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A Quail Call



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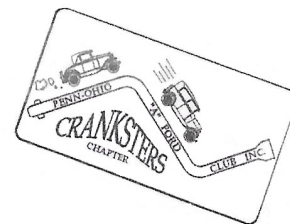
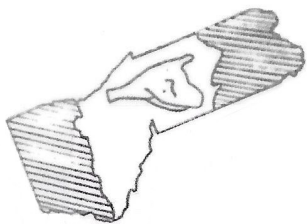


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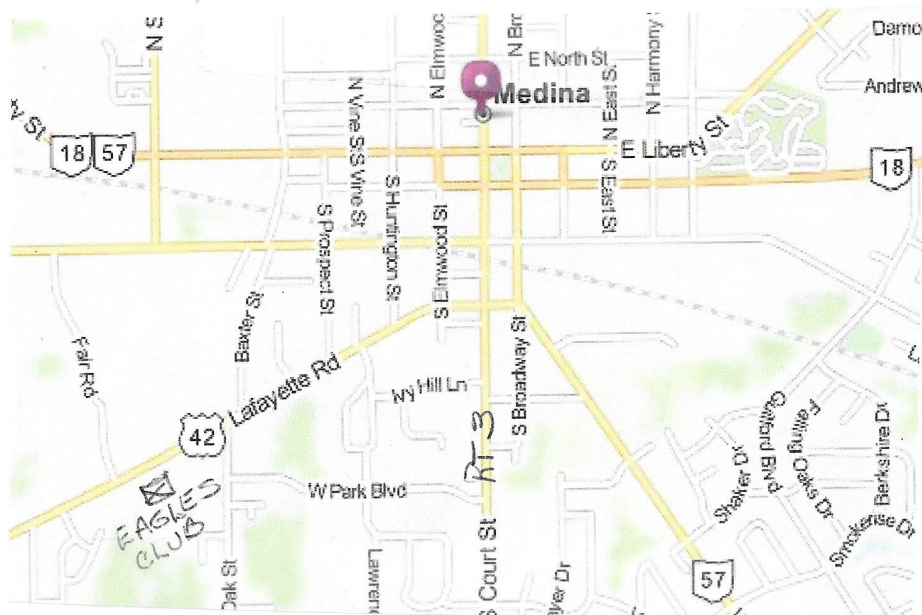
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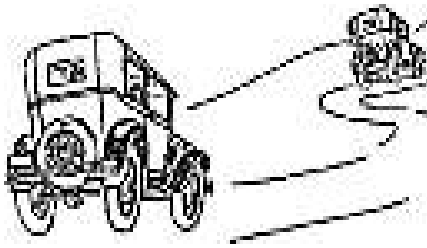
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Notes from the Editor's Desk

I'm ready for some windsheild time and looking forward to the Spring Banquet. The weather is starting to break and I can see some grass for more than one day for the first time since I returned from Florida. Guess that also means it's about time to go over the lawn mower in preparation for the mowing season.

To all correspondents: If you have email, please email your chapter news. Please email to ModelAJ@NEO.RR.COM. I appreciate those who use this method. If you don't know how to attach pictures, you can send pictures separately in the mail and I will scan them.

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Director: Dave Weisel

We just returned from Florida in February. While there we attended the Sun-N-Fun Banquet in Lakeland. It is always a nice winter break to meet up with our Model A snowbirds.

Our drive home was clear and sunny until we hit Canton, where we found snow. Now I have a lot to get caught up with.

We will be contacting all of the chapter presidents and past directors in regards to a short board meeting preceding the Spring Banquet. We have a few proposals to vote on. Also, the Mohican Chapter would like approval to move their September 2014 meeting to the last Sunday, September 28th.

Still the main purpose of our club is the fellowship and the chance to drive our beloved old cars. Our hobbies give us something to look forward to.

As some of you may know, back in the 70's Barb and I were dairy farmers. We were very modern for the day as most farmers were still milking cows in the stanchions with surge can milkers. We had a double 5 herringbone milk parlor where the cows came to us and the milk went directly from the cow to the bulk milk tank. This took us about 4-5 hours a day.

Today, I just found out there is a farm in Ohio that uses robots and now the cows can get milked any time they want to. When the cow comes in, a computer reads the cows tag, records how much milk and how many times they come in to the parlor and then feeds them the proper amount of protein and grain. Yes, times are changing. What was the last car that had a crank as standard equipment?

It has also been brought to my attention that Erie, PA had more snow than any other city in the US, including Alaska. It was also noted that a model A was driving through the snow with a plow on it. (REALLY? No, not really.) Did they plow the roads in 1929?

David Weisel (Grumpy)

Penn-Ohio Meets for 2014

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
Spring Banquet	April 27	Ridge Runners
May Meet	May 18	Cranksters
Tour	June	No Tour
July Meet	July 20	Erie
August Meet	August 17	Copus Hill
September Meet	September 28	Mohican
Fall Banquet	October 19	Five Points

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Copus Hill	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Cranksters	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Erie	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Five Points	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Flying Quail	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Keystone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mohican	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
NEO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ridge Runners	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rubber City	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Shelman	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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Penn-Ohio Chapter News



Mohican

Correspondents:

Betty Smith

We met November 16th at the Orrville Buehler's Community Room. Our hosts were Norm and Linda Ream. Those attending were Carey, Kelly Carter and daughter, Duane Schie and Margaret, Jim and Liz Fink, Dave and Donna Anderson, Gary and Ginny Heckathorn, Paul Rowlands, Dan and Ginnie Herrmann and Smiths. As per usual at this location we ordered from the menu. Special occasion for this meeting was the celebration of Ream's wedding anniversary.

Our business meeting this time of year usually consists of previous minutes being read, treasurer's report and anything brought up. Our chapter President, Dave, caught us all off guard when he told us that at the Penn-Ohio Executive Board Meeting, he was informed by the Director that we are to host the September 2014 Penn-Ohio meet. Since we had hosted the Spring Banquet in 2013, we were not prepared to host two years in a row. We'll do the best we can to take care of this. The 50/50 drawing was held as were ones for floral centerpieces on the table. We thank Norm and Linda for all they did.

December 7 we met at the Smithville Inn. Dan and Ginnie Herrmann were our host for this one. We were served the following family style: tossed salad, biscuits, roast beef, broasted chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, corn, noodles, beverage and sherbet for dessert. The family style meal is served "all you can eat." Members attending were the Carter family, Duane Schie, Andersons and Smiths.

Dave called the business meeting to order. Donna read the minutes and gave the Treasurer's report. We discussed our hosting the September Penn-Ohio meet, but no decisions have been made thus far. Since we will have no Chapter Meeting in January, it will be the February meeting for decisions to be made.

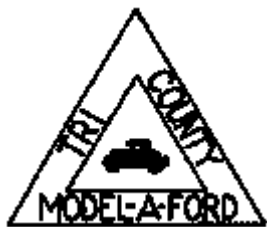
The 50/50 drawing was held. Herrmanns provided a poinsettia plant to be drawn for also. Thanks to Dan and Ginnie for being in charge.

We met Saturday, February 15th, at the Orrville Buehlers Market Community Room with Smiths as hosts. Members attending were Dave and Donna Anderson, Bob McElroy, Norm and Linda Ream, Paul Rowlands, Dan and Ginnie Heckathorn, Carey and Kelly Carter and Duane Schie. We ordered from the menu and enjoyed our choices.

Dave called the business meeting to order. Donna read the previous minutes and gave the Treasurer's report. Next was the election of officers for 2014 – we're keeping the same ones! Our main item was trying to make decisions for the September Penn-Ohio meet, which we host. We have the location reserved. More will be decided next month.

Drawings were held for the 50/50 and for four of Buster's stained glass sun catchers.

Roasting tip: STAND THE BIRD - To roast a whole chicken evenly and more quickly, set your Bundt pan on a cookie sheet. Now stand that chicken over the center cone of the Bundt pan. Roast as you usually do or at 375 degrees F until done. A standing chicken browns more evenly and cooks faster.



Tri-County
Correspondent:
Melvin Allen

Hello fellow "A" friends. It has been some 40+ years since I did the reporting for our chapter, but I guess it is finally my turn again.

The Tri-County faithful met at the Manor Restaurant in Strasburg, Ohio on February 9th for its regularly scheduled monthly meeting. If any other chapter wants a good stop off for a "fill up" while on "maneuvers" this is it. I recommend the family-style fish.

President Gary Stewart called 14 members to order about 3:00 P.M. After a discussion of old—new and whatever business we had, we got down to the good part. For quite some time we've been talking about "doing something." Well, I think it is going to happen! How long has it been since Tri-County has gotten out of its comfort zone and been seen by the public? Way too long!

Members Dave and Candy Shanklin are having a Cruze In on May 10th at their Wabash Lanes Bowling Alley in New Philadelphia. We will be a part of the function! So any other chapters or members are welcome to come and be part of the get-together. Our 50/50 winners were Gary and Diana with a purse of \$3.50.

Next month we will be guests of Denny Kempthorn at the Classic 57 Drive In, in Minerva. See you there.



Rubber City
Correspondent:
Bruce Rollings

No more calls—we have our winter! I must have been using that "Draggin" software they sell on TV, I missed the January "Quail" deadline completely—my apologies! With a little luck all this cold & snow will be history by the Spring Banquet April 27, hosted by Ridge Runners Chapter.

Before our winter-in-Florida group left, we had our officer elections in November and our Christmas party/Santa visit in December. New (?) officers are President Larry Norton, Vice Pres. Gary Martin, Secretary Dave "Sparkie" Baker, Treasurer Dave Gould, Sunshine Lady Polly Pirri, Quail Call guy Bruce Rollings, and Members-at-Large John Hall and Dave Weisel. We also voted to contribute 10% of our Chapter income to Akron Children's Hospital.

We met at Menches' Restaurant in December for a great Christmas party, some 75 or so attendees along with the kids and grandkids who came to see Santa—he showed up right on time with goodies for all!

In January, we had a booth at the NOMAC Swap meet in Medina, along with "Papa John's" Merchandise Mart—a lot of good parts and stories were exchanged, we made a little money for Rubber City—Les Lucas even sold a 1940 pickup truck to Stan Hewitt.

February saw the Valentine's meeting, once again at our reliable & favorite Menches, hosted by Jon & Pat Peterson, entertaining our spouses and significant others with couples' specials as well as the regular menu, and recent past-presidents were presented with Thank-You plaques for their contributions of time & effort to Rubber City—many thanks on behalf of all us ex-prezses!

We're planning to be in the Akron St. Patrick's Day parade Saturday, March 16, hosted by Irish Les & Lois Lucas and Larry & Linda Norton—it lines up on South Main St. near the Go-Jo building and starts at 11:00 AM—we'll meet at the Spaghetti Warehouse at 1:30 for lunch & a meeting.

We're also lucky enough to be welcoming some new Rubber City members—Tom Lisowski from Norton, Tom Zimmerman and Tom Lampe from Cuyahoga Falls, and Jim & Peggy Holmes from Mogadore—welcome all!

We're also in the process of obtaining new name tags and embroidered Rubber City Logo jackets. My "wanted list" includes "A" truck front bumper for Jim Holmes (330-524-3925), and Les Lucas is looking for some truck fender brackets—330-334-4268 if you can help.

Our Sunshine/Prayer list is more extensive than we'd like, but please spare a thought for Jim Summers, Judy Shaffer, Jo & Vern Baker, Jim Davis, Les Lucas, Dave Gould, John Coleman, and Pat Peterson—Jim and Martha Knight are at Chapel Hill facility in Canal Fulton while Martha recovers from a fall.

For Memorial consideration, Rubber City lost founding member Tom Link, and longtime member and past president Jan Zimmerman in 2013, as well as Barbara Schweitzer this February.

According to my probably incomplete note, that's all I have for this time- Looking outside, it's a beautiful, sunny day—even if it's only 17 degrees! But Spring Training has started, Pav's custard stand is open—can "A's" emerging from hibernation be far behind?



**Copus Hill
Correspondent:
Neal Franzen**

January saw Copus Hill meeting up at the Brickers' house for our annual soup lunch. The weather was not very good, and it was snowing pretty hard, but we still had a good turnout. Good food, great friends, and lots of laughs were had. Tom Franzen called our business meeting to order, and we had some good discussions about plans for our Penn-Ohio meeting in August. While I'm not going to give any details away, we have some fun activities planned, and it will be a "don't miss" meet for everyone. After the business meeting was finished, we had plenty of time to sit around Jim's wood burner and talk. As the time approached to pack things up, we thanked the Brickers for a great afternoon and headed back out into the snowy cold. Hopefully Spring will get here soon.

In February, we met at the Foley's house for our spaghetti lunch put on by the Whatmans and Foleys. As always it was delicious food, and I think I went back one too many times for a refill. Business was called to order to talk about our Penn-Ohio meet again as we worked on finalizing more details of how the day was going to play out. Afterwards, we had plenty of time to visit. For those of you who don't know, Jim Foley keeps his cars in the basement of his house. I tried to explain this to my 5 year old son Carson and he asked me, "How does he get them down the stairs?" Jim gave everyone a tour of the basement, a true man cave that anyone would love to have. We gathered our belongings, thanked the Foleys and Whatmans for a wonderful afternoon and headed home. I think we are all starting to have cabin fever and can't wait for the weather to break so we can work on getting the cars out again. I know I sure am ready!



Cranksters Correspondant Nancy Haake

A snowy and cold Saturday, January 25 had over 40 Cranksters arriving in their modern cars for the Kick-Off Event to start us out on the right foot for the upcoming driving season. With the winter being it's normal self after several mild winters we seem to complain even more than usual! Everyone who came supplied snacks—there was more than enough to eat and make a full meal out of it and not just snacks. Packets were given out to everyone with the upcoming events on a calendar so that we could plan for the New Year. Of course there was lots of visiting after Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve is now a thing of the past. We welcomed Joann Wexler as new Cranksters president with Ron Becker the outgoing president. After the evening drew to a close and tables and chairs were put back in their places, we all headed out into the snowy weather.

Saturday, February 8th was our 10th annual Winter Breakfast held in World Headquarters Valley City. The snow and cold brought out 20 Cranksters to have breakfast and visit with each other.

Another cold and snowy day on Saturday, February 22nd hosted Pizza and Bingo Night for the Cranksters who braved the weather once again. What a hearty group we are to venture out so much in the cold and snow of Northern Ohio! For the evening events everyone was required to bring a white elephant as a prize for the winners of the Bingo games. Of course there was lots of pizza to eat for the 31 members who came for the evening of fun. After indulging in pizza and veggies and dip, we moved on to the do-it-yourself ice cream sundaes. Plenty of toppings were supplied and everyone had fun putting their individual flourishes on their bowls of ice cream. We next moved on to Bingo with the white elephants for the prizes. Various games of Bingo were played with the winners then being able to select a white elephant from the bags of unknown items. Everyone had fun for the evening. What could be better than to eat and play games with fellow Model A people? Needless to say everyone is looking forward to driving season, which seems so far away with all the mountains of snow and cold weather.

The Kampsville River Ferry

By Rickie Longfellow

A little piece of water transportation history is alive, well and operating in many towns and cities across America. Included is the small village of Kampsville, Illinois, on the Great River Road, Highway IL-100. Ferry boats can carry passengers, their vehicles, and cargo across waterways everyday, but unless we live near a ferry boat, we hear little of this quiet mode of transportation.

At least 18 States offer some kind of ferry service even though some ferry boats do not haul vehicles or cargo. The best known ferry boat in the United States is probably the Staten Island Ferry which carries more than 65,000 passengers daily. This ferry route has a long history going back to the 1700's when boats began ferrying travelers between Staten Island and New York City. Scottsville, Virginia, is home to the Hatton Ferry, one of the last two remaining "poled" ferry boats on the James River. The Mississippi River is well known for its steamboats and barges as well as ferry boats.

Early water transportation was little more than a flat-bed raft that could transport travelers, covered wagons, and livestock across rivers. When the railroads came and bridges were built most ferries were no longer needed. But in Calhoun County, western Illinois—where industrialization is almost non-existent, the terrain is rugged, and the population small, this 37-mile long peninsula with access to steamboat landings knows that water travel is still the way to go.

The Kampsville River Ferry transports passengers and their vehicles across the Illinois River 24 hours per day, everyday for no fee, unless the river is frozen or the water is unusually high. The boat, operated by the Illinois Department of Transportation, connects IL-108 from the western bank (Calhoun County) to the eastern bank (Greene County) of the river. The Kampsville Ferry is one of two Illinois Department of Transportation river ferries. The other is 25 miles further south at Grafton, Illinois. Grafton, a city with a population under 700, is in Jersey County located at the confluence of the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers.

Serving in a transportation capacity is not the only function of the Illinois River. It is home to migrating waterfowl

and other wetland wildlife as well as forest creature preserved by The Illinois River Road Scenic Byway program. Kampsville, with a population under 400, is home to the Center for American Archeology (CAA). The CAA studies the rich historic culture of the area and the transportation role of the river in early civilization and wildlife. Since the last Ice Age, humans have lived along the banks of the river and today homes on stilts dot the river bank, as well as an occasional pontoon, row boat, or motor boat. But for travelers wanting to take their vehicles, the Kampsville River Ferry is the fastest way to cross the Illinois River.

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