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MEETINGS:
First Tuesday of every month at Shawn O'Donnell's in Everett. (128th St. exit from I-5)
Meeting time is 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm

A 10% Club discount is being offered at Dwayne Lane's in the Parts Department.
(If you own your own business, and would like to offer a discount to club members, please contact me by e-mail.)

EDITOR'S CORNER:

Well, the end of the year has finally arrived, and it was a good year. Our cars have been put away for the winter, and it’s now time to start thinking about those winter projects. You know the ones I mean. Little things that we’ve put off doing during the show season, because we didn’t want to have our car laid up for too long. I, myself, plan on doing a much needed tune up on my Taz Mobile, and maybe even having a new wiring harness installed. I’m so tired of smoke shows. (Leaping out of my car in the middle of a busy intersection with my dog under one arm and my purse under the other, while smoke poured out of my steering column.) Now that was a sight to see. Ok, now that I’ve given you a nice visual, you can stop laughing.

Remember our first general meeting of 2010 will be January 5th, at Shawn O’Donnell’s on 128th in Everett. Starting in January, the meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month, not the last any more. The meeting still starts at 7:30 pm.

I just want to say thank you for a great year, and I wish for each and every one of you to have a Happy & Healthy New Year.

PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS:
Merry Christmas Mopar Fans,
The year is ending on a positive note. We had a big attendance at the 2009 Christmas party. There were about 30 members, and family. We had a great time bowling. We should do that more often. I will make an announcement at the first general meeting in January, with all the winners of the end of year awards. This year we had a great car show. We were able to give a food and cash donation to the Volunteers of America. The Toys for Tots had a very successful year at the Triple XXX in Issaquah, thanks to all your generosity. Let’s keep this kind of thing going, and throw some club events into the things to do in the upcoming year. So bring some ideas to the meetings. Well, to keep from rattling on, the staff and I would like to wish you a very HAPPY NEW YEAR!
See you January 5, 2010 at Shawn O’Donnell’s, 7:30 pm. Come early, and get something to eat.

Your Prez
Eldon

MINUTES BY MINUTE:

Mopar General Meeting-Nov. 24, 2009
Called to order at 7:35.
Secretary read minutes from last meeting.
Vice President reported the Christmas Party will be at Brunswick Lanes on Dec, 12 from 5:30 to 11:00 p.m. The cost is $16.99 for dinner and $14.99 for bowling including shoes.
Treasurer reports $2131.63 in checking and $26.10 in the Credit Union.
Sgt. at Arms has $60 to split for the 50/50 raffle and also prizes.
Membership Director reports 70 members for 2009 and 29 members for 2010. She also said the web site is not up yet due to server problems. This should be taken care of shortly.
Newsletter Editor said quite a few people did not get their newsletter this month. She said she would send it again and to let her know if you received it or not. She also has a feature car for the next couple of months.
Show Chairman reports $4872.33 in the show fund. Next show staff meeting is Jan. 9, 2010 at 1200 at Dave Haberkorns house.
President reported that those of us that went to the hockey game on the 14th had a good time, even though the Silvertips lost. We are collecting food for the food bank tonight and Eldon will take it down tomorrow.
The Jingle Bell Cruise to XXX is Dec. 6. Please bring an unwrapped toy and meet us at the Bothell Landing at 1200 to go to XXX.
We are voting on the year end awards tonight and they will be presented at the Christmas Party on the 12th of Dec.
Nancy asked about a radiator shop to fix a leak in her Dusters radiator.
Gary Hergert told us all about his trip to to Talledega with several other folks. Sounds like everyone had a good time.
Frank Carter won the 50/50 raffle.
This was the last General Meeting at Alfys. The next meeting will be at Shawn O’Donnell’s on 128th on Jan 5 at 7:30 in the downstairs meeting room. See you all there.
Mike.

EVENTS: ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Holiday party was held at the Brunswick Majestic Bowling alley on December 12. A scrumptious dinner, gift exchange and awards ceremony was followed by several members bowling (L.O.L. !). Numerous bowling scores exceeded 100 and a delightful time was had by one and all. Plan ahead for next year to enjoy some quality time with your MU brethren. This coming year, we will try to plan some driving trips, so save your gas money and be prepared for some good old fun!

Since not all of the end of year award recipients attended the Christmas party, a complete list of winners, with pictures, will be in the January newsletter. This will allow Eldon time to present the rest of the awards at the general meeting, and keep the winners a surprise, until everyone has been presented with their awards.

Frank Carter
FROM THE TREASURY:

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

MEMBERSHIP:

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

EVENT COORDINATOR:

I encourage all to attend our 1st meeting at Shawn O'Donnell's next Tuesday. Room available from 6:30 on. Order off the regular menu, bar available! Handicap accessible facility.

The New Year is upon us and Show planning activity will be picking up. It is just a little over 5 months to the Show!

Next Show Staff meeting is Saturday, January 9th at my house. 12 Noon start. Food will be provided, bring your own beverages. Address and contact info is as follows:

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FEATURE CAR: Submitted by Nick Douglas

My 68 Dart was my 13th birthday present. It started out as a 318 Gt, bucket seats, console, blue with blue interior. When we got it, it was a complete running and driving car, all original. The price: $200. Over the course of the next 3 years, my dad and I worked days, nights, and weekends on the car. Tearing it apart, getting it ready for bodywork and paint, putting it back together, and motor swaps. The Dart now has a mildly built 440, that I've ran a best of 12.16 @ 108 mph, with full interior, and full 2 1/2 inch exhaust, with a 3:55 sure grip. In my 2nd year of racing with my 340, I blew up a 727 TF. Parts of the transmission blew out from underneath the car, and up through my floor. I've gone through a lot with it. Broken parts, race wins, cruise ins, and of course beating up the Chevy guys on the street. I'm 18 now, and still never pass down a day of where I can go drive or race the Dart. It's no trailer queen. It gets driven, and driven hard, especially on race days. My dad and I race just about every weekend from April - August with our two 68 Darts. GO MOPAR

IN THE NEWS:

Madison Heights company explores new-car modification

Ex-Chrysler executive starts company to explore prototypes, create specialty versions

Larry Edsall / Special to The Detroit News

At first glance, you might think the car in the accompanying photograph is a well-restored but 40-year-old Dodge Charger Daytona,
one of the arrow-nose, high-wing cars created for NASCAR stock car racing and the then-new Talladega speedway track.

But then you notice some of the details, including the sunroof. That's not a late '60s Charger. Why, it's a brand new, but modified Dodge Challenger.

In fact, it's the HPP Daytona Challenger.


HPP is Heide Performance Products, a company launched less than a year ago in Madison Heights by former Chrysler executive Gordon Heidacker and three partners, including the heads of Specmo Enterprises, Inc. and Motovicity, both also based in Madison Heights.

Heidacker, 48, worked on projects such as the Dodge Viper and Plymouth Prowler at Chrysler and spent three years in Germany when the company was owned by Daimler. He later was involved in strategic projects, including negotiations with a Chinese automaker, and then was director of global procurement for powertrain electronics, where he oversaw a $10 billion annual budget.

But he realized that such high-level managers were hands-off when it came to automotive hardware, so he decided to leave Chrysler and start his own company to do engineering design and prototyping.

The Daytona Challenger was HPP's first big project and serves as a prototype for what Heidacker hopes to do in the future.

He wants to sell body kits so others can buy Challengers and turn them into Daytona Challengers. He wants to develop a system for creating small-volume specialty cars for car dealerships -- not just Chrysler dealers, but for any dealer who sees such modified cars as sales tools.

HPP also will do one-offs and show-car builds. Eventually, Heidacker will explore doing limited-production vehicle builds for original equipment automakers.

The HPP Daytona Challenger features a new but Daytona-style nose section, a tall rear wing, interior modifications, lowered suspension and a 5.7-liter Hemi V-8 supercharged to produce some 600 horsepower.

HUMOR FIX: (If you're blonde, please don't take offense. I thought they were funny, and I'm a blonde too.)

SEVEN DEGREES OF A BLONDE DAY:

FIRST DEGREE A married couple was asleep when the phone rang at 2 in the morning. The very blonde wife picked up the phone, listened a moment, and said 'How should I know, that's 200 miles from here!' and hung up. The husband said, 'Who was that?' The wife answered, 'I don't know, some woman wanting to know if the coast is clear.'

SECOND DEGREE Two blondes are walking down the street. One notices a compact on the sidewalk and leans down to pick it up. She opens it, looks in the mirror and says, 'Hmm, this person looks familiar.' The second blonde says, 'Here, let me see!' So, the first blonde hands her the compact. The second blonde looks in the mirror, and says, 'You dummy, it's me!'

THIRD DEGREE A blonde suspects her boyfriend of cheating on her, so she goes out and buys a gun. She goes to his apartment unexpectedly and when she opens the door she finds him in the arms of a redhead. Well, the blonde is really angry. She opens her purse and takes out the gun, and as she does so, she is overcome with grief. She takes the gun and puts it to her head. The boyfriend yells, 'No, honey, don't do it!!' The blonde replies, 'Shut up, you're next!'

FOURTH DEGREE A blonde was bragging about her knowledge of state capitals. She proudly says, 'Go ahead, ask me. I know 'em all.' A friend says, 'OK, what's the capital of Wisconsin?' The blonde replies, 'Oh, that's easy. Its W.'

FIFTH DEGREE Q: What did the blonde ask her doctor when he told her she was pregnant? A: 'Is it mine?'

SIXTH DEGREE Bambi, a blonde in her fourth year as a UCLA Freshman, sat in her US Government class. The professor asked Bambi if she knew what Roe vs. Wade was about. Bambi pondered the question; then, finally, said, That was the decision George Washington had to make before he crossed the Delaware.'

SEVENTH DEGREE Returning home from work, a blonde was shocked to find her house ransacked and burglarized. She telephoned the police at once and reported the crime. The police dispatcher broadcast the call on the radio, and a K-9 unit, patrolling nearby, was the first to respond. As the K-9 officer approached the house with his dog on a leash, the blonde ran out on the porch, shuddered at the sight of the cop and his dog, then sat down on the steps. Putting her face in her hands, she moaned, 'I come home to find all my possessions stolen, I call the police for help, and what do they do? They send me a BLIND COP!'

CLASSIFIED ADS:

Subject: Free Ads for Mopar Club Members

Now that my "parts for sale" site, www.classiccarspartsclassifieds.com, is up and fully functional, I would like to extend an offer of FREE ads to all Mopar club members. This is an opportunity for the Mopar club community to select a primary location for owners to look for those hard to find parts, without the feeding frenzy we find on eBay. You can list multiple parts and attach multiple pictures in one ad. All parts must fit the Make and Model stated in the ad heading. You can
submit multiple free ads and this offer also includes the free ad renewal option if your parts do not sell.
We are not making a general announcement about this offer so we are hoping that you will help us by notifying your membership via your meetings, newsletter and web site. This offer expires December 31, 2009.

The procedure is easy. Simply follow the steps as if you were submitting an ad and you were paying for the it. Set the text the of the ad and upload your pictures. Fill in the contact information and recheck all of your information. Completely disregard the coupon section that asks for a code for special pricing. At the bottom of the “Ad Verification” page, you will see two options, PayPal and Mail. Select Mail. This sends the ad directly to us. The next window is an invoice that you are supposed to print out and send to us with your payment. Print this invoice out but keep it as your record of your ad. If there are any questions about the ad, we need the ad ID number as a reference. At that point, click on “contact us” and send us an email with the words “Mopar Club Free Ad” in the title line. You will receive an email from us to confirm your email address. When you respond to verify your email address, we will post your free ad on our site.

That’s it and it’s that simple. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Hi there,
I have been an OEM manufacturer of interior trim kits for over 20 years and I am making an effort to reach out to the people who appreciate the nuances of the finely customized automobile the most. I make interior trim for hundreds of models in over 40 material options from Carbon Fiber to classic wood look to brushed aluminum. I thought I would offer some clubs a 20% discount to help things out in these difficult times. Currently have the 300, Magnum, Charger, Challenger and many others available.

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Subject: Custom Photo Rugs

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Thanks
Greg Melvin (Owner)
Custom Photo Rugs

For Sale:
For sale 1989 grand fury, Ex Washington state cop car. 318/auto. Needs paint and new front windshield. Trade for car trailer, unfinished kit car project or ?
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Contact Doug Taylor: 206-368-2903

STORAGE SPACE AVAILABLE FOR RENT:

Fully enclosed carport can store up to three (3) cars. Can rent one (1) or all three (3). Located in Snohomish. Rental fee will be negotiable.

Contact Jim Sabol for details, at: 425-422-6861

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Looking to buy:


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Peter
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