

THE 2019 SUMMIT RACING EQUIPMENT I-X PISTON POWERED AUTO-RAMA FEATURED MORE THAN 1,200 ALL STARS AT THE I-X CENTER

By Show Manager: Steve Legerski FINAL: V7: 4/11/2019

The 2019 Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama celebrated its 53rd year in Cleveland at the I-X Center, March 15 – 17, 2019 under a new theme. In 2019, Cleveland continued its reputation as an "All-Star" City. At the show, Cleveland played host to the Summit Racing Equipment Show I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama where the All Stars were the Cars. In July, the Cleveland Indians will host the 90th All-Star Game at Progressive Field. Two All-Star events in one All-Star City!

From the moment attendees walked into the show they were amazed to see more than one million square feet of piston powered vehicles. Led each morning by a parade of prestigious military color guard, enthusiasts spent hours and in some instances days, soaking in the horsepower of the largest indoor showcase of custom cars, trucks, antique construction equipment, motorcycles, tractors, planes, military equipment and more. The show will return to the I-X Center March 13-15, 2020.

New for 2019 was the partnership with the Fatman's Invasion in the South Hall featuring Euros, Imports, Sport Compacts, Modern American Muscle and Low Riders! Five trophies were awarded from all the entries in the South Hall as the Fatman's Fave Five.



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IT'S ALL ABOUT THE NUMBERS!

The show continues to grow spanning across 21 football fields in size, which makes the I-X Center the only place large enough to host Cleveland's Auto-Rama. Main Floor: 790,000 square feet + South Hall: 165,000 square feet + Concourse: 45,000 square feet TOTAL: 1,000,000 square feet.

ATTENDANCE CONTINUES TO GROW YEAR AFTER YEAR

2019:	55,231 (March 15-17, 2019):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama: 10.4% Increase
2018:	50,015 (March 16-18, 2018):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama: 9.1% Increase
2017:	46,102 (March 17-19, 2017):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama: 3% Increase
2016:	44,760 (March 18-20, 2016):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama: 8% Increase
2015:	41,445 (March 20-22, 2015):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama: 12% Increase
2014:	37,000 (March 14-16, 2014):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama
2013:	35,000 (March 15-17, 2013):	I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama
2011:	17,000 (September 30 – Octob	er 2, 2011): I-X Piston Power Show

SUMMIT RACING EQUIPMENT BRINGS ITS ALL STARS TO THE SHOW!!!





Jeff Lutz and Ryan Martin from "No Prep Kings."

"It was another great show," said Summit Racing Equipment Retail Store Supervisor Jon Horner. "The Piston Powered Auto-Rama is always a great opportunity to meet and interact with fellow enthusiasts, and with this year's attendance, we had a chance to talk with more people that ever! This year's event was bigger than ever, and we were fortunate to have Jeff Lutz and Ryan Martin from "No Prep Kings" back at our display, along with their famous show vehicles. Jeff and Ryan spent a lot of time talking to spectators and signing autographs and kept our exhibit very busy all weekend long. The new import section



and Fat Man's Invasion in the South Hall were nice additions to the show, and I think it helped draw an even more diverse crowd. Since we pride ourselves on having 'Everything You Need for Anything You Drive,' we also diversified our display with a wide range of show vehicles—everything from drag cars to a Jeep JK and even an Indian motorcycle! We were also well represented at the career day event thanks to our own retail salesman, John Bruce, who spoke to over 1,200 students and career day attendees about opportunities to work in our industry. John was able to share his story and provide an example to young enthusiasts of how they can make their passion their career.





THE 2019 SUMMIT GOLD CUP ALL STAR WINNER!

Tom Farrell made the drive from Mooresville, NC with his 1940 Ford Coupe and won the \$10,017 top cash award along the Summit Gold Cup trophy and a one-of-a-kind gold ring. The cash prize is the top show prize in the Summit Racing Equipment Show Car Series.





TROPHIES AND CASH AWARDS

The 2019 show awarded 600+ trophies and more than \$27,000 cash to winners in the ISCA vehicle series which, included motorcycles. Keeping with the All-Star theme, the show created one-of-a-kind piston powered starred trophies for the winners.



More All-Star winners in the ISCA "Best" competition class winning \$750 for their entry including:

❖ BEST RESTORED

Andrew Starr Springfield, VA 1965 Buick Riviera GS

❖ BEST ROD

Tom Farrell Mooresville, NC 1940 Ford Coupe

❖ BEST STREET MACHINE COMP

George Conrad Akron, OH 1969 Mercury Cougar Eliminator

❖ BEST TRUCK

Ted Wierzbicki Flushing, OH 1955 Chevrolet Pick Up

❖ BEST CUSTOM

Pat Moran Harrison Twp., MI 1969 Chevy Camaro

In the ISCA "Outstanding" competition class, 10 winners were stars in Cleveland winning \$300 for their entry including:

❖ OUTSTANDING CUSTOM

Wes Adkins 1956 Ford Fairlane

❖ OUTSTANDING SPORTS/SPORT COMPACT

Mike Drumm 1976 Chevy Corvette

❖ OUTSTANDING FULL/RADICAL/HANDBUILT CUSTOM

George Conrad 1960 Ford Country Squire

❖ OUTSTANDING TRUCK

Joe Clemente 1951 Willys Overland

❖ OUTSTANDING FULL/RADICAL/HANDBUILT TRUCK

Eric McConnell 1954 GMC 5 Window

OUTSTANDING COMPETITION

Eric McConnell 1954 GMC 5 Window

❖ OUTSTANDING STREET ROD

Phil Becker 1932 Ford Victoria

❖ OUTSTANDING CUSTOM ROD

Quint Walberts 1941 Willys Coupe

OUTSTANDING STREET MACHINE

Jim Palosi 1960 Ford Falcon

❖ OUTSTANDING RESTORED

Josh Adkins 1969 Chevy Camaro Z28 Coupe



2019 trophies created by Everlasting Memorial Jewelry

2019 CAR CLUB ALL STARS!!!

The Car Club competition for All- Star status at the 2019 Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama was unlike any other Auto-Rama show throughout the circuit. There were 35 clubs competing for \$2,500 in prize money. For 2019, the show "encouraged" all Car Clubs to theme their areas around the All-Star theme. The winner was Corvette Cleveland with their basball themed area including a blimp that hovered above their club area for the entire show!.



2019 CAR CLUB AWARDS

*** BEST CAR CLUB**

\$1,000 Corvette Cleveland

❖ OUTSTANDING CAR CLUB

\$500 Motorhead's Car Club of Cleveland

❖ OUTSTANDING CAR CLUB

\$500 Northern Ohio Model A Club (NOMAC)

❖ CLASS CAR CLUB

\$250 North Eastern Ohio Camaro Club

❖ CLASS CAR CLUB

\$250 Rock-N-Roll Capital Street Machines

NEW AWARD FOR SHOW: "2019 CAR CLUB ALL-STAR"

Each Car Club designated one of their cars to be their **Car Club All Star** in their display. Those designated cars competed for the crystal award, judged by the ISCA judges. The winner was announced on Sunday, March 17th at the awards presentation. The winner's car will also be featured on the turntable at Summit Racing Equipment in Tallmadge.

❖ CAR CLUB ALL STAR WINNER

Dave & Shelly Zuber: Rock-N-Roll Capital Street Machines: 1965 El Camino





THE CONCOURSE: A WALK IN HISTORY AT THE I-X CENTER

The Concourse is hosted by the Northern Ohio Car Club Association featuring their club's cars as well as car clubs from Canada. The Concourse area was formerly the cafeteria for the Cleveland Tank Plant.







2019 FATMAN'S INVASION: ALL NEW!!!

New for 2019 was the partnership with the Fatman's Invasion of the South Hall featuring Euros, Imports, Sport Compacts, Modern American Muscle and Low Riders! Five trophies were awarded from all the entries in the South Hall as the Fatman's Fave Five. The winners:

Michael Stewart Union Town, OH 2005 Chevy Corvette ZR8X

Jim Wagler Uniontown, OH 2000 Toyota Celica

Joe Schultz Perry, OH 2018 Dodge Challenger Demon

Mark Nechvatal Parma, OH 1998 Ford SVT Contour Mark Nechvatal Parma, OH 1969 Chevy El Camino







From: Nick Rovansek about the Fatman's Invasion

Now that the show is over I wanted to say thank you. I loved the Fatman's Invasion in the South Hall. It was like having a different show inside of a show. Tell them to keep up the good work. Thank you for allowing them to bring a younger generation into the inside show scene. This younger generation will be the future of the Piston Power Show. I am excited to see what will be in store for 2020. The show as a whole was fantastic as usual. I have heard from two different shops that I know of that the Cleveland show is their favorite to come to. Even over the Detroit AutoRama and that says something about your event.

TWO WHEEL ALL-STAR PISTON POWERED MACHINES





Best Bike Outstanding Bike Outstanding Paint Outstanding Engine

\$1,000 Justin Nichols Watseka, IL \$500 Craig Decker Andre Holt

Canal Winchester, OH Lakewood, OH Jace Campbell Reynoldsburg, OH

2012 Harley 2012 Harley 2004 Harley Road Glide 2012 Harley



Best Bike by Justin Nichols: 2012 Harley

The show also featured a variety of motorcycle groups including:

- ❖ The Lake Erie Chapter of the Antique Motorcycle Club of America
- Penton Owners Group
- The Skidmark Garage



Skidmark Garage

THE HOT ROD ASYLUM HOSTED BY THE SLICK DEVIL'S CAR CLUB



The **Hot Rod Asylum**, hosted by the Slick Devils Car Club, featured vehicles including cars, trucks, hot rods and vans and that are Hot Rods, Kustoms, Nostalgic Race Cars and/or have a nostalgic appearance. A separate awards ceremony crowned more champions on Saturday with nine custom made trophies. Along with awarding "Best in Show," the winner also received a trophy, their own

commemorative "Straight Jacket" and will have their name added to the Asylum's "Straight Jacket." Every year, the Slick Devils identify 12 Hot Rods/Kustoms, which are exceptional examples of what the Hot Rod Asylum is all about. Whether the car is a fresh build or a barn fresh survivor, the cars are some of the best the traditional Hot Rod world has to offer. Each of those participants received a commemorative custom racing jacket from RJS.

2019 WINNERS

Gene Griswold Best in Show: 1955 Chevy 1931 Ford Best Hot Rod: Jeff Brock Joe Armstrong 1950 Mercury Best Custom: Best Race Car: Carly Stupar 1962 Chevy Michael Colucci Best Engineered: 1961 Dodge Best Project: Ed Richards 1941 Willys Best Motor: Al Nosse 1933 Willys Best Display: Joe Lucas 1927 Ford

Best Club Display: Nostalgia AA/Gassers

Best in Show: Gene Griswold 1955 Chevy





A separate awards ceremony for the Hot Rod Asylum participants produced more "All Stars" on Saturday with an amazing array of customized awards including the Best in Show Pinball Machine.





The Hot Rod Asylum partnered with Gasser Madness LLC this year to introduce a new element to the Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Cleveland Auto-Rama. Ohio has for decades been referred to as the "Land of the Gasser". Gasser Madness manages website (gassermadness.com) that dedicated to the preservation and history of the Gas class drag racing in the 1950's and 60's. Ohio, especially Cleveland, was a juggernaut for what many consider the brightest time of the drag racing sport. The Gasser display show Madness greeted



attendees with a nostalgic representation of the style of cars that did battle on the streets and the ¼ mile during the Gasser Wars era. The cars on display covered all stages of the genre with street cars, race cars and even a barn fresh survivor! The cars were judged by the Hot Rod Asylum judges and received a Gasser Madness t-shirt, stickers, and will be featured on a forthcoming Gasser Madness 2020 Gasser Calendar.



2019 JOHN SHAPIRO CRUISIN' TIMES ALL STARS

On Saturday, the show once again honored the Founder and former Publisher of *Cruisin' Times Magazine*, John Shapiro with the "2019 John Shapiro Cruisin' Times All Stars" jacket presentation. Like his father, Andy Shapiro went to car shows throughout the summer and hand-picked out the Cruisin' Times All Stars that were featured at the show. The show was proud to have more than 50 cars displayed all weekend long.





Voodoo Larry, is pictured here with his 2019 John Shapiro Cruisin' Times All Star jacket

MODEL CAR CONTEST

The 2019 Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama included contestants for the model car contest who brought their hand-crafted models to the show as they competed in 10 categories for cash and trophies. Every participant received a ribbon for their entry. The All-Stars from the competition:

BEST IN SHOW: \$100

DJ Williams - 1957 Thunderbird

BEST IN SHOW RUNNER-UP: \$75 Ed Geracci – 1950 Ford Pick-Up

BEST IN SHOW 3RD PLACE: \$50 William Geracci – 1966 GTO/El Camino



PERFORMANCE SHOPS

This year's show featured nine Performance Shops including:

- Portage Trim
- North Shore Tint
- High Voltage Indoor Karting
- Old School Kustoms
- ❖ NES Northcoast Equipment Specialists
- Rod Iron Crew
- Seme & Son Hot Rods & Restos
- Finely Tuned Fabrications
- Autosport Plus



"It was an exciting year for Performance Shops in the show," said Show Manager, Steve Legerski. "We created and limited these areas to only 9 sponsors so that they could showcase their products and services in front of the 50,000+ piston-powered enthusiasts that attend the show. We have been working with many of the same shops since we launched the I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama back in 2013, so we are proud that the show helps them to increase their economic footprint."







PRESENTED BY:



The Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama hosted students on Friday morning before the show opened to the public. They learned their ABC's by **Attending, Building** and **Competing** all weekend long. More than 1,200 students (up from the 800 in 2018) who attended career day had a chance to meet renowned car builders, industry representatives and sponsors including:

- Ryan Martin and Jeff Lutz hosted by Summit Racing Equipment
- ❖ Justin Nichols, owner of Nichols Paint and Fab the star of Velocity and the TV show "Wrench'd"
- ❖ Voodoo Larry from Kustom Car from Chicago, Illinois

The Student Career Day program was developed, in conjunction with the ISCA, in an effort to introduce high school, vocational and college automotive students to the aftermarket hot rod industry. Every school participating in the Student Career Day was eligible to win an ESAB Welding System. The 2019 winning school was the Vanguard Tech School from Fremont, Ohio.

PEDAL CAR CHALLENGE

The Summit Racing Equipment Pedal Car Challenge was another opportunity for a team of students to get involved at the show. They applied their technical skills in a hands-on project, which involved planning, design, creativity, productivity and resourcefulness. Qualifying schools were given one Hot Rod Pedal Car from Genuine Hotrod Hardware, Inc., for their students to customize. The object was to create an award-winning pedal car, fully finished and painted, for display, judging and auction. The auction took place on Saturday, March 16th with all proceeds from the auction returned to the participating schools.







Berea-Midpark High School 1ST Place Entry Matt Morelli: Senior: Fabricator

Berea-Midpark High School Thomas Conti Art Department 165 E. Bagley Road 1st Place AUCTION WINNER Nick Hellums

AMOUNT \$440

Cuyahoga Valley Career Center Efrain Soto

2nd Place

AUCTION WINNER

Guy Reph

8001 Brecksville Road Brecksville, Ohio 44141

Berea, Ohio 44017

AMOUNT \$650

C. D. Hylton Senior High School

3rd Place

AUCTION WINNER

Pull-A-Part

Eddie Stevens 14051 Spriggs Road Woodbridge, VA 22193

AMOUNT \$230

Portage Lakes Career Center

AUCTION WINNER

Ron Balis

Pull-A-Part

4401 Shriver Road Uniontown, Ohio 44685

AMOUNT \$230

Max S. Hayes High School

AUCTION WINNER

Greg Boykin

George Conrad

2211 West 65th Street Cleveland, Ohio 44102

AMOUNT \$300





HOT RODDERS OF TOMORROW ENGINE CHALLENGE



The Hot Rodders of Tomorrow (HROT) Engine Challenge first event of the 2019 season was held at the Summit Piston Powered Auto-Rama. Five teams from three states competed to qualify for the Dual National Championship held at the SEMA and PRI Show later this year. Two teams qualified, in first-place was team Kunzman & Associates, Burton Center for Arts & Tech from Salem, VA with the time of 25:25 and in second place was Team Remflex, C D Hylton High School from Woodbridge, VA. with the time of 26:18.

Rank	School	Team	Team Name	Time
1st	Burton Center for Arts and Technology	Team 1	Kunzman & Associates	25:25:00
2nd	C D Hylton High School	Team 1	Remflex	26:18:00
3rd	St. Charles East High School	Team 1	Summit Racing	36:39:00
4th	Wadsworth High School	Team 1	Taylor Cable	47:00:00
5th	Fauquier High School	Team 1	Racequip	56:01:00

To qualify for the Dual National Championship, a team must finish disassembling and reassembling a small-block Chevrolet engine in less than 33 minutes, including penalties. Hot Rodders of Tomorrow were happy to have three former participants Katie Tatum, Jonathan Miranda and Geo Melger return to volunteer as judges for this event. Two of these judges, Katie and Jonathan, are in their second year of judging and both stepped up as head judges this weekend. Also, we are pleased to hear that Jonathan Miranda using his OTC scholarships, is graduating from OTC in two weeks as valedictorian of his class.

KRAZY PAINT

The show set yet another new record by raising over \$47,000 for Krazy Paint's charitable partner, The Career and Technical School Foundation (CTSF). The annual event held during the Piston Powered Auto-Rama brought together pinstripers and other automotive artists creating Hot Rod and Rock N Roll Art, which is sold and auctioned off throughout the weekend. This year's show raised \$47,612 (up from \$45,164 in 2018) for the CTSF.



Everything from fine art panels to working guitars were painted and sold. Over 500 pieces of Kustom Kulture art were sold, further setting the I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama as the place for collectors to purchase the highly popular art form.



From Krazy Paint Artist Jack Lindenberger:

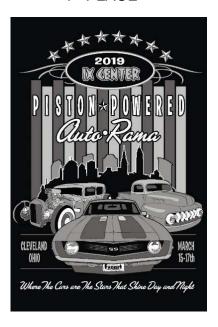
This is going to be a long read ...but please do. After 4 days of spending time with some of the best artist and friends around, at Krazy Paint all I can do is say, a BIG thanks to everyone involved from JC, Mark and Cool to all the volunteers my hat is off to everyone involved. Thanks to the charity and the I-X center for all they do to make us welcome to the event like no other I have ever attended!!!! An all-time first for me was the show chairman thanking us for being there and what we do, this was a highlight for me because I have never seen this happen in over 50 events I have attended ... what an honor for us artist!!! This is a GREAT event and I will continue to contribute what I can to it for as long as I can!!!! Just an old guy having a Great Time!!!! BIG THANKS again for Everything and Everybody!!! AMEN

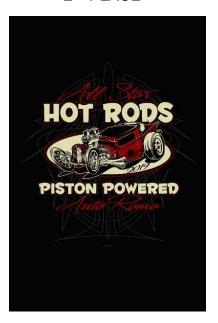


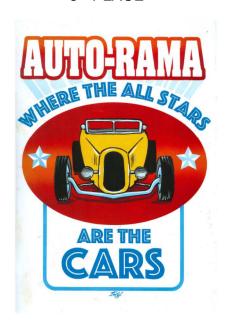
KRAZY PAINT PINSTRIPERS DESIGN CONTEST

The Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama announced the three winners of the 2019 Krazy Paint Pinstripers Design Contest at the show. Brian "The Brush" Briskie from the Brush World Headquarters in Adams Basin, New York captured the 1st place prize while Alex Hamilton of Prescott Valley Arizona captured 2nd place and Jack Lindenberger of Evansville, Indiana won 3rd place.

1st PLACE 2nd PLACE 3rd PLACE







For the 2019 contest, entries were also submitted by Jill Welsh from Jill's Custom Signs, Keegan De France, Tracey McKenzie from Xtreme Kustom Paint and Anthony Nardo from Anthony's Pinstriping & Design.















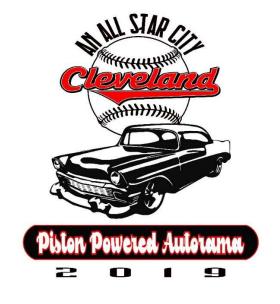












VENDORS & SWAP MEET & TOY MODELERS/COLLECTIBLES

Sold out, sold out & sold out. As there are only 90 10' x 10' equivalent booth spaces available on the Main Floor and 84 swap meet tables and 70 Toy Modeler/Collectible tables available. "Like 2018, all the commercial space was sold out in 2019 and we expect the same to happen in 2020," said Show Manager Steve Legerski. "We are asked why limit the commercial space?'. Two reasons. One: We understand our attendees work hard for their money and expect to see a LOT of Piston Powered



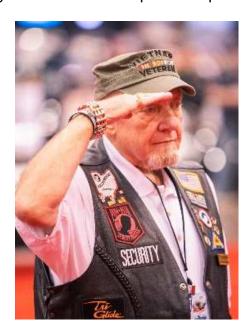
vehicles when they walk into the show. We have and will continue to deliver value to them. That's a promise! Two: We limit the number of commercial vendors to maximize interactivity between each vendor and all of the attendees."

THE 2019 SUMMIT RACING EQUIPMENT I-X PISTON POWERED AUTO-RAMA PARTNERS WITH MILITARY ALL STARS IN THE DMZ

The 2019 Summit Racing Equipment I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama featured and honored Military All Stars from VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System and Rolling Thunder in the Designated Military Zone (DMZ).

The Piston Powered Auto-Rama is all about giving back. In 2018, the show created a partnership with Wags 4 Warriors. Throughout the weekend, Wags 4 Warriors demonstrated service dogs that aid Veterans for a variety of needs from sleep disorders to supplying much needed companionship.







This year, the DMZ welcomed the VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System's Prosthetic & Sensory Aids Service as one of the show's charitable beneficiaries for 2019. The mission of VA's Prosthetic & Sensory Aids Service (PSAS) is to provide comprehensive support to optimize Veteran's health and independence. Their vision is to be the premier source of prosthetic and orthotic services, sensory aids, medical equipment and support services for Veterans and all departments within VA Northeast Ohio's 21-county catchment area. PSAS has 45 approved full-time employees who serve on average of 59,500 unique patients every year through prosthetics. The show was happy to honor many of the military members who have benefited from the PSAS and have become competitive athletes at many of the events throughout the region.



Alongside the PSAS was the Ohio Chapters of Rolling Thunder, Inc. to promote their two-part mission, bringing awareness to the POW/MIA issue and helping American veterans from all wars.







EVEN MORE PISTON POWERED ALL-STARS

IF A PISTON MAKES IT GO, IT'S IN THIS SHOW and this year's show went beyond cars, motorcycles and hot rods. Some of the biggest, most powerful and eye-catching piston powered vehicles including antique construction equipment, tractors, planes and military equipment came from many different organizations including:

The North Coast Ohio Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society



NEO Chapter of the American Historical Truck Society







Historical Construction Equipment Association





The Ohio Motorpool and Military Vehicle Preservation Association











T-28 Trojan – with the biggest single-row radial engine ever produced.

MISS PISTON POWERED CLEVELAND AUTO-RAMA PIN-UP CONTEST

More All-Stars came through the show on Saturday. The top 5 contestants of the 2019 Miss Piston Powered Cleveland Auto-Rama (Front: Left to Right):



First place: The Riveting Josie Second place: Jen Marie Third place: Carolina Lynn

Fourth place: Sweet Little Sunflower

Fifth place: Bella Sin

2019 TONY HILL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On Saturday, March 16, during the Hot Rod Asylum Awards Ceremony, Barb Hamilton-Advey was recognized with a proclamation from the State of Ohio as the recipient of the 2019 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award. The award recognizes individuals who have shown a true commitment to the automobile community and displayed activism in the industry, which made a positive difference.



BARB HAMILTON-ADVEY

AS YOU RECEIVE THE 2019 TONY HILL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

On behalf of the State of Ohio, we congratulate you as you receive the 2019 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award from the Summit Racing Equipment 1-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama. This award recognizes an individual who has shown true commitment to the automobile and hot rod community. In 1961, you purchased a 1937 stock Willys and converted it into a Gasser. In 1964, you petitioned the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) 10 times to become licensed, finally becoming the first woman to receive a license to drive a supercharged car in the NHRA. A true pioneer to the sport of drag racing, you were inducted into the International Drag Racing Hall of fame in 1992. We commend your dedication and wish you many years of continued success.

On this 16th day of February 2019;

Mike DeWine

Jon Husted Lieutenant Governor



PAST WINNER INCLUDE:

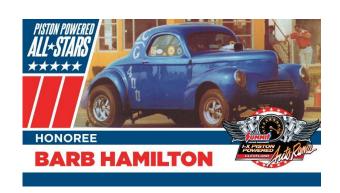
Tony Hill: 2014 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award

Dick Faroni & Frank Faroni 2015 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award

Warren Bookman & Ron Heitman 2016 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award

Gerald R. "Jerry" Koenigsmark Sr. 2017 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award

Gene Schwartz 2018 Tony Hill Lifetime Achievement Award



2019 PISTON POWERED HONOREE

The following day, during the ISCA awards ceremony, Tony Mazzolini was recognized with a proclamation from the City of Cleveland as the recipient of the 2019 Honoree of the show. The award recognizes individuals who have shown a true commitment to the Piston Powered community and displayed activism in the industry, which made a positive difference.

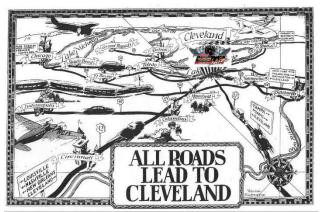
Whereas, in 1987, Mr. Mazzolini found a surplus B-29 destined for target practice at the China Lake Naval Weapons Center in the California desert and traded it with the Navy for a B-25 bomber. As an Air Force flight engineer aboard a B-29 during the Korean War, he gathered other aviation enthusiasts in the hopes of creating a flying museum as a tribute to those who flew bombers. On May 31, 2018 his 30 year effort to have a survivor of World War II history in the air, the restored B-29 bomber "Doc" flew into Cleveland powered by four 2,200horsepower, 18-cylinder Wright Double Cyclone engines. Aircraft 44-69972 "Doc", was built in Wichita in December of 1945 and is now known to be the last restorable to flight B-29 airframe in the world. Mr. Mazzolini's incredible passion will live on with its 72 pistons and bring a "Piston Powered" piece of history to every place that "Doc" lands; and,



Whereas, from March 15-17, 2018, the I-X Piston Powered Auto-Rama will be held in Cleveland and Mr. Mazzolîni will receive this prestigious award. His dedication and commitment to the "Piston Powered" community of Cleveland and our nation deserve commendation.

> Now therefore, I, Frank G. Jackson, the 56th Mayor of the City of Cleveland, do hereby offer this Proclamation in recognition of Mr. Tony Mazzolini. I invite all Clevelanders to join me in recognizing Mr. Mazzolini's many contributions to our community, congratulating him as he receives this recognition and wishing him continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

NEW THEME FOR 2020



ALL ROADS LEAD TO CLEVELAND FOR PISTON POWERED MARCH MOTOR MANIA AT THE 2020 SUMMIT RACING EQUIPMENT I-X PISTON POWERED AUTO-RAMA, MARCH 13, 14 & 15 AT THE I-X CENTER FEATURING THE HOT ROD ASYLUM, GASSER MADNESS MACHINES AND INSANE SHOW CARS AND BIKES FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IF A PISTON MAKES IT GO, IT'S IN THIS SHOW!



ABOUT THE I-X CENTER

The International Exposition (I-X) Center in Cleveland, Ohio is one of the nation's premier exhibition facilities. It is the largest single building convention center in the United States, comprised of 2.2 million sq. ft., including more than one million sq. ft. of flexible presentation space. I-X Center is conveniently located adjacent to Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, just 15 minutes southwest of downtown Cleveland, with nearby hotels and secure on-site parking for more than 7,000 vehicles. The I-X Center has hosted more than 1,500 events attracting 50 million visitors during the past 30 years. For more information, visit ixcenter.com. Follow us on Facebook at International Exposition Center and on Twitter @IXCenter.

