



North Jersey Street Rod Association

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NEWSLETTER

Monthly Meeting: *Scotty*

Call to Order, Pledge, Moment of Silence
Roll Call: (18) Members,

Treasurer's Report from Hank:

.Hank reported on bills paid.

Meeting Discussions

Discussion on a check sent to Two Kids Foundation.
This is a donation given by us to the Conklin Farm Party.

We discussed the Fall food drive. In the past we worked with the Our Gang Cruisers. As you may or may not know their club appears to have disbanded. We will be doing a food drive for the InterFaith Food Pantry on our own. Rob Morris has volunteered to set it up. The date and location will be forthcoming.

NOTE. The food drive will be held on Nov.13th 10:00-2:00 at the Mt Olive A&P.

This is the same place as last year. Rob will be taking a list of those that will attend the drive at the next meeting.

Next item we talked about was the club picnic. If you missed it we had a good time. The Russo family and friends were there and offered us their thanks. We also had some visitors from the Wheels of Time. A name some of you will remember, Jill Potts and Gary Swigert . Jill knows most of the old members through her dad, Buddy. It was fun hearing her refer to us as Mr.

Bob brought up the subject for a vote on having next years show. It was suggested we have a show chairman before we vote. Rob Morris tentatively volunteered to take the position. In that we didn't have a quorum it was decided we wait till next month so we could have a further discussion on the subject.

We are asking all members attend the October meeting!

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This months winner was Jack. He may have won enough to pay the tolls to Del.

Saturday Breakfast

Skipped this month. Labor day.

Steering Committee Meeting: /Scotty

Attendees: Bob Grimal, Pete Iozzio, Scotty Dietz, Danny Burrows, Randy Stacy, Joe Staples, Steve Mathews

We went over our email newsletter list and are trying to have it include as many as possible members in order to save money.

Bob also asked for a Food Pantry Chairman. Rob Morris volunteered

We discussed asking the members to come up with ideas for tech nights at the meetings. We also talked about having a day this winter to display old club items, such as old photo albums and misc. club items.

We went over Dues, the Holiday party, & next year's show. **It will be very important for the members to attend the next meeting.**

We will be having **Pizza night** at the October meeting. Steve will be ordering the pizzas.

Lyons VA Hospital Cruise /Keith Marley

(note - This just missed last month's newsletter, so it's a little dated, but I thank Keith for sending it, along with some great photos - I'll try to squeeze in a couple of them - Bryce)

I'd like to thank Clarence and Pat Staples, Tom Harvey, Joe Guerin and Richard and Steven Douglas for bringing their cars out even under threat of rain. The rain held off for the entire time we were there and the residents loved looking at and taking pictures of the cars. My contact at the VA said that we are welcome back again and that the residents at the nursing home especially enjoyed the cars. He also said that on Oct 1st between 1pm - 4pm any car that wants to attend their reunion at Building 5 (the gym ~ with two big white columns in front) is welcome without pre-arrangement. They expect anywhere between 300-400 people again this year. If it's nice out it could be a fun day to show off the cars to the out patient vets that will show up as well. Rolling Thunder members usually bring their bikes too. Joe Guerin said he will try to make it and can fill everyone in at the meeting if asked. I unfortunately will again be out of town for this next meeting and the Oct 1st run to the VA.



THE WRATH OF MOTHER NATURE *Frank Carey*

Many of us got a good dose of Mother Nature's wrath over the last few months. The floods probably got the most attention and I don't need to remind you of the rest – trees down, roads blocked, power failures, etc.

I don't remember where I found this picture or where it was taken but you get a good idea of what a huge problem this will be. And for a long time. If you look carefully you can see cars stopped in both directions and people out of the cars so this picture was probably taken shortly after this happened. It's surely safe to assume that this "problem" won't be cleared up as quickly as was the washout of I-287 in Boonton.

If the area of the slide is elevated as is the upper section, the roadway is surely collapsed thus adding time and money to the job of fixing this.

If any of you know where this occurred drop me an email note and I'll get it into the next newsletter.

**DOG** *Frank Carey*

What is there to say?

**Streetscene '74** / *Bryce*

NSRA has been including a couple of nostalgia pages each month, mostly excerpts from the corresponding issue of 1974. This month's focus is the North East Rod Run, which was held at the Playboy Club in AcAfee, NJ. A few names in the photo captions caught my attention - early members of NJSRA and acquaintances of the club. **Gary Disco** was mentioned as NSRA New Jersey State Rep. He was one of the club members ID'ed by Frank in the '77 group photo that was in last September's newsletter and is included in Frank's "Origin and Early History of North Jersey Steet Rod Association". In that publication, Frank writes about rod runs to Gary's Cliffside Park gas station during the latter part of the '70s, as well as the connection through Gary to southern California rodder **Norm Grabowski**, who appears in a photo with the Westchester Street Rod Association. Early NJSRA member **Terry Cook** is in yet another photo with his T Touring project car.

A Milestone for the Venerable Chevy Small-block

Sometime this year, Chevy will crank out its one-hundred millionth small-block V-8. First produced in 1955 in response to Ford's intro a year earlier of its overhead valve V-8 and as a replacement for the anemic "Blue Flame Six", the new Chevy engine quite possibly saved the Corvette from extinction.

Designed by Chief Engineer Ed Cole, the 90 degree, 265 cubic-inch V-8 initially produced 195 horsepower with a 4-barrel carb. In a couple of years, with a bore to 283 C.I. and the addition of fuel injection would bring this up to 1 HP per Cube.

Compact & powerful, with a huge range of aftermarket and performance parts, the Chevy small-block has for years been a favorite with racers & rodders. The more recent 350 C.I. version has a base HP rating of 290 with various "crate" packages available that increase this beyond 350.



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Events: 2011 / *Scotty*

If you know of an event & would like it listed, please contact me scottdietz@comcast.net. I will post any show, cruise or event that I am given. For those items not given to me go to the web site below.

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www.njcarshow.com

Events:2011

October 15, 2011

2nd Annual Lake Hopatcong Elks Car Show and Flea Market

Lake Hopatcong Elks Lodge, 201 Howard Blvd. Mt. Arlington, NJ 07856 Contact:

Shannon 973-445-7718

November 5th

Monthly Breakfast

Pilgrim Diner 82 Pompton Avenue

Cedar Grove N.J.

December 3rd

Monthly Breakfast

Hampton Diner

Rt.206 N.

Hampton, N.J.

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AutoMania

Allentown

Jan 20-22

Cruises: 2011

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