

# North Jersey Street Rod Association

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### NEWSLETTER

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## From all the Steering Committee. MERRY CHRISTMAS

<u>Monthly Meeting</u>: Scotty November or December or ?????????

Adaptable-adjective

1. capable of being adapted.

2. able to adjust oneself readily to different conditions: an adaptable person.: an adaptable club.

I think we can consider our club to be adaptable. When we showed up at the VFW Wednesday night we found out there was a foul-up. Apparently the man Skip asked to change our Nov meeting night to Wednesday December 1,wasn't paying attention, and said he would take care of it. I guess he didn't realize that the VFW meets on the first Wednesday of the month. So there you have it. After a brief, cold discussion we thought we would go across the street to the Brookside Diner. The folks went out of their way to make room for us. A few of us had something to eat, some had coffee and.... All in all we had a nice gab fest. Eddie was able to collect names for the party and Hank picked up some dues.We had 22 members present and two, Jack and Dave M. were there in spirit. When they showed up at the VFW they were told there was no meeting and they left.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

None, but 22 members were present

<u>Treasurer's Report from Hank:</u> None, but we still have some money

#### **Good and Welfare**

The only good was we overcame the problem

#### Meeting Discussions:

Open ended gab session.

#### <u>50/50</u>

There wasn't any but Rich tried to sell a few tickets to pick up some extra change for the holidays. He wasn't successful!

#### <u>Our December Birthday Boys</u>: No ages will be disclosed in the event of overly sensitive members. Dave Hourigan Bob Daum

#### **<u>Steering Committee Meeting</u>:** /Scotty **December 13,2010**

We discussed the party and items that might be changed. A thanks to Eddie Z. for his work on it.

We went over the membership for next year to get the roster ready.

We will be handing out a survey at the January meeting. Several members have contributed ideas that are included in it. This will help us some direction for the club.

Bill B. came and we went over the club shirts he is ordering. He is going to try to see our supplier this week and get things going. It was suggested by the committee that in the future items should be paid for in advance. That way Bill can put orders together and the club will not get overstocked.

Atlantic City show discount tickets will be gotten by the club. The details are: The show is February 18-20. The tickets must be purchased in quantities of 20 at \$15.00 each. The tickets must be ordered A.S.A.P. Scotty will send an email with details to the club members.

We went over with some of the show items and will be working on it in earnest after the first of the year.

#### **Interfaith Food Pantry Food Drive**

We teamed up with the Our Gang Club at the A&P on route 46 in Mt.Olive for this year's Thanksgiving food drive. We had a DJ spinning some tunes and approx. 40 cars showed up, 11 of them were from our club with 23 of our club members and their families. It was a really slow business day for the A&P. In spite of this we collected about 6 full shopping carts and quite a lot of cash. After a talk with the Food Pantry folks they suggested we get the fixings for Thanksgiving Dinners. We had quite a discussion with the A&P higher ups and they agreed to give us a deal on turkeys. We were able to purchase <u>100</u> Turkeys and most of the trimmings for Thanksgiving dinners.

#### **Riegelsville Fall Roll Out**

Well another "Fall Roll Out" is in the history book. The Riegelsville Kiwanis club have been putting on this car show and swap meet for 19 or 20 years. Kind of confusing since it says 19 and 20 years on the flyer. But anyhow, it was very enjoyable as always. A little cold in the AM but warmed up nice by the afternoon. I also ran into some past and present members of N.J.S.R.A., which always happens at Riegelsville. There were lots of vendors and lots of cars to admire. A raffle every hour and also some decent food. Try to make this show next year, its great. Profits from this show go directly towards community projects.

Thank you Steve Mathews

#### **December Saturday Breakfast:**

Saturday Dec.4 we went to the Hampton Diner in Newton for our monthly breakfast get together. Roland, Linda and Mike Edis. Pat and Clarence Staples, Janet and Scotty showed up. Mike showed up with his new look 35 Ford. The wide whites and the red rims look great! After a nice breakfast everyone with the exception of Roland went to Chester to go to the Festival of Trees. Nice cold day and a good show at the Festival. A good time was had by all, although I don't think Clarence was able to get Santa to get him a new free paint job.

#### Pre Show / Holiday Party:

Saturday December 11<sup>th</sup> Piccolos' Restaurant in Kinnelon. We had quite a good turnout for our annual pre-show / Holiday party. Rather than listing names, I'll more than likely miss someone I'll just say we had about 70% of the club there. Special thanks go out to Eddie Z. He was on top of things almost to the point where he looked like he was trying out for a job. Every one seemed to have a good time, flowers for the ladies, the food was plentiful, and tasted good. We did notice that the dancers were starting to slow down a bit. It can't be age. It must be they overate.



#### For Sale

We are going to clean out the list of items on the newsletter and the web site. If you want anything listed you will need to do it after the first of the year 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

#### The Frank Carey Pages

Frank has been keeping us informed and entertained with his frequent submissions. I have several from him this month - Bryce

#### DAYTONA TURKEY RUN Frank Carey

I went up to Daytona on Friday morning with a few other local guys. As we were coming off the I-95 exit ramp and merging into traffic I fell in next to the LaSalle coupe of former member Scott Pearson. He had his sons with him as usual. I lost track of him once we got to the track but after registering we were parking when the next arriving car pulled in next to us and it was Steve Mathews and former member (and former president) Larry Fisher. Small world. I soon went looking for Louie Cinque and knew where to look because he always parks in the same place with a crowd of his friends. But they told me he backed out at the last minute. In the course of the weekend I ran into former member Steve Heller whose son is a vendor. By late Friday afternoon I was exhausted from all of the necessary walking (this place really is huge) and returned to the car. Steve and Larry soon arrived and we sat and chatted for quite a while.

I arrive back at the track very early on Saturday in hopes of avoiding the long lines and delays. It was better but still slow. The entire Daytona track had just been paved and they had sheets of plywood for us to drive on when crossing the new pavement. This slowed things down. But once back on the field I spotted Scott Pearson's brother Don, also a former member. Don and Jean had come in their recently acquired '52 Ford business coupe with big Cad engine. As was the case the day before, I was tired by mid afternoon and returned to my car and called Don. He came over and we talked about many things.

Late in the afternoon there is a tradition of driving out to the beaches and hanging out at a local shopping area where there is a supermarket, a Ruby Tuesdays, etc. As in the past it was packed to gridlock. Here I see cars I didn't see on the field. I suspect some guys just come here because it's free and don't go to the speedway. And spectators surely do the same. Lots of people stop to look at my police car and some are interesting people. This year there were three guys who had come from Iceland. Yes, the country.

The Turkey Run always has a good mix of cars and this year was no exception. There were many obviously fresh builds and that's always nice to see. The car corral was perhaps the most interesting part of the event as it was clearly a buyer's market. There were many excellent buys, likely an indication of the difficult economic circumstances of the sellers. I saw a recently built '34 Ford sedan, small block Ford, auto, A/C, steel roof, very good silver paint and fully upholstered. It was in the resto style with original big headlights, bumpers, cowl lights,... everything – for \$24,500. This was the bargain of the weekend. There was also a 47 Ford coupe with a very good white and tan Bonneville style scallop paint job, fully upholstered and with A/C for \$22,500. There were more rat rods that last year but, as in the past, the ones I looked at were actually well built. They just had very shabby sheet metal. I saw nothing unsafe in the few I looked at. Of course they look ridiculous. At least, to me. Hey, just my \$.02

**RISK, FEAR, DANGER, ETC.** Frank Carey Sometimes the most insightful things will show up on the Internet. I'm not really a misogynist. I just think it's funny. To hell with political correctness!



#### PAVING THE DAYTONA SPPEDWAY Frank Carey

The turns at Daytona are so highly banked they are almost like a wall. So how do you use paving equipment designed to pave a flat surface and use it to pave as wall? Here's how.

Notice how they use heavy equipment at the top to hold the paver and roller in position so they don't tip over on the steep incline. And to do this they had to take down all of the light poles. I can't imagine what all of this cost. But somehow, I suspect this is no problem for NASCAR.

#### YOUR CHRISTMAS LIST Frank Carey

The ultimate tool chest. You need to add this item to you Christmas list. Study this picture carefully. Notice in the lower left corner there is a built in mini-fridge. Looks big enough for two sixpacks. That should suffice for an evening's work. Even if you have a buddy on hand as a helper. Then notice the top right drawer has a built in CD player. The speakers are in the corners of the top surface. The one on the left is hidden by the red poinsietta leaves.

I spotted this one at my local Lowes. Your local Lowes likely carries the same line of tool boxes. The brand name is Kobalt – or something like that. The price? You don't need to know that to put it on your Christmas list. But I supposed you'll get asked and will need to say that it's on sale for \$1900.

Hey, a more conventional Snap-On cabinet is in that price range. Try using that argument to sell this idea if you get any flack about "too expensive". And good luck. And Merry Christmas.





#### **SMART CARS** Frank Carey

Everybody knows what a Smart Car is, right? And I suspect everybody wonders how a Smart car would fare in a crash.

Well, it shouldn't surprise you to hear that this has happened – in town. Not on the Interstate. Moreover, somebody was there to take pictures of how it went. Needless to say, it didn't go well at all.





### WORLD CLASS PRACTICAL JOKE

*Frank Carey* Only in Texas. This guy got some balloons that were missile shaped and tied them onto the roll bar on his truck. (see round inset pic) High speed driving on the Interstate with frequent lane changes produced a spectacular scene. Check it out.



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>

Events:2011 Jan 8 - Breakfast, Jefferson Diner, Rt. 15 N, Lake Hopatcong

June 3rd-5th NSRA Nats East. York

# June 19 NJSRA FATHERS DAY SHOW

Sept.23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Northeast Nationals, Burlington. Vt.

Food For Thought (and something to fill up the rest of this page)

Do not argue with an idiot. He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.

I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.

If I agreed with you we'd both be wrong.

I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So, I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.

Evening news is where they begin with 'Good evening', and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.

Whenever I fill out an application, in the part that says "If an emergency, notify:" I put"DOCTOR".

I saw a woman wearing a sweat shirt with "Guess" on it...so I said "Implants?"

We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.

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