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The Proud Winner Of The Mustang Convertible!

8th Annual Gurley Motor Route 66 Car, Truck & Street Rod Show

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By all accounts it was a very memorable weekend in Gallup, New Mexico held from July 25-27, 2014. The official title of this weekend event was the "1st Annual Route 66 Freedom Ride, Flight, & Cruise with the 8th Annual Gurley Motor Company Route 66 Car, Truck, & Street Rod Show". Boy that title is a mouthful but it gives you some idea how big this event really was.

Putting on an event of this magnitude required a combined effort by the Gurley Motor

Company, the City of Gallup, Gallup Chamber of Commerce, and the Gallup Business District to be successful.

The event began on Friday night with a mass ascension of 33 hot air balloons and a cruise of about 40 cars up and down Route 66 as a group of Harley-Davidson motorcycle riders headed east to Tucumcari.

Saturday morning began with another mass ascension of hot air balloons as vehicles headed over to Gurley Motors for the Route 66 Car, Truck, and

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Street Rod Show. A show that attracted 105 vehicles from all over New Mexico, California, Arizona, Texas, Nevada, and Colorado.

Those vehicles were split up into nine classes and once again the class winners were given beautiful special Native-American themed pottery awards. And this year a "Mayor's Choice", "Police Chief Choice", and "Fire Chief Choice" awards were added to the mix. "Best of Show" was won by a beautiful 1940 Ford 2 door sedan that is



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owned by Norm and Donna Davis of El Centro, California.

After the car show, 10 lucky participants had a chance to try their key and win a beautiful 1994 Mustang convertible, then everyone headed out for another cruise and were joined by the Harley-Davidson motorcycle riders that had completed their "border to border run" as well as some off-road racers who were competing in a local race that weekend. All these vehicles were escorted by the police through a "Tunnel of Fire" provided by the

hot air balloonists who lit off their burners as the vehicles passed through on their way to Courthouse Square for a car and motorcycle show and a memorable evening of entertainment provided by some Native American dancers and 3 live bands.

Steve Gurley told us that they raised \$3000.00 from car show entries and they split the proceeds in half and presented \$1500.00 each to the "Brothers-In-Arms" and the "American Legion Riders" motorcycle

clubs. Steve also told us that the groups who put on this year's event are getting ready to meet to plan next year's event and you can find out the details at gurleymotorrt66carshow.com.

He also tells us that if you want to get into the "9th Annual Gurley Motors Route 66 Car, Truck, & Street Rod Show" get your application in early because they only have room for 130 vehicles, and they may hit that number next year.

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