

North Jersey Street Rod Association

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NEWSLETTER

Monthly Meeting: Scotty

Call to Order, Pledge, Moment of Silence Roll Call: (18) Members, (3) Applicants (1) Guests

Treasurer's Report from Hank:

We were updated on our financials

Good and Welfare

Tom Harvey's father passed away. The club sent flowers to the family.

Our April Birthday Boys:

Lou Calasibetta, Bill Bosland, Bob O'Malley

Prospective Members

Present were. Keith Marley, Richard Douglas, and Rob Morris

50-50

We had no 50/50. There <u>WILL</u> be one at the next meeting!

Meeting Discussions

- First item was the food drive .It will be held at the A&P market on Rt.46 in Mount Olive. April 10.Running from 10:00-2:30.Try to bring your car.
- Boys Night out April 14.Same place as the last one. The Town Valley Tavern. 673Macoupin Rd. West Milford. at 7:00.
- We talked about the Lyons VA get together for the Vets. We will be looking for a place to have brunch nearby .We can do brunch first then go to the Hospital. More info coming.

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- The subject of club clothing came up. Several points were mentioned. One being that the clothes should be paid for prior to ordering. During the discussion it was noted that several of the older items we have in stock weren't good enough to wash your car with. After the meeting it was noticed by several members that some of the most vocal members didn't even have their club shirts on. I think Bob has a idea to remedy that issue.
- We discussed working the Valve Cover Track at Macungie. It was brought up that all of the members that go out don't work the track. During the discussion Fast Eddie may or may not have offered to organize the work force. All kidding aside if you are there come over to track and see if you can help. The guys & gals of the Wheels of Time put on a great weekend for you to enjoy. So let's help them out.
- We will be voting on three new members. Keith Marley T-Bucket, Richard Douglas another T-Bucket and Rob Morris 23 Ford.
- There was some discussion regarding our show. One of the items covered was Rob has a space for us to use at the Carnival just prior to the show. We can display a few of our cars and hand out show flyers. Let Rob know if you can be there.

Steering Committee Meeting: /Scotty

Attendees: Bob Grimal, Pete Iozzio, Hank Dahl, Scotty Dietz, Dan Burrows, Randy Stacy & Dave Hourigan.

We had a fairly long meting. Some of the items covered were:

Club members should be required to wear their shirts to club events, such as the meeting, boy's night out, breakfast, Etc. You should be proud of your club and respect our colors. Bob had a suggestion. Don't wear it. a repermand, 2nd time, a \$5.00 assessment. All present voted yes. As we have done in the past. A check was sent to the Mine Hill Show for one of their large trophys.

We talked about using our web site more productively. We are going to change our "Sites we Like" page. The thought is we can use it just for thanking those who help us with our Charity projects. We are coming up with a plan to charge for being listed either in a form of a nominal payment or donations of monies, or goods for our show. Charlie has already started working on it. This is going to be a project and will take some time and creative thinking.

We are working on a date for Brunch and a visit with our cars to Lyons Hospital. More info coming.

The rest of the time was spent going over several show related items.

Father's Day Show Information :

I have attached a job assignment list to the newsletter. If you have a issue, such as you will not be able to make the show, please let me know so I can make adjustments. You will see on the right column we are asking our wifes to help out with T-Shirts, door prizes, Etc.

Pat and Clarence are taking care of the Door Prizes. They can use your help in getting items.

Sue and Bob O'Malley are taking care of the Tricky Tray. They too can use your help getting tray items.

Randy and Fran are taking charge of the raffle tickets. This year we have 5 items on the ticket to make your job selling them a bit easier.

Rob Morris has taken the job of Show Publicity. He will be notifying as many no charge places to advertise the show. He doesn't have much time due to lead time requirements. If you have any suggestions please let him know.

We should have all the printing done by the next meeting. In the meantime you can check out our web site. Charlie has posted a copy of our flyer.

Monthly breakfast.

April 2. We got together for our monthly breakfast. Most of the usual members were present. We all had a nice meal, talked about upcoming events Etc. It was a nice day so we didn't hang out too long and we all hit the road.

FOOD DRIVE UPDATE

April 10.A&P Mount Olive.

The day was overcast but not too cold. We had 11 members and some of their wife's show up to work. The folks at the market were helpful with our efforts. Unfortunately there was another group there also collecting monies. The situation hurt both of our groups. Next time better planning will be needed. We ended up with Approx. 8 carts of food for the Pantry.

ECONOMICS Frank Carey

Sometime, perhaps in the not too distant past, somebody started selling reproduction 1932 Ford grilles. They looked pretty good in the catalog (I don't know anybody who bought one) and were \$250. Not surprisingly, they were foreign made. I don't remember where I saw them advertised. It might have been in several places. But one of those sellers is also now offering '32 grilles by another manufacturer and this one is a US company. This time the price is \$350. So he'll sell you the US made for \$350 or the foreign made for \$250. Take your choice. So now for many of us it's time to put our money where our mouths are.

Would you pay an additional \$100 (40% more) for the US made '32 grille? Here are some of my thoughts on the subject. Guys with an infinity of funds – we read about them in the magazines – can easily spring for the US made if they are averse to foreign made goods. That's a no-brainer. After that it's not so easy. Suppose a guy is building a car and is ready to buy a grille but has only \$250 in his budget at the moment. Would the "BUY U.S. MADE" advocates expect him to wait until he has \$350? When might that be? Weeks? Months? For some guys, that's a lot to ask. Or how about the guy who has \$350 in his budget. If he bought the \$250 grille he's have \$100 to spend on something else so he'd be further along in his build than he would otherwise be. And that could be on a US-made item which would partially offset the payment to foreigners. Or he could take the family out to dinner! (How about that, ladies?). That would help those in the US restaurant business who wouldn't benefit from his purchase of the US-made grille.

It's when you get down to specific cases that are close to home such as this that it becomes easier to recognize the trade-offs in the BUY U.S. MADE movement.

Other areas that complicate understanding of this issue are in vehicles. My Dodge Ram pickup was made in Mexico. Is that foreign made? A family member's Toyota was made in California. Is that U.S. made? I don't know.

ALCOHOL AWARENESS anonymous (Forwarded by Frank)

A possible way to avoid .08 alcohol issues while on the road.

I went out with some friends last night and tied one on. Knowing that I was wasted, I did something that I have never done before. I took a bus home. I arrived home safe and warm, which seemed really surprising as I have never driven a bus before.

85 mph SPEED LIMIT? Autoblog.com via Frank Carey

They say everything is bigger in Texas, and now it seems everything might be faster too. The House of Representatives in Texas has approved a new transportation bill, and it includes legislation that would allow the Texas Department of Transportation to raise speed limits to 85 miles per hour. The state's Senate is presently considering a similar measure.

The DOT cannot simply go out and slap up a fresh new set of 85-mph speed limit signs. Both engineering and traffic studies must be done before motorists are given a green light to those increased speeds. Don't feel too bad for those speed-restricted Texans, though. 85 mph wouldn't be much of a stretch for Texas, since the state already enjoys 520 miles of highway with an 80-mph speed limit

Events: 2011 / Scotty

If you know of an event & would like it listed, please contact me. A good website to view schedules & flyers on the internet is: <u>www.njcarshow.com</u>

April 14th Boys Night Out.7:00 pm Town Tavern, Macoupin Rd, West Milford

April 27th-May 1st Spring Carlisle & Auction

May 7th Breakfast get together . 9:00 AM Yetters Diner Rt 206N, Augusta

May 7th (rain date 5-14-11) Cops & Rodders of New York Museum Village, Monroe, N.Y. PRE-REG ONLY. cars up to 1949 \$10.00 Info: <u>copsnrdrs@aol.com</u>

May 6th - 8th Spring Roll Out Reinbeck N.Y. Info: rhinebeckcarshow.com

May 14th Appreciation Day at Old Stillwater Garage. Main St Stillwater.

May 14th rain date May 15 King of the Hill Mine Hill

May 15th Rusty Relics Car Show and Swap Meet 8:00am-2:00pm Pearson Education Bldg. 1 Lake St. Upper Saddle River just off Rt.17

May 19-20th Cruisin' Ocean City Info at <u>www.cruisinoceancity.com</u> May 21st Pike County Chamber of Commerce FREE car Show. 11.00-4.00 at the Delaware Valley School, Rts.6 & 209, Milford, Pa. Info.570-296-8700 www.pikechamber.com

May 29th 9:-4: Memorial Motor Madness Mars Hackettstown, N.J.

June 3rd-5th NSRA Nats East. York

June 3rd-5th Carlisle All Ford Nationals

<u>June 19th</u> <u>NJSRA FATHERS DAY SHOW</u> <u>Horseshoe Lake, Succasunna, N.J.</u>

June 24th-26th Carlisle GM Nationals June 24th Goodguys Reinbeck, N.Y.

July 8-10 First State Nationals at the Dover Speedway Info at www.firststatenationals.com

July 8th-10th Carlisle Chrysler Nationals

<u>Sept.18th</u> <u>N.J.S.R.A. Picnic</u> <u>Horseshoe lake, Eyland Ave. Sucassunna</u>

Sept.23rd-25th Northeast Nationals, Burlington. VT.

Sept 28th-Oct 2nd Fall Carlisle

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