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President's Message

by Fred Goerlitz

Isn't it amazing that we go from a snow storm on Saturday to 60+ degree weather on Tuesday? Let's hope the ground hog was wrong and that spring is around the corner so we can get our cars out and enjoy them. We are planning to attend the Hackettstown Rotary Club's Memorial Motor Madness car show on Sunday, May 27th at the Mars-Wrigley headquarters in Hackettstown. This show typically attracts about 400 cars from the 20's on up. More information to follow as it becomes available. I hope to see everyone there.

Fred

Editor's Message

by Bill Marcy

Well, here we go again, a brand new year and a chance to get out to some events with our collector vehicles, whether they are a professional car, or another vehicle we own. Maybe this will be a good year to stop making excuses for why we can't go and start making plans to participate and be seen. There are a number of good local shows to attend and we are going to try to attend as many as we can. We sure hope you will join other members of the Northeast Chapter at these events, as often as you possibly can, you will be glad you did!

The first step is to mark your calendar, for the events that interest you. Then, be sure your cars are ready for the show and the cruise night season, which will be upon us sooner than you think. Some of the events are written about on other pages, for your convenience.

Please contribute to this publication in any way you can. We are always looking for articles and images to run in The Criterion, for the enjoyment of our members. No matter how small an article is, or how unimportant an article or image may seem, please submit it to thepcscriterion@gmail.com anyway, as it will be of interest to some of us. Please remember, we are still searching for a replacement editor for The Criterion, although I have agreed to stay on for a while longer.

It is easy to take for granted, some of the heavy lifting involved in publishing The Criterion each quarter. It is important that we all take time to thank Roy Garretson and his daughter-in-law Annelise, for their hard work and dedication in publishing this newsletter. I can honestly say that if they were not publishing it, there would be no editions of The Criterion. So, I want to publicly say, thank you to Roy and Annelise Garretson, you are wonderful to work with.

Northeast Chapter Dinner/Meeting

On Sunday April 8, 2018 at 1:00 PM, the Northeast Chapter will gather at the very beautiful and elegant Sanzari's New Bridge Inn located at 105 Old New Bridge Road New Milford, NJ 07646. This first class restaurant is nestled in along a very picturesque section of the Hackensack River in a park-like setting and if we are lucky, flowers may be blooming and the grass and trees might be green. If we are that lucky, you may like to spend a little time walking around and enjoying this peaceful setting. Just across a small bridge sits the historic Stueben House, which we might be able to tour, if anyone is interested. This house hosted George Washington and played a key role during the Revolutionary War. In addition to these beautiful surroundings, we will dine at Sanzari's New Bridge Inn and we will have our semi-annual Northeast Chapter meeting at the same time. You will be able to order a sandwich, or a full meal, whichever you prefer. We have reservations for 1:00 PM sharp. Please RSVP to (201) 342 4871 for purposes of a rough headcount.



A Forlorn Hearse Awaits

by Bill Marcy

I had been told by PCS member Lou Filardo about a hearse that I might be interested in seeing, located in Fairfield, NJ at a funeral home. Not being able to get out that way to see and take a few photos of this coach for a couple of months, we finally got out there and pictures of the hearse we found follow. Sitting in the parking lot of the Ippolito-Stellato Funeral Home was the very restorable 1940 Superior Pontiac limousine-style hearse. I have been told that its owner Louis Stellato wants to restore this car. To date, I have been unable to obtain any other information on the known history of this beautiful coach, but I certainly hope to put a story together, when it is restored, if not sooner. Please note, the solid condition of this hearse and the BOHAN nameplates in the window, the nameplates seem to have been there for a long time and I hope to find out more about that funeral home and where it was located.



Show Cancellation

by Bill Marcy

As some of you may know, at our Northeast Chapter meeting, last Fall, we decided to host a charity car show. I volunteered to be show chairman and we even decided to hold the show on June 10, 2018. It seemed like a plan and I set out to find a suitable location, with hopes of having everything in place for a good show.

Well, as the book says, "The best laid plans of mice and men" it just wasn't to be. I immediately contacted eight, or nine possible venues, anticipating a positive response from a few and then we would pick the best location. For one location, I had to submit an application, which was done in early December. So I waited and waited, with only a couple of NO responses. Most of the places never responded, at all. Finally, in mid-January, a man from Stateline Lookout called and asked me a few questions, when he was satisfied, he sent me to another man for an interview. Long story short, we met the criteria and were approved, but I had a woman to speak to. So, when I finally got her on the phone, she told me that all fees had gone up, what was originally \$300 rental and \$200 security deposit, was now \$600 rental and \$600 security deposit. Couple those costs with dash plaques, trophies and a DJ, it was too much of a risk. So, the club officers made the decision to pass on a show for 2018. Obviously, we are all disappointed not to be doing a show. But, there were so many details that were pushing back, it seemed wise to cancel the show. Perhaps we will find a suitable location for next year, meanwhile, let's just enjoy other people's shows.

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