



North Jersey Street Rod Association

MAY 1997
NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June is almost here and you know what that means. Rod Run time! Our May meeting will be devoted to final arrangements. But first, a word of thanks to all the people who work behind the scene for months to make our run a successful event. Thanks. Now lets all of us pitch in and make this one the best ever.

Bill Ford

BURLINGTON ROOMS

It's never too early to think of Burlington because rooms because they are tough to get. This year Bob Martyn will be grabbing a block of rooms at the Ho-Hum. This is the same small place where some of us stayed last year. It was more than adequate, we park in front of our rooms and don't have to pay brand-name rates. If you're planning on going and need a room, talk to Bob by the May meeting - 201/492-7902. If you didn't have a room through Bob last year you'll need to give him a credit card number to hold your room.

RED BANK CRUISING

One of my favorites - but they only do it a few times a year. I work down that way so on cruise day I drive my sedan to work. For last week's cruise Bill Ford with Charlie Parinello riding shotgun met me in Middletown and we made the short trip to downtown Red Bank. The main drag was filled for blocks with cruisers when we got there. We'd barely gone a half block when we heard the well known cry of Lou Cinque! He was sitting in one of the sidewalk eateries with Joe DiPiazza. Lou keeps his boat nearby and

had come down in the El Camino. Joe had his newly acquired pickup. Side streets were starting to fill up but somehow we managed a passable double parking spot on the main street and Bill and Charlie hawked raffle tickets out of the back of Bill's pickup all evening. It wasn't long before Larry Liturzo joined us and he squeezed in, too. (Ask Larry to tell you about the friendly visit he had with a parkway trooper enroute.) And during the evening, Bruce Pandy stopped by. He has relatives in the area. The president of a fifties Chevy club came by to tell us that his club would be coming to our run. He had come by himself last year and went home with rave reviews so a whole bunch of them are coming this year. We arranged for them to be together on the field, too - the same as we do for the Gallopin' Hill Club. And Bill and Charlie sold lots of raffle tickets and we all got flyers into the cars. If you can get to Red Bank by 4:00 PM you should try to make it sometime. Louie can tell you when they're held. I typically find out about it from my coworkers at the last minute.

GOOD NEWS

Brittany Mathews and Dave Myers are recuperating from their injuries. Brittany is now at home and is just about back to normal. Dave is still in rehabilitation and looks forward to his periodic visits home. They both have our best wishes for a speedy return to good health.

OUR TWELVE MINUTES OF FAME

Through the efforts of Ann Marie Martyn (there's that name again!) - letter writing, phone calls - a bunch of us got to be on TV. If you'd been watching channel 7 on the morning of May 14th you could have seen what a club member looks like after having gotten up at 3:00 AM to stand around on the Englishtown drag strip while the WABC morning news guy does his thing. Considering the ridiculous hour, we really had a respectable turnout: Bob and Dee Sellitto, Bob Dauernheim, Paul Feldmann, Dave Myers, Lou Cinque, Joe Calari, Will Stieve, Joe Mansfield, Paul Erb, Jim Troast, Larry Fisher, Nick Cunningham, Bob Martyn, Charlie Parinello, Larry and John Liturzo, Rich Tower, Bill Ford, and prospective members Pete Iozzio, Bob Resco, and Barry Wachtler. Wow!, that must be a quorum. Don Prudhomme was in town for a major race and he was there, too. And for musical atmosphere they had Lenny Coco and the Chimes - who's familiarity with rods and the fifties culture was debated but who sang "a capella" - that is, until they discovered Larry Liturzo's stereo. Then things started to cook. But the really interesting activity was Rich Tower and Joe Calari teasing the attendees with world-class burnouts. Seems to me that both of these guys run in the elevens so this must have been a crowd pleaser. Of course there was nobody there at that crazy hour but, your in luck. The occasion was captured on video tape and will be shown at the meeting.

And, of course, we got in multiple plugs for our show. That was kinda the whole idea behind such lunacy and it worked. Thanks, Anne Marie for our 12 minutes of fame. So what do we have left? Three minutes? Didn't Warhole say we get 15 minutes of fame in our lifetime?

RUMOR HAS IT

Jerry D'Allessio won a trophy bigger than his car.

Joe DiPiazza has a neat '32 Pickup (or is it a Model-A?)

Larry Fisher's '40 pickup is in prime and ready for mechanics

Rudy Deutsch obtained a \$1,000 donation for our charity. (Yes, one thousand dollars! Damn)

Nick Cunningham and Donna sold over \$500 in raffle tickets outside their local supermarket.

Joe Calari is still smiling after his moment of fame (check him at the meeting. that smile may be permanent)

Larry Liturzo is building an ice cream truck street rod

Don "Florida-Don" Pearson and his pickup appeared at the King of the Hill car show in Mine Hill.

Ed List won another "special award". Ask him about it.

Bob Martyn's motor is really "blown"

Joe Mansfield is looking for property in the "Carolinas"

YORK

We're doing it again. The "gang" will be making another world-class turf grab of prime

real estate that will make the Oklahoma Land Rush look like an Easter Parade. I've always suspected we've got more than a few former green berets in the club. It's like taking a hill. Anyhow, this will become our home base for the weekend. Look for Joe's yellow and white circus tent and the familiar red club canopies. And last year's free lunch of 6-foot subs was so popular we'll be doing it again - on Saturday. Luncheon will be served at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon. This may not be high tea at Windsor Castle but neither will it be like the eating scene from Taming of the Shrew! Thanks to Anne Marie Martyn for making the arrangements.

MASRA

MASRA is twenty five years old and a bunch of us went to the birthday party in Strasburg, PA. - In the Lancaster area. It was held on the grassy lawns of a small but quality antique car museum. Bill Ford led the entourage, Larry Fisher brought up the rear (they have radios), and stretched between them were Bob and Cookie Daum, Bill and Linda Bosland, Rudy and Gail Deutsch, Charlie Parinello, and me - with Bill Carver as passenger. (Gee, is that everybody? Sorry if I missed any of you) I did! George Collict was there, too. Boy, was Pam there? I don't remember. (Gotta remember to take notes.) Must be the onset of senility. Anyhow, George won a door prize - cash, I think. (Shoulda taken notes.) On the way home Bill Ford led us on an accidental tour through beautiful downtown Lancaster. But it really was a nice event. And I heard talk of making it an annual affair that rotates throughout the MASRA membership area. That might work for us because Lancaster is on the southwestern fringe of the membership area and we're on the northeast so the next one would surely be closer to us.

DON & JEAN

Don and Jean Pearson sent a newsy letter from Florida. They are having a house built and by the time you read this they'll be in it. Their new address is:
15701 Green Point Court,
Clermont, FL 34711.

Don reports that he's still working for Carmax but that he's back doing body work. He says: "car sales wasn't for me". Cruising in Florida is major league. A bad night is 150 - 200 cars. And cruising is rain or shine. And, of course, Don is making local events, too. He made the Turkey Run and the Daytona event. Says the Turkey Run was the bigger of the two. Finally, he says he'll be in town over the fourth of July so you might get to see him.

ANTIQUÉ BOATS

Last month it was antique airplanes. This month it's antique boats. The antique boat guys at Lake Hopatcong are holding a show and they think it would be cool if street rods came. Of course, we get in free. This is on July 12th and should get underway around 10 AM. The location is the Lake Hopatcong Yacht Club (hey, this is a class act!) which is sort of near where Bertand's Island was. C'mon, you all remember that! You're not that young. Food will be available and - you guessed it! BOAT RIDES!! Son of a gun. For more info call Russ Fisher, 201/335-1422.

ROD RUN '97

OK guys, this is it. This is the last newsletter you'll get before the show so listen up.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Bring all tickets - sold and unsold - to the May meeting. You may withhold what you think you can sell before show day. Be realistic. What can you sell in the few weeks between the meeting and the show. If you appear on showday with fistfuls of unsold tickets you're going to get bad stares - and maybe a few unkind words - like, things about your mother. That's probably not the worst thing that ever happened to you but you'll be complicating our operation. Please! OK.

GOODIE BAGS: Last call. We need stuff. I don't know what else to call it. You know what I mean. Bring it to the meeting and get it to Bill Carver.

AUCTION: Last call. We still need stuff. Doesn't have to be car related.

DOOR PRIZES: Last call. We still need stuff. Anything that would make a nice door prize. Be creative. What can you come up with?

SHOW DAY:

Charlie Parinello is cash manager on show day. So if you're a team leader and if you need startup cash to do your job, talk to Charlie at the meeting and work out what you need; amount, denominations, etc. Charlie will distribute all startup cash on show day. If you don't talk to Charley before show day you don't get any startup cash. It's as simple as that. Bring your own cash aprons.

Be on the field by 7:00 AM. Even if nobody's talked to you about working and even if you haven't signed up for a job - **WE NEED YOU ALL!** There are always a few who can't make it because they have to work or have to go to a wedding or have to officiate at a wedding, so we **REALLY** need you all. There's usually an early bird crowd that meets for breakfast. Ask at the meeting if your interested.

Wear your club shirt. If you don't have one, buy one from Rev. Ron at the meeting or wear any red shirt. And bring sun screen. Think sun.

Chuck and Lisa Parinello will be running kid's games. They don't bring the games. They just run 'em. So, what can you bring? C'mon guys. Think up something or dig up something and get it to Chuck, Lisa, or Bob Martyn on show day.

As in the past, wives and children are welcome as workers. We really appreciate this and I worry that we don't adequately convey our thanks to them. I have no specific instructions for family members. If you work with your husband/father, great. If you have a particular preference for assignment or want the same job you had last year, talk to whoever is running that function. Wives: don't pay. Identify yourselves to gate workers. And gate workers: be reasonable. We're not going to be inundated by hordes of women trying to sneak in by masquerading as member's wives. And to all family members, thanks in advance.

Plan to stay all day. Late day activities include taking down area signs, garbage detail, and more.

Bring your street rod if possible. We realize that some of you are bringing truckloads of stuff so let's get out all the rods we can. Every car helps.

And a final suggestion. If, near the end of the day, you notice that cars are starting to leave and you're not real busy, go over to the field exit and thank the people for coming as they leave. They seem to appreciate it and I've noticed that a few other runs do it, too, and I like it. It's a nice personal touch.

AIR CONDITIONING

FOR SALE

1939 Chevrolet milk truck, all original, original owner, school bus doors, tilt out windshield, straight six, runs, very solid, great promotional piece or rod. Asking \$3700. 201/992-4696 (Bob) or 201/263-4140 (Jim)

1953 Dodge Milk truck, original owner, Great street rod material, asking \$1,000. 201/992-4696 (Bob) or 201/263-4140 (Jim)

That's it guys...

Frank Carey
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May 31 Little Ferry, NJ Car Show, Memorial School, Liberty St, info: Steve: 201/440-0310 Jun 1 Cedar Hollow Timing Ass'n Rod Run, Main St. behind firehouse Jun 6-8 York, PANSRA Nationals East Randolph, NJ Wheels in Motion Car show & Swap meet, Morris County College, Rt 10 info: 201/628-0717 Jun 14 Andover, NJ Aeroflex Airport, route 206 - Experimental Aircraft fly-in. Street rods

invited **Jun 15 Succasunna, NJ North Jersey SRA Benefit Rod Run 97, Horseshoe Lake,**
info 201/361-6350 or 201/267-0233 Jun 22^{4th} Annual Rotary Benefit Car Show, Boonton High School, Lathrop Ave.
9-4, info: 201/263-2414 (rain date - June 29th) Jun 27-29 Harrington, DE Southern Delaware SRA Rod & Custom
Jamboree, State Fairgrounds
Info: 302/732-9851 Jul 4 Worcester, MA Jul 20 Doylestown, PA Road Angels - Run with the Angels Show & Shine Info:
Dave 215/257-7618 Jul 27 Manville, NJ Antique & Custom Car Show, ADESA Auctions facility, Main St. & Dukes
Parkway (rain date - Aug 3rd) info: 908/526-9285 Jul 31 - Aug 3 Oklahoma City, OK NSRA Street Rod Nationals Aug
3 Englishtown, NJ Rollin' Rods of South Jersey Old Time Drags and Rod Run
Aug 3 Caldwell, NJ 4th Annual Car Show & Flea Market, Caldwell College Campus, Ryerson Ave (off Bloomfield Ave)
8 M - 4 PM. Info: Bob 201/226-2020 Aug 10 Moscow, PA Moscow Country Fair Rod Run. Info: 717/842-8629
evenings Aug 17 Hackensack, NJ University Corporate Plaza, Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Show, Behind the Badge
Foundation, Inc. benefit Bergen County PAL, info: 201/996-0028 Aug 16-22 Wendover, UT Bonneville Speed Week Aug
22-24 Macungie, PA Wheels of Time 19th Annual Rod & Custom Jamboree Parsippany, NJ Lead East Sep 5 - 7 Lake
George, NY 9th Adirondack Nationals, info: 518/785-9432 Sep 5 - 7 Ocean City, NJ South Jersey SRA 23rd Annual
South Shore Rod Run, first 450 preregistered

Sep 18-21 Wildwood, NJ 4th Annual Boardwalk Classic Car Show. Info: 609/523-8051 Sep 25 - 28 Burlington,

VTNSRA Northeast Nationals Oct 2 - 5 Carlisle, PA Fall Carlisle Oct 5 Springtown, PA Upper Bucks SRA 15th Annual

Super Street Rod Sunday, Silver Creek Picnic Grove, routes 412 & 212. Info: Dan 215/536-8563

CRUISING

MondayPine BrookTiffany Diner, route 46 westFairlawnSub Base, River Rd.TuesdayRockawayRockaway Diner, 116 route 46 TuesdayNew BrunswickThe Hungry Peddler, 515 Livingston Ave. TuesdayCliftonRutt's Hut, 417 River Rd.TuesdayWoodbridgeBertucci's Pizzeria, 887 St. Georges Ave at 1 & 9 intersectionWednesdayFairfieldBurger King,

route 46 west Wednesday Staten Island, NY Hooter's, 1177 Hyland Blvd. North Edison Inman Grove Shopping Center Wednesday Kearny Burger King, 205 Passaic Ave. Wednesday Netcong Cozy Drive-In, route 46 east, east of Netcong circle Wednesday Parsippany Arlington Plaza, route 46 west Thursday Pompton Plains Jamesway, route 23 north 1st Thursday Metuchen center of town Friday Newton McDonalds, route 206, north, past center of town Friday Denville Denville Freeze, east end of town Friday Somerville center of town Friday Moonachie Burger King, 195 Moonachie Rd. Friday Caldwell Bloomfield Ave. Center of town., music, restaurants open Saturday Blairstown Moravian Market, 124 route 94 until Aug 30th Saturday Whiskey Café, 1050 Wall St. 3rd Saturday Allentown, PA Wheels of Time Cruise, Tilghman Square Mall, Tilghman St. and route 309 info: Fuzzy 610/683-7223