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On Saturday, May 9th, ten members of NORG met Bill and Barbara Soltis' daughter Debbie Heeter and their great-grandson Garrett Biglin at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Rootstown, Ohio, where we enjoyed a delicious and leisurely breakfast, traded a bunch of good-natured banter, and were entertained by a number of Bill Cassidy's jokes. Hats off to the two waitresses who managed to serve our rowdy group with as much dignity and grace as anyone can muster at 8:00 a.m. on a Saturday morning!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Following our breakfast we migrated to the Northeast Ohio Universities College of Medicine, known locally as NEOUCOM (pronounced NEE-OH-YOU-COM). However, the college has recently added a school of pharmacy, so maybe now it is NEOUCOMPH (pronounced NEE-OH-YOU-COM-FF?).

At any rate, at the college (where Debbie works as a secretary), we were introduced to professor J. G. M. (Hans) Thewissen, who is an archeologist and who has attained international acclaim for his discovery of fossilized whales that had legs. In fact, when we entered the NEOUCOM building where his office is located, the first thing we saw was a reproduction of the skeleton of one such whale suspended from the ceiling (the real bones are in professor Thewissen's office). The skeleton was discovered along the western border of Pakistan and is estimated to be 45 million years old.

Forty-five million years old! And we complain about our age-related aches and pains! We are strictly amateurs compared to that whale. And to put things into even greater perspective, professor Thewissen took us to his office and showed us the skeleton of an even older whale--estimated to be 55 million years old--that had four legs and lived on land. The skeleton was about the size of a small pony with a very long tail. Members of our group--and 5-year old Garrett--had lots of questions about the fossils and about professor Thewissen's work in what is a very dangerous part of the world right now. He answered our questions with great knowledge and patience and we received a real education about bones and fossils. We really appreciated his time and his gracious manner.

Interesting. It seems that whales way back when lived in the water, then for some reason developed legs and moved onto the land. Who knows why? Maybe they got tired of being cold and wet all the time. After they lived on land for millions of years they apparently decided being cold and wet was better than fighting the traffic and looking for parking places on land, so they moved back into the oceans and lost their legs. Or maybe they lost their legs first and got tired of dragging themselves across the dirt so they decided swimming would be easier.

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Kick tires at 7:00 pm
Meeting begins 7:30 pm
Need to be out of there by 10:00 pm

All V8 meetings will be at the Stow Community Center
3800 Graham Road
Stow, Ohio

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Minutes From the Meeting of May 15, 2009

Meeting called to order by President Neal at 7:45.

Minutes were read and approved. Ken 1st, Jeep 2nd. All agreed.

Thanks to Barb Rooney for delicious cookies, cake and coffee. Delicious!

Guests – Fred and Martha Fear have a 51 Ford pickup also New Members Wally Schmuck and Barb '39 Ford convertible and '32 Roadster. Welcome.

Activities – Date changed so mark your calendar. Last annual Pig Roast at Jeeps September 20. Presque Isle trip May 30 -31, 12 cars signed up to go. Fall tour still working on this.

39 Dash Committee – Bill Royer – Gage face plate wrong color – silver but should be gold. Dash done except for 1 detail. Would like to have it delivered for meet in August.

Headliner: Send little personal things about your car or “Georgene threatens to quit”.

Historian – no report

Program – Alex Stall – Sandy’s notions doing program tonight.

Sunshine –

Suma report – Pat Rooney – no report

Web master – Don Clink – no report

40th Anniversary Report – Craig Gorris – Raintree Country Club Sept 13, 2009. Jerry making license plate topper for our 40th. \$7.00 each will be here in 3 weeks.

Old Business – none

New Business – July 12th – 3rd annual Rocky River Car Show. 11:00 – 4:00 at Rocky River City Hall Park, 21012 Hilliard Blvd.

Motion to adjourn – 1st John Swigart, 2nd Pat Rooney.

Sandy's Notions one great program for us ladies.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Soltis, Secretary



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Those whales sort of reminded me of people in certain ways. Always dissatisfied with what we have. Always wanting something else, only to find that when we get it, it really isn't what we want after all--and that we can't go back to what we had before. There must be a lesson in the history of those fossil whales, somewhere.

Maybe this is one of the reasons we enjoy our old flatheads so much. They provide a certain stability in our lives that is worth preserving. We enjoyed them back in the "good ole days" when we were fresh-faced high school students. And we still enjoy them today. The unique sound of the V8 starter urging that flat motor into action was a thrill back then and it still is today--and it still will be tomorrow. We need that kind of stability. And we've got it!

Following our meeting with professor Thewissen, a number of us moved on to the health fair being held at the college of medicine. We inspected various types of displays related to health matters and some members of the group even took advantage of free health screening tests of different kinds.

That's my message for this month. Now, if you'll excuse me, I think I'll go out to the garage and start up my '41

Neal Garland, President



Memory Lane Antique Car Show

The City of Rocky River presents the 3rd annual Memory Lane Antique Car Show on Sunday, July 12, 2009 at Rocky River City Hall at 21012 Hilliard Blvd in RR. Arrival time 11:00am until 4:00pm No entrance fee. Plaques provided; goodie bags; door prizes. Trophy for crowd favorite. Food/beverage available for purchase. Parking will be on the grassy area at city hall. To pre-register please call Jay and Jean Rounds at 440-333-9805. We can take registration over the phone.

Thank you. **Jay and Jean Rounds**

* Grandchildren don't make a man feel *
* old; it's the knowledge that he's married *
* to a grandmother. ~G. Norman Collie *
* **HAPPY FATHERS** *
* **DAY** *

In my Opinion

There is a showing of lack of respect to the President who is trying to conduct our monthly meeting and the folks that are giving presentations.

The loud talking that is going on, while the person is trying to conduct a meeting or conveying their topic can be overwhelming to both those persons and the persons trying to listen to them.

If what these people are talking about is so important they should share it with the group that is trying to hear the person speaking.

This is not only my complaint but the complaint of others. Some of us attending the meeting wish to keep the meeting running smoothly.

Please help out by giving the speakers the respect they deserve.

Take the time to kick tires before and after not during the General Meeting.

Jeep

N.O.R.G. CALENDAR PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES 2009



- **June**
 - 19th Meeting - Stow Community Center
 - 24 to 27th Eastern National Meet - Windsor Ct.
- **July**
 - 12th Outing at Collettes - Picnic 1:00pm [SEE MAP ON BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE](#)
 - 12th Antique Car Show - Rocky River - Jay & Jean Rounds
 - 17th Meeting - Stow Community Center
- **August**
 - 21st Meeting - Stow Community Center
 - 23rd AACA Car Show - Hale Farm - Richard & Regina Jandrey
 - 28th-9/1 Central National Meet - Auburn Indiana
- **September**
 - 13th 40th Anniversary Party - Raintree Country Club - [More later mark date](#)
 - 18th Meeting - Stow Community Center
 - 20th Outing 'Last Annual Pig Roast' - [More later mark date](#)
- **October**
 - 11th Fall Foliage Tour - Medina County - [More later mark date](#)
 - 16th Meeting - Stow Community Center
- **November**
 - 20th Meeting - Stow Community Center
- **December**

More Programs and Outings are in the Works



The Pa Folks: Collette's & Makowski's



Most of the group.... YOU try getting this gang ALL together...



One of the stops cruising the Isle

Presque Isle 2009



House Boats



Tip of Isle
North Pier Light House

Each trip to Presque Isle is a little different and fun.

Don't think anyone walked away with a jackpot at the casino this year...

Dinner at the Colony Pub & Grill was again "as we ordered". Always great food.

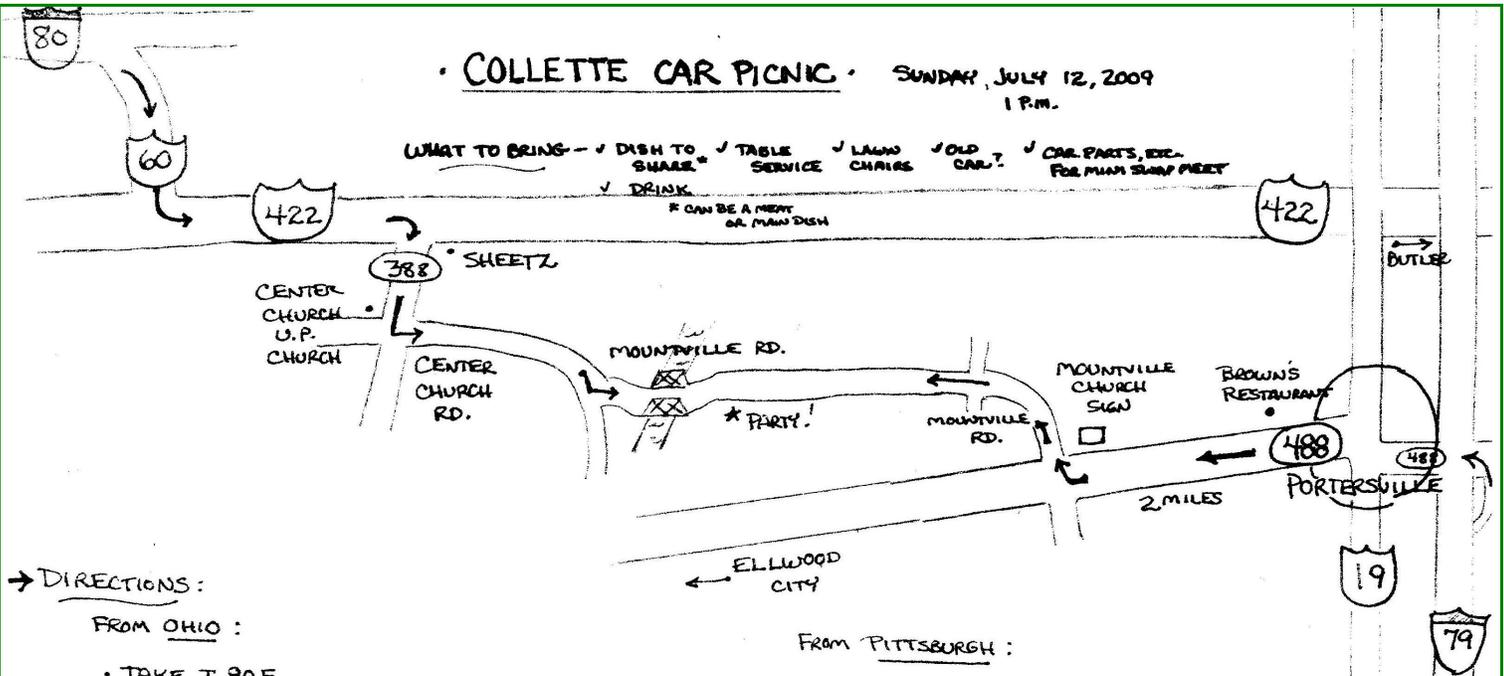
This year on our trip around the State Park we had a Ranger tour guide. He gave a talk at the Horse-shoe Pond. There are 24 House boats on the pond. At one time there were 100 but when the politicians discovered those folks were not paying taxes they no longer permitted new House Boats be brought into the pond. The final 24 can be sold. *Which is not very often.* The tenants live in the Houses year round walking to shore on ice in the winter. And yes they are HOUSE BOATS not Boat houses. They don't move and they have all the comities that we land folks have. One is for sale now for about \$150,000.00.

It sure felt good being barefoot on the sand... RIGHT DEBBIE(?)

Thanks for the Pictures Nancy

COLLETTE CAR PICNIC · SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2009
1 P.M.

WHAT TO BRING -- ✓ DISH TO SHARE * ✓ TABLE SERVICE ✓ LAWN CHAIRS ✓ OLD CAR? ✓ CAR PARTS, ETC. FOR SWAP MEET
✓ DRINK
* CAN BE A MEAT OR MAIN DISH



DIRECTIONS:

FROM OHIO:

- TAKE I 80 E
- AT SHARON, PA TAKE RT. 60 EXIT [SOUTH] (TOWARD NEW CASTLE)
- TAKE 422 EXIT (EAST-TOWARD BUTLER)
- AT RT. 388 (SHEETZ GAS STATION) - TURN (R)
- (C. 1.5 MILES) AT CENTER CHURCH U.P. CHURCH
TURN (L) ONTO CENTER CHURCH RD.
- (C. 3 MILES) AT MOUNTVILLE RD. TURN (L) [WATCH FOR PERRY TWP./ FORD VS SIGN]
- (C. 1 MILE) PARTY ON (R) TOP OF HILL

FROM PITTSBURGH:

- TAKE I 79 N
(PORTERSVILLE EXIT)
- TURN (L) ON RT. 488 (WEST)
CONTINUE THROUGH PORTERSVILLE
(C. 2 MILES)
- TURN (R) AT MOUNTVILLE CHURCH RD.
(BOTTOM OF LONG HILL; CHURCH SIGN ON RIGHT)
- CONTINUE THROUGH STOP SIGN C. 2.5 MILES. PARTY ON (L).

TO ZELIENSOPLE
↓
(THEN PITTSBURGH)

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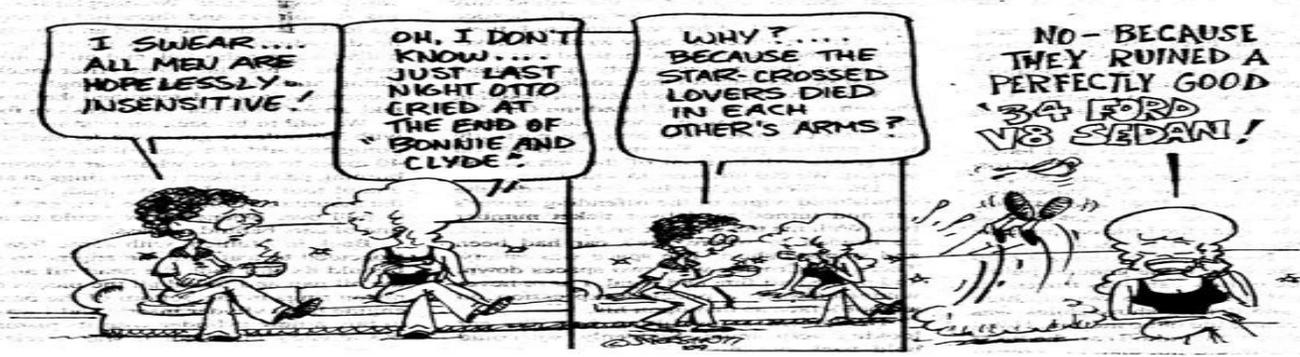
Picnic at Collettes

Are you all ready for an old fashioned picnic with the addition of seeing a lot of old cars and a Swap Meet? Well if you are so are the Collettes... All you need to do is follow the map. Bring a dish to share, (can be meat, main, salad, dessert. Your preferred drink, Table Service, and something to sit on. If you don't have an old car there will be a special place to park. The Collettes want you to come too. Don't forget if you have things to put into a swap meet bring them along... Just pack up and come on down for a fun filled day....



Remember
The Fun
2007





June 21, 2009
Happy Fathers Day

Where's Henry Ford when we need him? by, *Jim Richardson* *Borrowed from Hemmings Classic Car - March 2009*

"One of the ways of discovering what a cost ought to be, is to name a price so low as to force everybody in the place to the highest point of efficiency." Henry Ford

He didn't trust banks, and he seldom borrowed money to finance his operations. Instead Ford focused on streamlining his assembly line and simplifying his cars even more, in order to enhance production and cut costs. And unlike most of his contemporaries, the more cars he was able to sell, the lower his prices dipped. The first Model T Fords sold in 1908-'09 for \$950, but by 1920-'21, the price of a new Ford was down to \$355 dollars! On top of that in January of 1914, he raised his workers' wages to the then princely sum of five dollars a day minimum, reasoning that if they were paid well, they could afford to buy Model T Fords of their own.

Ford divided the steps of building his machines into simple operations that could be operated with an absolute minimum of wasted motion. The boxes which parts arrived in were used to make the floorboards of his cars, and the resulting sawdust was used to fire his generating plants.

And yes, he did once say "You can have a Ford in any color you want as long as it is black" It's in a book called *My Life And Work*.

The reason for painting the cars black was because that was the only color that would hold up over time. Besides, with only one color to worry about, parts could be dipped rather than brush-painted, as was common in the early days. Of course, He was also one of the first in the industry to use spray enamels when they came along.

more next month.....

From your Editor

I would appreciate help from members of our Regional Group to make the newsletter more informative. I would like to have articles from all members including those that are unable to attend meetings.

Have you gone any where with your car? Have you won any awards not affiliated with our group. How did you find your car. Has anything special happened to your family that you would like to share with the club? Do you have any suggestions, words of wisdom?

I also need someone to write the articles for outings when I am unable to attend. Photos would also be helpful.

These are the things that I am told make this newsletter interesting . If you enjoy getting the newsletter please **HELP** with it. *georgene*

Father's Day Ford



When Pete Chapouris built the Father's Day Ford, he based it on a 1926 Model T. His goal was to make a street-drivable car that looked like the track roadsters his father once loved.

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was.....**

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The 1909 Ford Model T

Borrowed from Old Cars Weekly

The Ford Model T was introduced in October 1908, and was an entirely new car when compared to Ford's previous models. Quite simply, it was a car that would change history, become probably the most noteworthy automobile ever built, and launch Ford Motor Company to unmatched heights.

Model T Options for 1909:

Windshield. Headlamps. Tops. Horns. Prest-O-lite tanks (instead of the carbide tank). Robe rails. Tire chains. Top boots. Foot rests. Spare tire carriers. Speedometers. Bumpers. 60-inch front and rear tread.

Fast Facts

- Early Model T's used rubber/linoleum-covered running boards trimmed with brass moldings.
- Early Ts had wooden bodies over wooden frames. Some were aluminum over wood.
- The 1909 T's had a "no rivet" rear axle housing.
- The "Ford" name had "wings" — a wavy script line was added before and after the Ford name.
- Ford's block cast engine and drawn steel rear axle structure were considered technological marvels in 1909.
- Early T's used a hubcap with the Ford name in large block letters rather than the familiar script style.



The 1909 Model T Touring

The body styles offered were the Touring, the Runabout (a roadster), the Coupe, the Town Car and the Landaulet. The bodies were generally made of wood panels over a wood frame and were offered in red, gray and green. Gray was used primarily on the Runabouts, red on the Touring cars and green on the Town cars and Landaulets. These early cars (first 2,500) were so unique that they are generally considered a separate subject when discussing Model T's. Essentially, the engines had built-in water pumps and the first 800 cars came with two foot pedals and two control levers (the second lever being for reverse) instead of the usual three pedals and one lever. The front fenders were square tipped, with no "bills."

Sandy, from Sandy's Notions Flowers & Gifts was the speaker at the May General Meeting. It was a fun meeting not only for the ladies but the guys took an interest in her flower arranging and suggestions too.

Instead of the usual fifty/fifty drawing after the meeting we had a Loyal Ladies Drawing. The winners got to pick of the arrangement of her choice. The luck ladies were Anne, Mary Jo, Georgene, and Regina.

My pick was a bouquet of Roses that Sandy tied together so the husband or boy friend could toss to his lady. I had a ball arranging them when I got home and they lasted about ten day following Sandy's directions.

This program was a delightful surprise for the ladies. NOW if you hubbies weren't there take the time to call Sandy and have some flowers sent to your honey for no special reason.... She'll love you for it.... And yes, Jeep surprises me with flowers.... *georgene*





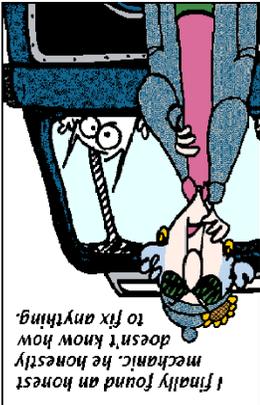
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