

Quail Call



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Tri County visiting the “Age of Steam Roundhouse” in Sugarcreek, Ohio



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‘Tis the Season....

Christmas is just a couple of weeks away and by now, the Model A is tucked away in the garage, because Winter should be upon us by now, right? It's 60 degrees outside this afternoon and I'm thinking that I may have been a bit hasty in putting my "toy" away.

At last month's Board Meeting, I appointed John Menches to head up a committee to begin exploring options regarding updating or revising the club's website. John tells me they already have some exciting options to share. We'll keep everyone posted.

Also at the meeting it was announced that once again we would not have a Penn Ohio Tour as no tourmaster had come forward with a proposed tour. Well, Santa may be riding to the rescue!! Today, I was made aware of a proposed Penn Ohio Tour for June 26- July 3. This would be a tour into Kentucky where we would meet up with a club based in the Owensboro area for a joint tour! Plans are still being put together and of course, we would need to get Board approval, but this is really great news. When the necessary information is ready, I will call a Board Meeting to review and hopefully approve the proposed tour.

At the Board Meeting, Penn Ohio Secretary, Julie Barker, announced that she will not continue in her role. We need to find a replacement as soon as possible. The secretary needs to have organizational skills and be able to input data into a computer spreadsheet for record keeping as well as forward bills to the Treasurer for payment. It's not a difficult job and it does pay a stipend of \$800 per year. If you might be interested in taking this position, please contact me.

Wishing all the best of Christmas to you and yours. See you next year!

Von and Kathy Wolfe

MEMORIALS

DAVE GOULD....passed away November 4 after an extended illness. He and his wife, Lois, joined Rubber City in 2003.

GEORGE PIRRI...passed November 9 after a long illness. He and his wife, Polly joined Rubber City in 2000.

Janet Plavcan --- longtime member of Keystone recently passed away.



NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to take this time to say a BIG THANK YOU to all the Correspondents....in recent months I have been getting far more articles and loads of lovely pictures. YOU are making this newsletter GREAT!!!

CORRESPONDENCE DEADLINE

FEBRUARY 5.....JAN-FEB ISSUE
APRIL 5.....MARCH-APRIL ISSUE
MAY 5.....MAY ISSUE
JUNE 5.....JUNE ISSUE

2022 Penn Ohio Events

May 15	Spring Banquet, Santangelo's Party Center Massillon, OH	Tri County
June 26-July 3	Tentative Tour (more later)	Owensboro KY
July		Five Points
August		Flying Quail
September		NEO
October		Rubber City

More details as they become available.

Penn Ohio Board Meeting

November 6, 2021

FINANCIAL REPORT

John Menches presented a tentative “End of Year” financial report which will be updated and submitted for the records after the first of the year. This will be posted in the January-February issue of the Quail.

BYLAW CHANGE PROPOSALS

#1 - Discussion on a proposal to change bylaw wording for date of Penn Ohio meets from the **3rd Sunday** to read the **3rd Weekend** of the month. This is to give hosting chapters a chance to utilize resources/facilities that might be available on Saturday but closed on Sunday. Discussion held, Question called and vote taken. Decision was unanimous to make the change.

#2 - Rubber City submitted a proposal to suspend Penn Ohio dues for the year of 2022 due to Covid 19 restricting most of our activities in 2021. Discussion was held. Question was called. Majority voted against the proposal....no change will occur in the dues at this time.

\$1000 Meet Fund

It was reported that three chapters had requested the \$1000 check to help with their meet obligations.

Of those 3, 1 club returned the full amount; 1 club returned a significant amount but utilized enough to help improve their meet; 1 club used the full amount.

This proposal had been for a 2 year period but was disrupted by the Covid shutdowns. A motion was made to extend the assistance through the 2022 season since most chapters never had a chance to utilize it. Motion passed.

If your chapter is due to put on a meet and need the help of these funds....you can request the check from John Menches.

WEBSITE DISCUSSION

It has been mutually agreed by all concerned with the Penn Ohio website that a major update is needed. John Menches has been appointed to look for alternative website info.

BOARD MEETING - continued

SECRETARY NEEDED

Julie Barker, is retiring as Penn Ohio's secretary. If anyone is interested in filling this position please contact Von Wolfe as soon as possible

TECH TIPS by AJ PENNINGTON

BLOW BY

What a mess it makes. Oily firewall, oily underside of the hood and even on the fenders. We install breather pipes or steel wool and even rags to slow it down.

What causes it? I've heard a lot of theories but I didn't have a clue. Recently, while running a new engine on a test stand, I experienced rough idle and alot of blow-by. I was really puzzled. Rechecking the timing and carburetion didn't help.

Well, tear it down was my thought. While doing this I noticed exhaust burns on the manifold gasket. I took the manifolds to the milling machine and cut them flat.

After reassembling on the engine stand, I was delighted to discover that the problem was solved. No blow-by and smooth idle.

TIC, TIC, TIC

In the spring of 2001, I finished the restoration on my town sedan. Now I'm ready for a test trip. I called my niece, who lives about 40 miles from me, and told her I'd pick her up for lunch. A few miles into the trip my hands were cold. I pulled over to find my gloves. The engine stalled, so I hit the starter. UH OH, locked up!

I tried it all, in gear rocking, drifting downhill popping the clutch, and even cursing...but NO DICE! Pull the starter. Yeah, right. All the bolts out and rocking car. That starter was not coming out! Finally, using a pry bar, the starter popped free with a loud snap.

I reassembled the starter and finished my luncheon trip without any notice.

But, the rest of the summer, I noticed a slight tic, tic, tic. It drove me crazy. I dropped the pan and plastiguaged all the bearings. I pulled the piston and used the micrometer on the and the bore. No use!

People would say "What's that ticking?" Embarrassed, I'd say "piston slap," not knowing what it was.

To make a long story short, I found it. Yep, locked up starter caused it. When I pried the starter free, it moved the starter ring on the flywheel. Just 1/8 inch, not much but enough to touch the bottom starter bolt for about 2" every revolution. The only time it touched was when the clutch was depressed. This pushed everything up tight against the thrust bearing. TIC, TIC, TIC!

October Penn Ohio Pictorial



RECIPIENTS OF 45-50+ YEAR AWARDS AT FALL BANQUET



**THERE WERE SEVERAL
OTHERS WHO WERE
NOT IN ATTENDANCE.**

PENN OHIO CHAPTER NEWS



FIVE POINTS CORRESPONDENT:

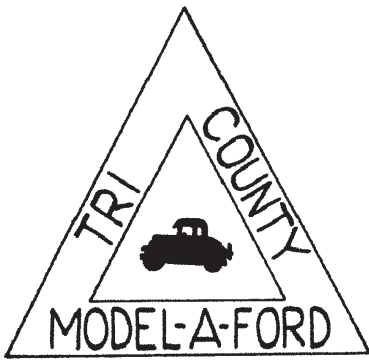
BRIAN REVAK

Another summer gone way too fast! The Fall Banquet was one of the last rides of the year unfortunately. Five Points met at Deerfield Circle on 224 to travel to Medina. Thank you Cranksters!!

Five Points once again participated in the Warren Veterans Day Parade on Nov. 11th. The weather was unbelievably nice for this time of year. 12 A's represented the club! After the parade, the group stopped at the Sunrise Inn for lunch.

Our next meeting and Christmas get together will be Dec. 11th at 1 pm at Don and Martha Urchek's home.





TRI COUNTY CORRESPONDENT:

DIANA STEWART

Saturday, November 20 found member of Tri County gathering in Sugarcreek, OH for a tour of the “Age of Steam Roundhouse.” The tour included a reconstructed brick roundhouse with a 115 ft. turntable. The large private collection includes historic steam locomotives in various states of restoration. Visitors also saw the tools used to keep locomotives on the rails, including bells, whistles, and lights. The tour lasted approximately an hour and was very informative.

Following the splendid exhibit, members proceeded to the Dutch Valley Restaurant and were joined by others who could not attend the tour. We had a delicious lunch followed by a short business meeting.

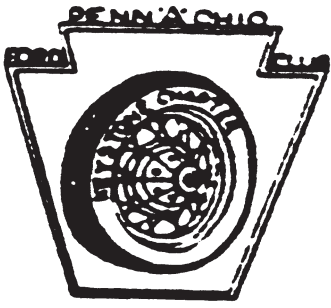
Nomination of officers for 2022 was held, the tentative slate will be: Gary Stewart, President; Dennis Kempthorne, Vice President; Jan Baker, Secretary; and Diana Stewart, Treasurer. Elections will be held at our December meeting where further nominations can be made.

Tri County’s Christmas get together will be hosted by Jan and Roger Baker at the Hart Mansion in Minerva.



Tri County continued:





**KEYSTONE
CORRESPONDENT:**

CAROL MENGEL

Our club met at Hoss's in Meadville. We welcomed new member, Scott Barbour and his wife, Virginia. Carol Mengel reported to the group of the Executive Board meeting that she and Ed attended. Our Christmas dinner will be at Perkins in Meadville. We also decided to do the Amish dinner again in the Fall.

The group decided to keep the same officers that are in office for next year.

Cheryl Anderson told us of the passing of longtime member, Janet Plavcan.

We are looking forward to the New Year!



**RUBBER CITY
CORRESPONDENT:**

MARCI BACKUS-KLIMO



Meet Rubber City's new correspondent:
Marci Backus-Klimo

Welcome, Marci!!!!

Our September meeting was held at Zeppe's Restaurant in Hudson with 30 members in attendance. We welcomed Roger and Glenna Hayes. Special appreciation was given to John Menches who always carries a small notebook in his pocket with names of our members who need assistance with their Model A's in order to get them running again! His cohort, Gary Martin, is always ready and willing to help also!

On Sunday, October 10, we had a spectacular fall day and several of us enjoyed the scenery and the drive to the Algonquin Fall Festival in Carrollton, OH. We were able to put our Model A's on display along with a few Model T's while we got to enjoy the many attractions of the festival. The musical entertainment along with exquisite crafters and

RUBBER CITY continued:

first class items that were sold added to this fine festival! It was a beehive of activity and well worth being there.

Sunday, October 17, was the 66th Penn-Ohio Fall Banquet sponsored by the Cranksters and located at the Eagles Club in Medina, Ohio. Our longest (but not oldest members!) were honored! John and Mary Menches received their 50 year plaque! They are valuable members to our club and have had many trips in the Model A with the club and looking forward to many more with them. Congrats John and Mary!

Sunday, November 14, was our annual meeting which saw many in attendance. It was held at the Village Inn Restaurant in Norton, Ohio. We mourn the passing of two of our members, Dave Gould and George Pirri, two outstanding men. We welcomed new members John and Debbe Goll, Alex Johnston, and Ryan and Erin Pritchure, along with their young children, Owen and Olivia. We enjoyed a great meal along with entertainment provided by Kathy Krause who did a pastel Chalk sketch while we watched it all come together right before our eyes. Kathy is a retired art teacher and we were mesmerized while watching her develop the winter scene with a Model A being the main focus. The 2 children had a front row seat and watched intently and when it Came time to raffle the sketch off, Olivia picked the winning ticket. It was her mom, Erin, who got to take it home and they were all thrilled.

Have a very blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Rubber City gang! See ya in 2022!





**FLYING QUAIL
CORRESPONDENT:**

SUSAN SANDROCK

The October meeting for the Quails was planned by the Sandrocks for Saturday the 9th. We met in Lindsay at the Creek Bend Farm.

It was a revisit since we met there in October of 2020 with a repeat of summer like fall weather. Members attending were Jim, Floremar, and Brian Snodgrass; Janice and Don Bench; Connie and Brad Bailey; Diane Rau; Barry and Susan Sandrock....in 3 A's. Everyone brought a picnic lunch and we ate under the overhang of the barn. The park was having an activity for kids on the grounds about "where your food comes from". After eating and our brief business meeting, we started out for the lake and the Marblehead Peninsula to the Keepers house where they were having their annual Civil War encampment and performances by the 73rd OVI Regiment Band. We continued around the peninsula to the Marblehead lighthouse where they were having the Lighthouse Festival and the neighboring church was holding a craft show. (Shopping!! And the Lake) Floremar and Brian had never been to the lake so it was a first for them. What is a day at the lake without fish so we found ourselves at Jolly Roger for supper where we chose an outdoor table until one dark cloud came over and chased us indoors. But, after it passed, the sun returned for the drive home. An entertaining "A" day.

Saturday, Nov. 13th found the Flying Quail meeting in Carey at Splinters Cafe hosted by Sarah and Paul Neal. Fall decorations graced the tables for the 19 members attending. (Benches, Bower's, LeRoux's, Neals, Baileys, Sandrocks, Masserants, Kirgis's, Snodgrass's and Larry Zimmerman.) We held our business meeting while waiting for our meals and were entertained by our lengthy treasurer's report by Paul Neal...

Discussions were held about the recent Penn Ohio board meeting. Plans have begun to host the August 2022 Penn Ohio meet, it will be here before we know it. Sign up sheet was passed for 2022 chapter dates.

Jim passed out the 2020 membership pins to our members: 30 years for both the LeRoux's and Bower's. Millingers; 15 years. Brian and Sarah Pahl, 25 years. And 40 years for Jim and Rayann Ault. Congrats to all!!

A little more conversation with good A friends and we all started home. The A's were all tucked away on this 41 degree overcast day.

Christmas meeting will be hosted by Don and Janice Bench.

FLYING QUAIL continued:

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Flying Quail to all our Penn Ohio chapter friends and see you on the road in 2022!



NEO CORRESPONDENT:

RICHARD MERKOSKY

The NEO Model A Club ended its driving season with a Fall Mystery Tour set up and led by members, Chris and Nancy Wolf. The reason it was dubbed a Mystery Tour is it included surprise stops and no one knew where we were going to end up.

Our tour began on a drizzly and cool Saturday morning. Our first stop was at an Amish owned shop called Nature Lover's Nest. They sold handmade gifts of all sorts such as bird feeders, signs, lawn ornaments and decorative items.

Our second stop was a lunch break at an Amish Restaurant. Chris and Nancy then led us to our third stop which was at a place called Corner Field Model Railroad Museum. This place is located nearly in everyone's backyard and few even knew it existed.

What an awesome museum and display of 5-O gauge trains. The weather had finally cleared and turned out to be a beautiful day. The Fall Mystery Tour was just one of several chapter events NEO organizes throughout the season.





**CRANKSTERS
CORRESPONDENT:**

DAWN PAINTER

The Cranksters hosted the 2021 Fall Banquet on October 17. It was held at the Medina Eagles facility. There was a mini swap meet outside which gave attendees an additional chance to enjoy the 27 Model A's in the parking lot. The 116 attendees spent the morning catching up with one another and enjoying the donuts and coffee. Some of our members had driven hours to get to the event and the morning was a cool one. Kudos to those hearty, dedicated members.

We enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch including fruit, ham, chicken, rigatoni, potatoes, beans and salad. Then there was a great assortment of pies for dessert.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Director Von Wolfe presented pins for years of membership. Because of COVID and the shortened driving season, perfect attendance awards were waived this year. There were several awards for 45 and 50 years of membership!

Following the business meeting, four door prizes were awarded and the Chinese Auction was held. One lucky member won \$180 in the 50/50 raffle.



See Banquet Pictorial section for more banquet pictures.



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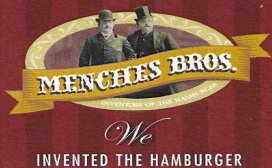
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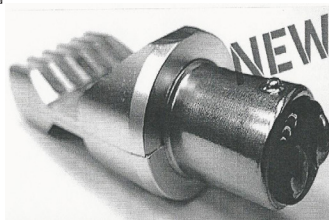
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