

# Memory Lane Cruisers



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Business Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Montgomery County Library...7:00PM

## President's Corner

As I type this, it is sunny and warming up outside. The weekend is supposed to be even better. Let's hope this sunshine and warmth stays with us. I thought we had a great meeting last month and was excited to hear all the suggestions for charities. Thank you to all that are helping with that. We are called to be salt and light (Matthew 5: 13-16) and what better way than to help others in need.

I am really looking forward to this year. There is lots of activity already and lots of plans being made all around. It will be great to see old friends and make some new ones. We enjoy the cars but it's the people that make it all worthwhile. I know Cheryl and I have been blessed by new friends in this hobby and I'm sure you all have stories too. It's going to be a great year. See everyone at the next meeting.

God Bless!

*Todd Rorie*

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

**March 16<sup>th</sup>: Monthly Business Meeting 7PM**

**March 21<sup>st</sup>: Rod Run to Tri-County Farmers Buffet - Vanleer. Meet at Wendy's @1:30PM**

**March 27<sup>th</sup>: Dogwood Bend Assisted Living "Show N Shine", 160 Hillcrest Ave, Clarksville, TN 10AM – 2PM. The residents of Dogwood look forward to seeing our old cars.**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>: Our first Cruise in for 2010. Hopefully you all can attend as this promises to be a fun night. 6PM – 9PM. Music, door prizes, 50/50, Family Fun.**

## Upcoming Local Events

**March 20<sup>th</sup>: 31<sup>st</sup> Semi-Annual Music City Auction in Old Hickory, TN. \$10.00 Admission.**

**March 27<sup>th</sup>: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual March Madness Car Show Racing event Clarksville, TN**

**April 15-17<sup>th</sup>: Clarksville Rivers & Spires Festival. MLC Cars on display. Bill Baggett has details**

**April 16-17<sup>th</sup>: 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Bunny Run**

**April 16-18: Grand Rod Run. Pigeon Forge**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>: Dumpling Days at James Ward Fairgrounds Lebanon, TN**

**April 24<sup>th</sup>: Collector Car Sellathon. Sponsored by Wyatt Johnson & Memory Lane. Time: 9AM-4PM 2600 Wilma Rudolph Blvd.**

**April 30 – May 2: Knoxville, TN. NSRA Street Rod Nationals South.**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mt. Juliet Car Show at Wilson Bank**

**May 13-14-15: 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual F-100 SuperNational & All Ford Show. Pigeon Forge, TN**

**May 21 – 23: 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Good Guys Nashville Nationals at LP Field**

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Charity Car Show Bowling Green, KY. Car Show benefit for CASA.**

**May 28-29: High Speed Fun in Music City X, at the Nashville Super Speedway in Lebanon, TN.**

**May 29<sup>th</sup>: Heritage Days in Granville, TN. 9AM – Noon; \$15.00 fee. Dash plaques & trophies**

**May 29<sup>th</sup>: Random Rods 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show, Rogersville, TN. Proceeds to American Cancer Society Relay for Life.**

Go to our website for more shows and cruise in's

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## Member Profile

**Calvin & Shirley Stokes** currently live on McClardy Road in Clarksville. They both grew up in the Clarksville area. Calvin attended Ringgold & Clarksville High School, while Shirley attended Montgomery Central, Ringgold and Clarksville High. And you guessed it, they were child hood sweet hearts and met at Ringgold School. Shirley was in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and Calvin was in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. They were married in 1957.

Calvin owned and operated a Carquest Auto Parts store of over 48 years, and now I understand why he is so knowledgeable about these old cars.

During Calvin's high school years, he owned his first street rod, a 1933 Plymouth with a Ford V8 stroked engine. Their love for cars go way back and they both still love road trips.

Today, they own a 56 Glass top Crown Ford, one of only 603 ever built, a 55 4-door Victoria Ford all original, 55 Ford Fire chief car, a 57 Ford Ranchero, 57 Chevy 2 door hardtop. The 56 Crown has been in two movies, a TV show on Crowns and a lot of fashion show ads.

Currently Calvin spends some of his time working on a 1982 GMC and is the Southeast Director and judge for the Crown Victoria Association covering eight states, technical advisor for the 1954 Ford Club America and a member of First Baptist of Clarksville.

Calvin and Shirley have 3 children, 6 grand children and 5 great grandchildren.

It is our pleasure to know this great couple.

## Member Profile

**Thomas & Gaby Jerles** currently live in the Clarksville area on Route 13. Thomas grew up in the St. Bethlehem area and graduated from Clarksville High School, while Gaby grew up in Germany. Thomas joined the army to get an education in Automotive Fuel and Electrical Systems. In an era where almost everyone went to Vietnam, Thomas' class went to Germany, where he met a young German girl named Gabriele Anneliese Noll. Brought the big city girl to America and today they have two daughters, Carolyn and Christina and two grand children, Madison and Dylan.

Both Thomas and Gaby are in the suspended acoustical ceiling and resilient flooring business, dba Cunningham Acoustical and Resilient. They also owned and operated the Clarksville Speedway for 20 years while working the acoustical business. After selling the racetrack, Gaby turned their interest from racing to classic cars and today their collection has outgrown their garage space.

Their current collection includes 5 – 1964 Ford Galaxies, 2 – 1962 Ford Galaxies, 2 – 1966 Ford Galaxies, 2 – 1963 Ford Galaxies, a 1959 Ford T-Bird, 2 – 1962 Ford T-Birds, a 1965 Ford T-Bird, a 1957 Lincoln Premiere, a 1958 Ford Retractable, a 1965 Ford Mustang, 2 – 1967 Ford Mustangs, a 1969 Ford Mustang, a 1971 Mercury Cougar, a 1938 Pontiac, a 1965 Mercury Montclair and a 1966 Mercury.

A couple of project cars await Thomas' attention, a 57 Ford Fairlane and 69 Mustang.

A great couple and asset to our club.

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## Hot Rod Power Tour

The 16th Annual *Hot Rod* Magazine Power Tour will be in Bowling Green, KY Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. The *Hot Rod* Power Tour is considered the ultimate road trip for thousands of performance car lovers who every year literally counts the days until the 7-cities-in-7-days tour begins. Holley Performance Products will host Day 5 of the 7-day, 7-city Tour at the Bowling Green/Warren County Regional Airport and the Power Tour will focus a nationwide buzz in the automotive aftermarket industry on the city of Bowling Green, KY.

We anticipate around 2,000 to 4,000 Hot Rods driving right onto our runway and around 15,000 spectators. The Bowling Green – Warren County Regional Airport and the Convention & Visitors Bureau want to make the Bowling Green, KY a stop to remember. We anticipate vintage aircraft as static displays, old tractors, hot air balloons, etc.

I have attached the Press Release and the HRPT Fast Facts for you to review. If you may be interested please come and join us.

If you should have any questions or comments please feel free to email me at [natashah@bgwcairport.org](mailto:natashah@bgwcairport.org) or call me at 270.842.1101.

**If you have not RENEWED your Memory Lane membership this may be your LAST newsletter.**

**Thank you for renewing.**

## Chaplains Corner

Contact Marvin Phibbs if you are aware of anyone that should be added to the list.

## In our thoughts and prayers

Rick Steiert  
Ray & Ruth Helwig  
Mary Livingston  
Shirley Stokes

## March Birthdays

Barbara Hambly – March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Yon Tyre – March 6<sup>th</sup>  
Eugene Jackson – March 18<sup>th</sup>  
Don Mays – March 21<sup>st</sup>  
Ray Helwig – March 21<sup>st</sup>

## April Birthdays

Doug Howard – April 1<sup>st</sup>  
Chris Walsh – April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Vira Wyatt – April 18<sup>th</sup>  
Gaby Jerles – April 27<sup>th</sup>

## Memory Lane's Newsletter

If you have anything you would like to include in the club's newsletter, just send it to:

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The Memory Lane **Autumn Run 2010** Car Show is scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Montgomery County Veterans Plaza on Pageant Lane.

As you know, this is our primary function to raise funds to cover club expenses and share with local charities. As in the past, the club would appreciate your involvement in gathering door prizes and selling plaque sponsorships.

This year we plan on having 50 – TOP Winners plaques, plus 15 – Specialty Awards. To sponsor a TOP 50 plaque we ask for a \$35.00 sponsor fee. The sponsors name will be on the plaque and the sponsors name will be announced during the Awards presentation. The fee for the Specialty Awards is \$50.00 and the sponsors name will appear on the award, the sponsor may choose the winner, their name announced during the Awards presentation, plus their names and/or website link will appear on our website. Lastly, we have a Corporate Sponsor fee of \$300.00. This year we are pleased to have **Wyatt-Johnson Buick GMC** as one of our sponsors. Their name will appear on one or more plaques, their name announced during the Awards presentation and their name / website will appear on our website for at least ONE year. We could use more if you can help us.

If you would like to donate door prizes or sponsor one of the club's plaques, please contact either Francis Mays or Jim Hutchens or see them at one of the club's functions.

Thanks in advance for your involvement.

*Memory Lane Cruisers*

## Technical Tips by Doug Howard

### ***Cleaning a convertible top***

If you have a convertible with a white or light colored top and it is up and down a lot you will have dark streaks where the top folds in the down position. These streaks are hard to impossible to clean.. The solution is to use a small wire brush (brass or steel) with any good household cleaner (409, Comet etc) This will work and not hurt the top if you use care and common sense.

### ***Removing pilot shaft bushings***

Removing a pilot shaft bushing from a crankshaft can be a problem. Most of us have used an input shaft, broom handle or a plastic alignment tool. With the crankshaft hole full of grease and pound away with a hammer.

There is a better way. Measure the inside diameter of the Pilot Shaft Bushing. Get a fine threaded bolt about .040 -.050 larger than the bushing hole, with about 3 inches of thread. Using an impact wrench, thread the bolt into the bushing, when the bolt hits the crankshaft, keep going and the bolt will back out the bushing.

### ***Noisy windshield wipers***

Does your windshield wipers make a rubbing sound when there is a little moisture on your windshield? Use 600 grit sand paper on the wiping edge of the wiper blade. This may stop the noise.