



Jan Peel **E**ditor

Next regular meeting: Thursday January 28, 2010 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.

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BRIAN & ELAINE BERKOWITZ



I decided about two years ago, after attending several car shows and cruise-ins with my friend in his 1970 Chevelle that I really wanted to have a hot rod of my own. I broke the news to Elaine. I had no idea what I was looking for but I knew I wanted a Mopar if at all possible. Both our daily drivers are Mopar products. Well the search was a DAILY ritual online. I had a budget which was to be split between a car and new granite countertops in the kitchen. It did not take long to determine that the budget was not going to get me into what I wanted, so I started looking into Rat Rods as an alternative. After we looked at several, I think Elaine was worried I was going to end up in a rolling deathtrap or maybe she just knew my heart was set on more of a traditional hot rod. We decided to put the granite countertops on hold and find a Mopar in our new budget. I had looked at several Dusters and Darts from the beginning of my search.



For some reason I was just attracted to them, plus they seemed to be more reasonably priced. I had looked at a red 1972 Duster online that was here in town on a couple different web sites. On Labor Day weekend 2008 I saw it in person. I really liked the car but wanted to think it over plus it was a little out of my price range. About a week or so later after contacting the owner Elaine and I went up to look at the Duster again and possibly make an offer. After driving it I felt confident with my decision to make an offer. Unfortunately the owner was not as confident with my offer as I was! So we left without the Duster, we got about 20 minutes away when my phone rang and the Duster was ours.

We have enjoyed our short time with our Duster, cruising, making friends and mostly trying to get it running right. I thought I finally accomplished that, unfortunately on the way home from the shop, I got caught in a downpour and ended up having an accident about 2 minutes from my house. I was broken hearted. This ended my first season of cruising and making new friends, at least with the car. After going through all the steps with my insurance company and a couple body shops, I decided I wanted to add money to the settlement and

have several problem issues addressed and the whole car repainted. Now I am not a mechanic in any way shape or form and the thought of pulling the motor, mind you a perfectly good running motor out of a car for a paint job was more than

Authored and pictures provided by Brian Berkowitz

Tom Kelly

Indy Mopar Club Christmas Party December 13, 2009



Ken Mosier and Debbie Mounce receiving their Awards for Outstanding Performance.



Indy Mopar Club very special cake. Teresa Kelly with her Santa Claus. Ginger helping pick and explore gifts. This was a very fun night. Lots of gift exchanging, “Oohing” over gifts as they were opened, and teasing going on. Ginger was her usual vibrant, smiling, and energetic self.



Pictures provided by Jan Peel with an apology for the quality of some of them.

Indy Mopar Members' News

Debbie & Terry Cummings were at the Christmas Party and looking good. Sue Mayes had back surgery January 6th but is home now and doing pretty well. She is taking daytime Physical Therapy. Carol Ann Bauer is on the sick list with a bad back. She will find out what the future with that will be when she goes to the doctor on January 20th.



Upcoming Events – ****Indy Mopar Club and others**

****January 28, 2010 - Indy Mopar Club meeting at MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East Street, Indianapolis**

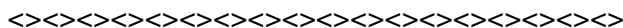
****February 12, 2010 – IndyMopar Club representation at the World of Wheels.**

****February 25, 2010 - Indy Mopar Club meeting at MCL Cafeteria, 3630 South East Street, Indianapolis**

****March 6-7, 2010, 15th Annual Chrysler Performance Two Day Trade Show and Parts Swap Meet, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis IN.**

****June 6/6/2010 Sunday TBD Ypsilanti, MI Orphan Car Show**

****June 29-July 3, 2010, Walter P Chrysler National show in Dayton OH June 29-July 3 more details later.**



Member Birthdays and Anniversaries

February Birthdays:

Thelma Fields, 2-4

Cindy Sanders, 2-8

James Bratby, 2-16

Chris Deweese, 2-21

Laura Bratby, 2-26

February Anniversaries:

Jack and Sheilla Collins, 2-2

Ric and Vicki LaFollette, 2-12

Congratulations to all!

Terry Cummings, 2-6

Dave Himes, 2-10

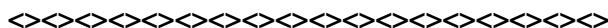
Brian Berkowitz, 2-17

Dan Kelly, 2-21

Tom Kelly, 2-28

Steve and Cheryl Wisdom, 2-7

Michael and Patricia Patterson, 2-18



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Tattler's Corner



We had a little subterfuge going on before the Christmas Party. It seems as though some people just simply don't really care to go to parties. But when their "better half" did some pleading, wheedling, and other means known only to her, they finally made it to the party. Now I don't want to give away any secrets, but our sincere thanks to P.M. for making this extreme effort. And who was it that kept encouraging people to take a gift away from someone else? Not that they needed much encouragement. Some people are truly sneaky. Be sure to be good and behave yourself or you might be the next one I "Detect". Catch ya all next month.

Reminder from your Editor Jan Peel

Remember to send in your dues for 2010 so you will be included in all the exciting upcoming events.

I would appreciate any news about our members that have attended other events and/or have had their cars or stories in other publications. This is your newsletter, help me make it an even better one by sharing this kind of information so it can be published here. You can contact me by E-mail jpeel83719@aol.com or call me at 317-357-5760 or send it to me by mail: Jan Peel, 5128 E Rowney St, Indianapolis IN 46203-3741. (Complaints may also be handled this way. Be gentle when you do this please.)



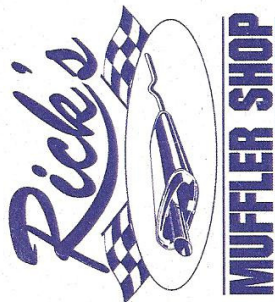
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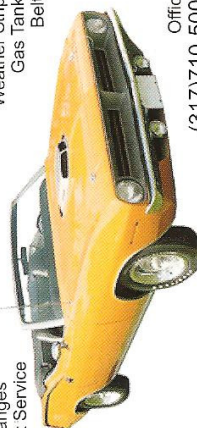
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