

DRIVING FORCE

JULY 2012



Ties That Bind

Collector Car Appreciation Day Celebrates the Common Threads of Our Automotive Family

A rich fabric has been woven into our experience as Americans by the automotive hobby and the traditions that guide it. Although the variety of shapes, styles and ages of our prized collector cars is incredibly diverse, sharing our affinity for unique vehicles can create or even strengthen a common lifelong bond between family and friends. On July 13, honoring this time-tested passion among our enthusiast family is perhaps the greatest gift surrounding our hobby's day of recognition: Collector Car Appreciation Day. For the third year in a row, the second Friday in July will again demonstrate this united spirit.

"As in the previous two years, the U.S. Senate has again helped launch national Collector Car Appreciation Day by passing an official

resolution at the request of the SEMA Action Network (SAN)," said SEMA Vice President of Government Affairs Steve McDonald. "As a result, thousands of Americans will gather at car cruises, parades and other events to celebrate our nation's automotive heritage. By taking part in these events around the country, these automotive enthusiasts from all generations and walks of life will ensure that their passion is recognized on this special day."

The bipartisan U.S. Senate Resolution (S.R. 452) was sponsored by Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC). Senators Tester and Burr have been strong advocates for the automotive hobby in Washington, and the resolution reaffirms their understanding of the cultural importance of collector cars. Over the years, states, cities and

two Canadian provinces joined the U.S. Senate by passing their own proclamations and resolutions. So far this year, New Mexico, Hawaii, New York and West Virginia are officially recognizing the occasion while several other states and provinces are pursuing similar initiatives.

Individuals, car clubs and business owners have been registering their gatherings for inclusion on www.SEMAsan.com/CCAD, the SAN website. The complete list of events (current at press time) appears on the following pages of this issue. However you choose, please pay tribute to our hobby's special day in your own way by holding or attending a celebration near you. Encourage others to follow suit. Let's get those cars and trucks out of the garage and onto the road!

Collector Car Appreciation Day Events



ARIZONA

July 13, Glendale

Chilly Bombers/
Freddy's Steakburgers Cruise In
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com

July 14, Glendale

Mixteca/Kmart Cruise In
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com

July 14, Mesa

National Collector Car Day
East Side Location
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com

July 14, Phoenix

DaddyO's & Sunset Cruisers Collector Car
Appreciation Day Car Show
Sponsor: DaddyO's Grill and
Sunset Cruisers Car Club
Info: Chuck: 602-882-0500

CALIFORNIA

July 5, Half Moon Bay

Cool Harbor Nights
Sponsor: Princeton Seafood Company/
Frank Besnyi
Info: Besnyi@aol.com

July 11, Pomona

Prolong Twilight Cruise
Sponsor: Wally Parks NHRA
Motorsports Museum
Info: www.museum.nhra.com

July 13, Corona

Collector Car Appreciation Day Open House
Sponsor: Extreme Automotive
Info: 951-371-9730 or
leatherman.mary48@gmail.com

July 13, Diamond Bar

3rd Annual SEMA Collector
Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: SEMA
Info: san@sema.org

July 13, El Segundo

Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media

July 13, Irvine

Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media

July 13, Santee Lakes

Collector Car Appreciation Picnic
Sponsor: The King Pins
Info: Howard at 619-445-9777

July 14, Newbury Park

Collector Car Appreciation Day—
SoCal Cruise
Sponsor: Coachmen Car Club
of Ventura County
Info: skeeterrader@gmail.com

July 14, Valencia

SimTec Motorsports After Hours
Sponsor: SimTec Motorsports
Info: SimTecMotorsports@yahoo.com

July 14–15, Santa Clara

Hot San Jose Nights
Sponsor: *The Mercury News*
Info: www.hotсанjosenights.com

July 21, Tracy

Then and Now Car Show
Sponsor: Tracy City Center Association
and City of Tracy
Info: Courtney Campbell: 209-831-6224

COLORADO

July 7, Loveland

5th Annual All American Car Show
Sponsor: Northern Colorado Mustang
Car Club
Info: www.allamericancarshow.com
or events@ncmcc.org

CONNECTICUT

July 8, Simsbury

11th Annual Charity Benefit Car Show
Sponsor: Valley Collector Car Club Inc.
Info: www.valleycollectorcarclub.org

July 13, Monroe

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Classic Nights Car Club
Info: www.classicnights.com

DELAWARE

July 1, New Castle

39th Annual Rod Run
Sponsor: Delaware Street Rods
and One Off Custom
Info: mad19max32@hotmail.com

July 8–15, Wilmington

19th Annual International Convention
Sponsor: International Thunderbird Club
Info: malcolm@intl-tbirdclub.com
or www.intl-tbirdclub.com

July 13, Smyrna

Third Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Brenford Auto Museum
Info: 302-653-8330 Reservations Required

FLORIDA

July 12–15, Lake City

Key West Power Cruise
Sponsor: Cheri Copeland
Info: vwcheri@gmail.com

July 13, Tampa

Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media

July 14, Jupiter

3rd Annual Collector Car Appreciation
Day Event
Sponsor: Southeast Rods & Customs
Info: 561-753-3279 or
www.serodsncustoms.com/index.htm

July 14, Longwood

Downtown Longwood Classic Car Cruise
Sponsor: City of Longwood
& The Orlando Bowtie Club
Email: tarasnova@yahoo.com

HAWAII

July 14, Kihei, Maui

Piilani Village Car Show
Sponsor: Maui Classic Cruisers Car Club
Info: Patty Ventura at 808-264-6103
or Scott Borge at 808-344-0996

IDAHO

July 13–15, Boise

Northwest Motorfest
Sponsor: RPM! Productions
Info: www.rpmprod.com/2012_motorfest_main_page.html

ILLINOIS

July 13–15, Joliet

NMRA/NMCA Super Bowl of Street-Legal
Drag Racing
Sponsor: Nitto Tire
Info: www.nmcadigital.com/IL

July 13, Roselle

Cruise from Augustino's Deli to
The Tilted Kilt
Sponsor: The HERD: Tri-State '94–'96
Impala SS Enthusiasts
Info: www.theherd.com

July 14, Byron

Midwest Racing Track Day
Sponsor: Midwest Racing
Info: www.midwestracing.net

July 14, Moline

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Quad Cities Cruisers
Info: www.quadcitiescruisers.org

July 14, Rockford

Midwest Racing at Byron Dragway
Sponsor: Midwest Racing
Info: www.midwestracing.net

July 21, Evansville

Evansville Days Car, Truck & Motorcycle
Cruise-In
Sponsor: Liberty Courtyard Wine Tasting
& Supplies
Info: [www.motortopia.com/car-shows/
evansville-days-car-truck-motorcycle-
cruise-in-8035](http://www.motortopia.com/car-shows/evansville-days-car-truck-motorcycle-cruise-in-8035)

IOWA

July 8, Burlington

Strong Cars For Strong Kids Car Show
Sponsor: Burlington Area Community
YMCA-YWCA
Info: 319-753-6734 x113 or
www.burlingtony.org

July 13, Ames

Customer and Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Arnold Motor Supply
Info: 515/556-5206
or vppublication@isra-online.org

July 13, Ames

Hot Sizzling BBQ
Sponsor: Iowa Street Rod Association
Info: 515-231-3031 or jve37671@aol.com

July 13, Mount Pleasant

Cruise Night
Sponsor: The 20th Century Car Club
Info: 319-385-2119 or ekropa@iwc.edu

July 15–20, Homestead

Heritage Tour
Sponsor: Veteran Motor Car Club
of America
Info: RussBees@msn.com

INDIANA

July 13, South Bend

Third Annual National Collector Car
Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Studebaker National Museum
Info: www.studebakermuseum.org

July 14, Goodland

Goodland Car Show
Sponsor: Goodland Town and Goodland
Community Church
Info: goodlandcommunitychurch@gmail.com

July 15–19, New Castle

Great Lakes Regional Tour
Sponsor: Veteran Motor Car Club
of America
Info: wilkinsondarrel@wmconnect.com

July 27–28, Lafayette

Lafayette Kroozers Hot Summer Nights
Sponsor: Lafayette Kroozers
Info: www.LafayetteKroozers.com

KENTUCKY

July 14, Nicholasville

Cruise-In
Sponsor: Double Kwik BP
Info: hotdodgeat74@yahoo.com

July 19–21, Bowling Green

31st Annual Corvette Homecoming
Sponsor: National Corvette
Owners Association
Info: 270-791-2117 or
www.corvettethehomecoming.com

July 27–28, Elizabethtown

Cruisin' the Heartland with XFINITY
Sponsor: City of Elizabethtown
Info: Sarah Vaughn, 270-765-6121

July 28–29, Somerset

Somernites Cruise
Sponsor: Somerset/Pulaski Co. Ky.
Info: somernitescruise@yahoo.com

LOUISIANA

July 13, Slidell

Sonic Cruise In
Sponsor: I.R.O.N.S.
Info: 985-643-4224

MARYLAND

July 13, Abingdon

National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Car Show
Sponsor: Lowes Cruisers
Info: www.lowescruise.com

July 13, Chesapeake City

Drive Your Collector Car Day
Sponsor: Ron Francis Wiring
Info: www.ronfrancis.com

July 13, Glen Burnie

Cruise Night
Sponsor: Street Survivors of Maryland
Info: Rick: 443-829-5658

MASSACHUSETTS

July 15, Shrewsbury

Chili's Cruise Night
Sponsor: Chili's Grill & Bar
and Greg's Restorations
Info: [http://chiliscruisenight.com/Home_
Page.php](http://chiliscruisenight.com/Home_Page.php)

MICHIGAN

July 13, Berkley

Motown Automotive Professionals
Nonprofit Car Show
Sponsor: Motown Automotive Professionals
Info: Marcus Simmons, 248-552-8928

July 13, Plymouth

Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: ROUSH Performance
Info: kevin.mcloughlin@roush.com

July 14, Highland

Hot Summer Nights Car Show
& Drive-In Movie
Sponsor: LaFontaine Buick, GMC
and Cadillac
Info: 248-467-9476

MINNESOTA

July 13, Fridley

Drive Your Classic Car to Work Day
Sponsor: Friendly Chevrolet

July 13, North St. Paul

Collector Car Appreciation Day
Friday Night Cruise
Sponsor: Minnesota Street
Rod Association
Info: www.msra.com

July 13, Ortonville

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Big Stone Cruisers
Info: www.bigstonecruisers.com

MISSOURI

July 14, St. Louis

National Collector Car Appreciation
Day Celebration
Sponsor: Clean Cut Creations
Info: 314-968-8377 or
info@CleanCutCreations.com

NEBRASKA

July 14, Lincoln

10th Annual MCA Mustang and
All Ford Show
Sponsor: Midwest Ford Clubs Inc.
Info: brucemargekenn@aol.com

July 14, Papillion

3rd Annual Car Show
Sponsor: Cruisers for the Breath of Life
Info: 402-935-0974 or tmprobyn@fnni.com

July 18–22, Kearny

Cruise Nite Weekend
Sponsor: Central Nebraska Auto Club
Info: www.cruisnitekearney.com

NEVADA

July 13, Mowapa

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise-In
Sponsor: Muddy River Bar & Grill
Info: 702-339-3410

NEW HAMPSHIRE

July 13, Exeter

Black Cat Cruise Night
Sponsors: Kustom Kings of
New Hampshire, Foss Motors of Exeter
Info: Jim, 603-793-8126

July 15, Holderness

3rd Annual Acton Custom Open House
and Collector Car Appreciation Day Event
Sponsor: Acton Custom Enterprises LLC
Info: 603-279-0241 or
www.actoncustom.com

NEW JERSEY

July 13, Cherry Hill

National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Car Show
Sponsor: American Collectors Insurance Inc.
Info: www.AmericanCollectors.com/NCCAD

July 13, Somerville

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise-In
Sponsor: Raritan River Region of the
Cadillac LaSalle Club
Info: www.rrrclc.org

July 13, Woodstown

Third Annual Collector Car Appreciation
Day Cruise
Sponsor: South Jersey Region AACA
Info: www.sjraaca.com

NEW MEXICO

July 13, Portales

Second Annual Collector Car Appreciation
Day Car Show
Sponsor: Desert Cruzers
Info: www.desertcruzerscarclub.com

July 14, Albuquerque

2012 Mopar Challenge Series—3rd Race
Sponsor: Mopar Muscle Club of NM
Info: www.moparclub.com or
505-896-8115

NEW YORK

July 13, Kenmore

Paddock Chevrolet 14th Annual
Super Cruise 2012
Sponsor: Paddock Chevrolet
Info: Bill W., 716-876-0945 x114 or
Joe H., 716-362-7663 x307

July 13, Sharon Springs

Cruise-In On Friday Night
Sponsor: Dairiland Drive-in
and Big Al's Hot Rod Shop
Info: www.carcruisein.com
or Bigal55@frontiernet.net

July 13–15, Norwich

Drive your classic car to the Museum,
receive \$3 off regular adult admission
Sponsor: Northeast Classic Car Museum
Info: www.classiccarmuseum.org

NORTH CAROLINA

July 13, Denver

Collector Car Appreciation Day Fun Run
Sponsor: Steele Rubber Products
Info: Eric Saltrick, esaltrick@steelerubber.com

July 13, Goldsboro

Third Annual Collector Car Day Cruise
Sponsor: Wayne County Cruisers
Info: www.waynecountycruisers.com

July 28–29, Concord

ImportAlliance Summer Meet 2012
Sponsor: ImportAlliance
Info: www.ImportAlliance.org

OHIO

July 13, Beavercreek

Friday Night Cruise-In
Sponsor: Greene County Antique
& Classic Car Club
Info: www.greenecarclub.com

OKLAHOMA

July 13, Choctaw

National Collector Car Appreciation
Day Car Show
Sponsor: Central Oklahoma MOPAR
Association/Sonic
Info: mrmagnum@hotmail.com

OREGON

July 7, Roseburg

30th Show-N-Shine
Sponsor: Stray Angels Car Club
Info: www.strayangelscarclub.com

July 14, Portland

Hot Rod Nights
Sponsor: New Copper Penny, Coors Light,
FaSStAction.com
Info: www.FaSStAction.com

PENNSYLVANIA

July 8, Allentown

6th Annual Car Show
Sponsor: Penn Mustangs
Info: www.pennmustangs.com/carshow

July 13–14, Alum Bank

25th Annual Alum Bank Classic
Weekend Car Show
Sponsor: Alum Bank Community
Fire Company
Info: mtbclassics@yahoo.com

July 13–14, York

11th Annual Musclecar Madness
at York Reunion
Sponsor: York Nostalgia
Info: 717-757-2720
or www.yorknostalgia.com

July 14, Lewistown

Keystone State Muscle Cars Summer
Cruise Nights
Sponsor: Keystone State Muscle Cars
Info: 717-348-0630
or badasspony@rocketmail.com

July 15, Gettysburg

British Invade Gettysburg
Sponsor: The Lancaster County MG Club
Info: www.lanccomgclub.com

SOUTH CAROLINA

July 14, Charleston

Collector Car Appreciation Day
at Brittlebank Park
Sponsor: Low Country Model A Ford Club
Info: hughh41@yahoo.com

July 14, West Columbia

Fat Boys Cruise-In
Sponsor: Columbia Classic Chevy Club
Info: http://clubs.hemmings.com/
columbiaclassicchevyclub/

TENNESSEE

July 13, Goodlettsville

Tennessee Speed Sport Drive Your
Classic to Work
Sponsor: P&E Distributors Inc.

July 13, Memphis

2012 Collector Car Appreciation Day
Memphis Cruise-in
Sponsor: Memphis Classic Chevy Club
Info: info@memphisclassicchevys.com

July 14, Antioch

Collector Car and Customer Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Gary Mathews Chrysler, Dodge,
Jeep, Ram of Nashville
Info: jjarvis@gm-autogroup.com

July 14, Knoxville

Lokar Company Cruise-in
Sponsor: Lokar Inc.
Info: brian@lokar.com

July 13–14, Johnson City

4th Annual Car Show
and Borla Open House
Sponsor: Borla Performance Industries
& Carter County Car Club
Info: www.borla.com/carshow

TEXAS

July 13, Castroville

3rd Annual National Collector
Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Mopar Muscle Club
of San Antonio
Info: jm Moore18@satx.rr.com

July 13, San Antonio

Drive Your Hot Rod to Work Day
Sponsor: Vintage Air
Info: rlove@vintageair.com

July 13, Dallas

3rd Annual Celebration of the National
Collector Car Appreciation Day
at Keller's Drive In
Sponsor: Dallas Area Classic Chevys
Info: www.DallasClassicChevy.com

July 14, Kingsville

Street Rods & More Classic Car Show
Sponsor: Hiram Perez Texas
A&M University-Kingsville
Info: 361-593-2642 or 361-460-1296

July 14, Rowlett

2nd Annual Celebration of the National
Collector Car Appreciation Day
and Giant Garage Sale
Sponsor: North Texas Region Lincoln
and Continental Owners Club
Info: joehillandassociates@verizon.net

July 14, Fairview

Show and Shine Collector
Car Appreciation Show
Sponsor: Morning Maniacs
Info: wendy.meagher@att.net

VERMONT

July 13, Bennington

Hemmings' Annual National Collector Car
Day Cruise-in to the Drive-in
Sponsor: *Hemmings Motor News*
Info: 800/227-4373 or
www.hemmings.com/events/cruiseins.html

VIRGINIA

July 13, Virginia Peninsula

Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Virginia Peninsula
Car Club Council
Info: halhartel@gmail.com

WASHINGTON

July 8, Vancouver

Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Fort Vancouver/
Rose City Region Club of AACA
Info: fam36@comcast.net

July 13, Olympia

Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise-In
Sponsor: Corvette & High Performance
Info: 360-754-7890 or www.corvhp.com

WISCONSIN

July 12–15, Iola

40th Anniversary Old Car Show
Info: information@ioloaloldcarshow.com
or 715-445-4000

July 13, Kenosha

National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Kenosha Car Club
Info: 262-652-5641

July 13–15, Spokane

Early Ford V8 Club Swap Meet &
Show & Shine
Sponsor: Early Ford V8 Car Club
Info: 509-994-4924 or
ceasterly65@gmail.com

CANADA

MANITOBA

July 13, Winnipeg

Collector Car Appreciation Day Celebration
Sponsor: Manitoba Association
of Auto Clubs
Info: 204-229-0397
or bobchubala@yahoo.com

*Current as of June 13, 2012. For a complete schedule of Collector Car Appreciation Day and other SAN-member July events, visit www.semasan.com/CCAD.

HEY, THAT'S MY CAR!

Highway Memories

Hitting the road for the *Hot Rod Magazine Power Tour* gave the SAN staff a chance to meet both the seasoned and new supporters of our growing family. Here are some of the SAN members we saw along the route from Detroit, Michigan, to Arlington, Texas:



Mike Chopek brought his '09 Pontiac G8 GT all the way from Alberta, Canada, for the Power Tour.



Zach Traylor (Lawton, Oklahoma) was thrilled to sit in this '08 American Simplex with owner Corky Coker.



Todd Perkins (Detroit, Michigan) has had a SAN decal on the windshield of his '34 Ford roadster replica for several years.



Ashley Grubermann (Richton Park, Illinois) sports a SAN T-shirt while posing with her '71 Pontiac Grand Ville.



Christian and Keith Gonzales (Baton Rouge, Louisiana) stand beside Christian's '98 Ford Mustang.



New SAN members Carla and Cayla Coleman (Lucas, Texas) enjoyed driving their '66 Ford Mustang convertible.



Byron Fulbright (Tulsa, Oklahoma) shows off the SAN decal on his '73 Chevrolet Chevelle Malibu.



Darryl P. Cunningham (Symsonia, Kentucky) proudly wears his SAN T-shirt next to his '70 Chevrolet El Camino.

Have your car or truck featured in a future issue of *Driving Force*. Submit your high-resolution photos online at www.semasan.com.

Club Spotlight

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churches, civic groups and community events over the years. With help from the SAN, information about pending changes in laws and regulations that affect car ownership, driving, maintenance and insurance is distributed to the member clubs.

In 2011, the council requested the governor's office to join in the national celebration of collector cars on July 8.

An official State Proclamation was issued to mark the date as "Collector Car Appreciation Day." The council celebrated with a cruise down Central Avenue, a hamburger fry at a local restoration shop and an informal car show in the parking lot. In 2012, the request was made again, and Governor Suzanna Martinez proclaimed July 13, 2012, as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" with another official Proclamation. A cruise and BBQ are planned for this year's festivities.

Put SAN on Your Mailing List!

We'd like to know what's going on with SEMA Action Network clubs and enthusiasts across the country; what charity events you're involved in; when and where the rod runs, car shows, trail rides, rallies and tech meetings are held; and what legislative and regulatory issues concern club members and individual enthusiasts.

Send correspondence to: SEMA Action Network, 1317 F St., N.W., Ste. 500, Washington, D.C. 20004-1105 or san@sema.org.

LEGISLATIVE QUICK HITS

Colorado Emissions Inspections: A SAN-supported bill that originally sought to extend the emissions inspection exemption to vehicles that are six model years old and newer died when the legislature adjourned for the year. The bill had been approved by the Senate Transportation Committee, but did not advance further in the legislative process. Current law only exempts vehicles that are four model years old or newer.

Connecticut Antique/Rare/Special-Interest Motor Vehicles: SAN-opposed legislation that threatened to increase the age requirement from 20 to 30 years old for vehicles eligible for registration as “antique, rare or special-interest motor vehicles” died when the legislature adjourned for the year, suffering the same fate as an identical bill last year. The bill had been approved by the Joint Committee on Planning and Development by a narrow 10-9 vote. For the purpose of property taxes, the bill also increased the maximum assessment of these vehicles to \$2,500. These special-interest motor vehicles are currently assessed at a rate of \$500 and owners pay personal property taxes on that amount.

Hawaii Audio Equipment: Legislation to ban the installation, ownership or use of any car with aftermarket speakers more than 6.5 in. in height or depth, any five-speaker aftermarket system, any aftermarket speaker more than 100 watts and any aftermarket speaker installed external to the passenger compartment or in an open hatch back was deferred from consideration in 2011, with the legislature retaining the option of reviving the bill in 2012. With the adjournment of the legislature for this year, the bill is now formally dead. The measure was discriminatory toward aftermarket products, as it did not seek to limit systems installed by the original vehicle manufacturer or dealer.

Hawaii Low-Mileage Credit: Resolutions urging the city and county of Honolulu to create a 10% vehicle registration credit for residents who drive limited miles in their vehicles were not approved by the House of Representatives before the legislature adjourned for the year. Under the resolutions, the credit would have extended to any resident who is registering a vehicle and can provide information from the two most recent safety inspections showing that less than 3,000 miles were



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driven between the two inspections. While the resolutions did not carry the weight of law, they did urge Honolulu to correct the unfairness associated with having those residents (including owners of rarely used hobby cars) who make less use of our roads contribute the same amount in fees.

Hawaii Exhaust Noise: SEMA-model legislation that would have allowed vehicle hobbyists to install and use aftermarket modified exhaust systems that meet an objective noise limit died when legislature adjourned for the year. Under the bill, car owners would have been issued a certificate of compliance if the exhaust system emitted no more than 95 decibels under a fair and predictable test. The measure would have remedied the enforcement policy currently used by police officers in which exhaust noise citations are prosecuted solely based on the officer's subjective judgment.

Michigan Historic Vehicles: SAN-supported legislation that would amend the state's current law to permit historic vehicles with unlimited use as “exhibition” vehicles the entire month of August was passed by the House Transportation Committee.

Having already been approved by the full Senate, the bill now moves to the House floor for a vote by all members. Under current state law, use of historic vehicles is limited to participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades, and similar uses, including mechanical testing, but not for general transportation.

Nebraska Ethanol: Persuaded by the opposition of the SAN, legislation to remove labeling requirements on pumps dispensing ethanol-blended gasoline was “indefinitely postponed.” With the adjournment of the legislature for the year, the bill is now formally dead and would have to be reintroduced in 2013 in order to be reconsidered. Current law requires labeling when gasoline contains 1% or more alcohol, including labels for pumps dispensing E10. The bill would have made it impossible for owners to know whether the gasoline they put into their vehicles contained any ethanol, making unintentional misfueling and engine damage more likely.



New Mexico Collector Cars: Governor Susana Martinez issued a proclamation designating July 13, 2012, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day” in the state. New Mexico joins Hawaii and New York as states that have officially recognized the celebration. Earlier this year, the U.S. Senate passed Senate Resolution 452 at the SAN's request to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. The date marked the third commemoration in what has become an annual event.

Pennsylvania Emissions Inspections: Legislation has been introduced to extend the emissions inspection exemption to vehicles never before registered in the state or any other jurisdiction for 10 years from the date of original registration. Current law only exempts new vehicles that have less than 5,000 miles on their odometer for one year after their first registration.

Vermont Exhaust Systems: A SAN-opposed bill to ban motor-vehicle exhaust systems that increase the noise level above the level emitted by the originally installed system died when the legislature adjourned for the year. Under the bill, violators would not have passed the state's required inspection. The bill also did not provide an opportunity for vehicle hobbyists to install and use aftermarket modified exhaust systems that meet an objective 95-decibel limit under a fair and predictable test and allowed law enforcement to make subjective judgments on whether an exhaust system increased noise.



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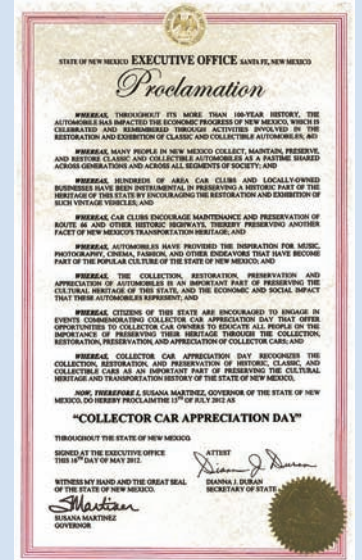
CLUB SPOTLIGHT

New Mexico Council of Car Clubs Shines in the Land of Enchantment

Eight car clubs originally founded the New Mexico Council of Car Clubs in 1977. The council's goal was to foster cooperation among various car clubs, to organize and promote events that were larger than one club could operate on their own, to create a calendar of car-oriented events for club members and serve as a clearinghouse of automotive information for New Mexico. Since then, the group has grown to include a membership of more than 70 clubs throughout the state that reaches hundreds of people involved with the automotive hobby. The heavy lifting continues to be performed by volunteers from the council's member car clubs.

The council now produces a calendar of events and photo archive for New Mexico and the surrounding area, which is posted on a dedicated website (www.nmcarcouncil.net). The group also sponsors the area's largest swap meet and car show, in addition to an annual summer picnic. The council promotes charitable events, provides cars for these events and collects donations for the charities involved. Vehicles and support have also been provided to schools,

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The official State Proclamation issued by Governor Suzanna Martinez marks the date July 13, 2012, as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" in New Mexico.

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