2023 Recap & Results

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Special Thanks To:

The Quality Inn in St. Charles (out host hotel):

Lalit Patel, General Manager; 1600 East Main Street St. Charles, IL 60174; 630-584-5300, website: QualityInn.com

Jersey Mike's of St. Charles, IL (our food vendor):

Travis Anderson, Director of Operations; 2540 East Main Street, St. Charles, IL 60174; 630-443-1300; JerseyMikes.com

The St. Charles Park District

For the use of Pottawatomie Park in St. Charles, IL

Contributors:

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Fierorama Chairpersons and Head Coordinators:

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Fierorama Treasurer: Mark Soeldner
Pizza Party Hosts: Paul Vargyas and Lynne Kuderko, Nilmar and Sandra Mendoza, Mark and Debbie Soeldner, Glen and Char Carlson

Volunteers:

Thanks to all of those who helped the NIFE board to make Fierorama the success that it was: Adam Thompson, Charles Streetman, Tim and Elaine Panfil, Nick DiMonte, Lynne Kuderko, Jason Fawley, Jenni Hallman, Glen Carlson, Jim Stombres, Ray Dyreson, Eric White, Lee Meyer, Josh Wisong, Jeremy Janssen, Sandra Mendoza, and Debbie Soeldner.

2023 Class Winners

A: Stock Notchback Coupe 50K-100K Miles – four or less viewable modifications:

Best In Class – Terry Larson, '85 red GT

Class Winner(s) – Paul Shuta, '88 silver Formula T-top; Cole Miehlke, '86 gold Coupe; Doug Rose, '88 yellow Formula (Original Owner)

B: Stock Notchback Coupe Over 100K Miles – four or less viewable modifications:

Best In Class – Ray Dyreson, '88 white Formula

Class Winner(s) – Jeremy Janssen, '88 red Formula; Austin Stombres, '87 silver SE (Original Family Owned); Jon Revelle, '88 white Formula

C: Stock Fastback GT 50K-100K Miles – four or less viewable modifications:

Best In Class – Glen Carlson, '88 red GT

Class Winner(s) – Dan Caravos, '87 medium red metallic GT; John Parypinski, '88 white GT

D: Stock Fastback GT Over 100K Miles – four or less viewable modifications:

Best In Class – Nick DiMonte, '88 red GT

Class Winner(s) – Michael Znaniecki, '87 medium red metallic GT

E: Low Mileage Class – All Stock Fiero Models Under 50K Miles – four or less viewable modifications:

Best In Class – Jeff Jones, '87 blue GT

Class Winner(s) – Wayne Dzien, '88 yellow Formula; Sean Proctor, '87 blue GT; Tim Panfil, '85 black GT

2023 Class Winners (cont.)

F: Custom Class – five or more viewable modifications:
Best In Class – Zach McDonald, ’86 silver SE convertible
Class Winner(s) – Brian Welch, ’88 black Formula with red pinstripes; Eric Dyreson, ’87 silver GT with black striping; Brandon Guitar, ’88 purple (color changing) Formula

G: Non-V8 Engine Swap Class:
Best In Class – David Henry, ’86 metallic red wrapped GT with 3800 V6 supercharged
Class Winner(s) –Mike Kaser, ’85 red and white GT with 3800 V6; Greg Henderson, ’87 red SE with 3800 V6 supercharged; Adam Thompson, ’87 gray GT, 3800 V6 supercharged with hatchback

H: V8 Engine Swap Class:
Best In Class – Chuck Itzenthaler, ’86 red SE with turbocharged V8
Class Winner(s) – Eric White, ’88 orange Coupe; Jason Fawley, ’87 green GT

J: Project Class – Under Construction/Work In Progress:
Best In Class – Kyle Olson, ’86 black GT
Class Winner(s) – Ben Wanet, ’88 red GT

Judged Awards:

Best Interior (Stock or Custom): Gerry and Judy Goodwin, ’87 medium red metallic GT with 3800 V6 supercharged
Best Paint Or Wrap (Stock or Custom): Nick DiMonte, ’88 red GT
Best Display: Wayne Dzien, ’88 yellow Formula
Best Craftsmanship: Adam Thompson, ’87 gray GT, 3800 V6 supercharged with hatchback

Special Awards:

NIFE Member of the Year Award: The NIFE board members have bestowed the honor of our 2023 Member(s) of the Year for the decades of support that Mike Kroyer and his entire family – his wife, Amy; their daughter, Addi; their son, Mason; their daughter, Emmie – have shown to NIFE and the entire Fiero community. Mike joined NIFE as member number 471 in July 1997 and has held numerous positions on the NIFE board since 2001!

Hard Luck: Brian Welch who was enjoying playing with his remote control Fiero race car on Saturday night and ended up crashing it and cracking the front end of the body.

Highest Mileage At Show: Brian Welch with his ’88 black Formula with red pinstripes that has over 287,000 on the original engine.

Longest Distance Award: Adam Powell was able to return after a several year hiatus (due to Covid restrictions) and drove over 560 miles (900 km) to attend this year’s festivities.

“Oldest” (lowest VIN#) Fiero At Show – 1984, VIN# E, then last 6 digits: Steve Miehlke, ’84 red SE

“Youngest” (highest VIN#) Fiero At Show – 1988, VIN# J, then last 6 digits: Eric White, ’88 orange Coupe

Ladies of NIFE’s Favorite License Plate At Fierorama: Eric White, ’88 orange Coupe, plate reads: “FIRE HZD”

Key Sponsor’s Favorite Fiero:
Terry Larson of Bonter Solutions selected Chuck Itzenthaler, ’86 red SE with turbocharged V8
Todd Thorson of TANJ Technologies selected Mark Nicklaus, ’86 gold GT
Eric White of Auto Dynamics selected Zach McDonald, ’86 silver SE convertible

Best Of Show Awards:
Stock: Jeff Jones, ’87 blue GT
Non-Stock: Zach McDonald, ’86 silver SE convertible

Fierorama Poker Run Winners:
Best Hand: Mike Schmidt
Worst Hand: Robert Schmidt

Club Participation Awards:
Fiero Fanatics of Wisconsin, Heartland Fieros of Iowa, Minnesota Fieros Forever, Michigan Fiero Club, Mid-Atlantic Fiero Owners Association, and Midwest Fieros (of Omaha)

States (and Countries) Represented
Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and Canada