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NEXT MEETING

The November (759th) meeting of the New Jersey Region AACA will be held at the VFW on Rt. 53 in Morris Plains 8:00 PM November 3rd 2022



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A Message from the President November 2022





It was indeed a proud day for the NJ Region when I addressed the Glidden Tour participants at the closing banquet on Sept. 30.The tour was a huge success thanks to Vince DeLisi and Jerry Peck, and all the NJ Region members and other AACA members who assisted. Yes, there were some

problems, but they were addressed and resolved as best as possible. Look for a full report in this issue. June & I just returned from our 10th annual Fall Foliage Tour to Lukan's Farm Resort in the Poconos. Pete and Anthony never fail to impress the tourists with the places we visit. At age 65, this was the very first time I ventured into a coal mine. The stories of child labor were saddening. Our Sunday visit to Scranton was completed by a visit to the Houdini Museum, where I was subjected to some on-stage antics by the very talented magician Dorothy Dietrich. She said any man who wears pink is a good candidate. Sarah Pritchett also had a stellar performance, as well as Art Briggs' grandson Max and Anthony's niece. It was a bit hokey, but a lot of fun. As usual, we ate too much, but had a great tour.

Despite the conflict with Hershey, our October meeting was quite successful, with approximately 50 members attending. Our November meeting is our election meeting, and we still do not have a complete ballot. No member has volunteered for the "Membership Chair" position, filling the slot to be vacated by Bill Pritchett after serving for decades. Please consider volunteering for your club. The ballot was e-mailed to all members, and is also included in this issue. Be sure to vote for the member (not an officer) who has done the most for the region this year. November is also our "Old Timers' Night", where we recognize and honor members of 20 year or more. I encourage all members to attend.

The Clothing and Accessories position still needs to be filled. Bob Kelly has resigned as of the end of the year. Betty Allen is busy planning our January awards banquet and installation of officers at the Chandelier of Flanders Valley. Look for the reservation form in this issue. We need to fill 65 seats as that is the restaurant's minimum. I encourage all to attend as last year's event offered great food and fine accommodations. Our season is winding down and I have really enjoyed being your President again. However it's soon time to pass the gavel to some new officers with some fresh ideas. I am confident we have a bright future.

I am always available to speak to you about your concerns and suggestions. I am retired so I can be reached at any time before 9PM. I look forward to hearing from you.

Gregory Roser #1398 / NJ Region AACA President 908-403-6486 / g.roser@verizon.net

From the Editor's Desk



October was full of fun for me. First up was Hershey. Although it rained a couple of days, and I had to miss the October meeting, it was a great week. Wandered around the field and ran into Brian, Bill, the Kaprals and Rich Reina

Back home and it was time to get ready for The Fall Foliage Tour (more about this event next month). Bobbi & I had a great time at the Wolf Preserve, and in a coal mine, not to mention the car restoration shop. If you haven't done the Fall Foliage Tour, you miss a great weekend. Pete and Bill do a fantastic job of lining up interesting stops each year. The stop at Ritters Cider Farm is not to be missed each year. That's how Bobbi makes my fruit cakes that don't taste like door stops.

I had a little trouble with the Model A coming back from a ride with the Running Board A's on Friday, so I decided to take the Lotus on the Mystery tour. After about 10 miles of the back-end grumbling (and not knowing what was wrong), we turned around and got the Subaru. I think that is the first time I didn't take one of the antiques on a tour. Bill's Mystery tour was a mystery even to him until the last minute. After the tour of the Purple Heart Museum, it was off to his friend's house on the lake. Beautiful setting, nice friends, who could ask for anything more. Oh yeah, almost forgot to mention, the Subaru started to make a grumbling noise on the way home. I might have had something to do with a wheel being very loose! One lug wrench later fixed it on the highway. At least that was an easy fix.

Lotus needs new universal joints on the prop shaft (actually they are in now); and the Ford needs new rear brake linings. Hopefully, both will be back in good running order soon.

If you would like to see your car in the Road Map, send an article to me at njraacaroadmapeditor@qmail.com.

This is your newsletter. Please send me short writeups, lots of pictures to let everyone know what you have been up to.

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NATIONAL AACA EVENTS



NJ AACA EVENTS

January 2023

NOVEMBER

3 NJAACA 759th Meeting and Old Timer's Recognition 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

DECEMBER

NJAACA 760th Meeting and Holiday Dinner 1 7:30 PM - 10:00 PM;

JANUARY 2023

8 NJ Region Awards Banquet at the Chandelier at Flanders Valley, 80 Pleasant Hill Rd, Flanders, NJ

Our Mailing Address

NJ Region AACA P.O. Box 890 Morris Plains, NJ 07950



26-28	Winter Nationals,	Miami	Florida
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February

AACA Annual Convention Williamsburg, VA 9-11 **April**

13-15 Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC, Hornets Nest Regions

30-May 3. Southeastern Divisional Tour, Oak Ridge. Tennessee, E. Tennessee Region

May

18-20 Eastern Spring Nationals, Gettysburg, PA, Gettysburg Region.

June

25-28 Eastern Divisional Tour, Hershey, PA, AACA Library

July

16-22 Founders Tour, Ontario & Quebec, Ontario

Special Eastern Summer Nationals, Norwich, J26-29 NY, Rolling Antiquers Region

August

Grand Nationals, Bettendorf, Iowa, Mississippi 10-12 Valley RegionOctober 3-6, 20

October

3-6 Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA, Flea Market set-up is Monday show date is Friday.

22-27 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre1943), Thomasville, Georgia—VMCCA hosted

CELEBRATIONS

By Brenda Zimmerman, NJ AACA Region #1238

Birthdays

- Robert Smith
- Annabelle Wilmer
- 11 Patricia Quattrocchi
- 13 Ray Robertozzi
- 14 Gregory McCann
- 18 Walter Smith
- Bobbi Bettle
- 24 Leif Mangulson
- 24 Ken Swan

VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

NJ REGION AACA Minutes October 6, 2022, #758

Call to order the 758th Region Meeting at 8:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Guests or new members

Ed Pello – lives in Madison: Has a 1966 Pontiac GTO, also a Tempest and a 1967 C10 short bed step side.

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 2022
Region Meeting

(As printed in the October Road Map)

Abe moved, seconded by Yvonne – VP noted that there was an error concerning Wayne's Green badge.

Correspondence - Greg Roser

Thank you letter from Chris Ritter for our donation in memory of Amy Leonard.

Thank you letter from the Veterans' Home was read.

Treasurer's Report, and motion to approve – Tim Schimmel Tim read treasurer's report. Abe added that he has a few donations to present to the treasury – total is \$1,950 when the last check comes in. John Q moved, Jerry P seconded.

President's Report - Greg Roser

- Hershey week Many of our members are there Greg attempted to re-schedule – but it was not possible.
- 2. Clothing & Accessories chair needed Bob is stepping down need a replacement. Greg has the accessories from Duffy Bell. Please call Greg
- Nominating Committee incomplete ballot?
- 4. Old Timers' Night and elections in November honor all members of 20 years or more. Abe will send Vince membership roster with dates. Abe suggested that we bring a car show to her Craig Kunz will handle.
- Banquet contract The Chandelier at Flanders Valley. Reservations form in Nov/Dec Road Map. Contract signed - was a huge improvement -Betty Allen to Chair. Form will be in the Road Map
- 6. Refreshments handled by Greg in John's absence
- Secretary Vince DeLisi volunteered in Sarah's absence

Activities - Paul Wolfmeyer

- 1. Tonight is the 758th meeting.
- 2. Fall Foliage Tour 14th to the 16th
- 3. October 15th Flemington Car Show Jerry Peck, Chairman 10th year for the event to support the Flemington Speedway Society. They are looking to attain 1,000 cars. They have set aside a place just for us will have the membership booth. In a past year, signed up 11 members. Starts around 9:00 AM, finishes around 2:00 PM.

- 4. 22nd Fall mystery tour article in the Road Map.
- 5. 3rd of November 759th meeting.
- 6. 1st December 760th meeting and holiday party.

Mike – Octoberfest meeting was rescheduled for Garden State Region Mustang club, rescheduled to this weekend.

Abe – This weekend an event – Back to Blue car show for fallen officers of Union County – at John Stammler Police Academy in Scotch Plains. \$20.00 donation.

Sunday – 10/23 car show, benefit for scholarship fund in memory of two officers in Linden – two more youngsters have been added that are fighting cancer. Linden Aviation Plaza.

<u>Glidden Tour follow-up</u> Vince DeLisi / Jerry Peck Vince & Jerry reported that there were 108 cars on tour. Vince has already sent a lengthy report to Dick Bettle for the next edition of the Road Map. Finances are not yet finalized, but it is likely that there will be a small profit to be turned over to the NJ Region.

Jerry and his team did an incredible job laying out the tour routes, and also contracting for great morning coffee stops, lunches and afternoon ice cream stops.

Many NJ Region Members worked long hours to make this tour a success – list in the Road Map article. Also had 5 members of the SJRAACA who assisted with the hospitality suite and registration duties.

Steve & Sherry William's 1912 Cadillac took top honors, winning the Glidden Trophy as well as a cloisonne as it was the first time this vehicle attended a Glidden Tour. Graham & Janice Haile won the Reserve Glidden Trophy in a 1929 Model "A" Sport Coupe. Keith Randall won the Anderson Cup trophy, a random drawing, in a 1938 Ford Deluxe Fordor.

All Glidden traditions were recognized and properly celebrated. Vince noted that it was an honor and a privilege to lead this activity to a highly successful conclusion. Was it perfect – no it never is – but we managed to pull ourselves out of trouble every time through the dedication of our volunteers.

Dan Ungar, assisted by Yvonne Kunz, Bobbi Bettle and Rich Reina, led an effort to make a detailed photographic record of this event. A PowerPoint presentation with 477 slides has been created that will hopefully soon be posted on the Region's website for distribution. The photographs are amazing, especially a shot that Yvonne captured which shows a musket being fired – with visible flames!

Unfortunately, the AAA trouble trucks were busy. 7

vehicles were returned to the Crowne Plaza, including a Al Danner is home from rehab. "wreck" on Friday.

The icing on the cake was that several "tourists" approached Vince while he was at Hershey and all commented on how much they enjoyed the tour! One individual gave us a 9.6 out of 10!

Much more in the upcoming Road Map.

Greg noted that Vince & Jerry were novices and did an outstanding job!

Lukan's / Fall Foliage Tour - Pete Cullen

Greg reported that 13 of 24 available rooms are booked by the NJ Region.

Nominating Committee Abe Platt (Brenda Zimmerman / Vickie Mangulson)

Abe reported that membership does not want to do anything - does not answer the phone or take on responsibility to run this club. Have four people that will continue:

Paul for President VP: Abe to run. Secretary: Sarah Treasure: Tim

Membership Secretary: Open

We do not have a complete ballet - we will get an email out to everyone after Hershev.

It was suggested that we mass email everyone with a description of the position - good idea - Bill will continue to send out mass emails to the membership -strictly membership chair - roster updated and keep roster up to date. Greg to call Bill and get a description out.

Road Map Editor - Dick Bettle

Bobbi requested to please send details on your car for cover stories. Next month will be the Glidden - then he has one more car and then nothing in the bank.

Membership - Bill Pritchett - No report

Webmaster / Social Media - Leif Mangulson - No report

Participation Points - Vince DeLisi

Vince reported that the spreadsheets are up-to-date so it will not be difficult to produce the necessary details for Club awards for 2022. He also noted that the point system is hopeless inadequate to effectively be used to cover the Glidden Tour activities, so he does not intend to produce a points report for this event.

Welcoming - Denise Tuck - No report

Sunshine - Greg Roser

Chris Ritter died suddenly and will be greatly missed.

Duffy Bell is home.

Wayne Tuck recuperating

Sarah is taking care of Betty Pritchett – who had a fall Leroy Gearhart – his issues with his neck continue.

Refreshments - Greg Roser

Betty Allen, Gayle Stroh, Rich Reichert, Carole Durna, and Mike DeLiberto supplied goodies.

Watchung Mountain Chapter - George Ernst - No report

Government Liaison and Safety - Bob Hedderick - No report

Archivist - Matt Verzi - No report

Properties - Art Briggs - No report

Clothing / Accessories - Bob Kelly - No report

Badge Fines - John Quattrocchi

A few members paid badge fines.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Items for sale or wanted

Vince noted that there are extra Glidden Shirts. Please ask.

50/50 - Bob Smith - No 50/50 as Bob was absent

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 9:05PM

Vince DeLisi / Secretary Pro-Tem

New Members

#1688 Roman Artymyshyn

114 Stanton Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822 908-236-0648

romanart@outlook.com

Roman has a 1964 Studebaker Avanti R2 Coupe, 1973 Lotus Europa Twin Cam Coupe, and a 1974 Saab Sonett Coupe

#1689 Jon (Carmel) Gaertner

169 Joseph St., East Brunswick, NJ 08816 848-391-0070 wexford138@verizon.net

#1690 John (Alix) Jenkins

11 Mallard Place, Pennington, NJ 08534 919-475-8874 ijenk49@gmail.com

The Jenkins have a 1949 Chevrolet 3100 pickup.

Ballot for 2023 Officers New Jersey Region AACA

This slate was presented by the Nominating Committee and approved at the regular meeting of the Region on October 6, 2022. Please place an "X" in the box in front of your choice, or write in your choice and place an "X" in the box in front of it.

VOTE FOR ONE PERSON FOR EACH OFFICE. Please be sure that your ballot is received by our secretary, Sarah Pritchett, by the November 3rd meeting. Do not forget your ballot! There will be extra copies at the meeting. Individual memberships use one ballot: joint memberships use both ballots.

PRESIDENT	[] Paul Wolfmeyer # 1469 []	PRESIDENT	[] Paul Wolfmeyer # 1469 []		
VICE-PRESIDENT	[] Abraham Platt # 1524 []	VICE-PRESIDENT	[] Abraham Platt # 1524 []		
SECRETARY	[] Sarah Pritchett #1404	SECRETARY	[] Sarah Pritchett #1404		
TREASURER	[] Tim Schimmel #1443	TREASURER	[] Tim Schimmel #1443		
MEMBERSHIP CH	[]	MEMBERSHIP CH	[]		
The Region makes an annual award to that member, NOT AN OFFICER , who has done the most for the region. Nominations are made by this special ballot and you are requested to write in your choice and the Executive Committee will make the final decision from those nominated.					

Preserve the integrity of your secret ballot. **DO NOT SIGN OR MAKE SPECIAL COMMENT**THE ENTIRE BALLOT IS TO BE PLACED IN AN ENVELOPE and delivered to the secretary at the November 3rd Meeting **OR** Mailed to: Sarah Pritchett, 37 North 8th Avenue, Manville, NJ 08835

Toy and Gift Donations are Requested

My fund-raising Santa visit is on Saturday Dec 3, 2022 from 4:30 to 7:00pm at "Fanwood's Famous Christmas House" 83 Paterson Rd, Fanwood, NJ. Last year 300 children (see photo) came to visit Santa, and for the season I collected tens of thousands of dollars and donated every dollar to NJ Institute for Disabilities www.njid.org

I pay all my decorating and electricity expenses and all funds go directly to NJID. I am already preparing this season's display and the lights will be lit starting the day after Thanksgiving right through January 8, 2023. Please support my charity display and call Greg Roser (908-403-6486) if you would like to donate gifts for the children in the \$10 to \$12 range. New unused items collected from your closets are also accepted, but please no used items.

I will be happy to pick up any toy or gift donations within a reasonable distance, or bring them to the November or December NJ Region AACA meeting. Thank you to all for the continued support.

I NOMINATE:

Greg Roser / NJ Region President





Visit our huge fund raising Christmas display from Nov. 25 to Jan. 8 / Dusk to IOPM Santa will visit Sat. Dec. 3 / 4:30 to 7PM Everyone is welcome / Gifts for all children There is no charge to visit Santa or to visit the display throughout the season Donations are accepted for NJ Institute for Disabilities www.njid.org



Glidden Tour report to the membership

10/6/2022

Overall, the week went extremely well. It was definitely one Check in Ray Fischer, Judy Fischer, Debbie DeLisi, Tim of the finest moments in our club's history. Many of our members really worked hard to pull this event together, including but not limited to:

Tour directors Craig Kunz (Monday and Wednesday); Larry Solomayer (Tuesday); Pete Cullen (Thursday) and Jan Eyerman (Friday)

Photography (we will run the slides at our annual meeting) Dan Ungar, Yvonne Kunz, Rich Reina, and Bobbi & Dick Bettle



Vehicle Check in Art Briggs – assisted by Dave Kontor Trailer Parking Bob Hudak, Tony Ebbers (quest), Ron Scott (SJRAACA)



Schimmel and Maria Symonds (SJRAACA)

General all-round helpers (these folks accomplished anything that needed fixing!): John Pieczynski (who in the true spirit of Huck Finn, brought along 6 friends), Tim Schimmel, Bob Hudak, Rich Reina, Paul Wolfmeyer; George Maulbeck, Ken and Chris Jones, Bill Roscoe, Pete Archibald, and Ray & Judy Fischer. Ken and Chris Jones (region members) helping all day Monday, and Bill Roscoe and Pete Archibald all day Wednesday

Hospitality Room was manned by SJRAACA: Ron & Doretta Scott; Don & Maria Symonds; and Larry Irwin

Silent auction was set up by Tim Schimmel

Banquets Brenda Zimmerman – including procuring the chocolate treats at the closing banquet!

Ken and Chris Jones (region members) helping all day Monday, and Bill Roscoe and Pete Archibald all day Wednesday

Total number of cars on tour 108

3 Glidden era vehicles: 1907 Ford Model K; 1911 Cadillac Model 30 (won the Glidden trophy and a cloisonne for first time appearance at a Glidden Tour); and a 1913 Pierce Arrow

The other cars represented a variety of makes from 1914 to 1942, including a bunch of Model "A"s, several Chevrolets, many Buicks and Studebakers, Packards, Chryslers, Auburns, Desotos, and a couple of really beautiful Lincolns, one of which was on it's first tour since winning every award under the sun!

Financial details will be discussed at the November meeting. There are still a few outstanding invoices that need to be taken into consideration before we can finalize this information. Opening Banquet was a barbeque at Woods Edge Farm served by QCrew from Ringoes, NJ and paid for with a generous donation from Bruce Maier.

Highlights of the week

Sunday

We did a self-directed tour, driving five miles to downtown Princeton, New Jersey to enjoy Princeton's vibrant



downtown, Palmer Square and its many intriguing streets and boutiques as well as the beautiful 60-acre campus of Princeton University. Secure parking was arranged in a



In the early afternoon, we left Princeton for an hour-long drive to Woods Edge Farm in Stockton, New Jersey. Our Sunday banquet was a BBQ with all the fixin's. Our hosts, Linda and Brent Walker, breed a herd of over 300 llamas, alpacas, and Tibetan yaks. The yarns and clothing that their herd produces can be appreciated in their small retail store. Their end-purpose yarns are sold in the U.S. and around the world.





After our banquet, we were invited to enjoy a fantastic car collection, which is owned by Mike and Diane Strober, our hosts. En route, we drove through Green Sergeant Covered Bridge, the only remaining covered bridge in



New Jersey. As we enjoyed coffee and dessert, we were surrounded by their beautiful property and vehicle collection. Their long horn steers also gazed at us from the other side of their fence.

Monday

Our first stop was the Kelsey Theater at Mercer Community College. A lecture describing the "Ten Crucial Days" of the revolution by Geoffrey Gamble, Esq., Retired Lawyer and Diplomat, Judge Advocate of the Society of the Cincinnati in the State of New Jersey was delivered by Vince DeLisi since Geoff was not able to attend due to health issues. The lecture was the perfect set-up for the rest of the week where, on most days, we focused on New Jersey's Revolutionary Roads. Our morning break of coffee and home-made goodies was held in the college parking lot. Shannon Leifkin, owner of *Drive-In Cones and Coffee*, and her helpers, served great coffee and pastries. (I'm so glad she was with us all week.)



After the goodies, we crossed the Delaware on the Washington Crossing Bridge and we drove into Buck's County, PA for a beautiful scenic drive through the VanSandt and Loux covered bridges and had lunch at the marina in Nockamixon State Park. Later in the afternoon

we drove through the Erwinna, Frankenfield, and Cabin Run covered bridges on our way to our ice cream stop on the New Jersey side at Washington's Crossing state park.



Tuesday

We traveled the back roads of Mercer, Somerset and Hunterdon Counties to Frenchtown, New Jersey where we crossed over the Delaware River into Pennsylvania. After driving on the back roads of Bucks County Pennsylvania



we came to our first stop, Van Sant Historic Airfield, home to several vintage airplanes. We were buzzed by a "Breezy", an open cockpit airplane over the cars.



Our next stop was Washington Crossing Historic Park, PA; the site where General George Washington crossed the Delaware River on December 25 1776 to Trenton, NJ. The



park is located right along the river and we could visit the museum and several historic out buildings several of which are currently under restoration on a self-guided tour of the park,

The final stop for the day was just across the river at Washington Crossing State Park, NJ. The park is the site where Washington's army regrouped after successfully crossing the Delaware River. The park has a visitor center, museum and many walking trails to enjoy. A park staff



member gave a brief lecture and fired a musket.

Tuesday is traditionally band night in the hospitality suite, however no one brought their instruments! So, alas, no band night.

Wednesday



Today we literally drove on the roads the Continental and British Armies marched on in the early summer of 1778. The tour stopped at Monmouth Battlefield and Sandy Hook State Park.



Monmouth Battlefield State Park: The Park's Visitor Center is on Comb's Hill from which General Nathanial Greene commanded an artillery brigade of four canon, firing on the British left flank. We toured a museum which highlights many aspects of the battle, and attended a presentation by the Park's Historian; and could look out over or take a walking tour of the Battlefield.

Sandy Hook



First, you can visit Revolutionary War points of interest including: The British Army's Embarkation Point where the troops were transferred aboard ships to reach New York City across the harbor; Haliburton (Halyburton) Search Party Monument, Sandy Hook Lighthouse, built in 1764, and the oldest operating lighthouse in the United States.

Second, the U.S. Army operated Fort Hancock on Sandy Hook from 1850 until 1974. The Fort served as an ordinance proving ground between 1874 and 1919, and between the 1890s and World War II, more than 12 Gun Batteries were in place to defend the New York Harbor.

Finally, if the British and Continental Armies are not your primary interest, Sandy Hook has miles of beaches along the Atlantic Ocean to walk.



On a clear day, Brooklyn and the lower Manhattan Skyline are visible.



Freshman Night was held at the East Windsor Elks Lodge, led by our Dean of Freshman, Pat Swigart. All freshman, including Wayne & Denise Tuck and Dick and Bobbi Bettle graduated!

<u>Thursday</u>



On Thursday, we toured the Roebling Museum and the USS New Jersey (BB-62), an lowa-class battleship.



The Roebling Museum tells the story of John Roebling and his three sons and the town that they built...Roebling, New Jersey. Their company helped contribute to many important technological achievements of the industrial age. Their vast steel mill provided steel cables that became a part of the Brooklyn and San Francisco Bridges. Their innovative engineering ideas helped develop telephones and telegraphs, electrification, deep mines, big ships, elevators, airplanes and many everyday items. They also built the Mercer Automobile. We enjoyed their museum, 20-minute movie, the steel remains of their huge factory and the quaint streets of the historic town that Roebling built.



From the museum, we took a one-hour trip from Roebling

Museum to the USS New Jersey on New Jersey Transit's electric light rail cars. Bob Hudak graciously transported those who could not walk the 1/4 mile to the station, and after the last one boarded the train, drove up to the battleship to help transport people from the train station to the ship. Rich Reina took the train back to the museum with the first group, and brought them from the Roebling station back to their cars. Thanks to both Bob and Rich for their efforts.



The USS New Jersey is the most decorated battleship in U.S. Naval history. She was the flagship of Admirals Spruance and "Bull" Halsey and the only battleship class which could keep up with the Pacific Fleet's Essex class aircraft carriers. One of four lowa class battleships, she earned many distinctions during World War II, Korea, Vietnam and conflicts in the Middle East. Her service spanned over fifty years, before she was retired in 1991. She's 875 feet long and with four propellers, she could sustain 33 knots (approx. 38 miles per hour). We had lunch on the battleship, choosing either below deck in the



"mess" or on the deck.

Friday

Friday began with a half hour drive through some pretty, two-lane back roads to the New Jersey National Guard "Militia" museum in Lawrenceville, NJ. The museum tour started in the parking lot where over a dozen historic tanks



and artillery pieces used by the New Jersey National Guard are on display. At the museum, we were met by a statue of an early twentieth century cavalry man.

After the museum tour, a short drive down two lane roads, we arrived at the Princeton Battlefield. Parking was on both sides of the road right in front of the battlefield. Standing roughly where a British army under Colonel Mawhood was advancing toward Washington's militia we listened to a



docent describe the battle. He pointed out a small rise a few hundred yards away where Captain Moulder's artillery fired on the British troops, and where Washington rallied the retreating militia and advanced on the British regulars. After enjoying the Battlefield, our next drive was the western part of the "Millstone Valley Scenic Byway", taking



us to Colonial Park (a very apt named park). Lunch of perogies, sauerkraut, keilbasa and potato pancakes was provided at the Knob Hill Picnic Grove. A nice playground and rentable paddleboats was available for our younger



participants. After lunch, a pleasant drive down the eastern part of the "Millstone Valley Scenic Byway" led directly



back to our hotels to prepare for the closing banquet.

The Closing Banquet was held at the Crowne Plaza. In attendance was a little over 240 individuals, including "tourists" and staff. The region received a trophy from Wayne for putting on this tour.



In addition:

Glidden trophy for the best performing Glidden Era Vehicle (1911 Cadillac) (limited to vehicles from 1903 – 1913) as well as a cloisonne for the first time on tour of a Glidden Era vehicle was awarded to Steve & Sherry Williams

Reserve Glidden trophy as the best performing car between 1914 and 1942. (1929 Model "A" Sport Coupe)was awarded to Graham & Janice Haile

Anderson Cup award – a drawing of all others: Keith Randall (1938 Ford Delux Fordor)

Hard Luck Award: Gareth & Debra Eich – 1931 Model "A" Cabriole – had an accident on Friday. Gareth suffered a fractured tibial plate and Debra suffered facial bruising. They are getting estimates on the car repairs, and will be back in action soon.

Longest Driven to the tour: Bob & Connie Spofford – Boise, Idaho – Model "A" Station Wagon

Longest Trailered to the tour: Jim & Eileen Bartlett – Tomball, TX – 1919 Locomobile



At the end of the banquet, Vince passed the baton to Steve Gordon who will be the Chairman of the 77th Revival AAA Glidden Tour at the end of October 2023. This event will be headquartered in Thomasville, Georgia.

Yvonne Kunz has volunteered to prepare an article for Antique Automobile and The Bulb Horn. Respectfully submitted, Vince & Jerry Additional photos can be seen on the Club website:

SEEKING ALL EQUIPMENT

Just before the Spring Meet, I started taking stock of what signs were available for this event. From a few sources there were the usual corrugated plastic ones and some treasures (aka 'antiques') of wood and metal. Yikes! I also discovered about 20 safety orange vests, 10 of nice stitching with 'AACA Official' and others where just "Dept" was left on. We got to use most of them at the Spring Meet and again recently during the Glidden Tour. While primary use is for visibility safety, event participants knew who to contact in case of a question or concern.

I am working to standardize all signs and to update our safety vests. In addition, there are 30 traffic cones that will be available. The vision is to have all signs, vests, cones and any other equipment available to the Event Chair or their designee via Art Briggs/Equipment Committee whenever needed for an event. By January, a listing of all items and quantities available will be published.

In the meanwhile, should you have any equipment (signs, vests, etc.) kindly bring to the November and December meetings so we can inventory and decide what may need to be updated.

Last, but not least, other than what's been mentioned, contact me on what you think additionally is needed to help support you as an Event Chair.

Thank you! Bob Hudak





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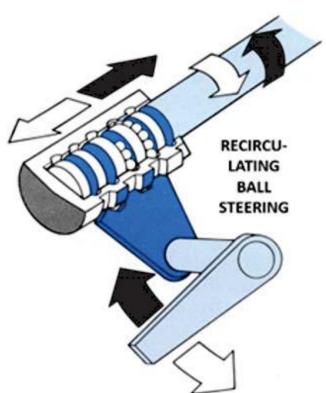
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Steering, Part 2

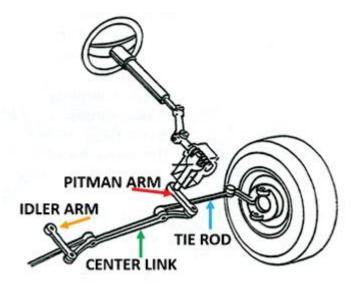
The challenges in designing an effective steering system center around finding a way to convert the rotational movement of the steering wheel to the left-right movement of the front tires, while including low driver effort, sufficient directional stability, and minimal freeplay. At the same time that the front wheels are able to turn left and right, they must also rotate at road speed and be able to tolerate roadway imperfections.

Early 20th century forms of steering mechanisms included 'worm and sector'and 'cam and roller'. These are two similar variations on the theme whereby the end of the steering shaft has a spiral groove cut into it, called a worm gear. Turning the steering wheel rotates the shaft and worm gear. Meshing with the worm gear is a sector shaft or sector gear. This is attached to the Pitman arm, swinging it left or right. (A "pitman arm"is defined as any shaft that translates rotary movement [in this case, the steering column] into linear movement [in this case, the front wheels].) A major problem with these early worm and sector or cam and roller designs is the tremendous amount of friction, causing both high driver effort and excess wear on the moving parts.



A greatly improved version of this design became known as the recirculating ball steering system, pioneered by General Motors, and introduced on the 1940 Cadillac. Recirculating ball steering uses a series of ball bearings which ride inside the grooves of the worm gear and sector gear. The ball bearings greatly reduce friction all along the contact points. Because the ball bearings constantly travel (recirculate) along the grooves, the wear on them is evenly distributed, friction is reduced, and steering effort is lessened. By the 1950s, the majority of American cars had adapted recirculating ball steering.

The Pitman arm (red arrow in illustration) is located on the driver's side of the vehicle, so a series of linkages are needed to tie the two front wheels together. Opposite the Pitman arm is the idler arm (yellow arrow), so called because it acts as a symmetrical part to the Pitman arm. A center link (green arrow) connects the two arms, and tie rods (blue arrow), one for each side, extend out from the center link to each front hub. As the Pitman arm swings left and right, so do all the other linkages, and both front wheels turn in the same direction.



The large number of connection points, each with some minimal freeplay, gives rise to the possibility of significant freeplay at the driver's steering wheel. When all the components are new, the freeplay is minimal. However, as the components wear, the steering linkage becomes looser. The moving parts of this system require eventual replacement when they are worn out. Cars with recirculating ball steering require replacement of worn Pitman arms, idler arms, and the various linkages connecting them.

Recirculating ball systems have been extensively used by American car makers, but it was a different story in Europe. Remember that in general, European cars are smaller and lighter. Engines were smaller too, meaning less weight over the front wheels. BMW, in the 1930s, was the first car manufacturer to introduce rack and pinion on a roadgoing automobile. Soon after, much of Europe's auto industry

followed suit. According to Car & Driver magazine, the first U.S. cars to use rack and pinion were the 1974 Ford Pinto and Mustang II. GM and Chrysler did not make the switch until the 1980s.

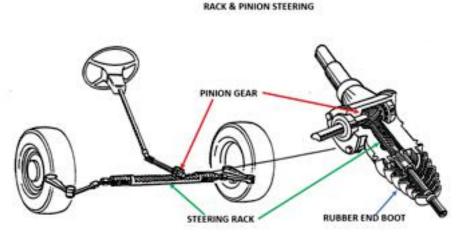
There are fewer moving parts with a rack and pinion system. At the end of the steering shaft is a pinion gear (red arrows), which meshes directly with teeth cut into a long rack (green arrows). The rack extends transversely between the two front wheels, and is situated inside a housing which allows the rack to move left and right along its length. The rack has a tie rod on each end, connecting to each front wheel. As the steering wheel is turned, the pinion gear rotates and moves the rack to the left or right. As the rack is connected to both front wheels, they both turn in the same direction at the same time. A rubber boot (blue arrow) is installed at each end of the rack. The boot protects the moving parts and also contains some grease to provide lubrication.

Compared to a recirculating ball system, not only are there fewer parts, but there is more direct action between the

steering wheel movement and the rack's movement. This results in significantly less freeplay, more precise steering, and greater control for the driver. At the same time, road shocks can be more directly transmitted through this system to the steering wheel.

Routine maintenance on either type of system should include at a minimum, regular checks for worn, bent, or damaged parts. These parts wear over time, so the driver may not necessarily be conscious of any degradation in steering feel. A hands-on visual check is a must. Consult the repair manual for your specific vehicle; in most cases there is a procedure for checking for freeplay (experienced technicians can usually judge excessive freeplay by touch). On a recirculating ball system, the steering box may require that its fluid level be checked and topped off. Older cars have grease fittings in these joints which require occasional replenishment (what was known as "chassis lube"). Newer cars use joints which are permanently sealed. Pitman arms, idler arms, and all linkage/tie rod ends are subject to wear and will eventually need replacement, which should restore good steering

feel. A quick check online of some well-known aftermarket parts suppliers shows good availability of these parts for many popular American cars of the 1950s and '60s. On a rack and pinion setup, the tie rod check also applies. The accordian boots at each end are particularly subject to road hazards; any torn or leaky boot should be replaced. Newer style replacement boots are available which are "split" and can be installed



Next month in RRR: MORE steering.

without disconnecting the tie rod end.



Ice cream desert at the Strober's car collection on the Glidden Tour

You are Cordially Invited to the Annual Banquet and Installation of Officers Sunday, January 8, 2023

The monthly meeting and installation of the 2023 officers of the NJ Region AACA will be held at the Annual Awards Banquet at the Chandelier at Flanders Valley, 80 Pleasant Hill Road, Flanders, N.J.,

The festivities begin at 12:00 pm with dinner being served around 1:00 pm

There will be a cash bar

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BROOKDALE WEST ORANGE SENIOR LIVING

September 17, 2022.



After three cancellations and re-scheduling four times in the past two years, the Antique Automobile Enjoyment Event at the Brookdale of West Orange Assisted/Senior Living facility was successful conducted on Saturday, September 17, 2022. It was a beautiful, sunny, and pleasantly warm day as we assembled in the designated area at the rear of the complex next to the outdoor dining



area for the residents. Fourteen members and guests of the NJ Region AACA presented nine antique and classic vehicles for the residents, their family members, and the staff to enjoy, which they did. This was our second event since 2019 and was coordinated with the Claire Bridge





Program Manager (Memory Care Unit), Mariam Andalibi, and the Resident Program Manager, Christopher Podmayersky.



Upon my arrival, I was pleasantly surprised to see one our very new members already there. A good sign for the rest of the day. As I set up and started to register arriving vehicles I was very warmly welcomed by Mariam, as I have a six-year long relationship with her by participating in this type of event at the CareOne in Livingston in 2017, 2018, and 2019, and at the Brookdale West Orange facility in 2019. The NJ Region has been participating in this type of event at the Bookdale of Florham Park for many years and I was informed recently that the NJ Region did these events at the West Orange facility several years before I joined the NJ Region in 2016.



NJ Region members participating included: Mike Cilurso with his 1938 Chevrolet Master Deluxe coupe; Rick Wagstaff with his 1965 Ford Mustang fastback; Duffy Bell and his assistant Chris Appitoe with Duffy's 1967 Buick Electra 225 convertible; Brian & Sarah Pritchett and niece Brooke Fehley with their 1968 Ford Mustang GT fastback; Bob Vella in his 1971 Lincoln Continental Mark III; Greg

Roser in his 1976 Cadillac Sedan DeVille; Abe Platt with Ann's 1988 Mercury Cougar LS Special Edition; and Matt Verzi driving modern. Our guests included Deborah Culver, one of the receptionists at Brookdale and her



husband William with their 1966 Mercury Comet Cyclone GT. William spent 5-plus years restoring this Cyclone GT that he purchased for \$250, and it is beautiful. Two weeks prior to today's event, Ann and I visited with Mariam and



Chris to finalize today's activities. On our way out to our car we saw a beautiful red and black Jeep with United States Marine Corps decals on the back. I stopped the elderly gentleman as he was walking in and ask what he was doing on September 17th and asked him to join us if he



was free. Charles Newcomer brought his beautiful 2016 Jeep Wrangler and joined us today. His wife is a resident of this facility, and she came by to see our vehicles. The hood ornament on the Jeep is the Mack Bulldog in honor of the many years his wife worked at the Mack truck facility in Allentown, PA. In addition, one of our member's cousins is also a resident and he spent time with her while having



lunch. The BBQ lunch provided to the residents and vehicle owners included hot dogs and hamburgers with fixings, salads, chips, melons, cold beverages, and ice cream. In addition to our antiques, a singer entertained the residents in this outdoor dining area.



William's 1966 Cyclone was a home-town favorite receiving much attention as did Greg's 1976 Cadillac and Mike's 1938 Chevy coupe with female residents wanting to sit in them for photo-ops. The vehicles present were admired by all, and many comments were made on their beauty, condition, and longevity. This was a very pleasant and successful event, both for the participants and for the organizers of this event. Mariam and Christopher were happy with how this event worked out for the residents and have already asked us to return next year.

Please see the following websites to see additional pictures of this event:

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for all my pictures of this event

Article and Photographs respectfully submitted by. Abe Platt, Event Chair #1524

NJ Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park September 18, 2022



Mother nature played havoc with the NJ car community in 2022 as many car shows, cruise-ins, and club events were postponed or cancelled due to predicted, but not always accurately, inclement weather. Our Fourth Annual Antique Automobile Enjoyment Event which was scheduled for Sunday, September 11, 2022 (National Grandparents' Day, Patriots Day, and National Day of Service and Remembrance) was predicted to be a



rainy day. So, Christine Caratozzolo, the Supervisor of Recreation, and I decided to postpone the event to our Rain Date. A notice was sent out to all NJ Region members, and I personally emailed all that had registered of the postponement and re-scheduling to the Rain Date. The morning of Sunday, September 18, 2022, was beautifully sunny and warm as Ann and I packed our Cougar for the drive over to the NJ Veterans Memorial Home in Menlo Park, NJ. Upon our arrival, which was an hour before our scheduled arrival time, we noticed that there were a dozen or so antique cars belonging to





members of Club 3 and the Galloping Hill Cruisers already there and parked in the upper section of our designated parking area. I found out that there was a large hornet's nest in a tree in the middle of the area we normally use, so I had to rearrange how and where we parked our cars so that the Veterans would not have to go to the far ends of the parking area as many are in wheelchairs or using walkers.



Our hostess, Christine Caratozzolo, was not present today and all staff coordination was conducted by Marissa Konopka, Volunteer Coordinator, who welcomed us with open arms. Our good friend, Michael Gelnovatch, aka "Hot Rod" Mike was again the DJ for this event and was ably assisted by his wife Cathi and they provided us with a great selection of era appropriate music.

Today's event drew 46 members of the north-central New Jersey car hobby community who presented 32 beautiful antique and classic vehicles for our Veterans, their families, and the facility's staff, as well as the participants, to enjoy. The vehicles were from every decade from the 1920's thru the early 2000's and included





original and restored stock vehicles as well as customs, modified, street rods, hot rods, and rat rods. The major disappointment today for me was that due to previously scheduled participation, our friends from the Central Jersey Military Motor Pool (CJMMP) could not be with us today on this Rain Date. The NJ Region AACA members were joined by members of Club 3 and the Galloping Hill Cruisers and a number of unaffiliated car hobbyists that



Ann and I have met over the past few years at local cruiseins. Many comments from the car hobbyists were that this was a great way to honor our Country's Veterans and their families.

The following is a list of the participants and their vehicles, you will recognize many of these names: Carmen Dalessandro with his 1926 Ford Model T custom; Marc Chandler with his 1929 Essex Super Six Rat Rod; Lee



Humphries and Gay Brazaitis with his 1934 Ford custom pick-up; Richard Nalavany with his 1936 Ford 4-door sedan convertible; Donna Fiore with her 1941 Pontiac Silver Streak custom; Ken Karwan with his 1941 Willys custom coupe; Don Shmid with his 1946 Chevy Rat Rod pick-up; Garry and Sandy Capaldo with their 1947

Plymouth P-15 custom; Brian & Sarah Pritchett with their 1950 Oldsmobile 88 with Larry Solomayer and Brooke Felhey as passengers; Tom Paterson and his sister Marge with his 1951 Ford Victoria custom; Duke Matero with his 1953 F-100 custom pick-up; Bob Rankin with his 1963 Series 62 Cadillac coupe; Hal Lehrer with his 1964 Cadillac Sedan deVille; Kally Engelhardt with her 1965



Chevrolet Corvette; Nelson Rosado with his 1967 Toyota Corona; Carlos Mendez with his 1969 Chevrolet C-10 pickup; John Thasites with his 1969 Chevrolet Camaro; a couple that did not register with their 1969 Chevrolet Camaro; Rich Manley with his 1974 Chevrolet Corvette; Mickey Easse with his 1975 Pontiac Catalina 400; Roy Hardgrove with his 1976 Lincoln Town Car; John & Pat Quattrocchi with their 1977 Cadillac Sedan deVille; Linda Torsiello with her 1984 Pontiac Trans Am; Tom Petrusko with his 1986 Dodge 600 conv.; Joe Lawgosllotti with his



1987 Chevrolet Camaro Z-28; Craig & Yvonne Kunz with Yvonne's 1988 Pontiac Fiero GT; Abe and Ann Platt with Ann's 1988 Mercury Cougar LS Special Edition; Rob McDonald and Terry Siecinski with Rob's 1989 Chevrolet Suburban; Greg Roser with his 1990 Cadillac Brougham; a couple that did not register with her 1990 Dodge Ram van; Bill Pritchett with his 1995 Chevrolet Cavalier; and Frank Barbato with his 2002 Ford Mustang GT convertible.





Our lunch included a variety of sandwiches, an assortment of cakes and cookies, a variety of chips, cold beverages, and was served in push carts under the trees in the middle of the parking area. While all of the above activities were in full swing, a large number of veterans,



accompanied or assisted by family members and the facility's staff, checked out our beautiful antique automobiles and were asked to select their favorite vehicle(s). At the same time the NJ Veterans Home's staff had other activities entertaining the residents in the recreation area within the main building. From my observations and comments received, it was very apparent that the veterans, their family members, and the staff were enjoying our vehicles and our participation and our interaction with them. The reason many of us participate in the Antique Automobile Enjoyment Events our Region conducts each year for our senior communities is the reminiscing and the shared stories we are privileged to hear and to see the smiles on their faces and the twinkle in their eyes.



This year, as we did last year, tabulation of the votes and presentation of the trophies was conducted by yours truly at Marissa's request. Around 3:30 pm, I made the announcements. The following vehicles were selected as the Veterans' favorites. A trophy was presented to the vehicle owners in appreciation of their stewardship on keeping these vehicles on the road and sharing them this



day. The trophies were handed out by Marissa and one of the female residents. Third place went to Kally Engelhardt for her 1965 Corvette; second place went to John Thasites for his 1969 Camaro; and first place went to Carmen Dalessandro for his 1926 custom Model T. Marissa was very pleased with our participation and the obvious pleasure exhibited by the Veterans. I will be speaking with both Christine and Marissa on participating again in 2023. Please check your 2023 calendar and save Grandparents Day in September 2023.



Strong participation by our membership in a variety of events at Assisted Living/Senior Living facilities, Veterans' Homes, Car Shows, Parades, and similar events enhances our recognition and reputation to the outside community as well as with members of other car clubs as was evident by the large number of non-NJ Region members that participated in this event. A big thank you goes out to the members of the NJ Region, Club 3, and Galloping Hill Cruisers and the various independent car owners that attended this very successful event. A very big thank you to Brian Pritchett and to my wife Ann for their immeasurable help at this event.

Please see the following websites to see additional pictures of this event:

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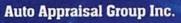
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Anniversaries/Birthdays

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Thank you,

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