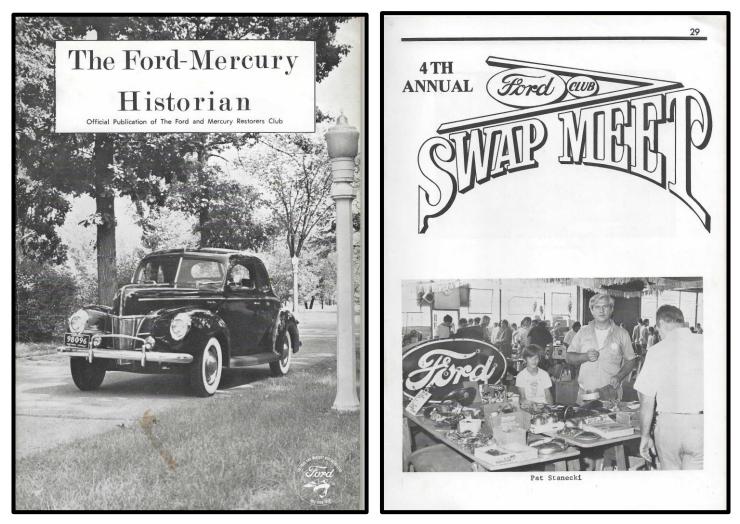


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Looking Back to 1972 FMRC Swap Meet

With our upcoming swap meet in May, I thought it would be interesting to look back at some of our previous swap meets. In going through some of the early documents of our club and long before we had the Rotunda Times, we had the Ford-Mercury Historian. This swap meet from that newsletter from 1972. Here are some pictures from that event.



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We will ensure that the membership at large knows of the death.

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03/21/2024 Board Meeting Minutes

We discussed the entry to our swap meet and how it will be handled. We will have one person in the booth to handle the money. That person will hand out a ticket per \$5 collected, per person. There will be another entrance for the other events that day. Car show entry will be collected at the car show, with \$5 collected at the gate for each additional person in the car. We will order 2 golf cats and 2 Porta potties. Discussed a possible bus trip for members after the swap.

We will order business cards for club members to hand out at car shows and cruises. Looks like we will only have one food vendor, but he has a great menu and breakfast. The other food vendor has not sent a deposit check.

There is an event coming up March 30th at Gateway Classic Cars in Dearborn.

Terry Worful Secretary

03/06/2024 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:45.

Bill Stanley talked about Bill Large being in the hospital. Please send good thoughts and prayers to Bill.

Dale talked about how much the Club insurance has been and he investigated it. He found out that we've been charged \$850.00 for (moving cars) and got it straightened out now it's down to \$350.00 due to (no moving cars.)

Dale called the treasury report.

Jerry talked about the barn show there will be no refunds. If you do not show up.

Russ ask Jack how we're doing on swap spaces. Jack said we had slow down we are down about 15 ven dors from last year.

Mike Kania talked about the car show, corral pay at the gate. Need to figure out car show parking and how money being paid at the gate will be bored. Will talk about it at the next board meeting.

Terry got a deposit from one Food Vendor and is waiting on the other.

50-50 drawing. First place went to Mark Lambert, 2nd place went to Vitas, third place went to Ray Lovasz.

Cole Grandy talked about car event coming up and showed three matchbox cars he recently bought.

Dale asked if anyone had interest in a Paquette plant tour eight member showed interest. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Barb Jockwig

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Bruce Chisholm "Coffee Anyone"



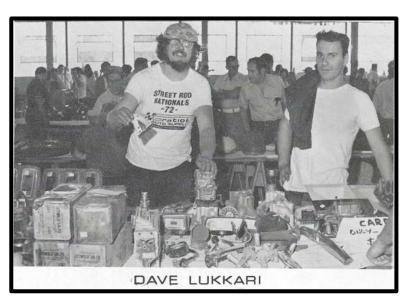
Car display behind swap meet



Keith Ashley Don Rylander



Roy Stull and daughter Ann





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Swap Meet Report – Lou Ironside

By all accounts, the 52nd annual swap meet put on by the East Side A's car club was a success.

They again sold out all 150 tables, and there was a better than normal crowd much of the day.

Most vendors reported good sales, and there was certainly a variety of car parts and collectibles available. I saw quite a few FMRC members, and flyers for the May swap meet were being passed out, and available on the lobby table.

Although ESA's itself is geared to the Model A Fords, there were plenty of early Ford parts of all vintage available, and I spotted some G.M. and MoPar parts also.

The kitchen reported they sold out 9 dozen donuts, 40 pounds of hot-dogs, and plenty of soft drinks and water.

A good ending to the 52nd swap meet.

Now for a comment on how NOT to run a swap meet: The Kalamazoo Antique Auto Restorers Club puts on the Red Barns Spectacular in August of every year at the Gilmore Complex, and in 2024 at that meet they are hosting the 50th anniversary of the National Woodie Club.

I am along time NWC member and have a 50+ year of Woodie wagon items I decided to sell at the swap meet. For over two months I have tried to register for the swap meet quite unsuccessfully!

Their website which is supposed to print an application won't open, four e-mail to the club have been ignored, a letter has gone unanswered, how hard is it to respond ?? All I can say is thank you to the people running the FMRC swap meet for getting out flyers, and actually promoting the meet, not ignoring the people who make the meet successful!

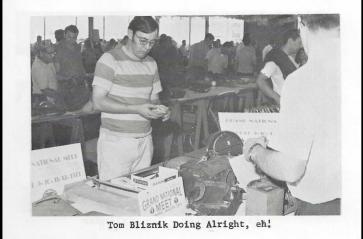
I don't understand why people have to "get ready" for bed. I'm always ready for bed.

Can I order a replacement body please, this one is constantly malfunctioning YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLD WHEN YOU BARELY DO ANYTHING ALL DAY, BUT STILL NEED TO HAVE A NAP TO CONTINUE TO DO BARELY ANYTHING.

Clob



Bob Guetschow







Ok members who is this handsome young fellow and longtime member who joined our club back in 1969 and is still a member today.

Brians Tip / Cowl Issues

Just some repetitive information here that probably most 'car guys' know about however, just in case I need to make mention of this very important potential issue. We all like shade on the hot summer days coming up, and we know our cars prefer the shade too. We do need to pay attention to where we park out cars to prevent anything falling into the cowl of the car. Those pine needles and the like will end up laying down in the bottom of the cowl, then the rain comes, or you wash the car, and that accumulation of pine needles, helicopter seeds, old leaves etcetera get soaking wet in the bottom of the cowl and hardly ever wants to dry up. That accumulation remaining wet will begin the rotting process at the bottom of the cowl, then eventually when it rains or you wash the vehicle all that water will come into the car, and that will tell you the cowl has rotted out and will need to get replaced, which means you simply have to take the car apart to get to the area in order to fix that issue, and you do not want to have to deal with that issue ever.





Upscale Lineup of More Than 300 Vehicles Fills the Cup Lincolns and Lattes: Lincoln and Lattes: Irvine Design Studio





Lincolns and Lattes featured more than 300 significant collector cars, as well as historic and current Lincoln vehicles from throughout southern California.

Lincoln recently hosted Lincolns and Lattes, an upscale version of the traditional cars and coffeestyle car show gatherings at the company's Irvine design campus in California. More than 300 significant collector cars, as well as historic and current Lincoln vehicles from throughout southern California were on display.

The Lincoln and Continental Owners Club presented a display of 21 Lincolns arranged in chronological order spanning from 1938 to the present. Two clubs which feature customized 1960s-era Continentals displayed 16 cars that each feature unique custom paint, wheels, interiors and other creative touches.



The event also included three unique Lincoln displays including a one-of-a-kind 1956 Continental convertible that was a gift from William Clay Ford Sr. to his wife, Martha Firestone Ford, and a oneof-a-kind 1956 Continental owned by actress Elizabeth Taylor. Shashwat Patel, director, Merchandising, enjoyed seeing a mix of vintage American-made vehicles, as well as European models. Although he doesn't consider himself a "car guy", events such as Lincolns and Lattes are valuable for employees.

Events like these help put into perspective a few things: there are a ton of car people, and more importantly, there are a ton of people that have a deep-seated affinity for Ford, Lincoln and Mercury products.

Shashwat Patel Director, Merchandising, Lincoln.

"I think most employees know that, but it hits different when you see 25 immaculate, mid-20th century Lincoln Continentals lined up with owners beaming with pride and other people repeatedly expressing 'wow.'"

Lincoln is creating the classics of the future today. After starting the year with the recent launch of the all-new Nautilus, and the recent introduction of the new 2025 Lincoln Aviator, the brand is poised for growth in 2024. Blue Cruise hands-free highway driving technology is now available for all Lincoln models, extending the long history of Lincoln innovation.



Calendar of Events for 2024

April 6th, 2024

There is also Milliken's waehouse or Points & Condensor Preservation Society on April 6 @ 9:30 or so, 924 Railroad Street, Ypsilanti.

FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION GO TO <u>www.fmrcoa.org</u> click EVENTS.

We will keep this page open for all upcoming events. If you have any information on events, please send them to me at <u>imdem22@gmail.com</u>. They will also be added to our webpage in the events section.

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FOR SALE

- Lowell Reams 734-455-4156 : 1957 Ford custom 300 twodoor sedan. New 351W Ford motor sport crate motor with new oil pan and pick up for a 57. Motor-mounts, starter, alternator and pulleys, exhaust manifolds and 600 CFM Holley carburetor. Rebuilt Ford AOD trans with trans mount and crossmember. New radiator, gas tank, door seals, new windshield and rear window with new gaskets. Front end rebuilt with all new bushings. Shocks and rod ends. New front disc brake kit is still installed with dual master cylinder, many other new parts too numerous to list. Needs bodywork paint and upholstery. Needs partial floor pans installed parts included over 11,000 invested asking \$6500.00 or best offer.
- Greg Covey 248-568-1190 : 1970 Ford LTD four-door sedan. This car has 54487 original miles, white exterior with a black vinyl top and red interior. It has been updated with new water pump, all hoses and belts have been replaced. For pictures and more info, the car is listed with GR Auto gallery. Listed at \$10,900.00.
- Dave Tillman 313-580-4807
 63/4 2 hoods & trunk deck for Mercury Monterey Free to good home.
- Greg Petrovich 734-812-0059
 5 21-inch Model A Wheels -\$425.00 will not separate.
- Lou Ironside (810) 798-8803 or <u>louisironside@aol.com</u>
 FREE : Set of six never used wine glasses from the 1984
 FMRC dinner dance.
 Can deliver to the ESA's swap meet on March 17th.
 Would hate to ship as they are fragile





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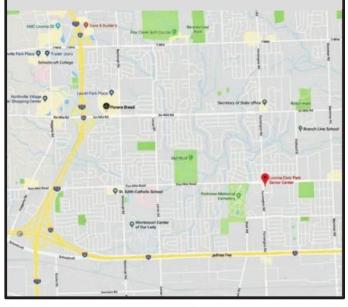
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FMRCOAMONIHLY CLUBMEETINGLOCATION

Meeting Location pending during pandemic Please check with the club to confirm meeting location

Our monthly club meetings are held at Livonia Senior Center 15218 Farmington Road • Livonia, MI Between I-96 Service Drive & 5 Mile Road

Meetings are on the first Wednesday of each month and begins at 6:30pm with a snack. do bring a friend!



The Rotunda Times would like to feature your old car or truck in an upcoming issue. We are interested in how you came about finding your vehicle of choice, and what you have done to enhance its beauty, and/or mechanical condition.

> Simply email us your article accompanied with a photo to: Jim at: jimdem22@gmail.com