

Auto Clubs Council of Indiana, Inc.

January 1, 2010

Dear ACCI Members and Interested Parties:

As we put the wraps on 2009 and plan for 2010, we thought it was a good time to summarize the activities and accomplishments of the ACCI during 2009, on behalf of Indiana's auto enthusiasts and the preservation of Indiana's rich automotive heritage.

ACCI took major steps this year in becoming the official voice with State Governmental and Legislative bodies for Indiana car hobbyist and the preservation of our rich automotive heritage in the State of Indiana. Two significant "accomplishments" were:

(1) YOM (Year of Manufacture) License Plate Law – As many of you know, we had some problems with the implementation of the YOM License Plate Law that took effect in January 2008, primarily regarding use of refurbished, or restored plates. We were finally able to resolve these problems thanks to State Senator Dennis Kruse setting up a meeting with new BMV Commissioner Andy Miller and his staff, on August 4, 2009 at the State House. ACCI representatives and Senator Kruse were able to work out an agreement to allow use of refurbished or restored plates at this meeting. The BMV has changed their website to reflect this change and also have instructed all their branch personnel about the changes and the importance of the correct implementation of the law, so as to increase the usage of the YOM License Plate program. You can view the details of the changes by linking to the BMV website (<http://www.in.gov/bmv/3637.htm>) and view a picture of ACCI representatives with Senator Kruse and BMV Commissioner Andy Miller, and his staff at the August 4th meeting and by visiting our website (www.acc-indiana.org) Gov't Affairs page. We have had suggestions of other changes that might be needed to make the program more user friendly. We will be considering those changes during 2010.

(2) 'Antique Vehicle' Definition/Emissions Regulatory Issue – The headline on our website will read--- **IMPORTANT WIN FOR HOBBYIST---ACCI AND ITS ALLIES, HAGERTY INSURANCE AND SEMA, ARE SUCCESSFUL IN EFFORTS WITH THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (IDEM) TO SECURE VITAL REVISED 'ANTIQUÉ VEHICLE' DEFINITION RULING LANGUAGE.** We will be posting the picture and extensive details of our meetings on July 1, 2009 with Indiana Air Pollution Board, and our August 4, 2009 meeting with IDEM staff to negotiate the less obtrusive language in the ruling, on the ACCI website soon. ACCI developed stronger relationships with our good allies, Hagerty Insurance and SEMA, in addressing these important issues. These efforts on your behalf, were extensive and intense. We thank the 6 ACCI representatives and Hagerty and SEMA representatives for their time and interest in helping ACCI achieve these important goals.

The 2009 ACCI annual meeting was held at Ray Skillman Collector Cars in Greenwood on March 14, 2009. We had approximately 20 clubs represented and 4 prospective member clubs in attendance. It was a productive meeting with discussions about the major governmental/legislative issues and the May 9th meeting at the Paramount Theatre in Anderson. ACCI had a very successful ACCI Cruise In/meeting May 9, 2009 at the Paramount Theatre in Anderson, IN. with over 80 in attendance. A beautiful historic site for a meeting and having over 60 collector cars sitting in front of this historic theater on a blustery day, was also a beautiful sight. Theater tours, a short ACCI meeting, 50/50 drawing, car movie and good fellowship were enjoyed by all. A special thanks to Classic Car Club of America, Indiana Region and the INDY GTO Association for being the official co-hosts for this meeting.

Our webmaster, Jeff Griffin, has started the process of rebuilding our website. He reorganized the Collector's Resources Website Page. We added two new subscribers this year and want to build the site to the point where any car enthusiast looking for anything car-related will visit this site. We would encourage you to help us promote this site to potential businesses, or individuals, who are promoting their

resources and services to hobbyist and automotive heritage organizations. See the ACCI website for a list of types of potential subscribers and a Collector's Resources Agreement/Participation form.

ACCI launched a new Museum Membership this year with three Museums in Auburn. Our webmaster is going to create a Museum page, so we can expand this membership in 2010, with the goal of bringing all automotive museums under one umbrella in Indiana.

ACCI is currently in the process of working with Senator Kruse and other legislators to create an Indiana Automotive Heritage Caucus/Indiana General Assembly. We are hopeful to launch it during the 2010 Legislative session.

ACCI revived our Events page this year and had a lot of events posted. We encourage you to submit your club's/organization's major events, so it can also become a valuable resource for planning activities in 2010.

The 2009 4th Annual Automotive Heritage Festival Weekend had to, reluctantly, be canceled at the last minute because of Chrysler's bankruptcy status and the fact that our major sponsor sources had all put a hold on sponsorships, because of the economic situation. It is our intentions to revive the event in 2010. The Festival Weekend had been the Auto Clubs Council's main source of income for the previous 3 years and has allowed us to carry out the important legislative/governmental affairs activities.

A special thanks to our sponsors, led by title sponsor GOLDEN CORRAL. Go to www.acc-indiana.org, Sponsors page and the Collector's Resources page to view the companies and individuals that have supported ACCI and its activities.

Next Annual Meeting:

Date: **Saturday, February 6, 2010**

Time: **1pm to 3pm**

Place: **Gearheads Performance Center**

Address: 5125 Decatur Blvd, Suite F, Indianapolis, IN 46241

General Directions: From I-465 on the Westside of Indy; take I-70 west (towards new airport) to Exit 68 (6 Points Rd/Ameriplex Pkwy) and go south on 6 Points Rd/Ameriplex Pkwy to Decatur Blvd. Turn left on Decatur Blvd and follow it around to 5125 Decatur Blvd, Suite F (hint: if you get to Kentucky Ave you missed the turn for Decatur Blvd)

We encourage you to do the following:

Check the ACCI website www.acc-indiana.org in January for details of the meeting, a map, etc and renew your clubs membership with the ACCI for 2010! Our treasurer will be sending out 2010 dues billings shortly, along with a membership renewal form for your club to update your delegate information. A renewal form is also available to be downloaded on the ACCI website. The primary source of income for the ACCI is from our membership dues. We urge you to continue your support of ACCI's activities, that are carried out on your behalf.

All of us at the Auto Clubs Council of Indiana wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Bill Sanders

Chairman, Auto Clubs Council of Indiana

Gary Loveless

President, Auto Clubs Council of Indiana