 OR e-mail milliaeno@aol.com
- JAN 8-10: CINCINNATI OH: 50TH ANNUAL KOI AUTO PARTS CAVALCADE OF CUSTOMS. BEING HELD AT THE DUKE ENERGY CENTER. FOR MORE INFO OR TO ENTER YOUR CAR CALL GREG McDANIEL @ 859-282-0624 OR EMAIL TO mcdaniel@worldofwheels.com .
- *JAN 9-10: NASHVILLE TN: MUSIC CITY BIKE SHOW & SWAP MEET. BEING HELD AT THE TENNESSEE STATE FAIRGROUNDS. BIKES ONLY. FOR MORE INFO CALL 615-519-0576 OR GO TO www.bobbyappleton.com*
- *JAN 16-17: NASHVILLE TN: 19TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS NASHVILLE AUTOFEST. BEING HELD AT THE TENNESSEE STATE FAIRGROUNDS. CAR SHOW, CAR CORRAL, SWAP MEET & MORE. DAILY DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS. OVER \$2000 IN CASH & AWARDS FOR PARTICIPANTS. MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL SHOW CARS. FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER YOURSELF FOR THE SHOW CALL 502-893-6731 OR GO TO www.nashvileautofest.com*
- JAN 29 -31: ATLANTA GA: 35TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS. BEING HELD AT THE GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS. FOR MORE INFO RO TO ENTER YOUR CAR CALL CHAS SYDNEY @ 770-270-0175 OR EMAIL TO Sydney@worldofwheels.com

- JAN 29-31: L. A CALIF: 61ST ANNUAL GRAND NATIONAL ROADSTER SHOW (FORMERLY THE OAKLAND ROADSTER SHOW). Over 500 show vehicles will compete for awards inside all of the Fairplex buildings. Another 400-800 vehicles will join the event Saturday & Sunday for the GNRS Drive In parked in between the buildings and walkways. THIS IS IT!!! THE GRAND DADDY OF ALL CAR SHOWS!! IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN YOU OWE YOURSELF TO GO SEE THIS ONE. FOR MORE INFO GO TO www.rodshows.com . **CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**
- JAN 30TH: SPRING HILL TN: NO CARS ALLOWED CAR SHOW. SPONSERED BY DBR HIGH PERFORMANCE. SHOW LOCATED AT 4922 PORT ROYAL RD. OPEN TO ALL KINDS OF TRUCKS. FLYER SAYS" IF YOU THINK YOUR TRUCK MIGHT BE A CAR, DON'T BRING IT!!!" DYNO ON SITE \$50 FOR 3 PULLS. FOOD & MUSIC. DOOR PRIZES. SHOW IS FROM 12PM - 4PM. FOR MORE INFO CALL 931-451-7559 OR GO TO www.dbrhighperformance.com .

FEBRUARY 2010:

- FEB 4-7: COCOA BEACH FL: 18TH ANNUAL ECKLERS CLASSIC CHEVY WINTER NATIONALS. OPEN TO 55-72 CHEVY CARS & TRUCKS, 67-2010 CAMARO'S AND F BODIES, AND 53-72 CORVETTES. FOR MORE INFO ON REGISTERING AND LOCATION CALL 321-385-1113 OR GO TO www.ecklers.com .
- FEB 7: NASHVILLE TN: 22ND ANNUAL NASHVILLE AUTOMOTIVE SWAP MEET. HOSTED BY THE STONES RIVER REGION AACA. AUTO RELATED, TOOLS, LITERATURE, TOYS, SERVICE STATION MEMORABILIA, PARTS AND ACCESSORIES. 6:30AM - 3:30PM AT THE TENNESSEE STATE FAIRGROUNDS. FOR MORE INFO CALL 615-890-1144 OR GO TO <http://stonesriveraaca.googlepages.com/home> . **CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**
- FEB 12-14: BIRMINGHAM AL.: 39TH ANNUAL O'REILLYS AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS SHOW. BEING HELD AT THE BIRMINGHAM-JEFFERSON CONVENTION COMPLEX. FOR MORE INFO OR TO SHOW YOUR CAR CONTACT SONNY McLEAN @ 205-655-4950
- FEB 19-21: LOUISVILLE KY: 48TH ANNUAL CARL CASPER CHAMPIONSHIP CUSTOM AUTO SHOW. BEING HELD AT THE KENTUCKY EXPO CENTER. FOR MORE INFO OR TO ENTER YOUR CAR CALL RON RAWLINS @ 502-689-2034 OR E-MAIL TO showcars@bellsouth.net . **CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**
- FEB 26-28: DETROIT MI: 58TH ANNUAL OREILLY AUTOPARTS AUTORAMA PRESENTED BY MEGUIARS. BEING HELD AT THE COBO CENTER. FOR MORE INFO OR TO SHOW YOUR CAR CALL 586-771-7110 OR E-MAIL TO michhotrod@aol.com . **THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG SHOWS THAT YOU READ ABOUT ALL THE TIME! MAKE IT A POINT TO SEE IT AT LAST ONCE!!! HOT RODS & THREADS FULL SERVICE HOT ROD SHOP WILL BE DEBUTING AN ALL NEW RIDE THIS YEAR. WHY NOT HEAD TO THIS ONE AND HAVE SOME FUN!! CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**

MARCH 2010:

- MAR 5-7: CHICAGO IL: 48TH O'REILLY AUTO PARTS WORLD OF WHEELS. SHOW TO BE HELD AT THE DONALD E STEHPENS CONVENTION CENTER. FOR MORE INFO CALL 708-361-2665 OR GO TO hotrodspecials@ameritech.net . **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOUR RIDE AT THIS SHOW CONTACT JIMMY B AT 615-300-2003. I AM SHOW REP FOR THIS AREA. HOT RODS & THREADS FULL SERVICE HOT ROD SHOP WILL BE DEBUTING AN ALL NEW RIDE THIS YEAR. WHY NOT HEAD TO THIS ONE AND HAVE SOME FUN!! CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**
- MAR 13-14: NASHVILLE TN: HUNTERS AUTO EXPO 2010. BEING HELD AGAIN AT THE TENNESSEE STATE FAIRGROUNDS. 1ST, 2ND, 3RD PLACE AWARDS IN ALL CLASSES, SPECIALTY AWARDS AS WELL AS JUDGING FOR CAR / TRUCK / STREET ROD OF THE YEAR. NATIONAL MEDIA COVERAGE BOTH MAGAZINE & TV. FOR MORE INFO CALL 615-227-6584 AND ASK FOR LINDA OR JOHN OR GO TO www.hunterscustom.com . **NOTE: THIS SHOW IS NOW A 2 DAY SHOW FOR 2010. CHECK THIS ONE OUT AS IT IS A GEARHEAD GAZZETTE PICK EVENT!!!**

- *MARCH 27: SHELBYVILLE TN: 2010 SPRING THAW BIKE SHOW & SWAP MEET. BEING HELD AGAIN THIS YEAR IN THE CALSONIC ARENA. \$1000 BEST OF SHOW PLUS A FEATURE WITH THUNDER ROADS TENNESSEE IS UP FOR GRABS. BIGGEST SWAP MEET IN TN. VINTAGE BIKES, BIKE BUILDERS, PINSTRIPERS AND MORE. FOR MORE INFO CALL 615-364-1828 OR GO TO www.bothbarrelspromotions.com.*

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SHOW OPPORTUNITY: During the Midnight Rodders Fall Color Cruise They stopped for gas and a restroom break at the Exxon Tiger Mart on the corner of highway 50 and 431 in Lewisburg. The manager sent them an e-mail saying how much they loved the cars and invited them to do a car show at their location next year, with the EXXON Tiger Mart providing the trophies and prizes. The Midnight Rodders don't put on car shows, so they are passing on the opportunity. If any of you Gearheads know someone around the Lewisburg area interested in doing a small one day show at their store (lots of room) contact Kathey Barge. Her e-mail is pkbarge@hotmail.com **Thanks to Marty Crain of the Midnight Rodders for passing this along.** (12/09)

FOR SALE: As much as I hate to send this email I have to let one of my babies go. For sale is my 1974 Plymouth Duster since this is my most recent purchase it will be the first to go, and I wanted to make it available to ya'll first. Here are the details..... It has a running 225 slant 6 with a 3 speed 904 automatic transmission, with a 7 1/4 rear end with highway gears in it. It is the classic 70's olive green, with green interior. I was able to salvage the original broadcast sheet from under the back seat and it is almost completely in tact, and is framed for the new owner. All receipts of all purchases on this car are also available. I have recently repaired the floor pans and put in brand new black molded carpet from ACC down in Anniston, AL. For those of you who know Mopars this has the typical A-body rust on the bottom of the rear quarter panels, nothing serious, the car also has some rust around the top of windshield due to a vinyl top at some point in its life. The body is extremely straight with just a couple of dings. I will list the new parts I have either put on this car or that will go with it below, I will also list what the car will need.

New Items

Tires, Front and Rear Shocks, Carpet, Carb has been rebuilt, but would recommend a new one, Back Quarter Window Glass (Comes with car not installed) OEM Mopar Slant 6 plug wires, OEM Duster Emblems with correct white paint, OEM Taillight Bezel to repair broken one, Brand new waterproof custom fit car cover.

Car will need

Dash and cluster wiring harness, Engine wiring harness, Interior Paint and cosmetic.

If you are interested or know someone that is please pass this information along, you can email me or give me a call at 256-466-3443. I am asking \$1500. Well I only had one pic and I have done alot of work since this was taken, all the surface rust is gone and it has been primed and had a coat of color put on it.

Thanks,

Justin Larsen



WANTED: Primarily interested in a '55 2 dr. post driver. I would rather have a complete original with some modifications (engine, trans., rearend, wheels, etc.) or an almost complete. David M. Edwards
First Vice President
First Farmers & Merchants Bank
931-840-3867
Fax 931-490-5920
Email Address: david.edwards@fandmbank.com (12/09)

FOR SALE: The truck is a 1997 Chevrolet , Solid White, blue interior, V-6, 5 speed, with 23,000 miles on a new crate motor, 116,000 miles on the truck. Regular short bed with liner. New hydraulic clutch slave cylinder and throw out bearing. Belonged to my son-in-law who was the second owner. Power steering, brakes, air, no cruise or electric windows. A good tight truck. Never been wrecked. Priced at \$4275.00
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(12/09)

FOR SALE: 1933 DODGE. 2005 HEMI MOTOR & 545rfe 5 SPEED TRANS. 4WDB, PW, PS, BILLET SPECIATIES 17” WHEELS. DAKOTA DIGITAL INSTRUMENTATION. LOKAR. MULTI AWARD WINNER WITH TOO MUCH TO LIST HERE. BEEN FEATURED IN STREET RODDER & STREET SCENE MAGAZINES. \$75,000.00 OR REASONABLE OFFER. FOR MORE INFO CALL JOSH AT 615-957-6235.



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

Jeff Roman sent these pic's and info to us. He's got a GOOD LOOKING 1969 Road Runner to share with us Gearheads. Enjoy!!

I am e-mailing pictures of this beautiful B5 blue '69 Road Runner that I bought in September of '06 from the third owner. The story on this one is as follows. The man I bought the car from in Rolla Missouri, convinced the son of the second owner to sell it after it sat outside for about a year and a half. At this point the car was a 100% original car paint and all. He stripped the body to bare metal and had it painted in the factory B5 blue bright blue poly. He also rebuilt the motor and transmission to factory specs cam shaft and all. He replaced the exhaust, gas tank, sending unit and re-chromed the bumpers. Other than these things the car was left original....the entire interior, grill, headlight/taillight bezels, sheet metal except RR quarter and LR patch panel, all glass and weather-stripping, door handles, pulls and cranks. I have cosmetically restored more items on the car. It is complete #'s matching and cosmetically restored to look just like it did when it was built. The car is a driver and gets driven year round on nice days approximately 1500-2000 miles per year. A photo shoot was done on the car in Franklin, Kentucky summer 2009 with the band Fast getaway and can be seen on www.fastgetawayband.com



THE EARTH MOVED A WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS!!!! Did you feel it?? Why you ask? Terry Tuckerman...MR CHEVROLET...MR PONTIAC...if it aint got a bowtie or Indian head on it he don't want it.....**NOT!!!!** Terry recently decided that he was going to start grandson TJ on the right path of Hot Rodding. What a great idea right? Then after serious consideration Terry decided the BEST WAY to get him started is get him a HOT ROD FORD. Here for your viewing pleasure is the Hot Rod Ford that MR CHEVROLET bought.



Here's a site you don't see much!! Our buddy Curt Gibbs 32 Ford being polished on the Chassis side!! Looks like he may be getting ready to show his cool ride off at some big shows??



WHATS IN YOUR GARAGE??? Send us some pics and info (gearheadgazette@aol.com) and let everyone know what kind of cool ride you are building or tooling around in everyday.

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Golden 50 Corral headlines bonus events at 50th Winternationals

Tuesday, December 22, 2009

Whatever your favorite sport or hobby, nothing stirs the emotions like a walk down memory lane.

And nothing, not before or perhaps ever again, will compare to the walk down memory lane that NHRA fans will get to take at the 50th running of the Kragen O'Reilly NHRA Winternationals, to be held Feb. 11-14, 2010, at Auto Club Raceway at Pomona, when NHRA officials unveil the Golden 50 Corral, a car show to end all car shows.



From "Big Daddy" Don Garlits' Swamp Rat V to the Kohler brothers' King Kong AA/GS to the Stone, Woods & Cook Willys coupe (voted No. 1 in *National DRAGSTER's* "Favorite Race Car Ever" poll) and so many more classics, this would be a drop-everything, must-attend event for every car enthusiast from Los Angeles to London — even if it was a standalone, paid-entry car show.

But admission to the once-in-a-lifetime event, amazingly, will be free and open to all NHRA fans with their entry to the historic 50th annual Kragen O'Reilly NHRA Winternationals.

"We know how emotionally connected our legion of fans are to this era of NHRA Drag Racing, so we couldn't be more excited about providing them with this rare opportunity to see and touch and feel this very important part of their past," said Gary Darcy, NHRA senior vice president of sales and marketing.

The Golden 50 Corral will feature approximately 75 cars, and from that collection of vehicles, 50 will be identified as the Golden 50 based on historical event significance, originality, and quality of presentation. Some of the legendary cars on display will include:

- Don "the Snake" Prudhomme's Hot Wheels car hauler and AA/FC and Shelby Super Snake AA/FD
- The "big-four" fuel alteredds: Pure Hell, Pure Heaven, Winged Express, and the Mondello & Matsubara entry
- Chi-Town Hustler
- Candies & Hughes AA/FD and AA/FC
- Dragmaster Dart and Dragmaster Two Thing AA/D
- "Jungle Jim's" AA/FC
- Bud King AA/FC
- Hawaiian AA/FD and AA/FC
- Bruce Larsen's USA-1 Chevelle AA/FC
- Howard Cams Twin Bear AA/GD

Golden 50 (plus) confirmed display cars

Don Garlits' Swamp Rat III AA/FD
Don Garlits' Swamp Rat V AA/FD
Freight Train AA/GD
Kohler Bros. King Kong AA/GS
Stone, Woods & Cook BB/GS
Brissette & Alexander AA/FD
Seevers, Wiesner & Owens AA/GS
"TV Tommy" Ivo's Barnstormer AA/FD
Shubert & Herbert AA/FD
Chizler AA/FD
Wale & Candies AA/D
Candies & Hughes AA/FD
Candies & Hughes AA/FC
Dragmaster Dart AA/D
Dragmaster Two Thing AA/D
Chi-Town Hustler AA/FC
Pure Heaven AA/FA
Howard Cams Rattler AA/FD
Ventura Motors AA/SR
Smirnoff AA/FD
Magicar AA/FD
Beebe & Mulligan AA/FD
Poachers AA/FD
Yeakel Plymouth AA/FD

Croshier, Baltes & Lavato AA/FD
Jim Green's B-Boys C/D
Jim Green's Assassin AA/FD
"Jungle Jim's" AA/FC
Budweiser King AA/FC
Junior Thompson's Austin AA/GS
Junior Thompson's '41 Studebaker Gasser
Mondello & Matsubara AA/FA
Weiss & Larkin AA/GD
Warren, Coburn & Miller AA/FD
Iron Horse AA/FD
Jerry Ruth's AA/FD
Dailey & Johnson AA/FD
Winged Express AA/FA
Over The Hill Gang T/F
Don Prudhomme's Hot Wheels car hauler and AA/FC
Shelby Super Snake AA/FD
Kuhl & Olson AA/FD
Waterman & Hampshire AA/FD
Tommy Allen's Trick Car AA/FD
BankAmericar AA/FD
City of Industry Spl. AA/MS
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Mallicoat Bros. AA/GS
Jim Stevens' Street Roadster
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Some interesting TOP FUEL Dragster stats to consider!!

One top fuel dragster 500 cubic inch Hemi engine makes more horsepower than the first 4 rows of stock cars at the Daytona 500.

It takes just 15/100ths of a second for all 8000+ horsepower of an NHRA Top Fuel dragster engine to reach the rear wheels.

Under full throttle, a dragster engine consumes 1-1/2 gallons of nitromethane per second; a fully loaded 747 consumes jet fuel

at the same rate with 25% less energy being produced. (note: Nitro M weights 10# per gal vs about 6# for gasoline)

A stock Z06 V8 engine cannot produce enough power to drive the dragster's supercharger.

With 3,000 CFM of air being rammed in by the supercharger on overdrive, the fuel mixture is compressed into a near-solid form

before ignition. Cylinders run on the verge of hydraulic lock at full throttle.

At the stoichiometric (stoichiometry: methodology and technology by which quantities of reactants and products in chemical

reactions are determined) 1.7:1 air/fuel mixture of nitro methane, the flame front temperature measures 7,050 deg F.

Nitro methane burns yellow. The spectacular white flame seen above the stacks at night is raw burning hydrogen, dissociated

from atmospheric water vapor by the searing exhaust gases.

Dual magnetos supply 44 amps to each spark plug. This is the output of an arc welder in each cylinder.

Spark plug electrodes are totally consumed during a pass. After halfway, the engine is dieseling from compression, plus the glow

of exhaust valves at 1,400 deg F. The engine can only be shut down by cutting the fuel flow.

If spark momentarily fails early in the run, unburned nitro builds up in the affected cylinders and then explodes with sufficient

force to blow cylinder heads off the block in pieces or split the block in half.

In order to exceed 300 mph in 4.5 seconds, dragsters must accelerate an average of over 4G's. In order to reach 200 mph (well

before half-track), the launch acceleration approaches 8G's.

Dragsters reach over 300 miles per hour before you have completed reading this sentence.

Top fuel engines turn approximately 540 revolutions from light to light! Including the burnout, the engine must only survive 900 revolutions under load.

The redline is actually quite high at 9,500 rpm.

Assuming all the equipment is paid off, the crew worked for free, and for once NOTHING BLOWS UP, each run costs an estimated

\$1,000.00 per second. That is \$60,000 per minute or \$3,600,000 dollars per hour.

The current top fuel dragster elapsed time record is 4.428 seconds for the quarter mile (11/12/06, Tony Schumacher, at Pomona, CA).

The top speed record is 336.15 mph as measured over the last 66' of the run (05/25/05 Tony Schumacher, at Hebron, OH).

Putting all of this into perspective:

If you are driving the average \$140,000 Lingenfelter 'twin-turbo' powered Corvette Z06. Over a mile up the road, a top fuel dragster

is staged and ready to launch down a quarter mile strip as you pass. You have the advantage of a flying start.

You run the 'Vette

hard up through the gears and blast across the starting line and pass the dragster at an honest 200 mph. The 'tree' goes green for

both of you at that moment. The dragster launches and starts after you. You keep your foot down hard, but you hear an incredibly

brutal whine that sears your eardrums and within seconds, the dragster catches and passes you. He beats you to the finish line,

a quarter mile away from where you just passed him. Think about it, from a standing start, the dragster had spotted you 200 mph

and not only caught, but nearly blasted you off the road when he passed you within a mere 1,320 foot long race course.

Think about that again:

You are screaming down the road at 200 mph, faster than most of us can even imagine.

You are covering almost the length of a football field every second. Everything is a blur.

You are blasting toward the finish line as you pass the dragster which is standing still.

You can see the finish line just ahead, only 4.5 seconds away.

You're about to cross the finish line, nothing can catch you now.

WRONG....the AA Fuel dragster just passed you pal....and not only passed you, but blew your doors off by over 100 MPH.

and that my friend, is ACCELERATION.

You can smell the Nitro....can't ya?