

North Jersey Street Rod Association

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NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gentlemen:

Let's all try to attend this month's meeting on Wednesday, July 28th. We will be making our donation to Amanda Grimes and little Jacob Grimes, the receipient of the benefit of this year's show, then on to Stewart's in Denville for our annual Ice Cream night. Bring your family and your car.

Just a reminder, guys, this year is an election year and every member should participate in both the selection and election of YOUR club leaders. All positions are open and Bob Grimal will be speaking to all of you for your input.

If you are interested in being part of the leadership or know a member who you would like to nominate, let Bob Grimal know. EVERYONE should take part in this decision and remember it's your club, you need to support it. Thanks.

Dan

Monthly Meeting: Jeff Erven June 30, 2010

July12, Steering Committee Meeting:

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

- Call to Order, Pledge, Moment of Silence
- Roll Call: (21) Members, (2) Guests
- <u>Treasurer's Report from Skip:</u> VFW Rent & Refreshments, Garage Rent, Ray Canty & Tony Rossi New Member Applications, Car Show Bills, Show Field Layout materials, Truck Fuel, Valve Cover Prizes.
- <u>Good and Welfare</u> All is well; Steve Mathews gained 5 pounds since he quit cutting his grass, its straw due to the heat.

- Dan thanked everyone for a very successful Car Show. Comments made were:
 - 67 Pre-registered cars, 262 cars total

 - 2 cars of 1979 and above were not let into the show, but paid as spectators. Next year any cars that show up that are newer will be let into the show as long as there is room. The Registration will make all decisions.
 - The DJ could not be heard everywhere.
 - The Auction was a success but needs to be better advertized.
 - Complaints of dog waste is not the responsibility of the club since local residents walk
 - their dogs. Someone stepped in something and had a fit.
 - New embers who worked hard at the show were thanked.
 - The T-Shirts sold like hotcakes.
- The Car Show was voted on and approved for two more years.
- A Thank You letter was sent by Carolyn Lake, the Director of the Interfaith Food Pantry. Over 200 pounds of food was received and thanks to Joanne Erb who made up a donation Jar, \$130 was donated also.
- Roland Utter has volunteered to continue setting up the Saturday morning, 1st of the month breakfast meetings. Roland will set up a new schedule with locations.
- 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 16th.
- 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.
- Skip Cardinal is working on the 2011 budget. He read estimated expenses at the meeting. With dues there is a shortfall. Rumor has it that he will be making budget cuts, cap taxes, and layoff the Steering Committee. Pizza night will consist of 4 slices of pizza to be shared.
- At the Steering Committee meeting the 2011 budget was approved. •
- A few Rods showed up at the meeting. Dan Burrows has one of those new Toyota Roadsters where when you turn right, the headlights turn right, but only on the driver's side.
- The July 28th meeting will start out at the VFW with the donation presentation to Amanda and Jacob • Grimes, followed by Ice Cream Night at Stewart's in Denville.
- 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.
- Frank Carey is investigating how he was made a Life Member. It's because we like you. I think I remember that a vote was taken since Frank moved to Florida and was the longest active member.
- The 50-50 was won by Ed Broadback. Now he can buy touch up paint for his scratched fender.

Syracuse Happenings : Jeff Erven Sighted in attendance at Syracuse were:

Frank and Grace Carey - Grace looked well rested from her back problems, she rested well while Frank was up north hanging with the guys. Frank spent most of the weekend checking out the rods and sharing bits of history from his miraculous memory.....

Rob Kinney - Rob sold his Willy's at York and was running around looking for a new ride. We all tried to find out where the cash was stored so we could roll him.....

Ed Broadback - Ed spent most of the weekend sleeping, eating, sleeping, sitting. His buddies just let him sit there. His new paint job and interior did look good and since his power windows now work wasn't worried one bit about the thunderstorms. I hope his windows were in the up position on Friday....

Bob Filipski - Bob was sighted looking for parts for his new 56 Chevy, fuzzy dice, pom poms, dice..

<u>Bob Drown</u> - Little Bob was in charge of waking up Ed for his meals...But since he is little on words, Ed missed lunch on Saturday....

Lou Cinque - Lou was spotted at the swap meet, who knows what he was looking for, maybe he was lost. His friend Ski with the low coupe made it on the local news. Lou is probably jealous...

<u>Ed Zuchowski</u> - Ed doesn't follow directions very good so he either followed or drove with Jeff. As in days past, since Jeff quit drinking, they found the carrier circle exit to the hotel on 1st shot, without going around the circle 12 times first. But on one night when going back to the hotel, they got gabbing, and missed the exit, actually Jeff went West instead of East and they almost made it to Buffalo.....

Ed also spent the most time drying his car. He said it never got so wet before. He tried putting it in a sheep pen but scraped his trans pan and was seen crying in the horse pen. But none of the paint stained this time.....

<u>Jack Beckett</u> - Jack hung out with Don Friedman from American Rods & Rides, hoping to get some pointers on how to sell a car. Well... Ed's, Jeff's, Jack's, and even Don's cars were for sale, all parked, together, not one offer...At least Jack had a couple of folks ask questions.

While at the Demolition Derby since Don, Jack & Jeff all had on Don's American Rod's & Rides shirts, they are going to enter the derby next year with Don as a sponsor....Ed is going to enter the burnout contest using Grundy's Golf Cart....

<u>Jeff Erven</u> – Jeff was the planner for meals, social activities, driving instructions. The only thing he did well was eat. He tried buying a truck, but that fell through, especially after he found out the carpeted bed and bed cover are not compatible in the rain.... Jeff also was tired of explaining his Yenko Wagon. Most people really believed him....He had fun, especially with the hillbillies....

<u>Mike Edis</u> – He wasn't there but called Ed at least 15 times a day, It was either to ask questions, see if Jeff was taking good care of Ed, or he missed Ed.....

It was really hot and muggy, it rained a few times, but fun was had by all with no mishaps...Anyone know where Rob hides his cash?

YORK MYSTERY ENGINE Frank Carey

This was the mystery engine of the weekend. The engine was in the back. The front was a COE cab so low it was almost on the ground. The block was a single V-12 casting. Nobody knew what it was from. Each of the four cylinder heads was marked GMC and covered three cylinders.

I suppose these heads might be from a V-6.

So,... Did GMC ever make as V-12 engine? And, if so, did they use four of their 3-cylinder heads? Who knows.



SYRACUSE, CHANGE, AND THE MEANING OF LIFE Frank Carey

Only a handful of us got to Syracuse this year. It's still a huge event and, even though I didn't hear any car counts, I'd guess there were over 4,000 cars and possibly over 5,000. But the mix is starting to change and this brought to mind the recent changes in cutoff years that we are seeing, although Syracuse was never a pre-48 event. There just didn't seem to be as many street rods as usual. At one point I was walking along the cars parked against the north fence and I reached a point where I could not see a single street rod. I admit you don't see very much of the fairgrounds from there but I was nevertheless surprised. Don't get me wrong. There were lots of rods. Just not as many as before.

Fifties cars usually appeal to me but, oddly, not the tri-five Chevrolets. I saw a very good looking '57 Olds, a '50 Chev Fleetline, an immaculate '57 Pontiac 4-door hardtop, and some nice mid-fifties Mopars. Great stuff. Sixties and later cars just don't interest me. But the odd cars are starting to show up. Back when the dates were raised we joked that rod runs would become shows of Pacers and Yugos. Well,... there was a Pacer there. Boy, are they ugly. And the owner was wiping it down to show well. Good luck. And not much further along was a Toyota and Honda parked together and sporting similar blue airbrush graphics. And somewhere I saw a Volvo with a cage.

On the positive side, there was a very large open-sided structure (probably used for animals at the fair) that was filled with retro rods and rat rods. Some of the old school cars had rare speed equipment or unusual suspensions and, although many were obviously recently built, there were numerous survivor cars that were neat to see.

Here are glimpses of a few of our member's cars who were there. Can you identify each guy from a glimpse of each car?

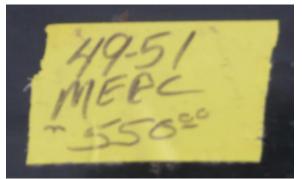




YORK SWAP MEET Frank Carey Just in case you missed this bargain of the weekend.



If you find the price tag hard to read, here's an enlargement. Can't let this one get away.



I've bought complete cars for less than this. But I guess that gives away my age.

For Sale

<u>Joe Staples</u> - 1938 Plymouth flathead, transmission and rear <u>Vinnie Salvatore</u> - 302 Fuel injection manifold, computer, BO; Quick Lift, around \$1,500; (6) Classic Gauges <u>Paul Erb</u> - 1958 Ford 9" Rear, 58" wide <u>Lou Cinque</u> - 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: <u>www.njcarshow.com</u>

Events: 2010

Jul 28 - Monthly Meeting, Ice Cream Night

Aug 9 - Steering Committee Meeting Aug 14, 15 - 180 W. Bridge St., New Hope, PA Aug 21 ---Mt. Arlington FOD Lodge 78, 111 Howard Blvd 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, 26, 27 - Goodguys Pocono, Pa
Sept 29 - Monthly Meeting, Pizza Night, Elections

Oct 11 - Steering Committee Meeting Oct 14 - Thursday, Boy's Night Out Oct 16 - Steve Mathews Fall Foliage Run Oct 27 - Monthly Meeting

Nov 8 - Steering Committee Meeting No Nov 24 Monthly Meeting

Dec 1 - Monthly Meeting, No Steering Committee Meeting in December Dec 11 - Holiday Party at Piccolo's, Kinnelon

Cruises: 2010

<u>Mon</u> 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

<u>Thursday</u>

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

<u>Sat</u>

Chatterbox Whiskey Café

<u>Sun</u>

Callandra's Bakery, Rt. 46 East, Fairfield, Breakfast IHOP, Rt. 46 Kenvil

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