

“The Headliner”

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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 May 2025

Greetings to all NORG members.

Driving season is here!! I took the 53 Tudor out for its maiden voyage last week for a test and tune. Of course it stalled under an overpass and in the left turning lane. With ten or so cars stacked up behind me I jumped out to look under the hood. Nothing looked out of order and after waving everyone around me one young man offered to help me push to the side of the road. This past winter I pulled the engine for a refresh of new (correct) heads, gaskets and a shiny coat of paint. Also involved was a very long and arduous cleaning effort of the engine and compartment. Long story short (LOL), after cranking for a few seconds she fired and I made it home with no other issues. I ran the engine through the usual tests and have determined that it flooded and it's just one of those things.

NORG had its first outing of the year at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. On the 26th of April we joined sixteen members from the Greater Pittsburgh regional group. Five NORG members strolled the Hall taking in the thousands of items on display. We all went to the auditorium to watch a twelve minute video of rock performers from inductions through the years. The lights and sound were quite impressive. Afterwards, we all drove to Hiram to dine at Blazin Bills where we had four more members join us! Dinner was fantastic with a variety of BBQ dishes. Last month's club meeting was a small affair. With no speaker, I myself filled the time with a short demonstration of how I repair and polish stainless steel trim. It was very well received.

Josh Madden provided the cookies and coffee. Good job Mrs.Madden, they were delicious! Thank you Josh!

Richard Jandrey brought the spray bottle that he used to paint his Cushman scooter 70 years ago!! It's an accessory from a Kirby vacuum cleaner and Richard told us about his experiences painting his scooter and how he got pulled over by the law. Thank you Rich for sharing.

May brings us more opportunities for get togethers and outings planned by our board.

Check the newsletter for upcoming events. Or better yet, come to our club meetings and engage with fellow members.

May is also Ladies month, so to all the ladies, bring your husbands to the meeting. Diane Francis has a lady themed meeting planned, so don't miss it! I hope you are well and I'll see you on the 16th. **Steve**



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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

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www.norgv8club.org

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May Program

In conjunction with Mother's Day, Diane Francis has a special program planned for this month



MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by president Steve Kronen. Steve asked members to introduce themselves and their cars.

Member Rich Jandrey did a brief "show and tell" presentation featuring the spray painting attachment that was available for Electrolux vacuum cleaners in the good old days. The device attached to the "blow" outlet of the vacuum cleaner. Rich reported that he used the device to paint his Cushman motor scooter way back when. He got the scooter painted, but his mother was not real pleased when she found out about the project. The painting attachment he brought to the meeting is the one he used to do the job.

Neal Garland read a summary of the minutes from the March meeting. Ed Carr moved that the minutes be accepted. They were. Co-treasurer Diane Francis reported that our treasury is in good shape and we have no outstanding bills.

President Steve reminded us of the Central National Meet coming up in Springfield, Illinois on June 22-26. He also reported that there is a good possibility that there will be national meets in 2026 and 2027.

Diane Francis reminded us that our May meeting will be a Ladies Day meeting. Members are encouraged to be sure to invite their wives to attend. She also encouraged the club to consider participating in Stow's 4th of July parade again this year. Those who participated last year found it to be an enjoyable experience.

President Steve suggested that we should create some signs or banners to advertise our club if we do participate.

To conclude the meeting, president Steve presented an interesting and informative demonstration of his method for removing dents from stainless steel trim. He encouraged members to try his method themselves if they have trim that needs work.

We adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Neal Garland,
Secretary



2025 NORG Activities At A Glance



- **Friday, May 16th** NORG Meeting Stow City Center 7:30
- **Saturday May 24th** “Keels & Wheels” at Cleveland Yacht Club. Breakfast at Claudette’s Restaurant 11:00 **More Information on page 8**
- **June TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Lunch at Skyway Drive in Akron with Ice Cream afterward **More Information to follow**
- **June TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Breakfast at Mihalek’s Farm **More Information to follow**
- **June 22nd thru June 26th** Early Ford Central Meet, Springfield IL. **More Information on page 5**
- **Saturday July 26th** Collette’s picnic Portersville Pa. 1:00~4:00, Richfield Car Show 11:00~2:30 **More Information to follow**
- **Saturday July 26th** , Car Show, Richfield Oh, 9:00 ~ 3:00. **More Information to follow**
- **Sunday, August 24th** Car Show, Patterson Fruit Farm Chesterland OH **More Information to follow**
- **September 3rd**, Regina Health Car Show **More Information to follow**
- **September TBD** NORG/Nifty Fifties Corn Roast **More Information to follow**
- **Saturday, October 18th** Bucket-O-Beans 9:00 ~ 3:00 Marshallville , **More Information to follow**

NORG COOKIE BAKERS

February	Steve Klein <i>Thank you</i>
March	Neal & Momoe Garland <i>Thanks</i>
April	John Madden <i>Thanks</i>
May	Diane Francis
July	Bill & Bonnie Sykes
August	Regis & Beth Schilling
September	Sharon Bukszar
October	Bruce Lewicki
November	Pat Rooney

Northern Ohio RG and Greater Pittsburgh RG Meet at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame

On Saturday, April 26th, our NORG and Greater Pittsburgh RG spent time at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. The Idea came from Nancy Collette, wife of National Director Dave Collette. Nancy teaches a college music course. Her studies include Country, Jazz , Rock, Rhythm & Blues among other forms of music. Dave, Nancy and 8 members from the Greater RG met up with Prez Steve, Jack & Sharon Bukszar and Dan and Diane Francis. All appreciated the general displays as well as the individual exhibits.

Afterward the group drove to Blazin Bills Restaurant where they met up with Brice Lewicki, John Kessler, Frank & Ginger Posar and Pat and Barb Rooney. All NORG Members seemed to have a wonderful time and enjoyed the Pennsylvania folks.



Greater Pittsburgh RG



Nancy Collette Jamming



One of the Many Displays

**Northern Illinois Regional Group #8
Invites you to
"A V-8 Family Reunion"
The 2025 Central National Meet
Springfield, Illinois • June 22-26, 2025
Host Hotel - Crowne Plaza**

We can't have a reunion without you!

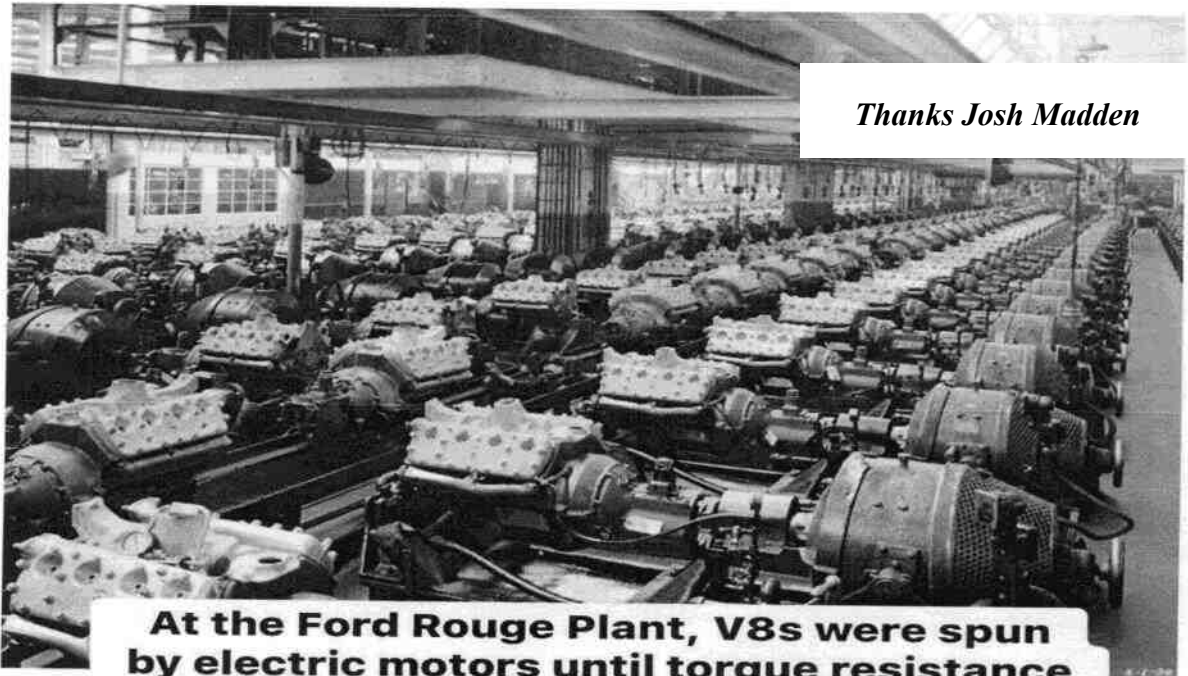


Early Registration Available NOW at <https://2025cnm.com>

For more information:

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Phone: 630-858-9474



Thanks Josh Madden

At the Ford Rouge Plant, V8s were spun by electric motors until torque resistance dropped—an old-school break-in method before precision machining.

Converting your Historical License Plate to Year of Ohio License Plates

On the attached two pages is information on how to convert the Ohio Antique License Plate that you display on your vehicle to the model year. As an example if you have a 1946 vehicle and have in your possession an Ohio 1946 License plate, the information provides the process for displaying that plate. The same process is available for most any other year. Be advised that in 1952, Ohio provided a window sticker that was used with a 1951 license plate. This was provided to save metal during the Korean war.



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

HISTORICAL "MODEL-YEAR" PLATE INFORMATION

Section 4503.181 of the Ohio Revised Code permits owners of vehicles bearing historical license plates to display a model year plate for a fee. Only one model year plate is required to be displayed. This license plate must be a legible and serviceable plate issued by the state of Ohio and inscribed with the date of the year corresponding to the model year when the vehicle was manufactured. Section 4503.19 (ORC) requires that a "distinctive number" be issued to a motor vehicle. Therefore, the distinctive historical plates and registration card must be in the vehicle and available upon demand by a law enforcement officer.

To comply with the motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles has adopted the following procedure.

- The vehicle must be registered with regular historical plates.
- Those who desire to display a model-year plate will locate and obtain a suitable plate by their own means. If the license plate is painted, the colors applied must be the original color combinations. To qualify for a model year the license plates had to be manufactured no later than 1974.
- Submit a **copy** of the model-year license plate and a **copy** of the historical license registration card. Since registration is required for both the historical and model year plate, the fee for registration is \$4.50 if obtained at our office, plus the current cost of postage if the registration must be mailed.
- Complete and have notarized the model-year affidavit on back.
- The model-year plate may be displayed when you receive the registration card from the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles. Only one model-year plate is required to be displayed on the rear of the historical motor vehicle at all times.
- **Model-year plate numbers for a military vehicle are the Ohio historical plate numbers issued to the vehicle painted on the front and rear of the vehicle in accordance with size and style specifications established for numerals and letters as stated in section 4303.22 ORC.**

If your vehicle is not displaying regular historical license plates, the application/affidavit for a regular historical registration and model year historical registration may be submitted at the same time and the model year registration services will be provided at no charge. If you wish to be sent an application for a regular historical license plate contact the number below or go to your local deputy to obtain registration. This application is also available at your local Deputy Registrar's office and can be obtained on the Web site:

http://www.state.oh.us/odps/division/bmv/frm_dnld.html

If we can be of further assistance, please contact:
OHIO BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES
Attn: Registration Section
P.O. Box 16521
Columbus, Ohio 43216-6521
(Telephone: 614-752-7800)

Required fee	\$	_____
ADD Permissive Tax	\$	_____
Deputy Registrar Fee	\$	_____
Postage	\$	_____
Total Amount Due	\$	_____

HISTORICAL "MODEL YEAR" LICENSE PLATE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF OHIO)
COUNTY OF _____)

NAME		DAYTIME PHONE # ()	COUNTY	
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE OHIO	ZIP CODE	

I am the owner of the below listed historical vehicle which **HAS BEEN** or **WILL BE** (circle one) registered with state of Ohio historical license plates. I am requesting that the below listed model-year license plate number be registered to this historical vehicle. I understand that the original historical registration card and historical license plates must be carried in the vehicle at all times and shown upon request from a law enforcement officer.

CURRENT HISTORICAL PLATE # (leave blank if plate is to be issued)			DATE VEHICLE PURCHASED	CERTIFICATE OF TITLE #
LICENSE PLATE # (MODEL-YEAR)	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	SERIAL #
TWO OR FOUR DOOR		PLATE COLOR	LETTER/NUMBER COLOR	

I certify that the model-year license plate listed above was originally issued by this state and is serviceable and legible. I am aware that I may not display this plate until I receive the registration card for the model-year plate.

You are now permitted to donate \$1.00 to the children's Save Our Sight Program by checking the appropriate box below and adding an additional \$1.00 to your total fees due. For more information on the children's Save Our Sight Program, please call 1-800-755-GROW (4769). ☐ Yes, I would like to donate to the children's Save Our Sight Program. I have added \$1.00 to the total fees due.

PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

YOU WILL LOSE YOUR DRIVER LICENSE FOR AT LEAST 90 DAYS IF YOU DRIVE WITHOUT INSURANCE OR OTHER ACCEPTABLE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COVERAGE

- In Ohio, it is illegal to drive any motor vehicle without insurance or other financial responsibility (FR) coverage.
- It is also illegal for any motor vehicle owner to allow anyone else to drive the owner's vehicle without FR coverage.
- PROOF OF COVERAGE IS REQUIRED:** • Whenever a police officer issues a traffic ticket • At all vehicle inspection stops • Upon traffic court appearances and • Upon random checks by the Registrar of Motor Vehicles.
- ANY DRIVER OR OWNER WHO FAILS TO SHOW PROOF OF INSURANCE OR OTHER COVERAGE WILL:** Lose his or her driver license for 90 DAYS on first offense, ONE YEAR on second offense and TWO YEARS on additional offenses • Lose his or her license plates and vehicle registration • Pay reinstatement fees of \$75.00 first offense, \$250.00 for second offense, and \$500.00 any additional offense • Pay a \$50.00 penalty for any failure to surrender his or her driver license, license plates, or registration AND • Be required to maintain special FR coverage ("High-risk" insurance or equivalent) on file with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) for THREE or FIVE YEARS.
- ONCE THIS SUSPENSION IS IN EFFECT:** Any driver or owner who violates the suspension will have his or her vehicle immobilized and his or her license plates confiscated for at least 30 DAYS first offense and 60 DAYS second offense. For third or subsequent offenses, the vehicle will be forfeited and sold and the person will not be permitted to register any motor vehicle in Ohio for FIVE YEARS.
- IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT WITHOUT INSURANCE OR OTHER FR COVERAGE:** In addition to all the penalties listed above, you may have • A SECURITY SUSPENSION for TWO YEARS or more and • A JUDGMENT SUSPENSION INDEFINITELY (until all damages have been satisfied).
- THESE PENALTIES ARE IN ADDITION TO ANY FINES OR PENALTIES IMPOSED BY A COURT OF LAW.**
- WARNING:** THESE LAWS DO NOT PREVENT THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOU MAY BE INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT WITH A PERSON WHO HAS NO INSURANCE OR OTHER FR COVERAGE.

I affirm that the owners (or lessees of leased vehicle) now have insurance or other proof of financial responsibility (FR Coverage) covering this vehicle and will not operate or permit the operation of this vehicle without FR Coverage; and will not be used as a commercial vehicle unless so registered.

SIGNATURE X	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
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Sworn to before me and signed in my presence this _____ day of _____

NOTARY PUBLIC _____

SEAL

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES _____



**WE HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SHOW OUR CARS AT THE
CLEVELAND YACHTING CLUB AGAIN THIS YEAR
200 YACHTING CLUB DRIVE
ROCKY RIVER, OHIO
SAT. MAY 24, 2025
MEET AT THE CLUB AT 1:00
BRING YOUR CHAIRS AND SNACKS IF YOU CHOOSE**

**FOR THOSE WHO WOULD CARE TO JOIN US FOR A BITE TO EAT WE WILL
MEET AT 11:00
CLAUDEET'S CAFÉ AND DELI
26485 CENTER RIDGE RD. WESTLAKE, OHIO**

Thanks to the "Road Chatter" Magazine



TECH CORNER



2025 is the 75th anniversary of the 1950 Ford! Here are some technical information and historical facts about the car Ford advertised as "50 Ways New...50 Ways Finer the '50 Ford!"

New

- Push-button door locks
- Concealed gas tank filler
- Magic-Air Heater System
- The Ford "Crest" logo appeared for the first time
- First use of "Custom Deluxe" model specification, in addition to "Custom"
- Introduction of the Crestliner model



Technical Specifications

- Price – starting at \$1,333 for the Business Coupe "Six" to \$2,107 for the V-8 Station Wagon
- Weight – ranged from 2,933 lbs for the Business Coupe "Six" to 3,531 lbs for the V-8 Wagon
- Engines –239 ci Flathead V-8 rated at 100 horsepower and 226 ci 95 hp Flathead Six
- Engine production – V-8, 897,463; 6-cylinder, 289,659
- Production totals: 1,187,120 – Fewest-Crestliner, 17,601; Most-Custom Deluxe Tudor Sedan, 396,060
- Introduced – Mid-November 1949

Accomplishments

- Named "Fashion Car of the Year" by New York's famed Fashion Academy
- Sales outpaced the 17-month production run of the 1949 Ford
- A special 1950 Mercury Convertible paced the 1950 Indy 500 (OK, not actually a Ford)



World Events

- North Korean troops burst across the 38th Parallel to invade South Korea
- Americans were buying 100,000 TV sets per week. On TV they were shocked to watch a parade of top crime bosses invoking the 5th Amendment at the Kefauver Hearings
- The 1950 Chicago Auto Show, the nation's first auto show after World War II, was held at the International Amphitheatre
- Elizabeth Taylor married for the first time – to Conrad "Nicky" Hilton Jr.
- 13 courageous women founded the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA)
- *All About Eve* won six Oscars, including Best Picture, while James Stewart was nominated for Best Actor as Elwood P. Dowd in *Harvey*

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*Don't Forget to Check out our
updated website :*

www.norgv8club.org

May Birthdays

5	Rose Dawson
7	Virginia Herrmann
11	Craig Dawson
13	Frank Posar
14	Elaine Hlavacs
23	Michelle Bruening
25	Karen Mihalek



**May NORG
Meeting
Friday, May 16th**

NORG MEMBERS

Your NORG Headliner depends upon contributions from members to be a successful.

Your photos and text on club activities, ladies hobbies and recipes, technical information, and information on your restoration are needed to keep your Newsletter refreshing.

Please send us anything, we can re-write if necessary.