



Nearing the End of Summer

Well, it's already September and hopefully all of you've been enjoying an unusually nice summer for spirited motoring, whatever your particular interests might be. We've been quite busy ourselves.

Some of you may have seen us:

- this June at the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance, where we showcased our in-process restoration of a 1960s V12 Italian grand tourer, or
- in early August at Speed Week at the Bonneville Salt Flats, or
- running tech a weekend later at the 2019 Bellefontaine Hill Climb Revival, where our own Business Manager, Evan Frank, posted the fastest time outside of professionally-prepared entires, or
- at Lawrenceburg Speedway that same weekend, where our shop guru Mike Yust and his son, Doug, won the Annual Hornet Nationals. Woot, woot!

Business is Booming

We're delighted to say that business is going gangbusters in 2019. Our shop's been full of cars in need of a little love and attention since the beginning of the year. And, of course, we're delighted to provide it! In fact, we've had to add more staff to keep things moving. Huge thanks to all our supporters!

Jake and Elwood who?

We've been lucky to have some pretty cool cars passing through the shop. For example, Jake and Elwood Blues (plus an unidentified photobomber) stopped by the shop in their replica Bluesmobile (a 1975 Dodge Monaco built by Overbeck Auto) on a purported "mission from God." Try as we did, we never really understood what they meant - they were in the midst of explaining when they suddenly left upon hearing police sirens on Wooster Pike. In reality, it was a Scandinavian and two of his



friends doing a run through the American Midwest before shipping the homage car home to Europe.

What do a 350GT and an Italian farm tractor have in common?



Some of our shop visitors are undergoing a thorough restoration and are still in process. You might have seen a 1964 Lamborghini 350GT in our booth at the Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance. A stunning design, to say the least - and even more amazing when you realize that it was Lamborghini's first car. All of his prior experience was in designing, manufacturing and distributing farm tractors!

We're making our way through the mechanicals and plan to have the motor running before fall. Finding and/or making parts for these older gems can definitely take time!

Your Land Rover is under-powered? Lemme tell ya what we can do for you!

We've been commissioned to swap Chevy LS3 into a 1988 Land Rover Defender 110. Our customer wanted to have a bit more grunt to his daily driver and we're lucky to have lots of experience in engine swaps as well as off-road vehicles. Once we're done, you'll never know that the British icon has a Yankee transplant. As you can see in the photo, the engine is mounted and ready to go. We're modifying the body a little as well to make it a more comfortable and refined driver.



Come See Us at Our Fall Open House!

2019 Fall Open House on September 22, 12-4 pm



Hear ye, hear ye!

Zakira's Garage is pleased to announce our Fall Open House later this month, **September 22, 2019, 12-4 pm**. The event will be held at our shop in Fairfax, **6219 Wooster Pike**. We'd love to show you some of our new projects and the progress on some of our restorations. The shop is super cool and the collection of cars, tools and memorabilia is outstanding.

Last year we had well over 600 attendees bringing anything from a 1950s rat rod to a 1980s brick wagon (Volvo 240); the sheer variety of vehicles was staggering. We hope to replicate the experience this year. So feel free to bring your show car, race car, or what have you. We'll try to make room. You might have to park across the street or down the road a bit - but you'll still get to show off your ride and see many others.

As an added bonus, we're offering another car aficionado-focused raffle this year.

- **2nd Runner Up** = 2 tickets to the *KOI Cavalcade of Customs* on 10-12 Jan
- **1st Runner Up** = \$100 gift certificate to California Detail Service (the same place we take our cars)
- **Grand Prize** = **A Year of Car Fun**

- 2 tickets to the *Cincinnati Auto Expo* on 5-9 Feb
- 2 tickets to the *Cincinnati Concours d'Elegance* on 14 Jun
- \$200 gift card for any Jeff Ruby's restaurant

And guess what else - we're gonna do a "we pay half, you pay half" deal. All the food at the Open House will be **50% off**. How good is that?

We hope to see you in a few weeks at our Open House! Of course, you don't have to wait - you're welcome to stop in any time!

The Final Pylon...

Summer's almost gone! Time to put your cars through their paces a few more times before you put them away for the winter. On the open road. On the track. On the trail. It doesn't matter, really, as long you're out in your favorite vehicle driving your favorite drive!



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As always, if you need anything automotive, please call us at 513-272-2229, email us at info@zakiras.com, check out www.zakiras.com or just stop by the shop 8am-5pm Monday through Friday in Fairfax at **6219 Wooster Pike**, Cincinnati, OH 45227.

We thank you for your continued business and we're excited to see you at our Fall Open House !

Regards,
your Team at Zakira's