

## HERMITAGE

### Fathers and cars come together

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Once again, the Father's Day Car Show in Hermitage lived up to its name with many among the crowd of thousands celebrating dad's day. Fathers came with children and grandchildren Sunday to walk among the crowds on East State Street and check out hundreds of classic and newer model cars and trucks.

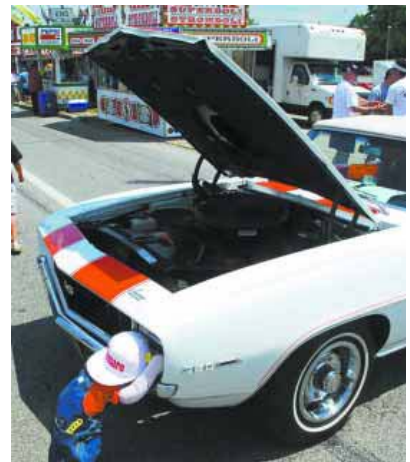
The car show is organized by the Shenango Valley chapter of the Antique Automobile Club of America. Fred Ross, former president of the local chapter, said the group settled on Father's Day for the show because they knew whatever day they chose would conflict with something during the busy summer season.

"We thought a father might want to go see the show with their family," Ross said. And by most accounts, they seem to have been right. Car enthusiast Don Sager of Sharpsville said he used to go to car shows by himself. But over the last few years, his son, Sean Scarmack, has started to develop his own interest in classic cars. Before this year, Sager said, they would celebrate Father's Day with a barbecue at home, but now he can share his love of cars with his son in Hermitage every Father's Day. "I finally have someone to go with," Sager said. The two of them walked up and down East State Street Sunday, chatting with car owners and taking pictures.

Patrick Carcaise of New Brighton brought his 1931 Model A Ford Roadster to the show. But he took the time to walk around and bond with his 9-year-old daughter Elizabeth, who liked some of the brighter, more flamboyant cars. "She goes for the colors," Carcaise said.

He said he's been going to the car show since before his daughter was born, but since her birth, the show has become a way for the family to mark Father's Day. Eric Radachy of Hermitage spent much of the day carrying his 2-year-old grandson Colton Medina on his shoulders. Radachy downplayed the familial aspect of the car show, saying it was just something for them to do on a Sunday afternoon.

But his daughter Jennifer Medina and her husband Brian Medina, who were visiting from Oakdale, Conn., said it's a great Father's Day activity because of the festival atmosphere. "They come for the funnel cakes," Medina said about his wife and son. "I come for the Corvettes,"



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***Jason Turner carries his tucked-out 4-year-old son Zackary at Sunday's annual car show in Hermitage. The Turners are from Franklin.***

***A 1969 Chevy Camaro owned by Von Rhoads of Knox, Pa., drew stares for the child figure peering through the headlight.***