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The President's Letter

This is Ron Petrasek. Frank AKA MOPARMAX is out of pocket visiting family and friends, out of state and off the grid.

I'm filling in for Frank for this month's DMC newsletter. July has been a hot month with a few heat records being broken with 108 and up to 110 degrees not counting the heat index.

Hope everyone had a great 4th of July with family and friends. Since the 4th was on a Wednesday this year it went by fast.

The 34th Southwest Mopar Mini-Nationals is coming up on Saturday, Sept. 1st. Pre-registration is open via the DMC web site thru August 23rd and includes a free DMC Mini Nat's tee shirt if you register early. Best to get your classic car washed and polished early for the DMC Mini Nats.

Judges are needed for the DMC Mini Nats. If you are available for judging Mopar classics contact Leroy Daniels at (903) 235- 3873.

I've been getting good articles for the DMC newsletter. Keep up the good work and remember to take photos of your Mopar wherever you go. If you participate in a local car show snap a photo of yourself and family members with your classic with a short write up of the event and I'll place it in the monthly newsletter.

See everyone at the 34th Southwest Mopar Mini-Nationals over the Labor Day weekend.

Ron Petrasek

Trivia Article

History of the Pentastar



As the forward look styling cycle was ending, Chrysler President, Lynn Townsend sought a new logo usable by all of Chrysler's worldwide divisions and subsidiaries automotive and non-automotive, on packaging, stationery, and signage and advertising.

He wanted something that would be immediately identifiable as Chrysler's mark to anyone who saw it, in any culture. In September 1962, the company adopted a logo named Pentastar, made of five triangles arranged so their bases formed the sides of a pentagon.

The gaps in between the triangles formed a star in the middle of the pentagon. The Pentastar was simple and easily recognizable, even on revolving signs, and was not tied to any particular automotive styling feature as had been the previous Forward Look logo. Because the symbol contained no text, it facilitated Chrysler's expansion in international markets. The Pentastar was extensively used on dealer signage, advertisements, and promotional brochures, as well as on Chrysler products themselves.

Chrysler-Plymouth literature, advertisements, and dealership signage used a blue Pentastar or a white one on a blue background, while Dodge used a red Pentastar or a white one on a red background. Divisional logos such as Dodge's Fratzog were gradually phased out until, by 1981, all Chrysler divisions used only the Pentastar. All vehicle brands and all the other Chrysler divisions and services—air conditioning systems, heating industrial engines, marine engines, outboard motors, boats, transmissions, four-wheel drive systems, powdered metal products, adhesives, chemical products, plastics, electronics tanks, missiles, leasing, finance and auto parts—were identified by the Pentastar.

The Pentastar logo was placed on the lower passenger-side fender of all Chrysler products, including non-US brands, from 1963 into the 1972 model year. It was placed on the passenger

side fender so it could be viewed by passers-by, a subtle method of getting the symbol ingrained in the public's mind: a nameplate has to be read, but a symbol is quickly recognizable without reading. Thus, left-hand drive cars had the Pentastar on the right fender, while right-hand drive cars had it on the left.

Starting in the 1980's, hood ornaments on Chrysler-brand vehicles used a gem-like version of the Pentastar to signify the brand's upscale status.

The Pentastar's final badging appearance was on special editions of the 1996-2000 Plymouth Voyager. It was also applied to the steering wheel, keys, and fenders of the Voyager and the other Chrysler NS minivans.

The Pentastar continued to represent Chrysler until the merge with Daimler in 1998, when it was retired. Among the few remaining traces of this motif was a large, star-shaped window at Daimler Chrysler's American headquarters in Auburn Hills, Michigan, and Pentastar Aviation, a former Daimler Chrysler subsidiary which reverted to its original name after being purchased by a member of the Ford family.

Many dealerships still have signage and other traces still visually apparent to the Pentastar, where a five-Pentastar logo remains in use as the logo of the "Five Star Dealer" service rank.

Despite having been officially retired under Daimler, the Pentastar continued to be used as the identifying trademark or logo on Chrysler Group parts, as seen on window glass, on individual components, molded plastic assemblies, and larger parts such as (reportedly) engine blocks.

Feature Car - Mechanics Day

Part 2

Brad Buttermore started of the 1969 GTX engine and total mechanical rebuild in 2011.

Brad and Jerry Reed constructing the homemade paint booth, credits to Jerry Reed of course.



Applied the Primer, base coat and clear coat. Dismantling the paint booth. I learned to paint here. Jerry was responsible but would make me do it right or scuff and start over, which I did, several times.





Primed Before ^ After paint



Primed

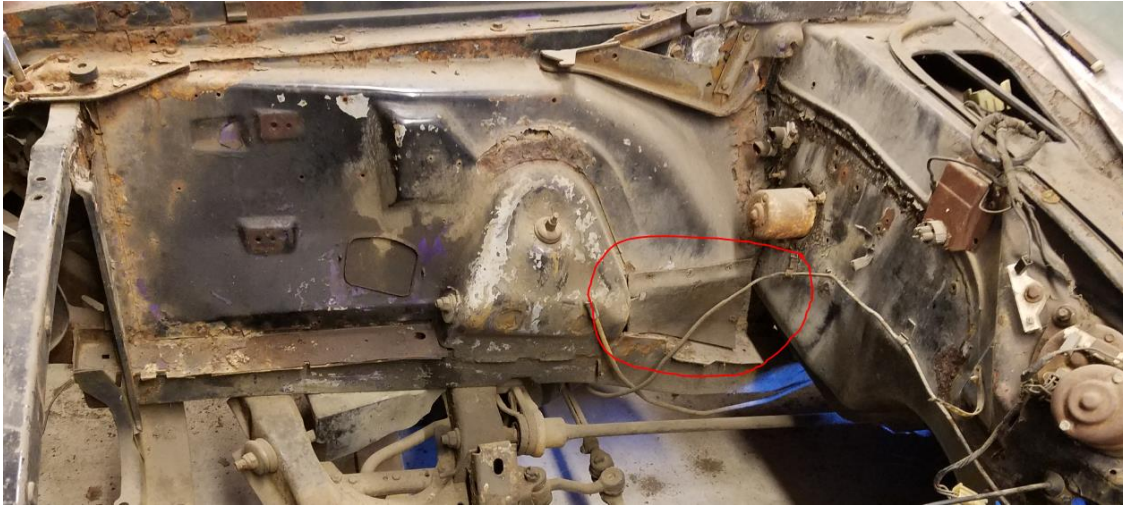
Painted



I probably shouldn't have clear coated the engine compartment, but nobody told me different. Live and Learn. It came out pretty nice.

Restoration Tip

Tip from Clint Cash one of our DMC Club sponsors on how to install Inner Fender Splash Shields on a 1970 E body Challenger or Barracuda's.



This is photo of passenger side of unfinished Cuda. The location of passenger side splash shield is circled.

When installing these splash shields many people install both of them from the outside of the car near the wheels. This is incorrect. The driver side should be installed from the outside of the car and the passenger side should be installed from inside the engine bay.

As shown on Clint's website www.plymouthcuda.com among other restoration tips:



Passenger side from inside of wheel well



Driver side from inside of wheel well.

www.PLYMOUTHCUDA.com
Restoration tips,cars,parts & More

Membership in Dallas Mopar Club

Time to Renew for 2018

Club membership for 2018 was due by the end of January in order to remain a member in good standing and to continue receiving the *PentaStar Press*. You can renew, or join, by going to the Club's website, www.dallasmoparclub.com, renew by mail or pay at one of the Club events. Thanks to those who have already renewed their membership.

The membership dues have remained constant for several years; Single membership is still \$25, and Family membership remains at \$40. Current members need not fill out a membership form for renewal unless a change is needed for membership information the Club has on file. Your email address is especially important as an email is sent out when the newsletter is posted on the website.

Dallas Mopar Events

Upcoming Events

- **SOUTHWEST MOPAR MINI-NATIONALS**

- 1 September 2018 8:30 AM • Central Park-1310 West Avenue F, Garland, Texas 75040
- Judges needed for judging classic car entries in this year's Southwest Mopar Mini-Nationals of 1 Sept. If you are interested, please send Leroy your name, an email address, and phone number and Leroy will follow up with a phone call for further details.

Leroy Daniels

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- **Texas State Fair**

- 15 September 2018 8:30 AM • The Event Venue

- **Cowtown/DMC picnic**

- 22 September 2018 will be our first joint Cowtown/DMC picnic in years. It will be held at the old site, River Legacy Park, in far north Arlington. Same huge, covered pavilion. Plenty of parking, and shade, and free, food, food, food.

- **Edgewood Heritage Festival**

- 10 Nov 2018 8:30 AM • Edgewood, TX

Dallas Mopar Events and Member Activities

THE EVENTS LISTED BELOW ARE EVENTS ATTENDED BY MEMBERS

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Dallas Mopar Club Jackets are available for DMC members to order. Contact Gabby at Unique Karz and Awards in Forney, TX to order yours.

All you need to do is contact her by e-mail: Gabby1975e@Yahoo.com or phone 469-632-6993. The jackets are \$45 and she takes credit cards.

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Crag Bush with his 1970 Plymouth - Duster attended Garland "Wheels of Hope" April 28th. About 175 carsmaybe a dozen old Mopar's in attendance

Dallas Mopar Events and Member Activities



Robert and Mary Vaughan just got back from a week's vacation in Toronto. While they were there, they visited Casa Loma, a gothic revival style castle built in the early 1900s by financier Sir Henry Pellatt. That was a very interesting place to visit. In addition to many other interesting things, there was a small auto display featuring a couple of Maxwell's, "T" and "A" Fords, and a 1924 Dodge Touring Sedan.



Race Info

Texas Muscle Car Club Challenge

FOR INFO CONTACT ROBERT VAUGHAN

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Texas Muscle Car Club Challenge Racing Series.

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2018 Race Schedule

www.tmccc.org

Electronics, Outlaw, Super Pro, & Pro are all 1/8 mile

Diapers are encouraged at all tracks

SPRING RACING

25-Mar CHALLENGE LX- ENNIS

27-May [Texas Motorplex](#)

Make Up Ennis, TX

Gates open at 8am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$12.00

972-878-2641

22-Apr [The Big Country Raceway](#)

5601 West Stamford Street

Abilene, TX 79603

Gates open at 9am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$15.00

817-709-5868

5-May [Xtreme Raceway Park](#)

Saturday 1800 South I45 Service Rd.

Ferris, Texas 75125

Gates open at 4pm

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$15.00

972-544-3724

10-Jun [Thunder Valley \(1/4 Mile\)](#)

10500 48th Ave. SE

Lexington, Oklahoma 73051

Gates open at 8am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$10.00

405-872-3429

24-Jun [Pine Valley Raceway](#)

3427 FM 2497

Lufkin, TX 75904

Gates open at 8am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$15.00

936-699-3227

FALL RACING

9-Sep [Wichita Raceway Park](#)

Wichita Falls, Texas

Gates open at 8am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$15.00

940-704-7420

28-Oct CHALLENGE LXI - ENNIS

[Texas Motorplex](#)

Ennis, Texas

Gates open at 8am

Entry \$30.00 Spectator \$12.00

972-878-2641

17-Nov **BANQUET**

1/4 mile tracks

Electronics	1/8 mile
Super Pro	1/8 mile
Pro	1/8 mile
Outlaw Muscle	1/8 mile
King Muscle	12.00-12.99
Super Muscle	13.00-13.99
Street Muscle	14.00-15.49
Stock Muscle	15.50 & slower

1/8 mile tracks

Electronics	all E.T.
Super Pro	6.99 & quicker
Pro	7.00-7.64
Outlaw Muscle	all E. T.
King Muscle	7.65-8.27
Super Muscle	8.28-8.91
Street Muscle	8.92-9.87
Stock Muscle	9.88 & slower

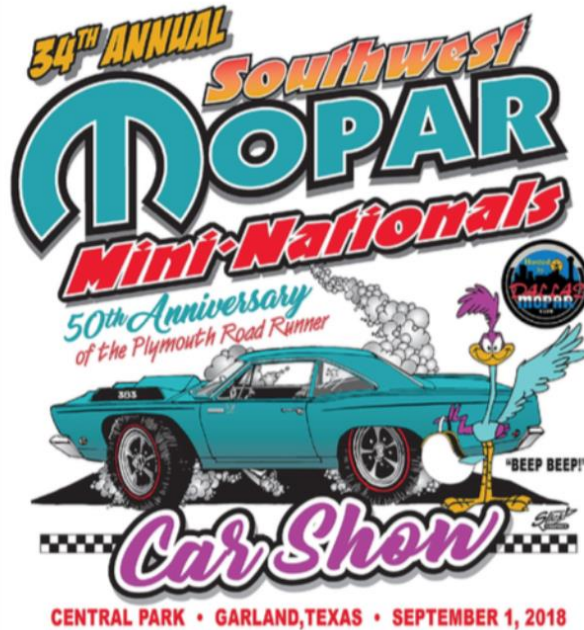
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Southwest Mopar Mini Nats



Southwest MOPAR Mini-Nationals

Come join the Dallas MOPAR Club as it hosts the 34th annual Southwest MOPAR Mini-Nationals car show. We will have judged classes for all MOPARs with a swap meet spaces, parts vendors, food, and door prizes.



September 1st 2018

\$20 Entry Fee

Pre-registration is June 30th thru August 23rd (includes a free show Tee shirt)

After August 23rd shirts available for sale at the show in limited quantities.

Show Location: 1310 W Avenue F, Garland, TX 75040



Mopar's: For Sale - Cars Wanted – Stuff

1974 Dodge RamCharger

360 4bbl, Auto, 4WD. Removable Top

Decent project truck. Was in a hail storm, no small dings, but a few big dents. Windshield cracked, back glass and passenger window broken. Top had a sunroof, also broken out. Early 74 model, has 77 grille.



\$1500.00

FOR INFO CONTACT ROBERT VAUGHAN
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1949 Studebaker Champion convertible. 99.9% complete, not running but engine does turn over with compression. All original, presentable original interior. Has top but has shrunk a bit and is missing back window. Flathead 6 cylinder with 3-speed overdrive transmission. Very restorable and rare car. Typical convertible rust a bit in the floor pans, quarters panels and trunk. Clear Texas Title in my name. \$7,000. Call Bob 469 286 7879

Great New Book Featuring a Mopar Muscle Car pitted against Pontiacs, Chevys and Fords Back in the Day.



At the age of 16 years old Mike Banks searched for the fastest car he could find. What he found was a fast car among fast cars; a real deal, tire squalling, big block American Muscle Car. This old car became a part of Banks' identity and launched an interest which became both a hobby and a business and the car has ultimately become a family heirloom. After marrying and starting a family Banks sold his car. After decades and an extensive search, he was able to get it back.

In *Get 'Er Sideways* author Mike Banks explains what it felt like to be a kid with a car so fast that its reputation spread across several counties. The stories in this book all happened in, around, or because of this car. From the hilarious accounts of high school age boys ripping through town in mid-sixties muscle cars to the sweet recounting of meeting and falling in love with his wife, and the emotional tale of losing his beloved car and finding it again, the stories in this book will throw you back in your seat.

Get your copy today at
www.getersideways.com

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*To see photos from the restoration of the "Get 'Er Sideways" car
visit www.banksmotorcompany.com/blog*

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Find us on Facebook as Get 'Er Sideways!

- ***Mike Banks will be selling "GET'ER SIDWAYS" at Southwest Mopar Mini Nats swap meet. Two copies will be given away during the show.***

Important Info from the Newsletter editor

Fellow Dallas Mopar Members, I wish to thank all those who sent articles to be in the newsletter.

I am planning to continue to be the newsletter editor but I do need your help. I need your input on what you would like to see in the newsletter.

If I don't get input I can not put it in the newsletter.

I need the following:

1. Feature Car
2. Tech article
3. Items for sale or trade
4. Pictures of events, parties, car shows attended
5. Anything you would like to have in the newsletter

Please send Articles, Pictures, your write-ups to:

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Meeting Information:

Monthly meeting 2nd Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm, Spring Creek BBQ,
12835 Preston Rd. SW Corner of Preston and LBJ

BOARD MEETING INFORMATION

(Based on current officer and board positions)

<i>January – Frank Maxwell, President</i>	<i>July – Jerry Reed, Vice President</i>
<i>February – Jerry Reed, Vice President</i>	<i>August – Mike Boyd, Director 1</i>
<i>March – Mike Boyd, Director 1</i>	<i>September – Ron Petrasek, Director 2</i>
<i>April – Ron Petrasek, Director 2</i>	<i>October – Bob Ostrowski, Director 3</i>
<i>May – Bob Ostrowski, Director 3</i>	<i>November – Lee Elms, Secretary</i>
<i>June – Frank Maxwell, President</i>	<i>December – Bill Bonney, Treasurer</i>

Board meetings are open to all club members: Board meetings are usually held at an Officer's or Director's home starting at 7:30PM the Friday before the Sunday monthly Club meeting and all members are encouraged to attend. Check the DMC website for any last-minute time or location changes.

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