

Grease Rag



The Things You See in Philly!

by Steve Mac Nish

Herb Lorenz, Joe Marsh and I attended this year's Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, held the Friday and Saturday after the snow storm that canceled the February club meeting.

In the Vendor Trade Show Room, along with the various booths for upcoming AACA meets and tours, the Library and Research Center and AACA HQ displays, and numerous vendors, there are always a number of restoration shops. This year, two cars caught my eye. The first is this 1925? Willys-Knight roadster below and the second is the 1938 Jaguar SS100 in the lower right.

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National & Regional Dues Are Past Due

If you have not already paid them, please do so soon. Both National and Region dues must be paid in order to participate in our Region activities. Please pay \$10 single or \$15 a couple at our next meeting or send a check payable to MHRAACA to:

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Notes from the Prez

Well guess what, Spring is Coming ??

As I write this on March 4th with eight inches plus of the white stuff on the ground, I realize that right now you might not have electricity or that you can get your car out of the driveway but the end of old man winter is near. Spring brings flowers, warmer weather and our wonderful classic cars out of hibernation. Time to get them in tip top shape for the up and coming car season. Make sure you check the engine, transmission and radiators for all their fluids. Check the air in the tires (out with the old winter air), maybe even a coat of wax. Whatever you need to get them on the road, just do it, as you will have all spring, summer and fall to enjoy them.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

Herb

Refreshments & Program Schedule 2018

Date	Refreshments	Program
Mar 14	Steve & Sue Mac Nish	Joe Marsh – 2017 AACA Vintage Tour
Apr 4		
May 2		Steve MacNish – Rhinebeck Judging
Jun 6		
Sep 5*		
Oct 3*		
Nov 7*		

* – Dates subject to change due to BOCES school calendar

Looking for this year’s meeting programs. If any member has something to present or knows of some non-member with a presentation that might be of interest to us, please contact your editor at 845-635-3814 or macnish1947@yahoo.com

MHRAACA Calendar – 2018

*** Unless otherwise indicated, all monthly meetings are scheduled to begin at 7 P.M. ***

Mar 14	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
Mar ?	Trip to Saratoga Auto Museum
Apr 4	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
May 2	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
May 4-6	Rhinebeck Car Show Rhinebeck Fair Grounds
May 31 – Jun 2	AACA Annual Grand National Meet, Greensburg, PA (380 miles, 6.5 hours from BOCES)
Jun 6	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
Jun 24	Great Race, Norwich Auto Museum (Lunch stop) Troy (Overnight)
Jul 4	Hyde Park Parade
Jul 8	Locust Grove Car Show
Jul 11 – 14	AACA Eastern Spring Meet, Gettysburg, PA (280 miles, 4.8 hours from BOCES)
Jul 12	National Collector Car Appreciation Day
Jul 14 or 21	Annual Picnic, Bowdoin Park, Date & Pavilion TBD
Sep 5*	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
Oct 3*	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
Oct 10 – 13	AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA (230 miles, 4.0 hours from BOCES)
Oct 21	Mills Mansion Vintage Car Gathering
Nov 7*	Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301
Dec 9 or 15	Holiday Party – Date, Time and Location TBD
Jan 4 or 11, 2019	Annual MHRAACA Planning Meeting – Date, Time and Location TBD
Feb 7 – 9, 2019	AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA (170 miles, 3.3hours from BOCES)

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2018 Rhinebeck Information Booth Staffing

<p>Friday, May 4th – Noon to 2 p.m. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday, May 5th – 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. 10 a.m. to Noon Noon to 2 p.m. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday, May 6th – 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. 10 a.m. to Noon Noon to 2 p.m. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Show Field Greeter</p>	<p>Steve Mac Nish & Joe Marsh Owen Clarke & Ron Hicks</p> <p>Tom & Kim Herman Joe & Karen Hines, _____ Bill Bryant & Perry Eshelman George & Lynn Golden, Bill Roenick Steve Mac Nish & John Montville</p> <p>Nat & Helen Dawes Steve Terwilliger, Bill Maney & Renee Mellin George & Lynn Golden Tom McLaughlin & _____ Joe Marsh & _____</p> <p>Kevin Kirkpatrick</p>
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2018 Rhinebeck Judging Teams

Our Region will field four teams on Sunday, May 6th, Judging in the following classes:

7. 1930 to 1939	Mike Baisley, Captain Helmuth Bihn	Charlie Evans _____	Bill Barbash
11. 1957 to 1961	Ron Hicks, Captain Joe Minnetto	Mike Tomanoci	Tom Weisman
15A. 1970 to 1972 15B. 1973 to 1976	Steve Mac Nish, Captain Steve Terwilliger	Charlie MacDonald _____	Joe Marsh _____
20A. T-Birds 1955 to 1957 20B. T-Birds 1958 to 1968	Greg Voght, Captain	Rich Woods	

The roster listed above was taken from the 2017 Judges List. If you are listed but will not be available to judge, please notify your Team Captain. The four man teams judging in classes 7 and 15 would welcome additional members, due to the complexity of judging class 7 and the number of cars that the combined Class 15 has attracted in previous years. Mike and Steve would welcome Region members or relatives and friends of our members who would like to join him and help in the judging process. Both Ron and Greg are comfortable with their respective teams, as each usually sees a smaller number of cars.

2018 Committees:

If you would like to serve on a committee, or would like to change your committee assignment, please contact Herb Lorenz at hlorenz@hvc.rr.com or at 845-797-1312.

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| 1.) Rhinebeck: | Owen Clarke, 1 st Rep | Steve Mac Nish, 2 nd Rep | Joe Hines, Alternate |
| | Laura Voght | Greg Voght | |
| 2.) Sunshine: | Charlie Evans | Greg Voght | |
| 3.) AACA Museum Liaison: | Greg Voght | | |
| 4.) Clothing: | George Golden | Lynn Golden | |
| 5.) Picnic: | Owen Clarke | | |
| 6.) Event Planning: | Herb Lorenz | Ron Hicks | Kevin Kirkpatrick |
| | Bob Hanaburgh | Charlie Evans | Joe Marsh |
| | Tom Herman | Kim Herman | Bill Roenick |
| 7.) Scholarship: | Steve Mac Nish | Rich Woods | |
| 8.) Member Retention & Recruitment: | | Steve Mac Nish | _____ |

Which charities should we support?

At our March 14th meeting, one of the agenda items will be a vote on the charities we will support this year. Each member will receive the following list of suggested charities, with the request to select their top three choices:

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| Abilities First | Claudio Cares Foundation |
| Dutchess County SPCA | Dutchess Outreach, Inc. |
| Eileen Hickey Christmas Dinner | Habitat for Humanity |
| Ryan McElroy Foundation | Walden Humane Society |

From your Editor’s laptop

Just a short note here to let you know that our newsletter was given an “Award of Distinction” at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia for the second year in a row. With your contributions and help, perhaps the “Rag” might qualify for an “Award of Excellence” next year.

Do you have a story about how you got interested in the hobby or how you acquired your car? Does your car have an interesting history? Got an automotive tall tale? Are you looking for that one last jewel to complete your collection? Is there another collecting habit that you could have our members scouting out possible acquisitions for you? Let me know (and with apologies to Paul Harvey), the “Rag” can tell “the rest of the story.”

Steve

Simeone Foundation Automobile Museum Demo Day

by Steve Mac Nish

One of the unexpected side benefits of attending the AACA's Annual Meeting was listening to a discussion on Friday evening by Dr. Simeone on his acquisition of the vintage race cars that make up the Simeone Museum's collection. What made it even more enjoyable was Dr. Simeone's invitation to join him around 11 a.m. on Saturday for a demonstration of some of his Brass Era racers. Herb and I passed on the afternoon AACA business meeting to take Dr. Simeone up on his offer.

All of the cars in the museum run and are exercised on a regular basis. The "Fearsome Foursome" that came out on this Demo Day included the following.



1907 Peugeot



1909 American Underslung



1911/13 Mercer Raceabout & Dr. Simeone



1915? Packard

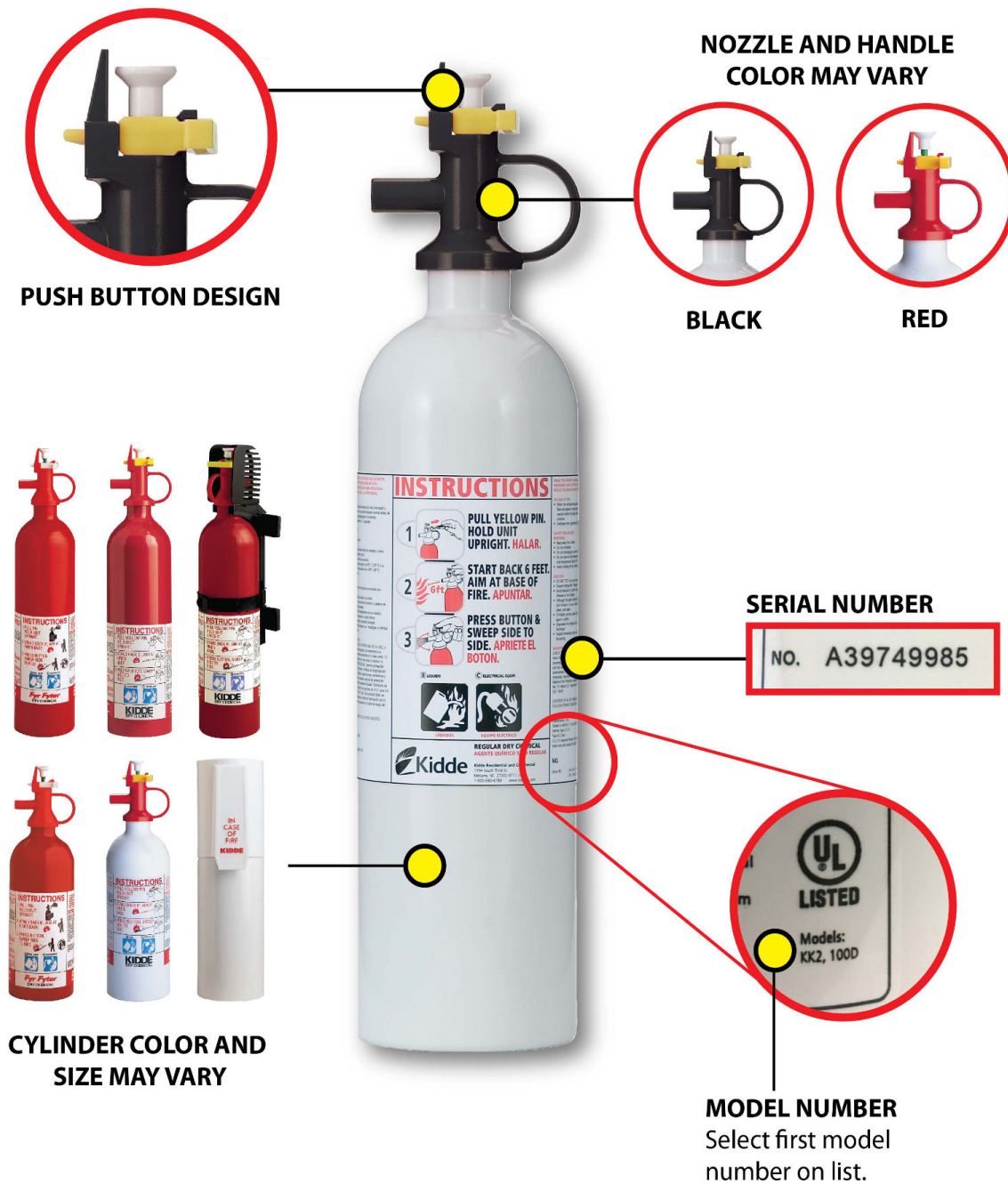
Demo Day provided quite a fitting ending to this year's Annual Meeting jaunt!

Kidde Fire Extinguisher Recall!

Due to the importance of this safety information, it is reprinted here with larger pictures.

According to the US Consumer Product Safety Commission, Kidde Fire Extinguishers sold under various brand names that have plastic handles are being recalled due to failure to discharge and possible nozzle detachment. The recall covers the two styles of Kidde extinguishers pictured at left: those with plastic handles manufactured from Jan 1, 1973 to Aug 15, 2017 and push-button Pindicator units made from Aug 11, 1995 to Sep 22, 2017. Go to www.kidde.com and click on "Product Safety Recalls" for more details.





Region Classifieds

For sale: 1956 Ford F-100 Pick-up. Big rear window, 6 cylinder, 3 speed stick, 40k miles. \$25,000 firm. Call Helmuth Bihn at 845-462-3270.

Wanted: Saginaw 3 speed transmission with overdrive and electrical parts. Used in 1966-69 Chevy passenger cars and 1968-69 Chevy and GMC ½ ton pickups and Suburbans. Call Stacy Gaches at 845-876-8121.

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FYI

Contact information for businesses that have provided parts or services to our members.

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Nuts & Bolts

Change of home or e-mail address, phone number, or classifieds?

If you have a change to any of these items, please let me know. In addition, if you have any articles that may be of interest to the membership, websites of interest or anything else that you would like to share, please contact by snail mail at:

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