

## Welcome to Fiero Focus Magazine

On October 19, 1991, the founding day of the Northern Illinois Fiero Enthusiasts, one of our founding members, Jim Corbin, past president of the Auburn/Cord/Duesenberg Club said, 'The most important part of any club is a good newsletter. The newsletter is the only means to communicate with every single one of its club members. Not every member will come to every meeting or car show, but every member will receive a newsletter.'

Jim's words have driven the success of NIFE and Fiero Focus since its inception. Are you ready to join us in taking Fiero Focus to the next level? No other Fiero club newsletter has earned the Golden Quill Award five times! Old Cars Weekly Magazine presents this award annually for excellence in newsletter content, use of photos, and its ability to keep its members informed. Fiero Focus has achieved more than most other car clubs of any make!

If you have been a NIFE member for more than five years, you have experienced Fiero Focus grow from a newsletter into what it is today. What you have been receiving every other month is truly more than a newsletter; more like a magazine. Therefore, the decision has been made to change Fiero Focus into Fiero Focus Magazine. Over the coming months, you will experience some polishing up taking place – refinements you might say. Overall, Fiero Focus Magazine will be the same document you have come to appreciate, however, we expect that your appreciation will continue to grow as the results of these tweaks and refinements take place.

In order to keep Fiero Focus strong and fuel its future growth, five NIFE club members have stepped forward to volunteer their time and continue to provide you with the best Fiero publication around.

I would like to introduce to you Wayne and Marsha Dzien who will serve as Magazine Editors. In this position, they will provide the coordination of the content as well as coordination between the other members of the team. If you would like to submit an article or photograph to be used in Fiero Focus, Wayne and Marsha are your contacts. They own several collector/show cars including a blue 87 GT Fiero with 'redlines' and a low mileage Indy Pace Car.

Christian and Allison Sass are our next team 'couple'. Christian's background is computer graphics and magazine layouts. The name may sound familiar, but Christian Sass has no relation to Christopher Sass who served on the NIFE board a few years ago and who authors many articles featured in Fiero Focus. Christian will assist Harry Jensen with designing ideas and concepts for the cover, photography, graphics, and layout of Fiero Focus. Christian's wife, Allison, is nicknamed 'eagle eye' for her proofing and grammar abilities. Allison will use her proofing abilities to ensure a grammatically correct issue is sent out to you for your reading enjoyment. The Sass' own several Fieros including a red Formula with T-tops.

Mike Kroyer, current NIFE Activity Director, will add the role of Magazine Reporter to his plate. Mike will be authoring articles that will appear in the centerfold of the magazine – our 'feature article'. Mike will also continue to author the Meet A Member feature as well as other content articles. Additionally, Mike will apply his graphic artist talents while working with Christian Sass and Harry Jensen on the cover layout, design concepts, and photography of each issue. Mike owns a 1987 Medium Red Metallic Fiero Coupe.

Harry Jensen, like he has since 1998, will continue to finalize the layout and bring all of the content together and produce the fine quality results that are mailed to you every other month.

Our Magazine Team is always looking for content to feature within the pages of Fiero Focus. So, if you attend a car show and took some pictures of your Fiero, or if you are planning on doing some maintenance work on your Fiero, please contact our Magazine Editors, Wayne and Marsha Dzien, who will gladly accept your contributions. Or, Wayne and Marsha would be happy to dispatch our roving reporter, Mike Kroyer, to help you document an article for a future article. Let us sit back and watch our Fiero Focus Magazine Team push the envelope of a magazine experience. You can contact Wayne or Marsha at: 815-455-2665 or email at: Pelican47@aol.com. If you would like to contribute digital photographs for the newsletter, please follow these guidelines for saving and emailing the photos: all photos should be saved with no less than 200dpi of 600x800, preferably 300dpi 3" x 5" in 'tiff' or 'jpg' format with a three letter extension (ie. tif). Any files sent through email should be no larger than 2MB due to server limitations. If you have more than one file totaling 2MB, send each file in a separate email or consider using Winzip or Stuffit compressed files.