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# President's Message July 2013

Friday, July 12th, is the 4th annual National Collector Car Appreciation Day. This event was begun by the SEMA Action Network (SAN), the lobbying arm of SEMA, the Specialty Equipment Market Association. The official description is "an annual event to celebrate and raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society."

Many government resolutions have been adopted in support of the day, including the U.S. Senate and the New York Assembly, as well as dozens of other state legislative bodies. Hundreds of events are planned around the nation Support and participation are growing each year. But why now? For years we've collected/restored cars without anything "official" on a national scale and without government intrusion. Because there is strength in numbers and our hobby is under attack from many directions. Not direct attack (nobody will, or could, outlaw antique cars), but collateral attack from efforts to make vehicles more safe or protect the environment.

Consider E15, the fuel combo of gasoline and 15% ethanol. The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday rejected an effort to block sales of E15. The court's decision confirms that the gas blend can be sold at gas stations nationwide. Currently, most gas blends sold continue about 10% ethanol.

Well so what? Shouldn't we be suspicious of the oil industry, which kindly gave us high gas prices? Yes indeed, but from our perspective, putting E15 fuel into older cars and trucks damage fragile or rare engine components, if the engines would run at all.

So support a National Collector Car Appreciation Day. We need it more than we may realize.

Matt

#### **2013 CLUB CALENDAR**

July 10 The Terrace at Newark (assisted living) Visit 6:00 PM -ice cream provided

July 11 Seneca Lake Terrace (Geneva) 3:00PM
-treat yourself to some Strawberry Shortcake and music

July 17 President's Picnic / Meeting/Ice Cream at Canavan's 5:00 PM
-bring dish to pass (not a dessert), table service, drinks and
chairs. Plan on eating around 6pm. After a short meeting we will
enjoy some ice cream, so bring your favorite topping. Posters will
be available for the car show

August 14 Meeting at the Phelps Community Center 7:30PM

August 17 Car Show set up and picnic 8:00 AM
August 18 Car Show Marion Town Park

Welcome New Members: Ray and Charlotte Howard of Phelps. They own three 1966 Ford Mustangs: a Convertible, a 2+2, and a Coupe.



### **Get Well Wishes**

o:

Don Combes who is recovering from surgery



## **Buy, Sale or Trade**

For Sale:



1976 Cadillac Sedan Deville, blue and white. 39,000 actual miles, no rust, nice car. Call George at 585-289-4347.

Neon side panels & rear hatch. Call Rusty at 585-787-9749

#### President's Picnic

will be at Matt & Rita's house. The address is 1672 State Rt. 444, Victor. Turn on Maple Ave/ Rte 444 out of Victor. The house is about 3/4 mile after the 4-way blinking red light. The house is white with red shutters, red barn with white trim. Matt's cell 585-746-9357 Rita's cell 585-329-9776



## **Happy Birthday to:**

Jim Askin 7/5
Martha Stevermer 7/8
Ron VanCamp 7/9
Rita Canavan 7/15
Verna Mendola 7/19
Matt Canavan 7/22
Barb Dorf 7/30

### JUNE 2013 MINUTES

The June 19th, 2013 meeting held at the Phelps Community Center was opened at 6:50pm by our President Matt Canavan and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. 37 members were present.

<u>SECRETARY REPORT-</u> A motion was made by Rusty Smith to accept the May minutes as published in the Headliner. Seconded by Marion O'Neil. Motion Carried.

TREASURER REPORT- Treasurer, Rita Canavan reported on the status of our accounts. A motion was made by Jean Empson to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Rusty Smith. Motion Carried.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS- Steve Heald, Chairman not present.

SHOW COMMITTEE- George O'Neil, Chairman reported that there is less then two months until the car show. George reminded everyone that we will need door prizes and flea market items. We do need more sponsors. Also we will need someone to set up the car show signs the day of the show and also to direct traffic at the front gate. Flyers are available for pick up and posters will be ready for the next meeting. Club picnic will be at noon on day of set up, please bring a dish to pass and your table setting.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE- Hank Goellner, Chairman advised no report at this time and rosters were distributed.

CONCERNS FOR MEMBERS AND ANY CORRESPONDENCES RECEIVED- Our thoughts go out to Donald Combes. Bruce and Janet Knowlton thanked everyone for their cards, thoughts and support.

**BUY SELL OR TRADE-** None

OLD BUSINESS- Matt Canavan reported that he is attempting to get the Car Show Flyer and Poster loaded to the Web Site.

Rusty Smith gave an update on the all day tour to Buffalo which will be held 10-19-13. Cost per person is \$110.00. We will need to know the interest level to determine it we have enough people to fill the bus before Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. Frank Lloyd Wright Darwin Martin House.

Lunch at Santasiero's Rest.

Pierce Arrow Museum

Forest Lawn Cemetery

Upcoming events:

July 17<sup>th</sup> President Picnic and July meeting will be held at Matt and Rita Canavan's home.

Please bring a dish to pass, table service,

chairs and topping for ice cream.

Saturday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> there will be a porch picnic at Dick and Brenda Stearns.

Starting in August we will return to our normal meeting time.

Sally Morrow thanked everyone for all the help she received for the Games Day event. Special thanks to the Grube's, Goods, Empson's and the Dorf's.

#### **NEW BUSINESS-**

Rita Canavan is working on the Year End Banquet, more information to follow.

Some upcoming events:

6-22 / 6-23 10am to 4pm Finger Lakes Live Steamers, Clyde NY.

6-22 Car Auction in Burdett, NY including several 1932 Fords.

6-25 Clifton Springs Nursing Home 6pm

7-10 Terrace at Newark 7-10 6pm

7-11 to 7-13 Two cylinders expo at the Steam Pageant grounds.

7-20 Car Show\Cruise In and Open House at VanBortel Chevrolet.

7-26 Geneva Cruise Night.

Matt advised that the Board of Directors and Officers insurance is due.

#### REFRESHMENTS FOR NEXT MONTH-

President's Dinner

<u>DOOR PRIZE WINNER-</u> Ray and Charlotte Howard.

50/50 WINNER- Charlie Bauder

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm by a motion from Pete Empson and seconded by Carl Rapp.

Respectfully submitted by: Leslie Askin, Secretary Title: Ray Carr's Postcards: Peking to

**Paris** 

By: Raymond H. Carr & Patricia A. Carr

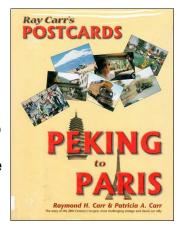
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May 28th marked the date of the 5th Peking to Paris Motor Challenge. Organized by the world renowned Endurance Rally Association (ERA), more than 100



antique vehicles will embark on an incredible journey taking them across an entire continent, from Beijing, China (formerly known as Peking) to Paris, France. The event commemorates the original Peking to Paris race of 1907, a time when few thought an automobile could withstand such an arduous journey. In the autumn of 1997, ninety years after the original historic race, ERA staged its first reenactment.

Among the 96 participants was Ray Carr who, by then, was already well known for setting world record trips driving antique cars across the North American continent: the oldest car (a 1902 Northern), oldest electric car (a 1912 Baker Electric), and oldest steam car (a 1909 Stanley Steamer) to complete this feat. With these experiences behind him, he was well-prepared with his 1939 Ford which, according to Carr, managed to make the entire trip without a major breakdown...not even a flat tire! He would later share the highlights of his trip in his book, *Ray Carr's Postcards Peking to Paris*.

Those looking for a comprehensive travel memoir may be disappointed, although Carr offers more in-depth personal reflections of the race in the last four pages. Carr chose to share his experiences through a journal format, complete with personal notes and transcripts from post-cards which he sent to family back home. In effect, this allows the reader to connect with Carr on a more personal level because it feels as though he is writing directly to you.

While Carr's statements are fairly brief and to

the point, he does make a nice effort to discuss the culture, topography and history of the areas he visits without overwhelming his audience. Likewise, his witty sense of humor will keep you paging through. I couldn't help but chuckle at the postcard detailing the culture shock he experienced at a Chinese hotel. Carr was especially less than thrilled with his dinner, which "...sent [him] scurrying for [his] Golden Grahams."

While passages are generally upbeat and positive, Carr doesn't sugarcoat his adventures either. This makes his work feel down-to-earth and genuine. He experiences frustration sharing the road with erratic drivers in India, fear and anxiety over the possibility of engine failure, as well as sadness over the unfortunate deaths of two of the participants.

Personal photographs breathe life into every entry, giving insights into the different cultures and challenges encountered along the way. One particularly memorable photograph taken in China features a group of onlookers around the Ford. Westerners visiting any small town or city in China tend to stick out like a sore thumb and are often met by inquisitive stares and a chorus of "hellos." Therefore, one would expect a Westerner driving a '39 Ford to attract double the amount of attention!

Along with photographs, each entry features an excerpt from the step-by-step directions given to each participant of the race. These are particularly interesting to read because, while we take GPS for granted today, drivers in the 1997 race only had printed directions to guide them. Consequently, they are packed with detail, right down to river crossing tips and spots with bad bumps.

While Carr's book lacks the length some readers might prefer, it is filled with character and insight into his cross-continent trip. Through his pictures and personal notes, you will feel as though you're along for the ride. Whether you're interested in racing, travel or even old Fords, Ray Carr's Postcards makes for an enjoyable read.

Courtesy of "The Speedster"

## **Library & Research Center**

#### **Discover More:**

Interested in learning more about Ray Carr's adventure or the original Peking to Paris race of 1907? The Library has Carr's book, as well as books detailing the 1907 race, including Luigi Barzini's *Peking to Paris: An Account of Prince Borghese's Journey Across Two Continents in a Motor-Car* (1908).

## DAY TOURS

Date of Tour: Saturday, October 19, 2013

Destination: Buffalo

Pick-up and Departure: 8am Canandaigua

8:30am Henrietta

Return time: Approximately 6pm

Package to Include:

Round trip transportation via motor coach

Admission and guided tour of Frank Lloyd Wright-Darwin Martin House Complex

Group sit-down luncheon at Santasiero's restaurant in Buffalo

Admission and guided tour of the Pierce Arrow Museum featuring the new Frank Lloyd Wright Filling Station

Step-on Guided tour of Forest Lawn Cemetery

Gratuities for motor coach driver and restaurant wait staff.

Price: \$110.00 per person

CONTACT RUSTY SMITH FOR ADDI-TIONAL INFORMATION

# **Beautiful Buicks - Buick 110th Anniversary Exhibit**

At the AACA Museum in Hershey May 15 - October 13, 2013

This is a year for celebrating anniversaries. The Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) Museum is celebrating 10 years, Buick is celebrating 110 years and the Buick Riviera model is celebrating 50 years. The AACA Museum working in conjunction with the Buick Heritage Alliance is excited to showcase a variety of Buick years, makes and models as part of our 10th Anniversary exhibit line up.

Named after founder David Dunbar Buick, the firm is one of the oldest active makes both in America and in the World. The First Buick made for sale was in 1903 in Detroit, Michigan, and the factory was moved to Flint the following year. Buicks were originally built to replicate a living room within a moving automobile and were nicknamed the "moving couch of America." Buick became one of the original members of General Motors when the corporation was formed in 1908.

This special exhibit includes the following vehicles: 1910



Buick Model 10 Surrey, 1935 Buick 96S Sport Coupe, 1964 Buick Riviera, 1967 Buick Sport Wagon, 1970 Buick GS Stage I, 1972 Buick Riviera, 1975 Buick Indy 500 Pace Car Replica and the 1987 Buick GNX.



# Come and Celebrate National Collector Car Appreciation Day!

Summer is around the corner and that means <u>Collector Car Appreciation Day</u> is quickly approaching! With great anticipation of this year's festivities, the <u>SEMA Action Network (SAN)</u> will continue announcing our hobby's "holiday" and listing those who are stepping up to honor the occasion. Don't miss this opportunity to be included in the national campaign.

Events ranging from informal garage gatherings and barbeques to car shows and cruises will be held in support of this annual celebration. Companies should consider hosting a "drive your collector car to work" day for staff members. As always, the SAN welcomes any level of participation and encourages everyone to spread the word.

This is the fourth year in a row that the SAN is securing a U.S. Senate resolution to help launch national Collector Car Appreciation Day. By taking part in these events around the country, automotive enthusiasts and related businesses are coming together to ensure that their passion continues to be honored and recognized.

The current list of events can be accessed on the SAN homepage. If you are unable to celebrate on Friday, July 12th, the SAN encourages events to be scheduled throughout the month of July. Individuals, car clubs and business owners interested in publicizing events of any size may contact SAN Director Colby Martin at (909) 978-6721 or san@sema.org with questions.



Do you have a friend that has been thinking about joining AACA? Regions & Chapters - are you trying to recruit new members for your club? This is an excellent time to encourage new people to sign up for membership.

Beginning on June 1st AACA National Headquarters will process any new 2013 membership application as a ½ year membership. The ½ year membership includes the months June through December at a cost of only \$18.00.

The ½ year membership gives new members an opportunity to get a taste of AACA without paying the full year membership fee. Anyone that includes the yearly payment of \$35.00 with their new application will be refunded \$17.00.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  year members are entitled to the following benefits:

- Members receive three bi-monthly issues of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE magazine, July/ August, Sept/Oct, & Nov/Dec.
- Members are eligible to join an AACA region and/or chapter.
- Members can exhibit vehicles & compete for national prizes & annual awards.
- Members receive unlimited free admission to the AACA Museum.
- Members receive limited free research by the AACA Library & Research Center staff.

The ½ year membership is for first time new members only. It doesn't apply to current members that are late in paying their yearly dues or members that have left their membership lapse for a year or more and wish to reinstate their membership.

## Games Day 2013



Pete parking the car under Jean's directions



Hold on Barb, don't spill that water. Too late!



Barb telling George which way to go



Once Bev turned her pants around, the rest was a snap



George is driving oh so slow so Marion won't spill the water in the glass

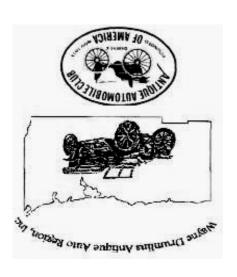


Spectators on a beautiful day filled with good food and fun games. Thanks Sally & Ed.

# The Wayne Drumlins Headliner Jean and Pete Empson

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