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**KEYSTONE & ERIE CHAPTERS AT THE HOME OF DAN AND  
KATHY TROYER, HARRISVILLE FOR AN AMISH LUNCH**



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## SHORT SEASON - LONG VIEW

This weekend, Cranksters will be hosting the Fall Awards Banquet. Awards presented will be limited to continuous membership, as with only two meets having been held, participation awards didn't seem appropriate. Hopefully, by next May, we will be free from this Pandemic world we find ourselves in, and we will have a full slate of Penn Ohio events. Anyway, that's what we will plan for.

I am sure many of us visit Antique Auto or Model A related websites or online forums from time to time. I can say I have found very valuable information and images on line. But, there is no substitute for good old face-to-face "consultation" with a fellow Model A owner when dealing with a problem or just looking for information.

We are fortunate with an organization of this size to have many seasoned veterans to look to for guidance or encouragement. As a society, we have lost too much of the personal interactions between people that build trust and affection between people. Those interactions have been replaced by the impersonal, sometimes anonymous connections between digital devices.

Don't get me wrong, I am not here to bash the internet. I'm just saying, maybe a live conversation would be more satisfying for both parties than a few lines of typed text. And remember, just because you saw it on the internet, doesn't make it true!

Now I'm gonna send this in an e-mail to the editor!!!

Von

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# NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I 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 **stewarddiana711@gmail.com** so there is no chance of me missing it and we can recognize these losses in a timely manner.

## CORRESPONDENCE DEADLINE

DECEMBER 5.....NOV-DEC ISSUE  
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### *2021 Penn Ohio Events*

Date	Location	Chapter
Oct. 17	Fall Banquet, Eagles Lodge Medina,OH	Cranksters

### *2022 Penn Ohio Events*

May 15	Spring Banquet, Santangelo’s Party Center Massillon, OH	Tri County
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Remainer of 2022 to be announced soon.

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## *Penn Ohio Chapter News*

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**FIVE POINTS  
CORRESPONDENT:  
BRIAN REVAK**

Well, we were on a roll for meetings and then at the last minute due to covid issues Bedford Trails had to cancel our dining room reservation. They allowed use of the outdoor patio if needed. The only real reason was just to finalize the plans for a trip to Pymatuning for the meet Ridge Runner was hosting. The group decided to meet at 8am and hit the road for what was a great event and great weather!! Thank you, Ridge Runners!!

Don and Martha Urchek wanted to do something special for their nephew and his wife, Jeff and Laurie Green, from California who traveled in a motor home across the country to spend a few weeks with us. Don built a 1931 Model A for Jeff a few years back and had it shipped to him. Jeff drove our 1929 Roadster and Don commented on that he has never seen his Roadster traveling behind him on the road. What a treat!

Five Points had 12 Model A's meet at Perkins Resaurant in Warren to travel through Amish country. Frank Lohry gave everyone a harvest-shaped decorated cookie for the trip of some 20 miles to our first stop. Thanks, Frank, for again furnishing thse delicious cookies. Greatly appreciated by all.

Having to repair a car is one of the delights of having so many well qualified mechanics as the Speedster had a broken brake line. Jim said it will be okay, he has other brakes! But the nephew from California said no and fixed it temporarily with a wire tie from Don's toolbox. No brake problems during the tour or on the way home.

Our first stop was Ma & Pa's on Route 422 in Burton for a horse drawn wagon ride through the woods. The hosts greeted us with a warm welcome and some maple coffee and a maple cookie. Martha doesn't drink coffee but enjoyed the cookies. We toured the facility where smoes and pumpkin painting were available and shopping in their unique gift store. Don especially commented on the antique cash register. Many said they have gone by this place and never stopped but they are coming back to purchase some items that wouldn't fit in the A. Beth Lohry purchased a pumpkin tree which consisted of four or five pumpkins stacked

### **Five Points continued:**

on top of each other. Thank goodness her brother, Frank, drove his pickup truck!

Then, we traveled through some beautiful scenic countryside to Mary Yoder's Restaurant in Middlefield for lunch. The meal was served quickly and was devoured by all with some of us sampling the homemade pies. Very filling but worth the trip.

We ventured out to our cars after some more shopping for bake goods and "must have" Amish gifts for a short ride to a gift shop called Nature Lover's Nest where the owners, Joseph and Nancy Miller, and their family were thrilled to see us driving our A's. Lots of purchases were made along with an order to ship a huge metal flying owl out to California. Nancy Miller asked if her 96 year old English neighbor could have a ride in one of the cars. Kathy Wolfe volunteered Von who was delighted to take this gent for a short ride who enjoyed it tremendously. While talking with him after the ride, I asked if he remembered these cars and he replied "oh yes, we had one when I was growing up". Needless to say memories were made for him. We found out that his brother graduated from Howland with Donna Green. Small world!

It started sprinkling and Jim and Pat Stafford put on some rain gear to finish the tour in the Speedster but soon had to take the rain gear off as the clouds moved and we had sunshine to continue our tour.

We again toured another Middlefield countryside where the Amish kids would raise their arm for us to blow the horn. We had to stay behind some buggies until we could pass with caution. Our next stop was at the Mespo End of the Commons where some enjoyed an ice cream cone. A double dip was HUGE but Joe and Bonnie Rossi enjoyed the challenge while Von Wolfe enjoyed his ice cream in a cup.

Lots of fry pies were purchased for later on or for another day. We purchased 8 and immediately put them in the freezer when we got home for a treat at a later date. We knew better then to leave them lay around as we would nibble until they were gone. Jeff and Laurie bought quite a few also to put in the motor home's freezer for their family back home but before they got to Missouri on their way home, they called the End of the Commons to ship more out to the in California. Their stash of fry pies were gone!!!

All in all, we had a great group and a wonderful day of sunny skies. Jeff and Laurie were just thrilled that so many came out to make this tour so special for them. We made memories for them to share for a lifetime.

We couldn't have made this tour successful without our club members who joined us. Thanks to George Allison, Marlene Schell, Gene and Donna Green, Frank and Beth Lohry, Mike Martuccio, Tom and Anne Olsen, Joe and Bonnie Rossi, Kenny Shonce, Ed and Barbara Slywczak, Jim and Pat Stafford, Von and Kathy Wolfe, and special thank to new members, John and

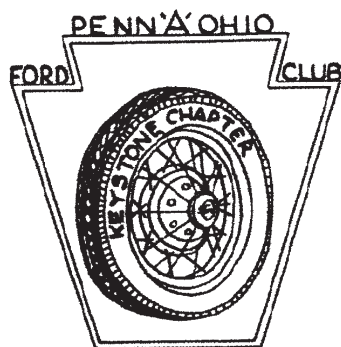
**Five Points continued:**

Carol Young, their first and I hope many more Five Points tours.

Again thanks to George Allsion for his picture taking of this event.

Last but not least, a big thank you to Tom Olsen who was the “trailer” of our group and kept Don informed of who wasn’t able to make the light or stop sign, and when it was necessary to pull the A’s over to let the modern cars go by so we didn’t slow down the traffic flow. Thanks, Tom, for a smooth trip.

Don and Martha Urchek



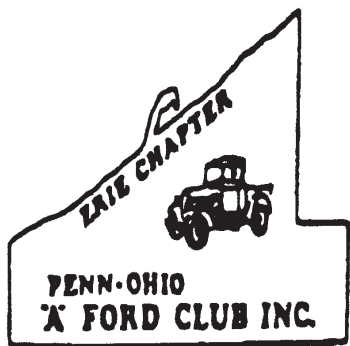
**KEYSTONE  
CORRESPONDENT:  
CAROL MENGEL**

The month of September found the Keystone and Erie chapters joining to partake of an Amish lunch in the home of Dan and Kathy Troyer in Harrisville. It was a beautiful day for the 18 Model A's and some modern cars. All 38 enjoyed the wonderful meal and pies. Even though some got lost, they all arrived and



## Keystone continued:

there was plenty of food! Good time was had by all.



### ERIE CORRESPONDENT: JERRY BALCZON

The Erie Chapter July 18, 2021 Poker Run meet was held at Lake Erie Community Park. We had a total of 28 Model A's in attendance. The Model A's in total drove 1,852 miles. Some members drove their modern cars (9). It was really good to have so many members make it to this meet. This was Erie Chapters second attempt to hold this meet. The first one being July 2020. We actually booked the Cook House at Presque Isle State park for that one and planned to have the meet but the uncertainty of Covid-19 did us in. The July 18, 2021 was the first meet held by Penn Ohio since the Fall Banquet in October 2019. It has been a long dry spell for driving our Model A's.

For the July 18th meet, we had lots of DONUTS, 15 dozen of them and they all disappeared! These donuts are somehow magnetic for Penn Ohio members. We had the 2021 meet catered by Theresa's Deli, which has been acclaimed to be Erie's best caterer. We had 80 reservations for the lunch. The serving time for the lunch was set for 12:30 pm to allow participants of the Poker Run to have more time to participate in it. There were a lot of smiles that day.



## ERIE continued:

There were 3 prizes given to participants with the highest Poker card hand. The prizes were: \$50, \$25, and \$10. We had lots of nice merchandise for the Chinese Auction. There was also a 50-50 raffle. Pictures follow:







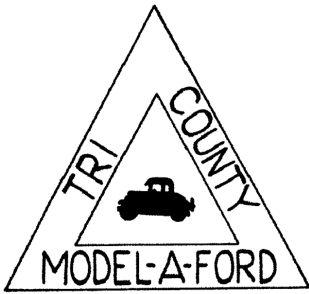
**FLYING QUAIL  
CORRESPONDENT:  
SUSAN SANDROCK**

The Flying Quail met on Sunday, September 26th at Ole Zims for a family style dinner. There were 7 running A's at various times of the day. 18 members (and hopefully new members and co-hosts of the day, Terry and Kim Masserant) attended the meeting.

It was great to visit with some members we haven't seen in some time, Jim Alt and Phyllis and Ford Caufield.

After our delicious lunch, the idea was to drive to the home of the Masserant's. The Bailey's and Dave LeRoux went to rescue the Masserant's car (Dave's former roadster) from a farmer's driveway, while the Sandrocks limped home to grab another vehicle. Eventually, we all gathered for a short business meeting run by Vice President Brad Bailey. The weather was beautiful to visit outdoors and check out the toys in all the buildings. Thanks to our hosts, the LeRoux's and the Masserant's. (They hosted a meeting so they just have to join The Quail.) If the weather cooperates, there will be an October meeting.





**TRI COUNTY  
CORRESPONDENT:  
DIANA STEWART**

Tri County met in the beautiful setting of Randy and Nancy Gibbs' backyard. The weather was perfect and we could browse around the cars in the shade of trees and the barn.

The Gibbs provided the basics of our meal with members contributing a wide variety of dishes. The barn served as our dining / meeting facility and was quite comfortable with the gentle breeze blowing through. There were 11 members and 5 guests present; 6 A's, 1 T, and 1 classic car.

Secretary's reports for July and August were read as well as the current Treasurer's report. All were approved as read.

A discussion was held about our choices of places to hold the Spring Banquet in May 2022. We have made contact with Santangelo's and waiting for a reply.

The Christmas meet for Tri County will be on December 12 at 2 pm at the Hart Mansion in Minerva, hosted by the Bakers.

Dennis Kempthorne had arranged a tour meeting at the Age of Steam Museum for our October meet. Due to unavailability of the major portion of our club members on October 9 that Dennis had reserved, it was postponed to November. Stewarts have arranged a substitute venue for October at the Empire Buffet at New Towne Mall on Sunday, October 24.

It was suggested that flowers needed to be sent to Bonnie Affolter who has been hospitalized for an extended period of time. A motion was made to send flowers and our prayers as she continues her fight with cancer.

50/50 was won by the Elys and donated to the treasury.







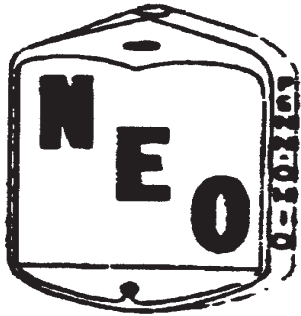
**CRANKSTERS  
CORRESPONDENT:  
DAWN PAINTER**

The Cranksters have been busy this month. On August 26, we shared our "A"s with the residents of Medina County Home. We enjoyed our time together and one of the residents wrote a poem expressing excitement for the experience.

September 11 was International Drive Your Model A Ford Day. The Cranksters participated for the first time as a Mystery Tour. The time, meeting place and destination were provided the week prior to the event by email blasts over the course of the week. We went to the Carlisle Reservation and Nature Center then back to Samoskys for pizza and soft drinks courtesy of the club.

On September 18, we met at the Lorain County Fairground for the LaGrange Steam Engine Show. We gathered at the pavilion for a tribute to long-time member, John Barter who we lost in February.

We gathered on September 19 for a trip to Smithville for a Model T and Classic Car Show. The venue also included a weaving museum and frontier village. An ice cream stop on the way home made it a perfect day.



**NEO  
CORRESPONDENT:  
PAT PROCH**

August and September were busy driving months for many NEO members. On August 14th, four members: Walt Buehner, Ken Keener, Tony Grgurich, and Chris Wolf attended the Mentor Cruise In. Over 600 cars as well as food trucks were there.

On August 25th, several members revisited their teenage years at the Perry Senior Center which was hosting a Sock Hop. A band played music from the 50's and 60's and Big Boy sandwiches and root beer were served. NEO members included Jack Beadslee, Ken and Sharon Keener, Rich and Linda Dynes, Jim and Jayne Krager, Chris and Nancy Wolf, and Don and Sandy Moyer.

The next activity featured a tour to Albion, PA with lunch at the Valenza Restaurant. Chris and Nancy Wolf let the Dynse, Keeners, Jim and Gail Paul, Rich Walters and Jean Yamber and Paul and Carol Witt.

Not to let any grass grow under their tires, Chris led Jeff Thirion, Kevin Clark, Ken Keener, and Marty Hosta to the Northeast Ohio Live Steamers Club west of Medina. Bill Grof's nephew, Joe Grof, invited NEO members to a club function featuring information about the trains, how they are transported and set up on the over 2 miles of track.

## NEO continued:

Besides being able to ride on the steam, electric and gas locomotives, the group enjoyed the lunch in the group's clubhouse.

The next day, September 12, saw a large number of NEO members: Wolfs, Dynes, Keeners, Thirions, Tom Bradbury, Marty Hosta, Bill Schreiber, Debbie Lynch, Pat Proch, Walt Buehner, Rich Walters and Jean Yamber drove to Pymatuning State Park for the Penn Ohio Meet. The location was a fabulous location everyone had a great time.

NEO was not finished with driving activities as the Experimental Aircraft Association held a pancake breakfast at the Geauga County Airport on September 18th. It was a special day which features airplane rides for kids as a means to stimulate an interest in aviation and flying. A C-47 was there for all to tour as well as observe a jet powered Amish buggy. Those in attendance included Chris and Nancy Wolf, Rich Walter and Jean Yamber, Ken and Sharon Keener, Ken Clark and Walt Buehner.

The last NEO activity of September was regular meeting during which Chris Wolf was nominated for President and Rich Merkosky for Vice-President. Ken Keener and Jim Ulle will remain as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. After the meeting Jeff Thirion led a number of members to the Sunrise Nursery and the Dutch Pantry restaurant in Middlefield. Afterwards, everyone headed home.

On October 10th, NEO will meet again at the Painesville Township Meeting hall and afterwards will drive to the Crows Nest in Ashtabula Harbor.



**RIDGE RUNNERS  
CORRESPONDENT:  
Darlynn Fink**

The Ridge Runners Chapter had a great time hosting the September meet at Pymatuning State Park. We had a lot of fun planning our event and were pleased with the number of Penn-Ohio members who attended our carnival. It was great to see folks that we have not seen for a long time because of COVID problems and shutdowns. Many stuffed toys and carnival prizes filled the backseats of those who participated in the carnival games. Straw hats and sunglasses were popular prizes, thanks to the bright sunshine and beautiful fall weather. Probably the best part of playing the games at our carnival was that gamers did not have to pay for the chance to win. In fact, it was almost impossible NOT to win something! Our summary of the event and pictures ran in the September issue, so please refer

**RIDGE RUNNERS continued:**

to last month's newsletter for a complete description.

This month has allowed many of our group to attend car shows, including the Hershey Car Show, the Clarion Autumn Leaf Festival, and the Peanut Butter Festival in New Bethlehem. We are looking forward to a road trip later this month, but the plans are not yet complete.

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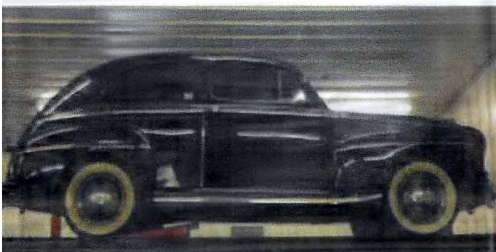
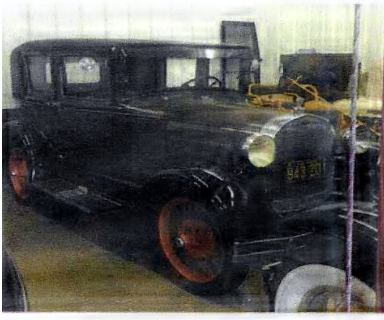
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