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Lane Motor Museum team tackles historic French road rally for women

NASHVILLE, May 15---A team representing Lane Motor Museum is the only all-USA team entered for the historic Rallye des Princesses, a 1,500-kilometer, vintage auto rally for women that launches from Paris on June 5. Lane Motor Museum curator Susan Lane will navigate and fellow Nashvillian Eve Hutcherson will drive for the LMM team, and the pair will represent the US in an iconic American car: a beautiful 1956 Ford Thunderbird. (See attached photo.)

Honoring the Paris - Saint-Raphael Motor race, a tradition begun in 1929 for only female competitors, the Rallye des Princesses is a five-day, cross-country competition for vintage cars in which competitors will be scored on strict adherence to time, speed, and directional course instructions. A total of 40 teams are entered in vehicles ranging from 1929 to 1974 model years. The course, which winds its way south and east from Paris, over the French Alps and ending in Monaco on June 9, will test the vintage cars and teams' ability to negotiate a variety of road conditions, hairpin turns, and other challenges. The Rallye, in its 7th year, is one of the few of its kind in that it is open to female drivers only, and 25 of the 40 teams also have female navigators. For more information about the Rallye, visit: <http://www.zaniroli.com/yacs/sections/view.php/4055>.

About Lane Motor Museum

Lane Motor Museum showcases approximately 150 unique cars and motorcycles from around the world. Cars on display represent countries from Asia, Europe, North and South America, and date from 1922 to 2003. Highlights of the museum include the largest Czechoslovakian vehicle collection outside Europe, microcars, amphibious vehicles, alternative fuel vehicles, competition cars, and prototypes. The Museum also offers a display of automotive art, a special play area for children, and a gift shop.

Lane Motor Museum welcomes guests Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Tuesday & Wednesday; Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year's Day. Regular admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors (55+), and free for children 17 and under. Group rates are available. Lane Motor Museum is located at 702 Murfreesboro Pike just minutes from Downtown Nashville. For more information on the Museum, call (615) 742-7445 or visit the website at www.lanemotormuseum.org.



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