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President's Message February 2016

Greetings Folks,

It looks like winter has finally arrived. I hope everyone's holiday season was enjoyable.

Perhaps some of you may have seen mention of the new all electric vehicle Chevrolet has announced. Named the Bolt EV, it is due in the show rooms late this year at price of \$37,500 before tax credits. We all know electric cars, or EVs as they are sometimes referred to, are not new, but how do today's EVs compare to what was state of the art 100 years ago?

First, Chevrolet is not the only manufacturer promoting EVs. Ford has their specialty Focus, Nissan has the Leaf, Tesla has a sports car, Audi is coming out with a high performance sports car, and there are others in the works. After a few hours of pouring through information on the Internet, of which there is enough to keep any interested individual busy for a couple of days, I have reached some general conclusions.

First, typical range of the early EVs was 40 to 80 miles with a few claiming over 100. Most of today's new EVs are delivering comparable 80 mile ranges though some are advertising up to 200 miles. In-use results do not appear to verify the high mileage claims. Second, cruising speeds a hundred years ago were typically around the 15 to 20 mph. range with some claiming up to 30 mph. Figures for today's cars are not readily available, but they are significantly faster. Third, despite modern battery technology providing a much more favorable power to weight ratio, today's cars are generally heavier than the typical 1500 to

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The Wayne Drumlins Antique Auto Region The purpose of this Region shall be to supplement the activities of the Antique Automobile Club of America and to provide mutual enjoyment for members

2016 UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 17	Monthly meeting at Phelps Community Center (refreshments served at 7pm)	7:15PM
Feb 21	Breakfast at the Elks Club, Niagara St. Canandaigua	8:30AM
Mar 16	Monthly meeting at Phelps Community Center (refreshments served at 7pm)	7:15PM
Mar 19	Ladies Luncheon at Schooners, Lakeshore Dr. Canandaigua	Noon
June 11	Geneva American Legion Classic Car Show Rain date June 12	8:00AM
	Please see Vice-President's message, page 3	

Buy, Sell and Trade

Please contact Dick or Brenda for any items you have for this space.

Membership

Hank will be revising the roster in anticipation of 2016. If you have vehicles to add or delete from the current roster please let Hank know as soon as possible as well as any address changes.

Your AACA dues are currently due as well as Wayne Drumlin dues.



Happy Birthday to:

Menna Berry 2/2 Alan Canne 2/11 Dave Dorf 2/20 Anne Rapp 2/25



Happy Anniversary to:

Janet & Bruce Knowlton 2/27 Dorothy & Joe Marino 2/27

Message from Vice-President

We each have our own memories from our car club. It takes someone to think of the activity and someone to plan the activity. As we start a new year, let us come up with some activities that will make new memories. Remember it takes an idea and someone to plan it. These activities just don't happen. Let us plan to have some fun in 2016 with our "old cars" and friends. Please contact me with your thoughts for our calendar.

Pete

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2000 Lb. weights of days gone by. And then, there is price. Looking at a 1907 catalog, prices ranged from about \$1600 to \$4000, not too bad until inflation is considered. With that correction, the price range is about \$38,500 to \$96,000. Of course, today's EVs come with a host of electronic displays, navigation aids, safety systems, entertainment systems, and other "toys" that were unheard of one hundred years ago.

Admittedly, this is a very brief and shallow overview, but there is no need to pursue every last fact and figure. So where does this leave us? In terms of a vehicle's ability to transport passengers and cargo from point A to point B, really very little has changed in the last 100 years of electric vehicle functionality.

A note to our readers. This is your news letter. If any of our readers have an idea they would like to see in a future *President's Message*, please share your thoughts.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the February meeting.

Dick Stearns

Secretary's Minutes

There are no minutes from the December gathering at the Clifton Springs Nursing Home

Treasurers Report

The year end treasurer's report will be presented at the February meeting.

Committee Reports

No new reports since the November meeting

Notice of change for March Meeting Location

The Community Center called and for the **March** meeting we will need to meet in the Rotary room (the old cafeteria). February meeting is ok for the village board room (usual place).

February is a good time for cleaning out your cupboards. Remember that the need is always there. Please review your non-perishable food items and bring a bag to the meeting for donations to the local food pantry.

VP Pete Empson has lined up a speaker for the February 17th meeting so please remember to invite friends and acquaintances to join us. We are a fun group and we need to share that with potential members.

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