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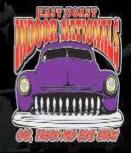
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Welcome to the December/January Edition of the Cruise Guide

I'm happy to say that the 2019 show & cruising season was much better than last year. Sure we had a few rainy weekends, but overall it was a good year for the car nuts.

When we were kids, we heard by 2020 there would be flying cars and self-driving cars. Well that hasn't happened, but with all the technology we currently have, the self-driving cars aren't too far off in the future folks. Europe is ramping up their electric powered vehicle production now, and our roads will soon be full of them as well. Certain brands like Volkswagen and Volvo pledge to make the change to all of the vehicles within five years. Just like when the gasoline vehicles started replacing the old horse& buggys, a change is coming.

So where does this leave our classic & muscle cars? I really don't know, but let's not just sit on the side lines to find out. Organizations like SEMA, Hagley, and our own Custom & Classic Car Educational Foundation have been offering solutions to prevent the demise of our cars. I'm not here to preach, just hoping we don't wake up some day and find our cars will only be permitted in a museum, not on the road being enjoyed by all of you. Please take time to see what we are up to and visit our site:

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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year – Dave



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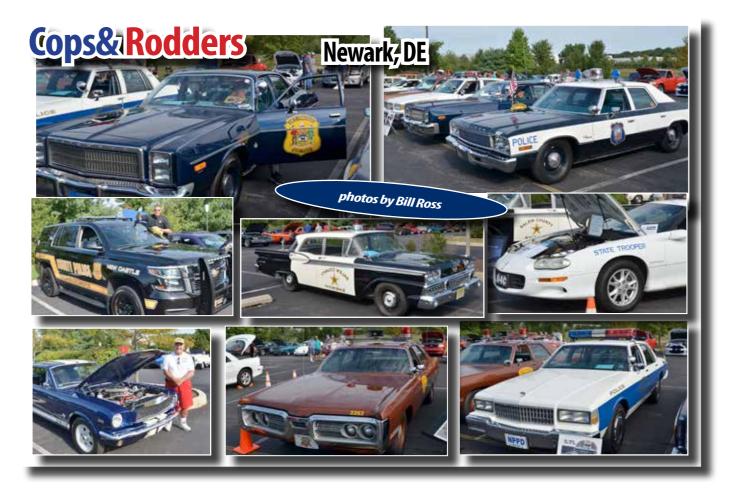


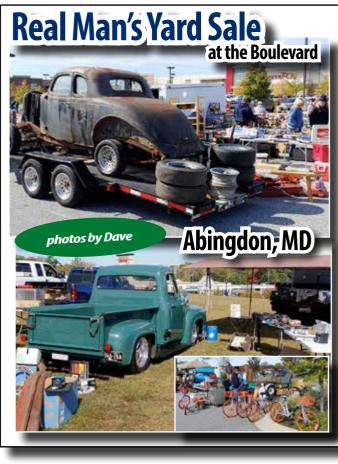














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Road Trip!

My Road Trip to a TV Production of "Reprisal"

by Mike Farace

Last summer, I got a text with a picture of me

racing my roadster at the Race of Gentlemen asking "is this you?" As soon as I replied yes, my phone rang it was my

sister and her friend working with Hulu looking for authentic looking old rods like mine for an upcoming television series called Reprisal, which premires December 2019. They wanted to rent my car, and I was a bit reluctant. I sent them current pictures of the '29 Roadster and my '55 Chevy sedan. They were interested in renting



I went back six months later to help during another driving scene again over the summer. I had to work at keeping all the cars cool in the North Carolina heat. Everyone on set was ex-

Story & photos by Mike Farace

tremely nice and receptive to temperamental old cars. I was a little nervous, but all went well, and got to know some really interesting people. It was amazing how they could take any building and make it look like anything they wanted in a matter of hours on set. Movie productions are definitely a field that draws talent from lots of directions to create very cool shows for us to enjoy. I hope everyone is able to catch *Reprisal* on Hulu this winter.

- Mike

both cars, alright, then asked, "what else do you have? I ended up renting all of them: the '29 Roadster, '31 Model A sedan, '55 Nomad, but the '55 Chevy sedan wasn't finished so it was a mad rush to get the engine in and get it going. I delivered them for filming in North Carolina and it was quite an adventure.

I spent some time doing driving scenes and help the actors get acquainted with my cars, and them left them to be used for the filming. It was tough to leave all my cars behind, but it was a very cool experience.







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Foundation Update

by Doug Wood



Doug is President of the Classic and Custom Car Educational Foundation

Hello everyone and welcome to what appears to be an early winter. As I write this, it seems as though we skipped right from summer right into the cold months! Fall apparently decided to take a vacation... LOL

The metal meet that we co-sponsor at Ron's Rod's was another resounding success! Folks came from all around, including New Jersey and Delaware to participate. As

has been the case over the last several years the CCCEF provided some breakfast and lunch goodies for the crowd. Stay tuned in to this column and elsewhere in the Cruise Guide for updates on the spring event.

We had our annual Bull and Oyster Roast fundraiser and although it was not well attended... those that did show up were remarkably generous. We actually raised just under \$4000 with a little less than 100 people in attendance. Many thanks to the faithful that were in attendance and for those that missed it, we will I have another one next year. Please plan on attending!

We are approaching the selection time for our scholarship program. The deadline for scholarship applica-



tions is January 31. We old coots and cootettes need to remind the young people out there that this program is available. Have them go to our website www.savethehobby.org and submit their application! We will announce the recipient in the next cruise guide and on our Facebook page!

The CCCEF will be at the East Coast Indoor Nationals in Timonium Maryland the first weekend in December. My wife Jennifer and I will have our A/Comp Coupe... The Freaky Tiki in our booth. If you or your young person would like to get behind the wheel, you may do so provided you make a minimum of a \$5.00 donation to the CCCEF. It is a unique opportunity to get behind the wheel of a Front Engine Dragster and that could change the way you or the young folks you bring along look at Motorsports and the car hobby we all love so much.

I look forward to seeing you in Timonium and elsewhere in the off-season!

See you on the return road.... Doug

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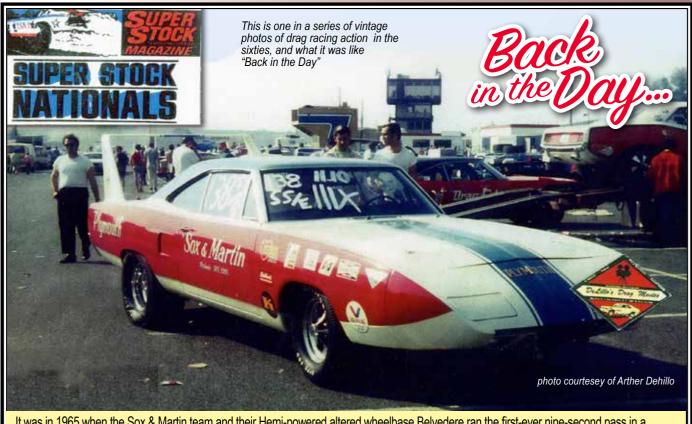
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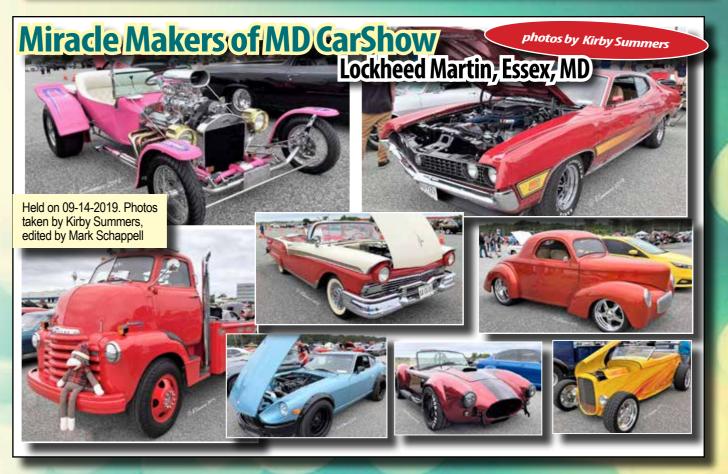




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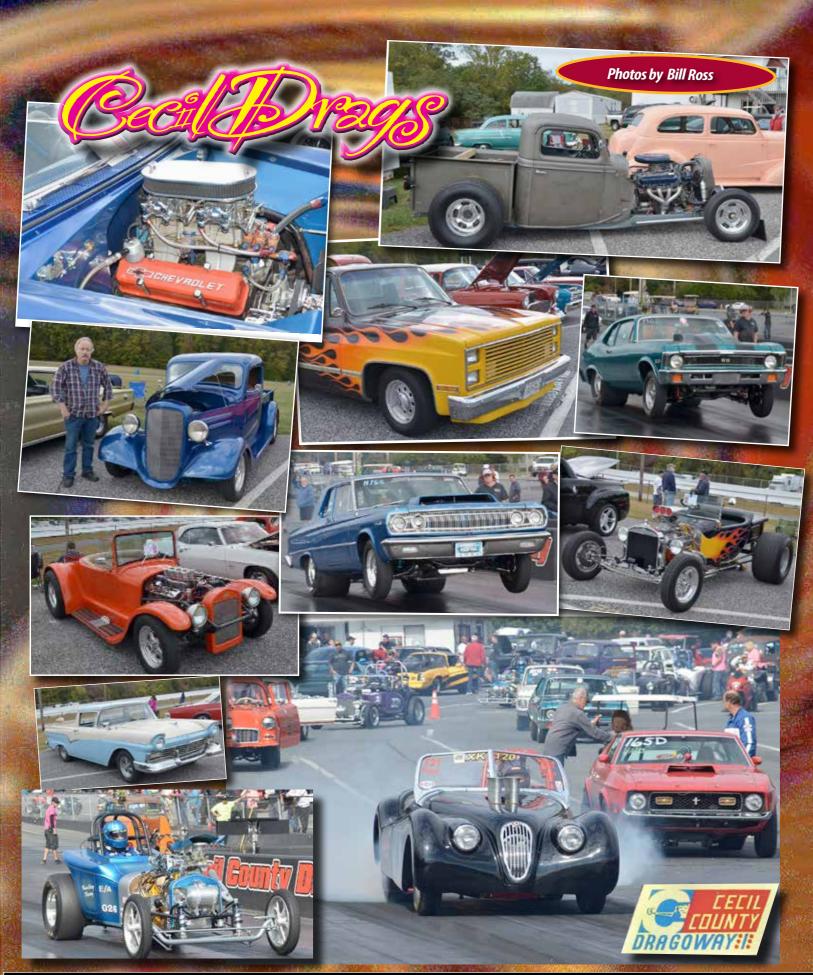












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Getting to The POINT

with Frank Brusque

California Wildfires Have Classic and Electric Vehicle Owners Fuming

I can't even think about how bad it would suck to have your pride and joy street rod burn along with the house, and some are blaming California's infrastructure policies. Some blame the crazy political policies of the governor, allowing homeless to do what they do without impunity, including

campfires in the national forests (where it's illegal to clear brush). When electric demand soars, it overloads the state's system and somewhere in these long distance powerlines, something will blow. They cross hundreds of miles of wilderness and fires have become a permanent feature of life there. This is the theory anyway, so the solution is to implement rolling blackouts, which means some have their electricity turned off for a time, sometimes days.

So, what is the Environmentally-Conciese Electric Car owner supposed to do when it needs charging everday? They've been renting gas-powered ones.

It's bad enough that these things are catching fire on thier own without a forest fire, but ever since the advent of electric cars, the REAL cost per mile of those things has never been discussed. All you ever heard was the mpg in terms of gasoline, with nary a mention of the cost of electricity to run it.

Electricity has to be one of the least efficient ways to power things yet they're being shoved down our throats. Here are some hard facts if you really intend to adopt electric vehicles. The Tesla is curretly the fastest E-car with a greater range than most, but a home charging system for a Tesla requires 75 amp service. The average house is equipped with 100 amp service. The average town's electrical infrastructure would be unable to carry more than three houses with a single Tesla, each. For even half the homes to have electric vehicles, the system would be wildly over-loaded.

This is the elephant in the room with electric vehicles. Our residential infrastructure cannot bear the load. So as our genius elected officials promote this nonsense, not only are we being urged to buy these things and replace our reliable, cheap generating systems with expensive, new windmills and solar cells, but we will also have to renovate our entire delivery system! This latter "investment" will not be revealed until we're so far down this dead end road that it will be presented with an 'OOPS...!' and a shrug.

If you want to argue with a green person over cars that are eco-friendly, just read the following. Note: If you ARE a green person, read it anyway. It's enlightening.



At the invitation of General Motors a Chevy Volt test revealed that for four days in a row, the fully charged battery lasted only 25 miles before the Volt switched to the reserve gasoline engine. So, the range including the 9-gallon gas tank and the 16 kwh battery is approximately 270 miles.

It will take you 4.5 hours to drive 270 miles at 60 mph. Then add 10 hours to charge the battery and you have a total trip time of 14.5 hours. In a typical road trip your average speed (including charging time) would be 20 mph.

Average electricity price is \$1.16 per kwh. 16 kwh x \$1.16 per kwh = \$18.56 to charge the battery. \$18.56 per charge divided by 25 miles = \$0.74 per mile to operate the Volt using the battery. Compare this to a similar size car with a gasoline engine that gets only 32 mpg. \$3.19 per gallon divided by 32 mpg = \$0.10 per mile.

The gasoline powered car costs about \$20,000 while the Volt costs \$46,000-plus. So the American Government wants loyal Americans not to do the math, but simply pay three times as much for a car, that costs more than seven times as much to run, and takes three times longer to drive across the country.

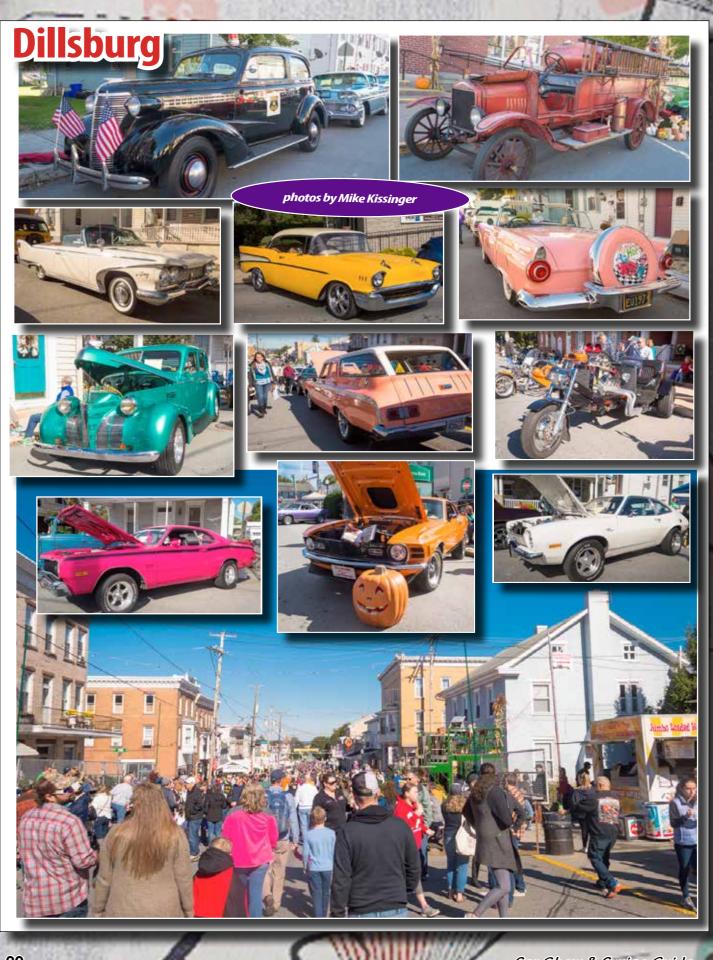
What's more ironic is that the plastic in those electric cars are made from petroleum products. Most of the electricity to re-charge those cars is produced from petroleum products. Most of the lubrication materials for those electric cars are petroleum products.

And finally, what bureaucrats like Govenor Gavin Newsom should hate about E-cars: They do not use gasoline, and therefore will not participate in paying a gasoline tax on every gallon that is sold for automobiles, which was enacted some years ago to help to maintain our roads and bridges. They will use the roads, but will not pay for their maintenance! That's not "fair," right? Pump baby, pump.





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Remembering Pat Fox

When the news of Pat Fox's passing on 10/12/19 was posted on social media, I received texts and emails from all around MD asking what happened, but no one knew. Pat had not been ill, and just passed suddenly at his home in Edgewater, MD.

Pat was originally from Syracuse, NY and went to the Syracuse Nationals each year. He was a true car guy that restored his 1959 Buick Electra. As a former member of the Asphalt Angels and

the Wheels From the Past car clubs, you always knew when Pat was around when he opened the hood with the beautiful fox painted under it.





On behalf of the CS & CG, we send our deepest sympathies to Pat's family and friends everywhere. Special thanks to James Duckett for his help with Pat's story. *Written by Anita M. Hill*

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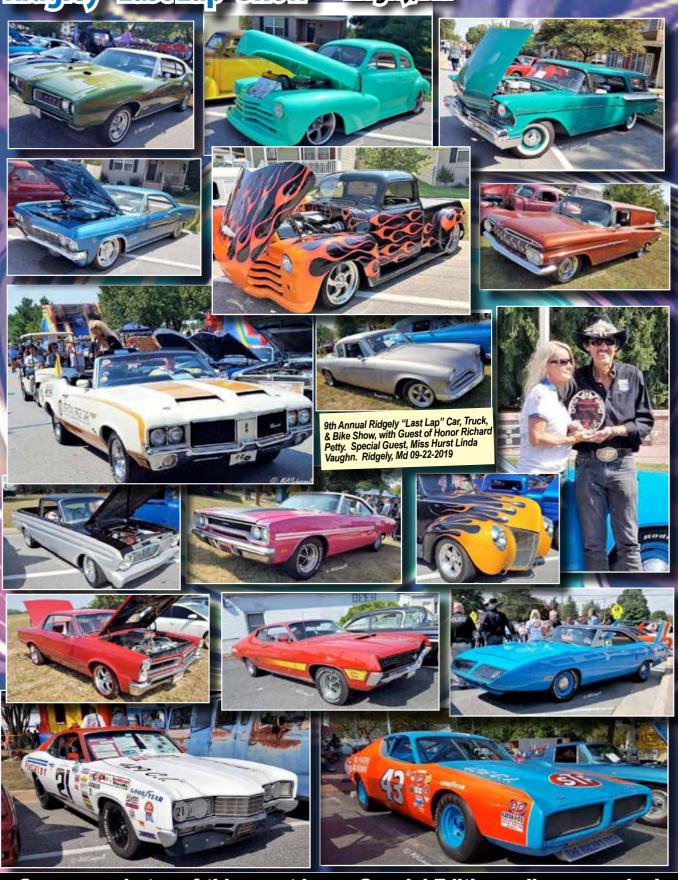
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Dave's Bed Bug

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friend Mike Farace whom has a shop close by. My son and I. along with friends Bob and Don disassembled the rear end of the car. then Mike



I appreciate everyone's help into making the Bed Bug stand out in the crowd. The kit company's owner Mark also founded Factory Five Racing. He offers kits for other VW's, Audi's, Subaru's, and my favorite, Dodge Chargers. A cool

inexpensive way to make your ride into something unlike anything else at the shows. I'm happy with the way it turned out. - Dave Bielecki



took his torch to it, basically removing everything from the door back.

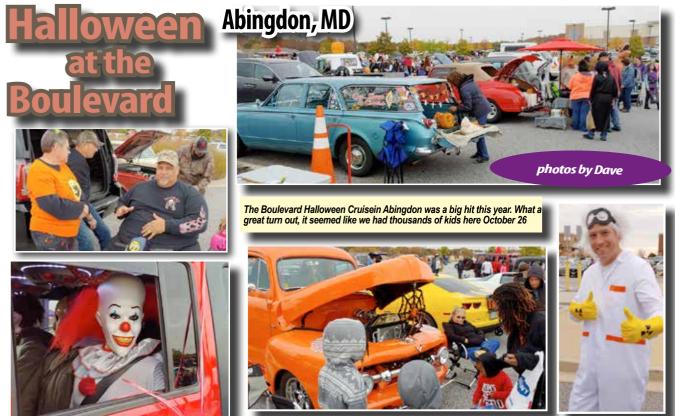
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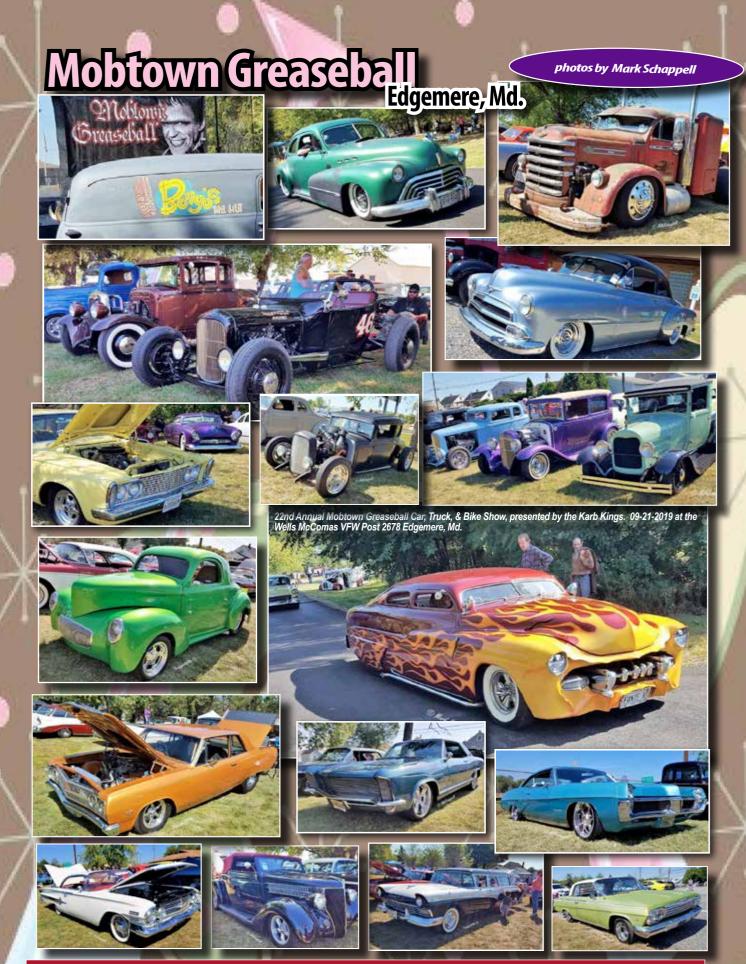
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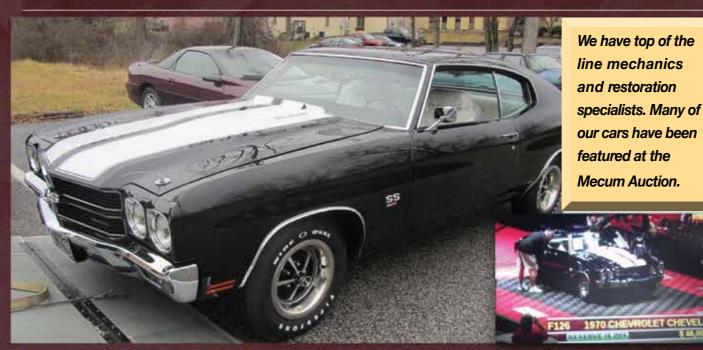
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