A Car Built For The Show Circuit Alas Become a Reliable Driver

Jim and Jayne Deboer's 1956 Chevy is often seen at local cruises and car shows. In fact, in the seven years they've had it, they've put about 35,000 miles on it.

Jayne bought it in 2000, and Jim said it's probably more her car than his, even though he's usually seen behind the wheel. That's because Jayne chose it and paid for it.

"Marty of Marty's Upholstery had it and he thought we should have it," Jayne explained.

"No, you thought we should have it," Jim responded.

The car was originally built in 1991 as a customized show car. When the DeBoers got it, it had been driven about 9,000 miles since it was built. But they've

added a lot more since then. It features a one-off custom grill and after-market custom taillight lenses. It also has a rear bumper from a 1956 Chevy station wagon, the hood ornament is removed and smoothed over and it rolls on custom wheels. said.

"Actually, the only thing that's '56 that came on the car is the body and the front bumper," Jim

The upholstery pin-striping and were done while Marty had the car. The Snoopy graphic was already on the

car when Marty got it.

"I like the seats in the Chevy because its just like sitting at home in a recliner," Jayne said.

Jim likes the car because it has proven to be very reliable during the 35,000 miles they have put on it. It has never broken down on the road, he noted. "It's been pretty trouble-free," he said.

It is powered by a 305 c.i. V-8.

It has air conditioning, but Jim said they rarely use it because between the vents and heavy tinting on the windows, the car stays pretty cool. Jim added the small side mirrors and a Pioneer CD-player stereo system. But neither Jim nor Jayne call the Chevy their favorite. They also have a 1957 Ford that they drive often, and a 1953 Hudson that Jim is currently working on. Jim said he likes the Ford best, while Jayne said she likes the Ford

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and the Chevy equally. However, the Chevy gets driven more because it is currently parked in their garage at their Sioux Falls home, while the Ford is garaged in Tea.

Jim noted that all three cars are four doors, which he likes for the convenience when giving rides to others. They also tend to be less expensive to purchase, he added.

But four-door models, which were once scorned, are becoming more popular, he noted. They are seen more often at car shows now, and are more likely to be the subjects of customizing than they used to be.

Regardless of how popular four-door sedans may or may not be in the old car hobby, they will always be popular with the DeBoers, especially a certain Chevy and a certain Ford.

Come And Get It

Here is a recipe we have been asked to put in the next GPSR Newletter -- it was a huge success at the Weinie Roast held at Ron and Karen's residence.

Sweet Potatoes

350 degrees - 40 minutes Mix and place in 9 x 13 pan: 3 large (40 oz.) cans yams OR 7 1/2 C mashed yams (drained & mashed)

1 1/2 t salt

1 1/2 C evaporated milk

2 1/2 C sugar

5 eggs

Topping:

Mix:

1 C flour

2 C brown sugar

1 C melted butter

Put on top of yam mixture and top with 1 - 2 C chopped pecans

Classified ads

FOR SALE – 1959 Chevy promo model, 1/25 scale, black and white two-tone, plastic, chassis and roof are slightly warped. Make an offer. Call Brian Lee at 498-0178 or email bg4given@gmail.com

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FOR SALE – Two new Coker white-wall tires P235/75R15 for \$300. Call Allen Alby at 605-334-3472.

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FOR SALE – 1971 "402" Chevy big block, apart for inspection in boxes,

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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.

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Making smores and hot dogs at the Roe's annual "Weinie roast" picnic.



Bob Schmeichel wins a pedal car at the Wheelin for Charity car show at Citibank.