

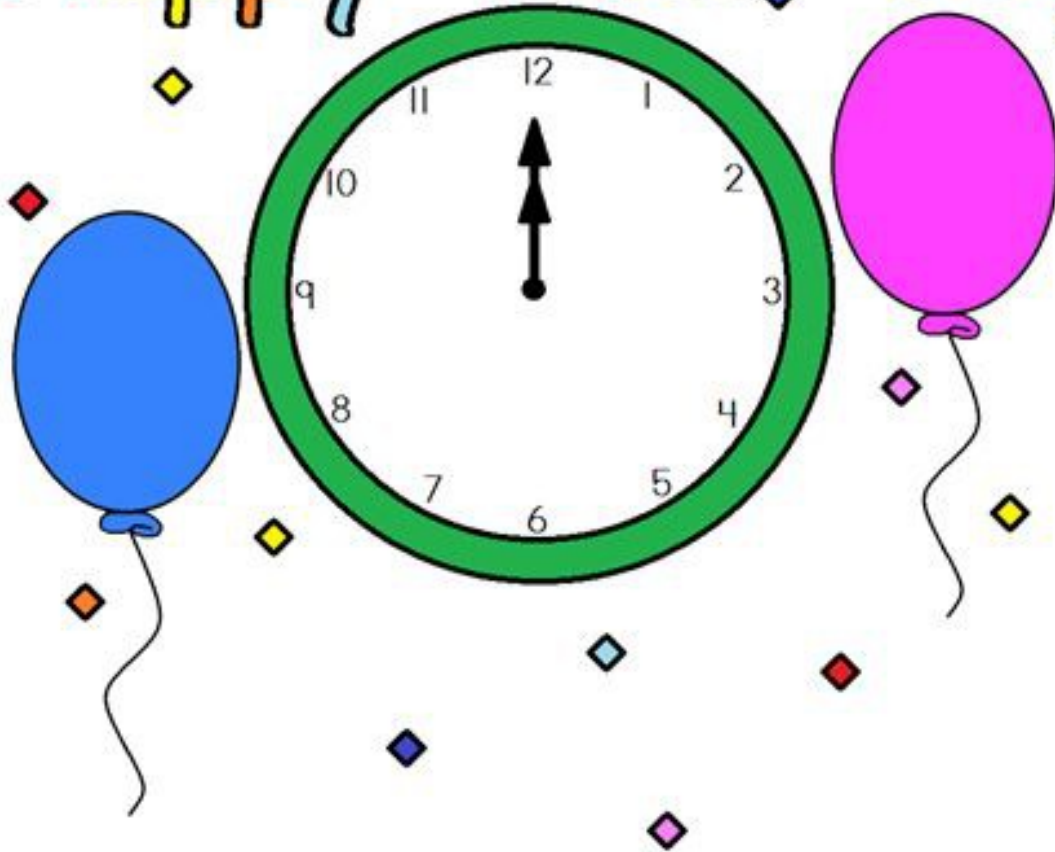
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Happy New Year



Who Am I?

Submitted by: Jerry Antunes

Do you know who this person is & why we're highlighting him?



See the answer on page 6



NFA Annual Meeting

Submitted by: Gwen Randolph

Eileen & Bill Dorosz graciously volunteered their home for our meeting on December 13, 2014 & also arranged for a restaurant for our holiday party after the meeting.

The plan was to have the meeting at their house & then cruise to a local restaurant for the party. Thank you Eileen & Bill.

For those members not in attendance, the following is a short recap of discussions & votes decided.

Dues remain at \$10.00 for 2015. If you haven't already renewed for 2015, please go to <http://fieropride.com/> & click on the "Join NEFA" option & pay via PayPal or follow the directions to send a check to Ray Paulk, Membership Director. With your paid dues you receive the Fiero Pride eNewsletter.

It was voted not to offer the hard copy version to members for the additional fee in 2015 as the eNewsletter & hard copies are identical with one difference – the eNewsletter version is all in color.

All 2014 officers were voted in for 2015. They are:

President – Ray Paulk

Treasurer – Andrew Virzi

Webmaster – Brian Smith

Activities – Jerry Antunes, Bob Aceto & Gwen Randolph

Merchandise – Roger Coulson

Newsletter – Gwen Randolph

The Activities Committee announced that they would get together after the holidays to come up with activities for 2015. The committee welcomes members suggestions. Please contact the Activities Committee.

I wasn't able to go to the party. My husband Phil was away & with a 1 ½ hour drive home, I knew I'd be driving alone at night after the party so I left for home after the meeting.

From an email recap from Roger Coulson & Bill Dorosz after the party, I understand that some of the group went over to Wayne Carini's F40 Motorsports located on Route 66 in Portland, CT. Many of you may watch Wayne on his *Chasing Classic Cars* TV show. Unfortunately the building was closed so everyone was relegated to looking in the windows unfortunately. Phil & I know the place well as we drive by it anytime we are heading either to one of the P.O.C.I. car shows in Wallingford, CT, or anytime we are heading south. We even stopped in once & looked around one day. There are always some really nice cars to be seen when we drive by. Unfortunately we have never seen a Fiero.

Fiero Revised Bulletin

Submitted by: Bruce Homeyard

CLUTCH LINKAGE SYSTEM SQUEAKS (REPAIRS DESCRIBED) #87-7-55 - (10/10/1988) 1984-87 FIERO MODELS WITH MANUAL TRANSMISSION

"This bulletin is being revised to supersede Bulletins 86-7-13, 86-7-24, 86-7-34, 87-7-49 and 87-7-54. Please destroy all copies of these previously issued bulletins. "

CLUTCH WEAR: Owners of some 1984-87 Fieros equipped with manual transmissions may comment of clutch slippage, separation of facing from the driven disc, gear clash, excessive shift effort, or excessive clutch pedal effort. Prior to replacing a clutch assembly in any of these vehicles, use all four (4) of the following cause and action statements to locate and repair the reasons for the clutch wear.

Reference Figure #1.

1. Cause: Clutch release difficult, due to excessive clutch pedal deflection and/or bent clutch pedal "standoff" bracket.

Action: Using the procedure below, install the following new components and discard the clutch pedal return spring, spring bushing, and push rod pin washers which are not used with the replacement system.

PART DESCRIPTION PART NUMBER ----- Steel Clutch Pedal (1984-86 ONLY) 10066423 Master Cylinder Push Rod (1984-85 ONLY) 10126424 Master Cylinder Push Rod (1986 ONLY) 10126423 Retainer Clip 10040797 Lubriplate or equivalent 1052196 Castrol Fluid 12345347

Parts are currently available from GMSPO.

Procedure: A. Remove clutch master cylinder push rod from clutch pedal. B. Remove neutral start switch. C. Remove the rubber bumper (sleeve) from the clutch pedal return stop and discard. D. Remove nut from pedal pivot bolt. E. Slide pivot bolt half way out, loosen two (2) pivot bracket bolts, and remove clutch pedal. F. Disconnect hydraulic line from master cylinder. G. Remove master cylinder mounting bolts and remove master cylinder from front of dash. H. Remove the boot, snap ring and push rod from the master cylinder. I. Install the new push rod and snap ring in the master cylinder (lubricate the installed end of the push rod) . Reattach the boot to the master cylinder. J. Bench bleed the master cylinder, using Castrol Fluid as replacement fluid. K. Reinstall the master cylinder to front of dash and reattach hydraulic line. L. Install new pedal assembly and apply liberal amount of Lubriplate lubricant to inner and outer diameters of pedal bushings and spacer. M. Torque pivot bolt nut, and also torque pivot bracket bolts. N. Apply Lubriplate lubricant to the bushing in master cylinder push rod, and on pedal push rod pin. O. Attach push rod to pedal and secure with retainer clip, per Figure 1. DO NOT USE ANY WASHERS. P. Bleed the system using Castrol fluid as replacement fluid. Power bleeding is acceptable. Q. Install neutral start switch.

NOTICE: NEUTRAL START SWITCH WILL SELF-ADJUST ON INITIAL DEPRESSION OF CLUTCH PEDAL (RATCHETING NOISE IS NORMAL).

R. Adjust cruise control dump switch per section 9B-8 of the 1988 Fiero Service Manual.

Labor Operation: T1358 Labor Time : 1.3 Hours

2. Cause: Clutch release difficult, due to clutch fork lever cracking or excessive deflection.

Action: Install new cast iron clutch fork lever in place of the stamped steel lever. Use the following part numbers:

APPLICATION PART NUMBER ----- 1984 4 cyl., 4-speed 10054118 1985-86 6 cyl., 4-speed
10054119 1985-86 4 cyl., 5-speed 10054300

Warranty Information

Labor Operation: K0280 Labor Time : Use appropriate labor time for model year.

3. Cause: Partial clutch disengagement due to interference between the pedal and pedal return stop and/or misadjusted cruise control dump switch. The interference restricts the pedal from returning to its fully engaged position, which retains pressure in the hydraulic system.

NOTICE: THE PEDAL RETURN STOP CONDITION WAS CORRECTED IN PRODUCTION (ON VEHICLES BUILT AFTER VIN GP220697) BY REMOVING THE RUBBER BUMPER (SLEEVE) FROM THE PEDAL SUPPORT ASSEMBLY.

Action: Same as #1.

4. Cause: Insufficient clutch release, due to air in hydraulic system lines.

Action: Bleed hydraulic system, per Section 7C of the Fiero Service Manual. Power bleeding is also acceptable. Use Castrol Fluid as replacement fluid.

Warranty Information

Labor Operation: K0040 Labor Time : .5 Hours

IMPORTANT: When replacing the clutch assembly, inspect the clutch fork shaft for freedom of movement. If there is any restriction in movement, replace the fork shaft bushings per Section 7C of the Fiero Service Manual.

CLUTCH NOISE:

Owners of some 1984-86 Fieros equipped with manual transmissions may comment of a squeaking noise while depressing or releasing the clutch pedal. The squeaking noise may be coming from one or more of the following locations. Use the following cause and action statements to locate and fix the noise condition:

Reference Figure #1.

1. Cause: Pedal pivot noise due to (1) insufficient lube; (2) deflection, resulting in uneven loading on the pivot bushings, or (3) pedal return spring noise.

Action: Same as #1 of CLUTCH WEAR Section.

NOTICE: SPRAYING OR SQUIRTING LUBRICANT TO THESE AREAS (WITHOUT PERFORMING THE ABOVE ACTION) WILL ONLY TEMPORARILY ELIMINATE THE NOISE.

2. Cause: Push rod pin pivoting noise due to misalignment between the master cylinder and pedal (pedal deflection and/or bent clutch pedal "standoff" bracket), or incorrect attachment of the push rod to the pedal pin.

Action: Same as #1 of CLUTCH WEAR Section.

3. Cause: Master cylinder noise due to (1) internal seal friction on bore, (2) contact between master cylinder boot and push rod, or (3) misalignment between the master cylinder and pedal, due to excessive clutch pedal deflection and/or bent clutch pedal "standoff" bracket.

Action: Same as #1 of CLUTCH WEAR section, as well as:

A. Install a new master cylinder assembly, P/N 10079730 in place of the removed assembly. New pushrod will be included with the new master cylinder.

B. Evacuate the entire hydraulic system (master/slave cylinders and pipe) of the old fluid. To evacuate the pipe assembly, disconnect it from the master and slave cylinders, and use air pressure to blow the fluid out.

C. Refill the system with Castrol fluid and bleed.

Warranty Information

Labor Operation: T1358

Labor Time : 1.3 Hours Add : .3 Hours (for evacuation)

SQUEAKING NOISE:

Owners of some 1987 Fieros equipped with manual transmissions may also comment of a squeaking noise. Use the following cause and action statements to locate and fix the noise condition.

1. Cause: Pedal pivot noise due to insufficient lube.

Action: Remove the clutch pedal and lubricate the inner and outer diameters of the clutch pedal pivot bushings and spacer with Lubriplate lubricant. Reinstall the clutch pedal.

Warranty Information

Labor Operation: K0060 Labor Time : Use appropriate labor time for model year.

2. Cause: Master cylinder noise due to internal seal friction on bore.

Action: Install a new hydraulic clutch master cylinder, P/N 10079730; and evacuate, refill, and bleed the hydraulic system per the following procedure.

A. Disconnect the master cylinder push rod from the pedal and the hydraulic pipe from the master cylinder. B. Remove the master cylinder from the front of dash. C. Detach the hydraulic pipe from the slave cylinder and blow the fluid out of the pipe. Open the slave cylinder bleed screw and use the piston to evacuate any fluid. D. Bench bleed the master cylinder (using Castrol fluid) and install it to the front of dash. Attach the push rod to the pedal pin using the retainer clip. E. Reattach the pipe to the master and slave cylinders. F. Refill and bleed the system using Castrol fluid. Power bleeding is acceptable.

Warrant Information - Labor Operation : K0600 Labor Time : Use appropriate labor time for model year. Add : .3 Hours (for evacuation)

3. Cause: Push rod pivoting noise due to insufficient lube at the pedal push rod pivot pin.

Action: Remove retainer clip and push rod from pedal pin and lubricate the pedal pin and push rod bushing with Lubriplate lubricant. Reattach the push rod to the pedal.

Figure 1 - General Motors bulletins are intended for use by professional technicians, not a "do-it-yourselfer". They are written to inform those technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or to provide information that could assist in the proper service of a vehicle. Properly trained technicians have the equipment, tools, safety instructions and know-how to do a job properly and safely. If a condition is described, do not assume that the bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle will have that condition. See a General Motors dealer servicing your brand of General Motors vehicle for information on whether your vehicle may benefit from the information.

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Almer Stillwell "Mike" Monroney (March 2, 1902 – February 13, 1980) was a Democratic Party politician from Oklahoma. He represented Oklahoma's 5th congressional district in the United States House of Representatives from 1939 until 1951 & represented Oklahoma in the United States Senate from 1951 until 1969.

As a Senator, he sponsored the Automobile Information Disclosure Act of 1958. The law required that all new automobiles carry a sticker on a window containing important information about the vehicle. That sticker is commonly known as a "Monroney sticker".

The **Automobile Information Disclosure Act of 1958**, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1231-1233, was passed in June 1958 by Congress & took effect in January 1959.

The law has been amended & now requires that all new automobiles carry a sticker on a window containing important information about the vehicle, including:

1. The manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP)
2. Engine & transmission specifications
3. Standard equipment & warranty details
4. Optional equipment & pricing
5. City & highway fuel economy ratings, as determined by the Environmental Agency.

What's Happening – 2015

March 27 – 29, 2015 – 2014 Spring Turkey Run – Daytona Beach, FL – held at the Daytona International Speedway. Check out their website: http://www.turkeyrun.com/Turkey_Run_Home.html. Always a great weekend to get together with other Fiero enthusiasts.

More events will be listed as the warm weather arrives & Fieros are brought out from under their winter covers.

Classifieds

Fieros:

1985 Fiero GT - Ray Paulk found this. This is a dealer sale by Boyle Buick GMC Trucks, Abingdon, MD. The contact person is David Vest, Work: 410-515-6100. This is the lowest mileage '85 Fiero I've come across. If you are looking for a NOS '85 Fiero GT... here it is! Check out: <http://www.boylebuickgmc.com/VehicleDetails/used-1985-Pontiac-Fiero-GT-Abingdon-MD/2332680033> or the classified section of the FieroPride.com for pictures. You may notice that it has the '88 black lace wheels, but David assures me that they have the factory stock Hi-Tech Wheels that it came with. I see that it also has after-market floor mats, but they do look really good. David Vest of Boyle Buick GMC Trucks recently sent a note to Ray that they have slashed the price on the car down to \$16,995.00. 11/1

1988 PONTIAC FIERO GT - Fully Restored - \$8000. East Falmouth, MA. 115,300 miles. 10,000 on new engine. Blows cold a/c, p/w, p/m, sunroof. No rust issues. Never driven in snow/salt. Check out full description & pictures & contact information @ <http://boston.craigslist.org/sob/cto/4677746302.html> or <http://fieropride.com/>. 10/14

1986 Fiero GT - "Blue By You" is for sale. It is a 1986 GT with a stock powerplant, lambo doors & Mr. Mike's seats. The car has many other customizations & runs well. Sale does not include existing stereo. \$3000 firm. Car is located in Syracuse, NY. For more information, please contact Tom Harding at hardpact1973@yahoo.com 10/14

Parts:

Mirror Control Repair Plate - Reinforcement backing plate repairs broken-out remote control bezel on driver's door mirror. Kit includes easy to follow instructions, plate, extra bezel nuts, and two extra door panel clips.... just in case you break one. \$9.00 covers the kit & shipping. Contact Tom Derr at **(717) 763-5748** or tom6derr@yahoo.com.

Coil overs & 2.5 alternator - a pair of rear coil over springs taken off a 88 Fiero. May fit other years. Manufacturer unknown. Great shape. \$100 for the pair. Picture provided if interested. Also, 100 amp alternator for a 87-88 Fiero 2.5. AC Delco reman - **brand new** - in box with fan & pulley attached. Sells new for \$125+. Will take \$80. Contact Andrew @ Fieroworks@comcast.net Milford, NH. 11/1

Fiero Toys, Literature & Collectibles:

Are you interested in Fiero collectibles? Ray Paulk, **Fiero Toy Box**, has over 500 unique Fiero toys in his personal collection and tons of toys in inventory, but don't expect cut rate prices as most Fiero toys are rare and hard to find. If you are interested you can contact Ray at Ray@RaytheRealtor.com.

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Cleaning out extra Fiero items - Mint copy of "The Fiero Press Guide" by Thomas Bonsall. Only time the book was opened was when the author autograph it. Sells at Barnes & Nobles for \$125 without signature. Would like \$100. Also a Pontiac Fiero windbreaker, size XL in new condition. It was either a dealer item or I got it at GM school – *seller worked for a Pontiac dealer* - when the 1986 GT's first came out. It's unworn, olive green. Seller can send pictures. Would like \$75. Email Matt Turner @ Matthew.Turner@peak-ryzex.com.

NEFA Merchandise & Apparel

Polo shirts with the NEFA logo embroidered on the left front. Nice quality shirts at a reasonable price. You may have seen a few members wearing these shirts. Check out the TC Promos website and use the drop down button for colors and size options <http://tcpromos.com/shop/private-store>

Check out the NEFA website <http://fieropride.com/> and click on the NEFA Merchandise button to view the NEFA T-shirts for size & colors available or the NEFA window sticker for your Fiero at \$1.00 each. And don't forget the NEFA pint glasses. Just the right size for your favorite cold beverage.



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or

Jen (MAFOA) @ Jennifer.G@fieropride.com.

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