

CRUZ NEWS

NOVEMBER 2024

The Official Newsletter of the
Southern Cruzers



NOVEMBER 11

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NOVEMBER 28**

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TIME FOR YOUR
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Cruzer Merchandise

License Plate Plaques - \$31.00
Ron Willson 952-892-6081

Club Window Stickers
Jim Neher 952-435-3180

2024 Officers

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|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Duane Barclay | President | 952-894-3165 |
| Steve Brehm | V. President | 952-457-1333 |
| Rose Barclay | Secretary | 952-894-3165 |
| Chell & Karen Craigie | Treasurer | 952-447-4919 |
| Jim Neher | Membership | 952-435-3180 |

MEETING INFO

***2024 MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE ***

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| January 11 | July 11 |
| February 8 | August 8 |
| March (No meeting) | September 12 |
| April 11 | October 10 |
| May 9 | November 14 |
| June 13 | December (No meeting) |



COVER IMAGES TAKEN
FROM THE INTERNET

The Cruz News is published monthly by the Southern Cruzers Car Club of Minnesota for the distribution to its members. The views expressed are those of the editor & members supplying articles & do not necessarily reflect the official position of the Southern Cruzers Car Club as a whole.

Deadline: The Cruz News is usually published on the website during the last week of the month for the next month. Items to be published should be received no later than the 20th of the month. Photographs may be color or black and white and must be accompanied with a description and photographer's name. Every effort will be made to return submitted photos. Photos and/or articles can be e-mailed. Note: not all articles and pictures may be used due to space limitations.

SHOW OFF YOUR CAR HOW?

If you contribute an article that is used, a small picture of your car may be published with it. If your car is not on the website, then I don't have a picture of it. (Pics will be used if room allows.)

Mail articles and photos to:

Duane Barclay
c/o Southern Cruzers
13018 Girard Ave. So.
Burnsville, MN 55337

Southern Cruzers platinum "Summer Spectacular" sponsor



*** CHECK OUT THE CRUZERS' WEBSITES ***

There is an Application Form on the MAIN website. If someone wants to join, they can just print it, fill it out, & mail it in with their check.

Main site: www.SouthernCruzers.com

Event Site: www.TheSummerSpectacular.com

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

LADIES' LUNCH OUT: Thursday, November 7, 1:00 p.m., Granite City Food & Brewery, 3330 Pilot Knob Rd., Eagan, MN. If you have questions, contact Karen Keenan @ 952-758-9754.

CLUB MEETING: Thurs., November 14, 7:00 p.m., Apple Valley Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Drive

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY: Fri., December 6, 4:00 pm. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Dr. (See the invitation below for more details.)

CLUB MINI SHOWS, 2024

We're done, and it was a good year!

OTHER SHOWS AND EVENTS

SEE YOUR LINECHASER FOR ALL THE MSRA EVENTS COMING UP THIS FALL.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just a reminder: This listing is in no way a complete one. I just list the events closer to home that may be of interest to our readers, or are favorites with our members. For a more comprehensive list, go to Events with Cars.com, or find the latest issue of the MSRA Linechaser.

ANOTHER CHANCE FOR GIVING TO THE COMMUNITY!

The 2024 Summer Spectacular was another success, and we are happy to announce that the Club has voted to donate \$6,000.00 to charities, as we have done for many years. If you would like to have a favorite charity of yours eligible to be voted on by the membership, read the instructions and fill out the form on page nine of this Cruz News issue. It will be determined in January how the \$6,000.00 will be split up. In past years, we have given to such entities as the Eagan Pantry, Rosemount Yellow Ribbon, Mary's Place, Dakota County Technical College, and several others. You will need to do some homework to fill out the distribution form on page nine, but it's worth it to hand out a check to a worthy charity!



SOUTHERN CRUZER CHRISTMAS PARTY



Friday, December 6, 2024 at Apple Valley American Legion

Social hour 4:00 with buffet dinner at 5:15 p.m.

Cash bar with free pop provided

Bring an unwrapped white elephant gift.

For reservations bring \$11.00 per person to the next meeting or mail a non-refundable check (made to Southern Cruzers) by December 1st to:

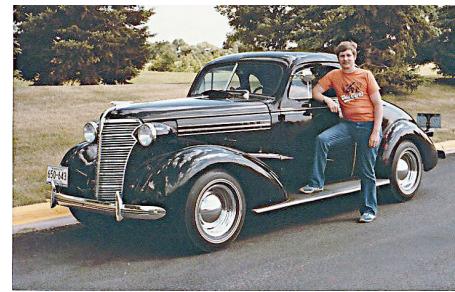
Karen Keenan

24275 East Cedar Lake Drive

New Prague, MN 56071



DUANE'S WORLD



I'm still waiting for the other foot to fall. Here it is, past the middle of October, and it's still like summer out there! I'm hoping we can come out of our latest drought with the half inch of rain we got a few days ago, and a possibility of more rain predicted in the near future. We had a strange event just recently in our back yard. I noticed a depression in the grass and discovered a sink hole that took 5 cubic feet to fill. The hole was about 6" below the sod and about 1 foot deep branching out like a star. The hole was completely dry with no signs of any critters being in the area, and there are no water or sewer lines back there that could leak and scour out the area. Since our house is on the site of an old farm, I'm wondering if some waste was dropped in that area before they graded it out for our yard, and the waste finally decomposed after 60 years, leaving the sink hole. Wondering if any more will show up, hope not!

Just because the cruising season is ending doesn't mean it's time to put our cars away, quite yet. I'm still taking Lil Darlin' out a couple times a week for our car guys' breakfast dates. She started running a little rough when first starting up cold, so I started to check things out. The air filter looked a little funky, and the fuel filter insert looked a little grunged up, so I replaced both and that seems to have solved the problem. Funny how these little problems can sneak up on a guy when he least expects them. I've also done some fiddling with my Edelbrock electronic choke which could have been part of the problem as well. Some adjustments have to be done on a cold engine, so you have to do some tweaking, drive it for awhile, and then wait for it to get cold again before making further adjustments. Hope to see you at the Christmas party! See you out there, somewhere. DB

SUBJECTS NEEDED FOR MY WINTER "GARAGE SCENE" ARTICLES



Since we spent quite a lot of time taking our rides to all the fine driving events this summer, I imagine some issues came up with your ride that you made a mental note to take care of this winter. If you have something going in your garage that you would like to share with our Club members, write up an article, take some photos, and send it to me for inclusion in the Cruz News. If you have qualms about your photography skills, no problem. I would be happy to grab my trusty new high tech Box Brownie camera that I recently found on Amazon. (Isn't she a beauty?), and go to your shop to take photos. I enjoy visiting other people's shops. I quite often come up with some new ideas I can use in my own domain.



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES – Thursday, October 10, 2024 - Submitted by Rose Barclay

President: Duane Barclay called the membership meeting of the Southern Cruzers to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Pat Gansmoe and seconded by Steve Brehm to accept the minutes of the September 12, 2024 meeting as printed in the October Cruz News. The motion passed.

Vice President's Report: Steve Brehm reported that he sent out 6 hard copies of the Cruz News.

Treasurer's Report: Chell Craigie read the treasurer's report. Ed Sanders made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, and it was seconded by Jerry Forness. The motion passed. A call for new bills was made. There were no new bills submitted. Jim Neher gave new income for membership to Chell Craigie.

Membership Chairperson: Jim Neher reported Club membership is 82 (136 total). He reported that the Club has new members, Ed Mueller and Kerri Lockwood of Lakeville, MN. They have a 1953 MG-MGTD, a 1959 Chevy Impala, and a 1972 GMC Sprint. Jim had up to date Club rosters.

Activities: Ron Willson reported that Culver's of Savage wants our Club back again next year. There were 12 Club mini shows this year. They were well attended by Club members.

Events: Rose Barclay reported that the Ladies Get Together is Thursday, November 7 at 1:00 p.m. at Granite City Food & Brewery in Eagan.

Announcements: Jerry Forness reported that the Club Facebook page has had 894 followers. Duane Barclay reminded members that Club car plaques are available from Ron Willson for \$31.00. Judy Kemper gave a Sunshine report about Erin McCrum, a past member. She reported that Tom Flink is recovering from surgery.

Old Business: Mark Peterson said there are over 1200 visits a month to our websites. During the winter, we plateau. Steve Brehm will order more Club hats. Members should contact Craig Duntley for shirts/jackets to be embroidered with the Club logo.

New Business: Marv Jansma presented a plaque to the Club for its 2024 donation to Beyond the Yellow Ribbon of Rosemount. Rose Barclay talked about the Club Christmas party (Friday, December 6). Again, the fee for using the room at the Legion has been waived. At the next meeting the Club will discuss how much money to pay towards the party.

TSS Business: Jerry Forness made a motion that \$6000 be donated to charities. Pat Gansmoe seconded the motion, and it passed. As in the past, the November Cruz News will have, for members, an application for submitting charity suggestions.

The next meeting will be at the Apple Valley American Legion Post 1776, on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Jerry Forness made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Dave Ritchie, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.



SOUTHERN CRUZERS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, OR CONVALESCING AT HOME



Tom Flink is recuperating at home. Terry Stade is receiving care in Apple Valley.

There may be members we don't know of who have been hospitalized or ill. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Judy Kemper is the club "Sunshine Lady." Please let her know of any member in the hospital, or suffering the loss of an immediate family member. Judy's phone number is: 952-322-5819.



BIRTHDAYS



November 2, Gary Lyons
 November 3, Terry Dahlen
 November 3, Norton Permuth
 November 5, Diann Townsend
 November 8, Susan Futterer
 November 11, Bruce Olson
 November 12, Dave Edwinson
 November 12, Rose Barclay
 November 12, Sharrell Nagle
 November 20, David Mahlstedt

November 22, Ellen Heitzman

November 23, Bruce Lyke

November 24, Roger Gilb

ANNIVERSARIES

Paul & Anne Thoresen, November 22, 1969, 55 years
 Ed Mueller/Kerri Lockwood, November 26, 2005, 19 years
 Denny & Renae Borowski, November 27, 1965, 59 years

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ON
YOUR SPECIAL DAY!**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Ed Mueller & Kerri Lockwood, Lakeville, with a '53 MG MGTD, '59 Chevy Apache 3100, and a '72 GMC Sprint
 There are 82 (136) paid members so far this year.

Jim Neher has membership rosters: with names and addresses; another with the addition of cars; and
 an e-mail list of the ones that answer yes to list their e-mail address.

LADIES' LUNCH OUT - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2024

The Steak & Ale in Burnsville was the site for the Ladies' lunch out in October. The location for their gathering in November is Granite City Food & Brewery in Eagan. See page 3 for details. Photos submitted by Rose Barclay



Photographer Rose rarely makes it in the picture. Here she is!

A LOOK BACK AT 2024

With October rapidly coming to an end, I thought it would be fun to look back on our 2024 season which, in my opinion, was a good one for our Club! The season started off very early with Scott Frank and his '69 Chevelle, and Duane with his Lil Darlin' coupe driving to Perkin's for breakfast on January 31. When our measly winter was over and the cruising season started, the problem was all the rain we got early on. Some time ago, I figured out that Lil Darlin' and I got rained on 10 times this summer! Ron Willson ended up booking 12 mini-shows, and we were very happy with the Club turnout at these events! All the other cruise-ins that we advertise in the Cruz News were also well attended. The Summer Spectacular had 150 cars come through the gate, and I'm happy to report that my favorite shrimp basket was always available with my name on it at the monthly gathering at Culver's in Savage! Take a look at this collection of 2024 memories.



JANUARY 31, 2024

EBENEZER RIDGES, 25 CARS!
A MINI-SHOW RECORD?9 MILE CREEK SR. LIVING
BEST LUNCH WE HAD?

KARL SWANSON'S PONTIAC & LIL DARLIN' AT A WET MSRA INSPECTION

SAVAGE CULVER'S
SHRIMP BASKETEBENEZER RIDGES
STEVE BREHM'S BENT HOODBUCK HILL "SOUTHERN CRUZER
DAY"

AUGUSTANA REGENT, BURNSVILLE

I hope this brings back some pleasant memories for you (except for Steve's hood). I also hope this leaves you anticipating another fun season in 2025. Thanks for coming out!

Photos by the editor



CHECK OUT APPLE AUTO'S WEBSITE TO FIND THE LATEST SPECIALS, OR ACCESS THEIR SITE FROM THE SOUTHERN CRUZER WEBSITE. REMEMBER, IF YOU BUY A CAR, TIRES, PARTS, OR HAVE SERVICING DONE, DON'T FORGET TO TELL THEM YOU ARE A SOUTHERN CRUZER.



Cruzer Calendar, November 2024



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---------------------|--|-----|---|------------------------------------|---|
| | | | | | 1 SORT OUT YOUR HALLOWEEN CANDY | 2 LOOK UP INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO TURN BACK YOUR DIGITAL CLOCKS TONIGHT |
| 3 TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR AND GO BACK TO SLEEP! | 4 | 5 ELECTION DAY | 6 | 7 LADIES' LUNCH OUT 1:00 P.M. (See page 3 for details.) | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 VETERAN'S DAY | 12 MSRA BOARD MEETING 7 p.m. Hampton Inn I-694 & Lexington Shoreview, MN | 13 | 14 CLUB MEETING 7 p.m. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776 | 15 | 16 MSRA FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (SEE YOUR LINE-CHASER FOR DETAILS) |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 THANKSGIVING DAY | 29 | 30 |

CLUB EVENTS
CONTACT PEOPLE

Karen Keenan (Ladies' Night Out) 952-758-9754

Judy Kemper (Sunshine Lady) 952-322-5819

Ron Willson (Savage Culver's information) 952-892-6081

OTHER EVENTS
CRUISE NIGHTS

TSS PROFIT ALOTTMENT GUIDELINES

At the Club meeting in October, 2024, attending members voted to take \$6,000.00 from the Club treasury to donate to selected charities as we have done in the past. At the Club meeting in January, you will have a chance to discuss your submitted charities.

If you plan on submitting a group/charity, please include the following in writing to a board member prior to the meeting on January 9, 2025, or submit it at the meeting.

2024 DISTRIBUTION WILL BE \$6,000.00

At the January, 2025 meeting, charities submitted will be discussed, and voting will take place to determine which charities will receive a donation.

1. Complete name and address of your group or charity:

2. Contact person & phone number of the group or charity:

3. E-mail address of group or charity:

4. What type of group/ charity:

Non Profit For Profit (Check one)

5. Are they part of a tax supported group/charity? (If yes, please explain.)

6. What are the administration & fund raising costs in %?

7. What is the objective of this group/charity?

8. How will the money we give be used?

Please do your homework before making your submissions. All questions must be answered.

Be prepared to discuss your submitted charity, and answer any questions from the Club membership at the January 9, 2025, Club meeting.