

PRESS RELEASE

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Fuel Up as America On Wheels Turns 10. Racing with the Cars of Rick Hendrick of NASCAR Fame

ALLENTOWN, PA – America On Wheels Museum is excited to announce the debut of the Changing Exhibit Gallery. The Cars of Rick Hendrick will debut April 14th showcasing eight unique race cars. The exhibit will run through October.

Sneak Preview of the Rick Hendrick Collection – Driven By:

1. Jeff Gordon, NASCAR Dupont Chevrolet
2. Geoff Bodine, NASCAR Levi Garrett Chevrolet
3. Jimmie Johnson, NASCAR Lowe's Chevrolet
4. Dale Earnhardt, Jr. NASCAR National Guard Chevrolet*And more.*

Assisting with the facilitation of this exhibit is Keith Flickinger of The NB Center for American Automotive Heritage, Allentown. Keith believes this will be a very exciting and well received exhibit. Linda Merkel, Executive Director, states Northeast PA has a well-known racing history and its residents have always been enthralled with racing. Beginning with Dorney and Mahoning Valley Race Tracks to Nazareth Speedway and Pocono Raceway, which still hosts major NASCAR events, race car enthusiasts have supported this sport for decades. Now they'll have the opportunity to see some of these cars up close. The museum invites everyone to view this unique exhibit. Rick Hendrick's team has won at least one Cup-Level race each season since 1986. We are fortunate to be able to feature a number of race cars, and memorabilia from Rick Hendrick's private collection states Merkel. These cars were driven by some of the most recognizable names in motorsports. "This exhibit is a "must see" for all enthusiasts states Alan Gross, Exhibit Chair. Showcasing this exhibit is an honor as Hendrick was inducted into the NASCAR Hall of Fame in 2017." Merkel also announced the 10th Anniversary of America On Wheels. It has been an honor to serve as Executive Director for ten years as we keep moving the Museum forward with the help of our wonderful Board of Directors and dedicated volunteers.

There will be a Birthday Bash at the Museum on April 15th from 12pm - 4pm

- Enjoy Smoke and Mirrors ~~ Music from 12:30pm to 3:30 pm. **Smoke and Mirrors is a Lehigh Valley favorite combining dance music, car songs and MAGIC**
- Wanderlust FX Face Art will be providing beautiful, ornate face painting designs from 2:30 – 2:30pm
- Sing Happy Birthday to the Museum at 2:30 in the Museum Lobby
- Proclamation – Time to be announced (per Senator Brown's office)
- Activities for children throughout the day (12 & under FREE)
- Outdoor Parking Lot – Classics will be on display (weather permitting)

5 North Front Street, Allentown PA. Admission \$10, Seniors \$8, Children 12 and under FREE, students (6-16) \$6. Children 12 and under FREE every Sunday due to community Sponsors. Visit www.americaonwheels.org for hours of operations and special events.