## **MMOCC** Newsletter –

## **FEBRUARY 2023**

Mid Mo-Old Car Club PO Box 1594, Jefferson City, MO 65102

# **Dorsey Musick – Capitol Motor Company**

Dorsey William Musick was born 17 July 1899 in Cole County, Missouri. His World War I draft registration dated 12 September 1918 shows a home address of 819 West High (now an overpass over Highways 54 and 63). His occupation was a mechanic with O. E. Simon at 220 Monroe Street (now a parking lot across from the Court House).

In 1922 the Dorsey W. Musick Automobile Service was located at 317 Commercial Way (a parking lot for the old Cole County Sheriff's Office) and across the street from his 1918 work address.



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In 1925 his business became the official Jefferson City representative for Gabriel Snubbers, manufactured in Cleveland, Ohio and were very popular until the more efficient airtype shock absorber was invented. He was the exclusive distributor for twenty-two neighboring counties. He did not charge for the service of adjusting the snubbers for the driving seasons.

# **Used Parts Service**

The Dorsey W. Musick Automobile Service has added a new branch to its business, one, we feel, which will fill a want here and prove equally as popular and necessary as the cleaning and lubrication service we are now offering the auto owner.

Every automobile at some time or other is in need of replacement of parts. That is not peculiar to any make of machine. It is true of all makes of machines.

When that unhappy time arrives the auto owner begins casting about for parts that will cost him less than the market price for new parts. He wants something good and durable at a reasonable price.

THEN WE SERVE YOU

Through a series of fortunate purchases we are able to offer you

PARTS AND AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT

#### At 50 Per Cent Less Than List Prices

Printers' Ink cannot convey our message to you as well as we can in a personal interview, so call on us if only for a discussion.

# Dorsey W. Musick AUTOMOBILE SERVICE

317 Commercial Avenue

Phone 28

In 1926 he was noted for being "a well-known garage owner" who has always specialized in cleaning cars and now offers a department to clean and paint screens for housewives.

By 1929 Musick's Auto Service was located at 118 East Capitol, now a parking lot behind the old Governor Hotel or the now Governor Office Building. His services included expert greasing with modern equipment, sold Diamond gas, Quaker State motor oil, Champion spark plugs, car storage by the day, week or month. People were encouraged to try their "smiling service".

Musick's offered add-ons to vehicles including the Foster Shimmy Stop, which stops shimmy, road tramp, wheel fight and accidents. This device becomes a permanent part of the left wheel spring and front axle. It puts a cradling action under the left front spring permitting the axle to twist through a very small angle if the road conditions require it to do so. The device can be attached to all cars, except Ford, due to their cross spring. Shimmy Stop – a remedy for a great motoring danger.

Musick's was a dealer for Kelly

"the finest tires on the market"

Registered Balloon tire. It could

hold ten percent more air and

and offered trade in value on

new tire purchases. This

included the new Kelly

Springfield Tires, builders of

Musick's was a dealer and installer of Arvin automotive heaters. Winter driving was made a pleasure with the addition of an Arvin hot water heater which hooks into your car's hot water system. Features include a six-blade quiet running fan, moveable front defector to direct heat in any direction, black Morocco body and chromium plated front. Available in four models including a special one for Ford cars, with prices as low as \$12.50.



### New tires for old ones

THE mileage left in your present tires is worth something; it has a trade-in value, just as a used car has.

If you will stop in and see us we'll be glad to tell you just how much your old tires are worth toward the purchase of new ones. We sell

because we know, after observing the performance of all leading makes, that Kelly builds the finest tires on the

Contrary to a rather general impression, Kellys cost no

#### DORSEY W. MUSICK

was twice as thick, including down the side walls, than other balloon tires. more than most other makes. By the time you have figured in the allowance on your present tires, you will be surprised to find how little it will cost you to re-equip all around with the best. twice that. Phone 281-"We'll Come on the Run"



You'll be warm and comfortable





Forget the weather! Winter driving is actually a pleasure when you have an Arvin Hot Water Heater in your car. The Arvin uses the heat from the water system of your car. At the touch of a switch, a motor-driven far your car. At the touch of a switch, a motor-driven fan forces this clean, odorless had water heal to every cor-ner of your car—and keeps it circulating constantly. Arvin has built millions of car hecters, but never one as fine as this. Have yours installed now—by any dealer listed below. Then let it get cold! You'll be warm

A Product of NOBLITT-SPARKS INDUSTRIES, Inc., Indianapolis Arvin Registered Dealers:

JEFFERSON CITY

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Dorsey Musick was quoted as saying that back before the war (WWI) a tire that gave 5,000 miles was considered very good. Today (1929) even a fair tire will give 15,000 miles and it is quite common for a Kelly tire to do

On 28 June 1930 in the Saturday edition of the Jefferson City Post Tribune, the Musick's new house was featured. It was built the previous year between June and October by builder Jim Handley. It was an English-style home at 1020 Oak Street in the Woodcrest Subdivision near Capital Region Medical Center. It featured a formal little front garden, English-style fireplace, stucco walls in two shades of tan and a stairway banister and other features made of wrought iron. Mrs. Musick built the house around their antiques. Buildings supplies furnished by Scruggs-Guhleman Lumber Company.

On 14 April 1931, the Kelly Springfield Tire Company filed suit in circuit court against Dorsey W. Musick for damages of \$1,049.56. This was compensation for a stock of Kelly tires on consignment at the Musick Garage which was stolen and uninsured.



1020 Oak Street / JCMO

In 1932, Musick advertised being Jefferson City's tire safety headquarters for General brand tires (apparently losing the Kelly Springfield distributorship after the lawsuit). General, the blowout proof tire, using 30 percent less air, used 10 to 15 pounds less air for luxurious comfort.

In October 1933, a lawsuit was filed against Dorsey Musick following a traffic crash. A couple were stopped in an automobile on Highway 50 in the town of Union at a single-lane bridge over the Bourbeuse River, waiting for a another vehicle to cross, when Musick rear-ended the stopped vehicle. The vehicle was badly damaged and both occupants were seriously injured. Both the driver and passenger were seeking \$7,500.00 each in the lawsuit.

By late November 1934 Musick's Auto Service was advertising for bids on his service station on Capitol Avenue to satisfy creditors. His business was valued at \$3,500.00. It was at this time that Leo Carmain of Carmain's Auto Service opened his second location there on December 1. Later on 10 March 1935 a public auction was held at a warehouse in the rear of 214 East High Street selling his equipment, tools and stock. Musick's was apparently a business victim of the Great Depression and later Carmain's had the same fate in 1938. Paul Beck purchased Carmain's first service station location at Dunklin and Highway 50 West (Missouri Boulevard) in May 1935. Beck's DX survived the Depression and operated for many years.

Society articles in newspapers show the Musicks living in Fort Scott, Kansas in 1941 and in nearby Nevada, Missouri in 1966 and 1968, often visiting the Jefferson City area.

Dorsey died 8 July 1982 and is buried with his wife Mary L. (Elliott) Musick (1905 – 1980) at Newton Burial Park in Nevada, Missouri.

MMOCC member Craig Haugen, Lohman, MO



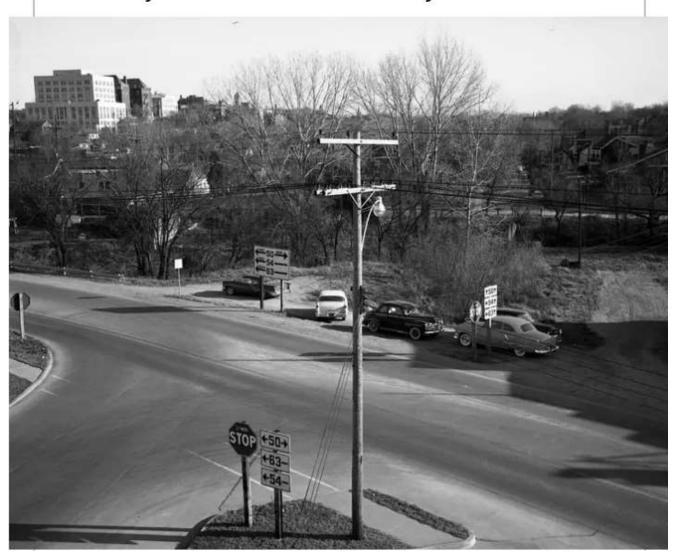
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In '75, GM thought they had a possible option for those huge, heavy Monte Carlo doors.

What the chinese spy balloon saw going over my house:



# January 1958 - Jefferson City



Main Highway Department Office at Jefferson City 1952



1958. ST. CHARLES COUNTY. The birth of Highway 70.



#### **PETER GOLDSCHMIDT REQUEST:**

MMOCC Member Peter Goldschmidt likes going to certain car shows and has two cars, but can only drive one at time. Brother Bob Peitzmeyer (RIP) used to be Peter's second driver. Would you like to help Peter out and drive a classic car?

If you would like that opportunity, contact Peter at 573-893-5539.

# **Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend**

#### A. February MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 6pm. Eat before you attend. No food service available.
- Towner Communications / 2511B Industrial Drive / JCMO down the hill on the side.
- Show and Tell Bring a tool you made or a unique tool you use and tell us how it came about.

#### **B.** Race Car Shop Tour.

- Saturday, March 4, 2023 in the morning. Exact time and locations to be announced. Watch your email.
- Reid Millard's late model shop.
- Randy Martin's sprint car shop in California.
- Organized by Larry Rhea at 573-606-9266.

#### C. St. Patrick's Parade – Paddy Malones on West Main.

- Saturday, March 11 lining up around 1:30pm with parade starting at 2pm.
- Meeting, starting, and returning at Paddy Malones at 700 West Main Street / JCMO.
- Downtown Jefferson City route (the parade, itself, is small, with about 500 feet of participants), but it brings a lot of smiles!

#### D. March MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 6pm.
- Jim Martin's garage at Route T and Second Street in Elston. First right just north of the railroad tracks.
- Topic: Annual Scholarship Auction. Bring items to sell and cash to buy! Baked goods were big sellers in the past.

#### E. Nichols Career Center Car Show.

- Sunday, April 30 from 12pm to 4pm.
- Jefferson City High School.

#### F. Monthly Capital Mall (JC) Cruise In.

• Last Saturday of each month from April to September. 4-8pm.

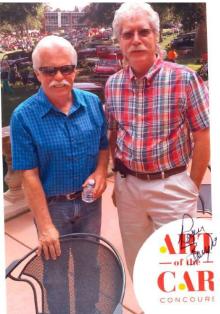
#### G. Shelby Fest.

- Thursday, May 4 to Saturday, May 6
- Downtown Jefferson City.
- https://shelbyfest.net/

#### H. Sheriff's Barbeque Car Display.

- Old Car display at the annual Cole County Sheriff's Barbeque.
- Tuesday, June 6 serving from 4-7:00 pm.
- Arrive when you can. Leave when you want. Bring a chair.
- BBQ pork steak or chicken.
- Old Car parking inside the Cole County Fairgrounds.

#### I. Lohman Cruise In.



- Sunday, July 2 from 10:30am to 2pm in Lohman on Front Street "by the big tree".
- Bring a chair and cooler. Come and go as you please.
- Lions Club BBO available at the Community Center from 10:30am to 2:30pm.
- Fireworks at the Church at 9pm.

#### J. Salute to American Cruise In.

- Downtown JC in front of St. Peters Church.
- Tuesday, July 4. 11am to 3pm. Help requested to park cars. No judging duties.
- Organizers: Larry Rhea (573-606-9266) and Dennis Smith (573-680-2505).

#### K. Argyle Knights of Columbus Car Show.

- Argyle, Missouri.
- Saturday, August 5 at 11am.

#### L. Ozark Ham and Turkey Festival.

- Downtown California, Missouri.
- Saturday, September 18. 9-4.
- "Cars and More" Show (Cars, Tractors, etc.) at the Fairgrounds and small-town Parade (optional).

#### M. 2023 - Audrain County Historical Society "Walk Back in Time".

- September 22-23, 2023.
- Historical Event featuring pre-war cars (requesting 1940 or earlier).
- 501 South Muldrow / Mexico, Missouri 65265 / 573-581-3910 Paul Baum at walkbackachs@gmail.com and https://www.audrain.org/events
- More details and times to follow.

#### N. September MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 6pm.
- HyVee Community Room Upstairs. Get your food as early as 5pm and dine together.
- Topic: Car Show.

#### O. MMOCC Old Car Round Up and Show.

- 54<sup>th</sup> annual.
- Saturday, September 30.
- In conjunction with JC Oktoberfest.

#### P. No November or December MMOCC Meeting.

#### Q. MMOCC Holiday Party.

- Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 6pm.
- American Legion off Tanner Bridge.
- Meal that evening, provided by the Club.
- Bring a rob-your-neighbor gift for your gender.

#### UNSCHEDULED EVENTS

#### R. Old School Drive In Theater.

- Date to be determined.
- Newly opened Drive in Theater in Moniteau County.
- 34263 State Highway T near Hwy 87 south of Burghers.
- https://www.facebook.com/Oldschooldrivein

#### S. Jefferson City Fire Museum Tour.

- Date to be determined.
- Fire Museum Tour at 305 East Miller / JCMO and then to Daisy Delight 2715 East McCarty / JCMO.
- Coordinated by MMOCC Member Lyle Rosburg (573-291-7159).

#### T. Schollmeyer Auto Salvage.

• 5047 MO-100, Chamois, MO 65024

#### U. Your idea, here. Speak up and plan something!

# The First Annual Wal-Mart Car Show

Submitted by MMOCC Member Joanne Winters

Category: Bumper Logs



Category: Wash and Rinse Only



Category: Advanced Locking Systems



Category: Bed Enclosures



Category: Car to Truck Conversions



Category: Low Profile Wheels



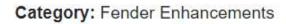
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Category: Best Use of Mirrors





Category: Car Walkers

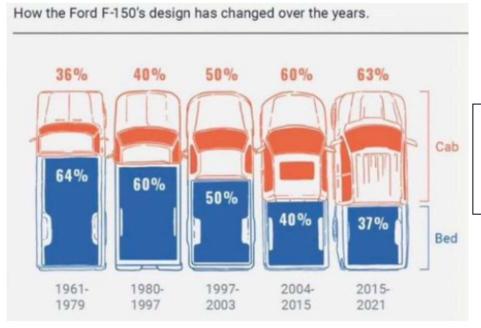


### **MMOCC SHIRTS:**

We have T-shirts in gray and white, collared polo-type shirts, and a humorous T-shirt addition. If your shirt looks dingy, time to upgrade! Shirts available at future meetings and events. Contact JIM MARTIN at 573-864-4048.

1939 - Admiral Byrd's snow cruiser passes through traffic and onlookers before halting for the night in Framingham, Massachusetts, on November 12, 1939





Using the F-150 configuration with the highest sales. How "needs" have changed.



#### **Officers:**

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