



Cruisin' News

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The Old Cars Are Turning Out!

By Kevin Kappenman
(A message from the president)

Congratulations to Aliza and Nathan Goebel. We all had a great time at their reception. From the Great Plains Streetrodders, we wish you the best as you start your new life together.

What A Success

Automania was a great success. There were a lot of people that helped to make this a great success, including Downtown Sioux Falls Association, Larry Olson, Jim Christensen, Brad Goebel and all of the parkers. For only being the second year, this was a big success. They had more vendors, three bands and a lot more cars. This event is only going to get bigger and better. Thank you Automania for a wonderful time.

Don't Miss The Grill-outs

July 12 we have the Siouxland Car Council grill-out at Wall Lake hosted by the Ford club. Don't be left out of these council grill-outs. They are drawing a lot of cars. Last month the Modifiers had a nice turn out in Dells. Yes, we have them rain or shine. We also have a shelter nearby, so don't miss out. July 19 is Gerry Phillips' & Jim Christensen's turn at Larchwood, Iowa. This is one you don't want to miss. This one is on the grass. Last year Gerry and Jim had about 90 cars. This is a great place for a grill-out. Gerry has the lawn mowed and his shop is shining like a new Cobra with a new interior, so call a friend and meet them there or have them come with you. Come and see if the motor home is complete.

Guess What I Saw

At Handyman I saw a lot of new cars. Gary Ebright's daughter & son-in-law were there with their '67 Chevllle, and Doug & Norma Krouse were there with their '69 Camaro. And I saw Taboo, a '55 Chevy. These cars are very nice and they've all been done with a professional goal. We need to make an effort to meet these people and check out their cars. Take the time to get to know these people and invite them to our Wednesday nights.

Cruise To Okoboji

July 16th we are invited to cruise to Okoboji, Iowa, for a potluck picnic at Templar Park on the south-west side of Big Spirit Lake, Iowa, with the Black Knights Car Club. We will meet at Cody's on I-90 and North Cliff Ave. at 10:30 am Sunday July 16th and leave by 11 am. Bring a dish that you can keep cool or hot. We will order chicken from Pizza Ranch in Spirit Lake. I'd like to know how many can make this picnic so I can order the chicken. The cost would be about \$4 dollars a person so please let me know if you can go. Afterwards, we will cruise around Okoboji and stop in the park for ice cream and shopping. Call me at 336-2116 or 310-4854.

Looking To Fall

I am planning a fall cruise from September 30 thru October 7, to Duluth, MN., to see the fall colors. We'd leave on Saturday at 8 a.m. and cruise to Duluth. This is an 8-hour drive, so we will be making stops along the way. When in Duluth we will be going to museums, driving the north shore and taking in what Duluth has to offer us. If you are interested in going, we will have a planning meeting the first week of September, to see what everyone wants to see. I will update this as I get more info. We will have two routes, a shorter one will return participants on Tuesday or Wednesday with the rest of us returning on Saturday. If you are interested in going please contact me at 336-2116 (home) or 310-4854 (cell).

Why Build It Only Once?

If Kevin Kappenman's 1937 Ford slant-back two-door sedan looks good, it's because he made sure it was right by building it up twice, although not by choice.

He bought the car in 1991 after a lengthy search for this particular car in this particular body style. He likes the 1937 Fords, but he especially likes the slant-back style, in part because they aren't seen very often.

"I looked for that car three years before I found it," he said.

While he really likes the style, the car was still in for a lot of changes.

"I drove it on the trailer as a flathead," he said, but he wouldn't keep that original engine for long. He replaced it with an updated 302 c.i. V-8 bored .030 over and attached it to a C-4 transmission. He tore the car apart and started redoing everything and almost had it ready for paint when disaster struck. He was cutting holes in the rear for the custom LED taillights when it caught on fire and burned up almost completely, destroying the interior, windows and more.

"I had the dash sitting on the back seat so nobody would touch it, and it melted," Kevin related. "I had to redo the entire car again."

Since he is in the business of fire protection equipment, he had the equipment to put the fire out himself, but it took three large fire extinguishers to do it.

It was a major setback. But it wasn't a total loss. He got the car back together with a fresh dashboard just in time for his daughter's wedding, although he still had yet to replace the interior. His daughter wanted the car to be a part of her wedding, so he drove her in it to the wedding without even getting any soot on the white wedding gown.

"I had two seats in it and we went to the wedding," he said.

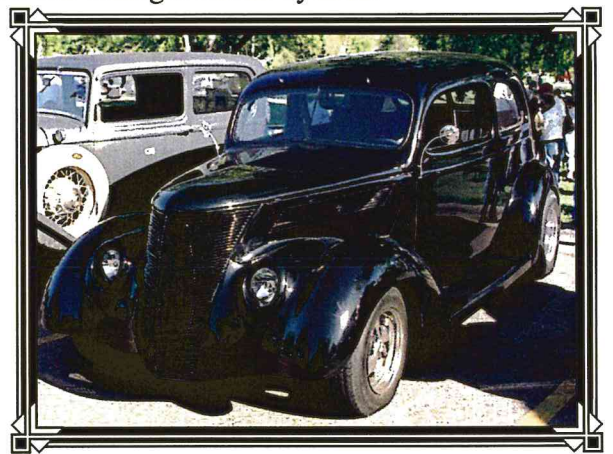
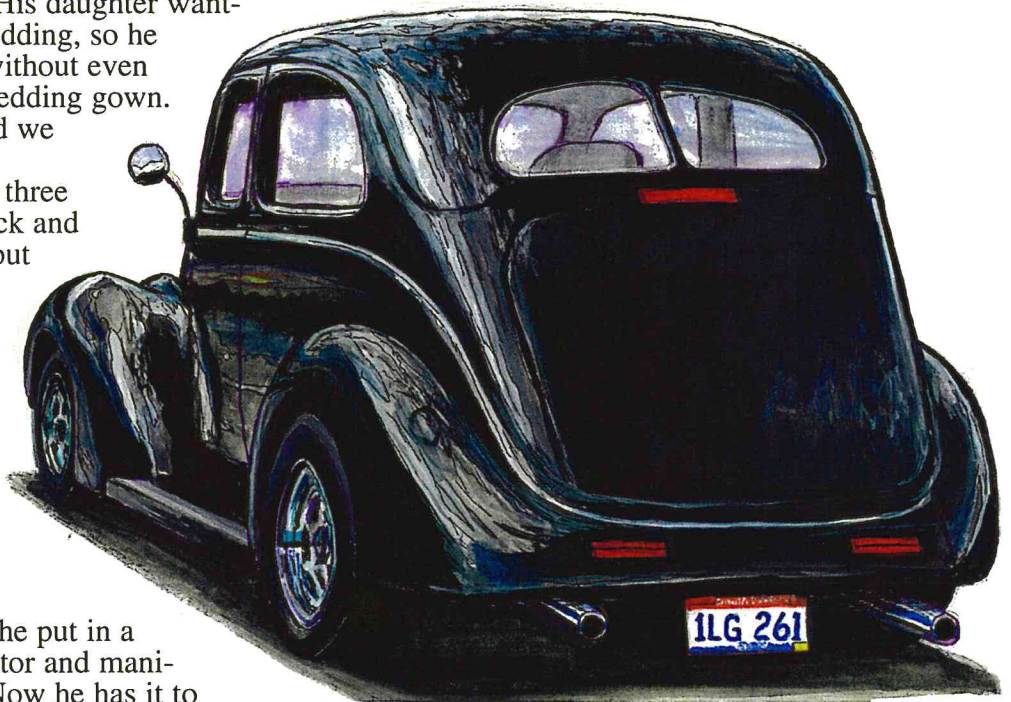
He had worked on it for three more years when he hurt his back and had to stop. That was a delay, but not a setback.

He got it finished enough to drive it some last fall, but not without a few bugs. During a cruise to the Mississippi River for the fall foliage some wheel bearings went out and he had to fix it along the side of the road with the help of some fellow Great Plains Streetrodders.

Finally, this past winter he put in a new nine-inch rear end, carburetor and manifold and finished the interior. Now he has it to where he can cruise in it every Wednesday. He wants to assure his fellow club members that it's very dependable now, and said it "runs great."

The car is black on black, with only the wheels showing any chrome. He doesn't like chrome on his car, although he felt chrome wheels were necessary to set off the otherwise all black car. To avoid the summer heat a black car can attract, he installed air conditioning. It also has a 10-CD changer stereo system.

"It's just a very nice driver," Kevin said, which was his goal for this car. "I just as soon cruise than sit on Main Street."



July Birthdays

Pat Bruining-7/3
Karen Roe – 7/3
Jan Malcomb – 7/10
Nancy Snyder-7/15
Betty Jones – 7/17
Marilyn Meyers-7/18
Roger Van Noort – 7/20
Bones Hanson – 7/21
Deb Jurgens – 7/22
Kirk Lee-7/23
Terry Peterson – 7/25
Barb Buchanan – 7/29
Gary Bockorny-7/30

July Anniversaries

Jim & Julie Hansen- 7/2
Rick & Chris Johnson – 7/28

August Birthdays

Henry Buus – 8/3
Brian Lee – 8/7
Darla Goebel – 8/7
Terry Huls – 8/12
Wes Jurgens – 8/12
Wayne King-8/16
Betty Heidebrink – 8/17
Judy Ebright – 8/18
Sandy Heither – 8/18
Jean Knowlton – 8/18
Shirley Alby – 8/19
Glenn Walker – 8/20
Karen Putney – 8/25
LaNette Gregersen – 8/27
Gary Remme – 8/28
Terry Koch – 8/28
Jeff Knowlton – 8/29
Mike Tlustos – 8/29
Buckie Schrader – 8/31

August Anniversaries

Mike & Jean Tlustos-8/07
Harold & Connie Fiferlick – 8/14
Jules & Marilyn Haper – 8/15
Ron & Jackie Heemstra – 8/14
Ron & Karen Roe – 8/23
Mike & Jean Tlustos – 8/7

Aging Pains

I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, and fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, and take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded and subject to blackouts. I have bouts with dementia, have poor circulation, and hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. I've lost almost all my friends to the grim reaper.

But, thank God, I still have my driver's license.

Lots of Old Cars Will Be at Canton

The 26th Annual Canton Cruise and Car Show is coming up very soon.

It will be held July 29 and 30, and usually draws hundreds of special interest cars, trucks and motorcycles.

The Cruise and Poker Run will be held at 7 p.m. July 29, beginning at Canton High School.

The car show will also be held at the high school, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 30, and trophies will be awarded for several places in 90 different classes. The car show will also feature live seminars, a swap meet and crafts and flea market vendors. There will also be live music by the Troublemakers, and a model car contest.

Registration is \$10 in advance, \$15 after July 28.

For more information, call 605-764-5912 or 605-261-2386, or email randee@americanautoawards.com.

Classified ads

FOR SALE – 1946 Chevy 1 Ton Truck, all chrome is very nice, was ex -city truck, runs but clutch won't disengage. \$700.00. Call Ric Anderson at 712-336-4498, Spirit Lake, IA.

FOR SALE – 1931 Ford “tub” car with 4-cylinder motor, hydraulic brakes and miscellaneous extra parts. \$5,500. Call 271-1784.

FOR SALE -- 1947 Ford 5 Passenger Coupe. Ford 302 with B&W 144 Powercharger, C-4 Automatic, Ford 9" with Richmond 3:55 gears, Mustang II Front-end, P.S., P.B., A/C & Heat, Super-trap Exhaust, V.D.O. Gauges and much more. Dependable street rod that moves out very rapidly. Tight and rattle free; along with a nice smooth ride. \$23,500.00 or best offer. Call Bill Kullander at 371-3535.

FOR SALE - 1970 Monte Carlo, ivory white, mechanically excellent, interior and body needs restoration. 350/350 automatic. May sell the street and strip engine with dart heads separate since it was originally built to go in another rod. Total package \$3,600. Call Eugene (712) 338-9036.

FOR SALE – 1942 Packard parts, including a grill, trim pieces, windows and more. Call Gary Ebright at 339-4571.

WANTED – BB Chevy intake 4-barrel Ovalport. Call Bob Schriever at 361-6557.

WANTED – Chevy engine, 305 or 350 c.i. in running condition. Call Kenny Buchanan at 334-6668 or 376-7264

WANTED – Classified ads for the Great Plains Streetrodders newsletter. If you are a member of the club, it'll cost you nothing. But it can help you sell something, or find something. The very first time that classified ads were included in the newsletter, they worked. Brian Lee sold a Johnny Lightening diecast car. To place your ad, call Brian at 498-0178 or email him at bg4given@gmail.com



Your History At The Upcoming Cruises & Events Museum

The Madison Car Show will again be held at the Historic Prairie Village, and a poker run will be held the evening preceding the car show.

It all begins with a Poker Run and Cruise Aug. 12 with registration at 4 p.m. in Madison. The starting point will be Jersey's Bar & Grill at 235 S. Highland Ave. in Madison, continue to four other locations in Madison and end back at Jersey's. The cost is \$5 per hand, with a 50 percent payback planned.

The car show will be held 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. the next day, and car owners can begin setting up as early as 8 a.m. at the Historic Prairie Village, located two miles west of Madison on Highway 34. There will be judging in 31 classes with trophies to be awarded for first, second and third place in each class. Trophies will also be awarded for Best of Show, People's Choice and Best Represented Car Club. Dash plaques will be given to all.

The Village will be offering rides on a train and its steam-powered carousel, plus the vintage buildings full of antiques will be open to be viewed. There will be music from the 1950s and 1960s and food available as well.

Registration for the car show is \$10 in advance or \$15 after Aug. 8 for each vehicle, and will include two adult passes into the Prairie Village which otherwise would cost \$5 per person.

For those who want to participate in both events, but don't want to drive to Madison twice, reservations can be made at the AmericInn Motel at 605-256-3076. For a more rustic stay, camping is available at Prairie Village. The camping area includes electricity and a bath house. Camping reservations can be made by calling 1-800-693-3644.

For more information on either event, call 1-800-693-3644.

- July 12 – Grill-out at Wall Lake
- July 16 – Special Olympics Car Show in Sioux Falls' Nelson Park
- July 16 – Norm Fey Cruise in Edgerton, MN
- July 16 – Kingsbury Klassie Kruisers' car show in Lake Preston, SD
- July 19 – cruise to Larchwood, IA, Gerry Phillips & Jim Christensen
- July 26 – cruise to Executive Touch/Subaru
- July 28-30 – Americruise in Lincoln, NE 877-413-6515
- July 29-30 – Canton, SD, Car Show
- Aug. 2 – downtown Sioux Falls, parking lot behind Skelly's
- Aug. 3-6 – Streetrod Nationals, Louisville, KY
- Aug. 6 – Royal River Casino Car Show in Flandreau, SD
- Aug. 9 – cruise to Marty's Upholstery in Del Rapids
- Aug. 11-13 – Old Iron Company's Spencer Rod Run
- Aug. 13 – 13th Annual Madison Car Show at the Prairie Village
- Aug. 19 – All Car Poker Run in Sioux Falls
- Aug. 19 Rally in the Vally Car Show in Rock Valley, IA
- Aug. 20 – All GM Car Show, Pontiac, Cadillac, Saturn, Hummer of Sioux Falls
- Aug. 23 – cruise to Bethany Meadows in Brandon
- Aug. 25-27 – Kool Deadwood Nights, Deadwood, SD
- Aug. 30 – pot-luck dinner at Sertoma Park
- Sept. 1-3 – Labor Day Rod Run in Sioux Falls 941-0381
- Sept. 1-3 – Goodguys Mid-Western Nationals in Kansas City, KS
- Sept. 6 – downtown Sioux Falls, parking lot behind Skelly's
- Sept. 8-10 – Vintiques Rod Run in Watertown, Sd, 605-822-2956
- Sept. 16 – Wheels For Charity Car Show in Sioux Falls 332-1881
- Sept. 17 – Mopar Car Show in Sioux Falls
- Sept. 22-24 – Outkast Cruise-in & Hotrod Show in Mitchell, SD
- Sept. 23 – car show in Centerville, SD
- Sept. 24 – Cruise to Midway in Volga, SD
- Sept. 27 – cruise to Midwest Golf & Trailer Supply in Tea
- Oct. 4 – downtown Sioux Falls, parking lot behind Skelly's
- Oct. 18 – Tailgators in Brandon
- Oct. 27-29 – Wild About Wheels Car & Bike Show, Sioux City Downtown Convention Center (712-239-6199)

Watch The Calendar

Do you check our Upcoming Events listings? If not, you should, because there are new additions to it almost every month.

This month saw the addition of car shows in Rock Valley, Iowa, Flandreau, SD, Centerville, SD, and Lake Preston, SD. Heck, the editor doesn't even know where half those towns are located.

There are a lot of car shows in the area, so find some open dates in your personal calendar and see the many options of different places where you can take your rod.



Nice!
Just ask around.

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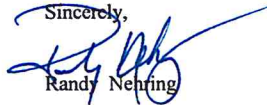
On behalf of all of us at Sioux Falls Ford, we would like to thank you for joining us for our private luncheon with Chip Foose at Business Aviation. It was a terrific event, not only because of the great turnout, but because of all the good that we accomplished together to help fight Progeria.

As a result, we have presented Chip Foose and his Mom, Terry, a check from the Sioux Falls community to the Progeria Research Foundation for \$50,000! In gratitude for being able to live and do business in such a generous community, Sioux Falls Ford is pleased to have covered all of the expenses, including the costs of the Foose shirts and caps, for this event allowing every dollar donated at our luncheon and at the car show that night to be used to help develop a treatment and find a cure for Progeria.

We have also been informed that this \$50,000 gift will be matched by an anonymous donor. So, with your help, the Progeria Research Foundation will receive \$100,000 of benefit from our Sioux Falls events!

Thank you again for your generous gift. We are so proud to be a part of this extraordinary community and grateful to be able to play a role with you in helping fight this terrible disease.

Sincerely,



Randy Nehring



This Car Show is Special

One of the common goals of the Great Plains Streetrodders club has been to help unfortunate children and have fun doing it. Another opportunity to do this is coming up July 16.

It's the Fourth Annual Special Olympics of Sioux Falls Car Show, and will be held at Nelson Park, rain or shine, at 10th Street and Cliff Avenue in Sioux Falls.

Registration will cost \$10 in advance or \$15 at the show, but all proceeds are going to Special Olympics of Sioux Falls, which helps handicapped children compete in their own sporting events.

The car show will begin with set-up 9-11 a.m., and the actual car show is 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Many awards will be given, including three places in 57 different classes, plus five special awards. Dash plaques will be given to the first 150 vehicles registered.

For more information, contact Don at 351-0644.



