

# 2021 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: [www.qualityinn.com](http://www.qualityinn.com)

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

Kaitlyn Barsic, General Manager; 2540 East Main Street, St. Charles, IL 60174; 630-443-1300; [jerseymikes.com](http://jerseymikes.com)

### The St. Charles Park District

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

## Contributors:

Provided door prizes and donations: Matt Meyer (Console Skeleton Replacement), the Tyler Shipman Memorial Car Show, Simoniz car care products, Meguiar's, BonTer Solutions (NIFE Members Bonnie and Terry Larson), Rodney Dickman, The Fiero Factory Auto Center, Duragloss, Griot's Garage, R.W. Upholstery, 303 Protectant, Jeg's High Performance Products, WeatherTech, the Crafty Butterfly Boutique (NIFE member Elaine Panfil), Mid-Atlantic Fiero Owners Association, and Empire Levels.

## Fierorama Chairpersons and Head Coordinators:

**Event Chairperson:** Jim Hallman

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**Club Display Head Coordinator:** Mark Soeldner

**Registration Head Coordinator:** Paul Vargyas

**Ballot Counting Head Coordinator:** Ken Nagel

**Publicity Chairperson:** Art Hall

**Documents Chairperson:** Mike Kroyer

**Event DJ/PA System Coordinator:** Mike Kroyer

**Pizza Party Hosts:** Paul Vargyas and Lynne Kuderko,

Tom and Ryan Griffiths, Jim and Jenni Hallman, Art Hall

## Volunteers:

Thanks to all of those who helped the NIFE board to make Fierorama the success that it was: Gordon Grassle, John Parypinski, Lou Oles, Chuck Lovely, Garry Kay, Adam Thompson, Gary Kaleta, Mark Nicklaus, Don Castelli, Charles Streetman, Nick DiMonte, Lynne Kuderko, Ed Kletecka, Jen Goss, Shannon Fawley, Scott and Therese Campbell, Jenn Pickardt, Jenni Hallman, and Debbie Soeldner.

## 2021 Class Winners

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

Best In Class – Doug Rose, '88 yellow Formula

Class Winner(s) – Ed Huculak, '85 black SE; Chuck Lovely, '85 black Coupe; Ryan Cieccka, '87 medium red metallic SE

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

Best In Class – Shannon Fawley, '88 black Formula

Class Winner(s) – Dale Carlson, '88 white Formula; Roberto Sandoval, '88 black Formula; Nilmar Mendoza, '85 red Coupe

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

Best In Class – Greg Dauterman, '88 yellow GT

Class Winner(s) – Mark Nicklaus, '86 gold GT; Glen Carlson, '88 red GT; Dan Caravos, '87 medium red metallic GT

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

Best In Class – Nick DiMonte, '88 red GT

Class Winner(s) – Ray Dyreson, '88 white GT; Traci Vanliewhen, '87 blue GT; Guy Buettl, '88 red 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) – Tim Panfil, '85 black GT; Don Castelli, '88 medium red metallic GT; Earl Pote, '88 red Formula

### F: Custom Class – Notchback body style – five or more viewable modifications

Best In Class – Gerry and Judy Goodwin, '87 medium red metallic GT

Class Winner(s) – Wayne Geib, '87 black GT with graphics; Bryan Lingelback, '87 gray GT; Eric Dyreson, '87 silver GT with black striping

### G: Non V8 Engine Swap Class

Best In Class – Mike Schmidt, '87 white GT

Class Winner(s) – David Henry, '86 red GT with 3800 V6 supercharged; Paul Kolbus, '86 red Sport Coupe; Kevin Lindeman, '85 black GT

# 2021 Class Winners (cont.)

## H: V8 Engine Swap Class

Best In Class – Jen Goss, '85 blue GT, the “Blue Demon”

Class Winner(s) – Scott Schmalholz, '88 white Coupe; Eric White, '88 orange Coupe; Jason Fawley, '87 green GT

## I: Rebody Class (not recognizable as a Fiero)

Best In Class – Gary Kaleta, '86 orange metallic “Lamberto” rebody

## J: Project Class – Under Construction/Work In Progress

Best In Class – Stephen Bungert (“Garageless”), '86 purple GT

Class Winner(s) – Ryan Griffiths, '87 black GT with T-tops

## Judged Awards:

**Best Interior (Stock or Custom):** Dale Carlson, '88 white Formula

**Best Paint Or Wrap (Stock or Custom):** Jeff Jones, '87 blue GT

**Best Craftsmanship:** Gary Kaleta, '86 orange metallic “Lamberto” rebody

**Best Silver Colored Fiero:** Stock (in honor of Fierorama’s 25th anniversary): Robert Zappa, '85 silver GT

**Best Silver Colored Fiero:** Non-Stock (in honor of Fierorama’s 25th anniversary): Tom and Ann Schmidt, '86 silver SE, “The Rattler”

## Special Awards:

**Member of the Year Award:** This year’s award is presented to an NIFE Member who joined our club back in 2004 as member number 1037.

He has relentlessly supported Fierorama and the Midwest Fiero Club events across our area. He is an original owner of his '86 silver SE affectionately known as “The Rattler”. For his ongoing support of the Northern Illinois Fiero Enthusiasts, the NIFE board members have bestowed the honor of our 2021 Member of the Year to Tom Schmidt!

**NIFE Enthusiasm Award:** This year’s award is presented to an NIFE Member who joined our club back in 2020. He has traveled from Pennsylvania to participate in events across the Midwest from the Dells Run to the Back to the '80's show in Minnesota as well as Fierorama. He is an owner of an '87 black GT. For maintaining his enthusiasm in the Fiero community these recent years, the NIFE Board Members have chosen Wayne Geib for our 2021 NIFE Enthusiasm Award!

**Hard Luck:** We had three winners this year:

Ron Christianson – his steering rack broke after hitting a bump on the way to Fierorama

Greg Tripp – his water pump broke in the host hotel parking lot. The Fiero community came to his aid to repair it onsite!

Mike Kroyer – no start/fuel problem. The Fiero community came to his aid to get his car trailered home for repairs

**Highest Mileage At Show:** Gerry and Judy Goodwin, '87 medium red metallic GT with over 178,000 miles

**Longest Distance Award:** Mike Valentine who drove his Fiero over 600 miles from the Fiero Factory in Alabama, to Fierorama 25; we appreciate your support!

**“Oldest” (lowest VIN#) Fiero At Show – 1984, VIN# E, then last 5 digits:** Tony Griffin, '84 Indy Pace Car replica

**“Youngest” (highest VIN#) Fiero At Show – 1988, VIN# J, then last 5 digits:** Gary Pickardt, '88 red GT

**Ladies of NIFE’s Favorite License Plate At Fierorama 2021:** Jen Goss, '85 blue GT, plate reads: “BLU DMON” (the car’s nickname, the Blue Demon)

**St. Charles Park District’s Choice:** Mike Kaser, '85 white and red GT

**Wahlburger’s Favorite Fiero:** Eric White, '88 orange Coupe

**Key Sponsor’s Favorite Fiero:** Bonter Solutions selected Jen Goss, '85 blue GT, the “Blue Demon”

## Midwest Fiero Clubs Presentations:

The winners for the 2021 show season include:

- Dells Run – Greg Henderson of Illinois with a custom '86 red SE with a 3800 V6 turbo
- Back to the '80's Minnesota Show – Larkin Christy of Iowa with a personalized '87 silver GT
- Fieros at Carlisle, Pennsylvania – Justin Pickardt of Pennsylvania with a '88 red GT with a LS4 swap
- Michigan Fiero Club – Kristina Kahn of Michigan with a '88 red GT with Northstar V8 swap
- Tyler Shipman Memorial Show – Jon Revelle of Illinois with a '88 white Formula

**Fierorama’s Best Fiero Owned by Someone Younger Than Their Car:** Kevin Holmes of Illinois with a '86 red GT

## The Best Fiero owned by Someone Younger Than Their Car In The Midwest:

We had two winners this year:

Jon Revelle and Justin Pickardt

This year’s trophies were graciously sponsored by The Fiero Store and the Midwest Fiero Clubs.

## Best Of Show Awards:

**Stock:** Jeff Jones, '87 blue GT

**Non-Stock:** Jen Goss, '85 blue GT, the “Blue Demon”

## Club Participation Awards:

Fiero Fanatics of Wisconsin, Heartland Fieros of Iowa, Minnesota Fieros Forever, Michigan Fiero Club,

Mid-Atlantic Fiero Owners Association, Midwest Fieros

## States (and Countries) Represented

Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, North Carolina, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Colorado, South Dakota