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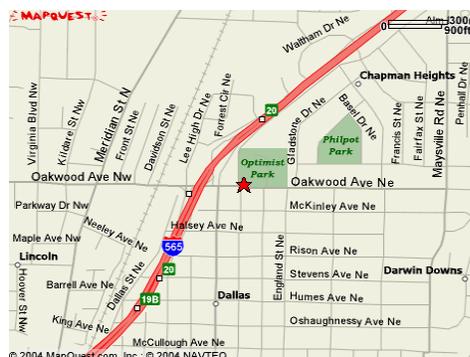
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Hello! Again Mopar Fans!

The next meeting is Saturday, 17 January 2009 at The Optimist Club, from 0800-1000a.m. Attached is a map showing the location of the club.

Hello folks! Come on out and join us on the 17th for our January general membership meeting. We have another special presentation this month. Member Doug Eagan will be bringing to us Part II of his presentation series on Mopar engine building. This will be a fact-filled, jam packed 2 hours. Doug had a lot of ground to cover in Part I and did not come close to covering all the information, so Lennie has asked him to speak again this month and cover the rest, if possible. If not, stay tuned for Part III at a future date. He will be sharing a wealth of engine building knowledge based on years of experience with Mopar Drag and NASCAR engine building techniques. Come on out and learn something!



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.

December Meeting

Wow, what a great gathering and a good time we had as we gathered for our annual Christmas Dinner at Oh! Bryan's last month. There were 27 members in attendance and Christmas cheer was in abundance. Thanks George Zoller for setting up this event and ensuring that a good time was had by all at Oh! Bryan's.

We are currently looking for more presentations to bring to you monthly and ask that if you have ideas or items you would like to bring to the floor, please let us know. As usual, we will strive to bring you informative and illustrative Mopar topics.

Cruise-In Corner

Upcoming Cruise-In Dates:



We have suspended our monthly Cruise-In for winter.

We will resume this spring when the weather warms up.

In the meantime, keep working on those rides and get them ready for the 2009 show and cruise-in season.

Website

A huge "thank you" and "congratulations" to Judson Hudson for the tremendous work he has done on our website. The 2008 year has seen a lot of growth and improvements on our site and we have Jud to thank for this. We now have video links on the site. If you have not visited the TVMC website lately, do so. It has a new look, new feel and lots of forums in which to participate. If you have events or other things that need to go on the TVMC website, contact Jud and he will be happy to post it for you. Jud and John have done an outstanding job with the TVMC Website and are in need of information to post. Look for a huge assortment of pictures and candid shot of this years show on the web soon. You can also buy your 10th Annual "Show & Go" t-shirt off the web. Check it out.

2009 TVMC Events

- **17 January 2009 8:00 am General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**
- **2 February 2009 5:30 pm Officer meeting at L/M**
- **20 February 2009 8:00 am General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**
- **2 March 2009 5:30 pm Officer meeting at L/M**
- **21 March 2009 8:00 am General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**
- **7 April 2009 5:30 pm Officer meeting at L/M**
- **18 April 2009 8:00 am General Membership Meeting at the Optimist Club**

2009 Regional Events

For those of you who are adept at braving the cold with your Mopar, here are some Regional Events for you to attend!

January 9-11, 2009

Chattanooga, TN

Annual O'Reilly World Of Wheels Custom Auto Show

Info: Sonny McLean @ 205-655-4950

<http://www.worldofwheels.info/>

January 17-18, 2009

The Annual Nashville Auto Fest

Tennessee State Fairgrounds

Nashville, Tennessee

<http://www.nashvilleautofest.com/>

January 23-24, 2009

Monster Trucks in the Arena

(Boat Show in the exhibit halls)

Von Braun Center, Huntsville, Alabama

<http://www.vonbrauncenter.com>

February 1, 2009

6:30 am to 3:30 pm

21st Annual Automotive Indoor Swap Meet

at the Tennessee State Fairgrounds

Info: Bruce Hickerson at 615-890-1144

February 6-8, 2009

Birmingham - Jefferson Convention Complex

Birmingham, AL

Annual O'Reilly World Of Wheels Custom Auto Show

Info: Sonny McLean @ 205-655-4950

<http://www.worldofwheels.info/>

February 28 - March 1, 2009

8 am to 5 pm

Annual Alabama Antique & Classic Car Auction, Swap Meet & Car Corral

Birmingham Fairgrounds

Info: Bill Chapman 205-426-5256

March 21, 2009

8 am – 1 pm

Downtown Piedmont, AL

Piedmont Throttle Kings 3rd annual car show

Info: Steve Robertson, 256-447-3041

April 3-5, 2009

Hunter's Auto Expo

TN State Fairgrounds

Nashville, Tennessee

Info: <http://www.hunterscustom.com/Hunters%20Expo.htm>

April 18, 2009

9 am to 2 pm

Cars and Camouflage Annual AER Charity car show

Benefiting Army Emergency Relief (AER) and Honor Flight

Hosted by Vets with Vettes & Corvette Owners

open to all special rides

(more info to come)

April 25, 2009

Athens on the Square event

tentative - waiting for the info

Product Page

This month we feature a car care product for you show car guys and gals.



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The Original California Car Duster® literally works like magic. It utilizes the proven technology of baking a special paraffin wax into 100% cotton strands to assure that dust is lifted and removed, not just pushed around.

The Original California Car Duster® gives cars the appearance of looking just washed. The comfortable, slim-line handle, and classic mophead preferred by weekend warriors and auto enthusiasts everywhere. Serious car freaks may opt for the more heavy duty thicker mophead of the premium wood handled car duster.

• **BENEFITS...**

- Special baked-on paraffin wax-treated 100% cotton strands easily 'lift' dust, without scratching.
- Car Duster keeps vehicles looking 'just washed' with a quick once-over.
- No wax sprays needed. Saves time and money.
- The 'Dirtier' they get... the better they work!
- Won't scratch delicate paint surfaces.
- Reduces number of car washings.

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A Touch of MOPAR History



Editor's Corner

Hello again folks!! Well, winter IS officially here and the spitting ice and snow has given way to buckets of good ole rain, but the really cold weather is on the way in a week or so and about the time we meet for our January meeting we will most likely be braving extreme cold. So, you might as well come on out and join in on the fun as it will be too cold and icy to do anything else.

This month we have a few items of business to cover. First, Lennie has successfully contacted and inked an agreement with the owner of the Huntsville Dragway, Mr. Burchel, for the 2009 "Show & Go." We will be having the show Saturday before Father's Day on the 20th of June. Congratulations Lennie for solidifying a signed contract 6 months in advance! This really puts us in a solid position for early show planning. Each of you will be needed as in past years as we begin setting the 09 show in place. This year's show will be our 11th annual event. As many of you know, last year's show was a bit off as we were threatened by inclement weather. This year we are counting on a return of the sun, heat and a ton of show and race cars. At least the "Farmers Almanac" is calling for a dry June and I'm counting on them being correct this year. As in years past, we depend on each of you to volunteer for show jobs to pull the event together. Please begin making plans now to join us in *planning and execution* of the 09 show!

As discussed earlier, please join us as we welcome Doug Eagan as he educates us on Mopar engine building Part II. If you missed part one, come on out and get in on this month's event.

It's time again for membership renewals. Please send in your \$20.00 annual dues by 31 January. I will include a renewal form for you to update your membership information. Rumor has it that IF you are tardy with your dues this year, a posse may be dispatched to your location to confiscate your Antique Automobile tags!! Just kidding, please try to send in your renewal on time this month. Address it to the P.O. Box listed in the header of this letter.

We, the leadership, strive to plan meetings and discussions that will benefit all members. In our attempts to meet this goal, we are asking members to send us any ideas or issues you would like to see addressed through the year. Please drop me a line and share your ideas or requests over the next several weeks. All requests will be seriously evaluated, and based on merit, we will plan out our meetings for the 2009 year.

I'm looking for other member project photos and stories to go in future issues of the Newsletter Project Page. Send me yours today! Many, many thanks to Roy, Pete, Chris and Grant for sending updates on their project cars.

Until next time.....

V/r
Bob

Swap Shop

If you have items listed here that are no longer available or wanted, shoot me an email to update.

For Sale

Member Ed Downing has 2 Dodge Darts bodies for sale, a 71 & 74. He is asking \$1,200.00 for both of them. You can reach Ed at 256-651-9175.

Updated: Thanks John, Member John Bynum is parting out 69 Coronet 2 door(not a lot left, good rear glass, some trim good rear bumper core with guards) 66 Monaco 2dr 383, auto/console car, 71-72 Chargers, 80's RWD Fifth Avenues, other cars & have some 73-74 Road runner parts. 1980 VW Diesel Pickup for sale & 3 diesel rabbits included for spare parts. Also, for sale a Ludwig Hollywood Blue Oyster Pearl Drum set circa 1970, good shape with cases. He may be reached at 931-967-4499 or by email at johnwbynum@bellsouth.net

Member Rockey Rozell has the following 69 Barracuda hood - \$50 (will fit 72 Dart); 68 Roadrunner grille - \$75; 68/69 deck led and hood for Roadrunner/Satellite \$50 each, Contact Rockey at 497-0110 or email: rrrgtx4404@aol.com

Member Pete Shreeves has a 78 Aspen, 70 Coronet, 68 Coronet, 74 Dodge truck and a General product which will remain a mystery, For Sale. For information, call or email Pete. Pete 503-0902. Pete.Shreeves@tbe.com

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 Jud Hudson has the following for sale. 2 Sets of 1968 Dodge Charger taillights. Chrome is pitted in various places, but the lenses are excellent. Needs to be cleaned up. \$20 a set. Need to get rid of them!

Fran Cunningham –1973 Plymouth Volare 4-speed transmission with overdrive on the 4th gear, with shifter, yoke & flywheel & bell housing. \$475.00
4-speed transmission for “A” body with shifter. \$475.00
Eight pallets of Valiant, Dart, & Barracuda “A” body parts for 63 thru 66 Slant Six engine & body parts. Also, three parts cars.
Contact Fran at 920 Toney Dr SE, Huntsville, AL 35802-1121 Home 256-881-5980 Cell 256-651-9461

Paul Wright- 1979 Dodge Ramcharger 4x4. This is a "work in progress" prepped to be painted. It has a rebuilt 360 and rebuilt 727 transmission. It runs and I've driven it around quite a bit. It doesn't look pretty with the bumpers off and the basic interior, but isn't that what a truck is for? I've got all the parts and a bunch of replacement parts, like window seals and a couple of patch panels. (It has a couple rust spots on the wheel wells) Its full-time 4WD, and is the last year for a removable top. I had planned to paint it, replace the hard top with a Jeep-style canvas top, and set it up as a camping trip/hunting vehicle. I just want what I've put into the trans, engine, and parts; \$1800 - or come look at it and make an offer.

1986 Dodge Omni GLH Turbo. I drove this to the last meeting I was able to attend. It is stock, with everything intact on it. The only flaw is that you have to double-clutch to get it into fifth gear. \$1200 - or make an offer.

Contact Paul at Paul@bbenterprises.com

Wanted

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 Grille
- Grille Trim
- Middle Section of Grille
- 69 Tail panel
- 69 Hood Latch for Grille
- I'm willing to trade too! Great Mint Condition complete 68 Charger Grille for a Mint 69 Grille. 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.)