



1950 Packard Station Sedan is invited to the Eyes on Design

Steve Cizmas fixed the tail light issue, **Larry Telles** and **Ray Hollingsworth** have been polishing and prepping the car for a few weeks now, and we're concerned that some of the other cars in the PPG fleet could be getting jealous! Early Sunday morning **Larry** will be driving and **Dave Dolby** will follow just to be extra safe.

[Click here](#) to check out Emily's blog post about the show, and we hope you'll stop by and say hi if you attend the [Eyes on Design car show](#) this Sunday, September 19th.

Upcoming Event Dates

Wednesdays - Cruise-In weekly event on the front lawn 4-8 pm
(9/29 last night for the season)

Saturdays - Farmers Market 9 am - 2 pm

Sunday, October 10th - **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** 5-8 pm

Sunday, October 17th - **Annual Fall Open House** 1-5 pm

Sunday, October 24th - **Chic and Unique** 12 - 5 pm
Vintage, Repurposed, & Handmade Market

Saturday, November 20th - **Harvest Holiday Indoor Farmers Market**



Sunday, September 19, 2021

Join us for the #ExploreMotorCities Road Tour, a fun way to explore the region's automotive history, and visit some great attractions.

Get your Passport stamped, and enter to win some great prizes!

\$30/per car
(\$25 for MotorCities/Hagerty members)

Get more details and register at Motorcities.org/exploremotorcities-road-tour

(Click on the box for full size flyer)



TAKING THE IN-STUDIO EXPERIENCE OUTSIDE

F45 TRAINING SHELBY 23 MILE

AT PACKARD PROVING GROUNDS
PART OF THE SHELBY FARMERS MARKET

SATURDAY, SEPT 25
9:30AM & 10:45AM

JOIN COACH TIA AND COACH JOE FOR AN OUTDOOR TRAINING EVENT!

F45 SHELBY 23 MILE

SPACE IS LIMITED TO MEET SOCIAL DISTANCING RECOMMENDATIONS, SO REGISTER TODAY!

Shelby Farmers Market - local Fitness Guest Sept 25

F45 Shelby 23 Mile will be onsite at the PPG during the Shelby Farmers Market on Saturday, September 25th, hosting 2 free outdoor community classes (9:30 AM and 10:45 AM).

For more information, or to register, email shelby23mile@f45training.com.

GEMS FROM THE VAULT

Phil Cunningham

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the August summary of the Proving Ground's Image digitizing project.



This iconic image features PPG site manager Charles Vincent in the radio room, his personal office above the Lodge House garage. If he wasn't to be found working with Packard's engineers in the garages or supervising the testing track, he could be found here. Since then, we've made some changes to the radio room to better protect Charles Vincent's legacy. Read onward in this newsletter to learn more about our preservation projects!



Hats Off to the PPG!

Keep those last rays of summer sunshine out of your eyes with this Packard-themed baseball cap!

Check out the various styles we have to offer by [clicking here](#).

All of our gift shop items are available on-site and online, so place an order or visit us in person to nab some Packard swag.

Buy Now



Back to the Bricks 2021: The Packard Crowd in Flint!





(top left) Bruce Blevins next to the PPG display chassis, (top right) Luther Curry Jr. next to his 1949 Packard (bottom left) PPG show chassis under the Packard display tent (bottom right - clockwise from top left) Luther Curry Jr., Tom Skunda, Kathy Mitchell, Mike Dean, Tom Mitchell, Bruce Blevins, Dani Homich, Bob Buschman, Linda Buschman, Jim Cuttill and a Packard supporter.

Our hardworking volunteers stole the show at the annual **Back to the Bricks** classic car festival in Flint, showing off our fleet of classic Packards. The PPG was well represented with multiple cars on display, as well as the Packard chassis (which was a crowd favorite!).

Special thanks to **Bruce Blevins** for organizing this display, and managing the volunteer effort at the show.

If you didn't make it down to the "Bricks", don't worry - we've got the details on our blog! [Click here](#) to read about the event and enjoy some beautiful photos of our cars on display, provided courtesy of volunteer **Rick Mayer**.

Updates from the PPG Library & Archives

Emily Benoit, MA, MILS



Curtains Closed: Finishing a Preservation Project

Our goals for preserving the Charles Vincent shooting jacket have successfully been met. The jacket will be housed in archival storage during the site's quietest months ([you can read a bit about that here](#)). But don't worry - you'll still be able to view the jacket most of the year! We'll be keeping it on display in the radio room during the PPG's busiest months.

Since the radio room has both east and west facing windows, I've been particularly worried about the possibility of nearly-constant sunlight exposure (the only kind of elemental damage to artifacts that's irreversible).

Fortunately, an easy solution was available: **CURTAINS!**

Two sets of light-blocking curtains have successfully been installed in the radio room. These will help to offset any light damage that the jacket would incur during the months when it's on display. For more details about the project, [click here to check out our blog post.](#)



HISTORICAL TIDBITS AND TRIVIA

CAN YOU GUESS?



Was this one too hard?

Okay, here is a hint: this mural is located inside a newer restaurant in Shelby Twp.

The first person to [email Rene](#) with the correct answer will win a prize from the PPG Gift Shop!

RECYCLE - REPURPOSE - REUSE

Weddings can get expensive. We want to do all that we can to help support couples sharing resources. **PPG wedding couples** can bring in their gently used items to sell. Set up starts at 11am. There are a limited number of tables available, RSVP to Rene @ 586-739-4800.



This is a fun, budget friendly way to network with other PPG couples, and the sale is open to the public.

**CONSIDERING MAKING A
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