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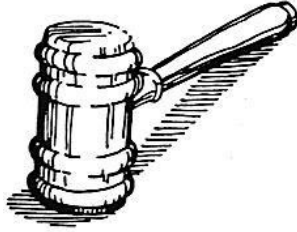
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The Running Board “A’s” club is a Model “A” Ford touring club. We are a region of the Model A Restorers Club (MARC). MARC recommends that all region members become members of MARC. See <http://model-a-ford.org/> for more information.

PRESIDENT'S
CORNER



Well, autumn is upon us. My garden has stopped producing with exception of the pepper plants. Time to pull tomato stakes and put the garden to bed for this season.

Even though summer has ended it's still not time to put your cars away. There are still quite a few events to attend before cold weather arrives. See newsletter for coming events. This past month we had club members attend Duryea Days in Boyertown and the overnight trip to the Morgantown auto mall. There were dozens upon dozens of cars and trucks to be seen, many of which were for sale. It was good that I had left my checkbook home. Anyway, keep your cars and trucks running and come on out to upcoming events.

Bob

Duryea Days

Saturday, September 1, 2018

This event was led by our fearless leader Bob Adams. We met at our favorite Wawa in Quakertown. Those attending included Doug Pyatt, Tom Fritz, Deb Daye and me.

As with most of our events this touring season, the weather was somewhat rainy to start. I can't say that the sun ever came out, but we didn't actually get wet during the show.



We got primo parking spaces right along the main road, under the trees, just in case the sun did come out. We were also joined by friends Carson and Millie Krause. They are always a lot of fun to hang out with and their "Black Cherry" colored Model A completed our row of Model A's for everyone to see.



Since this show is a little smaller than Macungie. There weren't as many Model A's, but there were certainly a lot of folks with questions. It was a lot of fun to talk with folks who were so interested in the cars.



Tom and Deb decided to take advantage of the Boyer-

town Auto Museum Tour that was offered with the price of registration.

The rest of us took a look at the other cars and trucks on display at the show.

It was a fun day. Thanks to Bob Adams for leading



the tour. We all had a great time!

From the Editor

This has been a busy summer for us. In addition to all of the car club events, Diane and I have made several trips to our property in New York where we have had fun camping with all of our grand kids. I have also had fun on a couple of fishing trips this summer. The first was to Canada back in June, where several fishing buddies have been going for the last several years. This past week, I went with a friend to his place on Seneca Lake in the Finger Lakes Region of N.Y. We were able to fish the first day we were there, but the second day, the weather was windy and rainy, so we decided to visit the Glenn Curtiss Museum in Hammondsport N.Y.

The story of Glenn Curtiss is fascinating, but not well known outside of aviation circles. Glenn, who only had an 8th grade education, became one of the pioneers of flight along with the Wright brothers. However, there was a bitter rivalry between he and the brothers, with lawsuits galore, until years later, they finally joined forces to form the Curtiss Wright company.

One of the biggest contributions made by Curtiss was to the military. He was able to design planes and train pilots for take offs and landings from Navy ships.

Henry Ford offered to help Curtiss out since the Wright brothers were determined to put him into financial ruin.

Curtiss supplied Ford with a flying boat that Ford gave to his personal secretary, Evangeline Dahlinger.

She flew it regularly to her summer home on the St. Clair River in Michigan.



The museum is full of all kinds of great treasures, including some great old wooden boats, several Model A's and a P40 war plane that is being



meticulously restored by volunteers.

If you are in the area, I highly recommend the museum.

Coming up are two of my favorite Model A events, the joint steamboat / Model A Meet and the Road Kill Rally. This year, there will be a catered dinner after the steamboat meet. Check out the calendar of events and the attachment that came with the newsletter for more details.

The Road Kill Rally is always a lot of fun, however, this year my navigator will be away. Hopefully my backup navigator can make it.

See you at the next event.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

Hershey Fall Meet

October 10 to 13 (Date Corrected)

Contact Bob Outwater at 908-237-9322 if you plan to attend.

Joint Steamboat/ Model A Meet

Saturday 9:00 AM, October 13, 2018

**Nockamixon State Park, Haycock
Boat Launch Area**

Bring your Model A and a picnic lunch and plan to stay the day. Deb Daye and Doug Pyatt will be giving rides on their steamboats, the *Jimmy D.* and, the *Rangeley* respectively. A catered dinner will follow at the Quakertown Train Station. Please see the reservation form on the next page. They need to be returned by **October 6th!** This is always a fun event.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The 24th Annual Lake Nockamixon Steamboat Gathering.

- Once again the October meet is a 3 day event, October 12th – 14th, The Model A club will be joining us again on the 13th with their cars and we would all enjoy your company, we would love to see a few new boats/cars (Stanley Steamers also)...so come on out for what is basically the last meet of the year on the east coast and celebrate 24 years with us.
- On Saturday the 13th I will again have a catered dinner at The Quakertown Train Station which is only a few miles from the lake. After dinner we can partake in some adult beverages and watch slides or a video and catch up. The selection for the evening will be a buffet style dinner with tossed garden salad, drinks (soda, water, beer, wine and mixed drinks) and a dessert tray. The charge for this dinner is \$16.00 per person for everything, pretty reasonable I think compared to a local pub dinner. **Please feel free to bring your favorite side or dessert if you like.** (The dinner will begin at 5 pm this year.)
 - ***Please Note: The park manager has asked again, Please No Camping or campers overnight. If you need a camp ground please contact me and I will direct you to nearby sites. Also the park has received complaints about captains prepping their steamboats in the launch ramp area and we have been asked for all captains to please prepare your boat in the upper parking lot and not in the general vicinity of the launch ramp so that other boaters can maneuver easily.***

Please Print and return.....

Your Name _____

Will you be bringing a boat? (Name of boat) _____

Will you have a car? (year and type) _____

How many people in your party for dinner _____ X \$16.00 = _____

Donations are greatly appreciated.

Please RSVP by October 6, 2018 with check or money order payable to.

Don Fenstermacher, Jr.

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If you have questions contact me at

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Cell; 215-460-4515

Meet & location info can be found at www.slphoebesnow.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Flemington Speedway Historical Society Auto Show, Hunterdon County Fair Grounds, Ringos N.J.

Saturday, October 20, 2018, 9:00 AM

This event will be hosted by Bob Outwater. We will meet at his house, 32 Mason Farm Road, Ringoes, N.J. at 9:00 AM and leave for the fairgrounds from there. There is a \$10 entrance fee the day of show. Contact Bob at 908-237-9322 if you plan to attend.

Road Kill Rally

Hellertown PA

Saturday, October 27, 2018,

10:00 AM

Don't miss this fun event to cap off our touring season. Deb and Chuck Savitske always have a great rally laid out and there is always plenty of food and drink after the rally. Contact Chuck and Deb at 610-838-2338 to let them know that you will attend and to let them know what you will bring to share.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Annual Fall Roll Out

Saturday November 4th

Riegelsville PA

This is the last car show of the season.

Contact Bob Outwater if you plan to attend
at 908-237-9322.

Annual Business Meeting and Lunch

Saturday November 17, 2018

11:30 AM

Christ Lutheran Church

353 East Dark Hollow Rd,

Pipersville PA

This is our only business meeting of the year. We will elect new officers and conduct the business of the club. Please contact Bob Adams at 215-538-2425 to let him know that you will attend and what you will bring to share for lunch.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Holiday Party and Gift Exchange

Sunday December 9, 2018

Frenchtown Inn

Frenchtown NJ.

12:00 Noon

Our Holiday Party will be held at the Frenchtown Inn, hosted by Bob and Leslie Adams. Don't miss the fun event that caps off our touring season. Watch the newsletter for more details.



Tour to the Classic Auto Mall, Morgantown PA September 12 and 13.

The Nygard, Hardy's and Adams' met me at....you guessed it....the Wawa in Quakertown to begin our two day adventure. Ed and Peg decided to leave their Model A at home due to the threat of rain, but Ken had his F1 pick up and Bob and I had our Tudor sedans.

We left the Wawa at about 10:00 AM headed for Morgantown and lunch at 11:30. We met up with members Sonny Sciarretta and his brother John, Jack and Lola Stretch, JoAnn and Howard Arnold and Active A members Stan and Betty Wise. They also all drove modern cars due to the threat of rain.

We met everyone at "Billy's Burgers and Bakery". Diane and I had checked this place out a few days before and we were very pleased with the menu and the service. It was a place that even



some of the members that live close to the area were not aware of, but I think everyone enjoyed the meal.



When we arrived, the owner came out to meet us and told us a little about his business and his background. He was thrilled to have us stop for lunch. After a pleasant meal, we drove another 15 minutes to the Classic Auto Mall that is located right at the Morgantown interchange for the Pennsylvania Turnpike.



The Classic Auto Mall is located in a former shopping mall. There are over 400 cars on display with about 100 being sold on consignment at any one time. Some of the Active A members have sold cars

there. They only take a 10% commission on the cars they sell. The building also has a Holiday Inn attached to the north end of the mall.

When we arrived, I spoke to one of the Auto Mall representatives who offered us a tour on their tram that took us to all four wings of the mall. It was a great way to see all that the mall had to offer without doing a one mile walk to see everything.



Once we were done on the tram ride, we were then able to target the cars that we were most interested

in. We said good by to the Sonny and his brother, the Howards, Stretches and Stan and Betty Wise since they had toured the mall on a previous trip. The rest of us had a great time looking at all of the individual cars both for sale and just on display. We all had our favorites, including may “barn fresh” Model A’s.



We were told that they were expecting between 80 and 100 Corvettes for the cruise night, but again, the weather kept most of them away. There was a Corvette club meeting and apparently they can eat almost as well as Model A owners, judging by the food that we saw go by.

We checked into the Holiday Inn, which was very nice, and then we went to dinner at a local restaurant. We had a great meal and good fellowship. We retired to our rooms and met for breakfast the next morning and were on our way home by 10:00 AM.



**Membership Application
For the Running Board "A's"**

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