



# Indy Mopar Club News

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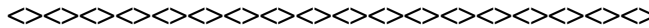


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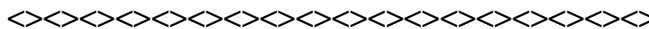
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Meetings are the last Thursday of every month except November & December.

**Next regular meeting: Thursday, April 30, 2015** will be held at **MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East street** Indianapolis (US 31- N of Southern Plaza between Sumner & National). Meet for dinner at 6pm, meeting at 7pm. A Map Quest link is available on the IMC website – [www.indymoparclub.com](http://www.indymoparclub.com).



Welcome to Indy Mopar Club **Grant and Miriam McBee**, Lafayette, 1970 Plymouth Road Runner and 1972 Plymouth Cuda. We hope to see them again soon at one of our meetings or events.



From the Indy Mopar Club President

Getting that itch to get behind the wheel of all that horsepower, foot to the metal, rubber to the road, breeze in your face, listening to that awesome sound of the induction system’s full whine as it breathes in all that fresh air and the full powerful exhaust tone that alerts everyone to take notice? All the while these effects are filling the senses with exhilaration and you can’t wait! (Yes, you too Jan!)

Well, finally the weather is breaking and the sunshine and warmth is bringing opportunities to get those favorite rides out of mothballs, (so to speak). Wash off that stored-for-the-winter dust, give it that super shine wax and detailing job, primp it to the hilt and take it to the show!

Oh, hey!...That reminds me, there is not a better show than the Indy Mopar Club’s Fletcher Show to take it to. And how about that, it’s that time again!

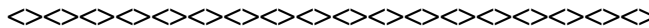
I really hope to see everyone at this April’s meeting. The main topic will be to make the preparations and staffing arrangements for the Fletcher show. It is just around the corner. Ginger has done all the necessary and preliminary ground work and it is now the Clubs turn to get this show on the road and make it the best yet.

I lay a request out to all the members to please go out to your local retailers and vendors and try and secure at least two or three donations for door prizes and goody bag gifts. If we all get at least two donations each, we can save the Club at least \$100.00+ and take the burden off just a few persons trying to do the job. We also need to help get the word out about the show by distributing flyers in your areas and within your car gatherings and giving notice anywhere else you can think of.

We have a great Club with great members and we will have a great show May 9th! Looking forward to it! Also, I’m looking forward to seeing you all at the IMC meeting Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Evan Springer,  
April, 2015

PS. Challenge for everyone... Think about a subject for a short Show-and-Tell at the meetings. We all are interested in little tid bits about ourselves, hobbies or what’s new, etc. It is fun for us all! And it is fun to do!



## Member Profile of the Month – April, 2015

The Indy Cylinder Head Chrysler Performance Trade Show was a great success this year as it always is. My wife Randi & I arrived at around 2:00 to do our turn manning the IMC Mopar booth. It was a busy day with people buying and selling parts. Around 5:00 Ronda came up to me and asked if my wife and I would like to go to a dinner after the days show for the Ramchargers, I said I would love to go. The dinner was provided by Russ and Fred Flagle. It was a very good meal. The Ramchargers group talked about how each one of them had come to be part of the group, if it had not been for this guys we might not of had the Mopar club we have now, we owe these men a great amount of respect.

Author~~~~Bill Edgerton – P.S. My actual profile will be in a later issue.

## An “Oldie but Goodie” Profile from May, 2008



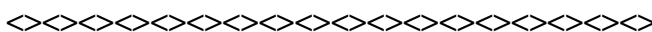
Hello, I am Dick Crawmer and, with my wife of 39 years Dorinda, live in the Martinsville area. I was raised with Plymouths as our family cars after my mother learned to drive. During high school, my first car was a 1951 Plymouth Cranbrook coupe, flathead 6 and 3-speed on the column- quite the chick magnet! After graduating high school, I bought a 1957 Desoto hemi, dual quad from a classmate. Unfortunately, it needed more work than I thought I could afford, so I traded it in - today that shows very little foresight!

One of my dreams most of our married life has been to own a classic muscle car, but never had the time or resources, so just drooled over everyone else's. A couple of years ago, with Dorinda's blessing, I began casually looking on the internet and, of course got hooked. In January of 2007, we drove to Johnstown PA to look at a 1967 Charger, and upon seeing, knew it was the one for us. I was intrigued with the body style reminiscent of my teen years. The car had already been stripped to bare metal, restored inside and out, and repainted, replacing the original blue with Brandywine Kandy. The engine was originally a 383 2-barrel, but was torn down and rebuilt. It is bored out .030" over with heavier cam and performance parts, including Edelbrock aluminum heads and 4-barrel carburetor with Edelbrock intake. The previous owner had gone through a very acrimonious divorce and badly needed the money, so I took advantage of his misfortune. I had 4-wheel disc brakes installed, then had the car shipped to Indianapolis, where we proudly took delivery in March. Since delivery, I replaced the 650 carb with a 750 and 2400 Stahl convertor, which performs much better. I have done some cosmetic work, but have several projects, such as rebuilding gauges and refurbishing the dash, as well as polishing the exterior chrome and repairing the rotating headlights, but that will come in due course as resources and opportunity arise.

We went to several cruise-ins at Washington Square Mall during that first summer and thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie and friendship of former strangers, who had shared interests. After attending the Good Guys Nationals at Clermont, we were hooked and have enjoyed various shows and cruises since, as well joining the Indy Mopar Club. Even our grandkids like to ride in "Papaw's race car"!

We also purchased a 2007 Charger R/T with the Road and Track package in TorRed (yeah, it's got a Hemi!). Now we have the original body style and the latest.

Authors~~~~Dick and Dorinda Crawmer



### INDY MOPAR CLUB MONTHLY MEETING, MARCH 26, 2015

President Evan Springer brought the meeting to order at 7:00pm, Trivia questions presented to club primarily dealing with Dodge Brothers.

**WELCOME AND SIGN-IN:** Sign-in was conducted by Jan Peel. 17 attended: Jeff Ancil, Ronda Cherry, Dick & Dorinda Crawmer, Bill & Randi Edgerton, Ed Leyes, Mike Leyes, Greg McDermott, Scott Oller, Dave Opel, Jan Peel, Evan Springer, Lynn Standeford & guest John Miller, Dave Watt, and Steve Wisdom.

Present members stated their names and current Mopars owned.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Dave Opel

A. Minutes/highlights of last meeting given. Report approved as presented.

**TREASURER'S REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:** Mike Leyes

A. February 26, 2015 Balance \$2,444.25; March Income \$780.00; March Expenses \$334.65; March 26, 2015 Balance \$2,889.60. Membership as of February 26, 2015 was 54.

B. A thank you from Mike on volunteers setting up booth at Indy Cylinder Head Swap Meet.

**COMMUNICATIONS REPORT:** Dave Watt

A. Possible updates being discussed.

**MEMBER NEWS BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:** Ronda Cherry

A. Members Names and dates reported.

**EVENT CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS (Newsletter & IMC):** Ronda Cherry

A. Various local club events beginning to appear

**EVENT ADVERTISING:** Ronda Cherry

A. As reported 250 pieces of 2” window decals have been ordered.

**OLD BUSINESS:** – Evan Springer:

A. Amend By-laws – Committee recommendations to be presented upon completion for voting by membership.

B. Indy Cylinder Head Swap Meet – well attended by IMC members and many other MOPAR enthusiasts. Tom Hoover (of Hemi Fame) was guest of honor.

C. Go-Kart Event at 96<sup>th</sup> & Keystone being looked into. Many challenges presented by members as to whom the best driver may be. (Watch out for the little lady in the Easter Bonnet!)

D. IMC Logo Decals have been ordered.

E. Other old business – None

**NEW BUSINESS:** – Evan Springer

A. Fletcher C/P Car Show, May 9<sup>th</sup> – Event lead coordinators: Ginger and Rick Zimmerman.

1. Will need volunteers for various activities. Word out that Ginger has been very busy with the activities. Must mean that Rick has been supervising. Remember: Them that can do, them that can't supervise.
2. A Big Thank You is due.

B. JDRF Walk – Saturday, October 9 – IMC Participation

1. A new location as it will be held at Bankers Life Fieldhouse

C. Club Member Profile:

1. April – Bill & Randi Edgerton
2. May – Lynn Standeford
3. June – Open – Need Volunteer

D. Ideas for Club Activities

1. Visit to Lincoln Technical Institute April 16. Evan mentioned that LIT will have a car show in July to support cancer research.
2. Slot Car Racing, Fast Track possible

E. Need volunteers for future Show and Tell

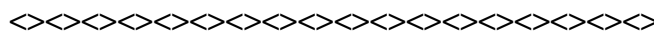
F. Other New Business

1. Ed Leyes mentioned Maxwell Museum Open House with Broad Street Car Cruise April 25<sup>th</sup> in New Castle. 1-3pm
2. Dave Watt mentioned Cinco DeMopar May 2<sup>nd</sup> in KIokomo, 11am to 5pm.

G. Motion to adjourn was made by Dick Crawmer, Ronda Cherry seconded, adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

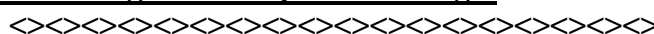
David Opel



Member Information

Tom Kelly is presently in the St. Francis Hospital and things are going the way the doctors had predicted. He wants to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and phone calls. He has another week or so in the hospital but then will be home. He has all kinds of projects going in his head to tackle when he gets home.

**So PLEASE keep those prayers rolling and “Keep Tom Strong”!**



## IMC Member Input

Lincoln College of Technology Open House April 18:

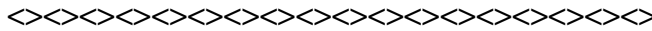
My gratitude goes out to the Lincoln College of Technology’s President Clark, Director Sirmon and Staff for their personal hospitality in hosting the Indy Mopar Club tour. I also thank the retired Lincoln employee Bill Zimmerman for his personal attention to our tour.

I am very grateful for and thank the individuals that were able to represent the Indy Mopar Club with the display of their cars and their participation in the tour of the College’s 180,000 sq. ft. of automotive, diesel, drive trains, electrical systems and collision repair facilities and more. To experience what the school has in hands-on equipment and what they do in preparation of students for today’s employment markets is awesome and exceptional!

The tour was very enlightening and we all had an enjoyable time! Of all that I saw and learned, what stood out the most for me was, that since I started working and playing with automobiles and trucks, how much things have changed! Without an educational system such as today’s Lincoln Tech. it is almost impossible to enter the automotive employment markets today without the necessary knowledge and skills, both in the commercial and the racing fields.

A side note of considerable interest is that through our contact with the Lincoln Tech. College personnel, the Indy Mopar Club has gained another partner and wishes to share in our endeavors when applicable. It was a great day and the tour was “Cool Beans”! I wish that everyone could have been there with us.

Author~~~~Evan Springer



### Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

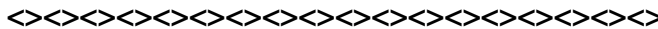
#### May Birthdays:



- Gerry Bush, 5-5
- Harry Ewing, 5-7
- Dick Crawmer, 5-11
- Ed Leyes, 5-12
- Nicole Springer, 5-12
- Carla Crask, 5-13
- Debbie Mounce, 5-17
- Glenn Keilman Jr., 5-19
- Gary McCormick, 5-21
- Steve Wisdom, 5-22
- Mary Leyes, 5-23
- Bill Crask, 5-24
- Mike Leyes, 5-28

#### May Anniversaries:

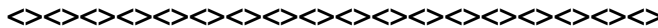
- Evan and Nicole Springer, 5-1
  - Joe and Michelle Berding, 5-21
  - Steve and Michelle Haug, 5-25
  - Bob and Karen Rosenberger, 5-26
- Congratulations to all!



### Tattler’s Corner



It seems like everyone has been behaving themselves lately so there isn’t much to report here. But I have a sneaky hunch that that situation won’t last long. Spring is here and the adrenalin is flowing strongly, and the cars are all tuned up and ready to roll.





## 2015 INDY MOPAR CLUB – EVENT LIST

Jan	29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Feb	13-15	Fri-Sun		World of Wheels	Ind State Fairgrounds	
	26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Mar	6	Fri	TBD	Set-Up – Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Perfor. Trade Show		Evan Springer
	7-8	Sat-Sun		Indy Cyl Hd Chrysler Performance Trade Show	Ind State Fairgrounds	Evan Springer
	26	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Apr	30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
May	2	Sat	11a-5p	Cinco De Mopar, 3520 SR 38 E	Lafayette	
	9	9a-3p		Fletcher Chrysler/IMC – OPEN Car Show	Franklin IN – <b>Rain or Shine</b>	Rick & Ginger Zimmerman
	7-9	Thur-Sat		Auburn Spring Car Auction / AACAA Meet	Auburn IN	Tom Kelly
	15-17	Fri-Sun		Chrysler Power Classic – National Trail Raceway	Columbus OH	Mike Leyes
	22-23	Fri-Sat		Mopar Mania Somernites Cruise-Memorial Wknd	Somerset KY	Dave Sanders
	28	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Jun	18-21	Thu-Sun		NMCA Race-Show at IRP	Lucas Raceway (IRP-Clermont)	Dave Watt
	19-20	Fri-Sat		FAST/Pure Stock Drags	Martin MI	Dave Watt-Mike Leyes
	25	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
	25-27	Thur-Sat		Indy Road Rocket Rumble	Waterfront Hotel-Speedway	Tom Kelly
Jul	10-12	Fri-Sun		Carlisle Chrysler Nats	Carlisle PA	Mike Leyes
	15-19	Wed-Sun		Natl DeSoto Meet	Kalamazoo MI	Tom Kelly
	22-25	Wed-Sat		WPC National Meet	Springfield IL	Tom Kelly
	30	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Aug	7-9	Fri-Sun		MOPAR NATIONALS	Columbus OH	Tom Kelly
	27	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Sep	12	Sat	TBD	West Gate Chrysler / IMC Cruise-in	Plainfield IN	Dave Sanders
	TBD			Plymouth Owners Club National Meet	Illinois – more info soon	Jan Peel
	18-19	Fri-Sat		Pure Stock Drags	Stanton MI	Dave Watt-Mike Leyes
	24	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Oct	3	Sat	9a-12n	JDRF RUN/WALK- Bankers Life Fieldhouse	Indianapolis IN	Evan Springer
	29	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg-Halloween	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Nov	19	Thur	7-8p	Indy Mopar Club Monthly Mtg	MCL Cafeteria	Evan Springer
Dec	6	Sunday	TBD	Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party	Steve Wisdom's Clubhouse 1202 Leisure Lane, Greenwood 46142	Steve Wisdom

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