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President's Message Detaber 2018

Greetings Folks,

Looking ahead, time is running out to reserve your seats for our day trip to Norwich, NY, and the Northeast Classic Car Museum in late October. We will board the bus at 7AM Thursday October 25 at Lake Geneva Plaza (behind Denny's) on Rte 5 & 20 near the intersection with PreEmption Road. Lunch will be an Italian Buffet served at the museum. Sign up by contacting Joe Marino, 315-719-7326 or Charlie Bauder, 315-521-1972, email cnbauder@localnet.com

There is still some room on the bus and this promises to be an enjoyable outing. Left over room after all our Wayne Drumlins members have signed up will be opened to GVACS members to help fill the bus and pay for part of the expenses. Please get your reservations in ASAP. See the Secretary's minutes for more information.

KellerAuctions.com is holding an on-line auction of Dick Weis' collection. The auction started in mid September and closing will coincide with the Hershey Fall AACA meet. Dick had an extensive collection.

If anyone knows of a prospective new member who has never joined AACA before, I have some complimentary one year membership forms for their first year AACA dues. These are good only for new members who have never been a part of AACA in the past. Feel free to contact me.

Amy Ressue has graciously offered to host our annual ham dinner on November 14th, the second Wednesday of the month, at our

Secretary's Minutes

SEPTEMBER 2018 MINUTES

The September 19, 2018 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. 19 members were present.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - A motion was made by Pam Heald to accept the August minutes. Seconded by Joel Neal. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Ann Neal, Treasurer, reported on our accounts. A motion was made by Pete Empson to accept this report. Seconded by George O'Neil. Motion carried.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT - None as Matt Canavan was absent.

No report on the Website.

SHOW COMMITTEE - Steve Heald reported that the Reliability Tour was a big success. Many comments were made on the overall tours, venues, scenery and the banquet at the end. Each of the three groups will have a slight profit. He wished to thank everyone who assisted in the week long event.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE - AACA dues are in the latest AACA Magazine. Dick Stearns has four complementary one year membership forms for anyone who hasn't been a member.

CONCERNS FOR MEMBERS AND ANY CORRESPONDENCES RECEIVED - Stan Herdman is bedridden and Hazel is doing OK, but could use some help.

OLD BUSINESS - Dick Stearns reported on the Porch Picnic that was held on September 15th. He had invited Ed Varno and his wife and Francis and Deanna Clax, but they did not attend. Ed had family in Wilmington, NC and was dealing with that. We have 25 so far for the Norwich bus trip. Joe Marino is going to invite old members. Then it will be opened up to non-members for \$50.00 per Charlie Bauder to help fill the bus. We need to discuss whether on not to continue as a Club. We will have a meeting of the Board Members and Officers before we do.

NEW BUSINESS - Matt Palmer's mechanic quit and is looking for a new one. Dick Weis' collection of brass lamps and parts of other lamps, along with some vintage signs, are being auctioned by kellersauctions.com. We are going to be putting together the Christmas Party shortly.

BUY SELL OR TRADE - None

Dick Stearns thanked Barb Grube and Ann Neal for the refreshments.

Refreshments for the next meeting on October 17th will be Pete/Jean Empson and Charlie Bauder, which will consist of cider and donuts, to be held at Phelps Community Center.

The Door Prize winner of wax and dry automotive spray was Dick Stearns. The 50/50 winner was Pete Empson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05PM by a motion from Gerald Burnham and seconded by Steve Heald.

Respectfully submitted by: Donna Goellner, Secretary

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 2018

| DATE | ACTIVITY | PLACE | TIME | HOSTS |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------------|------|------------|
| 17-Oct | Monthly meeting | Phelps Community Center | 7:pm | |
| 25-Oct | Norwich Museum tour | | 7:am | Joe Marino |
| 14-Now | Annual Ham Dinner | Marion Masonic Lodge | 6:pm | Amy Ressue |
| ??-Dec | Christmas party | ТВА | | |

Buy, Sell on Trade

For sale: 1984 Chevy ElCamino, 305 V8, 4 Bbl, Automatic, Super Sport model. \$7,500. Pete Empson 315-521-0762

For Sale: 1983 Chevy Silverado, Short box, small block 350, Blue & Silver Asking \$8,000

Tim Murphy 585-259-0509 (Barb Grube's grandson)

Wanted: vintage gasoline/oil signs, old gas pumps, coke and other soda advertising signs, old coke/soda machines and chest coolers etc. Serious cash Buyer-Not dealer, paying fair prices for 1 piece to whole collection. Call Matt Palmer at 585-746-7692



I am selling my 1930 Model A Ford Standard Roadster. Price Reduced \$8,000. OBO Contact John Mulford 585-746-2721 or



Happy Anniversary to:

Donna & Hank Goellner 10/16 Marion & George O'Neil 10/17



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Happy Birthday to:

Phil Mendola 10/2 Joe Chiaverini 10/8 Hazel Herdman 10/22 George O'Neil 10/25

Wayne Drumlins Members

Out and About



Saturday 22nd September proved to be a beautiful day as Wavne Drumlins members gathered at the home of Brenda and Dick Stearns the annual President's Picnic. There was plenty of good food and great company.

Thanks to everyone for your help in making this an enjoyable afternoon.

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traditional venue, the Marion Masonic Lodge. As usual, bring a dish to pass and your own place settings. This is also the time for our election of officers and board members for the upcoming year. Please give this some thought. We will discuss this in more detail at the October meeting. Again, see the Secretary's minutes.

As noted in the Secretary's minutes, we are working on putting together a Christmas party. Anyone who has ideas as to a location should bring them to the October meeting. Also, do we want to visit one of the elder care facilities or do the Christmas Angel Tree like last year. If we want to be able to secure a commercial establishment for our venue, we need a decision by the October meeting. One thought mentioned last our last meeting was the new Nolan's Restaurant in Canandaigua. This was only a suggestion and other we are open to other ideas.

One final thought. Again I would like to thank Ed Varno, Administrator for the Ontario County Historical Society, and Francis Clax, curator of the Motometer display, for opening the Museum on a Monday when the facilities are normally closed to accommodate our guests participating in the Reliability Tour. This was above and beyond their normal duties. From all those involved with the Tour, we thank you both.

With the cooler weather and shorter days, it is time to think about where you are going to take your favorite ride for a fall foliage tour. According to the I Love NY fall foliage report, parts of the northern Adirondacks are already at mid point this week. Our peak is usually mid to late October but it isn't too soon to think about it. Take time to enjoy Nature's splendor and drive safely.

Please note, I had nothing to do with the unsolicited letter from Francis Clax.

Dick 4

Of-InterestThis came from our friend Francis Clax



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September 28, 2018

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TO: Wayne Drumlins Region Antique Automobile Club Board Directors and Members

RE: President Richard "Dick" Stearns Exemplary Service and Community Support Appreciation

This open letter to the various members of the Wayne Drumlins Region Antique Automobile Club is issued to acknowledge and document the tremendously unselfish and generous support of the club's President, Dick Stearns specifically regarding the recent Ontario County Historical Society Museum's Francis G. Clax Motometer Collection Exhibition that ran from February 2^{nd} to September 8^{th} , 2018.

Dick's well-deserved reputation as a staunch and passionate auto industry supporter demonstrated itself fully when he dropped by the museum as the exhibition was being installed; quickly followed up with a generous financial donation from him and wife, Brenda; subsequent exhibit and event promotions in the club's Headliner newsletter; and, ultimately helping the collection owner and curator's assistant in dismantling the exhibit's many delicate artifacts upon its termination.

Dick also went out of his way to also secure event awareness speaking opportunities for Francis and the museum's Executive Director, Ed Varno with the Red Jacket Rotary club along with coordinating exclusive museum exhibition tours for the club's annual outing (June $23^{\rm rd}$) and Blue Water Ramble Pre-1916 Reliability Tour (August $20^{\rm th}$) participants.

The Francis G. Clax Motometer Collection is the single most historically significant of its automobilia kind and easily one of the largest by volume consisting of the earliest manufactured, prototypes, lone surviving examples and original artifacts such as U. S. patents and inventor hand-signed letters, etc. This unique collection on nation-wide museum tour since 2013 has been heralded by the Antique Automobile Club of America, the International Motor Racing Research Center, Historic Vehicle Association, Society of Automotive Historians and The Old Motor.com website to name a few organizations.

Francis is the recognized subject expert on all matters motometer related and founded the MotometerCentral™ organization and companion website to further collector knowledge and interest in these early radiator-mounted engine temperature indicating gauge-devices.

With all due personal and professional respect and great appreciation I, herein, submit this open acknowledgement of Dick Stearns' profound support of this latest exhibition and antique automobile industry at-large event that extends far beyond word, club membership, participation and even humble deeds.

With sincerest gratitude to Dick,

Founder, Owner and CEO MotometerCentral™

Francis G. Clax

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much as 20 to 25 quarts of whole grains, minerals, and vitamins, 50 to 60 pounds of hay and 30 gallons of water per day"*. Considering the hitch teams travel as a group of ten horses to allow for rotation, that's a lot of food for just one team, and there are three touring teams of ten horses each.

As for the rest of the power train, "each harness is handcrafted with solid brass, patent leather, and stitched with pure linen thread. The harness is made to fit any Clydesdale; however, collars come in various sizes and must be individually fitted to the Clydesdales like a finely tailored suit. Each harness and collar weigh approximately 130 pounds. Their horseshoes measure more than 20 inches from end to end and weigh about five pounds – more than twice as long and five times as heavy as the shoe worn by a light horse"*. Life expectancy of the shoes is about six months maximum.



If you have noticed, the wagons always have two drivers. The reason is quite simple, relief drivers. "Driving the combined 12 tons of wagon and horses requires expert skill and physical strength. The 40

pounds of lines held by the driver plus the tension of the horses pulling creates a weight of over 75 pounds"*.

If you need to know; all those beer cases are empty. Shucks! Who wouldn't like to have a vintage Studebaker in their collection?



I would like to thank Try-It Distributing Clarence, NY. major beverage distributor the in Buffalo for area. hosting 8.000 this eight plus pound,

horse power, air cooled Studebaker wagon this past September in honor of their 70Th anniversary and Brenda's sister, Bev, a Try-It

employee, for inviting us to the occasion.

* From the Warm Springs Ranch website

Cover photo

1903 Studebaker Wagon Owner: Anheuser Busch

I know some folks might think this beautifully restored wagon is a bit out of place for an antique automobile publication. However, at the turn of the twentieth century, Studebaker was one of the major wagon builders in our country before they started building automobiles. From Wikipedia we learn "Studebaker was founded in 1852 and incorporated in 1868 as the Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing Company. The firm was originally a producer of wagons for farmers.



miners, and the military. Studebaker entered the automotive business in 1902 with electric vehicles and in 1904 with gasoline vehicles, all sold under the name "Studebaker Automobile Company". Until 1911, its automotive division operated in partnership with the Graford Company of Elyria, Ohio, and after 1909 with the E-M-F Company. The first gasoline automobiles to be fully manufactured by Studebaker were marketed in August 1912."

We are fortunate to have an EMF in our Club.

Many of our members have had the chance to view one of the Anheuser Busch wagons and teams. Presently, the Budweiser Clydesdales reside at the Anheuser-Busch breweries in St. Louis; Merrimack, New Hampshire.; and Fort. Collins, Colorado for public viewing. Visitors can also see the Clydesdales up-close at Warm Springs Ranch, the premier Budweiser Clydesdales breeding establishment in Boonville, Missouri, and at their training facility on the grounds of Grant's Farm in St. Louis.

We in the collector car hobby are always interested in the vehicle's prime mover. Bud Weiser Clydesdales are very carefully selected for the hitches. "In order to join the Budweiser World Famous a Clydesdale must hitch. stand at least 18 hands high at the withers (or 6 feet tall). They must be geldings and at least 4 years old. They must have a bay coat, four white stockings, a blaze of white on the face, a black mane and a black tail. And they must 1,800 and weigh between 2,300 pounds."*



Like any prime mover, these beautiful giants need to be fed. "Each hitch horse consumes as

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