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President's Message

June 2015

Greetings Folks,

Welcome to summer.

In last month's message the comment was made that a hundred years ago steam was the king for doing almost any kind of work. We are all familiar with the use of steam power for automobiles. Without steam, railroads as we know them would have never come into being and the world would be a far different place. There were water craft of all sizes from ocean going freighters and passenger liners to the beautiful paddle wheelers, several of which plied our own Finger Lakes, and even personal yachts for the well to do. Farming made extensive use of steam power to move from the small family farm relying on a team of horses working a few acres of land towards today's massive farms that feed the world. Steam powered road building equipment paved the way for the automobile. There was also extensive stationary power plant use for pumping water and generating electricity.

So, where else did steam get put to work? In 1893 James Sumner of Leyland, Lancashire, England designed the world's first practical steam powered lawn mower. These machines were expensive and reportedly difficult to operate and apparently very few were made. Sumner renamed his company the Leyland Steam Motor Company in 1895. This company became synonymous with the British car industry and eventually became British Leyland. Not to be out done, circa 1900 the Coldwell company of Newburgh, NY, started producing steam powered lawn mowers. These machines, which cut a 40" path, were used, among other places, to mow the White House lawns. This was a big step up from a small single man push mower, or a two man unit with one person pulling while a second one pushed. The only other option was the use of a draught animal and all it's attendant needs for stabling and feeding. The advent of small, reliable internal combustion engines brought an early end to the pursuit of steam power for lawn mowers.

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2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

June 6	Sulphur Springs Festival Car Show (Shine and Show) - parking on Main St.	10am-2pm
June 7	Twin Tiers Car Show & Flea Market (Horseheads)	
June 13	Games Day at the Town of Seneca Park	11 am
June 17	Monthly Meeting—Phelps Community Center Refreshments by Goellner and Dorf families	7:30pm
June 21	Sonnenberg Gardens Father Day Car Show	
June 21-26	Steam Vehicle Tour	
June 30	Clifton Springs Hospital Nursing Home (This is a Tuesday)	6:30pm

Games Day

Games Day will be on June 13th at 11am at the Town of Seneca Pavilion at 3675 Flint Road in Stanley. Bring your own table service, dish to pass and drink. The club will furnish the meat. Take Rte. 5 & 20 to the hamlet of Flint, turn south on Flint Road., pass the town barns on left and turn onto the driveway next to the Town Hall about 1/4 mile. The pavilion is behind the Town Hall. Hosted by Sally & Ed and Bev & Bob

July 4th Parade in Canandaigua

If interested in participating in the July 4th parade please contact Sara at 585-394-0787., ext.4 The line-up is at 9am on Ontario St.



Get Well Wishes

Our well wishes to Verna and Phil Mendola



Please remember your non-perishable food items for our local food cupboard. They are grateful for whatever you can bring.



Happy Birthday to:

Jim Bollman 6/4
Joe Marino 6/6
Norma Herendeen 6/8



Happy Anniversary to:

Pam & Steve Heald 6/2
Menna & Jim Berry 6/14
Rita & Matt Canavan 6/14
Bev & Bob Good 6/20
Hazel & Stan Herdman 6/23
Verna & Phil Mendola 6/27



Buy, Sell or Trade

For Sale: 1967 Buick Electra convertible, ready for summer cruising! One owner, outstanding condition; Needs to go to a good home. Contact Alan Canne 585-412-6180(home) or 585-967-0726 (cell)

MAY 2015 MINUTES

The May 20, 2015 meeting was held at the Phelps Community Center and was opened at 7:30PM by our President Dick Stearns and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. 28 members were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - A motion was made by Jean Empson to accept the April minutes. Seconded by Rita Canavan. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Brenda Stearns, Treasurer was not present.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Matt Canavan reported that it is very quiet.

SHOW COMMITTEE - George O'Neil, Chairman not present. Dave Dorf reported that the fertilizer business where the car corral sets up, has been sold and is under new ownership. He will contact the owner about us still being able to use the property for the car show.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE - Hank Goellner, Chairman, received a letter from AACAA, that new membership applications as of June 1st, will now be ½ price for dues. He also received, as well as many of our members, a post card/E-Mail about it being the 80th year in existence. There is a hard cover book, paperback version and DVD that can be purchased about the history of AACAA. Sally Morrow doesn't have E-Mail now.

CONCERNS FOR MEMBERS AND ANY CORRESPONDENCES RECEIVED - Phil and Verna Mendola are in need of our well wishes. Verna fell recently and hit her head. Donna Goellner had one correspondence from the Phelps Community Food Cupboard thanking us for the food donated and that our support is greatly appreciated. A check has been sent out to AACAA. I will also be sending a thank you note to John Mulford, thanking him for opening up his garage to us on May 16th.

BUY SELL OR TRADE - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS – Carol Schuster is looking for cars 1915 and older to participate in the parade in August to be held in Seneca Falls. Matt thanked Jean and Pete for setting up the event for last Saturday.

There was a vacancy on the calendar for the July 15th Ice Cream event. Joe and Dorothy Marino have agreed to host this event. Sally Morrow needs a count for the June 13th Game Day at the Seneca Town Park in Flint at 11:00AM. Bring a dish to pass, place setting and beverage. Meat will be provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2015:

May 30th Car Show in Oaks Corners

June 14th Lake Erie Region Car Show

June 21st Father's Day Car & Motorcycle Cruise at Sonnenberg Gardens \$6.00 Pre Sale/\$12.00 at the gate

July 4th Parade in Canandaigua

President Dick Stearns thanked the refreshment committee which consisted of Brenda Stearns, Isabel Potter and Charlie and Nancy Bauder.

Refreshments for the next meeting on June 17th at the Phelps Community Center will be the Goellner's and Dorf's.

The Door Prize winner of cable ties was Matt and Rita Canavan. An additional door prize was won by Amy Ressue for a coupon from BJs for a car care kit that works as well in the house, donated by Rusty Smith. The 50/50 winner was Matt Canavan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10PM by a motion from Rusty Smith and seconded by Dave Dorf.

Respectfully submitted by:
Donna Goellner, Secretary

Perhaps the most fascinating application of steam power was the airplane. On 12 April 1933 a Travel Air 2000 biplane made the world's first piloted flight under steam power over Oakland, California. This was the work of two brothers, George and William Besler. It was powered by a two-cylinder, 150 hp V-twin reciprocating engine designed by the Doble Steam Motors Company and Besler weighing about 500 lb. and a Besler designed boiler. Video of this historic flight can be found through several sources on the internet.

As is often the case, exploration, design and development of ideas is not always confined to one specific field. Both Leyland and Doble are well known names in the history of the automobile, and in the case of Doble, the steam automobile. This brings us to the following press release:

Steam Car Hub Tour June 21st-26th in Canandaigua, NY

This year's tour is sponsored by the Steam Automobile Club of America and North East Steam group. The hub tour dubbed "TOP OF THE LAKES 2015 STEAM CAR TOUR" will be the week of JUNE 21st-JUNE 26th 2015. Headquartered at The Inn on the Lake in Canandaigua, we will be touring different venues throughout the Finger Lakes region. We will be on display at Wegmans' weekly car show on Thursday June 25th from 5-7pm, come out and visit over 30 steam cars years 1903-1927

For information contact Lisa Cantor at (845)-494-9181 or Ralph Dykstra at (203)-376-6796

The Stanley Museum will also be here for the week at the Hotel, and at the car show on Thursday June 25th 5-7pm for any steam enthusiasts who would like membership information with The Stanley Museum in Kingfield, ME.

Be sure to check our calendar of coming events elsewhere in this edition of The Headliner. There is lots going on this time of the year.

Dick Stearns

Message from George O'Neil

The Show is coming up (Aug. 16th) . Everyone be prepared to sign up at the next meeting. I would like to have the same people who did the line up last year , do it again this year. We also need someone to be in charge of contacting our sponsors., Don't forget to start collecting door prizes.

George

Wanted: Pre-1915 Automobiles

Looking for pre-1915 cars for the street parade on Aug. 8 as part of the coming "After The Falls: Van Cleef Lake Centennial" in Seneca Falls.

There is a large committee working on two full weeks of activities, Aug. 7-20. The Seneca County Chamber of Commerce has agreed to sponsor the street parade Aug. 8 and the Aquacade (yes, we're reviving that) on Aug. 9. The street parade will feature some antique fire equipment manufactured in the Flats - the area now permanently under Van Cleef Lake and we'd love to have some antique cars as well, if we can get any. Since this is a centennial, we need vehicles that were made no later than 1915.

If you can help out contact Bob Good.

Need your Help

Still need a family or families to host the Annual Banquet. You will need to determine the date, time and place as well as menu choices member reservations and a program.

Thanks for considering this opportunity to support your club and it's members.

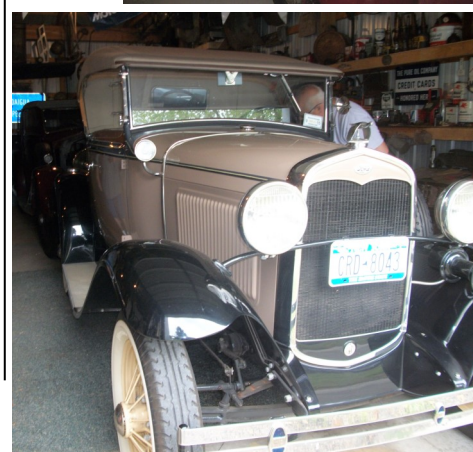
Pete



Cars from the garage tour on May 16th. We had a nice turn-out of members and cars. We stopped first at Ontario St. in Phelps for a surprise tour of these gems.



Our 2nd stop was at John Mulford's. He had a variety of cars, most being family vehicles. Some of what we saw were a 1930 pick-up, a 1909 Cadillac Touring, a 1935 Rolls Royce Coupe and a 1931 Ford Roadster.

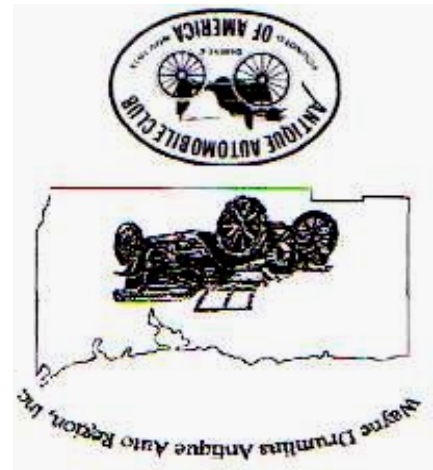


Thanks John for opening your garage to us.



Wayne Drumlin vehicles at the first garage tour

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