

# “The Headliner”

Newsletter of the Northern Ohio Regional Group #20  
Early Ford V-8 Club of America  
Our 53<sup>rd</sup> Year



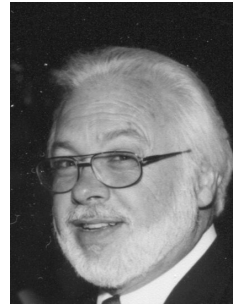
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**Mission Statement:** “To preserve and authentically maintain vehicles manufactured by the Ford Motor Company for the model years 1932 through 1953 inclusive, and to serve as an accurate and technical source of information concerning these automobiles for the benefit of its members as well as the general public.”

## Presidents Message

Hi folks, The summer and hot weather that we all have been waiting for is finally here. I certainly hope every one is healthy and taking advantage of this weather because in 6 months we would wish it was back again. Get the cars dusted off and start driving them. It was a shame that the day trip to Bowling Green had to be cancelled. It is kind of disheartening that between the two clubs, the V-8 and Nifty Nifty's, there were only 4 members that were interested on going. Mr. Snook owner of Snooks Dream Cars Museum was going to make a special trip to open the museum on a day that it is usually closed to host special tour for us. I didn't want to embarrass myself and the V-8 club by having him open up his place on a normally closed day for that small of a group. I hope that there is more interest in upcoming events this summer.



The upcoming events to mark on your calendar are Picnic at Dave Collett's farm in Pa. it is a nice 90-mile ride to his place and a good afternoon event. Dave asked everyone to bring a dish to share and your chairs. The second event is the weekend trip to tour the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners Michigan. For those that are planning to go and haven't made reservations for the hotel the rooms the block will only be held until the middle of July.

In closing I think this is a GREAT CLUB with some wonderful members. Let's try to get back to enjoying driving our cars and having a good time as we used to.

There is more to a club than a meeting once a month.

! Jack



## July Program

We do not have a Program planned for July

## Officers & Board 2022

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**Treasurer:** Dan & Diane Francis

### Directors

Rick Jandrey  
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All Meetings are held at  
Stow Community Center  
3800 Graham Road  
Stow, OH

“Kick Tires”: 7:00  
Meeting Begins: 7:30  
Ends: 10:00 or Sooner

### Website:

[www.norgov8club.org](http://www.norgov8club.org)

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## JULY



## 2022 Activities At A Glance



- **Friday, July 15th 7:30 PM** Monthly Club Meeting, Stow City Center
- **Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>** Rocky River Memory Lane antique car show  
***See page 3 for more information***
- **Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM** Regina Health Center Car Show. ***See page 4 for more details***
- **Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>** Collette's Picnic at their Farm in Portersville PA. ***See page 5 for more information***
- **Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>** Richfield village car show on green Route 303 and 176
- **August TBD** Breakfast at Mihalek's Farm with Nifty 50" and Lincoln Club. ***(This was originally planned for July 16 however it was rescheduled)***
- **August 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>** Weekend Cruise with Nifty Fifties Car Club To Gilmore Museum  
***See Page 6 for more Information***
- **August 18<sup>th</sup>** Richfield Post 176 cruise-in. 3944 Wheatley Rd, Richfield
- **Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM** Monthly Club Meeting, Stow City Center
- **Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>** NORG and Nifty Fifties Car Club Corn Roast at Mihalek's Farm. ***More Details to Follow***



## NORG COOKIE BAKERS



|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| July Meeting      | Darlene Null   |
| August Meeting    | Beth Schilling |
| September Meeting | Mome Garland   |
| October Meeting   | Kathy Kessler  |
| November Meeting  | Diane Francis  |

The City of Rocky River presents the 15th Annual  
**Memory Lane Antique Car Show**



**Sunday, July 17th 2022**

**Open to the public from 12:00pm to 3:00pm  
 At Rocky River City Hall Park  
 21012 Hilliard Blvd.**



- Vehicles must be 25 years old or older
- Registered Show Vehicles should arrive starting at 10:00 am
- There will be trophies and door prizes awarded at 2:15 pm for participating Show Vehicles (*you must be present to win*)
- Each Registered Show Vehicle participant will receive two free pool passes for the day (*great for the family*)
- No entrance fee
- Food and beverages available on site
- There will be **NO RAIN DATE**



**Show-Vehicle Registration**

*Please print and complete entirely.*

Entrant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone(Work) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle: Year \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

**RELEASE/INDEMNIFICATION**

By virtue of this registration and in consideration of acceptance of this entry and the right to participate, entrant(s) and their guests, participants and representatives, does hereby unconditionally agree to fully release, discharge and hold harmless the City of Rocky River and their officers, directors, employees, agents, and representatives (collectively "City"), together with the management, sponsors and their representatives of the Memory Lane Classic Car Show (collectively "Management"), from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by entrant to their person or property and the person of entrants guests, participants, and representatives. Further, each entrant expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City and Management from any and all liability occasioned or resulting from the conduct of entrant, their participants, guests, representatives, or any individual assisting or cooperating with entrant or under the direction or control of entrant which may cause injury to the person or property of others while in attendance or participating in the activities of the Memory Lane Classic Car Show.

**For more information call:**

Jay & Jean Rounds 440-333-9805

Jgseph Toth Sr. 440-331-9460

*For more information on events go to [www.rrcity.com](http://www.rrcity.com)*

**You can deliver registration or mail to:**

The City of Rocky River Mayor's Office

21012 Hilliard Blvd.

Rocky River, OH 44116



*Come join us!*



**Regina Health Center Car Show**  
**5232 Broadview Rd, Richfield, OH 44286**  
**Wednesday, July 20th 5:00 PM ~ 8:00 PM**



The Annual Car Cruise-In on Wednesday, July 20th from 5 to 8 p.m. (Rain date July 27th)

Registration for car owners is \$5 per vehicle and is payable at the sign-in table on the day of the event. **Space is limited. *Prior registration is required.***

Registration begins on June 1st at [Vicky.putt@reginahealthcenter.org](mailto:Vicky.putt@reginahealthcenter.org). Please include your first and last name, phone number, email address, make, model and year of your vehicle. !

**You're All Invited ...**  
**COLLETTE CAR PICNIC**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2022**

1 p.m. (we eat at 2 p.m.)

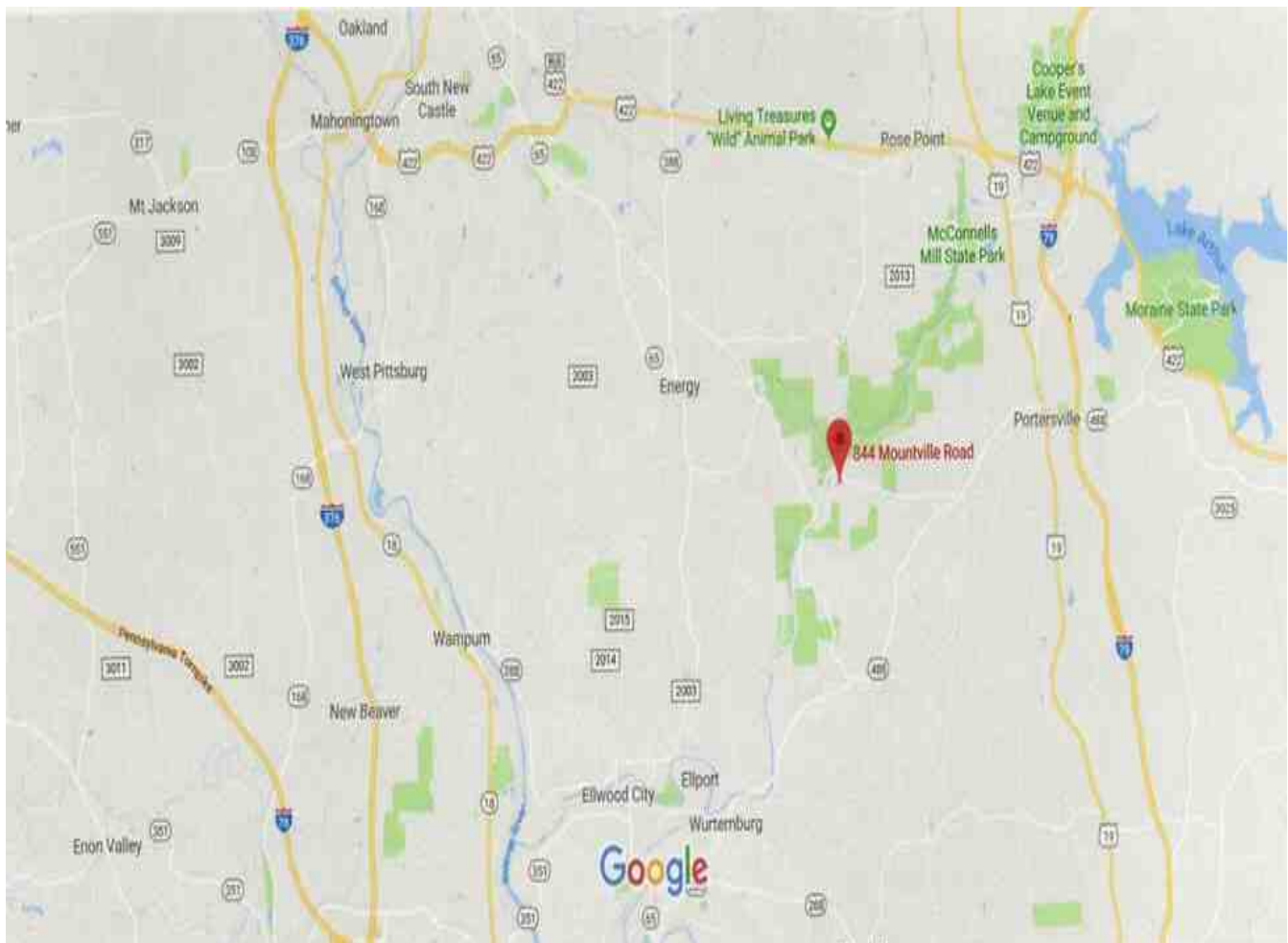
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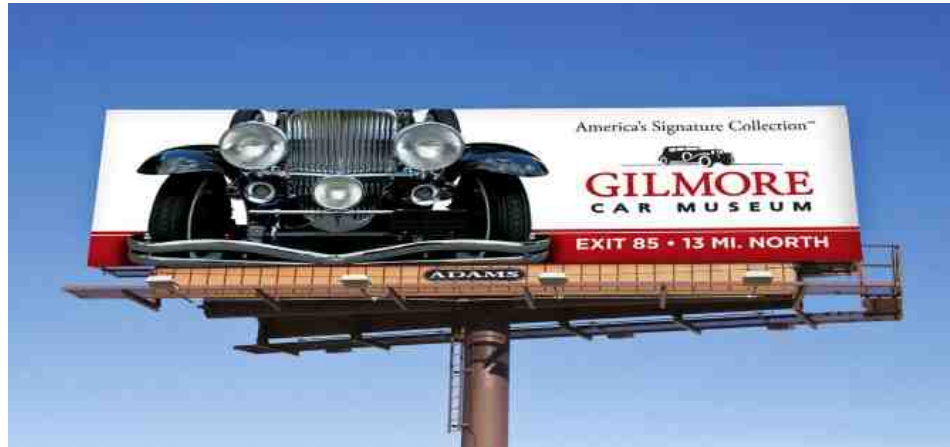
What to bring –

- antique or collector vehicle (if you have one)
- dish to share (meats, casseroles, salads, chips, pop, etc.)
- folding chair
- table service

Family friendly event! (Please – no pets; no alcohol)

Questions – call Dave or Nancy at 724-368-8226 or email [collettesr@aol.com](mailto:collettesr@aol.com)





**WEEKEND TRIP TO THE GILMORE CAR MUSEUM IN  
KALAMAZO MI. AUG 12,13,14**

**LEAVE FRI., MORNING AND TOUR THE AIR ZOO  
AVAIATION MUSEUM FRIDAY AFTERNOON  
ALL DAY TOUR TO THE GILMORE ON SAT.**

**RETURN HOME SUN. WITH A STOP IN BOLWING GREEN TO TOUR  
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**NO JULY LUNCH**

We already have a number of club events scheduled for July ( Sunday, July 17: Rocky River Memory Lane Car Show, Wednesday, July 20: Regina Health Center Car Show, and Saturday, July 30: Collette's Picnic), so no lunchtime outing is planned. Lunch outings will resume in August. Watch the Headliner for future luncheons.



## Proving Grounds Torture Testing Convinced Motorists to Buy 1947 Fords. -by Robert D. Cunningham

The Ford Motor Company introduced its first handmade, post-war Ford passenger car for the 1946 model year on June 2, 1945. The vehicle incorporated many leftover 1942 body parts. Decorative trim was nearly identical to the pre-war vehicle except for a new massive, chrome-plated grille with red striping within the embossed accents.

Henry Ford II took the prototype home, and President Harry Truman received the first production version, which was a white Super Deluxe Tudor sedan assembled on July 3, 1945. Ford advised motorists they would have to wait from one to two years before getting one of the new models due to the government's mandated limited production and priority restrictions. Approximately 34,440 Fords were assembled during the 1945 calendar year as 1946 models.

For 1947, Ford implemented only a few changes, including ten new colours and minor updates to the interior and exterior trim. Parking lights were relocated from beside the headlights to below. A new medallion replaced the previous hood ornament, and heavier guards were mounted to the bumpers. Bright fender strips were lowered, stainless-steel belt trim was widened, and the door handles were heavier.

Ultimately, Ford's marketing department had precious little to crow about, so they humbly claimed; "Ford's Finer for 47" ( which barely elevated the marque above the lowly Crosley, which advertised itself as "A Fine Car" ). So, to boost consumer confidence and encourage sales to the most practical

minded of motorists, Ford published photos of the new 47's undergoing extensive testing at their Dearborn, Michigan proving grounds. Two separate tracks were used- a high-speed course where minimum speeds of 60 mph were maintained for a minimum of 24 hours and a second track for lower rates of travel.

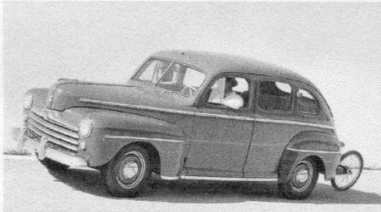
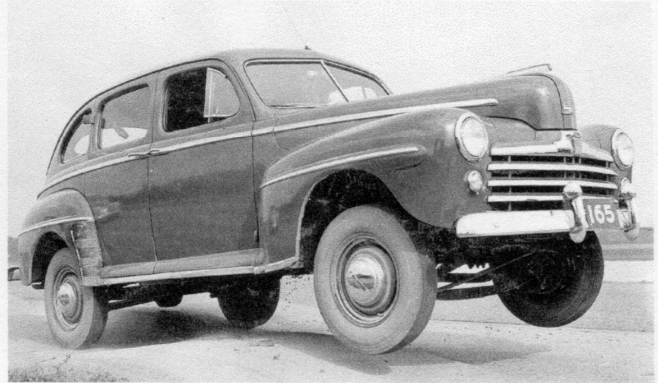
A "fifth-wheel attached to the rear bumper of a 1947 Ford Tudor helped capture data associated with high speeds and fuel economy. Test driver Robert Mallow used a selection of stopwatches installed in the car to record acceleration in progressive speed ranges. At the same time, a meter attached to the windshield, captured information from the fifth wheel.

Malow then piloted the car over a wracking, "body-twist" course- 200 gruelling trips around the track- subjecting it to alternating torsion stresses that tested the body's integrity, frame, and points of attachment. The new Ford was also subjected to repeated trips through a "water bath" at speeds ranging from 40 to 60 mph, after which Mallow and his associates carefully inspected the car's interior for leaks.

Braking tests in wet and dry conditions also received considerable attention.

Whether or not the car passed all the tests was never reported, but the public apparently assumed the best. For the 1947 model year, Ford's output skyrocketed to 429,674 vehicles- rather impressive sales from a menu that offered leftovers that were quickly losing appeal.

*Thanks to David Greenlees from "the oldmotor .com" for giving us permission to use his articles. Whilst re-typing this story I did "Anglesize" some of the spelling.—ED.*





## Summary of Great Race Stop in Medina Ohio, Tuesday, June 21st 2022

On Tuesday, June 22 beginning a little after noon, the first of 105 vehicles drove into Medina for a "pit" & luncheon stop. They had started the morning in Erie Pa.



The oldest entrant was a 1916 Hudson Hill Climber open car and the newest was a 1973 Jensen Interceptor.

Ford Flatheads V-8's were the most prevalent with 23 models. Next were 6 Hudsons, 6 Mustangs, and 5 Packards and 5 Corvettes.

Entrants came from Canada, England, Germany, France and Australia

This leg of the race from Erie PA to Perrysburg Ohio was one of nine stops that began in Warwick Rhode Island and finished in Fargo North Dakota a distance of over 1,600 miles.

Of the 129 entrants who entered, 105 began in Warwick RI, 105 finished. Speeds are posted for specific legs of the race. As an example the average speed on the highway is 50 MPH. Speedometers and Tachometers are forbidden as is any GPS or digital timing device. The winner met the time within 47 seconds over the 1600 miles.

The top 10 contestants finished with times as noted, as well as others

| Finished | Vehicle                   | Time                   |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 1        | 1932 Ford Speedster       | 46.98 seconds          |
| 2        | 1916 Hudson Hill Climber  | 51.48 seconds          |
| 3        | 1932 Ford Cabriolet       | 54.27 seconds          |
| 4        | 1932 Ford Coupe           | 59.13 seconds          |
| 5        | 1932 Ford 5 Window Coupe  | 1 minute 1.56 seconds  |
| 6        | 1966 Mustang              | 1 minute 1.0 seconds   |
| 7        | 1934 Ford Indy Racer      | 1 minute 2.32 seconds  |
| 8        | 1933 Ford Model B Pick-up | 1 minute 2.76 seconds  |
| 9        | 1939 Ford Pick-up         | 1 minute 13.52 seconds |
| 10       | 1441 Ford Pick-up         | 1 minute 26 seconds    |

### Some Others

|            |                          |                         |
|------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 25         | 1959 Volvo PV 544        | 2 minutes 49 seconds    |
| 50         | 1948 MG TC               | 5 Minutes 8.83 seconds  |
| 75         | 1931 REO 35              | 10 minutes 11.8 seconds |
| 100        | 1973 Jensen Interceptor  | 21 minutes 51 seconds   |
| 105 (last) | 1966 Aston Martin DB6 MK | 141 minutes 3 seconds   |

For Complete Results <https://www.greatrace.com/results>





# Ladies Daisy Page

Received these pictures from Marie & Bruce Lewicki of NORG members at the 2022 Eastern



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[www.norgv8club.org](http://www.norgv8club.org)*

**The Headliner Deadline**  
 1st Day of each month. Please e-mail articles, tech tips, outings, adds, club news and pictures to:  
**Annette Gorris**  
 annette.gorris@gmail.com

**Happy July Birthday**

|    |                 |
|----|-----------------|
| 3  | Neal Garland    |
| 18 | Tom Madden      |
| 21 | Ginger Posar    |
| 23 | Regis Schilling |
| 27 | Lois Stallard   |
| 29 | Jeep Iacobucci  |



**July Meeting**  
**Friday July 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:30**  
**Stow City Center**