

DRIVING FORCE

AUGUST 2011



Texas Two-Step

Street Rod and Custom Vehicle Bill Becomes Law in the Lone Star State

After an effort that stretched into two legislative sessions, SEMA-model legislation to create a vehicle registration classification for street rods and custom vehicles, including kit cars and replicas, and provide for special license plates was approved by the Texas State Legislature and signed into law by Governor Rick Perry.

Slated to go into effect on September 1, 2011, the new law defines a street rod as an altered vehicle manufactured before 1949 and a custom as an altered vehicle at least 25 years old and manufactured after 1948. The law also allows for the use of non-original materials and creates a titling and registration criterion that assigns these vehicles the same model-year designation as the production vehicle they most closely resemble. In addition, the law only holds street rods, customs and replicas to the equipment standards specified by law during the model year listed on the title of the vehicle and exempts them from emissions inspections. Certificates of title for replica vehicles will include the word "replica."

"The bill was passed during this session because of the hard work of all Texas automotive enthusiasts and will help us with a simple and uniform method to title and register the cars built in this state," explained Texas SAN member John Crisler, who worked diligently to support the measure.

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CAUCUS CORNER

The State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus is a bipartisan group of state lawmakers whose common thread is a love and appreciation for automobiles. The caucus has grown by 173 new members (listed below) in the 2011 legislative session, bringing the total to an impressive 516 members in all 50 states. While cruising through our new member list, you will come across a few photos of legislators showing off their rides, which goes to show: lawmakers can be car guys, too!

ALABAMA

Representative Daniel Boman
Representative Allen Farley
Representative Jimmie Hall

ALASKA

Representative Bob Herron
Representative Kyle Johansen

ARKANSAS

Senator Mary-Anne Salmon
Representative Nate Bell
Representative Charlie Collins
Representative Linda Collins-Smith
Representative Homer Lenderman

CALIFORNIA

Senator Doug LaMalfa



California State Senator Doug LaMalfa beside his '68 Mustang.

COLORADO

Representative Mark Barker
Representative Millie Hamner
Representative Chris Holbert
Representative Pete Lee
Representative Marsha Looper

DELAWARE

Representative Harvey Kenton

GEORGIA

Senator John Albers
Representative Alex Atwood
Representative Josh Clark
Representative Terry England
Representative Michele Henson
Representative Pedro "Pete" Marin



Georgia State Senator John Albers and his '76 MGB.

HAWAII

Representative Angus McKelvey
Representative John Mizuno
Representative Jessica Wooley

IDAHO

Senator Lee Heider
Senator Steve Vick
Representative Adam Brown
Representative Frank Henderson
Representative Kathy Sims

ILLINOIS

Senator John Mulroe
Senator Suzi Schmidt
Representative Donald Moffitt
Representative Michelle Mussman
Representative Dennis Rosa
Representative Ron Stephens

INDIANA

Senator Jim Banks
Senator Jim Tomes
Representative Bill Davis

IOWA

Senator Dr. Joe Seng
Representative Cecil Dolecheck
Representative Jared Klein

KANSAS

Representative Tom Arpke
Representative Tom Burroughs
Representative Terry Calloway
Representative Jim Denning
Representative Gail Finney
Representative Jana Goodman
Representative Jim Howell

KENTUCKY

Senator Joe Bowen
Senator Jared Carpenter
Representative Mike Cherry
Representative Mike Harmon
Representative Dennis Horlander
Representative Michael Meredith

MAINE

Senator Andy Sanborn
Senator Lois Snowe-Mello
Representative Les Fossel
Representative Thomas Longstaff
Representative Kerri L. Prescott
Representative Wes Richardson
Representative Jeffrey Timberlake

MARYLAND

Delegate Michael Hough
Delegate Steven Schuh
Delegate Jeffrey Waldstreicher

MASSACHUSETTS

Representative Steven Howitt
Representative James Murphy



Massachusetts State Representative Steven Howitt cruising in his MG.

MICHIGAN

Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood
Senator Joe Hune
Senator Mike Kowall
Representative Charles Brunner
Representative Brad Jacobsen
Representative Dale Zorn

MINNESOTA

Senator Jim Metzen
Senator Carla Nelson
Senator Katie Sieben
Representative Paul Anderson
Representative Joe Atkins
Representative Bob Barrett
Representative Mike Benson
Representative Kurt Bills
Representative Bob Dettmer
Representative Sondra Erickson
Representative Patti Fritz
Representative Kelby Woodard



Minnesota State Representative Mike Benson with his son and '78 MG Midget.

MISSISSIPPI

Representative Richard Bennett
Representative Roger Ishee

MISSOURI

Senator Brian Nieves
Senator Mike Parson
Representative T.J. Berry
Representative Mike Kelley
Representative Brent Lasater



New Hampshire State Representative Gary Azarian and his vintage Corvette.

Representative Thomas Long
Representative Tom McDonald
Representative Eileen McGeoghegan
Representative Jay Swearingen
Representative Paul Wieland
Representative Billy Pat Wright

MONTANA

Senator Tom Facey
Senator Jon Sonju
Representative Christy Clark
Representative Doug Kary
Representative Steve Lavin

NEVADA

Assemblymember Richard Carrillo
Representative Ed Goedhart

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Representative Gary Azarian
Representative Gail Barry
Representative Paul Brown
Representative Jack Flanagan
Representative Frank Holden
Representative Robert Introne
Representative Kenneth Kreis
Representative Keith Murphy
Representative Jeffrey Oligny
Representative Joe Pitre
Representative Mark Proulx
Representative Steven Smith
Representative James Webb



New Hampshire State Representative Mark Proulx with his fire-fighter-inspired Mustang.

NEW JERSEY

Assemblymember Erik Peterson

NEW MEXICO

Representative Bob Wooley

NEW YORK

Assemblymember George Amedore
Assemblymember John Ceretto
Assemblymember Andy Goodell
Assemblymember Sean Hanna
Assemblymember Mark Johns
Assemblymember Daniel Losquadro

Assemblymember Steven
F. McLaughlin

Assemblymember Mike Montesano

Assemblymember Edward Ra

Assemblymember Kevin Smardz

Assemblymember Lou Tobacco

NORTH CAROLINA

Representative Kelly Alexander

Representative Becky Carney

Representative Kelly Hastings

NORTH DAKOTA

Senator James Dotzenrod

Representative Craig Headland

Representative Dick Anderson

Representative Mark Owens

OKLAHOMA

Senator Mark Allen

Senator Kim David

Representative Dennis Casey

Representative Colby Schwartz

Representative Cory Williams

PENNSYLVANIA

Representative John Bear

Representative Stephen Bloom

Representative Marcia Hahn

Representative Michael Hanna

Representative Nick Kotik

Representative John Lawrence

SOUTH DAKOTA

Senator Jim Putnam

Representative Steve Hickey

Representative Tona Rozum

Representative Mark Willadsen

TENNESSEE

Representative Harry Brooks

Representative Charles

Michael Sargent

Representative Mike Sparks

TEXAS

Representative Larry Gonzales

Representative Sid Miller

Representative Van Taylor

Representative James White

UTAH

Senator Scott Jenkins

VERMONT

Senator Joe Benning

Senator Richard Westman

WASHINGTON

Representative Larry Crouse

Representative Troy Kelley

WEST VIRGINIA

Delegate John Ellem

Delegate Gary Howell

WISCONSIN

Senator Glenn Grothman

Senator Van Wanggaard

Representative Roger Rivard

WYOMING

Senator Ogden Driskill

Representative Bunky Loucks

Texas Two-Step

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Texas joins California (2001), Illinois (2002), Missouri (2004), Rhode Island (2004), Hawaii (2004), Montana (2005), Maine (2005), Colorado (2006), Arkansas (2007), Virginia (2007), Nevada (2007), Florida (2007), Idaho (2008), Iowa (2008), Tennessee (2008), Wyoming (2009), Utah (2009), North Carolina (2009), Massachusetts (2010) and Washington state (2011) as states that have enacted similar bills into law.

The new law is the product of two legislative sessions. In 2009, identical legislation that was approved in committee did not receive a vote by the full Texas House of Representatives before the legislators adjourned for the year.

“After the disappointment we experienced in 2009, it is extremely gratifying that the Texas legislature was ultimately persuaded to enact legislation recognizing the unique nature of these vehicles as hobbyist cars,” said SEMA Vice President of Government Affairs Steve McDonald. “For the hundreds of vehicle enthusiasts in Texas that supported this bill, building, maintaining and enjoying these unique creations is a favorite pastime. This law represents an opportunity to acknowledge their commitment to the hobby and to protect it for future generations.”

The model bill will continue to be pursued by SEMA in states that either don't have registration classifications for these vehicles or have laws that are lacking in some way. SEMA efforts are ongoing this year to work with the state legislatures in New York and New Jersey on this initiative and to add others to that list in the coming legislative sessions.

Driving Force Recognized in International Competition

SEMA Action Network's own *Driving Force* took home the gold medallion in the “Best Single Issue: Newsletter” category during the 20th International Automotive Media Awards, which took place on June 20 at the Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn, Michigan. The International Automotive Media Competition, a function of the International Society for Vehicle Preservation, is an awards program. The purpose of this peer-judged program is to recognize excellence in all forms of automotive media.

“As the leader in legislative advocacy on behalf of the automotive hobby, the SAN relies upon *Driving Force* to reach thousands of enthusiasts regarding government activity in the states and in Washington, D.C.,” said Steve McDonald, SEMA vice president of government affairs. “This recognition is a testament to its continued effectiveness in providing enthusiasts with the information they need to help affect pro-hobby governmental policies.”

Last December's Issue of Driving Force detailed SAN's legislative successes and impressed the judges of the International Automotive Media competition.



LEGISLATIVE QUICK HITS

New York One-Time Fee: SAN-supported legislation to provide historical vehicle owners a one-time registration fee of \$100 upon initial registration was passed by the New York Senate. The bill will now be considered by the Assembly Transportation Committee. The reduced registration fee would be available to owners of historical vehicles owned and operated as an exhibition piece or collector's item and used for club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, occasional transportation and similar uses. Under current New York law, a historical motor vehicle is either a vehicle manufactured more than 25 years ago or one which has unique characteristics and which is determined to be of historical, classic or exhibition value. The \$100 one-time fee would replace the current annual fee of \$28.75.



New York Assembly Passes Resolution Proclaiming July 8 as Collector Car Appreciation Day in the State:

The New York State Assembly approved a resolution to memorialize July 8, 2011, as Collector Car Appreciation Day in the state of New York, in conjunction with National Collector Car Appreciation Day. The effort was sponsored by New York Assemblymember Bill Reilich, who has served the automotive hobbyist community for the past four years as national chairman of the State Automotive Enthusiast

Leadership Caucus. Earlier this year, at SEMA's request, U.S. Senators John Tester (D-MT) and Richard Burr (R-NC) introduced and the Senate approved Resolution 154 (S. Res. 154), officially designating July 8, 2011, as "National Collector Car Appreciation Day."

Pennsylvania Year-of-Manufacture Plates: A Pennsylvania bill that would provide vehicle owners the option to use vintage, original model-year license plates on antique and classic vehicles was passed by the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and is now awaiting consideration in the Senate Transportation Committee. An application fee of \$75 would be charged for a request to use year-of-manufacture plates. Under the measure, vintage plates must have been issued by the state of Pennsylvania between the years 1906 and 1975, must be provided by the vehicle owner and legible from a reasonable distance. Under current law, antique vehicle owners may only apply for special antique, classic or collectible plates that bear the designation "antique vehicle." These plates would still be available to state hobbyists if the bill is enacted into law.

U.S. House of Representatives Panel Considers the Benefits of Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation:

A House Natural Resources Subcommittee held a hearing entitled "Opportunities for Outdoor Recreation on Public Lands." The main topics of discussion were protecting recreational access to federal lands and recognizing the economic benefits derived from such activities. Witnesses included representatives from the BlueRibbon Coalition (BRC), National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (NOHVCC), Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition and other OHV organizations. The hearing included testimony in support of multiple-use federal lands and responsible OHV recreation. Don Amador, Western Representative for the BlueRibbon Coalition, spoke on the need to reopen the Clear Creek Management Area (CCMA) in California. Currently closed due to an "emergency closure" in 2008, the CCMA consists of more than 75,000 acres of land containing off-road trails. Amador testified that the decision



was based on inaccurate data and false assumptions and that the land should be designated as a National Recreation Area with prescribed OHV uses. The SAN promotes the responsible use of federal lands for recreation and continues to oppose land use policies that are unnecessarily restrictive. "Wilderness designations" are of particular concern since no motorized activity is permitted on such land. In 2009, lawmakers passed 160 separate measures as one omnibus bill, thereby designating 2.2 million acres of new wilderness in nine states. Lawmakers are now discussing the possibility of designating millions more acres in the same fashion.

HEY, THAT'S MY CAR!

When Your Truck Breaks, Rod It!

Mopar Owner Leaves Nothing for the Junk Man

1950 Dodge B2B

Owner: Donald Giglio

Saratoga Springs, New York



I bought this truck in New Hampshire 26 years ago for \$200 as a knock-around truck to help keep the miles off my new Dodge pickup. I never dreamed it would ever turn out to look like this. I drove it with the Flathead 6 for 14 years until the motor stopped running. I couldn't find a replacement at that time, but I sure wasn't going to give it to the junk man! So, I decided to street rod it.

Under the hood, I put in a '74 Cuda 318 with 340 heads, a 904 torqueflite, two chamber Flowmasters, 8¾-in. sure-grip rear 3:23 gears, a Ron Francis wiring kit, Lokar linkages, Cool-flex hoses and a fan, an Edelbrock 2176 performer aluminum manifold, an Edelbrock 600-cfm four-barrel carb and a Walker aluminum radiator. I covered the stock seats, updated the shifter with a Hurst V-Matic and installed VDO gauges and a JVC sound system with Bose speakers. Lastly, I coated the body with '01 Napa Rod & Custom bright blue paint.

The truck is all Mopar. It's been in two magazines and I've won more than 400 trophies with it over the years. My motto is, "Old Mopars never die! They just change drivers!"

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

Hobby Heats Up

SAN Spreads the Word This Summer

The SAN has spent its summer participating in enthusiast events around the country and spreading the word about the need to be involved in the protection of the auto hobby. Kicking off the start of the car show season in Cocoa Beach, Florida, as part of the *Hot Rod Power Tour*, SAN staff had the opportunity to sign up new members and speak to enthusiasts about current government efforts impacting hobbyist rights. With the SAN aboard, the tour continued to Valdosta, Georgia; Montgomery, Alabama; Nashville, Tennessee; Indianapolis, Indiana; and Muskegon, Michigan, before concluding in Detroit. An extra four days were spent in Nashville, Tennessee, at the 2011 Country Music Association Festival where SAN staff mixed and mingled with car-crazy country music fans, warning them of government threats to the hobby and bringing them into the SAN family.



SAN's own Dan Sadowski (left) helped draw the name of Cindy MacKusick from Gurley, Georgia—winner of the SAN raffle of a 50-in. 3D HDTV. Conducted at the Country Music Association Festival's Power Zone in Nashville, Tennessee, the raffle was open to all SAN members in attendance at the four-day event.



Tour participants met each morning for the daily drivers' meeting to discuss the route and rally together to take on the road as a group.



After seven days and more than 1,500 miles, Hot Rod Power Tour "long haulers" pulled into the world-renowned GM Proving Grounds just outside of Detroit, Michigan.



SAN representatives spoke to tour participants each day from the main stage about the importance of staying informed about legislation impacting the auto hobby.

Club Spotlight

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attorney general, secretary of state and state auditor. The event serves as an opportunity for legislators to see hot rods and other unique vehicles first hand and meet the people behind the hobby. Through the efforts of the Legislative Committee, the association has been able to retain its exemption for non-oxygenated fuel use and create other special exemptions for things such as fenders, blue-dot taillights and other modifications popular in the hobby.

MSRA's Legislative Committee has built a relationship with the SAN and the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus. This has been very well received by MSRA members and Minnesota legislators. Twenty Minnesota legislators were honored at Run to the Hill by MSRA and SEMA for their membership in the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus.



MSRA members parked 65 cars on the Capitol sidewalks. When the rodders arrive each spring, everyone in the Capitol building knows it within about five minutes!



Approximately 100 members attended the annual breakfast preceding the Run to the Hill. MSRA's member and State Representative Patti Fritz delivered a speech and displayed her continued commitment to preserving the hobby.

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.

One of the best ways to keep us abreast of what's going on and what's important to the vehicle hobbies nationwide is for us to receive your club newsletters and updates. Please consider placing SEMA on your mailing list. Send correspondence to: SEMA Action Network (SAN), 1317 F St., N.W., Ste. 500, Washington, D.C. 20004-1105. Or by e-mail at ashleya@sema.org.

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AUGUST 2011 SAN CLUB EVENTS

ALASKA

August 7-9, Anchorage

32nd Annual Jay Ofsthun Memorial Show & Shine
Sponsor: Midnight Sun Street Rod Association
Info: www.midnightsunsra.org/events08_aug.html

August 27, Palmer

State Fair Parade
Sponsor: Palmer Chamber of Commerce
Info: 907/745-2880 or 907/745-2652

CALIFORNIA

August 3-6, Long Beach

25th Anniversary of Hot August Nights
"America's Greatest Classic Car Show"
Info: 562/513-1972

August 6, Anaheim

SpoCom
Info: <http://spocomusa.com>

August 6, Palo Alto

Carlson Volvo's 10th Annual Car Show
Sponsor: Volvo Club of America-Golden Gate Chapter
Info: www.carlsenvolvo.com

August 7, Sacramento

In Rust We Trust at the Arco Arena:
Annual Reno Swap Meet
Info: 916/955-8777

August 11-14, Truckee, CA

Sierra Trek, runs for all vehicles and drivers
Sponsor: CAL 4 Wheel
Info: www.cal4wheel.com

August 13, Crescent City

8th Annual Cool Northern Nights on the Coast
Sponsor: The Northern Knights Car Club
Info: northernknight@charter.net

August 18-20, Niles

Hot August Niles Car Show
Info: www.nilesmerchants.com or 510/792-8023

August 20, Markleeville

Gambler's Poker Run
Sponsor: Lake Tahoe Hi-Lo's
Info: 530/545-1132 or talltara@aol.com

August 20-21, Turlock

Summer Swap Meet
Info: 209/777-8107

August 21, Chatsworth

46th Annual Classic Cars Parts Exchange
Sponsor: Model T and Model A Clubs of the San Fernando Valley
Info: 818/400-5418

August 24-28, Santa Rosa

AACA Annual Grand National and Western Fall Dual Meets
Sponsor: AACA-Redwood Empire Region
Info: www.aaca.org/calendar/default.aspx

August 26-28, Pleasanton

25th West Coast Nationals
Sponsor: Goodguys Rod & Custom Association
Info: www.ggwestcoastnats.com

COLORADO

August 19-21, Denver

Super Chevy Show at Bandimere Speedway
Sponsor: Super Chevy
Info: 800/692-6230 or www.superchevyshow.com

August 20, Front Range

7th Annual Classic Aircraft & Car Show
Info: www.ftg-airport.com/events.php

CONNECTICUT

August 27, Gales Ferry

MG Meandering Madness III Road Rally
Sponsor: The Connecticut MG Club, New London County Group
Info: 860/464-6647 or MGB72dave@aol.com or <http://ctmg2005.homestead.com/files/pages/mgrallye2011flyer.pdf>

GEORGIA

August 11-13, Hiwassee

Georgia Mountain Moonshine Cruize-In at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds
Info: 662/587-9572 or www.gammoonshinecruizin.com

August 13, Griffin

Cruise Night at Wise Guys Wings
Sponsor: The Southern Cruisers of Griffin
Info: 770/412-0559 or 770/473-9587

IDAHO

August 12-15, Eagle

40th Annual Pepsi Nightfire Nationals, Firebird's largest drag-racing weekend
Sponsor: Firebird Raceway
Info: race@firebirdonline.com

ILLINOIS

August 6-7, St. Charles

21st Annual All-Pontiac Indian Uprising
Sponsor: Cruisin' Tigers GTO Club
Info: www.cruisintigersgto.com

August 7, Bourbonnais

21st Annual Mustang and Ford Show at Perry Farm
Sponsor: Northern Mustang Corral
Info: 708/932-6746 or www.northernmustangcorral.com/car_show.html

August 12-14, Joliet

5th PEAK Chicagoland Nationals
Sponsor: Goodguys Rod & Custom Association
Info: www.chicagolandnats.com

INDIANA

August 26-28, Evansville

37th Annual Frog Follies
Sponsor: Evansville Iron Street Rodders Ltd.
Info: 812/248-FROG or www.frogfollies.org

IOWA

August 13, Davenport

8th Heartland Fiero Show at 1100 Christie Street
Sponsor: Heartland Fieros
Info: 563/386-8336

KANSAS

August 21, Pomona Lake Dam

Club Picnic
Sponsor: Classic Cruisers Car Club
Info: 913/557-5083 or 913/294-2712

KENTUCKY

August 4-7, Louisville

NSRA 38th Annual Street Rod Nationals
Sponsor: National Street Rod Association (NSRA)
Info: <http://nsra-usa.com/index.php/site/evsum/C2>

August 14, Elizabethtown

4th Kentucky Motorsports Hall of Fame Inductions and Car Show
Sponsor: Kentucky Motorsports Hall of Fame
Info: 502/741-1229 or kymotorsportshalloffame@yahoo.com

MICHIGAN

August 6, Marion Fairgrounds

7th Annual Car, Truck and Bike Show in Memory of Orris and Nancy Brackett
Sponsor: Marion Fraternal Order of Eagles
Info: 231/679-1265 or marioncarshow@yahoo.com or www.4087.foe.com

August 7, Greenville

5th Annual Apple Peel In Car Show at Klackle Orchard
Info: www.klackleorchards.com/orchard/upcoming_events.html

August 20, Detroit

Woodward Dream Cruise
Info: www.woodwarddreamcruise.com

August 20, Ferndale

Dream Cruise Parking
Sponsor: Royal Pontiac Club of America
Info: <http://clubs.hemmings.com/clubsites/royalport>

August 21, Livonia

All-Family AMC Meet
Sponsor: The Great Lakes Classic AMC Club
Info: www.glasscityamc.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/10/Greenmead-2011-Flyer-ver2.pdf

August 26-27, Wyoming

28th Street Metro Cruise
Info: www.28thstreetmetrocrui.com

MINNESOTA

August 12-13, Park Rapids

28th Annual "Run to the Rapids" Back on Main Street
Sponsor: Northern Knights Car Club
Info: 218/732-0020 or www.parkrapids.com/cms/files/Run%20to%20the%20Rapids%202011.pdf

MONTANA

August 4-7, West Yellowstone

41st Yellowstone Rod Run
Info: 406/646-9759 or rodrun@3riverdbs.net

NEBRASKA

August 20-21, Omaha

29th Annual Pontiac, GMC, Oakland Show, Swap Meet & Car Corral
Info: www.omahapontiacshow.com

NEW HAMPSHIRE

August 20-21, Center Sandwich

9th Annual Granite State Nationals
Sponsor: Right Coast Association
Info: 603/520-5994

August 21, Barrington

ATCA Granite State Chapter Show
Sponsor: Antique Truck Club of America
Info: www.antiquetruckclubofamerica.org/news.html

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NEW YORK

August 6-7, Corning/Watkins Glen

Corning Watkins Glen Overnight Tour
Sponsor: Genesee Valley Antique Car Society
Info: 585/872-4141 or 585/621-4312

August 7, Lakeville

Annual Car Show at Ninnehans Fun Center at
Corner of RT 20A & 256
Info: 585/346-9847 or 585/781-8275

August 21, Montgomery

ATCA Mid Hudson Chapter Show
Sponsor: Antique Truck Club of America
Info: www.antiquetruckclubofamerica.org/news.html

NORTH CAROLINA

August 13, Swannanoa

7th annual car show to benefit the Shriners
Hospitals for Children
Sponsor: Street-Tiques of Asheville
Info: 828/648-7461 or lilorfann@bellsouth.net

OHIO

August 5-7, Norwalk

Ames Performance Tri-Power Pontiac Nationals
Info: <http://summitmotorsportspark.com/Events.aspx?EventId=17&Event-Name=Tri-Power%20Pontiac%20Nationals>

August 12-13, Strongsville

9th Annual ACES Northern Regional Chevelle
Show
Sponsor: Northern Ohio Chevelle Club
Info: 330/475-9909 or
www.northernohiochevelleclub.com

August 12-14, Columbus

31st Annual Mopar Nationals
Info: www.moparnats.org

OREGON

August 27, Brooks

Pacific Northwest Truck Show
Sponsor: ATHS-Oregon Trail Chapter
Info: www.aths.org/calendar.cfm?month=8&year=2011&subsiteid=0

PENNSYLVANIA

August 6, Easton

Cruise at the Northhampton Crossings
Route 33 and Route 248
Sponsor: Wheels of Time Street Rod Association
and Easton Area Corvette Club
Info: eagleeye@rcn.com or 610/762-3165

August 6, Hanover

The Chicken Show 18th Annual Car Show
at St. David's Lutheran Church
Info: www.oldride.com/events/7133977.html

August 12-14, Bloomsburg Fairgrounds

Annual Rod & Custom Cruise-In
Info: 570/387-2000 or
cruisein@bloomhealth.net

August 13-14, Pottsville

Run to Auto Museum in Pottsville
Sponsor: AACA-Scranton Region
Info: <http://local.aaca.org/scranton>

August 26-28, Carlisle

Corvettes at Carlisle
Sponsor: Carlisle Events
Info: <http://carlisleevents.com/ce/events/corvettes>

August 26-28, Lehigh Valley

33rd Annual Wheels of Time Rod & Custom Jamboree
Sponsor: Wheels of Time
Info: www.wheelsoftime.org/jamboree

SOUTH DAKOTA

August 12-14, Pierre

22nd Annual Street Masters Dam Run
Sponsor: Pierre Street Masters
Info: http://pierrestreetmasters.com/events_2011damrun.htm

August 25-28, Deadwood

Kool Deadwood Nites
Info: www.deadwood.com/DeadwoodEvents/KoolDeadwoodNites

TENNESSEE

August 11-13, Bristol

Southeastern National Fall Meet
Sponsor: AACA-Appalachian Region
Info: www.aaca.org/meets/brochures/2011_Bristol_TN.pdf

TEXAS

August 11-14, Fort Worth

22nd Annual Yellow Rose Classic Car Show
Sponsor: North Texas Mustang Club
Info: 214/502-5810 or yellowrose@ntmc.org
or www.yellowrosecarshow.com

UTAH

August 13-19, Wendover

Speed Week
Sponsor: Utah Salt Flats Racing Association
Info: 801/485-2662

August 20, Stansbury Park

3rd Annual Stansbury Days Car Show, benefitting
Guide Dogs of America
Sponsor: Guide Dogs of America
Info: 435/841-0713

VIRGINIA

August 27, Richmond

Truck Expo and Show and Shine
Sponsor: Virginia 4 Wheel Drive Association
Info: info@va4x4expo.com

WASHINGTON

August 19-21, Spokane

10th Great Northwest Nationals
Sponsor: Goodguys Rod & Custom Association
Info: www.greatnorthwestnats.com

August 21, Issaquah

12th Annual 1944-1957 Chevrolet Show
at XXX Root Beer Drive-In
Sponsor: Northwest Classic Chevy Club
Info: www.nwccc.net

August 26-28, Spokane

Super Chevy Show at Spokane County Raceway
Sponsor: *Super Chevy*
Info: 800/692-6230 or www.superchevyshow.com

WISCONSIN

August 5, Elkhart Lake

36th Northwoods SAAC
Sponsor: SAAC-Northwoods Region
Info: 262/248-9560 or www.nwshelbyclub.com or
egustafson@wi.rr.com

ALBERTA, CANADA

August 13, Calgary

The Calgary T Bird Show n' Shine
at Universal Ford
Sponsor: Calgary Thunderbird Club
Info: www.calgarythunderbirdclub.ca/pages/events.htm or www.gotford.com

August 21, Cold Lake, Alberta

Cold Lake Cruisers Show & Shine
Sponsor: Cold Lake Cruisers
Info: 780/639-3084

ONTARIO, CANADA

August 20-21, Kingston

ATCA Northern Empire and
Upper Canada Chapter Show
Sponsor: Antique Truck Club of America
Info: www.antiquetruckclubofamerica.org/news.html

August 6-7, Elkhorn

Summer Elkhorn Show & Swap
Sponsor: Madison Classics
Info: www.madisonclassics.com/car-shows/summer-elkhorn.php

August 12-14, Cambridge

NUDE Car Show
Sponsor: Valley View Recreation Club
Info: 608/423-3060

August 13, Lake Geneva

Walworth County Poker Run and Car Show
Sponsor: Movement for a Cure
Info: 262/749-6266

August 14, Barneveld

16th Annual Vintage Celebration
Sponsor: Botham Vineyards
Info: 608/924-1412

August 14, Muskego

Original GTO & All Pontiac Show
Sponsor: The Original GTO Club
Info: 414/520-8505

August 18-20, Reedsburg

Heartland Regional Meet
Sponsor: Buick Club of America-Rock Valley Chapter
Info: 815/654-1373 or gofastgs1965@aol.com
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August 19, Brookfield

All Mopars Under the Lights Show
Sponsor: Wisconsin Mopar Muscle Club
Info: 262/210-7033

August 21, West Allis

Badger State All Corvette Show
Sponsor: Badger State Vettes
Info: 414/313-204

August 27, Milwaukee

Club Day at the Milwaukee Masterpiece
in Veteran's Park
Sponsor: Milwaukee Masterpiece
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August 28, Milwaukee

Concours d'Elegance
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CLUB SPOTLIGHT

Commitment to Preserving the Hobby
MSRA Reminds Legislators of the Importance of Rodding
at Its Annual Run to the Hill

The Minnesota Street Rod Association (MSRA) was founded more than 30 years ago by a group of 12 Twin Cities (Minneapolis/St. Paul) rodders. From those humble beginnings, the MSRA has grown to exceed 13,000 active members worldwide. The founders of the MSRA had great vision for preserving and protecting their hobby of street rodding. They knew this would include developing good relationships with government officials and formed their legislative committee to be a liaison with local city governments and the state legislature. The MSRA Legislative Committee started an event called Run to the Hill, which has become a day for auto enthusiasts to show off their collectibles at the state capitol and visit with Minnesota state legislators, the governor, lt. governor,



The MSRA's Legislative Committee held its annual Run to the Hill on Tuesday, April 12, 2011. The weather was picture perfect, and it turned out to be the only nice day of the week. Perhaps, Mother Nature has a "soft spot" for street rodders (we are the ultimate recyclers!).

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