**Effingham Health System’s**

**2024 Gears & Grub Car Show Judging Guidelines**

We are thrilled to have you join our 5th Annual Gears & Grub Car Show fundraising event benefiting Effingham Health System Foundation. Each year our event gets bigger and better, and we expect the same this year. All car shows are judged differently. Here at Gears & Grub, we do our very best to meet every concern by sharing our judging guidelines, ensuring everyone is treated fairly and honestly. We do not use the “numeric system” as we feel this can lean toward specific groups of show cars. Judging using set guidelines can eliminate great cars that don’t fit the bill. Instead, we choose unbiased judges that are “car people” and judge on all levels, years, and condition. With our growing car show and so many great show car entries, we wish everyone could get a trophy, but that just isn’t feasible.

There is no better crowd than the car show crowd! Keep the car show scene alive and attend as many shows as possible…. support each other. Enjoy the show and Best of Luck!!

**Trophies awarded at 2024 Gears and Grub Car Show:**

***Top 30, Best of Show (1), CEO Choice (1), People’s Choice (1), Kids Choice (1), “Bad to the Bone” Choice (2)***

**Judging MUST be fair and unbiased; favoritism will not be allowed. Individual judges are not allowed to choose their own car if it is entered in the show.**

1. Participants are selected by representing their style well. The entry does not always have to be show quality to be a winner, but it must represent its own unique style. Judges will look for workmanship, creativity, style, condition, additions, performance, detail. All these are a plus!
2. Each judge will choose a list of cars of their choice. At the end of the judging, the group will get together and compare notes. At that point, it is easy to decipher vehicles that show up multiple times on the list(s). Working together, the group can discuss and agree on ones that should make the list and finish up the Top 30.
3. Choices are to include a mixture of all types of entries. (Show cars, daily drivers, new models, old models, rat rods, buggies, motorcycles, trucks, cars, exotics, jeeps, racecars, etc.). The list should consider a mixture of all types, all conditions, all styles, and taste.
4. Some entries are used as display vehicles for some of our vendors and exhibitions. These will also be included as entries as well if the car is registered. Vendor and Exhibition must display a registration number and have entered the vehicle in the show just like all other show cars.
5. If someone does not display their show card on the vehicle window, they cannot be judged.
6. Judges are chosen from an outside source. Judge decisions are final, and decisions are based on the individual judges’ choices.
7. Custom “Bad to the Bone” awards are chosen by Josh Forbes and Richie Burns as their overall favorite entry.
8. Judging starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 1pm. Awards ceremony begins at 2pm.

**We welcome your questions by contacting Richie Burns at 912-659-9015.**