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NEXT MEETING:

Saturday April 7, 2018
(rain date April 8, 2018)

Maple Syrup Tour
to

Maple Corner Farm
749 Beech Hill Rd.
Granville, MA 01034

**See the flyer in this Distributor for
all the details, meeting places and
times.**



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From the editor....

Please notice that we have a couple of openings on the Board of Directors. Please contact Travis or any board member if you are interested in serving on the board and helping to guide our club in the future.

Be sure to attend the Maple Syrup Tour this Saturday April 7th to Maple Corner Farm in Granville, MA. All the details are in this Distributor and also were in the March issue.

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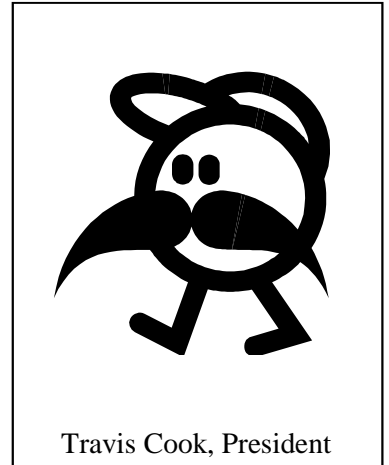
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President's Message

April 2018

Our March meeting was held at DiDomenico Hotrods, 11 Alcap Ridge, Cromwell, CT 06416 where they build customized hot rods, perform restorations, metal fabrication, custom paint and more. Our host was Jeff DiDomemico who showed us many aspects of their business from building complete frames for hot rods to complete custom builds and everything in between. Attendance was excellent with members from CCR, Valley Collector Car Club and the Model A Restorers Club participating. Many thanks to CCR vice president John Bieback for setting this up.

John is also setting up the Maple Syrup Breakfast tour to the Maple Corner Farm, 749 Beech Hill Rd., Granville, MA 01034 on April 7, rain date April 8th. This is a driving event and all are invited to participate. You are encouraged to drive your old car but your modern hot rod or even your daily driver are welcome. Just come out and enjoy the day with us. And of course, bring the whole family, grandkids, friends, neighbors and anyone else that would be interested. See the flyer in this issue for all the details including the meeting places and times. And, of course, anyone living closer to Granville is welcome to meet us at Maple Corner Farm around noon if the meeting places are not convenient.



The Covenant Village Car Show will be held on May 19th in Cromwell in memory of CCR member Pete Alison. This was Pete's show for many years and his family continues it in his memory. It is a great show and more details are in the calendar.

With car show season quickly approaching, it has become apparent that we will not have a car show this year. This is mostly due to a general lack of interest by our membership. We have repeatedly asked for someone to step up as car show chairman and for people to join committees to help in producing the show. I am extremely dissappointed that we have had virtually no interest from our members. There is plenty to do and the task of presenting a great show is much easier if we have more people involved. While time is running out this year, hopefully we can do better next year.

We still have 2 openings on the Board of Directors. We would like to have some new members with new ideas join the board and help guide the club into the future. We also need to fill the position of club historian.

Our annual **Spring Banquet** will be on Sunday May 6th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at Dakota's in Rocky Hill. The details are still being finalized and you will receive a special notice shortly to confirm your attendance and menu choices. Time will be short so please don't procrastinate in replying.

CCR member John Gasper has graciously offered his restoration shop at the Manchester Armory for automotive related demonstrations for our club. Let me know if you want to show something other members might be interested in. Also, let me know if you have a suggestion for a meeting place.

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Maple Corner Farm
749 Beech Hill Road
Granville, MA 01034
Saturday April 7, 2018
See flyer for meeting times and places!**

Until next time – safe motoring!
Travis Cook, President CCR-AACA
860-462-1067 cell phone

**Central Connecticut Region AACA
Board of Directors Meeting
March 6, 2018, 7:00 PM
Fox Laminating, West Hartford**

Secretary's report - Minutes from February BOD read and accepted.

Treasurer's report - was read and accepted.

The following members attended the March meeting:

Travis Cook, Fred Glabau, Nick Nesci, Ray Lichota,
Bob Hand, John Bieback, George Scheyd, Jack Gasper

Old Business

Considerable discussion revolved around the 2018 CCR car show and whether or not we are able to have one this year. The concerns are that we need members to step up to help produce the show and someone to assume the role of Show Chairman. Other discussion concerned the location of the show, specifically whether to remain at the Elks Club or move back to a location closer to Glastonbury Blvd. where the show was prior to 2016. The Ad Book as a source of revenue was discussed. No concrete decisions were made and the general feeling was that we probably would not have a show this year. It is definitely too late for a June show and there were concerns about getting good attendance in September due to many other car shows, country fairs, and school activities people are involved in.

New Business

Ideas were discussed for club events or activities to attract new members.

Jack Gasper offered his son John's business at the Manchester Armory as a place we could hold various automotive related demonstrations for the benefit of our members. Members to demonstrate things like welding, painting, restoration of certain parts, tune ups or anything else that may be of interest are welcome to submit ideas to the Board.

Travis Cook and John Bieback will work together to reserve a location for the Spring Banquet, probably in May.

The website for the CT Seaport Car Club was suggested as an excellent source for car shows and cruise nights. This can be found at www.ctseaportcarclub.com. Our CCR show has been advertised here in past years.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Bob Hand, filling in for Paul Bosco

Al's Trivia April 2018 (answers on page 5)

1. What did Chrysler 300 become in 1956?
2. Who won the Indy 500 race in 1944?
3. What auto company did Jaguar merge with in 1956?
4. What company sold Allstate cars by mail order?
5. How many cubic inches did the regular Ford V-8 engine have in 1935?
6. Where was the gas cap located on the 1963 Corvette?
7. What type of paint did GM use on its cars in the 60's?
8. What were Volkswagen Rabbits formerly called?
9. What automaker was the Ajax Motor Company a subsidiary of in 1925?
10. Who became president of GM in 1917 for just one hour?

CCR-AACA Calendar

- 1/11/18 Movie Night with the Valley Collector Car Club at The Old Well Tavern, 20 Tariffville Road, Simsbury, CT 06070, 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Dinner, movies and a good time (Rich Dabrowski)
- 2/22/18 Cerone Automotive, 140 Day St., Newington, CT 06111 Thursday 6:30 PM
(Travis Cook) Canceled, to be rescheduled.
- 3/10/18 DiDomemico Hot Rods, 11 Alcap Ridge, Cromwell, CT 06416 Saturday 10:00 AM (John Bieback)
- 4/7/18 Maple Sugar Breakfast tour, Maple Corner Farm, Granville, MA 01034. Driving tour, Saturday 4/7, rain date Sunday 4/8, see the flyer in this issue for all the details. (John Bieback 860-916-3582)**
- 4/21/18 * Klingberg Family Centers Car Show #1, 370 Linwood St, New Britain, CT, Saturday 9 – Noon
General admission \$10, seniors \$8, children under 12 are free.
- 5/6/18 CCR Spring Banquet – Dakota’s, Silas Deane Hwy., Rocky Hill, CT, Sunday 4 to 7 PM. You will receive a special mailing when the details are finalized. (John Bieback, Travis Cook)**
- 5/15/15 * Jackie G’s Cruise Night, new location for 2018, East Windsor Reservoir Park, 27 Reservoir Ave., Broad Brook, CT 06016. Every Tuesday, May 15 thru September, weather permitting, 5PM-dusk, 860-970-2094. More info to follow...
- 5/19/18 * Covenant Village Car Show, 52 Missionary Rd, Cromwell, CT. 860-635-2690
Saturday 10 – 2. In memory of CCR member Pete Alison, Rain or Shine
- Jun 2018 Need meeting location
- Jul 2018 Vacation Month - No Meetings
- Aug 2018 Need meeting location
- Sep 2018 Need meeting location
- 10/7/17 * Cartoberfest 2018, 37 Greenwoods Rd, New Hartford, CT, 10 – 3PM, Sunday
by “Time Was Garage” to benefit New Hartford Fire & Rescue. Always the first nice Sunday in October.
- 10/10/18 * Hershey Flea Market & Car Show. October 10, 11, 12, 13, 2018. Always a great time at Hershey.
Takes the place of the CCR October meeting. No Board of Directors meeting in October.
- Nov 2018 Need meeting location
- Dec 2018 Annual Election of Officers and dinner – date and location TBD

** Indicates this is not a CCR sponsored event but may be of interest to our members.*

Meetings will usually be canceled if it snows or if the weather is questionable. You can call Travis Cook at 860-462-1067 or Bob Hand at 860-690-2378 for confirmation.

Ideas for meeting places always welcomed. Call Travis at 860-462-1067. Thanks

Answers to Al's Trivia – April 2018

1. Chrysler 300 B.
2. Nobody; due to cancellation of races during World War 2
3. British Leyland Group.
4. Sears Roebuck.
5. 221 cu in.
6. On the top of the rear deck.
7. Acrylic lacquer.
8. Golfs.
8. Nash Motor Co.
10. William C. Durant.

CCR Market Place
(For Sale/Trade/Wanted/Free, etc.)

FOR SALE**1929 Ford Model A Sport Coupe**

Older ground up, still nice, L.B. interior, numbers matching, \$16,500.
Call Ray at (860) 633-6561.

1940 Dodge 2 Door Sedan

All original, \$12,500. Contact Jim Finnance (860) 463-3369.

1933 Original Ford V8 Engines (2) Unrestored

Various other Ford 33-34 front end parts.
Call Jack at (860) 208-0131 for more information.

**WANTED**

Need parts to complete a 1929 Model A Roadster Pickup. Many parts from Cowl forward are same as 1928 roadster. Any assistance would be most appreciated. Tom Gormley
203-405-1893 E-mail t27sedan@aol.com

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Maple Syrup Tour



THIS WILL BE A Multi-Club TOUR:

- **CT Model "A" Restorers Club (East Berlin)**
- **Valley Collector Car Club (Simsbury)**
- **CT Valley Region AACA (MA, CT, VT, & NH)**
- **Central CT Region AACA (West Hartford)**

DATE: Saturday, April 7, 2018, rain date is Sunday, April 8; if questionable, please call John (860.916 3582)

MEETING PLACES: There will be 2 meeting places. **Please be prompt!**

9:30 Departure Time: McDonalds in Newington on Berlin Tpk. – intersection of Rt. 15 & Rt. 287 (Robbins Rd.)
GPS address: 2375 Berlin Tpk. Newington, CT.

10:30 Departure Time: McDonalds in Canton Rt. 44/202 (Canton Village).
GPS address: 220 Albany Tpk. – Canton, CT

TOUR: Maple Corner Farm – Granville, MA., for a pancake breakfast.
GPS address: 749 Beech Hill Rd. – Granville, MA.

TOUR ROUTE: From McDonalds in Canton, head west on Rt. 44/202 to Rt.179 N towards Canton Center. Stay on Rt. 179 N to East Hartland. We will make a "pit stop" at East Hartland Fire Dept. We will continue on Rt.-179 N to Rt.-57 and onto North Lane and to Maple Corner Farm.

RETURN ROUTE: At about 2:00 pm we will leave Granville, Rt-57 to Rt-189 to Granby, Rt-202 to Simsbury, Rt.-185 to Mountain Rd. to West Hartford Center.

TENTATIVE COUNT: If you are planning on going, please call John/Lin (phone numbers at bottom) the week before (3/28 – 4/6) as the farm would like a preliminary count. They will reserve tables based on our count.

TOUR INFO: For your convenience, we'll have two places to meet. The 1st meeting place will be at McDonalds in Newington and we will depart there at 9:30 to meet up with the 2nd group at McDonalds in Canton Rt.- 44/202 (Canton Village). We'll leave at 10:30 from Canton for the tour to Granville. We plan on arriving at the Maple Farm around 12:00 for breakfast/lunch. There will be an informative tour of the sap processing at the new sugar shack. At about 2:00 we'll head back to West Hartford Center for an Ice Cream stop.

I will be looking for a couple of extra tour guides to separate the cars into groups instead of one long train of cars. Call me and I will go over the route.

TOUR LEADER: John Bieback 860.916.3582 cell
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