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Cheri and Jon Knobler, of Hayden, Idaho, will be attending the annual Seaside Muscle and Chrome Car Show for this first time this year with their 2002 Thunderbird in tow. Three years ago, Jon presented the car to Cheri for their 44th anniversary.

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American heavy metal band Within Sight playing at 1 p.m., and Americana artist Redwood Son playing at 3 p.m. Both performances will take place in Downing Park (the pocket park along

Broadway), which will be set up with a stage and tents. The live entertainment is being given more prominence this year in an attempt to augment the car show's appeal and activities for people of all ages.

"To have live music really adds to the feel of the show," Dailey said.

For many registered car participants, the fun starts early at a barbecue dinner hosted at Thousand Trails' RV Campground in

Seaside on Friday night. As many as 70 registrants can participate. From the campground, they will take off at 6:30 p.m. for a cruise along U.S. Highway 101, down to Tolovana Park and then back north.

"It's neat because we get to cruise through not only Seaside, but also Cannon Beach, and everybody comes out of their businesses and waves and greets everyone and looks at the cars," Dailey said.

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The car owners will take another cruise to wrap up the Show and Shine 5 p.m. Saturday. The Downtown Cruise route goes west on Broadway, north on Columbia Street, east on First Avenue to Necanicum Drive, where the cars will turn around at the Seaside Museum, then return along First Avenue to Holladay Drive and back to Broadway. The Downtown Cruise is one of the most popular activities for both spectators and owners, an important part of the car show's success.

"We want to cater to the car participants, because we wouldn't have a show without them," Dailey said. "We want them to have a great time while they're here, and for it to be a good experience for them to show off their car. But we also need to cater to the people who are coming to look at the cars, and make it interesting for them."

The event finishes with dinner and awards for registered participants Saturday evening. The awards, chosen by car enthusiasts rather than judges, are more casual than competitive. Last year, the Sassos were given the "Purely Beaching" award.

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Mike and Kathy Sasso, of Olney, are driven from their wedding ceremony by Kathy's father about 25 years ago. The couple bought the 1969 Ford Galaxy 500 Convertible from him about four years ago.



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cal volunteers and members of the Rod Squad, a dedicated team of car enthusiasts who help at several shows along the Pacific Northwest, will assist patrons with registration, parking, directions to activities, and guiding the cruises.

Car owners can pre-register to participate at [seasidedowntown.com](http://seasidedowntown.com) or by calling 503-738-7637. Registration will also be possible 1 to 7 p.m. Friday and 6 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center.