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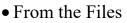
## **LERs 1950s Tinney Cadillac Car Show**

# JULY 2020

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2020	Overnighter None planned this year	
2020	Webmaster Jerry Ptak	876-8966
2020	Sidelight Editor Valerie Wilson	873-6280
	ON	THE COVE

#### LER EVENTS FOR 2020

July 11 – Car Parade for George Nash's 102 Bday All other events have been postponed until further notice. Stay tuned for further updates.

- \*This is a tentative schedule. The dates are subject to change, so check this list monthly for more information and possible changes.
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### Sympathies to:

Scott Bieler, one of our show sponsors, on the loss of his father To the family of long-time member, Joan Limburg Tom Pirrung on the loss of his mother

#### **ON THE COVER**

Usually in the July issue we feature the highlights of our annual car show held in June. With no show this year, we are going back to the Fifties and an early LER car show. This show was held at the former Tinney Cadillac parking lot at Main & Jewett in Buffalo. The building was the former showroom for Pierce-Arrow cars. The building is now a bank, but the interior is still the original Art Deco style & has a beautiful Pierce-Arrow automobile in the window owned by LER member Robert Sands.

The cover photo looks like it was taken from the apartment building across the street. It is difficult to see here, but across the top of the building, to the right of the GMC sign in the original photo, in barely visible lettering it says "Pierce-Arrow Service". Someone told me they had a test track up on the top floor. You can see all the used Cadillac's parked along the side and back rows that were moved for the show. Next door to the right was Streng Oldsmobile and next was Great Lakes Dodge/Plymouth dealer. Parked on the street is a 1955 Pontiac and a 1955 Plymouth & a Rambler. Now these are all future antiques

In the closeup photo of the touring car, I was wondering if that might be Gilbert Tinney. Early rosters show that he was an LER member. If anyone knows who that is, please let me know.

My Dad had a delicatessen in the next block and across the street was a Hudson/Studebaker dealer. He took me to the Tinney show for many years. I loved looking at all the cars around the neighborhood. Main St was sure automobile row. That's probably where I got hooked on cars. I also remember growing up there was a car dealer on Delaware Ave. near Kenmore. Tunmore Oldsmobile used to take test drives for customers up and down our street, so I always got to see the newest models. After purchasing my first "old" car in the mid-70s, I joined AACA & Lake Erie Region. Valerie and I enjoy the hobby so much that we even had the privilege of riding in a 1929 Pierce Arrow in our wedding. What a beautiful automobile! Lon Wilson



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another month of the New York "PAUSE". But It looks like there might be light at the end of the tunnel. As of this date restaurants are allowed to re-open at 50% capacity. I have been having a few or our members over with their old cars to have a social distance Happy Hour, and some of the cruise nights are starting back up. But a lot of the National meets and local car shows have been cancelled or postponed. The AACA Annual Grand National has been moved from July to the end of August. I have sent in my registration for that meet and adjusted my hotel stay, a bunch or LER members are going to spectate. As of now the Hershey flea market is cancelled but they are still going to try and have the car show on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Also, it seems that the Carlisle Events are still on for the summer. The re-scheduled Spring Carlisle was just held and a few people I know went down.

On Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup>, Board Member Ken Kaczka, was gracious enough to host a Board meeting out by the pool with enough room to social distance. It was good to get back to some normalcy. We discussed our summer event schedule. We have pretty much cancelled all the planned events through November. But it was brought up that maybe our members would still like to get our cars out as a group and at least tour to somewhere? So, we are throwing this out there for August and September if any member would like to "host" a tour to a State, County or Town park or a favorite ice cream place, please contact Chuck Weimer or Lynelle to set this up. You would just need to plan a route and have the members call you if they are attending so you have enough directions available for everyone. If going to a park, members can pack a lunch if they wish or just head home afterwards. Give it some thought? We also where able to do a deeper dive into our club finances and have noticed that the cost of the Sidelight has been rising, postage and printing costs have risen and our annual dues of \$20 per year are not covering the cost of the monthly Sidelight. We have over 200 paid members but a bunch of members are not very "active" thus they are costing the club to print and send out their newsletter. So, a motion was brought up to raise the annual dues beginning next year to \$25 per year. Please bear in mind this was not an easy decision, as we try to make our functions and dues affordable to everyone, also our dues have been the same \$20 for over 20 years! So, unfortunately this motion was passed. If you are one of the members who have paid dues in advance your dues will increase once the pre-payment has ended. As of now we are still planning on our indoor meeting in November, December Christmas Party and January Installation Banquet, but some things may be out of our control as we get closer to those events.

Don't forget to let Barb Noonan know if you can help George Nash celebrate his 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday by having our members drive by his house in an old car. Please see the notice in this Sidelight.

Please stay safe and try to enjoy the summer with your old cars!

Till next time... Tim

#### **Toy Town Car Show**

I would expect you already know but I will pass the info along anyways. I received an email from the AACA judging division that Hershey is canceled for this year. I also had to cancel the Toy Town Car Show.

I reluctantly must cancel this year's Toy Town Car Show for several reasons. First, I have serious doubts that we would be allowed to have a very large gathering by the end of August. (Nor would I want to promote one.) I also doubt that many would feel confident in attending such a large gathering especially considering so many in the hobby are in the age group considered most vulnerable. Second, these types of events must be advertised and promoted well in advance and there seems to be no ability to do so this year with most other auto events already cancelled. Next, I cannot bring myself to attempt to solicit the financially necessary sponsorships from local merchants at this time of crises. And last my registration/ show support staff has asked me to cancel since all of them are over the age of 51.

So, I look forward to resurrecting the show in 2021, Chuck Facklam-Toy Town Car Show chairman

BIRTH	DAYS
Lon Wilson - 2	Jane Koziol - 15
Paul Meyer - 3	Ruth Camann - 16
Marilyn Hartinger - 4	Dan Walter - 16
Karen Lechner - 7	James Coughlin - 17
Nancy Parsons - 7	Marianne Billo - 19
Carol Conklin - 8	Donald Warnick - 21
Elaine Haid - 8	Jerald Ptak - 24
George Nash - 8	Carol Fox - 24
Amy Deull - 9	Tomoko Menard - 25
Jeffrey Schwartz - 9	Orrin Catlin - 26
Mark Schleicher - 10	Christine Puma - 26
Tom Koziol - 11	Donna Vergils - 28
Lee Wass - 12	Robert Morris - 29
Lynn Bachan - 14	Dennis Upton - 29
Daniel Gernatt, Jr 14	Jackie Galbo - 30
Lee Hartung - 14	^^^
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Please remember to sign up early for these events and to treat your club mates with respect and consideration.

Please be advised that all upcoming events are pending cancellation due to the current affairs with the Coronavirus. Everyone's health and well-being are of most importance. Please stay safe and take care.

Since it is looking like the rest of the outdoor season will be cancelled, the board though that if anyone is interested is hosting a tour in August, September or October, something like a ride in the countryside and maybe stop for ice cream, please reach out to Lynelle Schloerb 716-949-2489 lynelle2@gmail.com or myself, Chuck Weimer 716-955-0834 cw31961@gmail.com This event has been cancelled. July 12th, our summer picnic.

This event is pending cancellation August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Dan O'Conner will host this event at the Batavia Downs Racetrack. This will be a combined event with the Model A club. Get ready for some exciting horse racing, gaming and great food. Details to follow.

#### September event is pending cancellation. October event is pending cancellation. November event is pending cancellation.

We need volunteers, helpers and ideas for clubsponsored events. If you are interested in sponsoring, cosponsoring or helping out at an event, please contact Lynelle Schloerb or Chuck Weimer.

Chuck Weimer Activities Co-Chairmen



#### LAKE ERIE REGION DIY TOUR contest

Since our club is limited this year in events, we'd like to introduce the opportunity to participate in an event that you create. Our club specializes in tours, so this one is a "Create Your Own" tour, that you can do all at once, or in segments of your choosing. The primary idea is to visit towns throughout western New York where the first letter of the towns spells out LAKE ERIE REGION. For example, you can take a drive to Ellicottville, Rochester, Indian Falls, and East Aurora, and the first letter of those towns spells ERIE. And then maybe your next tour is to towns that spell LAKE (or part of LAKE), and so on. The whole tour can be spread out over the summer and fall.

#### There are a few rules for this contest:

- 1. Pictures are to be taken in locations decided by you.
- 2. You can use up to three different vehicles for the pictures.
- 3. The pictures have to have the sign from different towns with the vehicle in it. (Some towns don't have a town sign, so you may use a post office, town hall or fire station, etc.) You may substitute up to 4 street signs for a town sign.
- 4. You can use a town only once.

- 5. The vehicle has to be driven, not trailered to all the towns you use. Trailering a vehicle to a tour and then driving to the town is acceptable.
- Your tour should be put together in a scrapbook that includes the town pictures, mileage driven, and any interesting occurrences and or problems encountered. Scrapbooks can be printed or digital (e.g. a power point presentation), depending on your preference.
- 7. You do not have to drive all the tour at once. You have until November to complete this.
- 8. Entries will be judged with consideration to the age of the vehicle, mileage driven to take the picture, and final scrapbook presentation, either paper or digital.
- 9. The contest will be judged by a panel of judges not entered in the contest.
- 10. All entries must be submitted by November 30, 2020 to be eligible for a prize.
- 11. There will be prizes awarded at the Installation Banquet.
- 12. All vehicles will have an equal chance.

Good luck and happy letter hunting.





Let's give George a car show parade that he won't forget! If you would like to participate, get out your favorite vintage vehicle, dust it off, gas it up, and join us. We will meet at 1: 45 pm, and line up for the parade.

REMINDER: DO NOT get out of your car to socialize (as much as we would all like to).

The parade will depart at 2:00 pm, and make a right out of the parking lot on Young St., then straight at the signal, crossing Twin City Highway onto Colvin Blvd, turn right on Brompton, and then left on Burnside Drive, past George's home towards the end of the second block. Stop briefly in front of the house to say hello, and maybe even sing a chorus or two of 'Happy Birthday'.

Please let us know if you can participate by sending an email to <u>banoonan@aol.com</u> or calling 716 957-3076.

#### AACA Lemon Bay Region car show

Mark and I just got back from Florida and we had a terrific time. While we were visiting with family, we decided to see an AACA car show. We drove to Englewood Florida to see the AACA Lemon Bay Region car show about 35 minutes from where we stayed. There were approximately 300 cars being shown. We saw some really beautiful vehicles and we wanted to share them with all of you. One that stood out to us was the 1980 Buehrig Carriage Roof car. It was 1 of 3 made and it was built on



a Corvette Chassis and Drive Train. It was a vehicle we had never seen before. Very unique. We hope you enjoy all the cars we have added with the Buehrig. Valerie and Lon, did you notice any special car we added? We thought of you.

#### Mark and Sue Yearke

Editor's Note: This article and pictures were lost somewhere out there in the cyberspace and after several tries it finally got to me. Yearke's trip was back in early March.





Yearke's took this VW Thing photo just for the Wilsons who also own one.





The never before seen 1980 Buehrig











This month's trivia well as two photos from the "WHAT.....? File" are from Pat & Dean Burgstahler. The last photo was added by the

#### AUTOMOBILE TRIVIA

- 1. What automaker was called the "Father of Mass Production"?
- 2. Before cars were advertised with the slogan. "It Starts from the Seat" how were they started?
- 3. In 1907, what cars for hire appeared in New York with meters and gas powered engines?
- 4. What car was named for a chief of the Ottawa Indians? 21. The first person to get a speeding ticket was a cab
- 5. What state has the most registered motor vehicles?
- 6. What Japanese automaker built a plant in Smyrna, Tennessee?
- 7. Name the Nevada city that has the Imperial Auto Collection (cars belonging to Adolf Hitler, Howard Hughes, Al Capone and other notable people).
- 8. The rearview mirror in cars had its beginning at what famous auto race?
- 9. What early automobile feature is the Hydromatic, Fordomatic and Dynaflow?
- 10. Henry Ford shocked the world in 1914 by raising his employees' wages from \$2.34 an hour to what amount?

- 11. What automaker built its assembly plant in Flint, Michigan?
- 12. What automaker began the automobile industry in Lansing, Michigan?
- 13. What automaker is the largest employer in Janesville, Wisconsin?
- 14. The Desoto, Plymouth and Dodge were all products of what corporation?
- 15. What company made Thunderbirds, Galaxies and Fairlane 500's?
- 16. What company made Malibu, Corvettes and Bel-Airs?
- 17. The first car manufacturer to use an assembly line was not Mr. Ford. Who was it?
- 18. In 1908 a Model T Ford sold for: \$2000, \$850, \$50, or \$300?
- 19. What early car had the gear shift on the outside?
- 20. A popular American car that was powered by steam was invented by twin brothers in 1897. This car was called the?
- The first person to get a speeding ticket was a cab driver in New York. How fast was he going? 5 MPH, 12 MPH, 40 MPH, or 60 MPH.
- 22. In 1909 Alice Huyler Ramsey was the first women to do what in a car?
- 23. The most popular car in the United States in the early 1900's was what?
- 24. Between 1900 and 1915 a car that was less noisy and smelly was marketed as a "Lady's Car" what powered this car.
- 25. A Famous jingle to market a brand of car was "See the U.S.A. in Your \_\_\_\_\_".



I think if you look closely, the driver is still in the car, probably too afraid to get out!



Kind of reminds you of the Johnny Cash song "One Piece At A Time". It is not a quiz, but how many parts can you identify?

#### Below:

While on the subject of What?..... Designer Yuji Fujimura's concept for European automaker Peugeot comes in the form of a bubble for one. You might get a little dizzy riding in this one! <u>https://lifescapesdesignblog.weebly.</u> <u>com/may-18-bubble-me-this.html</u>





Gary & Patricia Vergils - 2 Jan Robert & Amy Deull - 2 Kevin & Dr. Kristen Smyers - 3 David & Mary Ellen Kaplan - 8 Paul & Dolores Meyer - 8 E. Andrew & Tomoko Menard - 8 Don & Beverly McHenry - 9 Thomas & Roberta Smyers - 9 Robert & Barbara Manke - 14

James, Sr. & Ann Marie Cracchiola - 21 John & Darla Sole - 22 Thomas & Patricia Grimm - 23 Richard & Mary Ann DeBolt - 27 Donald & Carol Conklin - 29 Stephen & Tracy Malush - 31



This is how the recent board meeting looked. Top, left to right: Tim Cryan, Chuck Weimer, Ken Kaczka, Dennis Powers, Chuck Facklam, Jerry Ptak, & Mike Mesi. Bottom: Valerie Wilson (hiding behind Cliff) Cliff Schulz, Ken Kaczka, Lynelle Schloerb, Sue Yearke, Linda Foster & John



Haid. Missing and taking the photos: Lon Wilson

Somebody had a birthday!! Sue Reville presented Cliff with a cake.





### SIDELIGHT TREASURES

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#### **\*AUTOS FOR SALE\***

- '31 Chevrolet Coupe by the original owner. Partially restored with excellent wood and metal. Most all parts are included to complete restoration and assembly. Call Al Kain at 716 - 632 - 2954 (7)
- '31 Model A Rumble seat coupe, very good condition, formerly owned by Fred Coon Call Doug Coon 655-1685 Lead from Lon Wilson (7)
- '39 Plymouth p8 deluxe, price reduction from \$20,000 to \$15,500 or b/o. Older restoration but still in show quality condition. All original except for new whitewall radial tires. This car has been in 4 shows and won awards in 3. Car was also chosen to be in the movie Nightmare Alley starring Bradley Cooper which was recently filmed here in Buffalo. This is a must sell, no reasonable offer refused. I recently purchased another vehicle and do not have the room for 2 cars. Please contact : Jerry Schickling 440-6695 or email razor.schickling@vahoo.com (9)
- '41 Lincoln Zephyr 3-Window Coupe, rebuilt V-12 engine, new paint, new interior, Columbia over-drive, excellent condition, formerly owned by Fred Coon Call for more info and price. Call Doug Coon 655-1685 Lead from Lon Wilson (7)
- '46 Ford 2 dr. sedan, loaded, power steering, disk brakes, Chevy 250 crate engine, turbo 350 trans, new tires, beige, \$18,000 Jerry h:652-2085 c:380-4328 (10)
- '63 Corvette Split Window Coupe, Sebring Silver with restored red interior. All original matching number drivetrain, other components are correct dates and VIN# where appropriate, 300hp, 4speed. Recent frame on restoration, exceptional fit and finish completed by Masterworks in Madison Heights Mi. Call Ken Kaczka 200-2035 (8)
- '65 Ford Fairlane Price Reduced - 2 dr. Black interior. Restored & registered. Converted from 2bbl to 4bbl carb with NOS parts. Floor mounted Indy



- Hurst 3 speed w/OD. Trans and rear end rebuilt by Hillman Automotive. New brake lines & cylinders, door gaskets, front & rear window seals, carpets & tires. Factory air needs servicing. Original parts and other NOS included in sale. Additional photos available. Ready to drive away! REDUCE PRICE \$10,000 OBO. Contact John at (716) 433-2520 and cell (716) 946-9971 or jjrynk@hotmail.com. Lead from Jerry Ptak (7)
- '69 Oldsmobile 442 hardtop, original southern body, automatic, rebuilt 455, dual hood scoops, motor out of vehicle. John Kraus 568-1466 (7)
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#### Answers for Automobile Trivia

- 1. Henry Ford
- 2. Cranking The starter was introduced in 1914
- 3. Taxi Cabs
- 4. Pontiac
- 5. California
- 6. Nissan
- 7. Las Vegas
- 8. Indianapolis 500
- 9. Automatic Transmission
- 10. \$5.00 an hour
- 11. Buick

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12. Oldsmobile

- 13. General Motors 14. Chrysler
- 15. Ford
- 16. Chevrolet
- 17. Oldsmobile
- 18. \$850
- 19. Overland
- 20. Stanley Steamer
- 21. 12 MPH
- 22. Drive Across The
- USA
- 23. Model T
- 24. Electricity
- 25. Chevrolet

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