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Welcome to the 14 th Season for the Cruise Guide

Who knew 14 years ago when the Car Show & Cruise Guide handed out it's first edition at the **East Coast Indoor Nationals** that it would be an immediate hit. Since then some have tried to duplicate what we do online or in a Facebook group. But our combination of sharing car show news in Print, Online and our Facebook Groups seems to be the winning combination. I appreciate everyone's support as we doubled our size and reach through the years. Several years ago when the show promoters asked us to be a sponsor of the area's largest Indoor Car Show, we knew our efforts paid off.

Many readers think I do everything myself, but it just couldn't be further from the truth. Besides for our contributors and delivery help (all volunteers), I have joined forces with the members of the **Custom & Classic Car Educational Foundation** to continue to publish your favorite car show magazine. Look for bigger and better things to come in 2024 with our partnership to help Save the Hobby.

A new section in the Cruise Guide is planned for 2024, look for an announcement in February. This news and other ideas will be shared at our **All Clubs Breakfast on February 17th** - see the ad in this issue for how to RSVP.

If you have any suggestions on improvements or adding new features in the magazine, just reach out to me.

My phone number and email are in the magazine.

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Moose, B Woody show, Barrel House Cruise, Brunos at OC, The Hive, OC Cruisers, Darlington VFW, Lubtober, Mason Dixon Cruise, Old Mill Show, Metal Meet, Shrewsbury, Jerry's Chevy Show, Rumble in the Ruins Lost in the 50's.

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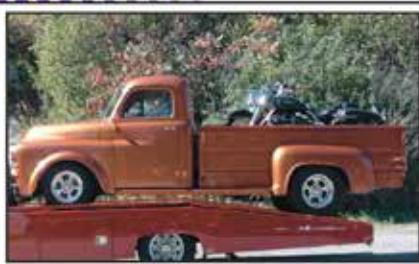
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Foundation Update

by Doug Wood



Well, Hello Everyone,

I want to start with some big news that I can't really share with you quite yet...LOL. We have partnered with a major car show production company to provide a much-needed gift to someone, and it's a surprise! We will post pictures and some explanations once it happens. Trust me when I tell you, this is the biggest Gift that the Foundation has provided thus far. Follow us on Facebook and look for an update in the **January Online Cruise Guide**, and their February print edition.

We've had a very successful, cruising season and thanks to you, our fundraising endeavors have been lucrative. As I've mentioned in the past, area, clubs have been generous as well as many individuals.

Recently, we have been accepting donations in the form of small die cast cars. We hope to accumulate enough of these to share with very interested young folks during the next hot rod season. If you wish to donate some high-quality, in the package die casts to our cause, feel free to catch up with any one of our volunteers or Dave and myself. We will make arrangements to get them from you!

The date for the **Real Man's Yard Sale in 2024** has been set for **August 17**. It will return to the **Markets of Shrewsbury**.

In between now and then, we plan on making several changes to the layout of the field as well as the way folks will register. We hope to have an online store set up to make it easier to pay. I must remind everyone that it's important for you to know how much space you need at the sale. You need to calculate the size of your vehicle and/or trailer, your wares and tables. The best analogy that I can make for this is when you rent a home; you are entitled to the space inside of your property lines. Nothing more! We will be vigilant at enforcing space utilization!

Lastly, I want to let you all know that we are partnering with **Wrenching for the Future**. They run a program that involves young people in the real time build of a hot rod! We are seeking a local shop that may be willing to donate space for this group to come to our region to perform one of these awesome builds. Also, if there is anyone reading this that may have a project that they would be willing to donate, car, truck, whatever we would love to talk to you!

I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and holiday season and may all of your holiday wishes come true!



As always...
I'll see you
on the return
road!

– Doug

Harford Winery Fall Fundraiser



The Custom & Classic Car Educational Foundation held it's fall fundraiser at Harford Winery in Forest Hill. Lots of raffle baskets, great food and wine, and a 50/50 made for a nice evening.



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Forest Hill, MD



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Harford 4-H Club

Street, MD

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The 4-H Camp Car Show took place on 11/4/23 at at the Harford County 4-H Camp. It was an amazing show, with 250 cars, lots of craft vendors, a gift raffle from each vendor, lots of awards, food trucks and DJ Dan. Great job to Don Ford and his team!



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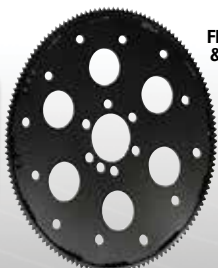
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The Veteran's Day Cruise to Perry Point was a very special day for the Veterans and the 147 vehicles that participated in the cruise. There were lots of veterans outside during the cruise and everyone was waving and smiling as we all thanked them for their service.

As Karen and Richard Shores started the Veteran's Cruise 4 years ago, Karen was able to speak to the cruisers about the rules we needed to follow so the cruise would continue for years to come. Karen also said that her husband Richard, who was also a veteran, had passed away less than 2 weeks prior to the cruise. You could feel the emotions reverberate through the crowd.

I had asked Father Lou Napoli, of the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, who is also a cruiser, if he could come out and say a prayer for all of the Veterans. He said a very heartfelt Veteran's Day prayer, with blessings for all.

Following the cruise, lots of us met at 5th Company Brewing for food and drinks. Karen said she'd try to be here for the 5th year's cruise, but if she couldn't, to please carry this on as a tradition in memory of Richard. - Anita Hill



Richard Shores



On October 31st, 2023, the classic car community lost another wonderful cruiser, Richard Shores. Richard was one of the nicest men you could ever meet. You would see him around town in his 1955 Chevy truck that he loved, and his wife Karen, with her 1967 Mustang that she and Richard restored. Karen always has her Mom, Martha with her at car shows and cruises, as she lives with Richard and Karen.

Richard was an Army Veteran. When he left the service, he worked for different companies as an Inventory Control Specialist. When he started working at Pall Corporation in Timonium, he met Karen. They were together for 29 years, and just celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on 9/16/23. Richard and Karen started the Perry Point Veteran's Cruise in 2020, and the 4th cruise will be on Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, 2023. The cruise will live on in honor of Richard and all the veteran's that served our country.

Richard was diagnosed with cancer of the Larynx in March of 2022. With Karen by his side, he fought very hard to get his health back, but it just wasn't to be. On behalf of the Car Show & Cruise Guide, we send our sympathies to Karen and Richard's family and friends.

Written By Anita M. Hill

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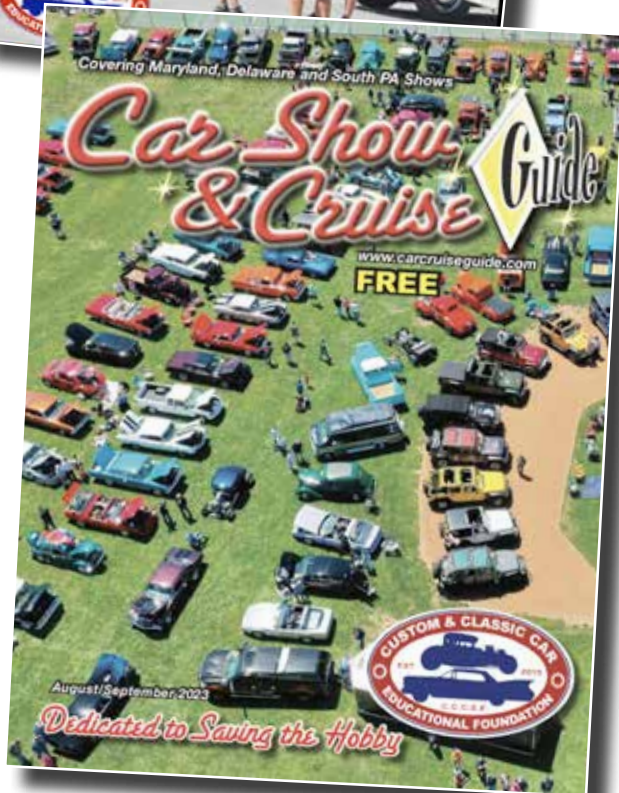
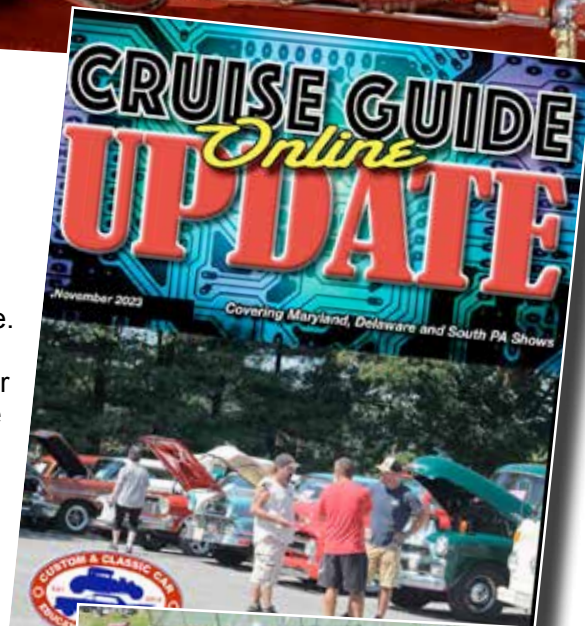
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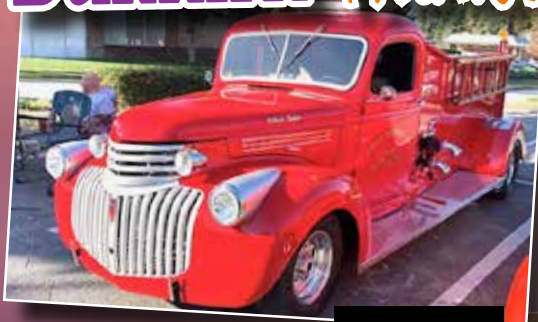
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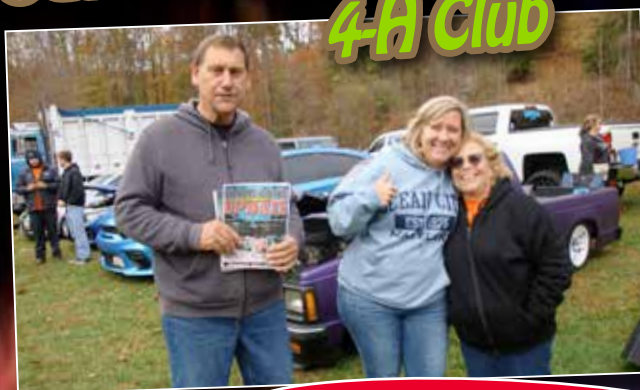


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Jack Kosko's 1948 Mercury Eight Convertible

My Dad Jack Kosko bought this 1948 Mercury Eight Convertible at Moyer Motors in Baltimore on Dec 11 1947. He was 22 years old. Not to long out of the Navy and WWII.

Living in Baltimore and taking flying lessons locally he met my Mom Rubye (at 18) through a blind date and my Mom was picked up in the Mercury on June 10 1948. They fell in love, even taking a trip to visit Mom's very large family in the mountains



But! He sold the Mercury to a man who lived in Baltimore in the 60s. It sat in his yard and ended being towed to the police impound lot after a year or 2. The man lost his house to back taxes. Dad found out it was being sold at a tax sale and went and bought the Mercury back at that sale.

We moved in the late 1960s to a more rural area where he could have a larger garage. He sure did! But never letting the Mercury go again and keeping it in the garage. Going out after diner and on weekends. Any spare time he had he spent working on cars in the garage. My brother's helped when they could. Taking the Mercury apart, sanding, painting that Taffy



of West Virginia in August of 1949. Mom being one of the oldest of 15 children. Driving the Mercury there with my Dad's Mother to meet her family. And on the way home the Mercury needed a Generator per my Mom's Diary.

Dad and Mom were married September 24, 1949. The Mercury was their Honeymoon car that took them to a little cabin south of Scranton PA where Dad was from.

Dad went on to start a successful construction company in Baltimore and they started a family. Having 2 boys and me in the 50s. A station wagon was needed. Dad started to collect a few other cars too. He enjoyed restoring histotic things.



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Tan color it came with. Mom going out to take pictures of Dad as he did the different steps of the restoration. That car is a true Family Car filled with the love of two people. Married 67 years! A true Love Story.

Dad spent most of the early 90s working on the Mercury. When he took the dash board off he found rice behind it from their wedding. New interior, new dash, new top and new paint. He had all the chrome done. New tires. He rebuilt the flathead. Just beautiful!!!

That was 1994 when he finished it. He drove it one time around the block, parked it in the garage, covered it up, and said, "I'm afraid someone will hit me" and never drove it again. He really loved this car! Life went on and the Mercury sat covered up and became just a story to tell. My older brother tinkered with it over the years but no one got it drivable until I acquired it about 2 years ago. I had to have the motor rebuilt again, tires, some electrical and some other minor things. But it's pretty much the way Dad left it in 1994. I drive it and show it locally starting just this



year. I don't go far and I understand how Dad felt but I can't just let it sit. That's not why I brought it home. I keep a tapestry on the back seat with 2 Angel's. That's my parents riding with me. It is a joy to drive!


Dad went full circle. Moving to buying and restoring WWII Avenger TBM Bombers just like he flew in in the war. He loved History and knew the importance of keeping it alive.

I acquired it and all the parts and pieces to the Mercury of which there are many and my Dad kept all paperwork. Even the original bill of sale. A true Legacy for me.


75 years I lost my Dad at 91 in May of 2017. I still had so many questions about the car until I lost Mom New Years Day 2022, also at 91.



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