A rich fabric has been woven into our experience as Americans by the automotive hobby and the traditions that guide it. Although the variety of shapes, styles and ages of our prized collector cars is incredibly diverse, sharing our affinity for unique vehicles can create or even strengthen a common lifelong bond between family and friends. On July 13, honoring this time-tested passion among our enthusiast family is perhaps the greatest gift surrounding our hobby's day of recognition: Collector Car Appreciation Day. For the third year in a row, the second Friday in July will again demonstrate this united spirit.

“As in the previous two years, the U.S. Senate has again helped launch national Collector Car Appreciation Day by passing an official resolution at the request of the SEMA Action Network (SAN),” said SEMA Vice President of Government Affairs Steve McDonald. “As a result, thousands of Americans will gather at car cruises, parades and other events to celebrate our nation’s automotive heritage. By taking part in these events around the country, these automotive enthusiasts from all generations and walks of life will ensure that their passion is recognized on this special day.”

The bipartisan U.S. Senate Resolution (S.R. 452) was sponsored by Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC). Senators Tester and Burr have been strong advocates for the automotive hobby in Washington, and the resolution reaffirms their understanding of the cultural importance of collector cars. Over the years, states, cities and two Canadian provinces joined the U.S. Senate by passing their own proclamations and resolutions. So far this year, New Mexico, Hawaii, New York and West Virginia are officially recognizing the occasion while several other states and provinces are pursuing similar initiatives.

Individuals, car clubs and business owners have been registering their gatherings for inclusion on www.SEMAsan.com/CCAD, the SAN website. The complete list of events (current at press time) appears on the following pages of this issue. However you choose, please pay tribute to our hobby’s special day in your own way by holding or attending a celebration near you. Encourage others to follow suit. Let’s get those cars and trucks out of the garage and onto the road!
Collector Car Appreciation Day Events

ARIZONA
July 13, Glendale
Chilly Bombards’/Freddy’s Steakburgers Cruise In
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com
July 14, Glendale
Mixteca/Kmart Cruise In
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com
July 14, Mesa
National Collector Car Day
East Side Location
Sponsor: Nancy Perry Productions
Info: www.nancyperryproductions.webs.com
July 14, Phoenix
DaddyO’s & Sunset Cruisers Collector Car Appreciation Day Car Show
Sponsor: DaddyO’s Grill and Sunset Cruisers Car Club
Info: Chuck: 602-882-0500

CALIFORNIA
July 5, Half Moon Bay
Cool Harbor Nights
Sponsor: Princeton Seafood Company/ Frank Besnyi
Info: Besnyi@aol.com
July 11, Pomona
Prolong Twilight Cruise
Sponsor: Wally Parks NHRA Motorsports Museum
Info: www.museum.nhra.com
July 13, El Segundo
Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media
Info: Rick: 213-891-8923 or rick@sourceinterlink.com
July 13, Irvine
Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media
Info: Rick: 213-891-8923 or rick@sourceinterlink.com
July 13, Santee Lakes
Collector Car Appreciation Picnic
Sponsor: The King Pins
Info: Howard at 619-445-9777
July 14, Newbury Park
Collector Car Appreciation Day – SoCal Cruise
Sponsor: Coachmen Car Club of Ventura County
Info: skeeterrader@gmail.com
July 14, Valencia
SimTec Motorsports After Hours
Sponsor: SimTec Motorsports
Info: SimTecMotorsports@yahoo.com
July 14–15, Santa Clara
Hot San Jose Nights
Sponsor: The Mercury News
Info: www.hotsanjoenights.com
July 21, Tracy
Then and Now Car Show
Sponsor: Tracy City Center Association and City of Tracy
Info: Courtney Campbell: 209-831-6224

COLORADO
July 7, Loveland
5th Annual All American Car Show
Sponsor: Northern Colorado Mustang Club
Info: Info: www.allamericancarshow.com or events@ncmcc.org
July 8, Simsbury
11th Annual Charity Benefit Car Show
Sponsor: Valley Collector Car Club Inc.
Info: www.valleycollectorcarrclub.org
July 13, Monroe
Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Classic Nights Car Club
Info: www.classicnights.com

CONNECTICUT
July 8, Simsbury
11th Annual Charity Benefit Car Show
Sponsor: Valley Collector Car Club Inc.
Info: Info: www.valleycollectorcarrclub.org
July 13, Monroe
Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Classic Nights Car Club
Info: www.classicnights.com

DELAWARE
July 1, New Castle
39th Annual Rod Run
Sponsor: Delaware Street Rods and One Off Custom
Info: email19mac22@hotmail.com
July 8–15, Wilmington
19th Annual International Convention
Sponsor: International Thunderbird Club
Info: mailcolm@int-thrirdclub.com or www.int-thrirdclub.com
July 13, Smyrna
Third Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Brenford Auto Museum
Info: 302-653-8330 Reservations Required

FLORIDA
July 12–15, Lake City
Key West Power Cruise
Sponsor: Cheri Copeland
Info: wcheri19@gmail.com
July 13, Tampa
Drill Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: Source Interlink Media
Info: Howard at 619-445-9777
July 14, Jupiter
3rd Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day Event
Sponsor: Southeast Rods & Customs
Info: 561-753-3279 or www.serodncustoms.com/index.htm
July 14, Longwood
Downtown Longwood Classic Car Cruise
Sponsor: City of Longwood & The Orlando Bowlie Club
Email: tarasnova@yahoo.com

HAWAII
July 14, Kihel, Maui
Pilani Village Car Show
Sponsor: Maui Classic Cruisers Car Club
Info: Patty Ventura at 808-264-6103 or Scott Borge at 808-344-0996

IDAHO
July 13, South Bend
Third Annual National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Studebaker National Museum
Info: www.studebaker.org
July 14, Goodland
Goodland Car Show
Sponsor: Goodland Town and Goodland Community Church
Info: goodlandcommunitychurch@gmail.com
July 15–19, New Castle
Great Lakes Regional Tour
Sponsor: Veteran Motor Car Club of America
Info: RussBees@comcast.net

ILLINOIS
July 13–15, Joliet
NMRA/NMCA Super Bowl of Street-Legal Drag Racing
Sponsor: Nittro Tire
Info: www.nmradigital.com/L
July 13, Roselle
Cruise from Augustino’s Deli to The Tilted Kilt
Sponsor: The HERD: Tri-State ’94–’96 Impala SS Enthusiasts
Info: www.theherd.com
July 14, Byron
Midwest Racing Track Day
Sponsor: Midwest Racing
Info: www.midwestracing.net
July 14, Moline
Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise
Sponsor: Quad Cities Cruisers
Info: www.quadcitiescruisers.org
July 14, Rockford
Midwest Racing at Byron Dragway
Sponsor: Midwest Racing
Info: www.midwestracing.net
July 21, Evansville
Evansville Days Car, Truck & Motorcycle Cruise-In
Sponsor: Liberty Courtyard Wine Tasting & Supplies
Info: www.motoropia.com/car-shows/evansville-days-car-truck-motorcycle-cruise-in-08035

IOWA
July 8, Burlington
Strong Cars For Strong Kids Car Show
Sponsor: Burlington Area Community YMCA-YWCA
Info: 319-753-6734 x113 or www.burlington.org
July 13, Ames
Customer and Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Arnold Motor Supply
Info: 515-556-5206 or vppublication@isra-online.org
July 13, Ames
Hot Sizzling BBQ
Sponsor: Iowa Street Rod Association
Info: 515-231-3001 or jve37671@iowaliance.com
July 13, Mount Pleasant
Cruise Night
Sponsor: The 20th Century Car Club
Info: 319-385-2119 or ekroppe@lwc.edu
July 15–20, Homestead
Heritage Tour
Sponsor: Veteran Motor Car Club of America
Info: RussBees@comcast.net

INDIANA
July 13, South Bend
Third Annual National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Sponsor: Studebaker National Museum
Info: www.studebaker.org
July 14, Goodland
Goodland Car Show
Sponsor: Goodland Town and Goodland Community Church
Info: goodlandcommunitychurch@gmail.com
July 15–19, New Castle
Great Lakes Regional Tour
Sponsor: Veteran Motor Car Club of America
Info: wilkinsonanderalle@wmconnect.com
July 27–28, Lafayette
Lafayette Kruizers Hot Summer Nights
Sponsor: Lafayette Kruizers
Info: www.LafayetteKruizers.com

KENTUCKY
July 13, Nicholasville
Cruise-In
Sponsor: Double Kwik BP
Info: drdoddger74@yahoo.com
July 19–21, Bowling Green
31st Annual Corvette Homecoming
Sponsor: National Corvette Owners Association
Info: 270-791-2117 or www.corvettehomecoming.com
July 27–28, Elizabethtown
Cruisin’ the Heartland with XFINITY
Sponsor: City of Elizabethtown
Info: Sarah Vaughn, 270-765-6121
July 28–29, Somerset
Somerset Cruise
Sponsor: Somersett/Pulaski Co. Ky.
Info: somerstcruise@yahoo.com

LOUISIANA
July 13, Slidell
Sonic Cruise In
Sponsor: I.R.O.N.S.
Info: 985-643-4224

MARYLAND
July 13, Abingdon
National Collector Car Appreciation Day Car Show
Sponsor: Lowes Cruisers
Info: www.lowescruisers.com
July 13, Chesapeake City
Drive Your Collector Car Day
Sponsor: Ron Francis Wiring
Info: www.ronfrancis.com
July 13, Glen Burnie
Cruise Night
Sponsor: Street Survivors of Maryland
Info: Rick: 443-829-5658

MASSACHUSETTS
July 15, Shrewsbury
Chili’s Cruise Night
Sponsor: Chili’s Grill & Bar and Greg’s Restorations

MICHIGAN
July 13, Berkley
Motown Automotive Professionals Nonprofit Car Show
Sponsor: Motown Automotive Professionals
Info: Marcus Simmons, 248-552-8928
July 13, Plymouth
Drive Your Collector Car to Work Staff Event
Sponsor: ROUSH Performance
Info: kevin.mcleod@roush.com
July 14, Highland
Hot Summer Nights Car Show & Drive-In Movie
Sponsor: LaFontaine Buick, GMC and Cadillac
Info: 248-467-9476
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*Current as of June 13, 2012. For a complete schedule of Collector Car Appreciation Day and other SAN-member July events, visit www.semasan.com/CCAD.*
Hey, That's My Car!

Highway Memories

Hitting the road for the Hot Rod Magazine Power Tour gave the SAN staff a chance to meet both the seasoned and new supporters of our growing family. Here are some of the SAN members we saw along the route from Detroit, Michigan, to Arlington, Texas:

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An official State Proclamation was issued to mark the date as “Collector Car Appreciation Day.” The council celebrated with a cruise down Central Avenue, a hamburger fry at a local restoration shop and an informal car show in the parking lot. In 2012, the request was made again, and Governor Suzanna Martinez proclaimed July 13, 2012, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day” with another official Proclamation. A cruise and BBQ are planned for this year’s festivities.

Put SAN on Your Mailing List!

We’d like to know what’s going on with SEMA Action Network clubs and enthusiasts across the country; what charity events you’re involved in; when and where the rod runs, car shows, trail rides, rallies and tech meetings are held; and what legislative and regulatory issues concern club members and individual enthusiasts.

Send correspondence to: SEMA Action Network, 1317 F St., N.W., Ste. 500, Washington, D.C. 20004-1105 or san@sema.org.

Club Spotlight

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Churches, civic groups and community events over the years. With help from the SAN, information about pending changes in laws and regulations that affect car ownership, driving, maintenance and insurance is distributed to the member clubs.

In 2011, the council requested the governor’s office to join in the national celebration of collector cars on July 8.

Have your car or truck featured in a future issue of Driving Force. Submit your high-resolution photos online at www.semasan.com.
Colorado Emissions Inspections: A SAN-supported bill that originally sought to extend the emissions inspection exemption to vehicles that are six model years old and newer died when the legislature adjourned for the year. The bill had been approved by the Senate Transportation Committee, but did not advance further in the legislative process. Current law only exempts vehicles that are four model years old or newer.

Connecticut Antique/Rare/Special-Interest Motor Vehicles: SAN-opposed legislation that threatened to increase the age requirement from 20 to 30 years old for vehicles eligible for registration as “antique, rare or special-interest motor vehicles” died when the legislature adjourned for the year, suffering the same fate as an identical bill last year. The bill had been approved by the Joint Committee on Planning and Development by a narrow 10-9 vote. For the purpose of property taxes, the bill also increased the maximum assessment of these vehicles to $2,500. These special-interest motor vehicles are currently assessed at a rate of $500 and owners pay personal property taxes on that amount.

Hawaii Audio Equipment: Legislation to ban the installation, ownership or use of any car with aftermarket speakers more than 6.5 in. in height or depth, any five-speaker aftermarket system, any aftermarket speaker more than 100 watts and any aftermarket speaker installed external to the passenger compartment or in an open hatch back was deferred from consideration in 2011, with the legislature retaining the option of reviving the bill in 2012. With the adjournment of the legislature for this year, the bill is now formally dead. The measure was discriminatory toward aftermarket products, as it did not seek to limit systems installed by the original vehicle manufacturer or dealer.

Hawaii Low-Mileage Credit: Resolutions urging the city and county of Honolulu to create a 10% vehicle registration credit for residents who drive limited miles in their vehicles were not approved by the House of Representatives before the legislature adjourned for the year. Under the resolutions, the credit would have extended to any resident who is registering a vehicle and can provide information from the two most recent safety inspections showing that less than 3,000 miles were driven between the two inspections. While the resolutions did not carry the weight of law, they did urge Honolulu to correct the unfairness associated with having those residents (including owners of rarely used hobby cars) who make less use of our roads contribute the same amount in fees.

Hawaii Exhaust Noise: SEMA-model legislation that would have allowed vehicle hobbyists to install and use aftermarket modified exhaust systems that meet an objective noise limit died when legislature adjourned for the year. Under the bill, car owners would have been issued a certificate of compliance if the exhaust system emitted no more than 95 decibels under a fair and predictable test. The measure would have remedied the enforcement policy currently used by police officers in which exhaust noise citations are prosecuted solely based on the officer’s subjective judgment.

Michigan Historic Vehicles: SAN-supported legislation that would amend the state’s current law to permit historic vehicles with unlimited use as “exhibition” vehicles the entire month of August was passed by the House Transportation Committee. Having already been approved by the full Senate, the bill now moves to the House floor for a vote by all members. Under current state law, use of historic vehicles is limited to participation in club activities, exhibitions, tours, parades, and similar uses, including mechanical testing, but not for general transportation.

Nebraska Ethanol: Persuaded by the opposition of the SAN, legislation to remove labeling requirements on pumps dispensing ethanol-blended gasoline was “indefinitely postponed.” With the adjournment of the legislature for the year, the bill is now formally dead and would have to be reintroduced in 2013 in order to be reconsidered. Current law requires labeling when gasoline contains 1% or more alcohol, including labels for pumps dispensing E10. The bill would have made it impossible for owners to know whether the gasoline they put into their vehicles contained any ethanol, making unintentional misfueling and engine damage more likely.

New Mexico Collector Cars: Governor Susana Martinez issued a proclamation designating July 13, 2012, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day” in the state. New Mexico joins Hawaii and New York as states that have officially recognized the celebration. Earlier this year, the U.S. Senate passed Senate Resolution 452 at the SAN’s request to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. The date marked the third commemoration in what has become an annual event.

Pennsylvania Emissions Inspections: Legislation has been introduced to extend the emissions inspection exemption to vehicles never before registered in the state or any other jurisdiction for 10 years from the date of original registration. Current law only exempts new vehicles that have less than 5,000 miles on their odometer for one year after their first registration.

Vermont Exhaust Systems: A SAN-opposed bill to ban motor-vehicle exhaust systems that increase the noise level above the level emitted by the originally installed system died when the legislature adjourned for the year. Under the bill, violators would not have passed the state’s required inspection. The bill also did not provide an opportunity for vehicle hobbyists to install and use aftermarket modified exhaust systems that meet an objective 95-decibel limit under a fair and predictable test and allowed law enforcement to make subjective judgments on whether an exhaust system increased noise.
New Mexico Council of Car Clubs Shines in the Land of Enchantment

Eight car clubs originally founded the New Mexico Council of Car Clubs in 1977. The council’s goal was to foster cooperation among various car clubs, to organize and promote events that were larger than one club could operate on their own, to create a calendar of car-oriented events for club members and serve as a clearinghouse of automotive information for New Mexico. Since then, the group has grown to include a membership of more than 70 clubs throughout the state that reaches hundreds of people involved with the automotive hobby. The heavy lifting continues to be performed by volunteers from the council’s member car clubs.

The council now produces a calendar of events and photo archive for New Mexico and the surrounding area, which is posted on a dedicated website (www.nmcarcouncil.net). The group also sponsors the area’s largest swap meet and car show, in addition to an annual summer picnic. The council promotes charitable events, provides cars for these events and collects donations for the charities involved. Vehicles and support have also been provided to schools.

The official State Proclamation issued by Governor Suzanna Martinez marks the date July 13, 2012, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day” in New Mexico.

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