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President's Message February 2010

I'm back. While preparing this message I went back in my files and it struck me that it was four years ago that I wrote my first President's message to you. Many things have changed in those four years, and many things have remained the same. As we start another year together, let's concentrate on changing the things

that need changing, and building on the things that don't. Change is most-times an uncomfortable thing, especially when things have been done a certain way for a long time. I'll never suggest that we change just for the sake of change, but rather, because it seems like a good idea. Everyone's input will be needed to make the right decisions.

I'd like to thank Bruce Knowlton on behalf of the entire club for leading us so well last year. He did a fine job, and he'll now be Chairman of the Board of Directors, a position that will allow him to continue to help guide our club into the future.

A large Thank You also goes to Stan Herdman and Norma Herendeen who are leaving the board. Through their work on the board, they have contributed greatly to our club and they should know how much we appreciate their efforts.

We are fortunate to have Matt Canavan and George O'Neil as new board members this year. E ach has already contributed to our success, and I know they will continue to do so now that they have "stepped-up".

On a personal note, there are some exciting things happening to me in the hobby this year. As you are aware, I sought election to the AACA National Board of Directors. To those of you who voted for me, thank you for your support. When the results were counted, I came up short of the necessary votes to be elected. However, because a sitting Director needed to resign for personal reasons before his term was finished, my vote count allowed me to be appointed to complete that one year term for 2010. So, as odd as it sounds, I'll be seeking re-election this year for a full, three year term. My duties officially begin at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia this month. I am proud to serve the Wayne Drumlins region and the entire club on the national level, and pledge to do my best to help move both forward into the future.

Well, that's enough for now. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to once again be your president.

Happy Motoring,

-Steve.

CLUB CALENDAR

February 11-13, 2010

AACA National Meeting

Philadephia. PA

February 14, 2010

Breakfast at Canandaigua Elks Club

8:00am

This is an all you can eat breakfast—\$6.00

Directions: From Main Street Canandaigua (a block south of the railroad track) turn east on Niagara St.

The Club is on the corner of Niagara & Lafayette Streets

February 17, 2010

Meeting

7:30pm

7:00pm Coffee and Socializing 7:30 Meeting at Phelps Community Center Refreshments by Heald, Empson and VanCamp families

underlined events count as a club function for the participation award



Christmas Family Update

The generosity the Wayne Drumlin Members showed to the Christmas family was greatly appreciated. The delivery of five large bags filled to the top, a \$100 Breen grocery store credit card and a turkey were an emotional surprise for the family. After wishing them a Merry

Christmas they expressed their thanks by replying "Now it will be a Merry Christmas". I could only imagine Christmas morning, as they opened their gifts. The club members should feel a sense of satisfaction and pride for making this event a happy time for this family.

Amy Ressue

Wayne Drumlin Dues

There are still some members that have not paid their 2010 dues. Our club is required to submit to AACA a list of our 2010 members and it must be done by March 1st. If you are one who has not renewed your Wayne Drumlins membership, you can do so at the February 17th meeting or prior to that date you can mail your \$10.00 check payable to Wayne Drumlins Antique Auto Club to the following address:

Janet Knowlton 1774 Lester Road Phelps, New York 14532

Welcome New Members

Dave and Sandy Shoemaker, owners of a 1963 Chevrolet Corvair.



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



Happy Birthday to:

John Meyers 2/1 Menna Berry 2/2 Bea Duffy 2/17 Dave Dorf 2/20 Anne Rapp 2/25



Happy Anniversary to:

Natalie & Floyd Matteson 2/4
Pat & Mike Race 2/14
Janet & Bruce Knowlton 2/27
Dorothy & Joe Marino 2/27













Wayne Drumlins 2009 Year End Banquet was held at the Canandaigua Inn on the Lake on December 5th., with 56 members attending. Ed Varno from the Ontario County Historical Society was the guest

speaker. Ed spoke of Samuel Mora, the Willy's and the 1908 Great Race. Thank you to Rusty Smith and helper, Amy Ressue for putting together an enjoyable afternoon.



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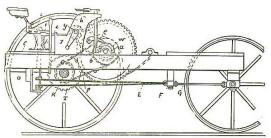
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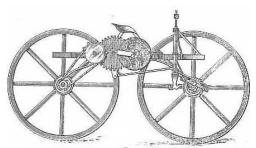
Last month, a reader sent the library a copy of an interesting article that appeared in a recent magazine. The article talked about the development of a modern vehicle that ran on compressed air. In a future issue of *Antique Automobile*, the library will highlight the literature we hold on compressed air driven vehicles, but reading the article got us thinking about some of the other alternate -power vehicles from the past. One form of "alternate-power" is spring power.



The Burdick Spring Motor

According to the <u>Standard Catalog of American Cars: 1805-1942</u>, there were four manufacturers of spring-powered cars who did "business" around the turn of the 20th century. These manufacturers included Andrews (1895), Burdick (1895), Cope (1900), and Lybe (1895). The principle behind these vehicles was simple; use a coiled spring to propel the vehicle & rewind the spring by hand, battery, or when the vehicle goes downhill. Unfortunately the laws of science worked against the inventors and these concepts never made it to production.

The library has some clippings and articles on Burdick and Lybe. The Burdick concept was discussed in the first issue of *The Horseless Age* (November 1895), and we own a small clipping on the Lybe spring motor that comes from an unknown source. According to the latter clipping, Mr. Lybe "thinks his machine will afford a mild and pleasing form of exercise, in addition to its speed advantages." What a shame he couldn't overcome the laws of physics!



The Lybe Spring Motor

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Cook's Corner

Chicken Stuff by Pete Empson

1 can Cream of Chicken soup 1 can Cream of Mushroom soup 2 cups Sour Cream 1 small can of chicken stock 1 can sliced mushrooms 1/2 tsp. garlic powder 1/2 tsp. onion powder 1/8 tsp. pepper salt to taste 6 boneless, skinless chicken breast Cooked rice to serve 6

Mix all ingredients except chicken and rice in a 9x13 baking dish. When mixed well, lay chicken breasts over mixture and bake at 375 for 1 hour or until chicken is no longer pink. Serve over rice.



Happy Valentine's Day

February 2010



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