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CORRESPONDENCE DEADLINE

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DIRECTOR: Matt Barker

Dear Penn Ohio Friends, I hope everyone is well and looking forward to the June meet hosted by Cranksters Chapter. I'm personally excited about the swap meet....time to let the

moths out of the wallet! The menu looks great, good old-fashioned picnic food is the best!!! I hope to see everyone there. I would like to take this time to extend my deepest condolences to the family of Buster Smith and the Mohican Chapter. Buster was a great man, a past director of Penn-Ohio, and one of the most dedicated Penn-Ohio members. Buster and his wife, Betty, have received "A" Perfect Attendance for many many years and just received their 35-year member pin. Buster will be greatly missed by all.

Matt

PENN-OHIO MEETS FOR 2018			
date	place	chapter	
May 20,2018	Spring Banquet, Ontario, OH	Copus Hill	
June 17,2018	Flea Market/Swap Meet, Medina, OH	Cranksters	
July 15, 2018	Poker Run, Gerard PA	Erie	
August 13-18, 2018	Lake Erie Shores Tour	Jeff/Linda Therion	
September 2018	Oil Creek State Park, Titusville PA	Ridge Runners	
October 2018	Fall banquet	Mohican	
actual dates and places	will be updated as information is received		

Swap Meet/ Flea Market Meet June 17, 2018

Hosted by: Cranksters Where: Medina Eagles Club 696 Lafayette Rd. Medina, OH 44256

Swap Meet/Flea Market from 9:00 to 12:00 followed by lunch, a meeting and a 50/50 raffle and Chinese auction.

Swap meet/Flea market: Penn Ohio members can bring any items you may want to sell or trade. There will be tables available at no cost to you. We will also reserve spaces in the parking lot for sale of cars or large items.

Coffee and donuts will be served in the morning.

Available for purchase for lunch will be hot dogs, hamburgers, fried chicken, potato salad and coleslaw.

Questions should be directed to Dave Painter 440-327-3042 or Joe McGlamery 330-220-8084.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Located south of Medina Public Square to Lafayette Rd. west and the Eagles Club is on the south side of the road.

PENN-OHIO MEET JULY 15, 2018 POKER RUN

Hosted by the ERIE CHAPTER

Be prepared to have a fun day on the shore of Lake Erie

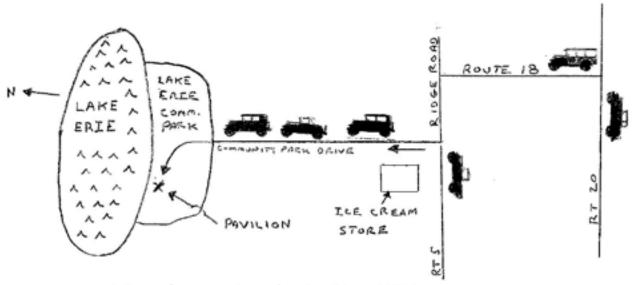
The meet will be held at: LAKE ERIE COMMUNITY PARK PAVILION 10140 Ridge Road Girard, Pa 16423

Registration starts @ 9:00 A.M. with coffee and donuts
Chinese auction and 50/50 raffle
Poker run starts at 10:00 A.M.

Lunch served at Noon

Roasted chicken drumsticks and thighs, Ox Roast, Broiled Alaskan Pollock, scalloped potatoes, green beans, pop, water and/or coffee

Places to stay: Heartland Inn & Cafe 814-774-0344 (Girard) DAYS INN 440-393-6000 (Conneaut)



RSVP and Payment needed by: July 5, 2018

Names	Tel. #
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	rson Amount enclosed
C/O Jerry Balczon, 10626 N	N. EDGEWOOD DRIVE, LAKE CITY, PA 16423

2018 PENN-OHIO LAKE ERIE SHORES TOUR August 13-18, 2018 (Mon.-Sat.)

Ashtabula County is the largest grape growing region and county in the State of Ohio with so much to see and do. The Lake Erie Coastal Byway is Ohio's newest scenic byway offering a beautiful view of Lake Erie, the beaches & parks. It begins in Geneva-on-the-Lake and runs through Ashtabula & Conneaut Harbors along 30 miles of Lake Erie shoreline which we will be traveling one day on the tour. The county has 2 lighthouses, 23 wineries, 100 barn quilts, and 19 covered bridges, including the longest & shortest ones in the United States. Our tour will only be able to give you a glimpse at all of this during our 3 days in Ashtabula County with still more places to visit.

You may want to bring lightweight foldable chairs for the D-Day Re-enactment. A bus will pick us up from a school parking lot close by and take us to the park along the beach where the event takes place in Conneaut. There are bleachers there but not enough for everyone. Also bring an umbrella should it rain on Friday which we are thinking positively that it will NOT.

Days are being planned so you can stop along the way at your own leisure. Wineries aren't for everyone, but stopping at one for lunch or dinner can be enjoyable. How about dining in an original covered bridge pizza parlor or at the beach in the longest & oldest pavilion on the Great Lakes? Shopping or taking time to play a game of miniature golf at the oldest continuous play course in the United States may be something else you may consider doing.

The actual cost of the tour is \$1,000/ couple & \$800/single. This was our budget guideline in planning the tour to keep it affordable for people to come. We apologize for not including a schedule of payments as a guideline in the March-April Quail Call which may have caused some confusion as to when you should send your down payment in as August seemed so far off. Below is a schedule of payments to use as a "guideline":

	COUPLE	SINGLE
Down Payment due ASAP	\$300	\$300
2nd Payment due by May 31st	\$200	\$200
3rd Payment due by June 30th	\$250	\$200
Balance due by July 13th	\$250	\$100

July 13th is the deadline in the contract to receive the same price we were quoted from the hotel in planning the tour. The price for the hotel may increase after that date and a room can't be promised to be available unless it has been reserved by us. We will continue to reserve rooms as the registrations are received. Any amounts at any time can be made if you are behind in the schedule, however, the down payment is needed ASAP & the final day to decide to come on the trip at this cost needs to be made by July 13th. Please try to make your decision to come on the tour sooner than later. E-mail or call if you will be joining us!

We're very excited about this tour and we're looking forward to seeing all our friends that we have made on past Penn-Ohio Tours. We're looking forward to making some more new friends on this one also!

Linda & Jeff Thirion

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Lake Erie Shores Tour Masters

2018 PENN-OHIO TOUR REGISTRATION - Lake Erie Shores

August 13-18, 2018 (Mon.-Sat.)

Name(s)				
Address				
City, State, Zip Code				
Phone	Cell phone (for trip purposes)			
Email Address				
Chapter	Type of Model A		License#	
Is this your first Penn-Ohio tour?	Yes	No		
May we share you cell phone# with o	thers on the trip?	Yes	No	
Any dietary restrictions (for Banquet,	/Lunch)			
Emergency Phone # & Contact Person	1			
Do you have a birthday during the tou	ır? Date	For Whom?		
Do you have an anniversary during th	e tour? Date	How many	years?	
We will try our best for followir	ng: (1st come basis; th	nere is an elevator)		
Do you need/want a first floor room?	Yes	No Ye	s, but not necessary	
Do you need a handicap accessible ro	om?Yes	No		
What type of bed would you like?	1 King	2 Queens		
Any children coming?Yes	Names and Ages			
Cost of Tour: \$1000 per couple	; \$800 per single			
Please make checks payable to: Mail to:	Linda Thirion 11789 Girdled Rd. Concord, OH 44077	,		

IN MEMORY OF:





Dale F. "Buster" Smith Mohican Chapter

Buster passed away April 24, 2018. He joined Penn-Ohio in 1981 and had never missed a regular Penn-Ohio meeting since then (and always in his Model A).....35 years of "A" perfect attendance....how's that for a record?!! He was a past director of our organization and a well respected member. His invaluable guidance and passion for the "A" will be missed by all who knew him.

Please see Mohican Chapter's write up in this issue for a wonderful history and memories of their treasured friend.

Our sincerest condolences to his loving wife, Betty, and their family.

Many Thanks!!

We wish to thank all who donated prizes and ask our members to patronize the the companies listed below who have been so supportive of Penn-Ohio.

Gaslight Auto Parts Snyder's Antique Auto Parts

Thank You!

Penn Ohio Meet Driving Tips and Guidelines Submitted by Director, Matt Barker

As we are now into the Penn Ohio driving season, here are some points to consider when traveling in a group. This is a paraphrased version of an original document printed in the March/April 1997 Quail Call.

- * Gas up and check your Model A before the meet to save time and avoid breakdowns.
- * Try to stay in groups of 5-7 vehicles. Try to have vehicles with CB's (or cell phones) be the leader and caboose.
- * Allow plenty of space between vehicles so modern cars can pass safely.
- * If traffic builds up behind your group. Have the caboose signal to the leader to find a safe spot to pull over and let the modern cars pass.
- * Try to keep your group closed up when in city traffic to avoid separation.
- * Each car should stay in visual contact with the car behind them. If unable to do so, signal to the lead car to find a safe spot to pull over and wait until everyone is caught up.
- * Always follow the lead car, even if he indicates he made a wrong turn, that way everyone stays together.
- * Whenever you are pulling into a parking lot, do not just stop to find the best spot. This leaves the rest of your group stuck on the road.
- * Whenever you stop for gas, rest areas, or points of interest, set a time for departure so everyone knows when they are expected to be back in their vehicle ready to go.
- * Put cars with the best CB in the back.
- * Pick a CB channel before leaving.
- * Take a cell phone and make sure you have the most current Penn Ohio roster in your vehicle so you can call a member if need be.
- * If a break down occurs, all cars in the group should pull over at a safe spot and decide their next course of action.



MOHICAN CORRESPONDENT: Bill McElroy

The Mohican Chapter met 5/5/18 with Paul and Marty Starkey as our hosts. We toured the newly opened Buckeye AG Museum in Wooster, OH. The Museum has made many improvements on their building located behind the Wooster Fairgrounds and they are getting some interesting displays. After the tour, we went to Bishop's restaurant in Wooster for supper. Those in attendance were Paul & Marty Starkey with daughter, Kelly; Jim and Liz Fink; Eric and Carla Myers with son, Alex; Ray and Natalie Fahrni with daughter, Danette; Glen and Fern Woboldt; Dave and Donna Anderson; Bob and Bill McElroy and prospective members, Lloyd and Linda Foyer. We discussed travelling to the Penn Ohio spring banquet and plans for the fall banquet later this year.

Unfortunately, I have some very sad news to report. *Dale "Buster" Smith* passed away April 24. Buster and Betty joined Penn Ohio back in 1981. Buster and Betty served as Director and Secretary of Penn Ohio. They also served as President and Secretary of Mohican Chapter for many terms. He was instrumental to the success of the Wooster Swap Meets and some of the Winter Swap Meets that Penn Ohio used to have many years ago. Since they joined back in 1981, they never missed a regular Penn Ohio meet and drove a Model "A" to each and every meet. Buster was a very good machinist. His stained glass creations were a work of beautiful art. I have several of his masterpieces. One of which is a stained glass recreation of the photo of Marilyn Monroe where her dress flew up due to her standing on an air vent. He was also very talented at building structures from his erector sets that he collected over the years. Also, a good Model "A" mechanic and historian. Most of all a friend.

Buster and I traveled many miles together over the years...from Penn Ohio meets, Mohican Chapter meets, swap meets ranging from Indianapolis to Charlotte to Hershey and many auctions. We worked on our Model A's together as well as others, sometimes along the road. We would even race our



Bill and Buster 1990

Model A's. I let him win .. most of the time. We had several trips where we went and brought cars home. He went with me to get a 1931 Town Sedan. I went with him to get his 1930 Fordor Sedan. We even went all the way to Florida to bring back my 1948 Lincoln Continental We drove straight through to Florida and went through Atlanta at 6 a.m. I was driving and he was sleeping. When he woke up he asked "How are you doing?" I responded, "If it wasn't for your snoring, I'm sure I would have fallen asleep" We had so many good times and great laughs over the years.

Way back when I was restoring my Victoria, Buster was always there to lend a hand or machine a part that I needed or offer advice and encouragement. He was a dependable, intelligent, and as good a friend that anyone could ever ask for. Everybody knew him and everybody liked him. Everybody will miss him. Penn Ohio, Mohican Chapter and the rest of the World will never be the same.



TRI COUNTY CORRESPONDENT: Diana Stewart

On the stormy Mother's Day afternoon, Dennis Kempthorne hosted the Tri County Chapter's May meeting at Menches Restaurant in Green, Ohio we even had 2 "A's" that braved the weather!

After enjoying the plentiful Mother's Day buffet, we held a short business meeting with 6 members and 2 guests present. Roger and Jan Baker are getting ready to travel to Joplin, MO. to meet up with other Penn Ohio members for a hub-style race which is a precursor to the "Great American Race" to be held later this year. We wish them all luck with this "training" race.

President Gary announced our newest member, Tom Zechman of Piedmont, OH. Welcome, Tom!

Our chapter would like to extend our condolences to Betty Smith for the loss of her husband and our good friend, Buster.

Meeting was adjourned and we will meet on June 10th at the Manor Restaurant in Strasburg, hosted by Bob and Joyclin Ely.



KEYSTONE CORRESPONDENT: Carol Mengel

The Keystone Chapter held the April and May meetings at Perkins in Meadville. Jack and Kathy Riley hosted the April meeting. After our meeting and lunch, we viewed a video showing men and women's jewelry of the Model A era. We each went home with a pansy to help us get ready for Spring!

Bob and Wilda Boyd hosted the May meeting. In honor of Mother's Day, some members shared memories of their mothers -- funny, ways of the times, hardships. We parted into the warmth of a great spring day.



RUBBER CITY CORRESPONDENT: Bruce Rollings

Finally, Spring has sprung! The snow brush is still in the car, however. After checking the fluids and airing the relic's tires, it appeared the exhaust manifold was missing some segments, hence the unpleasant noises! I had some gaskets in the "A Stuff" box, and got the threaded-side muffler/exhaust clamp from Snyders - it's all back together and much quieter - although I remain unable to get the little copper ring gasket between the manifold and tailpipe close enough? We'll see.

Cinco de Mayo today, some Rubber Duckies are off to PA this weekend, to visit our good friends the Reggets. Spring banquet and our May meeting are upcoming prior to a growing number of Memorial Day Parades. We usually do Hudson and/or Manchester-Clinton-Canal Fulton, but there's also Green and Lakemore -- no shortage of opportunities for stiff-clutch-knee! It's also the start of kids soccer, softball, baseball, and prime grilling season...plenty of opportunities to get out the "A's" and enjoy!!!



FLYING QUAIL CORRESPONDENT: Susan Sandrock

May 12th, supposed to be spring not fall weather. 3 Model A's were in the parking lot of the Dark Horse restaurant in Findlay. The meeting was planned by Howard McNish and Al & Sally Hartzell. Cute lighted favors were at the seats of all the ladies for Mother's Day. Nineteen members and 5 guests were present. The Bowers had son Christopher and grandsons Mason and Dawson (both of them taller than the last time we saw them at a meeting). The LeRoux's had son Terry and the Rosebrook's had grandson, Ashton. Great to have Sue and Dan back with us after the winter months.

The business meeting was fit in before the main course by President Paul. (He didn't have his right hand to keep him in line, however, he was at the meeting well in advance.)

Bill Pahl and Howard McNish did the audit of the treasury and the report was given.

Discussions followed regarding the Spring banquet and where to meet on the road. The Penn Ohio tour in August was discussed with the most recent information received from the tour masters. Howard discussed the MARC tour scheduled in September and was checking on interest in participating. Greenfield Village old car weekend signup is online. Sign up sheets were passed for all these activities as well as the June Penn Ohio swap meet.

The June 10th Flying Quail meeting will be hosted by the Bailey's starting with the meal at the Log Cabin Tavern in Liberty Center with backroad meandering to follow.

Following the meeting a spirited auction was held by Howard McNish for three wooden gear shift knobs that he crafted. The proceeds (\$116) went to the club treasury. Thanks Howard....they were beautiful.

We left the restaurant (it wasn't raining yet as predicted) and drove the country roads to the Litzenberg Memorial Woods Homestead, which is part of the park system. Chris gave us an interesting overview of the McKinnis house built in 1847. They have many programs and camps for children at the park. We all learned a thing or two on the tour.

After the tour, some of the group continued to Dietsch's for ice cream. The rain showers held off for the day, maybe we will have some sun and warm temps next month for our A adventures!







NEO CORRESPONDENT: Pat Proch

The driving season for NEO began with participation in the Chardon Maple Festival Parade on Saturday, April 28th. The six cars were driven by Ken Keener, Jim Geisman, Bill Schreiber, Don and Debbie Lynch, Al Wilder, and Rich Waltes.

The May meeting was held on the first Sunday, due to Mother's Day on the second Sunday, at the Lake County Historical Society. The day was beautiful, a perfect day for the "Easter Egg" hunt, which took place after the meeting. About fourteen families participated in the event. Members would follow driving instructions to move from home to home. At each home, plastic eggs were hidden in the yards. Each home had a different color and the hunters were to find 2 eggs. At the fourth home the eggs were put into a bag and four eggs, one of each color, were picked out. The name attached to each egg would then select a beautifully wrapped basket containing "goodies". Three baskets were provided by Jane Krager and the fourth, containing sports items, was prepared by Jim Ulle. The basket winners were Linda Thirion, Marcia Stobierski, Jean Walters, and Linda Dynes. This was a fantastic way to use your Model A early in the season.

To end the perfect day, everyone drove to Fugi's Buffet on Mentor Avenue in Mentor. This is a wonderful place to eat, very reasonable and very good!

On Saturday, May 12th, members will meet at the Concord McDonald's located on Auburn Road near I-90 and go on a driving tour of Geauga County. This is the time of the year that businesses, stores, and restaurants participate showcase what they have to offer. They often offer free samples of their wares, including food.



COPUS HILL CORRESPONDENT: Mary Jane Saylor

Wouldn't you think that the last Saturday in April would be full of spring trees and bushes, daffodills and red buds in bloom with sunny skies and relatively warm (50+ degrees)?? Well, NOT when Herb and I plan for our "get 'em out, dust 'em off and see how they run" tour.... how about overcast (8 seconds of sunshine) and maybe, MAYBE 40 degrees!!! The spring flowers and trees were doing their best to not shiver and droop in the chilly breeze as 5 brave Model A's and a couple moderns assembled on Saturday, April 28th (we made the moderns turn off their heaters so they could get the Model A experience!!) We headed southerly on Honey Creek Road to Loudonville and then on Route #3 to Route #205 to Danville....this is a great Model A road with lazy turns and hills among the lovely Amish farms. We turned easterly on Route #62 for a couple miles to Brinkhaven, well not really as we were

across the road at the Bridge of Dreams, the second longest covered bridge in Ohio at 370 feet. Built over an abandoned 1920s era Pennsylvania railroad bridge, it is only open to NON-motorized vehicles. Citizens of Danville and surrounding communities came together to raise the funds to build it, but were originally told "you're dreaming".... hence, the name "Bridge of Dreams".



COPUS HILL continued:



The bridge is actually part of the bike trail from Danville to Holmes County and is used by the Amish to avoid the traffic on busy Route #62. Most of us walked the entire length noting the swift (from recent rains) Mohican River beneath and original concrete pillars from the railroad. We then headed to Howard and the Bad Apple Pub for lunch, so named because it sits on the southern edge of Apple Valley Lake and housing community. Not only was the food great, but it allowed some of us to "warm up" before heading out

again on back roads to visit our friend and fellow Model A-er Dan Wright at his shop and store north of Mount Vernon. He certainly keeps busy with Model A's and other beautifully restored vehicles. After nosing around his place, we held a brief meeting and then thanked Dan and Sally for their hospitality and headed northerly to Bellville and, believe it or not, our FIRST ICE CREAM stop of the year!!! Thank goodness the Dairy Belle had "indoor seating"!!!! As we all went our separate ways home from there, Herb and I hoped all 20 present had a good time despite the coolish weather....at least, thank goodness, it didn't rain or snow!!!

Copus Hill wishes to extend our deepest sympathies to Betty Smith and Mohican Chapter in the loss of Buster. Buster and Betty often traveled to Penn-Ohio meets with our chapter and became our "adopted" members. From his slow, southern-ish drawl to his genuine laugh, always upbeat demeanor and Model A knowledge, he was the "real deal". His talent with stained glass was truly a work of art. Our hope is that he is now at peace and organizing a new chapter of Penn Ohio....we'll miss you, Buster.



CRANKSTERS CORRESPONDENT: Dawn Painter

The Cranksters kicked off the driving season with our Annual "warm-up" tour. The day began with a delicious breakfast prepared by our own Cranksters cooks at the Plum Creek Cabin in Brunswick Hills. Joe and Bev McGlamery then led us through scenic back roads to Medina to the John Smart House and Museum. The "Smart House" is a Victorian style house decorated in the 1918 style, three stories of furnishings and collections from the Medina area. The Cranksters are looking forward to the Penn Ohio Spring Banquet, and the June Penn Ohio meet we will be hosting, plus a dozen events scheduled for the driving season. Hurray for summer!

Spring is the time for the Cranksters to get ready for the driving season. It isn't our first get together of the year, but it is our first driving meet. April brings Maintenance Day. Joe and Bev Mc-Glamery graciously open their garage to all Cranksters. This is a great event with good fellowship, lots of eating and there is even some time for getting the A's ready for summer. Joe and his fellow grease monkeys check over the cars, do oil changes and any maintenance needed and sometimes special projects. The McGlamery's are wonderful hosts and make everyone feel so welcome. The Cranksters are looking forward to hosting the June Penn Ohio meet. We'll be having a swap/flea market sale and we hope to see you there.



RIDGE RUNNERS CORRESPONDENT: Darlynn Fink

The Ridge Runners had their first picnic meeting of 2018 at Cook Forest State Park on April 21st. After this year's winter, we weren't sure if we would be shoveling snow or spraying sun screen. The day ended up being sunny and snow-free. Don Deideritter roasted hot dogs, and we enjoyed a menu that went way above the normal picnic fare. Freshly baked cinnamon rolls, casseroles, salads, chili, cherry cheesecake, cookies, and other yummy foods made this event much more than the casual hot dogs and chips picnic.

The group had a good time telling jokes and planning a late spring tour. As usual, jokes and riddles were a big part of our meeting. For example--- How did the eggs cross the road? Scrambled, of course!!! And--- Where did Noah keep the bees? In the "ark hives"!

Ridge Runners will host the September Penn Ohio meet at Oil Creek State Park, Titusville, PA.

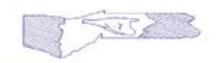
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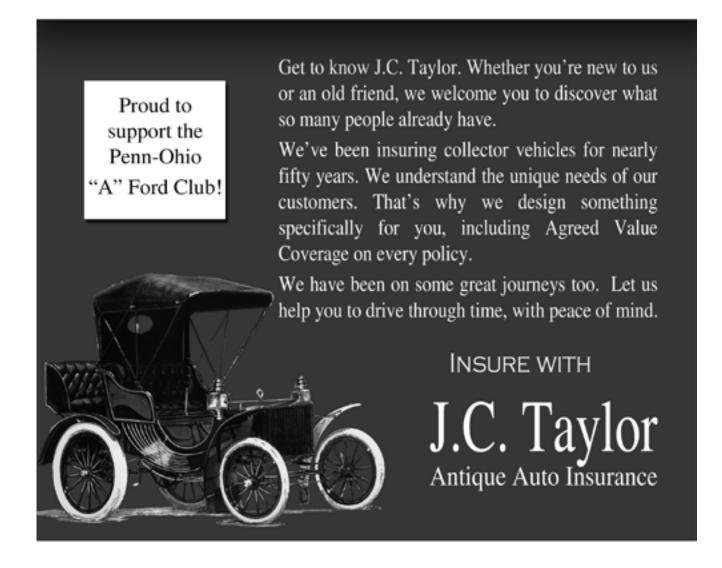
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