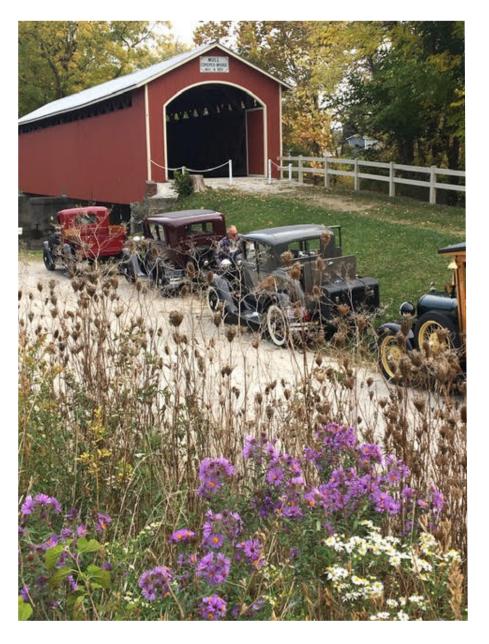




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Fall Fun in the Model A's



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2020 - The Year that Never Was!

The Spring Banquet and Penn Ohio Tour that never was, inspite of all the planning. And to top it all off, no board meeting in November. That is a washout, no matter how you look at it. The important thing is that so far, we've dodged the bullet. We all need to continue to use our best judgment and get through this pandemic

intact. There's a lot of fun yet to be had. So, let's share some good news!

Those of you who are MARC members may have seen this. Emily Ellway, daughter of long-time Penn Ohio/Five Points members Kevin and Teresa Ellway has been named Youth Coordinator for MARC! Congratulations, Emily!

Over the years, you may have heard some buzz about a new Model A motor being developed by Terry Burtz. A five main bearing motor with big beefy counterweighted crankshaft and modern bearings. The production prototype has been built and successfully tested. Go to MAFCA website and click on link to "New Model A Engine" for latest update. Includes details of manufacturing and assembly process along with videos of test stand performance (6 hrs at 3,100 RPM!) and a sustained mountain climb in a Model A. Pretty exciting stuff. If you just want to see info for yourself here is the web address:

https://www.mafca.com/documents/NEWS/NewAEngine.pdf

2021 has a lot planned for it already as we all kinda feel like we need to "make up" for lost time. But, that just isn't possible. We'll just keep moving forward and deal with what comes our way knowing that it will be that much sweeter when we can all get together again.

IN MEMORY OF

LES MEACHAM long time member of both Erie and Keystone Chapters, passed away October 1, 2020.

WALTER WAWZYNIAK former member and longtime coordinator of Penn Ohio Judging Meets, passed away September 30,2020.

Our condolences to the families of both of these well remembered Penn Ohio gentlemen!



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to thank all of those chapters who have continued to send in monthly Chapter News during this Pandemic down time! I know it is sometimes hard to find things to write about but even

a "hello" from the friends we are unable to meet with is welcome news!!!

I also managed to pick up on some chapter losses in their chapter write ups. If you lose a member, PLEASE send the info to me at **stewartdiana711@gmail.com** so there is no chance of me missing it and we can recognize these losses in a timely manner.

CORRESPONDENCE DEADLINE

NOVEMBER 15	NOVEMBER-DECEMBER ISSUE
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KEEPING IN TOUCH DURING COVID 19

We are going to try to keep Penn-Ohio member "in touch" during this stressful summer. One way of doing that is by continuing to publish the "Quail Call" on its regular monthly schedule. Since the Penn-Ohio events have all been cancelled, that cuts into much of the material normally found in each edition. Many chapters have cut their meetings as well.....causing loss of even more news/pictures.

I am asking for YOUR HELP at this time. IF your group meets, please send in a writeup even if it is small ... pictures would also be great.

If you are one of our Model A tinkermen and have any tips you'd like to share.... now would be a great time to do so!

If you have any great memories or pictures that you could share, I'd be happy to receive them! Please note that I have best results with the program I am using if the pictures are sent in as JPEGs. Thanks in advance for you help.

Diana Stewart, Editor

PENN OHIO CHAPTER NEWS



FIVE POINTS CORRESPONDENT: BRIAN REVAK

Finally! At least a little news and a few pictures to show!!

10 A's met in North Jackson on beautiful Saturday, Sept. 3rd and made their way to Ashtabula County. Perfect weather for a ride and tour of the covered bridges. Covid has cancelled the actual bridge tour. It was decided that restaurant dining would not happen so chairs and lunches were packed for a roadside picnic.







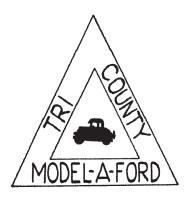


The destination was Brants apple orchard in Jefferson.

Our chapters "Sunshine Lady" Susan Modzell has been calling everyone to just say Hi and check on members. Thanks Susan for thinking about everybody and taking time to call!!

FIVE POINTS Continued:

As far as technical info.....I don't have the amount of knowledge that the more senior members have but I'm learning. For those of you that attended our fall banquet last October, I did a demonstration of the engine block/radiator flusher I built. If anyone would like to use it just let me know. Just because the high heat and humidity are gone does not mean the junk in your cooling system is gone. As the driving season winds down, it could be a good time to flush. Von Wolfe and myself have probably done a dozen radiators and blocks.



TRI COUNTY CORRESPONDENT: DIANA STEWART

The Tri County Chapter met Sunay, October 11th at the East of Chicago Restaurant in Sugarcreek, hosted by Dwight and Lillian VanFossen. There were 14 members and 3 Model A's present.

Following lunch, we had a business meeting. Not much to discuss with the continuation of the corona limits. Gary Stewart gave a brief report on the Hartville Americana Market that Dave Shanklin, Mel Allen and Gary attended hoping to promote Tri County and attract new members.



There was no one signed up for our November meet so Gary suggested that we meet at the Manor Restaurant in Strasburg. He has since confirmed reservations for November 8 at 2 pm and notices sent to all Tri County members.



FLYING QUAIL CORRESPONDENT: SUSAN SANDROCK

Saturday, October 10th brought warm partly sunny skies and the Flying Quail on the move.

The Sandrock's hosted the day and 6 Model A's and 15 members arrived at the Wilson Nature Center at the

Bend Creek farm outside of Lindsey. It is a 310-acre farm property that was donated to the Sandusky County Park System. It is still a working farm and has hiking trails. Muddy Creek runs thru the wooded portion of the property which was showing its fall color.

The farm is listed on the National Registor of Historic Places. We ate our "bring your own lunches" under the overhang of the barn where there were picnic tables located, as well as plenty of nut shells left by the local wildlife.

Following lunch, President Howard McNish began the business meeting with Connie Bailey acting as Secretary in the absence of Sarah Neal and Treasurer Paul Neal (we hear they are on the lamb).... A slate of officers was presented to be voted on at the November meeting. We caught up on Carol Weihrouch as she continues to recuperate from her shoulder surgery but is now home. Heal soon. Except for the "aging" aches and pains the membership is doing well. There was discusion about the scheduled MARC meet next June and there are some rooms reserved for those interested.

Our new members, Rich and Linda, were in attendance and apparently over lunch conversation, they may have a history dating back 40 plus years back to neighboring dorm life on south campus at OSU. (I'm glad I was living on north campus). It is a small world.

After our meeting the group had the opportunity to explore the nature center with animal displays, reptiles and aquariums and also the building mascot Nibbles the bunny. Outside there are equipment displays as well as two cute well fed pigmy goats.

Dan Millinger and Don Bench were trying to identify the tomato variety in the raised bed (not what the grower thought they were).

The group headed to the parking lot where the cars had become a "show" and after some conversations, we were able to start on a country road drive to the Mull bridge.







FLYING QUAIL Continued:

Built in 1851 and on the register of historic places, it is no longer used but is the only covered bridge remaining in NW Ohio. It is a town lattice truss style that was last renovated in 2015. The parking area at the bridge is very small and there were cars there belonging to a family having their pictures taken. Barry was asked if they could use the pickup truck in some photos, so the group had some more visiting time while that occurred. Of course, the word ice cream came up so after we all maneuvered out of the parking area, we were off to Bettsville to Sun Days for tasty treats and a little more time to visit with Model A friends and enjoying the beautiful day because we know there might not be many more this year. We have hosts for November and December so we shall see if the Flying Quail can close out this crazy year seeing each other and staying healthy.



NEO CORRESPONDENT: PAT PROCH

As we begin the month of October, the only activity we have to report is another driving tour planned and led by Chris and Nancy Wolf. On Saturday, September 5th, some members of NEO

and some from other clubs met at the Sheetz Gas Station in Chardon. The NEO members were Chris and Nancy Wolf, Rich and Becky Merkosky, Jeff and Linda Thirion, Jim and Jayne Krager, Jim and Gail Paul, Rich Walters and Jean Yamber and Bill Schreiber. Jon and Pat Peterson and John and Mary Menches from Rubber City, Jamie and Tiffany Holzheimer from NOMAC and guest, Walt Buehner also joined the tour driving their Model A's.

After leaving Chardon, the tour traveled through Willoughby Hills, Auburn, Gates Mills, Burton, Hunting Valley, Russel, and Middlefield ending in Hamden. Along the way, there were many beautiful homes, mansions and estates as well as gorgeous scenery. Chris and Nancy devised a simple contest for the tour: count the number of traffic lights, stop signs, churchs an schools that are passed. First place went to the Menches, second place to the Walters, and third place, which was a three way tie, to the Pauls, Petersons, and Holzheimers.

From Hamden, most of the folks headed home: Wolfs, Menches, Petersons and Holzheimers went to the King Kone for ice cream.

While touring through Auburn, Chris Wolf's car decided it had enough touring and stopped and would not go any further. So Chris left the car along the side of the road and he and Nany continued the tour with Bill Schreiber. From Hamden, Bill went home and the Thirions took Chris and Nancy home; Chris and nancy drove their modern car to the ice cream parlor. Later, Chris and AAA picked up the Model A and brought it home.

Aside from this breakdown, everyone enjoyed being out touring the countryside and getting together with their Model A friends. (8)

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