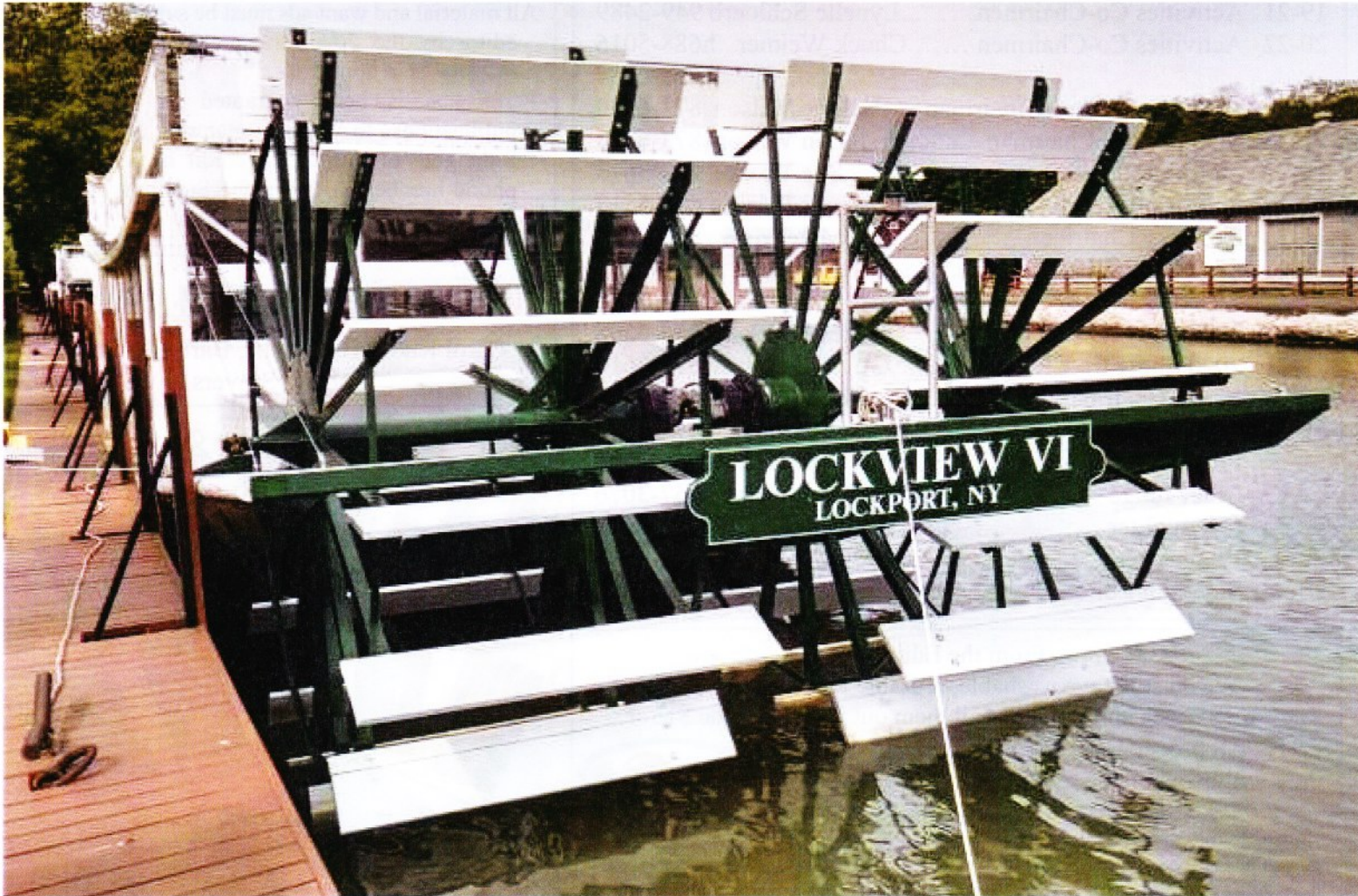


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**LER EVENTS FOR 2021**

**Jun. 13 – Ice Cream Sundae Tour II – Joyce & Don Butlak, chairpersons**

**Jul. 11 – Picnic at McCaffery’s, Joe & Linda McCaffery & Mark Brylinski, co-chairpeople.**

\*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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**GET WELL**



From the Editor:

We do still have washable, reusable face masks for sale. They are \$5 each and we will mail them out if you include \$1 for P&H. All proceeds go to LER. Of course, they will be available at all upcoming events



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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*Cliff's Notes:* Mother Nature blessed us this past Sunday for our annual Rustbuster event. The weather was perfect, not too hot and not too cold. A total of 71 people attended this event. This was our Paddle Boat cruise down the Erie Canal and through the Lockport Locks. Followed up with a wonderful buffet luncheon, and delicious dessert. Many thanks to Mike Mesi for organizing this great day. In fact, we are thinking of maybe having another event there in the future.

Next up is our Ice Cream Sundae Tour II to the Charcoal Corral in Perry, NY. Please RSVP to Don Butlak per our event flyer located in the Sidelight. This promises to be a fun substitution for our postponed car show. Then, we follow this up with our annual summer

picnic in July. You will find a signup flyer in this month's Sidelight. Later in the afternoon we plan on having another Lake Erie Region fund raiser auction. The Sidelight printing expenses have gone up lately, so we need your forgotten treasures to raise some funds and have some fun at the same time. For the time being we will be cutting back on the color pages in our newsletter. You can still print and see the color pages on our web site.

A lot more summertime needs to be enjoyed, so don't hesitate to give your ideas to any board member for discussion. Tell your friends about us and I hope to see you all at the next event. Stay well and stay safe.

Cliff

**Limited Edition "Cars of LER" playing cards.**

I have been "playing" around with this idea for several years now and finally during time off during the pandemic, I had the time to really get into this project. I wanted to honor those who have been supporting the club for years so I went back at least five years to see who was the most active with their vehicles. Then I had to select photos from the years' worth of photos I have accumulated. To do my best to get a variety of cars I selected the more unusual car from members with multiple vehicles. Below is a list of who is on the First Edition deck. Since I don't know how popular they will be, I am limiting the members with cars on cards to one deck apiece, since I only ordered that many. Sometime later this year, when I feel that these members have had a chance to purchase a deck, and I have any left over, I will make them available to anyone who wants them. I should have the decks with me at any of the upcoming events. They are \$10 each. Mini photos are scattered throughout this newsletter

Valerie Wilson

Name Car ♠♥♣♦

Allen, Gordie & Debbie 1940 Chevrolet 4♠; Alt, Gary & Vallie 1935 Chevrolet 3♠; Billo, Ron 1971 Oldsmobile 9♦; Boron, Marie 1936 Auburn 7♣; Brylinski, Mark 1931 Chevrolet 6♣; Butlak, Don & Joyce 1964 Ford 9♣; Camann, George & Ruth 1989 Ford 5♦; Crowley, Paul & Donna 1953 Chevrolet 6; Cryan, Jeff & Linda 1940 Ford K♠; Cryan, Steve & Maggie 1959 Ford 4♦; Cryan, Tim 1938 Buick A♠; DeBolt, Rich & Mary Ann 7♥; Facklam, Chuck & Mary Beth 1948 Willys A♣; Forster, Al & Janice 1967 Cadillac J♥; Foster, Jack &

Linda 1958 Metropolitan 9♠; Gajkowski, Ray & Bernie 1987 Chevrolet 9♥; Galbo, Russ & Jackie 1969 Buick K♦; Group, Ed & Nancy 1955 Ford 5♥; Haid, John & Elaine 1967 Buick K♣; Hartung, Lee 1960 Ford 3♦; Kaczka, Ken 1963 Chevrolet J♦; Kaplan, Dave & Mary Ellen 1948 Playboy 2♥; Knoll, Ken & Carol 1961 Chevrolet Q♣; Kraus, Mark & Lorri 1958 Chevrolet 4♥; Lechner, Dave & Karen 1931 Plymouth 6♥; Manke, Bob & Barb 1930 Plymouth 5♠; McCaffrey, Joe & Linda 1955 Mercury 6♠; Mesi, Mike 1969 Chevrolet Camaro K♥; Meyer, Paul & Dolores 1933 Lincoln 5♣; Meyers, Frank & Marilea 1948 Chevrolet 3♣; Momot, Joe & Mary 1927 Chevrolet 3♥; Nash, Bob & Peggy 1958 Chevrolet Q♥; Noonan, Barb & Ray 1957 Chevrolet A♥; O'Connor, Dan 1949 Ford F1 Pickup 10♠; Platt, Herm & Mary-Teresa 1963 Chevrolet 7♦; Powers, Dennis 1948 Studebaker JOKER; Prenevau, Bill & Edwina 1978 Chevrolet 7♠; Ptak, Jerry & Peggy 1975 Fiat 8♦; Pyne, Dale & Sally 1961 Ford 2♦; Roberts, Don & Heather 1953 Packard 2♠; Schleicher, Mark 1948 Buick Q♦; Schupbach, Todd 1967 Jaguar 8♣; Schwartz, Jeff & Karen 1969 Chevrolet 10♣; Snyder, Bob & Christine 1936 Ford 10♥; Upton, Dennis & Del 1940 Ford JOKER; Vaccaro, Steve & Kathy 1953 GMC 8♠; Vergils, Paul & Donna 1935 Dodge 2♣; Warnick, Don & Doris 1950 Chevrolet 10♦; Warnick, Fred & Connie 1953 Chevrolet 4♣; Weimer, Chuck 1970 Buick 8♥; Wilson, Lon & Valerie 1973 VW A♦; Wolski, Charles & Gertrude 1937 Buick J♣; Yanik, Sam & Jean 1967 Pontiac J♠; and Yearke, Mark & Sue 1969 Chevrolet Q♠



## ACTIVITIES REPORT

Please remember to sign up early for these events and to treat your club members 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 is of the utmost importance. Please stay safe and take care. Things are finally looking up, we are moving forward with our outdoor season!

**May Rust Buster, May 16<sup>th</sup>.** Hosted by Mike Mesi and Ken Knoll. It was a great day for a boat ride, the weather was just fine and the food was delicious. Big thanks to Mike and Ken for putting this together.

**June 13<sup>th</sup> The Annual car show has been canceled, but being replaced by a tour to the Charcoal**

**Coral in Perry, NY.** See the flyer on the next page for more details.

**July 11<sup>th</sup>** Joe and Linda McCaffery will host the summer picnic at their home in Pendleton, NY. Mark Brylinski will be planning our tour. More details to follow.

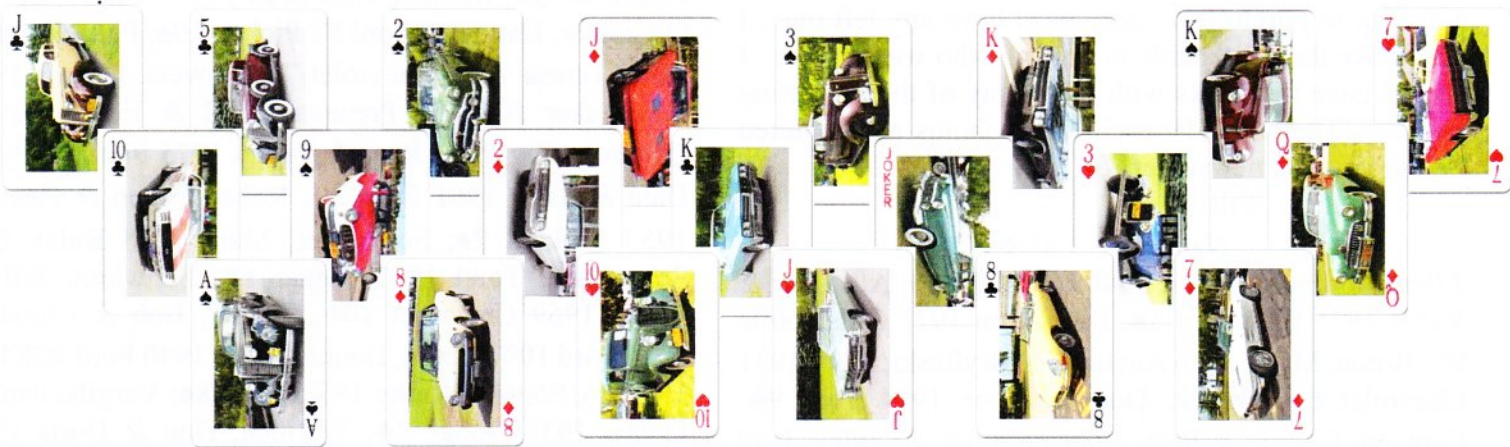
**August 1<sup>st</sup>** This event is pending.

**September 25<sup>th</sup>** This event is pending.

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

Chuck Weimer Activities Co-Chairmen

Finally, an attendance report: Those members and guests who attended the Rustbuster were: Don & Joyce Butlak (20) – '64 Ford; George & Ruth Camann (20) – '89 Probe; Russ & Jackie Galbo (20) – '69 Buick; John & Elaine Haid (35) – '67 Buick; Mike & Nadine Kosmoski (20) – '94 Chevrolet; Ray & Barb Noonan (20) & George Nash (10) – '67 Chevrolet; Daniel & Candace Reed O'Connor (20) – '49 Ford PU; Jerry & Peggy Ptak (35) – '75 Fiat; Leonard & Sally Sayward (20) – '57 Chevrolet; Todd Schupbach (20) & Cliff Schulz (25) – '67 Jaguar; Dennis & Del Upton (30) – '56 Mercury; Don & Doris Warnick (20) – '64 Chevrolet; Fred & Connie Warnick (20) – '68 Chevrolet; Ron Billo (10) Christopher Cizek (10) & Patricia Haynes; Jack & Linda Foster (35); Ray & Bernie Gajkowski (10); Kenneth & Sue Reville Kaczka (25); Ken Knoll (10); Joe & Linda McCaffery (10); Mike Mesi (25); Frank & Marilea Meyers (10); Joe & Mary Momot (10); Dennis Powers (25); Randy Rogalsky (10) & Jocelyn Szafranski; Don & Lynelle Schloerb (25); Karl Schurkus & Eileen Wode (10); Jeffery & Karen Schwartz (10); Frank & Carol Shattuck (10); Cheryl Westmorland (10) & Sam LaRusso; Lon & Valerie Wilson (50); Guests: Tom & Debbie Bardo; Frank & Maryann Endress; Mike & Mary Lazikas; Mike & Amy Talluto; Marty & Charlene Tornabene; and Theresa Tredo



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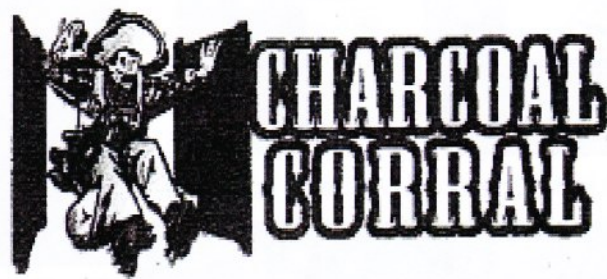
Hosted by Joyce and Don Butlak

Meet at Tops Market Parking Lot  
12774 Broadway, Alden, NY 14004

@ 10:30 am – leave at 11:00 am

(Antiques leaving first)

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At 683-5148 by 6/6/21

then we can print enough direction sheets.



## Activities Awards Report

As Activities Awards Chairman it is my job to keep track of the points that members earn throughout the year. Since we did not have a banquet last year, I was unable present those members with what they have earned from 2020. The Rustbuster was my first chance to publicly present those awards. Gift cards were awarded to members who hosted an event last year. 13 members achieved the number of points for a chip to add to their Activities Awards board as well as two members reaching this milestone for the first time to receive a board with a 2020 chip.

In addition, the members with the top three point totals received an additional gift to commemorate their dedication to the club. This year, I had special clip

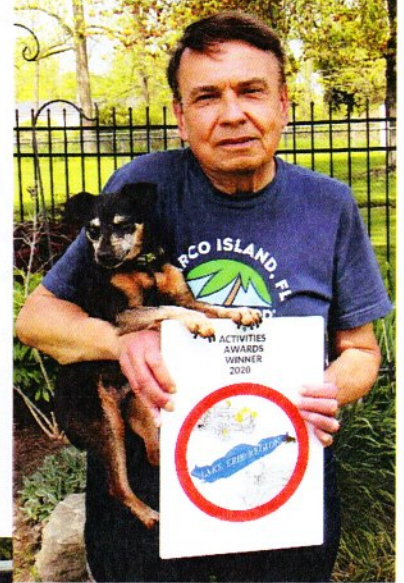
boards made for the following three members: Jeff & Linda Cryan, Dennis Powers and Mark & Sue Yearke. I also had gifts for the two members who took on the challenge of the "Do It Yourself" tour and created wonderful books which are available for viewing on the website. I presented Jack & Linda Foster with two Metropolitan mugs, as well as two red Metropolitan hat pins. One mug has three Mets that change color when hot water is added and the other mug has wheels which actually roll! Ray & Barb Noonan received a Chevrolet pin and wooden shelf for their DIY efforts.

These five members also received a special edition deck of cards "The Cars of LER".

Congratulations to all! - Valerie Wilson



The newest members of the Activities Awards Club, Mark & (camera shy Lori) Kraus and Jeff & Linda Cryan received their boards



The Cryans, along with Dennis Powers (with Ralph) and Sue & Mark Yearke (left) were the top three point achievers for 2020 and received a special clipboard with the LER logo for their efforts.

Above: Ray & Barb Noonan joined by Kaysee participated in the DIY tour and received a shelf with the Chevrolet bowtie suitable for placing other awards or car models.



Jack & Linda Foster, the other DIY tour participants, received a gift from Valerie Wilson, while Peggy Ptak & Karen Schwartz look on. Along with two Metropolitan pins, they are now the proud owners of two Met mugs. One has working wheels and the other changes color with hot water!

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# Summer Tour, Picnic & Auction!

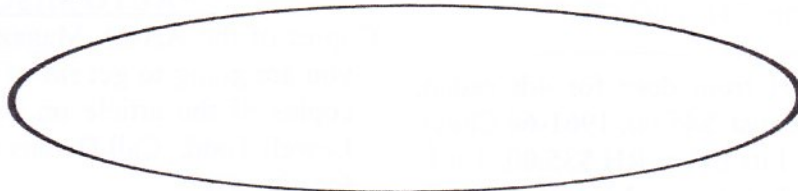
Sunday, July 11th, 2021

10:30 am: Meet at Rustic Buffalo/Shawnee Barns, 6610 Shawnee Rd., North Tonawanda 14120

10:30am - 11:30: You can enjoy shopping at the Antique Barn and Rustic Buffalo!

At 11:45 we will depart for a scenic tour of Niagara County, (driving by a few historical places along the way) to Joe & Linda McCaffrey's house, for a Chivettas BBQ chicken picnic!

They live at 6331 Campbell Blvd, Lockport NY 14094



1:30: Dinner will be served under the tent.

Chivettas buffet dinner will include: 1/4 BBQ chicken, pulled pork sandwiches, salt potatoes, macaroni & tuna salad, fruit salad, cole slaw, dessert, pop and water.

Please bring your own alcoholic beverages

There will be music provided by Empire Sound Production!

2:00 pm: Auction Time...!

Please bring any items you would like to auction, (doesn't have to be car related) and all the proceeds will go to the club!

Reservations: Deadline for the event is July 5<sup>th</sup>.

Cost per Member \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Attendees: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost per Non-Member/Guest \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check out to Lake Erie Region AACA and mail to:  
Tim Cryan, 6308 Bartz Rd, Lockport, NY 14094





## SIDELIGHT TREASURES

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### \*AUTOS FOR SALE\*

'57 Nomad, frameup, restored 283, 4 spd, \$49,000 Ken Weinstein 689-6888 nites. (8)

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Two 215/65/17 Goodyear Wrangler mud & snow, good used tires, free Dave Lechner 741-8392 (7)

1961 Chevy full-size car LH front door for 4dr sedan, complete less hinges. Some rust. \$45.00; 1961-64 Chevy full-size upper door hinge. Fits LH or RH \$35.00; 1961-64 Chevy full-size lower door hinge, LH only \$35.00; 1969 Chevy full-size car front lower valence panel \$50.00; 1970's Chevy Camaro, Nova 14x7 rally wheels, (5) with center caps. \$135 for all; Early 1950's Chevy

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Seat covers for '49-80 vinyl bench seat cars, usually plaid or striped 139/car, hogrings 6, Ken Weinstein 689-6888 nites. (8)

### \*AUTO MISC WANTED\*

Copies of the AACA Magazine from May/June 2020 if you are going to get rid of it. Dennis would like extra copies of the article on his Ford formerly owned by Lowell Todd. Call Dennis at 773-5847 if you have one for him. (5)

AACA & Horseless Carriage Club magazines from the 40s & 50's Call Steve 823-0526 or 335-0728 (6)

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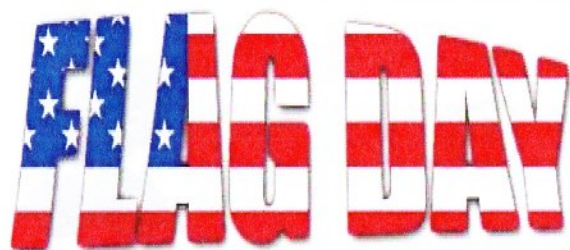
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# The Rustbuster 2020

## LOCKPORT LOCKS & ERIE CANAL CRUISES



Antiques out of the barn were: Dennis & Del Upton's '56 Mercury, Todd Schupbach '67 Jaguar, Russ & Jackie Galbo's '69 Buick and Don & Joyce Butlak's '64 Ford.



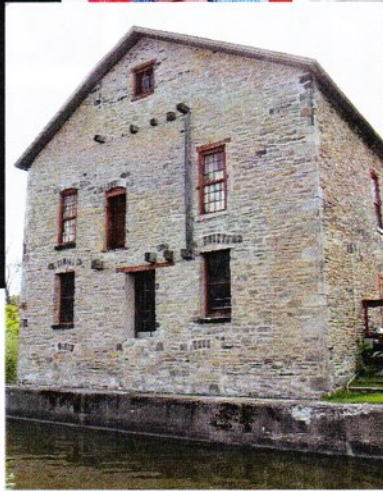
Above: Todd Schupbach, Ruth Camann, Don Butlak, George Camann & Joyce Butlak get caught up on things as we wait to board the boat. Below: John Haid tells Dan O'Connor the whole story, while Candace Reed checks in with Valerie Wilson.



Other vehicles that ventured out were: Fred & Connie Warnick's '68 Chevrolet, Jerry & Peggy Ptak's '75 Fiat, Don & Doris Warnick's '64 Chevrolet and George & Ruth Camann's '89 Ford.



Walking the plank – onto the boat.  
Middle: one of the early stone buildings on the canal  
Below: Low bridge, everybody down!



Photos by Lon Wilson & Barb Noonan



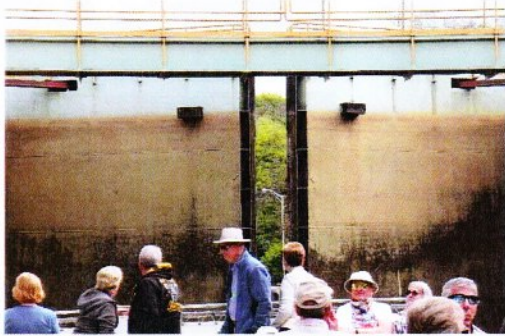
Above: at tug in dry dock Below: The club enjoys a beautiful day on the canal.



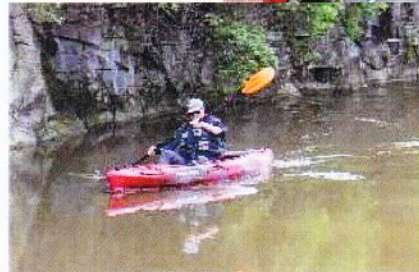


We went under the upside-down bridge before approaching locks 34 & 35.

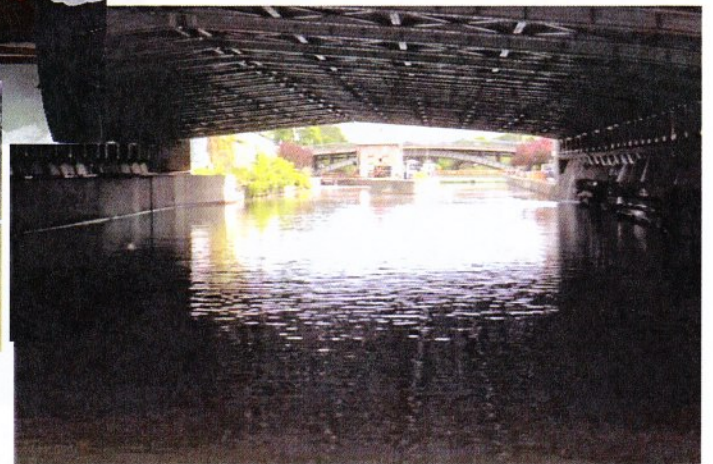
Below: The doors close behind us and when we have risen up far enough the doors open in front of us. The rare set of double lock doors at lock 35



It was a great day for a boat ride and our members enjoyed the ride. Right: Our captain controls the paddle wheels in the rear.



Other paddle power transportation on the canal as a pair of geese with three little ones and a kayaker pass us by.



The widest bridge on the canal. It was dark while we were underneath. Below, left: Cheryl Westmorland is in line for some food and spots the camera. President Cliff Schulz has a brief meeting.





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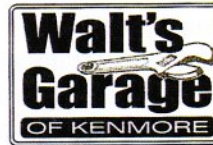
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## Calendar of Events

- Jun. 13 – Ice Cream Sundae Tour II – Joyce & Don Butlak, chairpersons
  - Jun. 14 – Flag Day
  - Jun. 20 – Start of Summer (Summer Solstice) & Father’s day
  - Jul. 11 – Picnic at McCaffery’s, Joe & Linda McCaffery & Mark Brylinski, co-chairpeople.
- All other events are pending or have been postponed until further notice. Stay tuned for further updates.

### Reported cruises & shows

- 6/6; 7/11; 8/8; 9/12 and 10/10 Cars & Coffee; Sundays 9-1 at Wimbledon Plaza, 220 Center Rd, W. Seneca, (rain dates the follow Sundays) Super Cruise 7/31 3-9pm; proceeds benefit local charities
- 6/12, Drifters Car Club Swap Meet, 8-2pm, Wesleyan Church of Hamburg, 4999 McKinley Pkwy info Joe 954-3835.
- 6/26, Auto Show Classics at the Carousel Museum, 11-3pm, 180 Thompson St., N Tona, pre '72 & special interest, \$20 & museum admission & ride on the carousel, awards 2pm, 50/50 & basket raffle, sponsored by Rods & Customs of Buffalo.
- 6/26, Niagara Swap Meet, 57 Gunville Rd. Lancaster, info: [www.lancasternationalspeedway.com](http://www.lancasternationalspeedway.com)
- 6/27, Festival at the Beach, Classic Car Show, Evangola State Park, \$20 reg (no pre reg) 9-noon, show til 4pm, judged show/110 classes, info Sal 824-2368 or Dennis 822-5218 or [www.wnyoldsmobile.com](http://www.wnyoldsmobile.com)

- 7/16-18 Syracuse Nationals returning for 2021. The largest car show in the Northeast. New York State Fairgrounds. Proof of negative Covid 19 test for non-vaccinated may be required. Contact Teri Weaver at [tweaver@syracuse.com](mailto:tweaver@syracuse.com) for more info.
- 7/31 2021 FiddleFest “Cruise-In” from 11am -4pm, The event is packed with activities everyone is sure to enjoy, with an opportunity to make the scenic drive to Springville. VIP parking is along the historic streets in town center, surrounded by venues filled with music, food and fun is additional registration information, and a map showing where pre-registered cars will be parking. The attractions are within easy walking distance. Please encourage members to register before the deadline June 15 - **FREE** online ASAP at: <https://springvillefiddlefest.com/antique-car-cruise-in/> or Joel Maul for additional details [jpmaul2@gmail.com](mailto:jpmaul2@gmail.com)



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