

# “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.”

To our Ford V-8 family,

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Jeep for his diligent work as the President during the last ten years as our leader. I know we hate to see him step down but after ten years it may be time to sit back and recharge the batteries.

Thanks, from all of us.

I know that I have some big shoes to fill but with your help I know that I will grow into the position. It has been quit a few years since I took over the podium of an organization. It may take a few meetings to get comfortable with it, so please bear with me.

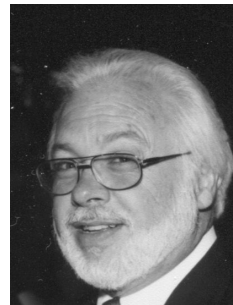
I am looking forward to a busy and enjoyable year of 2022. Seeing that we have been virtually shut down for the past two years we have much catching up to do. There will be a board meeting in the next few weeks to come up with an agenda for the next six months. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, please feel free to pass your ideas on to me or anyone on the board. We also have a couple of seats on the board that need to be filled. If anyone has the desire to step up, please feel to jump in.

One event that has been confirmed is an over night cruise to the Gilmore Auto Museum in Hickory Corners, Michigan on August 12-14. We will be staying at the Marriott Fairfield Inn in Kalamazoo MI.

More information in the future.

In closing I am very excited to be stepping in to this position and with your help I know we will continue this great club in the coming year

*Jack*



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“Kick Tires”: 7:00  
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### **March Program**

Our March speaker is Mr. Chris Herrel, a buyer and seller of vintage Lincoln automobile parts. He will present a very interesting program. Hope to see you there.



## MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by president Jeep Iacobucci. He called on members to introduce themselves and their cars. Jeep thanked Sharon and Jack Bukszar for tonight's coffee and cookies.

Jack introduced Ron Becker, our speaker for this evening. Ron runs a business making castings and forgings for old cars, among other things. He is an old car fan as well as a businessman and drives a fully restored 1929 Model A Ford town sedan. His wife has a 1929 Model A Ford roadster pickup. Ron presented an interesting account of his work history, which began when he got a job as a young man shoveling sand for castings at White Motors. His involvement with old cars began when he purchased a Model A Ford that he couldn't get started. Two young neighbors volunteered to help him get it going--which they did--and he has been an antique car fan ever since.

Ron's presentation served as an excellent example of the fact that if a person is ambitious, anxious to learn new skills, and willing to work hard it is indeed possible to start at the bottom and work one's way to the top. Ron started out shoveling sand and ended up running his own company.

Craig Gorris announced that the Headliner earned a participation award from the National V8 club and the National Club has requested that copies of the Headliner be sent to the national office.

In his other role as membership chairperson, Craig informed us that we have 88 paid members for 2022 so far. This makes NORG one of the largest regional clubs. He also distributed the 2021-2022 NORG rosters to members who were present. Copies will be mailed to those who were not present. Craig also informed us that a memorial brick at the Ford V8 Museum has been ordered for member Bob Jones, who passed away in 2021.

National representative Steve Kronen reminded us that the Eastern National V8 Meet will be held June 1-5 in Franklin, Tennessee. It is necessary to register for the meet in order to qualify for a reduced rate at the Franklin Marriott Hotel and the reserved rooms are going fast. If you haven't registered yet it is a good idea to do so very soon. Among other things, a trip to the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville is one of the optional activities.

Beth Shilling talked with the mayor of Stow about NORG's "thank you" donation that we give to show appreciation for use of the Safety Building's meeting room. The mayor recommended that the donation be used for a memorial for first responders that the city is planning. Members agreed that this was a good use of the donation.

Lunch organizer Neal Garland announced that restaurants appear to be struggling back into full business now that the pandemic is slowing somewhat. He has identified several possibilities for a club lunch in March. By popular request, the lunch will be scheduled for a Saturday. Details will be provided in the March Headliner.

Activities chairperson Jack Bukszar announced that the Great Race will be stopping in Medina square for lunch on June 21. This presents a great opportunity for a club activity. Jack also is actively pursuing an overnight trip to the Gilmore Museum in Michigan on August 13. Watch the Headliner for more details on both of these activities.

Earl Peters is organizing a visit to the Templar auto museum in Cleveland for a Model T club. NORG is invited. Again, watch the Headliner for more details.

With great reluctance, Jeep Iacobucci announced that he is stepping down as NORG president. Georgene is having medical problems and Jeep will be spending more time attending to her needs. Our prayers and good wishes are with them both. Jack Bukszar will take over duties as club president.

Rick Jandrey moved that we adjourn. We did at 8:45 p.m.

**Neal Garland, Secretary**

## 2021 Activities At A Glance



- **Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 7:30 PM** Monthly Club Meeting, Stow City Center
- **Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM** Monthly Luncheon, D'Agnese's Restaurant, Akron **See Page 4 for more Information**
- **Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30 PM** Monthly Club Meeting, Stow City Center
- **Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Time TBD** Templar Museum Tour. **Contact Earl Peters for Information (419) 447-3207**
- **Mid June Day & Time TBD** Breakfast at Mihalek's Farm **More Information next Month**
- **Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>** Car Coddlers Swap Meet **See Page 4 for more Information**
- **Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> Time TBD** Cruise with Nifty Fifties car Club to Skyway Drive-In Akron **More Information next Month**
- **June 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>** Early Ford V-8 Club Eastern National Meet Franklin TN. **See page 6 and EFV8.com for more information**
- **Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>** Lunch and Meet Great Race Participants Medina Square. **See page 5 for more Information**
- **August 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>** Weekend Cruise with Nifty Fifties Car Club To Gilmore Museum **More Details To Follow**
- **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



March Meeting	Darlene Null
April Meeting	Georgene Iacobucci
May Meeting	Diane Francis
June Meeting	<b>NO MEETING</b>
July Meeting	Bruce Lewicki
August Meeting	Beth Schilling
September Meeting	<b>Need Someone</b>
October Meeting	Kathy Kessler
November Meeting	<b>Need Someone</b>

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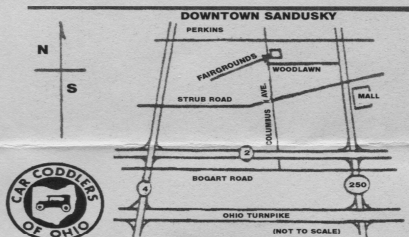
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Vendor Pricing: \_\_\_\_\_ Inside Space(s) - 10 x 10 Foot \$25.00 each: \_\_\_\_\_ (please mark how many)

Electric: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Merchandise For Sale: \_\_\_\_\_

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## V8 LUNCH FOR MARCH: SATURDAY, MARCH 19

Now that the Covid 19 pandemic has slowed down, we will try to get our lunch program going again. We will start off on **Saturday, March 19, with lunch at D'Agnese's Italian** Restaurant located at 566 White Pond Drive in Akron.

Their zip code is 44320 and their phone number is 234-678-3612. There is more than one D'Agnese's in the area, so be sure to get directions from your GPS for the one on **White Pond Drive in Akron.**

Plan to arrive at 11:30 a.m. so we can beat any lunchtime crowd that shows up. The restaurant is located in a small shopping/business area called White Pond Crossing. See you there!

**Neal Garland**

## The "Great Race" Stops In Medina Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>

***Our Club is planning to meet the participants that Tuesday and hopefully schedule lunch sometime during the Day.***

**Below is information on the history and background of the Great Race**


In the 39-year history of the Great Race, the event has made its way east and west and north and south through 46 of the 48 contiguous United States. In 2022, the Great Race will finally be able to add the last two states to its schedule – Rhode Island and North Dakota.

The 2022 Hemmings Motor News Great Race presented by Hagerty Drivers Club will start in Warwick, Rhode Island, on Saturday, June 18, and finish in Fargo, North Dakota, on Sunday, June 26, race organizers have announced. The 9-day, 2,300-mile adventure will bring 120 of the world's finest antique automobiles to 19 cities in Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota. More than \$150,000 will be awarded to top finishers in multiple divisions.

Teams and cars from Japan, England, Australia, Canada and every corner of the United States will converge in Rhode Island in mid-June with vintage automobiles dating back as far as 1916. There are more than 500 people just in our entourage from all around the world

The Great Race, which began 39 years ago, is not a speed race, but a time/speed/distance rally. The vehicles, each with a driver and navigator, are given precise instructions each day that detail every move down to the second. They are scored at secret check points along the way and are penalized one second for each second either early or late. As in golf, the lowest score wins.

Cars built in 1974 and earlier are eligible, with most entries having been manufactured before World War II. In the 2019 Great Race a 1916 Hudson won the event from Riverside, Calif., to Tacoma, Wash. The 2022 winners will again receive \$50,000 of the \$150,000 total purse. A 1916 Hudson Pikes Peak Hill-climber, a 1917 American LaFrance and a 1917 Peerless racer are the oldest cars scheduled to be in the 2021 Great Race from San Antonio, Texas, to Greenville, S.C., this summer.



The image is a promotional poster for the 2022 Great Race. At the top, it features logos for Hemmings (founded 1954), Hagerty Drivers Club, and the Great Race. A map shows the route from Warwick, RI to Fargo, ND, passing through 19 cities: Warwick, RI; Windsor Locks, CT; Binghamton, NY; Erie, PA; Wellsville, NY; Montgomery, NY; Plainfield, IL; South Bend, IN; Medina, OH; Perrysburg, OH; Wisconsin Dells, WI; Sun Prairie, WI; Chippewa Falls, WI; Detroit Lakes, MN; Brainerd, MN; Duluth, MN; and Fargo, ND. The route includes overnight stops and lunch stops. A central graphic reads "2022 GREAT RACE ROUTE JUNE 18-26, 2022 Warwick, RI to Fargo, ND". Below the map is a photo of a vintage car with a driver and navigator. At the bottom, it says "Welcome Our New Sponsor! McCollister's Auto Transport" with social media handles and contact information: 800-989-7223 OR JEFF@GREATRACE.COM.

**2022 GREAT RACE ROUTE**  
JUNE 18-26, 2022  
Warwick, RI to Fargo, ND

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**  
START: Rocky Point State Park, Warwick, RI - 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
OVERNIGHT: New England Air Museum, Windsor Locks, CT - 4:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19**  
LUNCH: Clinton Street, downtown Monticouney, NY - 12:15 p.m.  
OVERNIGHT: Court Street, downtown Binghamton, NY - 5 p.m.

**MONDAY, JUNE 20**  
LUNCH: Allied State College, Wellsville, NY - 12:15 p.m.  
OVERNIGHT: Perry Square Park, downtown Erie, PA - 3 p.m.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 21**  
LUNCH: Uptown Park, downtown Medina, OH - noon  
OVERNIGHT: Louisiana Avenue, downtown Perrysburg, OH - 5 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22**  
LUNCH: Shakerbaker National Museum, South Bend, IN - noon  
OVERNIGHT: Lockport Street, downtown Plainfield, IL - 3 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 23**  
LUNCH: Angell Park Speedway, Sun Prairie, WI - 11:45 a.m.  
OVERNIGHT: Ocula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells, WI - 2:30 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 24**  
LUNCH: North Bridge Street, downtown Chippewa Falls, WI - noon  
OVERNIGHT: Bayfront Festival Park, Duluth, MN - 5 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 25**  
LUNCH: Brainerd International Raceway, Brainerd, MN - 11:45 a.m.  
OVERNIGHT: West Lake Drive, Detroit Lakes, MN - 4 p.m.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 26**  
FINISH: Broadway Drive, Historic Fargo Theater, Fargo, ND - 1 p.m.

Volunteer Regional Group #97 invites you to gather with your fellow  
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as we celebrate the first National Meet after the pandemic.

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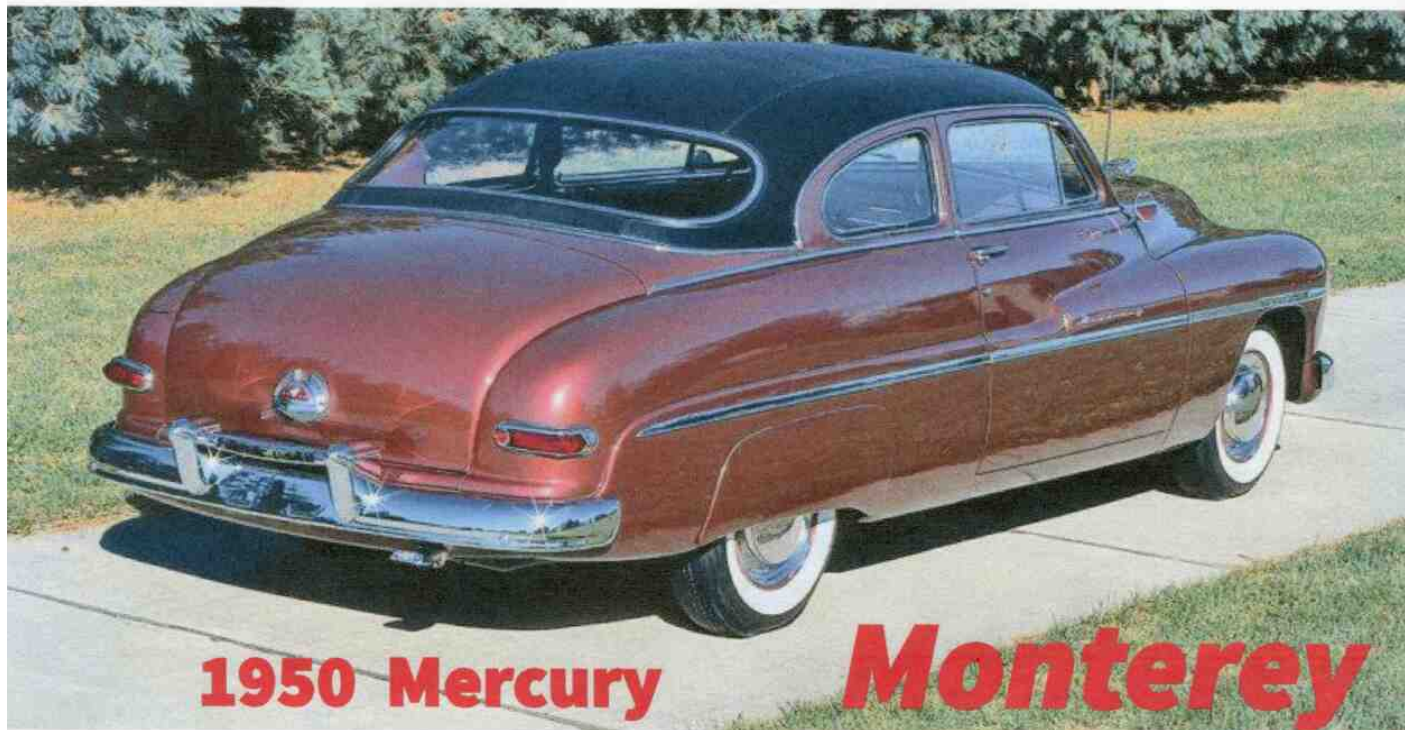
Full Registration is Now Open!

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**For More Information** <https://www.2022enm.com>

The concourse of 1932 - 1953 Ford Motor Company vehicles will  
be held at the host hotel on Friday, June 3. The public is welcome.





**Edging up from parity to the Pontiac, now rivaling Buick, the Third Generation Mercury reached refinement with the new Monterey Coupe in 1950**

By John Emmering

**W**ith a unique vinyl top and sharp color selections the Mercury Monterey model grabbed a lot of attention when it was introduced in June of 1950. Just as the Ford Division had answered the "Hard Top" models being produced by General Motors and Chrysler, with the Ford Crestliner, the design staff at Mercury dressed up their club coupe model. The result was the creation of the Mercury Monterey, designated model 72C.

If there was ever a "year of the Mercury" it would have to be 1950. As the 1950's dawned the new slightly restyled Mercury was a winner on many fronts. A yellow 1950 Mercury convertible was chosen as the pace car for the Indianapolis 500. A 1950 Mercury received honors as the sweepstakes winner in the Mobile Gas Economy Run. Mercury also won victories in two NASCAR Grand National races.

To top it off the one millionth Mercury rolled off the assembly lines in August of 1950. There was enough of a difference in the front exterior to notice a model year change with the bigger parking lights for 1950. The biggest change was the redesigned instrument panel and new push button door handles. While Mercury models had always maintained identical trim levels for the past decade there were some adjustments for 1950. A less expensive club coupe model was introduced, designated as model 72A. This model, like the Ford Deluxe line were bereft of exterior chrome window moldings, wheel trim rings and clock. As a price leader it allowed the Mercury line to quote a startlingly low price of only \$1,875.

In contrast to the base model, the Mercury Monterey was loaded with many extras as standard equipment. The Monterey came with rear fender skirts, a gold winged hood ornament, dual outside mirrors, a grill guard, two tone instrument panel matching the exterior color, custom steering wheel, carpeting, chrome window frames, an artificial leather headliner, and leather and Bedford Cord upholstery.



When a customer purchased a new Mercury Monterey, he was offered a choice of three color combinations. Customers could choose from a back body with a yellow vinyl top, a Cortaro Red Metallic body with a black top or Turquoise body with a dark blue top. The Monterey model designation was uniquely spelled out in chrome script on each of the doors of the Monterey cars.

Unfortunately the Mercury Monterey was not really a viable alternative to the competition's hardtops. Additionally not too many customers were convinced that the Mercury Monterey's cost compared to the regular Model 72 Coupe was worth the additional \$160.00 (which would be \$1,720 in today's dollars). Of the estimated 334,081 1950 Mercury automobiles manufactured only a comparative handful of Monterey units were produced. Production figures on the Monterey were lumped together with the other club coupes so there is not a good production figure on the 1950 Monterey.

A man who claimed to have been involved in producing the unique steering wheels said that he only produced 800 of them. Others have estimated there may have been up to 2,000 1950 Monterey cars produced. What ever the number, they are a rarity today.

The Mercury Monterey finally became a true hardtop in 1952. The line expanded to include a Monterey Four Door sedan and Convertible model and continued in various forms until 1974.

Today an excellent 1950 Mercury Monterey's value is estimated at \$50,000 to \$67,000. The car which was not fully appreciated in it's youth has come into it's own.

## 1950 Mercury Monterey Specifications

Base Price: \$2,146 f.o.b.

### Engine:

90 degree L-head V-8

Displacement: 255.4 cubic inches

Compression ratio: 6.80:1

Bore x Stroke: 3.1875 " x 4"

Compression ratio: 6.80:1

Horsepower: 110

Valve lifters: Mechanical

Main Bearings: 3

Fuel System : Dual downdraft carb

### Transmission:

Type: 3 speed selective

w/overdrive. Synchro 2nd & 3rd speeds, column mounted lever.

### Steering

Type: Gemmer worm & roller

Ratio: 18:2:1

### Brakes :

Type: 4-wheel internal hydraulic

### Weights & measures

Wheelbase: 118 inches

Overall lengths: 206.7 inches

Overall Heights 64.8 inches

Shipping weight 3,625 lbs.

### Performance:

0-30 4.57 seconds

0-60 15.98 seconds \

Top speed (in O/D) 83.75 mph  
(from Motor Trend, May 1950)



*Thanks to NIRG*



# Ladies Daisy Page

Hoping these few animations will help eliminate these dreary winter days. Enjoy and have a pleasant & sunny month of March

You can tell a lot about a woman by her hands. For instance, if they are around your throat she is probably slightly upset.

Me: (sobbing my heart out, eyes swollen, nose red)...I can't see you anymore...I am not going to let you hurt me like this again!

Trainer: It was a sit up. You did one sit up.



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**Happy March Birthday**

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 7 Sue Brown  
 21 Kathy Kessler



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