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Club Meetings

May 8th – Boondockers Car Show - Concord, WI (see page 4) June? July?

Birthdays

May
5/01 Shane Hilgers
5/11 Roger McDermott
5/14 Abby Schneider
5/15 Megan Favor
5/24 David Kerznar
5/24 Roberta Rush
5/30 Jasmine McDermott

June
6/01 John Bitter
6/05 Paul Rodrique
6/08 Paula Fedkenheuer
6/16 Scott Jackson
6/18 Megan Blanchard
6/20 Andrew Mysembourg
6/20 Dustin Bokath
6/23 Wyatt Mundt
6/25 Emily Stuckman
6/26 Ros Pribbenow
6/27 Dylan Guthrie
6/29 Greg Schneider
6/29 Daryl Fedkenheuer

July 7/03 Frank Eschler 7/12 Mollie Guthrie 7/14 Vanessa Blanchard 7/14 Crystal Mundt 7/24 Dave Farmer

Organ Donation

Organ donation was brought to my attention by one of our club members, Mark Leonhard. He encouraged us to place this message in our newsletter. "Please remember to sign up to be an organ donor. Many people are waiting for your gift of life".

See how you can help donate the gift of life. It's simple. It's voluntary. Here's how.

6/30 Les Berg

- (1) Register with your state donor registry or
- (2) Designate your decision on your driver's license or
- (3) Sign a donor card now and
- (4) Talk to your family now about your donation decision.

Or go to www.organdonor.gov/donor/index.htm and find out more about donating.

The Next Meeting

The next meeting is **Saturday, May 8th**, at Boondockers Car Show, Concord, WI. The meeting will start at 12:30pm. Please bring your trucks to the show. Food and drinks are available for purchase at the show.

BOONDOCKERS

STREET RODS LTD

34" ANNUAL CAR SHOW SATURDAY MAY 08, 2010

9am - 3pm

at the Concord House

in Concord, WI TROPHIES AWARDED AT 3PM SHOW OPEN TO ALL CLASSES

Saturday night

Join us for a great buffet dinner, then dance to the music of "Rockin Robin" This years theme, "M*A*S*H"

Friday night

Start the weekend off Friday night and join us for our fish fry cruise. Then dance to Music by "Kwitcher Bitchin" One man band

> Saturday Night Music ~SPONSORED BY~ Johnny Safro Investment Cars





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Children's Activities

BOONDOCKERS FAMOUS HOMEMADE AWARDS

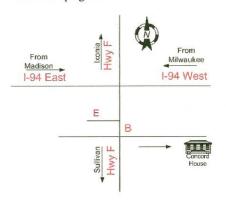
COME JOIN US FOR OUR 34th ANNUAL EVENT

FRIDAY:

Fish Fry Cruise – We will be lining up at the South side of the Hilton Garden Inn at 6pm. Take a leisurely drive thru the countryside and then back to the Concord House for Fish Fry. Cruise leaves at 6:30pm. Limited Friday Cruise Dash Plaque. Limo Available.

SATURDAY:

Join us for our 34th Annual Car show at the Concord House from 9am to 3pm. There will be food, and soda available for purchase, safety inspections, music thru the day, kids games and more. Awards will be at 3pm. Join us in the evening for a reserved Buffet Dinner at 6:30 and open Dance with "Rockin Robin" 8pm to 12pm. Primitive Camping available on site. Call for more details. Limo Available



If you have any questions contact:

Karen Derge (Registration) 920-261-9880 262-370-8899 Cell

Or send an email to: info@boondockersstreetrods.com

www.boondockersstreetrods.com

Concord House W985 Concord Center Dr. Sullivan, WI 53178

Hilton Garden Inn is our host hotel this year: 262-200-2222. Room rates are \$79.99 - \$109.99 a night + taxes. For more info on room rate prices, ask for details when booking your reservation.

Be sure to mention "Boondockers" when making reservations. Hilton Garden Inn is located in Oconomowoc just off of I-94, North on Hwy 67 in the Pabst Farms Development. (Behind Pick n Save)

Vehicle Registration

Name	Phone					
Address	ddressCity		Zip			
Year & Make of Vehicle Club Affiliation Club Affiliation ***Pre-Registration Deadline May 1, 2010***						
\$40 Couple – Car Show, D \$25 Single – Car Show, Di \$8 Child Dinner Age 6-12			я			
\$8 Per Car Pre-registration \$16 Couple – Car Show & \$12 Single – Car Show & \$5 Per Person - Dance Or	MAIL REGISTRATION TO: BOONDOCKERS W2151 ROCKVALE RD. IXONIA, WI 53036					
FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY						
Fish Fry is \$16 for Adults, \$8 for Children 6-12 and Under 5 are Free. Money will be collected at the door of the Concord House before the <i>Fish & Chicken Dinner Buffet</i> . <i>Prices include tax & tip</i> .						
If you will be attending our Friday Night Fish Fry, a tentative head count is much appreciated.						
How many Adults	Children under 56-12					

Car & Truck Shows/Swap Meets

Note: Please contact the Editor if you have any show information you would like posted in the newsletter.

May	
5/7-5/8	Boondocker's Street Rods 34 th Annual Car Show – Concord, WI
5/8	Hunnert Car Heads Up Nostalgia Drag Racing – 1963 & older, Union Grove, WI
5/13-5/15	F-100 Supernationals – Pigeon Forge, TN
5/16	Wonewoc Old Fashioned Days - Wonewoc, WI
5/21-5/23	Goodguys Nashville Nationals @ Titan Stadium - Nashville, TN
5/22-5/23	Dells Automotion at Noah's Ark, 8am-5pm – WI Dells, WI
5/23	WI Early Mustangers All Ford Show & Swap, Ewald's Venus Ford – Cudahy, WI
June	
6/5	Deforest Auto Show – Fireman's Park, Deforest, WI
6/5-6/12	Hot Rod Power Tour – Starts in Newton, IA, then to Springfield, IL, on to DuQuoin, IL, then to
	Bowling Green, KY, then on to Chattanooga, TN, then Birmingham, AL and ending in Mobile, AL
6/12	30 th Midwest F-100 Nationals/ Twin City F-100's - Clear Lake, IA
6/12	4 th Annual Scrap Drive, 1965 & older, Boone County Fairgrounds, Belvidere, IL
6/11-6/13	Goodguys Hot Rod Nationals @ O'Reilly Raceway Park – Indianapolis, IN
6/12-6/13	Taste of WI Dells Car Show – WI Dells, WI
6/18-6/20	Back to the 50's – MSRA, Minnesota State Fairgrounds – St. Paul, MN
6/18-6/20	Wizards of Rods 28 th Annual Fun Run – Warrens, WI
6/24-6/26	The Great Smoky Mountain F-100 Run – Pigeon Forge, TN
6/26	28 th Annual F-100 Western Nationals – Anaheim, CA
6/26	Saturday in the Park Car Show – Angell Park, Sun Prairie, WI
6/26	20 th Annual Rods-N-Relics Car Show, 8am-5pm – Upper Lime Kiln Park, Grafton, WI
6/27	Cruzin' Portage Car Show, 8am-3pm – Veteran's Memorial Field – Portage, WI
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7/3	3 rd Annual Armory All Car Show by WI Army National Guard – Madison, WI
7/2-7/4	Goodguys Heartland Nationals @ Iowa State Fairgrounds – Des Moines, IA
7/3	Witwen 4 th of July Parade – Witwen, WI
7/8-7/11	Iola Old Car Show & Swap Meet – Iola, WI
7/9-7/11	Goodguys Nationals @ Ohio Expo Center – Columbus, OH
7/9-7/11	23 rd Annual Ozarks Run/Show-Me F-100's – Branson, MO
7/11	Blanchardville Car Show – Blanchardville, WI
7/18	Soerens Ford All Ford Car Show – Brookfield, WI
No date	Ballweg Ford All Ford Car Show – Sauk City, WI
7/17	Reedsburg Classic Car Show & Swap Meet – Reedsburg, WI
7/17	Edgerton Tobacco Heritage Days Car & Truck Show – Edgerton, WI
No date	Friends of East Troy Airport Fly-In/Drive-In – East Troy, WI
7/24	Tired Iron Promotions Swap Meet & Car Show – Edgerton, WI
No date	Hospice Alliance Car Show – Kenosha, WI
7/24	8 th Annual Fox Lake Firefighters Car Show & Swap – Fox Lake, WI
7/31	Deerfield Rod & Gun Club Car Show, Deerfield, WI
7/31-8/1	Elkhorn Swap Meet/Car Show, 6am-5pm – Elkhorn, WI
August	
8/7	Lodi All Stop Travel Plaza Car Show & Cruise, Hwy 60 & I90/94 – Lodi, WI
No date	Riverfest Auto Show – Watertown, WI
No date	Platoon Run XXIII – Tomah, WI
8/13-8/14	Symco Shakedown Traditional Hot Rod Show, Symco, WI
8/15	32 nd Annual Car Show in the Park – Frame Park, Waukesha, WI
No date	5 th Annual O'Reilly Auto Parts Car Show & Swap Meet, Rockford Speedway, Rockford, IL
8/20-8/22	Goodguys Blue Suede Cruise @ Summit Motorsports Park, Norwalk, OH
8/21	Spring Green Car Show – Downtown Spring Green, Spring Green, WI
8/21	Woodward Dream Cruise – Detroit, MI
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Car & Truck Shows/Swap Meets...continued

September

9/3-9/5 Goodguys Mid-Western Nationals @ Kansas Speedway - Kansas City, KS

9/4 Pardeeville Car Show – Pardeeville, WI

No date 3rd Annual Central Illinois All Truck Show – Peoria, IL

9/11 2nd Annual VFW Car Show – at 5737 Cty Hwy CV – Madison, WI

9/12 Reedsburg Fall Festival Car Show, Reedsburg, WI

9/17-9/18 21st Dash to the Dells & 7th Unofficial Panel Nationals – WI Dells, WI 9/17-9/19 Goodguys Chicagoland Nationals @ Chicagoland Speedway – Joliet, IL

9/19 Beloit Autorama Car Show – Beloit, WI

9/25-9/26 Fall Jefferson Swap Meet/Car Show, 6am-5pm – Jefferson, WI

9/25-9/26 Geneva Lake Classic Car Rally, Lake Geneva, WI

No date Bailey's Harbor Autumnfest 17th Annual Car Show – Bailey's Harbor, WI

October

10/3 20th Annual Downtown West Allis Classic Car Show – West Allis, WI

10/9 Hunnert Car pile-up, Decatur, IL

10/15-10/17 Goodguys Nostalgia Nationals @ Beech Bend Raceway Park – Bowling Green, KY 10/29-10/31 Goodguys Southeastern Nationals @ Lowe's Motor Speedway – Charlotte, NC

The following websites have more information and show locations:

www.oldride.com/events/wisconsin.html www.wisconsincollectorcar.com

<u>www.carshowguide.com</u> <u>www.carshowstoday.com</u> <u>www.carshownews.com</u> <u>www.hubcapcafe.com</u>

More Car Guy Quotes:

"Gasoline is for washing parts, alcohol is for drinking, nitro is for racing." - Don Garlits

"Don't lift until its upside down on fire." - John Force

"Nitro is the most powerful solvent known to man. It dissolves bank accounts and marriages instantly." - Jack Wyatt.

"You can't break it if it's already broke, but you can fix it so it can't be fixed." - Unknown

"Racing is life, everything before or after is just waiting". - Steve McQueen

"Don't find fault, find a solution." - Henry Ford

"I seen Elvis at thirteen hunnert feet!!!!" - John Force



The April Meeting Minutes

The April meeting was hosted by Floyd & Rita Johnson in rural Cashton, WI. We had 11 adults, 2 kids and 3 trucks. Floyd & Rita had hot roast beef for sandwiches and the rest of the club members brought goodies like hot beans, jambalaya and other good treats and desserts. It was a very nice day for a drive though the rural countryside. Thanks Floyd & Rita for hosting.

The meeting was called to order at 1:20pm.

Reports from Officers

Secretary – Rick read the minutes from the March meeting.

Treasurer/Membership – Chris read the checkbook balance. She said only 5 club members haven't renewed as of this meeting. Mike read a letter from member Mike Leonhard about some things going on in his life and encouraged the club members to become organ donors.

Vice President – Dave has the new membership decals (for our truck windows) done. There are 2 kinds of decals; inside the window or outside the window. He gave these to Chris Connor. Dave also noted that Floyd has someone to make the magnetic signs for the shuttle vehicle at the Dash. Dave said he is researching the cost of can koozies with the Badgerland logo on them to sell or be given away at the Dash in goodie bags. Dave also had a good idea for the door prize giveaways at the show. Dave said he could make a door prize board in the shape of a truck door to display numbers drawn for door prizes. Throughout the day, participants can check the board to see if they won something. This will alleviate having too long of an award ceremony as in the past.

President – Mike asked for any old business.

OLD BUSINESS

Dash 21

Mike said that per Registration Chair Bill Watkins, we have 9 registered so far (only 8 were paid since Jean Hilgers forgot to send a check). We only had 23 registrations returned from the post office out of 410 that were sent. Bill has updated the registration list. For Door Prize Chair Chuck Blanchard, Chris said door prize donations have been directed to Mike & Chris Connor's home (more room). Chris said they have received some small stuff like banners, shirts, etc. Speaking of banners, Mike said that Greg Masters has asked for some of the used or extra banners be donated to the Slick 60's. All present thought it would be a good idea to give to another club. Promotions Chair Trevor Rush has been busy promoting the show and Mike asked that all the members promote the show by distributing show flyers, etc. He has show flyers available today or call and ask for some. As for Trophy Chair Wally Zeien, he said club members need to make trophies-contact Wally for volunteering. Mike stated that Rick Linskens will be giving the club a price on food for the Dash and that the Great Wolf Lodge will have a chance to bid also. The club will still be somewhat involved with some purchasing of food and setup. Mike has the trophy plagues done for the traveling trophies for those who need them.

Mike then asked for any other old business – hearing none we moved on to new business.

The April Meeting Minutes...continued

Our Dash 21 Chairs

Show Chair, Cruise Chair, Contract & Flyer – (Mike & Chris Connor)

Crapper Wrangler – (Mike Connor)

Registration Chair – (Bill Watkins)

Door Prize Chair – (Chuck Blanchard)

Promotions Chair – (Trevor Rush)

Artwork Chair – (Sean Connor)

Trophy Chair – (Wally Zeien) Call Wally at (262) 374-9661 or email him at: wallyz79@yahoo.com

Kids Games -

Adult Games -

NEW BUSINESS

Mike gave Rick some flyers for upcoming shows. Mike expressed that the club should go as a group on an excursion to somewhere as he pointed out we need to do more fun stuff – short touring in our trucks. Some suggestions were Elmer's Toy Museum in Fountain City, WI and the Potosi Beer Museum in Potosi, WI. Watch for dates in the newsletter.

Mike asked for any other new business.

Floyd then showed us the items now being made from Chaseburg Manufacturing like the truck mail box toppers, napkin and magazine holders (they are currently working on designs from 1948-1972). He also showed us some designs for the motorcycle enthusiasts. Different motorcycles and engines are also available. He said fire pit rings are available too. He will let us know when the line of truck designs get done and are ready for purchase.

Mike then made a comment about the newsletter, stating that he reads a lot of them and he feels that ours is more informational and fun to read. He commended Rick Pribbenow on the great job he doing putting this together each month. Then a motion was made by Dave Farmer to give Rick a \$50.00 gift certificate so Rick and his wife Ros could have a nice dinner on the club for all his hard work. This was seconded by Floyd Johnson. All were in favor.

Mike said the next meeting will be at 12:30pm, May 8th, at the Boondocker's Car Show in Concord, WI.

Mike asked for any other new business – hearing none, we moved to close.

Motion to close made by Julie Farmer and seconded by Rita Johnson.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.



In The Garage with Dave Farmer

Club Vice President Dave Farmer has been hard at work on his Unibody Ford tearing out the rusty floor and replacing it as well as installing an independent front suspension. Fellow club member and long time friend of Dave, Buck Guthrie (of the Train Barn in Argyle, WI), has let him use his shop to get the major portion of the heavy work done. Below are some of the photos Dave has sent me of his progress.









Dave continues to work on his project as time allows and so far is going quite well. I can't wait for some more photos of the front suspension installation. Dave is still contemplating what motor and transmission combination to install, but I think there's still some time yet to finalize it. Keep up the good work Dave.

Now for the rest of you with projects, get out there and get busy!

As always, your club members are a great source for information, locating parts or a helping hand. Call one sometime or arrange for a work party. You'll be glad you did!

See you down the road!

Rick Pribbenow

Tech Corner

This article originally appeared in the April 1, 2005 issue of Hemmings Muscle Machines.

With the inevitable price increases of aftermarket units and the decreasing availability of the venerated Ford 9-inch rear differentials in salvage yards and at swap meets, enthusiasts are turning to the Ford 8.8-inch differential. This unit will function efficiently in the same applications as the Ford 9-inch and they are much easier to find, and as a bonus, cost significantly less. There are a few variations on this rear axle; it was first introduced into the Ford full-size pickups in 1983, and it became popular for installation into the 1986 and up passenger cars as well. But as it has evolved, so has its reputation with muscle car builders and off-roaders alike. The 8.8-inch will fit just as comfortably under your classic Mustang as it will under a four-wheel-drive Jeep. This unit is becoming popular for its strength and ability to accept multiple ring and pinion ratios. The 8.8-inch could also be considered for applications where a Chevy 12-bolt would normally be desired. In fact, they share some common dimensions. The axle is a stronger version of the Ford 7 1/2-inch, and either unit can be found on stock Fords, depending on the engine's horsepower. The 7 1/2-inch works just fine on any powertrains rated less than 225hp, but for anything larger than that, the 8.8-inch should be considered. The 8.8-inch is 30% stronger than the 7 1/2-inch and can be used reliably in 300hp or better vehicles.

A 10-bolt rear cover with 7/16-inch bolts is the easiest way to identify this unit. The cover is not quite square, measuring about 10 1/2 inches high by 11 inches long (the 7 1/2-inch rear end uses a cover that measures 10 9/16 inches square). The pinion shaft is 1 5/8 inches and has a 30-spline count. Of course, as with just about all Ford axles, an identifying tag is attached to one of the rear cover bolts. The four-letter code on the top right of the tag will be a dead giveaway as to whether you have found an 8.8-inch or something else. The first three digits of these codes are listed with some of the original applications. Another identifying feature is the yoke flange on the front of the pinion shaft, where the driveshaft attaches. This is a flat flange with four or eight bolt holes, rather than the conventional u-joint yoke you are used to seeing. This flange can easily be adapted to a regular pinion yoke with the purchase of a companion flange adapter (Spicer number 2-2-1379), which will accept a standard Dana 1310 or 1330 series u-joint. Use of this adapter makes the 8.8-inch compatible with most Chrysler, AMC and GM applications as well as Ford.

Like other Ford axles, the 8.8-inch came in both 28-spline and 31-spline versions. Most units will be of the 28-spline variety; 31-spline axles were standard equipment in the Ranger FX4 and the Mazda Navajo and some later applications. Just about any unit, however, can be modified with aftermarket parts to accept 31-spline axles. Although early versions were equipped with 10-inch drum brakes, most vehicles that used this axle after 1995 came with factory rear disc brakes. ABS sensor provisions were added after 1988, and emergency brake shoes were added to the inside of the rotors on later units; 8.8-inch differentials also came with or without Ford TractionLok. The easiest way to determine this, when in salvage yards or looking at an intact unit at a swap meet, is by the Fomoco tag attached to the differential. Standard open differential ratios will be listed numerically (such as 3.08); TractionLok differentials will have an "L" in the number (such as 3L08). The Fomoco tag will also give information on the build date, four-letter transmission code and plant code. Finding an open differential unit is not a bad thing; they tend to perform just as well as the TractionLok and are, in fact, preferred in heavier-duty applications such as off-road or work trucks. It is not difficult to add an aftermarket locker to the 8.8-inch rear, either. If you find one with the needed width, building it to your own specifications is a simple proposition.

Tech Corner...continued

Finding a donor car or truck for an 8.8-inch differential should be relatively easy. Basically, any Ford light truck newer than 1983 or passenger car newer than 1986 is a potential donor.

In the cars, if it does not have a 7 1/2-inch rear, it is probably the 8.8-inch. Here is a list of Ford products and Mazdas where you could find one:

- o 1986-96 Ford, Lincoln Town Car and Mercury full-size cars
- o 1986-97 Cougar, Lincoln Mark series and Thunderbird
- o 1986-96 Mustang
- o 1984-86 Capri
- o 1990-97 Aerostar Van with WDA or WFB axles
- o 1983-96 Bronco (rear) with WDR or WFL axles
- o 1987-96 Bronco (rear) with WFH or WDB axles
- o 1997-01 Mercury Mountaineer
- o 1991-01 Explorer
- o 1986-99 Ranger with WDG or WFG axles
- o 1983-99 E150 Vans with WEC or WFV axles
- o 1983-89 E250 Vans with WEC or WFS axles
- o 1983-85 Ranger with WDR or WFL axles
- o 1983-97 F150
- o 1983-85 F250
- o 1993-98 Mazda B4000
- o 1991-94 Mazda Navajo

(1998 and up Lincoln Navigator, 1997 and up Ford Expedition and F-150 used 8.8-inch with reverse-cut gears for four-wheel-drive independent front suspensions).

Because of multiple suspension setups, some 8.8-inch differentials are designed for conventional leaf-spring suspension and others for coil and four-link suspensions. The differential housing itself is basically the same, and movement of the spring mountings or changeover to a different suspension system can be accomplished, either by a good welder or an adapter kit. In most cases, fitment will involve at least some adaptation because the inner axle tubes are a hefty 3 1/4 inches, and that means the 8.8-inch would be a larger diameter than the stock differential you would be replacing. Overall lengths of the housing will differ as well, based on the body style the unit was removed from. Ratios vary from as low as 2.47:1 in some of the Mustangs to as tall as 4.10:1 in the heavier trucks. Aftermarket ring-and-pinion sets are available from 2.73:1 to as large as 6.14:1. There are no carrier breaks for the 8.8-inch, so any desired gear ratio in between those two will fit.

Enthusiasts have found through trial and error that a few upgrades are recommended while performing this conversion. The first is the rear end cover. It is pretty thin metal and, in some cases, it was even plastic. Several aftermarket companies make a reinforced rear end cover that will be much more reliable and will add to the looks of the differential as well. The other recommended upgrade is to use c-clip eliminators on the axles. Installing the c-clips when changing ring and pinion or switching out axles can be cumbersome and difficult, especially because some of the aftermarket gears are thicker than the stock gears. C-clip eliminators will maintain a better hold on the axles and are easier to remove, should you want to change internal components in the future.

Tech Corner...continued

As usual, a tape measure comes in very handy when searching for one of these rear ends in a salvage yard. Overall backing plate to backing plate lengths will vary by body style, from as short as 56 1/2 inches for the 1990-92 Rangers up to 63 inches for the full-size cars and 65 inches for full-size vans. But that range of widths would make the overall lengths of one unit or another compatible with most of the muscle cars on the road today. We will post a list of rear end widths on the www.hemmings.com website to offer a perspective on what to look for when searching for an 8.8-inch. Finding one of the newest units possible should be the plan of attack. Generally, axles newer than 1995 were disc-brake equipped; however, some full-size cars had disc brakes as early as 1991.

The earlier Ranger drum brake axles, at 56 1/2 inches, will fit under mid-Fifties Ford pickups, as well as 1971-73 Cougars and even the '36 Plymouth. Mazda Navajo and Mercury Mountaineer axles at 59 1/2 inches wide will fit Sixties GM full-size cars and 1972 Chrysler B-body and full-size cars. Cougar, Thunderbird and 1996 and up Explorer rears at 59 3/4 inches will fit under 1940-52 Mopars, and 1947-55 Chevy pickups. The axle width chart we will post online will give further dimension information.

Doing a couple of quick searches for replacement 8.8-inch rear axles, we found them readily abundant and relatively cheap at most salvage yards. A 3.08 to 1 non-limited-slip from a 1992 Ranger was only \$350.00 complete; pretty cheap, when you consider aftermarket drum-brake 8.8-inch rears are over \$800.00. Some of the 1995 and up salvage yard units with rear disc brakes can be as expensive as \$750.00; however, you are not only putting in a good, reliable differential, but you will also be adding the safety of rear discs. As a footnote, you should grab the master cylinder and proportioning valve, when possible, while you are picking up one of these units. Refer to our earlier article in Issue #12 of Hemmings Muscle Machines on rear discs for further information on this aspect of the conversion.

Using an 8.8-inch Ford rear end, as an alternative to using the 9-inch Ford third member or a GM posi differential, can save the enthusiast some hard-earned cash, and its adaptability as a conventional open differential or a limited-slip unit can offer you a wide range of performance possibilities. It can be built with a low ratio for fuel economy, or it can be beefed up for on-track use by adding lockers, upgrading axles, and running taller gears. Its ability to be adapted to multiple applications for both economy and performance shows its popularity with muscle car enthusiasts will continue into the foreseeable future. So don't be discouraged if your local pick-a-part is flat out of 9-inch Fords; they are sure to have a few 8.8-inch rears lying around that could be just what you need.







Front view of the Ford 8.8

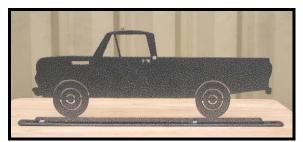
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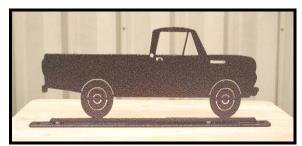
(Please notify the editor know when your item is sold/found so your ad can be removed.)

Wanted

Need a good grille for a 1955 F series. Call Wally @ (262) 374-9661 (WI)

For Sale





Chaseburg Manufacturing has these cool mailbox toppers they are now making. Normally they are \$24.95, but to Badgerland F-100 club members, they are only \$15.95. Currently they have the Ford unibody design with many other Ford truck designs coming from 1948 on up. See Floyd Johnson or call Floyd at (608) 654-5990 to place your order. They come in 3 colors, gray hammered, copper hammered and black finishes.

1962 Ford Econoline Pickup, 250-6, C4 automatic, new paint and more. Asking \$6,000.00. Call (507) 498-5522 (MN)

1965 F-350 dually, 6 cylinder, 4 speed, TN truck - \$750.00/obo. Call Scott Jackson @ (309) 657-8632 (IL)

(4) Keystone Classic wheels 5 X 5.5 bolt pattern w/spinners and lug nuts - \$100.00. Call Scott Jackson @ (309) 657-8632 (IL)

1955 F-100 panel truck from NV, complete, no rust. Call Tim Lincoln @ (407) 761-3202 (FL)

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