

The Heartland Express



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Newsletter of the Heartland Mopar® Club

Club News

We had a great time at Maroi's Pizza in Pontiac for the Christmas Luncheon. There was a good turnout and we all had fun talking about the previous year and our plans for the future.

We would like to offer Jerry and his staff a big Thank You for the tasty treats and a nice warm place to get together. The feast was fantastic!

Now that all the holidays are behind us, let's have a great 2010! Bring on the warm weather for cruising!



Event Calendar:

- ☐ **January 29st - Heartland Mopar Club Meeting** - Moved to a Friday at the Towanda Community Center. Directions on page 2.
- ☐ February 12-14th - World of Wheels Custom Car show. Exotic cars of all kinds. Many special exhibits. Indianapolis State Fairgrounds 1202 E 38th St. In Indianapolis, IN. <http://www.worldofwheels.com>
- ☐ February 14th, 2010 - CMC Winter Swap Meet at the Larry Roesch Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep dealership. 200 W Grand Ave, Elmhurst, IL. 8 AM to 2 PM. Contact Ron Jones at 630-553-2203 for more info.
- ☐ **February ??th - Heartland Mopar Club Meeting** - Will be planned following the January meeting.
- ☐ March 6th and 7th - Indy Cylinder Head 15th Annual Chrysler Performance Trade Show and Swap Meet. Indiana State Fairgrounds Dozens of vendors. Reaction Time Racing Sat and Sun - \$1,000 payout! Call 317-862-0226

Know of any events for the newsletter? Please email the info to jim.kauffman@mchsi.com or phone (217) 784-5044.

Members that need to renew their membership: **If your membership is expired, please renew. If you do not wish to renew, please contact Jim Crusier.**

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Club Monthly Meeting

The Heartland Mopar Club meets monthly. Watch the newsletter or <http://heartlandmoparclub.tripod.com> site for the exact date and location. Get together usually starts at 6:30 PM and the meeting begins at 7:30 PM. Hope to see you there!

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Still Looking for a Few New Candidates!

Let's see if we can bring some new ideas to the club officer ranks. Part of being in a club is to share the responsibilities and take the chance to be part of the leadership.

Please consider volunteering for the President or Newsletter Editor at the next meeting to bring in your concept of what the club can be. The newsletter editor is a fun job that gives you a chance to show off a bit of artistic talent. I'll offer the home publishing software and templates that I've been using to the next editor and offer insight and help for anyone that wants to take a chance at it.

What's in a Name - or Chrysler's Name Shuffle

2012 will bring the end of the Durango name. Word is that the next version of that platform will carry the Magnum nameplate.

2010 will bring us a new version of the Viper - the Viper 1:33 to celebrate Chris Winkler taking the ACR Viper around the Laguna Seca track in a production car based record setting 1:33:915. It will have a spiffy red and black color scheme. There will be only 33 of them produced.

My favorite? The Nitro Detonator shown below at the Detroit Auto Show!



Directions to the Towanda Community Center Meeting Place:

The meeting place is just down the street, (south) of Chuck Pettigrew's house. Chuck's house is located very near the I-55 exit to Towanda (McLean count Road 29 - exit 171) across from the Fast Stop in Towanda at the 4 way stop, then there is one more house south of me, then the Community Center. Parking is available behind the building.

Club Fast Facts:

Membership Renewals: Annual dues are \$20.00. If you have questions about your status, contact Jim Cruser

HMC T-shirts and coffee cups available. Talk to us at the next meeting!

Email version of the newsletter available. Email jim.kauffman@mchsi.com to get on the list! Full color! File sizes are between 1 to 3 MB depending on the images in the newsletter.

If you have any submissions, subtractions or alterations for your ad or ads in the classified section of the newsletter, please let the editor know.



Cars seen in 2009:



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