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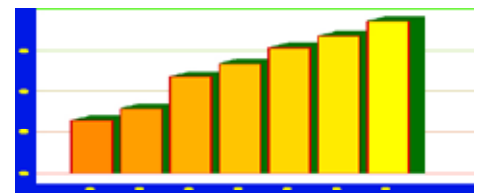
Washington, Missouri show produces largest turnout of the season for TKCS



Washington, MO— Despite record heat and humidity, parents and kids turned out in record numbers as The FIN MAN and Pablo presented their local *Take A Kid to A Car Show* booth. The purpose of the program, which hands out coloring pages with vintage muscle cars printed on them, is to get youngsters interested in restoration and preservation of collectible automobiles at an early age in order to ensure continuation of the hobby for generations to come. It was started several years ago in California by SEMA, the Specialty Equipment Market Association... a trade organization of after market auto accessories. This is the first program to bring this to the midwest auto show circuit.

The FIN MAN and Pablo to serve as judges at Shriner's Benefit Car Show next month.

St. Louis— The FIN MAN and his grandson/protégé and best friend, have been asked to be a part of the judging team for the upcoming car show on August 15th. While The FIN MAN has experience as a car show judge, this will be a first for sixteen-year old Pablo.



THE FIN MAN.COM Web Site Hits Up Dramatically...

A recent Stat Counter report shows 'hits' to the FIN MAN's web site, www.thefinman.com have risen dramatically since the first of the year. In an interview with FMFP, Bruce Kunz said the only thing he can attribute the dramatic rise to was the *Take A Kid To A Car Show* program he and Pablo have been presenting since the car season started a few months ago.

Laclede Gas joins list of TKCS sponsors...

Bruce Kunz, a.k.a. The FIN MAN™ reports that **Laclede Gas Company** recently joined the list of companies and individuals who are supporting his 'Mission Midwest' initiative for *Take A Kid to A Car Show*, a program started years ago by SEMA, the Specialty Equipment Market Association, a California-based trade organization made up of after market automobile accessory manufacturers. The purpose is to get kids interested in the restoration and preservation of historic and collectible automobiles at an early age so that the hobby will continue to thrive for generations to come.

At left: The FIN MAN™ signs GTO 'Natural Gasser' trailer at the Best Westen Inn on S. Lindbergh in Kirkwood. The specially equipped 1966 Pontiac GTO, owned by Mark McConville and Keith Barfield of Birmingham, Alabama has been modified to run on CNG or Compressed Natural Gas. The main purpose of their *Drive to Inspire* campaign is to engage everyday Americans in the energy independence movement.





Pablo recently sighted at race track... but it wasn't Gateway International.

On a recent, warm, summer Friday evening, The FIN MAN and family took a trip to Fairmount Race Track. While most were dressed in casual attire, Bruce and Pablo decided to get dressed in one of their signature, matching dress outfits, the men in black. At one point, during the races, Pablo had stepped away from the rest of the group and as he returned was stopped by a total stranger, asking, "Are you Pablo?" Quite surprised, Pablo said, "Why, yes, I am." The stranger identified himself as Old Car Column reader Jeff Riley from nearby Columbia, Illinois. He asked if The FIN MAN was at the track and Pablo escorted Riley to the location where the rest of the family was waiting.

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Fine rides dominated the recent Kustom Summer Nationals Car Show in Washington, MO

Here are just a few of the many spectacular vehicles which were on display recently at the *Kustom Summer Nationals* Car Show produced by Frank Luigi and associates of Show World Promotions.



Pablo helps set up the TKCS booth for the Ranken Tech show in April. KOHL's is the official outfitter for The FIN MAN and Pablo.™ Kohl's Cares for Kids!®

Pablo sighting *(continued from previous page)*

In another incident, later that evening, as the men in black were once again in separate locations in the park, a woman approached Bruce Kunz and said, “Do you know there is another gentleman here tonight that is dressed exactly like you?” She told him that the people in her group were trying to decide if it was merely coincidence, or if the two were somehow related. Kunz explained that Pablo was his adopted grandson and protege who has been active in SEMA’s *Take A Kid to A Car Show* program here in the metropolitan area. The woman, a recent law school graduate who had moved to the area from Iowa, was fascinated by the story and promised to check out the Old Car Column in the following Monday edition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Later that evening, as Bruce Kunz and company were leaving the park, they ran into the woman from Iowa with her party. As they were walking to their respective cars, one of the men shouted out, “Nice outfit guys!” Although black suits and ties may be considered a bit over dressed for Fairmount Race Track, Pablo says he always likes being the best dressed at any event he and his grandpa attend. The matching outfits they were wearing were purchased at KOHL’s... the official FIN MAN and Pablo outfitters for the 2010 season.

Photo ops popular at events...

When The FIN MAN and Pablo show up with their Take A Kid to A Car Show booth, there is always someone who wants to have their picture taken with one or both of the ‘dynamic duo’.



Ranken Technical College Car Show- April, 2010



Fast Lane Classic Cars– May, 2010



Baseball Hall of Famer, Lou Brock, Florissant Valley of Flowers Parade- May, 2010