



# North Jersey Street Rod Association

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## NEWSLETTER

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gentlemen:

Ice cream night was a success - along with the nice turnout from the membership and their families - our donation to Amanda and little Jake will go a long way in our attempt to make their lives a little bit easier. Thanks again, guys, for a job well done.

I am waiting on the approval date from Villa Milagro Winery in Finesville, N.J. for a N.J.S.R.A. fall wine tasting run. I am sure it will be enjoyed by all who attend.

Don't forget our next breakfast meeting is September 25, 2010 at Bill's Luncheonette in Ironia, ( Old Dover Chester Road). We also have a new location for our Boys' Night Out in October - we will discuss it at our next meeting.

Don't forget our Annual Family Picnic is Sunday September 19th at Horseshoe Lake, so save that date!!!

Lastly, please try to attend this month's regular meeting on August 25th as there will be some very important issues to discuss. Thanks.

Dan

**Monthly Meeting:** *Jeff Erven*  
**July 28, 2010**

### **August 9, Steering Committee Meeting:**

**Attendees:** Dan Burrows, Skip Cardinal, , Scotty Dietz, Bob Grimal, Bob Drown, Jack Beckett, Pete Iozzio.  
**Absent:** Jeff Erven, Ken Wilson, Charlie Parinello

- Call to Order, Pledge, Moment of Silence
- Roll Call: (21) Members, (2) Guests
- **Treasurer's Report from Skip:**  
No Report
- **Good and Welfare**  
All is well
- The Car Show was voted on and approved for two more years. A BIG Thank You to Scottie Dietz who has volunteered to be the Chairman of the 2011 Show.

- Roland Utter has volunteered to continue setting up the Saturday morning breakfast meetings. Roland handed out meeting dates at the meeting.
- Dan asked Steve Mathews to try to set up a Rod Run this summer since the spring run was cancelled. It may be difficult due to the tight summer schedule. He does have the Fall Run planned for October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- A suggestion was made that since we have two Boy's Night Outs that one of them be located in the Eastern part of the state (Bergen County) so members in that area can attend easier. Rich Luzzi is investigating.
- At the Steering Committee meeting the 2011 budget was approved.
- The July 28<sup>th</sup> meeting started out at the VFW with the donation presentation to Amanda and Jacob Grimes, followed by Ice Cream Night at Stewart's in Denville. You never saw so much Ice Cream devoured in one sitting.
- Frank Carey is working on a book about the history of the North Jersey Street Rod Association. Frank joined in the 60's. He will quiz Charlie Parinello (1968) and Paul Erb (1974) who are the clubs longest term members. Charlie suggested that someone should document the club history going forward.
- The 50-50 was won by Susan Rossi. She asked if she can attend next month's meeting.

#### **YORK MYSTERY ENGINE REVISITED** *Frank Carey*

Ken Wilson was the first to respond. Here's what he wrote:

*Frank,*

*Just finished reading the news letter. Back in 1970 when I was a member of the Flanders Fire Company, I drove a GMC COE 1000 gallon pumper. The year of the truck was mid 60's. It had the back to back V-6 or as some would call it a V12. The trans was a 5-speed with a hi/lo split rear. The truck had so much power it never had any problems with the mountains in Mt Olive Twp. When totally empty (sans water, hoses & ladders) you could light up the dual rear wheels and very easily start out in 3rd HI. Fred Detoro could probably remember the year. We were department members together. Please pass this on to the members.*

*Ken Wilson*

When I questioned Ken about his back-to-back vs. the single V12 casting we saw at York he replied:

*Frank,*

*"WE" called it back to back because of the 4 ... cylinder heads. It was a one piece V12 block.*

*Ken*

Then Dave Myers called. As soon as he mentioned V12 I remembered that he has been a big truck mechanic forever. He knew all about these engines and had worked on many of them. They were made by GMC from the early 1960s until about 1970. They were gas engines of 702 cubic inches which yielded 300 hp. Any rodder who could get only 300hp from 702 cubic inches would surely be disappointed. Dave believes they were brought out because the diesels of the day did not have that much power. The heads used on the V12 were from the GMC 351 V-6, thus confirming my suspicions. Induction was via two 2-barrel carburetors, one between the front two heads and one between the rears. Dave says these carbs were huge and we laughed about what the CFM must have been, which makes me wonder why nobody has adapted them for street rod use. But maybe somebody already has! These V12 engines were commonly used in COE tractors used in over-the-road 18-wheeler configurations. Must have been a bummer to get only 3 mpg, the mileage Dave remembers. But gas was a lot cheaper then. I suppose 3 mpg would not have been such a problem at Ken's fire department where the trucks rarely left town.

So, case closed - with thanks to Ken and Dave.

**THEFT RECOVERY** *APwire via Pete VanIderstine*

## Ford pickup stolen in LA recovered after 38 years

By **SUDHIN THANAWALA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Harold Voelker tucked away the ownership title and memories of his prized 1956 Ford F-100 pickup after it was stolen in 1972 in Los Angeles.

Both were dusted off when authorities told Mr. Voelker they had found the vehicle in Modesto — 38 years after it went missing.

"I go to car shows all the time, and I thought, I'm going to see it one of these days," Mr. Voelker, 63, said Thursday. "That was my baby."

Mr. Voelker retrieved the car Tuesday after it was discovered last week.

The California Highway Patrol said officials noticed a discrepancy in the vehicle identification number when a Modesto couple tried to register the truck after getting it from a relative in Texas who didn't know it had been stolen.

CHP Officer Greg Bennett found the original identification number and contacted Voelker, questioning him about the truck and where he had lived when it was stolen.

"He kept quizzing and quizzing, and I answered everything," Mr. Voelker said. "He said, 'Guess what, I have your truck sitting here.' I said, 'Is this a joke?'"

Officer Bennett said it was an unusual discovery.

"There's definite gratification in getting

this guy his truck back, absolutely," he said.

Even so, Officer Bennett called the case bittersweet, because the Modesto couple lost the truck.

Mr. Voelker said the truck is running well and seems to have more power than he remembered.

There were some changes, however. Mr. Voelker said it was pale yellow when it was stolen but is now white. It also has alloy wheels, which Voelker plans to replace with original stainless steel hubcaps.

He also intends to install a theft alarm and park the truck in his garage.

"I'm thinking about getting plates that say, 'Back Home,' or 'It's Back,'" he said.

### A LITTLE NJSRA NOSTALGIA *Bryce*

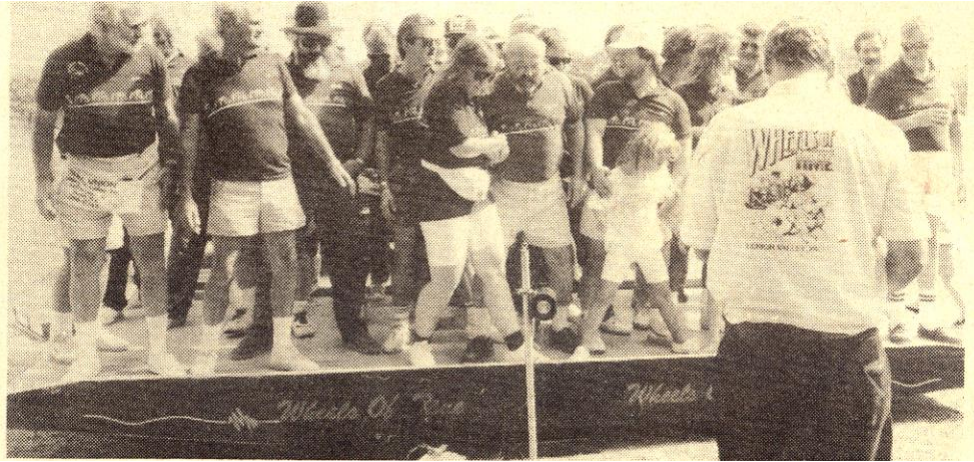
Dan brought me a copy of a rod & custom-oriented newspaper that Jack Beckett found among his car stuff and gave to him. It's a "premier issue" of "Classic Car Corral" dated May 1993. The front page headlines "NJSRA'S 25TH Year" with a photo of club members & their cars dating from 1977. Inside there are more items about our club, including an article about the '93 Rod run at Horseshoe Lake. Dan asked me to try to include a couple of the photos here, after which he plans to get the paper laminated for inclusion in the club's archives.



'77 NJSRA MEETING ON RT. 46 IN THE BACKGROUND IS NOW THE WILLOWBROOK MALL

Above is the front page photo. It's pretty much as clear as the original, which isn't great. I can recognize a few faces & a couple of the cars. I'm sure some of you guys can identify more. I'm not sure about the caption - I was working on the first store in Willowbrook (Bamberger's) in 1968. Perhaps the date's incorrect or this was at the racetrack at the Rt. 46/Bloomfield Ave. split. Maybe Charlie would know - isn't that you on the far right?

Inside the paper there's a full page write-up of NJSRA history (to 1993, of course) and some pics from our '93 Rod Run.



This one shows a bunch of us balancing WOTSRA'S Teeter-Totter. Lots of familiar faces here.

The article touches on the club's origins, mentioning Pete VanInderstine's role as the organizing force. The change from "Car Show" to "Rod Run" theme after the club got tired of the judging & trophy hassles is mentioned, as well as some of the donations to kids with special medical needs.

#### **CANADIAN REPORT** *Frank Carey*

Former member Gene Maione, now living in Wyoming, sends the following report:

*Hi Frank*

*I just got back from a rod run in Victoria, British Columbia. It was put on by the Northwest deuces of Victoria. There were over 900 cars and over half were '32 Fords. Vic Edelbrock was one of the major sponsors and he had his 110 foot yacht docked in the inner harbor where the run was held. Pretty cool run. It was a 4 day run.*

*Gene*

#### **For Sale**

Joe Staples - 1938 Plymouth flathead, transmission and rear

Vinnie Salvatore - 302 Fuel injection manifold, computer, BO; Quick Lift, around \$1,500;

(6) Classic Gauges

Paul Erb - 1958 Ford 9" Rear, 58" wide, (4) 15" x215x60 Pirelli tires with 1200 miles, \$50 each

Bob Filipski - (5) Bias Ply Wide Whites off his 1956 Chevy, Like New

Lou Cinque - C4 Trans, 1950 Ford Overdrive, \$350

**If you know of an event & would like it listed, please contact me. A good website to view schedules & flyers on the internet is: [www.njcarshow.com](http://www.njcarshow.com)**

#### **Events: 2010**

**Aug 25 – Monthly Meeting**

Aug 27, 28, 29 - Macungie WOTSRA

Sept 1 - Radir Wheels Pre-Lead East Party at Rich Conklin's Farm

Sept 2, 3, 4, 5 - Lead East

Sept 13 - Steering Committee Meeting

**Sept 19 - NJSRA Family Picnic**

**Sept 25 - Breakfast, Bill's Lunch, 455 Ironia Rd, Ironia**

Sept 25, 26, 27 - Goodguys Pocono, Pa

**Sept 29 - Monthly Meeting, Pizza Night, Elections****Oct 2 - Breakfast, Pilgrim Diner, 82 Pompton Ave, Rt. 53 South, Cedar Grove**

Oct 11 - Steering Committee Meeting

Oct 14 - Thursday, Boy's Night Out

Oct 16 - Steve Mathews Fall Foliage Run

**Oct 27 - Monthly Meeting****Nov 6 - Breakfast, Little Food Café, Newark-Pompton Tnpk, Pompton Plains**

Nov 8 - Steering Committee Meeting

**No Nov 24 Monthly Meeting****Dec 1 - Monthly Meeting, No Steering Committee Meeting in December****Dec 4 - Breakfast, Hampton Diner, Rt. 206 N., Newton**

Dec 11 - Holiday Party at Piccolo's, Kinnelon

**2011****Jan 8 - Breakfast, Jefferson Diner, Rt. 15 N, Lake Hopatcong****Cruises: 2010****Mon**

Goffel Grille, Hawthorne, 201-3032-3218

Ridgewood Restaurant, - 35 Brooklyn Stanhope Rd, Lake Hopatcong, Free Buffet

Rt 46 West, Arby's, Rockaway

**Tue**

Fuddruckers, Rt. 22 W, Bridgewater

Custom Knights, Wendy's, Rt. 23 North

McDonalds, Rt. 10, Ledgewood Mall, Succasunna

**Wed**

Goodfellas, Wendy's, Rt. 46 East, Denville, Starts April 21

Irving's Delicatessen, Rt. 10 East, Livingston, 973-994-5100, Starts April 7

Wyckoff, NJ

**Thursday**

Tri-County Cruises, Riverdale Armory, Starts May 6

Cops N Rodders, Hackettstown, Starts April 29

**Fri**

Starlight Cruisers, Wal-Mart, Boonton, Starts April 23

Rt. 94, Knowton Shopping Center, Blairstown

Town of Somerville

**Sat**

Chatterbox

Whiskey Café

**Sun**

IHOP, Rt. 46 Kenvil

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