

# MID-JERSEY REGION



## MARCH 2011

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### OFFICERS

President----- Jim Spence  
Vice President---- John K. Tiene  
Secretary----- Carl Christiansen  
Treasurer----- Bruce Bird  
Director 1 Year--- Larry Myers  
Director 2 Year--- Jim Bowers  
Director 3 Year--- Mike Dachille

### MARCH MEETING

Monday, March 14, 2011  
**8 PM**  
Crosswicks Community House  
Crosswicks, NJ

### FEBRUARY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, John K. Tiene at 8:04 pm with a moment of silence for our military service men and women. John informed members that President, Jim Spence was in the hospital due to a mild heart attack but that he had spoken with Jim and he sounded great and expected to be home within the week.

Secretary Carl Christiansen was not in attendance. In his absence, John Tiene read the February Minutes. Jim Bowers moved and Doug Watt seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was

unanimously approved. The only correspondence was from C.T. Peters Inc, Appraisers. The company is offering three cars, a 1929 Ford Model A, a 1932 Chrysler Six Sedan and a 1937 Packard Super Eight for sale for a package price of \$50,000. See John Tiene for more details.

Treasurer Bruce Bird was not attendance and there was no report. John Tiene collected dues and installation dinner reservations.

Jack Fritsch was introduced as our guest speaker. Jack spoke about horn restoration for antique cars specifically about Model A horns. He spoke about what to look for when buying a used horn including how to work with dealers and how to disassemble a horn and check to see if it works. It was an informative and interactive presentation. If club members have any questions, they can contact Jack at 215-357-5770.

Under Old Business, John discussed the installation dinner that is scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup> and asked that everyone get their reservations in as soon as possible. The committee is also looking for entertainment, if anyone has any suggestions please contact John Tiene.

Ron Dunster and the Scholarship Committee will be going to the school on either March 8 or March 10. Anyone wishing to participate should contact Ron Dunster.

The club will be participating in the Robbinsville St. Patrick Day's Parade on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Club members should meet at noon at the Foxmoor Shopping Center.

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Under New Business, John said that the date for the Haldeman Show is set for June 12<sup>th</sup>. Class 8 and 9 will be People's Choice awards instead of being judged by the club. We'll also be raffling off several Hess Trucks in addition to the 50/50.

Director Larry Myers is planning a summer tour for July 9<sup>th</sup> to the Carranza Memorial in Tabernacle, NJ. In 1928, Emilio Carranza Rodriguez was 22 years old and a hotshot hero of Mexican aviation. Charles Lindbergh's transatlantic flight the previous year and his subsequent dramatic flight to Mexico City made a powerful impression south of the border. Influential men in Mexico decided that their country should have its own flyboy glory. A plane was built, the Mexico-Excelsior (an exact copy of Lindbergh's Spirit of St Louis), and it was announced that Captain Carranza would fly from Mexico City to New York and then back again.

Unfortunately his plane crashed on July 12, 1928 during a thunderstorm. And once a year, at 1:00 P.M. on the Saturday closest to July 12th, Emilio Carranza is honored. American Legion Post 11 drives out to the monument from Cherry Hill, NJ, along with representatives from the Mexican consulates in New York City and Philadelphia. There, they hold a ceremony for the Lindbergh of Mexico.

More information to follow.

The club will be represented at the Showfinder Conference on March 6<sup>th</sup> by John Tiene, Jim Bowers and Michael Dachille.

The club discussed a request by business owners and the developer of the The Shoppes at Hamilton shopping center on Route 130 in Hamilton to hold a cruise night at the center. The club members agreed that we should proceed with conducting a cruise on the second Friday night of each month from April through October. John Tiene will meet with representatives of the center and

work with the officers and directors to move this forward. Several volunteers will be needed to make this work.

The next meeting will be March 14<sup>th</sup> and our guest speakers will discuss the Hot Rods website. The speaker is being arranged by Carl Christiansen. Jim Bowers will be checking with "Back in Time" an upholsterer of collector cars in Mount Holly to speak at our April meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11pm

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## CAR CALENDAR

**March 14, 2011** – [March Meeting](#)  
**March 19, 2011** – [Robbinsville Parade](#)  
**March 25, 2011** – [Installation Dinner](#)  
**March 25-27, 2011** - North East Rod & Custom Car Show at the Greater Phila. Expo Center 100 Station Ave, Oaks, PA  
**March 27, 2011** - 40TH Annual Swap Meet & Car Corral Salem County Fairgrounds, Rt. 40, 5 Miles West of Woodstown, NJ  
**April 11, 2011** - [April Meeting](#)  
**May 9, 2011** – [May Meeting](#)  
**June 13, 2011** – [June Meeting](#)  
**July 11, 2011** – [July Meeting](#)  
**August 8, 2011** – [August Meeting](#)  
**September 12, 2011** – [September Meeting](#)  
**October 5-8, 2011** – [Hershey Fall Meet](#)  
**October 10, 2011** – [October Meeting](#)  
**November 14, 2011** – [November Meeting](#)  
**December 12, 2011** – [Pizza Night Meeting](#)

## CALLING ALL CONVERTIBLES

We have been contacted once again by Princeton University alumni to provide vehicles for the P-Rade. According to the University's website, next year's reunion will be held May 26 – 29, 2011, so assume that the P-Rade will be Saturday, May 28th.

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Our Region has been requested to provide a total of 5 convertibles from the late 1950s to about 1967, but having a few more than the minimum would be better. Contact Ron Dunster if you can take part. He also needs pictures of the cars that will participate to send to his Princeton contact, so plan now.

## MARCH MEETING SPEAKER

We will have a speaker at the March Meeting to talk about the **Robbinsville Hot Rods** website. His name is John Holden. According to the website:

This is a car enthusiast website for local people in Robbinsville New Jersey, the surrounding areas and pretty much anywhere in New Jersey or Pennsylvania. We don't care if you have a show car or a car in pieces or anything in between. We all know what it's like to have a project car. The purpose of this site is for locals who are into cars to meet, make friends, network, etc.

The website can be found at:

<http://www.robbsvillehotrods.com/>

...or just google "Robbinsville Hot Rods"

## 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY & INSTALLATION DINNER MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>

Our club will celebrate its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and officially install its officers and directors on Friday night, March 25<sup>th</sup> at Villa Mannino on Route 130 in Bordentown.

The dinner will begin at 6:00 PM with a wine/beer reception. The dinner menu includes appetizer, salad, pasta with vodka sauce and features two entrees: Chicken Parmigianino and Sole Ripieno (flounder stuffed with crabmeat and scallops). Don't worry about choosing an entrée, everything will be served family style so you can eat as little or as much as you like. There'll even be entertainment!

Villa Mannino (73 Route 130, Bordentown, NJ) is located on the north bound side of Route 130 just south of I-195 and just north of the Route 130/206 interchange. Our event will be held in their new banquet hall on the first floor, no steps! Entrance is in the rear side of the building.

The cost is \$15 for members, their spouses or significant others. Guests are \$30 per person.

Come out and celebrate our 40 years as a club. It'll be a night of good food, great fellowship and help the Club install its officers and directors. No speeches and maybe a surprise or two!

Make sure to get your reservation to Bruce Bird as soon as possible, and no later than March 19th. Time is running out, so send Bruce your reservation form and check or call him at (609) 585-3257. Use the sign up form attached to this Newsletter. All you Last Minute people can pay up at the March Meeting.

## REGIONAL RAMBLINGS

**Bennington, VT** – When anywhere in Vermont, it's worth the detour to fill up at the Hemmings Motor News Sunoco Station. Besides the fuel, all the Hemmings memorabilia and calendars are available for purchase. Although their museum was closed for the season, a Hemmings Employee was gracious enough to give the Speed-Wagon Editor a tour anyway.



Hemmings Motor News Gas Station

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1969 Chevelle



1910 Buick



Brewster Ford



Unrestored 1932 Ford Pick Up



Model A Roadster Pick Up



1960 Cadillac



Dodge A-100



Stuff in the Museum

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**Daytona, FL** – Ron Dunster was escaping the New Jersey Winter and sent pictures from this show at Ponce Inlet Lighthouse, Daytona, Florida, which was held on February 19th. Looks like some vintage Stock Cars were on hand.



1956 Dodge



Circa 1937 Chevy, judging by the number on the door, it's got a 6 cylinder.



'38 or '39 Ford Coupe...



It's probably safe to assume this Hudson is a Twin H.



and another '38 or '39 Ford, but a Sedan this time. The easy way to tell a '38 from a '39 are the hood side panels, but neither car has them anymore.



Model A Speedster



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1957 Thunderbird Pace Car

**Lambertville, NJ** – Our own Bob Sakson has his artwork on display at the Coryell Gallery, at the Porkyard, in Lambertville. One of his works received some “ink” (is that the right term to use for a watercolorist?) in the weekend section of the newspaper on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. The exhibit is called “Lambertville and the Surrounding Area” and it runs through March 20, 2011.



Robert Sakson's watercolor “River Horse”

This scan from the newspaper isn't doing the work any justice, so go see the exhibit in person! The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 5. Get more info here:

<http://www.coryellgallery.com/>

or call 609-397-0804



## ROBBINSVILLE PARADE

The Robbinsville St. Patrick's Day Parade is scheduled for Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Club members should meet at noon at the Foxmoor Shopping Center, which is at the corner of Route 33 and Washington Boulevard.



## AACA MID-JERSEY REGION CRUISE NIGHT

Our Club will sponsor a Cruise Night at the *Shoppes at Hamilton*. They will be held the second Friday of each month beginning at 5pm starting in April. We'll finalize the details at the March meeting. The dates will be:

April 8, 2011  
May 13, 2011  
June 10, 2011  
July 8, 2011  
August 12, 2011  
Sept 9, 2011  
October 14, 2011

## WRAP UP

Spring is almost here, so charge up your batteries. There has been enough rain to wash away the salt, so it's safe to get the car out for the Robbinsville Parade. Be sure to sign up for the 40th Anniversary Dinner. Thanks to John Tiene for taking the February Meeting Minutes and to Ron & Myrtle Dunster for the Florida pictures.

Carl Christiansen – Editor

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## CLUB BUTTONS

Buttons with our Region's Logo are available. Get yours at the next meeting. The cost is \$3 for 1 button or \$5 for 2 buttons.

