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**Toys 4 Smiles to Unveil New Hand-Made Wooden Toy Car Racetrack
at Village Square Third Thursdays Car Show and Festival
*Las Vegas Non-Profit to Also Give Toys to Children at Event***

LAS VEGAS – Classic cars and toy cars will come together today at Village Square’s *Third Thursdays* car show and festival where Toys 4 Smiles will unveil its new and improved wooden hand-made 8-foot-long, 7-lane toy car racetrack. The local non-profit, whose mission is to give a toy for every child who needs a smile, will also hand out toy car and trucks to children during the 5:30-8:30 p.m. event at 9400 W. Sahara Avenue and Ft. Apache Rd.

Today’s *Third Thursdays* will also feature food from Village Square’s newest dining spot, Khoury’s Mediterranean Restaurant. There will also be a classic and hot rod car show, local vendors, raffle, children’s balloon artist and music.

“The *Third Thursdays* fun night is part of Village Square’s commitment to provide free family events and give back to the community,” said Erica Lowndes, Sentinel Development property management.

One of the ways Village Square is giving back to the community is by featuring different local non-profit organizations at its monthly events. This month there will be two non-profit organizations joining the event. Toys 4 Smiles has donated almost a quarter of a million hand-made toys in the last decade. Toys 4 Smiles will unveil its redesigned toy car racetrack that features more lanes and a lighter design. The track is 8 feet long and features 7 lanes with an 11 inch drop to give the toys some speed. The track is made by volunteers with donated scrap wood. The original track weighed 100 pounds and the new one is 37 pounds making it much easier to handle. A maple piece placed at the end of the racetrack gives toy cars a neat sound when they reach the bottom which gives it a unique way to engage children’s attention. The racing is done for fun only and no score is kept and while prizes aren’t given the child does get to keep the toy they like.

Also in attendance will be Cultural Homestay International, a non-profit educational organization which places foreign exchange students with host families. *Third Thursdays* will also include booths from local hand-made craft vendors such as Nerdtastic Craftations, Mystic Herb Shop, Artsy Creations, Chic Favors and Invitations, Sassy Pants Creations, Syllie Rocks, Purses by Linda, LucyLyn Designs LLC, Jelle Soaps, 1 Veteran Designs, and Walsh’s Woodworks, to name a few.

For more information on Village Square and its special events please call 949-542-4407 or visit <http://govillagesquare.com>. Follow Village Square on Facebook.com/GoVillageSquare and on Twitter.com/GoVillageSquare #ThirdThursday.

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