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60th Anniversary Celebration Closes 2010 Summer Season

The HRC 60th Anniversary Celebration held on Friday and Saturday, September 10th and 11th brought the 2010 season to a resounding conclusion. Despite the lack of cooperation from the weather, the 60th Anniversary events were an overwhelming success. The Friday Old Timers Reunion with John Fitch as honored guest and featured speaker was attended by the largest crowd ever to attend an HRC Dinner/Social. The Saturday Morning Kettle Call Rally drew forty five entries in spite of pouring down rain prior to the start. The Saturday afternoon Car Show with Concours De Provenance featured over sixty entries with eight cars that actually participated in the 1950-52 races. The events concluded with a police escorted reenactment tour of the Historic Circuits in which over eighty cars passed straw bales, corner workers with the original control paddles (flags) and a flag man at the finish in authentic period dress. For the full story go to www.historicracecircuits.com and click on the Previous Events page.

Preservation Society Gives Back Through Charitable Donations

With the completion of another successful year and the 60th Anniversary Celebration, HRC Directors approved four donations to charities and other nonprofit agencies.

A donation of \$1,000 was made to the Wisconsin Historical Foundation (the funding arm of the Wisconsin Historical Society). The donation has been directed to the Society's Museum Artifacts Fund to be used for the expansion of the Museum's automotive collection. The Wisconsin Historical Society played a key role in the preservation of the Elkhart Lake Open Road Race Circuits and the

donation is made in appreciation for their efforts on our behalf.

A donation of \$1,000 was made to the Elkhart Lake Police Department. Chief Randy Boeldt accepted the donation on behalf of the department. The donation will be matched through the federally funded Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act and will enable the Elkhart Lake Police Department to outfit three police officers with the latest in technological advanced bulletproof vests. The Elkhart Lake Police Department has been a major contributor to the success of activities in the Village centered on the Historic Race Circuits including closing streets, providing parking and escorting tours of the circuits. HRC is deeply appreciative of their cooperation and support.

A donation of \$1,000 was made to the United Way of the Sheboygan and Plymouth area. United Way raises funds annually which support programs provided by United Way affiliated agencies. These programs serve those in need throughout Sheboygan County and are evaluated semi-annually and annually to measure their effectiveness in the community. Supporting the local United Way insures that all donated funds stay within the community. For more information on United Way programs and services, please call the Sheboygan & Plymouth Area United Way Office at (920) 458-3425.

A donation of \$500 was also made to Smile Train from the proceeds of the 60th Anniversary Kettle Call Rally. Smile Train is an international charity focused on cleft pallet repair for underprivileged children. A donation of \$500 covers the cost of two cleft pallet surgeries. Somewhere in the world, two children will have beautiful smiles for the first time in their lives thanks to the Kettle Call Rally participants.