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MACC Newsletter

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Mark your Calendars:

MACC Meeting—November 17th at
Charlie and Paula Brown's. 19455 E.
72nd St N, Owasso OK. Just south of
76th ST N and 193rd E. Ave.

Bring your favorite Chili or bring some-
thing that goes with Chili. Lunch at 1pm.
Meeting at 2pm.

Christmas Party—December 22nd
Randy and Jeanne Christian's House—
13807 S 19th Court, Bixby, OK 74008.
Time: 6pm

A Note from the President:

Well we did it again. I never thought I would ever be involved in putting on a classic car show and I have had the pleasure of doing two now. Our National Cougar show in April 2017 was great success and the first of our annual Classic at the Drive In came off without a hitch. You can see a full write up along with pictures in this newsletter. I want to thank all the MACC members who brought out their CATS and all the ones who came and helped with the show. We could not do it without the support of our members. We plan to do it again in 2019 so watch for details coming at a later date.

We need your Cougars. MACC is going into the Darryl Starbird Rod and Custom Show again in February 2019. This is the largest indoor car show in the Midwest. There were over a 1000 classic cars in the building at the 2018 show. We had 16 Beautiful Cougars in the show in 2018 and we had a blast. It was amazing to have people come by and say they had never seen that many Cougars in one place. We have approached Starbirds and asked them if we can expand our space in the Expo Square Center where we can get 30 CATS in the show. We would love to have some of our out of state Cougars participate in the show. We have to start planning now because a lot has to happen to get the Cougars in the building for the February 15 - 17, 2019 show. If you are interested in putting your CAT in the show please reach out to me or Charlie Brown so we can get you on the list.

Randy Christian
MACC President

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Is That Your Ride?



My name is Juston Woods. I am a manufacturing supervisor for National Oilwell Vargo and also a Cougar Fanatic. I was born in 1979 and raised in the Sapulpa Oklahoma area. My love for cars started off when I was a little boy. My dad drove a 1956 Ford F100 which he still has today. He would take me to my uncle's with him to work on his cars. My dad and uncles built a garage in West Tulsa right out of high school so they could build hot rods together. My uncle would go out and buy these broken down cars from people and drag them home for parts or projects. When I was about 10 years old, he drug home a 1967 Cougar XR7. This was the first time I had seen one and fell in love with this car. I would go over there and pretend I was Bo Duke in this car every weekend. When I turned 15, I got really interested in wanting to fix up this car and make it my first car. It took a little bit for my uncle to sell me the car because he is one of those guys who does not like to sell any of his project cars. When I was 17, he finally sold me the car for \$300 dollars. First big project was separating it from the honeysuckle bush that it was attached to. They had grown through the trunk and had made it to the steering wheel. It was quite a challenge to separate the two. The car did not have a motor or transmission and the interior was pretty much a wreck. My brother had wrecked his truck shortly after I bought the cougar and I bought his truck for the motor and transmission. At 19, I finally got the car on the road. I drove it in primer for several years until I could afford some paint for its first paint job. It was a dark maroon color.

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During this time, I had three kids that took up most of my time and money, so my Cougar got put on the back burner. I always had the guys, weekly, wanting to buy her, but I had no interest in selling it. About three years ago I meet up with Bill Evanoff and learned they had a Cougar club starting up and he wanted me to join. Once I had joined and seen all the different Cougars in the club it lit a fire under me to get my car completed. After several months, now years, of collecting parts I had most of everything needed to do a full restoration on my Cougar. Another member of the club, Chuck Walter, helped me with body work and paint. The paint design I stole from one of the new redline Hot Wheels. The motor is a 331 stroker with an AOD Transmission 2500 Stall. It is now EFI injected with aluminum heads. Suspension is mostly stock with upgraded disc brakes. Rear end differential is a factory 9inch with 3.90 gears. Interior is mostly stock with a B&M shifter being the only difference. I have owned my car for 22 years now. Most refer to my Cougar as one of my kids.

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Classics at the Drive-In

This years show was a great success. Thank you to all the volunteers from MACC that came out to help. We had several drive from out of state to pitch in. Another huge thank you to all the participants that came out. We had 53 beautiful cars at the show this year and we will do it again next year. Thank you to Neighbors in Need and their volunteers for coming out to sell 50/50 raffle tickets and raise a \$232 for their charity. Phil Childers graciously gave his 50% to them. Way to support a great charity! Lastly, I want to thank all the sponsors that contributed to the drawings for the show. We hope everyone enjoyed the giveaways. Total giveaway contributions totaled just at \$3,000.



Sponsors included: NPD, O'Reilly Auto, Autozone, Auto Krafters, Advance Auto, Top Coat, Pep Boys, Crushed Red, Andolini's Pizzeria, Freddy's, Harvard Meats, Rib Crib, Tally's Cafe, Southern Agriculture, Rock Auto, Sonic, McCalister's Deli, and many others that just dropped off items to be given away. Without this support the show would not have been such a success.

Thank you to Cougar Club of America for your financial support and making it possible to rent the Admiral Twin.



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Thank you to Jeanne Christian for all the great pictures and a big shout out to Al Morgan for all the great music. Wes Hines did a magnificent job on the trophies.



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Antifreeze Information —Submitted by Phil Childers

I picked up the information below from the newsletter from the SW Florida Thunderbird club. CTCI's Authenticity Chairman also suggests this website for anti freeze information: www.no-rosion.com

Antifreeze manufacturers have formulated their long life products so that the inhibitor attracts, among other things, silicone compounds—the most commonly used base for gasket sealants. It also attacks lead-based products (solder, Bab-bitt), some yellow metals (cam bearings, radiators) and conventional gaskets and packing materials. The warning here is to NOT use coolants with OAT— inhibitors in your antique car! You need to read the label and use only IAT (inorganic Additive Technology) Inhibited antifreeze.

OAT stands for “Organic Acid Technology” based corrosion-inhibitors, and they are designed to have longer service life than that of IAT coolants; but unfortunately that feature comes with a bad side effect to older cars. One fellow decided to change antifreeze in his antique car. His regular brand was out of stock so he brought the “advanced” formula. Four weeks later he found pools of antifreeze under his car. The antifreeze had dissolved the old gaskets. It was formulated with OAT—inhibitors.

Tips for finding IAT coolant are as follows:

1. Prestone says that all of their current antifreezes are OAT formulas.
2. Peak says that their Peak Antifreeze and Coolant is an IAT formula. The container is blue. It is important that it DOES NOT say “long life”. Peak Sierra brand is propylene glycol for those who prefer that. It too uses an IAT formula.
3. Zerex says that Zerex Original Green is an IAT formula. It comes in a white container. Do not use their G-05 formula in the gold jug.

(This was first published in Jim Crame’s W. Michigan Buick Chapter News Letter.)

Editor note:

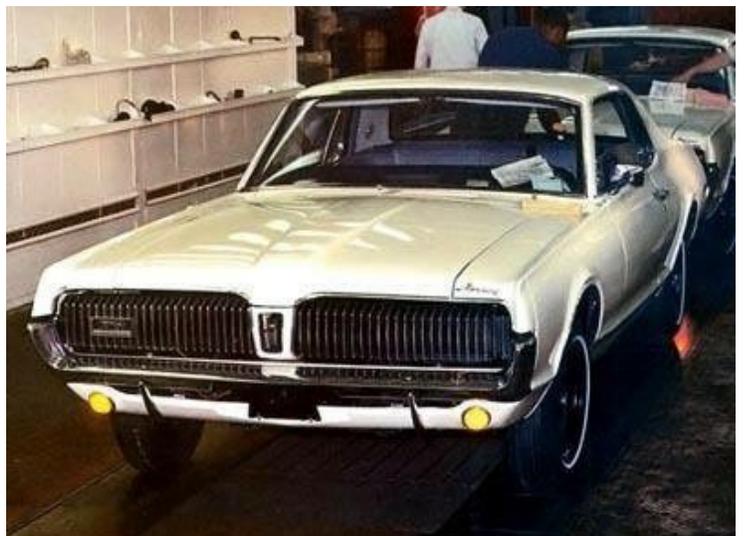
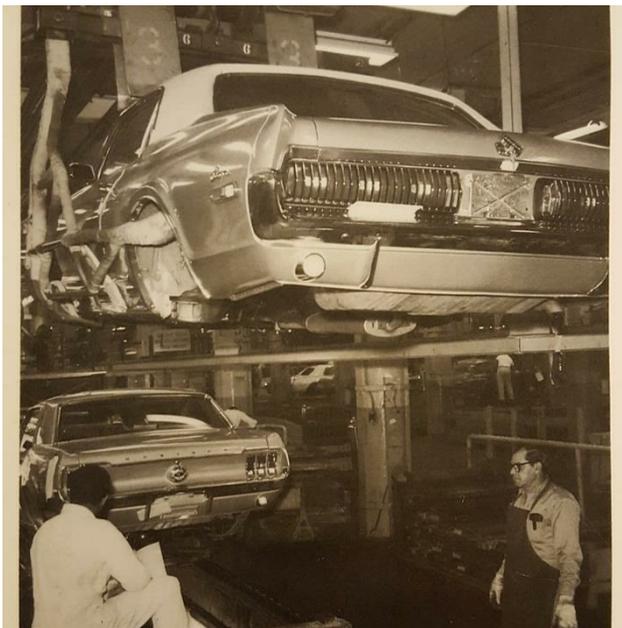
After reading the above article, I became concerned as I had the used the Prestone antifreeze in my '57 for the past few years. The Prestone bottle had the statement “Prestone antifreeze coolant is intended for all passenger vehicles and light trucks”. However after a trip to the local Auto Parts Store, I noticed the Peak bottle had an explanation stating “For use in Ford and Chrysler 2000 & earlier - GM 1995 & earlier - All MAKES & MODELS: 1989 AND EARLIER .

I showed the above article to some auto technicians and some people behind the counter of a couple of Auto Parts stores. Noone could give me an answer as to the truth in the article. I never had a problem with the Prestone; but just to be on the safe side, I drained out the Prestone antifreeze and used the Peak instead. The wording on the bottle indicated to me that maybe the Peak would be better for older cars. As always, it is your decision as to what to use in your car.

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Did you know Cougars and Mustangs rolled off the same lines?

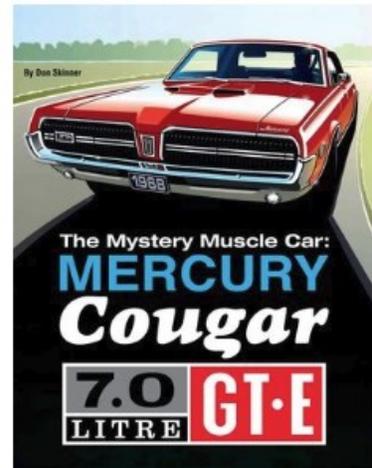


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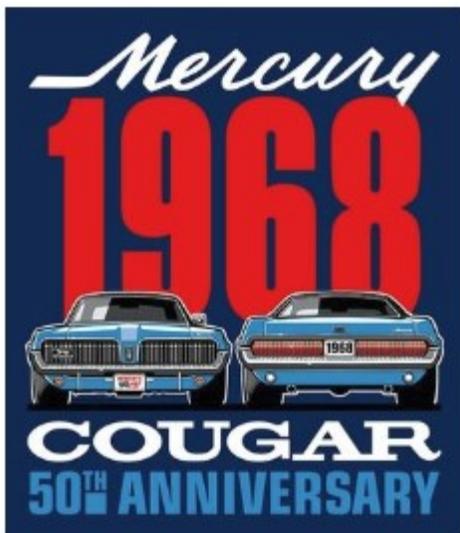
News From Cougar Club of America

Randy Christian has been selected to fill the open position of Club Services Director. He will be volunteering his time to help other Cougar Clubs get things done and work with them on the articles every quarter.

CCOA watches are still available and we have added more shirt colors. Check it out at <http://www.cougarclub.org/store.htm>



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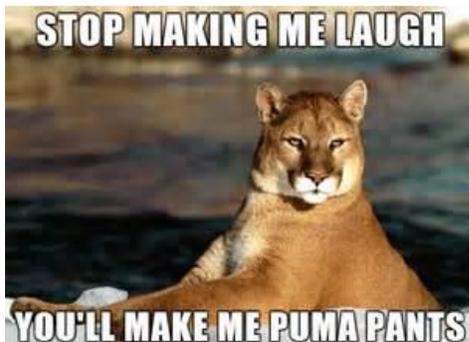
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