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The Last Word

Chase Away the Winter Blues...

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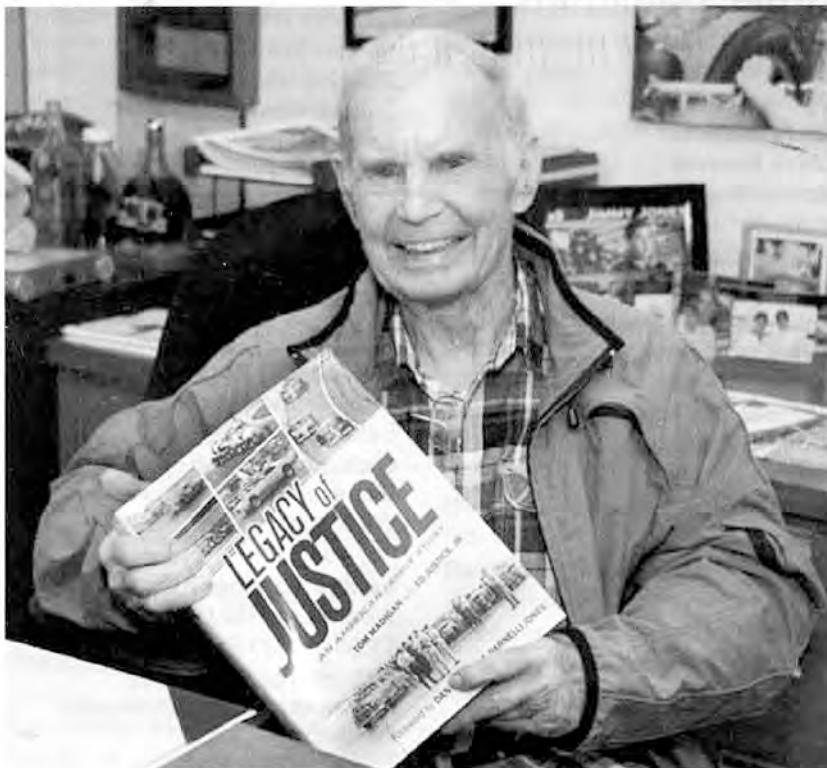
Have short winter days, and a lack of racing action got you down? This new book just might help you make it till spring!

Written by renowned, award-winning automotive journalist, Tom Madigan, and Indianapolis 500 Oldtimer club member/broadcaster, Ed Justice Jr, *Legacy of Justice/An American Family Story* is an incredible story of an American racing family.

Beautifully executed the large (9"x12") book is printed on heavy glossy paper and contains 540 color and black and white photos, many never published, scattered throughout its nearly 500 pages.

But there's more to this book than just an alluring presentation. With forwards by racing icons, Dan

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Parnelli Jones holds his personal copy of the new book, "Legacy of Justice". This the 98th copy printed, commemorating Parnelli's #98 cars he drove for J.C. Agajanian

Fred & Veronica Frost

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Sure enough, a multi-car pileup at the start of the race became the tipping point. Esther took one look, turned to her son and said, "Frosty, we're out of here."

The good news was Fred could drive, and enlisting his buddies, road trips became common. At the same time, he began helping with various teams and drivers, including Jim Dinsmore, Duke's son. And, he developed a long relationship with Xenia, Ohio's, Mutt Anderson.

He also became close friends, and confidant with driver Bud Tingelstad, who'd been born in Minnesota, but relocated to Dayton. Fred stood by Tingelstad during the good times and bad and remained with him to the end.

Given his passion for the sport, someone suggested Fred should seek an opportunity as an official. A friend encouraged him to approach IMS Chief Observer Rolland "Lefty" Hurt about a position during the month of May.

Hurt hired him, and Fred eventually settled into a spot as an observer in the south short chute. He also served in that same capacity for the first three Brickyard 400s but decided it wasn't for him.

"We saw a rather large piece of metal in the racing groove," Fred recalls, "so we pointed it out to NASCAR. They told us they would make the call when they needed the caution. That was enough for me."

Between the Speedway and working a similar role with USAC, Fred continued to chase the races. At one his life changed dramatically. He stepped out of his silver Grand-Am and spied a woman exiting an identical car!

Veronica Hall was a race fan, who'd developed a passion for the sport at Anderson Speedway when she was 12. No other partner had taken an interest in racing.

But that changed with Fred, and he introduced her to open-wheel racing.

She was hooked. In more ways than one. Fred and Veronica recently celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary.

For 17 years Veronica worked at the Speedway with Art Graham, Bert Wilkerson, Jerry Challis, and former racer Larry Martin, in electronic timing and scoring. When that operation ceased, she still longed to be involved with the 500.

She entered discussions with Greg Beck and Larry Foyt about joining their teams, but then found a lifeline as a "yellow shirt."

"I was convinced as a rookie I would be assigned to the back bus gate," laughs Veronica, "but when they realized I'd spent much of my time in Gasoline Alley, they kept me there."

She is now one of the most recognized crew members, in part because of her gregarious nature, but also because she is often

Parnelli Jones

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Gurney and Parnelli Jones, it delves deeply into the lives of the Justice family, particularly the brothers, Ed, Zeke and Gus.

From their struggles in Depression era, Paola, Kansas, to their intimate involvement in a motor sports, the reader is escorted on a fascinating 100 year journey exemplifying the great "American Success Story," and interwoven with inside stories about the colorful characters and events from an era considered one of the most significant in racing history.

You'll read about their focused, inspiring entrepreneurship that sent Justice Brothers products worldwide, and allowed them to become intimately involved in motor sports.

You'll read about Zeke Justice becoming the first employee of Frank Kurtis at his Kurtis-Kraft shop, and Zeke and Ed building a

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staged at Pit Road's entrance/exit. She couldn't be happier.

Fred Frost fell in love with racing as a young man, and the fire still burns. Not only is he ever-present at the Brickyard, but you can still find Veronica and Fred chasing USAC races throughout the Midwest.

It turns out that all it took to change a life forever was the simple kindness of a CSRA sprint car trail journeyman. ❄️

Kurtis midget for the legendary Bill Vukovich.

There are tales of their involvement with NASCAR in its formative years, working with stars like Buck Baker, Red Bryon and Lee Petty, and becoming NASCAR's first sponsor.

And there's their 73 year, and counting, involvement with the Indianapolis 500, including a 500 win with Johnnie Parsons in 1950.

Whether it was midgets, sprint cars, sports cars, motorcycles, Indy Cars, NASCAR, or NHRA drag racing, the Justice Brothers were involved. It's all here in fascinating detail. A well written narrative that makes this book one of the most exciting auto racing reads to come along in many years.

Retailing for \$90, the book is available through Amazon.com, specialty automotive booksellers, or from the publisher: ejje Publishing Group, 2734 Huntington Drive, Duarte, CA 91010. Phone: 626-359-9174. www.ejjeus.com ❄️