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Home Improvement meets Happy Days

DETROIT –Tim Allen's character "Tim the Toolman" adored hot rods, almost as much as Henry Winkler's Fonzie loved hanging out at Arnold's. Combine those two passions, along with some great baby boomer humor, and you get author Ron Lundmark's first novel. "Dream Machines" is the humorous tale of two Detroit men who, as teens, drove an unfinished drag race in 1965 on Woodward Avenue, America's first highway. Fifty years later, the men recognize each other at their grandchildren's wedding. They kept their grudge and their hot rods for five decades, just in case.

"I lived in the earlier days of Woodward in the 1960s, when there were lots of drive-in restaurants to cruise and everybody drag raced in-between the stoplights," Lundmark said. "Woodward was considered the biggest illegal drag strip in the world. It was "American Graffiti" times a thousand."

The story takes place during the Woodward Dream Cruise, the largest one-day automotive event in the world, which brings 1.5 million people and 40,000 classic cars to Detroit each year.

"The book is really the story about the Woodward Dream Cruise and its history in the Motor City," Lundmark said.

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About the author

From Detroit, Michigan, Ron Lundmark grew up in the heyday of Woodward Avenue – America's first highway – in the 1960s, when there were drive-in restaurants to cruise and the biggest illegal drag strip in the world on which to race. He is a small business owner in Bay Village, Ohio.

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