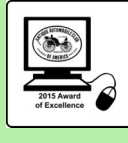
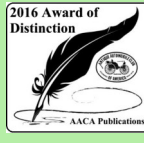
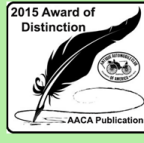
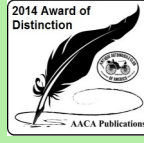
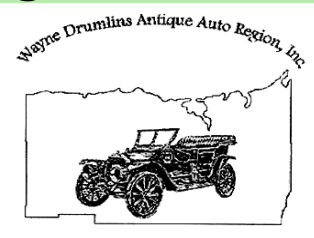


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## *President's Message* *March 2017*

Greetings Folks,

Welcome to March, a month full of notable events and dates. The first of March was Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent which runs through mid April. On the twelfth Daylight Savings starts. Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour. The fifteenth is the Ides of March. More about that in a moment. March seventeenth is Saint Patrick's day when everyone can be Irish for a day. Spring arrives on the twentieth, whether or not the weather chooses to honor that astrological milestone. The way this year has gone so far, who knows.

About the Ides of March. I am unaware of anyone in today's world who celebrates the death of Julius Cesar which is specifically what the day commemorates. However, the history of the Roman Empire that event is a part of affects us to this day.

Looking back through the history of our transportation systems we have airplanes, automobiles, railroads, and horse drawn conveyances such as wagons, carts, and carriages. Both automobiles and railroads evolved in some part from the horse drawn era. In particular, early autos were naught more than a horse drawn carriage with a means of self propulsion, be it gasoline, steam, or electric, attached. Hence, horseless carriages. Railroads evolved in much the same manor applying a locomotive to pull a couple of carriages or wagons along an improved surface replacing muddy wheel ruts with first wooden, and later steel, rails. The common thread between the rails, autos, and horse drawn vehicles, is the gauge or wheel spacing.

Early inventors worked from what was already in existence rather than to "re-invent the wheel". The initial development of railroad locomotives was

# *Secretary's Minutes*

## **FEBRUARY 2017 MINUTES**

The February 17, 2017 meeting was held at the Phelps Community Center. It was opened at 7:30PM by our President Dick Stearns and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. 17 members were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - A motion was made by Pam Heald to accept the November minutes. Seconded by Don Combes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Ann Neal, Treasurer, filled us in on what is in our various accounts. A motion was made by Jean Empson to accept the Treasurer's Report. Seconded by Hank Goellner. Motion carried.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Matt Canavan was absent.

SHOW COMMITTEE - Steve Heald, reported that two things have been done on the list that have to be done in February and the Park has been reserved. There may be a change in the judging. Any other ideas, let him know. This will be more than likely be the last show, more to be discussed at a later date. We could possibly do a joint show with another club at a later date.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE - Jean Empson, Chairman, gave a report from 2016. We have 24 families so far this year. She needs a copy of your AACCA dues card. Let her know of any corrections or additions in the roster as she is trying to finalize it for this year and is still taking dues.

CONCERNS FOR MEMBERS AND ANY CORRESPONDENCES RECEIVED - Help is coming into the home for Phil Mendola. Stan Herdman fell again, but nothing is broken. Hank Goellner is feeling great.

BUY SELL OR TRADE - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - We lost the use of the sink adjacent to the meeting room. A discussion was held on possibly finding a different place to hold our monthly meetings. We could go back to the gym, but would have to take the table and chairs up/down. The portable PA system would be needed to be used. Pam Heald reported that the BOCES Conference Center in Newark could be checked out by the Board Members taking a tour of the facility. Joe Marino suggested the Phelps American Legion. Pete Empson will check it out. Motion made by Joel Neal and seconded by Pam Heald that we give Jean Empson's daughter \$50.00 for the great job she did during our Year End Banquet. Jean read a letter from Jim and Pat Bollman about what was happening with them in TN.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2017: Dinner at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant hosted by Hank and Donna Goeliner at 5:30PM before our March meeting and Maple Syrup Breakfast at the Log Cabin in Macedon at 8:30AM followed by a tour of Packard Valley Farms hosted by Dick and Brenda Stearns.

President Dick thanked the refreshment committee which consisted of Brenda Stearns and Ann Neal.

***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***

**WAYNE DRUMLINS ANTIQUE AUTO REGION CALENDAR FOR 2017**

DATE	ACTIVITY	PLACE	TIME	HOSTS
15-Mar	Before Meeting Dinner	Blue Ribbon	5:30pm	Hank & Donna Goellner
15-Mar	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
18-Mar	Maple Syrup Breakfast and Tour	Log Cabin Restaurant and Packard Valey Farms in Mac-edon		Dick & Brenda Stearns
2-Apr	Spring Fling Swap Meet	Total Sports Experience 800 Elmgrover Rd.	9am-3pm	Early Ford V8 Club
19-Apr	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
6-May	Makenzie-Childs??	Aurora, NY		
17-May	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
9-Jun Friday	Wine Tour	Lunch at Bob & Ruth's Restau- rant, Naples NY and Wine Tour		Joel & Ann Neal
18-Jun	Sonnenberg Gardens Car Show	Canandaigua		
21-Jun	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
13-15 Jul	John Deere Two Cylinder Expo	Pageant of Steam grounds Ge- han Rd. Hopewell NY	7am-9pm	
15-Jul	Pultneyvile Homecoming Car Show			
19-Jul	Ice Cream Social and Monthly Meeting	Pete & Jean Empson's Home	7pm	Pete & Jean Empson
9-12 Aug	57th annual Pageant of Steam	Pageant of Steam grounds Ge- han Rd. Hopewell NY	8am-8pm	
13-Aug	Wallington Car Show	Wallington, NY		Steve & Pam Heald
9-Aug	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
19-Aug	Show Set-up	Marion Town Park		
20-Aug	40th Annual Car Show	Marion Town Park		
16-Sep	Canaltown Days Car Show (rain day 17-Sep.)	Palmyra		Gone Cruisin' Car Club
16-Sep	Annual Williamson- Pultneyville Community Garage Sale	CentennialPark, Pultneyville	9am-4pm	

## ***Congratulations***



Congratulations go to our Webmaster, Matt Canavan. Matt has received the **Master Webmaster Award** for his dedication and expertise maintaining our Wayne Drumlins website. This is the highest award level granted by AACA national.

Way to go Matt.

For the ninth consecutive year AACA National has also awarded the **Award of Distinction** to the Headliner. As your editors, when Brenda and I took over this job I was a bit intimidated by the long history of the awards earned by our previous editors, Jean and Pete Empson. They had set a standard for us which I found a bit daunting.

*Dick*

## ***Thanks***

Thanks go out to Carl and Annette Rapp for hosting breakfast at the Canandaigua Elks Club on February 26<sup>th</sup>. The weather was good and the food lived up to it's usual high standards. We had a good turnout for a Sunday morning.



Remember, anyone can host a club event. Contact Joel Neal to assist in scheduling. All that is necessary is an idea and a willingness to make a couple of phone calls to set up reservations as needed.

Member photographs and articles are welcome and encouraged. Thank you.

*Dick*

## ***Get Well Wishes to:***

Phil Mendola.

Phil has completed all of his scheduled radiation and chemotherapy regimens. He is now waiting for the doctor's assessments as to what course of action to follow. There is the possibility of surgery. He is home and in good spirits though some pain. Get well cards and calls are welcome and appreciated.

Stan Herdman.

Stan is up and about after again unsuccessfully trying to disprove the second law of physics "no two bodies can occupy the same space at the same time". Gravity always wins and immovable objects tend to stay where they are. The good news is that the only serious injury this time was to his pride.

## ***President's Message*** continued from page 1

primarily in merry old England though America soon caught up with, then surpassed the English. A leading English locomotive designer was George Stephenson who built the Stockton to Darlington Railway in 1825. After considerable thought, and examining portions of old stone roadways originally built by the Romans and used by their chariots, Stephenson decided the spacing worn in the stones by the chariot wheels represented much research and development by the Romans and must be the optimum spacing. Therefore, that is what he used for his railroad. Since many of the early railroad locomotives used in America came from England, our gauge is the same as England's.

Another part of the story goes back to early wagons and the first long distance roads in Europe and England. Wagon wheel spacing had to match the ruts in these primitive roads lest the wheels could be broken. Who built these old rutted roads? They were built by Imperial Rome for their legions and had been in use ever since. The ruts in the roads were initially worn by Roman war chariots.

In the case of both railroads and carriages, much of our technology was initially brought over by immigrants, journeymen, and artisans from the "old countries" and much of it traces back to the Roman chariot wheel spacing of 4' 8½". Where did that odd number come from? It was the width necessary to accommodate two war horses abreast to pull the chariots.

A much more complete discussion of this topic can be found at: [www.snopes.com/history/american/gauge](http://www.snopes.com/history/american/gauge) I found the article interesting and informative. In any case, as we observe all the special dates in the month of March, let us not forget the Ides of March and its influence on our lives even today some 2601 years later.

Hope to see everyone for dinner at the Blue Ribbon Restaurant, Phelps, at 5:30pm before our monthly meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup>, and also at the Pancake Breakfast at the Log Cabin Restaurant, Macedon, at 8:30am (no refreshments at the meeting), followed by Maple Sugar tour at Packard Valley Farms on the 18<sup>th</sup>.



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### WAYNE DRUMLINS ANTIQUE AUTO REGION CALENDAR FOR 2017

DATE	ACTIVITY	PLACE	TIME	HOSTS
20-Sep	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
23-Sep	President's Picnic	Dick & Brenda Stearns' Home	1pm	Dick & Brenda Stearns
18-Oct	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
?-Nov	Ham Dinner	Marion Masonic Hall	6pm	Amy Ressue
15-Nov	Monthly Meeting	Phelps Community Center	7pm	
TBD Dec	Nursing Home Christmas Party	TBD		

Another activity discussed was a casino day. Anyone interested??

### Secretary's Minutes

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On Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> we will meet at 5:30PM at the Blue Ribbon for dinner hosted by Hank and Donna Goellner followed by the meeting at 7:00PM to be held at Phelps Community Center. Let them know if you are coming to dinner. There will be no refreshments.

There was no Door Prize drawing. The 50/50 winner was Gerald Burnham.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM by a motion from Pete Empson and seconded by Ann Rapp.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Donna Goellner, Secretary



#### Birthdays Happy Birthday to:

- Brenda Stearns 3/11
- Allie Weis 3/18
- Jean Empson 3/28

#### Welcome

We have a new member,  
Norman Waterman He owns a 1928 Chevy Coupe and is a Newark resident. We look forward to Norm's participation in upcoming club activities.

#### Just a friendly reminder:

Your editors are always in need of good photographs and a brief write-up of your pride and joy for our cover. We can use electronic submissions or a good color print. If you need assistance getting a picture, please contact me for help. Prints will be returned unharmed after scanning. To those who have shared in the past, thank you.

## *Cover photo*

### 1908 Browniekar

Owner: Steve Heald

After purchasing our "dream car", the 1908 Mora in October, 2004, the idea of buying another car in the immediate future seemed to be out of the question. But when the opportunity presented itself to add an example of Samuel Mora's smallest production car, a Browniekar, to our collection just a few months later, Pam-



ela and I came to the conclusion that we needed to find a way. Our 1908 Browniekar was found during my regular lunch-time ritual of searching eBay. Occasionally, a photograph or advertisement would turn up, but what a shock it was to discover an actual car on the auction site. With only the information in the eBay ad, and a few emails back and forth with the seller, we decided to bid on the item. When the auction closed, we were the high bidder. The next problem: how to get it home from Oregon. We made arrangements to have it shipped by an antique car carrier, but when it sat in the carrier's New Jersey warehouse for some time, we decided to retrieve it while on our way to Philadelphia for the AACA annual meeting. The hotel bellman in Philadelphia was quite surprised to see a car in our suburban when he opened a door to get our luggage!

The car sat in our barn for a few years until we were able to begin its restoration. The biggest challenge was the tires. We wanted to use correct all-white, single-tube tires, but they were not available, so we had solid white rubber extruded in the correct profile and had them mounted on the original wheels by an Amish buggy shop. Another challenge was the drive belts; they were missing. I found an article describing the car in a 1908 automobile trade journal which included a description of those belts. I made new belts using that information. After the tire and drive belt problems were solved, we addressed issues with the wooden body and frame, along with making a new coilbox. The correct size wooden steering wheel was found at swap meet in Oklahoma by a friend. Once everything was ready, the car was sent to Steve Bono's restoration shop for an engine rebuild, paint work, and assembly.

The end product has earned an AACA Junior First, Senior, Grand National First, and Grand National Senior, as well as an AACA National Award: the W. Emmert Swigart Memorial Cup. It has participated at the Fountain Elms Concours d'Elegance, where it won the award for best exterior, and it also was shown at The Elegance at Hershey. Currently, our Browniekar is on display with his big brother the Mora at the Northeast Classic Car Museum in Norwich.

*Steve*

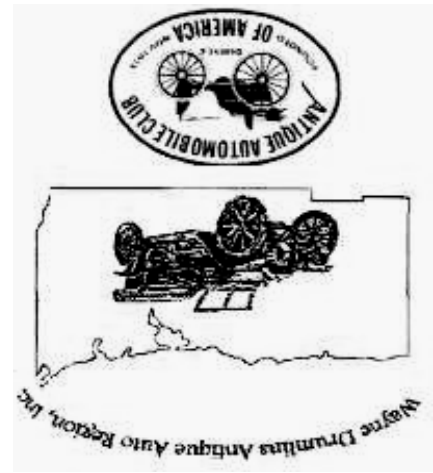


1908 Browniekar



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