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President's Note



**Happy
Memorial
Day!!**



While the weather has been “challenging” this past month forcing the cancellation of Aero Diner Cruise Night and the Lebanon Parade, we nevertheless did enjoy a number of fun activities. For example, some of us: went to Columbia Ford’s first Cruise Night of the season; looked for treasures at Zagrays; ate a hearty Mother Day’s Breakfast at the Elks; attended Music Day at Waldo Farm and/or participated in Franklin’s Memorial Day Parade. And, to finish off the month we still have the Douglas Manor Parade this Wed (5/29)!

Please check out Marty’s calendar for many more events coning in June, but pay special attention to our Sturbridge Village Tour Saturday, June 1st. This promises to be a great event... we leave John’s at 8 AM, have a coffee break in Eastford, and then on to Sturbridge for the Antique Car Rally, a showcase of pre-1946 vehicles. If you haven’t signed up and would like to come, please call Marty asap (860-456-3220). Remember, it’s this Saturday.

Another fun event in June is John and Daina picnic! That’s right, the Serbins have once again invited us to share an afternoon at their lakeside abode. If you made it to their picnic last year you know how much fun it is. So hold the date (June 29th) and see this month’s calendar for more details. (Daina, I’m looking forward to another Jet-Ski ride!!)

And a special “Thanks” to John P. and Anne as they have answered-the-call to plan this years FSMTA Tour. It will be our 3rd year of doing a club tour in July and we look forward to whatever they have in mind. So far John is not “tipping his hand” as to where we are going but he has said we need to be planning on bringing a picnic lunch! More on this later. Hmmm

Happy Motoring!

Pete

Member News & Events



- Heard from Jim and Diane... They have settled in just fine and are truly enjoying Maine life. Their Model T has been exploring the countryside and looks very comfortable in it's new home.



- Here are a few of pictures from the Columbia Ford Cruise Night...



It was nice to see John & Daina back from Florida and catching up on things with John P and & Anne

Marty & Ray Adams admiring the paint job on Serbin's Truck



And Linda found the "warm way" to do Cruise Nite

- Marty sent a picture of his latest project. He found this 1930s vintage gas pump at Zagrays.



- And we had a beautiful day for Franklin's Memorial Day Parade





Pictured here is André & Joan along with their 1924.



In recognition of Memorial Day, they were carrying 2 American flags, which were given to the same family for fallen soldiers. The “fallen” were father & son killed in separate wars.



- And Ray sent this update...

The "Poker" run was part of Lang's BBQ event.

The run went to the new "digs", which is a 20,000 sq ft former furniture factory. They are very excited to move out of their 5000 sq ft present location. They plan to bring back machine shop services and most all used parts will be inside.

Don scored the property when the bank wanted to get out from under the debt. One of the girls said they sold restaurant equipment left behind and paid off the purchase price.

Second stop was the Fisher Museum (Harvard Forestry Dioramas)

Third was the Templeton Ice Cream Barn. Yum!

Fourth was the Smith's Country Cheese Store.

The best poker hands took home prizes from Lang's.

BBQ lunch was good. Hotdogs, hamburgers, potato salad, pasta salad, fruit salad, cold drinks and at the end of the tour, cake for dessert.

Present were Jack & Marge, George & Carl Pate, (with Model T's) Harold & Colleen, Laura & I. (Without Model T's)



- In case anyone missed it, George, and of course Ambulance 255, were featured on the cover of the recent edition of *Vintage*. Two articles written by George were included as well as some "neat" photos. The two articles were *The Model T Ambulance of the American Field Service* and *Ambulance 255: From Build to The 2013 Inaugural Parade*. If you don't get the *Vintage* magazine you can borrow the club's copy.

- Also we heard from George re: “The trek of Ambulance 255”

Ambulance 255 was dedicated a year ago on May 5, 2012. Between then and the end of the year, we make 24 public appearances from Arlington, Virginia to Waterville, Maine.

This year started out with an appearance in the Presidential Inaugural Parade on January 21. March and April found us mainly doing school appearances in Massachusetts and Connecticut. We also participated in events in Attleboro, Gloucester, and Groton, Massachusetts.

In May we were at Lang’s Old Cars annual gathering and tour. We also participated in the Boothe Memorial Park show in Fairfield, CT, Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance 40th Anniversary in Wallcott, CT, and the Fairfield Memorial Day parade followed by ceremonies at Port 5 in Bridgeport and at the Fairfield Museum.

On June 8, we will be in Somers for the Connecticut Antique Military Vehicle Show. We are the featured vehicle for this year’s event. The next day we are in Greenwich, CT for the children’s event called “Touch a Truck.” A week later I will be presenting a lecture at the University of Connecticut on the subject of volunteer ambulance organizations in WWI. I plan to drive the ambulance to this event.

July will kick off with the Cruisin’ New England invitational car show at Mohegan Sun. We will be one of ten vehicles and owners interviewed for television broadcast. This will be recorded on Friday, July 5. The next day is the public car show followed by a special closed event on Sunday for the high rollers. I hope to encourage some of them to help us fund our trip to France next year. We are also considering an appearance in the Barnham Parade in Bridgeport.

August will find us at the VJ Parade in Moosup on the eleventh and at the ATCA truck show in Coventry, RI on the 25th.

September features mainly local events such as cruise nights, and perhaps a car show or two including Mystic Seaports, “By Land and By Sea.” We will also be participating in a private party for some military medical people.

In October we will spend nearly a week in Hershey participating in events at the annual AACA show. The following week on October 20, we will host our annual Concourse de Barnyard.

More invitations arrive weekly so we can always add to the schedule. In the meantime, we will try to work on some engines in the shop.

And In Closing, a Look at...



“Back in The Day”



Another creative modification of a Model “T”

(Do you have a favorite picture to share? Send it along.)