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### **CAUCUS CORNER**

Each month *Driving Force* will feature members of the State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus. The SEMAsupported caucus is a bipartisan group of state lawmakers whose common thread is a love and appreciation for automobiles.

Here are its newest members:

#### Alabama

	Representative Victor Gaston
	Representative Mac Gipson
	Representative Laura Hall
	Representative Johnny Morrow
	Representative William Thigpen Sr.
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#### **Arkansas**

Senator Gene Jeffress

#### Arizona

Representative David Bradley

#### **California**

Senator Bob Margett
Senator George Runner
Assemblymember Jim Beall
Asssemblymember Roger Niello

**Connecticut** 

Representative Zeke Zalaski

#### Florida

Representative Eddy Gonzalez

#### Georgia

Senator Bill Heath Representative Bob Hanner Representative Nikki Randall

#### Hawaii

Representative Karen Awana Representative Jerry Ching

#### Indiana

Senator Sue Landske Representative P. Eric Turner

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Senator Staci Appel Senator Wally Hoin

# **100 Times Stronger**

**New Group of State Lawmakers Join Effort to Preserve Hobby** 

f you want to see cool cars, you go to a car show. If you want to meet lawmakers from across the country in one venue, you go to a state legislator's conference.

That's exactly what State Automotive Enthusiast Leadership Caucus Chairman Bill Reilich and SAN Director Jason Tolleson did by attending the National Conference of State Legislatures Annual Legislative Summit. Over the three-day event, the duo enlisted 100 new lawmakers into th



Annual Legislative Summit. Over the three-day double th

100 new lawmakers into the caucus (see left for a listing of new members).

The caucus, which now has more than 350 members from all 50 states, is a nonpartisan group of state lawmakers whose common thread is a love and appreciation for automobiles. Through their participation in the caucus, these lawmakers are helping to raise the motor-vehicle hobby's profile in their state legislatures and in the public's eyes.

"It was a great opportunity to meet with my colleagues from other state legislatures who share a passion for the automotive hobby," said Reilich. "Whether they currently own a collector vehicle or just appreciate seeing these cars on the road, by joining the caucus they are showing their support in preserving this great American tradition."

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Kentucky State Representative Jody Richards

Hawaii State Representative Karen Awana Kentucky State Representative Reginald Meeks Louisiana State Representative Girod Jackson

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#### Kansas

Representative Carl Holmes
Representative Deena Hurst
Representative Ray Merrick
Representative Melvin Neufeld
Representative Dale Swenson

#### **Kentucky**

Senator Joey Pendleton
Senator J. Dorsey Ridley
Representative Thomas Burch
Representative Danny Ford
Representative Mary Lou Marzian
Representative Jody Richards
Representative Tom Riner
Representative Robin Webb
Representative Brent Yonts

#### Louisiana

Senator A.G. Crowe
Senator Ben Nevers
Senator Francis Thompson
Senator Michael Walsworth
Representative Damon Baldore
Representative Girod Jackson
Representative John LaBruzzo
Representative Tony Ligi
Representative Nickie Monica

#### Maryland

Senator Katherine Klausmeier

#### Minnesota

Senator Michael Jungbauer Senator David Tomassoni Representative Margaret Kelliher

Mississippi Representative Walter Robinson

Missouri Representative Joseph Fallert Representative Gayle Kingery

Nevada Assemblymember Lynn Stewart

#### **New Hampshire**

Representative David Eaton Representative Sherman Packard

New Jersey Assemblymember Upendra Chivukula

New Mexico Senator Joseph Carraro

#### **North Carolina**

Representative John Blust Representative Bruce Goforth Representative L. Hugh Hollimann Representative Julia Howard Representative Karen Ray Representative Arthur Williams

#### **North Dakota**

Senator Dick Dever Senator Judy Lee Representative David Monson Representative Darrell Nottestad

#### Ohio

Senator Bob Schuler Representative Michael DeBose

#### Oklahoma

Senator David Myers Representative Danny Morgan

**Oregon** Representative Brian Clem

#### **Pennsylvania**

Representative John Evans Representative Daylin Leach Representative Tony Payton Jr.

#### **South Dakota**

Senator Ed Olson Representative Clayton Halverson Representative Dave Sigdestad

#### Tennessee

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Since its inception in 2005, the caucus has proven to be a valuable resource in connecting pro-hobby lawmakers to a multitude of enthusiasts and car clubs who are involved with the SAN. This partnership has brought a series of significant legislative accomplishments for the vehicle enthusiast community on issues ranging from equipment standards to registration classifications and from emissions-test exemptions to hobbyist rights.



to contact caucus members in their state and thank them for their participation," added Tolleson. "Likewise, if their own state representative or senator is not a member, I would ask that they contact their office and encourage them to join."

For more information about the caucus, including a complete list of members, visit www.semasan.com.

Representative Leslie Winningham Representative Eddie Yolkley

#### Texas

Representative Garnet Coleman Representative Edmund Kuempel

#### Utah

Senator Gene Davis
Senator Brent Goodfellow
Representative Ron Bigelow
Representative Tim Cosgrove
Representative Kevin Garu
Representative Kory Holdaway
Representative Greg Hughes
Representative Curtis Oda

#### Virginia

Senator John Edwards
Senator Emmet Hanger
Senator L. Louise Lucas
Delegate Kenneth Plum
Delegate Mark Sickles

#### Washington

Representative Mike Armstrong Representative Ed Orcutt

#### West Virginia

Delegate H.K. White

#### Wyoming

**Representative Sue Wallis** 

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Current caucus member and Georgia State Representative Tony Sellier (right) shares his experience on working hobby-related issues in the Georgia Legislature.

### LEGISLATIVE QUICK HITS

California Emissions Standards: Legislation that sought to assign primary responsibility for prescribing smog-check emissions standards to the Air Resources Board (ARB) was vetoed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. In his statement to the



legislature, the governor indicated that the bill "would not make the smog-check program more effective, nor will it change the existing process for developing emissions cutpoints in a way that improves air quality in the state. It merely creates an additional, unnecessary and potentially more costly layer of government for the adoption of these emissions cutpoints." Under existing law, the ARB in the development of California's State Implementation Plan for meeting air-quality requirements, identifies the emissions reductions that the Bureau of Automotive Repair's (BAR) Smog Check Program must achieve to meet our air-quality improvement goals. ARB then works with BAR to set the emissions cutpoints for their motor-vehicle inspection and maintenance program.

California Greenhouse Gas: The California State Legislature approved a joint resolution encouraging the U.S. Congress and president to support federal legislation that permits California to implement standards to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from motor vehicles. Under the federal Clean Air Act, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is required to establish national air-quality standards for certain pollutants. State and local agencies are responsible for adopting emissions-reduction measures to attain these standards. California may, however, enact its own regulations for motor-vehicle emissions if it receives federal approval, which occurs when the EPA administrator grants a waiver of federal preemption of state motor-vehicle standards to California. Such a waiver allows other states to adopt the vehicleemissions standards as established by California. In 2004, the ARB adopted regulations to implement greenhouse gas reduction measures and in 2005 applied to the EPA for a waiver. In 2008, the EPA officially denied that waiver. This resolution supports federal legislation that enables California to implement its regulations of greenhouse gases from motor vehicles.

New York Legislation: With the adjournment of the New York Legislature, SAN members succeeded in defeating several bills detrimental to the hobby. Among these were legislation to ban spinner wheels; to ban grille and brush guards; to require the date of manufacture to be imprinted on tires; to establish a tire fuel-efficiency program for replacement tires;



and to create a clean vehicle incentive program that sought additional charges from purchasers of new motor vehicles based on the vehicle's greenhouse gas

### HEY, THAT'S MY CAR!

### "Painted Lady"

1955 Chevy Bel Air **Owner:** Terry and Rendy Box McKinney, Texas



rowing up in McKinney, Texas, I've always had a great love for cars. My father owned an upholstery shop for more than 18 years, and I can still remember the days when my father would customize the interior of hot rods. At the ripe old age of 10, I would sit in those cars on Coca Cola cases and imagine myself owning a car like that someday.

In 1967, I was a junior at McKinney High School, and I bought a yellow '57 Chevy 2-door sedan with a white top. From that day forward, I always had a love for the Tri-Five Chevy. I was like most other teenagers at that time and, after a couple of years with the car, I wanted something different and sold the car.



As time went on, I got married to my wonderful wife Rendy and began my career in law enforcement. Throughout all this we enjoyed going to car shows, and I was doing my best to locate and possibly buy a '55 or '57 Chevy.

I had been steadily looking at cars all over the country and recently I found a yellow and white '55 Chevy that was up for auction in Tulsa, Oklahoma. However, upon getting there I found an absolutely gorgeous purple '55 Chevy that was also for sale. My first thought was that it was out of my price range, but

after consulting with a friend who knew the owner, we decided that this was the car.

Truly one of the great benefits of owning a vehicle like this-I have been in law enforcement for approximately 40 years, including 23 years as the sheriff of Collin County, Texas—is that I can enjoy the break from law enforcement that my '55 gives me. I get the chance to get away from my regular job and enjoy the fellowship of other car guys and gals.

There is nothing like getting in the '55 on a cool morning or late in a summer afternoon and feeling like you are teenager again-if only for a couple of hours while cruising around town.

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



#### SEPTEMBER 2008 SAN CLUB EVENTS

#### **ALASKA**

September 13, Palmer Freedom Flag Run! Cruise, Car Show Sponsor: 49th State Street Rodders Information: www.akstreetrodders. com or 907/745-2652

September 27, Anchorage End of Season Party Sponsor: Anchorage Corvette Association Information: www.alaskacorvette. com/index.htm

#### **CALIFORNIA**

September 7, Long Beach Belmont Shore Car Show Sponsor: Bay City Rodders Information: http://baycityrodders. com or 714/894-8411

September 12–14, Monterey 356 Fall Festival at Monterey Sponsor: Porsche 356 Club Information: www.porsche356club. org or 714/962-2875

September 25–28, San Diego AACA Western Fall Meet Sponsor: Antique Automobile Club of America Information: www.aaca.org/meets/ brochures/SanDiego.pdf or 619/660-6899

September 26–28, California City 2008 Southern Jamboree Sponsor: California Off Road Vehicle Association Information: www.corva.org or 800/42-CORVA ext. 509

#### **GEORGIA**

September 27, Danielsville 1st Annual Cruise In & Swapmeet Sponsor: Madison County Cruisers Information: http://clubs. hemmings.com/clubsites/ madisoncountycruisers or 706/255-2196

#### **ILLINOIS**

September 6–7, St. Charles Fierorama 2008 Sponsor: Northern Illinois Fiero Enthusiasts Information: http://fierofocus.com or 630/983-6434

September 11–13, Cordova 30th AMC Nationals Information: 262/843-4326 September 14, Elgin Herdfest

Sponsor: The Herd Information: www.theherd.com

September 19–21, Joliet 2nd Chicagoland Nationals Information: http://good-guys. com/events/eventDetails. aspx?eventid=08-600 or 925/838-9876

September 26–28, Springfield International Route 66 Mother Road Festival Information: www.familyevents. com/event/87 or 317/236-6515

#### INDIANA

September 19–21, Indianapolis 27th Annual Fall 4Wheel Jamboree Nationals Information: www.4wheeljamboree. com/event/12 or 317/236-6515

#### IOWA

September 13, North Liberty SMC Car Show at the Lake Information: 319/857-4106 or 319/857-4373

September, 13–14, Dubuque Camp Albrecht Acres Car Show Weekend Sponsor: Tri-State Antique and Classic Automobile Club Information: 563/557-1081 or 563/552-1461

#### **KENTUCKY**

September 12–14, Carrollton September in the Park 2008 Sponsor: Derby City Mustang Club Information: http://derbycity mustangclub.com or 502/241-4451

#### MARYLAND

September 13, Columbia All Chevy Show Sponsor: Maryland Camaro Club Information: http://mdcamaroclub. com or 410/877-0380

September 26–28, McHenry Strut Your Stuff Shine & Show 2008 Information: http://strutyourstuff carshow.net/index.html or 240/580-0937

#### **MICHIGAN**

September 7, Centerline 36th Annual All Mopar Car Show Sponsor: W.P.C. Club, Great Lakes Region Information: 248/545-4299

September 11–13, Kalamazoo NSRA Street Rod Nationals North Information: http://nsra-usa.com/ index.php/site/evdet/5 or 901/452-4030

#### **MINNESOTA**

September 19–20, Rochester 2008 Quad States Car Show and Swap Meet Sponsor: Minnesota Olds Club Information: www.mnoldsclub.org or 651/776-5574

September 1, Hugo 8th Annual Orphan @ Still-Made Car Show Sponsor: North Star Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club Information: www.northstarwheel. com or 651/735-4656

#### **MISSISSIPPI**

September 12–14, Tunica 9th Annual Delta River Cruise Sponsor: Memphis Street Rods Information: www.memphisstreetrods. com or 901/360-8600

#### **MISSOURI**

September 12–14, Springfield 20th Anniversary Street Machine Nationals Information: www.street machinenationals.net/event/28 or 317/236-6515

#### **NEBRASKA**

September 15–19, Nebraska City National Rally in Nebraska City Sponsor: UltraVan Motor Coach Club Information: 712/324-4660

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#### **CALIFORNIA**

October 5, Anaheim 39th Annual All Ford Picnic Sponsor: Early Ford V-8 Club of America–Southern California Region #11 Information: http://clubs. hemmings.com/frameset. cfm?club=socalearlyfordv-8 or 714/846-9677

October 5, Burbank Throttlers 2008 Car Show Sponsor: San Fernando Valley Model T Club Information: 818/361-0645

#### **NEW JERSEY**

October 5, North Brunswick 21st Annual Meet Sponsor: New York/New Jersey Slant-Six Club of America Information: 732/549-2478

#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

October 1–5, Carlisle Fall Carlisle Collectors Car Swap Meet & Corral Information: www.carsatcarlisle. com/ce/events/fall-carlisle or 717/243-7855

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

October 10–11, Ladson 21st Annual Lowcountry Mopars Show & Shine Sponsor: Lowcountry Mopars Information: www.geocities.com/ scmopar/#events or 843/797-3246

#### **TENNESSEE**

October 3–5, Franklin 2008 All British Car Show Sponsor: Nashville British Car Club Information: www.nashville britishcarclub.org/2008carshow or 615/356-2047

October 4, Lynchburg 2nd Annual Cruisin' the Hollow Sponsor: Whiskey Runners Car Club Information: 931/759-6500 or 931/759-5583

#### **WISCONSIN**

October 4, Neillsville 4th Annual Car Show Information: http://thehighground. org/documents/car\_show\_flyer.pdf or 715/743-4224



#### SEPTEMBER 2008 SAN CLUB EVENTS

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#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE**

September 7, Nashua 27th Annual All Vehicle Show Sponsor: East Coast Camaro Club Information: http://eastcoast camaroclub.com or 978/858-3988

September 28, Hollis Hollis/Brookline Force Team Car Show Information: 603/216-4950

#### **NEW JERSEY**

September 19–21, Millville 2008 MGVR East-Coast Focus Event Sponsor: MG Vintage Racers Information: www.mgvr.org

#### **NEW YORK**

September 5-7, Lake George 20th Adirondack Nationals Sponsor: Albany Rods & Kustoms Information: www.adirondack nationals.com or 518/821-6237

September 12–14, Rhinebeck 17th East Coast Nationals Information: www.good-guys. com/events/eventDetails. aspx?eventid=08-606 or 925/838-9876

#### **NORTH CAROLINA**

September 7, Concord Euros at the Fair Information: 704/697-9531 or 704/460-4576

#### <u>OHIO</u>

September 1, Mt. Vernon 6th Annual Car Show Information: 740/392-9921

September 5–7, Norwalk 7th Blue Suede Cruise Information: www.good-guys. com/events/eventDetails. aspx?eventid=08-611 or 925/838-9876

#### **OREGON**

September 14, Beaverton 5th Annual Endless Summer Cruz Sponsor: Street Magic Information: 503/558-8899

#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

September 4–7, Lancaster Eastern National Meet Sponsor: Road Race Lincoln Register Information: 732/349-6896 or 732/642-5945

September 21, Butler 3rd Annual All Pontiac Car Show Sponsor: Western Pennsylvania Chapter of Pontiac-Oakland Club International Information: 724/652-7866 or 724/843-5195

#### September 26–28, Long Pond 4th Great American Nationals Information: http://good-guys. com/events/eventDetails. aspx?eventid=08-605 or 925/838-9876

#### **SOUTH DAKOTA**

September 26–28, Mitchell 4th Annual Cruise In & Hot Rod Show Sponsor: Outkasts Car Club Information: www.outkastscarclub. com or 605/996-7203

#### **TENNESSEE**

September 5–6, Pigeon Forge Shades of the Past Hot Rod Roundup Information: www.shadesofthe past.com or 865/995-9097

September 25–27, Sevierville The Great Smoky Mountain Auto Fest Information: www.smokymtnautofest. com or 865/428-2212

#### **TEXAS**

September 6, Seguin 9th Annual Classic Car Show Sponsor: South Central Texas Chapter of POCI Information: www.classicpontiac. org/CarShow.asp or 830/386-0338

September 6–7, Paris 22nd Annual Rod Run Sponsor: Northeast Texas Travelers Information: 903/785-3181 or 903/652-2855

#### **UTAH**

September 5–6, Brigham City 30th Annual Peach Days Family Picnic Car Show Sponsor: Bonnevills Rod & Custom Car Club Information: 435/734-2746 or 435/764-3586

#### VERMONT

September 18–20, Burlington NSRA Northeast Nationals Information: http://nsra-usa.com/ index.php/site/evdet/17 or 901/452-4030

#### WASHINGTON

September 7, Ferndale 36th Annual Whatcom County Drivers Club Mini Meet Sponsor: Whatcom County Studebaker Drivers Club Information: 360/676-4166 or 360/312-0758

#### **WISCONSIN**

September 11–13, Twin Lakes 30th AMC Nationals Information: 262/843-4326

September 21, Beloit 32nd Annual Beloit Autorama Information: www.beloitautorama. com or 608/290-3628

#### **ALBERTA, CANADA**

September 28, High River 5th Annual Show 'n' Shine Sponsor: River City Classics Information: http://rivercityclassics. blog.com or 403/652-4366

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

September 19–20, Radium Hot Springs Columbia Valley Classics Show & Shine Sponsor: Columbia Valley Classics Car Club Information: http://radiumcarshow. com or 250/347-9331

#### **ONTARIO, CANADA**

September 28, Welland 28th Last Chance Car Show Sponsor: Street Machines Unlimited Information: www.ontariovettes. com/Last%20Chance%20Show. pdf or 905/734-3696

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We like to know what's going on with SAN 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.

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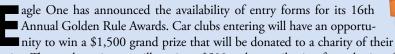
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### **CLUB SPOTLIGHT**

## **Calling All Car Clubs!**

Entry Forms Available October 1 for Annual Eagle One Golden Rule Awards



choice. Three other winners will receive a \$500 cash contribution for a charity of their choice. The grand prize will be awarded to the car club judged to have performed the most compassionate achievement during 2008. Winners will be selected in four regions—west, midwest, east and south—for conducting the most outstanding community service program in their area during 2008.



For their efforts in donating 21 Automated External Defibrillators for use by local law enforcement, in high schools and in City Hall, the Cruisin' The Boulevard Car Club of Petaluma, California, was chosen as the Eagle One Grand Prize winner in 2008.

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In addition to a total of \$3,000 in cash donations from Eagle One and co-sponsor Valvoline, winners will receive a generous supply of premium appearance care products and motor oil for fund-raising purposes and a custom-designed trophy.

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