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**Mopar
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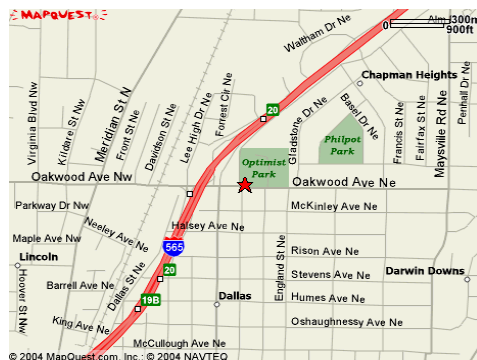
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Next Club Meeting

The next meeting is **15 September 2007 at The Optimist Club, from 0800-1000a.m.** Attached is a map showing where the club is located.

This month's club meeting will focus on TVMC Officer Elections for the FY 2008. Currently there has been one nomination for officer elections. Member George Zoller has proposed that all the current club officers remain in place for one more year. It does not appear that this nomination is in violation of the club by-laws so it stands as requested. Your officers have decided to leave the nomination window open until the vote which will take place this Saturday the 15th at the general membership meeting. You may nominate any active club member who is in good standing with the club to include yourself. We request that each and every one of you come out Saturday and vote for next year's officers. This is your club, take the time to come out and be a part of it and forge its future. **As an incentive, we will hold a drawing to give away Mopar hats for voting members that attend Saturday.**

Additionally, we will be discussing the Mopar 8 3/4" rear end, how to identify problems and set it up for reassembly. We will also dedicate some time to discuss any particular car topics you may have regarding your personal project.



703 Oakwood Ave, Huntsville, AL, 256-427-5775

If you are on the Memorial Parkway, exit on Oakwood going east. The Optimist Recreation Center is the 2nd left past Andrew Jackson Way.

August Meeting

We had a great August meeting, as we gathered at our usual location. We discussed the “ins and outs” of changing a timing belt on the Chrysler 3.2 liter family of engines. If you missed it look for the Power Point version of the presentation on the TVMC web page under Tech Articles. If you have one of these engines in your stable and need to change out the belt, you can refer to the article or call one of the Glover’s for assistance.

August Cruise-In

We had a good turnout for the August cruise-in. The weather was warm and brought out a nice gathering of Mopar owners and fans. We had a good number of FWD cars as well as the Duke’s collection and several trucks. We really need to bring out the RWD cars and make the September Cruise-In a great one to remember. Make plans now to join us.

Wrenching

There were not any opportunities to conduct a Wrenching this past month. If you have a project that needs more than one set of hands to work on it, give us a call and we will schedule a “Wrenching Session” for your project soon.

Cruise-In Corner

Upcoming Cruise-In Dates:
Saturday, September 15th



TVMC would like to welcome all Mopar car owners to the Dairy Queen off Highway 72 located in Madison, Al. No prizes or trophies, it's just a fun get-together for us Mopar fans to hang out and talk Mopar. Remember, we hold them on the **3rd Saturday at 7:00 PM.**

2007 TVMC Events

- **15 September 2007 8:00-10:00am TVMC General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**
- **15 September 2007 7:00 Cruise-In at DQ on 72**
- **9 October 2007 5:30 pm Officer meeting at Huntsville Dodge**
- **20 October 2007 8:00-10:00am TVMC General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**
- **20 October 2007 7:00 Cruise-In at DQ on 72**

Website

If you have events or other things that need to go on the TVMC website, contact John Burnham and Jud Hudson to have it inserted. They have done an outstanding job with the TVMC Website and are in need of information to post. Don't forget that we are looking for club members to post pictures of their cars on the website. Send those car pictures to Jud today. We are also looking for tech information to post. If you have 1st hand experience with any Mopar subject, please write it up and send it to Jud for posting. Discuss the things that went well and the things you wished you had done differently.

2007 Regional and National Events

September 22-23, Lebanon, TN

- Music City Mopar Club 18th Annual Car and Truck Show located at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center.
- Info: www.musiccitymoparclub.com

September 28-30, Bristol, TN

- 8th Annual Mopar Thunder car show and race held at Bristol Dragway. It's three big days of drag racing, car show, swap meet, and Manufacturers Midway.
- Info: www.bristolmotorspeedway.com

For additional event coverage, visit www.moparmuscle magazine.com

Editor's Corner

Hello again. I will diverge from my normal ramblings to discuss a very important topic. Elections! This Saturday is officer elections for our club. Please come out to the meeting and vote for your new or returning officers. Your input is desired and appreciated, and you may go home with a new hat!

I'm currently looking for member projects to include in the Project Page and product ideas to publish in the Product Page. If you have any, please forward them so I can use them next issue.

If you have any items or issues you would like to bring before the general membership, please email me and I will include it in this newsletter. We are currently looking for Tech issues and presentations to present at the general membership meetings. I also invite you to send me any Swap Shop items.

v/r
Bob

PRODUCT PAGE

Subject: Product report

What it is: A complete dual exhaust system with H pipe crossover for most any muscle era Mopar

Where you can get it: Tube Technologies, Corona, CA
www.ttiexhaust.com. They advertise every month in Mopar Muscle

How you use it: It's a complete kit, with all hangers and hardware. You just follow instructions and bolt it in.

How well it works: Tremendous. TTI lived up to their reputation of providing systems that fit perfectly, both in the car and among the various parts. Every tube cut was de-burred so it fit perfectly to its mating tube or muffler with no hang ups and no loose joints to leak. All parts were super duty and top quality. Having installed a few poorly fitting systems in my lifetime, it was truly gratifying when I did the fit check out of the box and found such commendable quality.

What they don't tell you: Depending on the application, you'll have to drill some holes in the car body or floor pan for hangers. I didn't enjoy drilling 8 holes in the floor pan under the back seat for hangers, but the hanger system is superb, probably better than the factory system (which was missing from my car).

My particular car ('72 Satellite) had a problem with the left side head pipe touching the torsion bar and the crossover pipe touching the drive shaft. I consulted TTI tech support and they surmised I had a mid-year change that could be fixed with a 73-74 head pipe. I swapped head pipes with them, and the 73-74 head pipe fit perfectly.

Overall evaluation: The TTI system is top quality and good value for the money. I shopped around before ordering, and it appeared the TTI system cost about \$100 more than ordering the parts separately from other sources. I considered it worth the money to avoid installation problems and the hassles of resolving problems with multiple suppliers. I also asked a local custom muffler shop about installing a complete system. They weren't interested in the job because it's so hard to fit the pipe between the starter and torsion bar on the left side. That was when I decided TTI was the way to go.

George

Project Page

This month I will show you one more picture of Georges Satellite engine bay. This is the way it looked about the time that George took it out for a test drive.



Swap Shop

For Sale

If you have items listed here, please shoot me an email to verify if it is still good.

Member John Bynum has a set of new reproduction lower door panel's front/rear for 1971-1974 B-bodies for sale. Parting out 69 Coronet 2 door, 66 Monaco 2dr 383, auto/console car, 71-72 Chargers, & have some 73-74 Road runner parts. Also an antique Home Comfort Wood Cook stove in excellent shape. He may be reached at 931-967-4499 or by email at johnwbynum@bellsouth.net

Member Rocky Rozelle has a 69 Barracuda hood - \$75, a 68 or 9 Road runner grille - \$75. Contact Rocky at 497-0110.

Member George Zoller has the following items for sale.

1985 2.2 T1 engine (G HEAD) ran great when pulled, wiring harness, logic (hot chip) & power modules. Auto and Stick flywheels, good clutch and pressure plate \$400.

2 ea. 535 Trans one set up for linkage the other for cable shift \$50 ea. And other stuff let me know what you need, I might have it somewhere.

1990 Jeep Wrangler 93000 miles runs great, brush bars etc. \$3500

Contact George at 256-679-1316 or gz11@dex.com

Member Chris Loudon has a 2000 Intrepid 2.7 V6 automatic, 135,000 miles.

A/C, P/S, CD, P/W tilt cruise. Good brakes, drives pretty good and runs good, GOOD MPG. Could use a set of tires and has a loose spot in the steering. Has an oil leak from the front seal. Pretty clean tight and solid. **PRICE JUST**

DROPPED TO \$1200.00.

Chris is also parting out a 1978 Cordoba and can be reached at (256) 420-4027 or pettyfan43@ardmore.net

Member Pete Shreeves has a 1974 Ford 429 4bbl w/transmission, complete, will swap for used 440/auto or other big block. Pete 503-0902.

Pete also relays the following: This fellow stopped by the house and talked with my son. He is moving and needs to consolidate his car projects. This is one he would like to find a new home for. I didn't get a lot of details but it sounds like a mostly-there car with some new things like steering and transmission. 1968 Dart GT bucket seats, some missing parts, needs quarters, call Johnny (256) 520-6646

New member Robert Lewis has a 1967 440 with 727 Torqflite. The engine and transmission are a numbers matching set. The engine is date coded 10-66 for any of you looking for a date correct power train set up for your project. The engine still has standard bores and is complete minus the carburetor, distributor, and valve covers. Price is \$1500.00 negotiable. Robert can be reached at 256-603-5134 or robert.g.lewis@us.army.mil

Member Roy Gronau: I have a 440 engine for sale that I was going to transplant into my Javelin. It came out of my 74 Cuda. I am asking \$3500 for it.

Here are the specs that I was given when I purchased the car (I drove it around the block a few times before giving the car to Dixie Hot Rods in Athens to convert it into a prostreet and it ran fine).

It is a 440, 40 over with flat top pistons, 280-480 hydraulic cam, 2 carter 500 4 barrels, Drove it a couple of years and has been garage kept ever since, bought a dragster that's why I quit driving it. Everything was new when I put it in there.

The compression ratio is 10 to 1. It will run on pump gas or the vp 110 at the race track. Oil is 20/50 Castrol.

Let me know if you are interested in it - thanks,
Roy 256-665-6387



Wanted

Member Paul Wright is looking for a shift linkage upgrade for my 1986 Omni GLH? I also need a front turn signal lens, a rear bumper, and a couple of other parts. Anyone that has one can contact me via <paul@bbenterprises.com>.

Member Judson Hudson is looking for the following items:

"I'm looking for parts to convert my 68 Charger to a 69, and need the following":

- I Piece for Grill
- Grill Trim
- Middle Section of Grill
- 69 Tail panel
- 69 Hood Latch for Grill
- I'm willing to trade too! Great Mint Condition complete 68 Charger Grill for a Mint 69 Grill. Rust free 68 tail panel already drilled out from car, will trade for a workable 69 tail panel.
- Judson can be reached at judhudson@knology.net

(The club does not accept responsibility for typographical errors, incorrect prices and other claims as to condition, or owner claims. Direct contact with the seller is required for confirmation of the above.)