



April 1, 2011



- **Here comes Spring!** Believe it or not spring is just around the corner. We street rodders here in the Northeast have a special challenge with the weather dictating our moves year round. Southerners keep their interest going year round more or less (Ken Bessette just got back from a car show in Myrtle Beach



which had an attendance of 3,000 cars!) and cruise-ins in Florida are more popular in the March weather than the heavy heat of summer. We up here put some of our cars in storage for a few months or forget them for that time or queue ourselves for a winter of a major modification to our cars in preparation for decent weather. As frustrating as it is to not be able to drive for such a long time perhaps we are more apt to appreciate the time we have with our "beloved" cars than those who don't have to put them away for what seems like an eternity. In any case our time is about to arrive as we get our rods ready for emerging back on to the roads with insurance and registration freshly renewed. NSRA is once again ready to present their shows across the nation including York, within reach and of course our local Northeast Street Rod Nationals *plus*. There will be club meetings, cruises and shows to attend once again this summer. We are seriously thinking of a 30 year celebration of CVSR so that is different this year.



- **CVSR Dinner/Party** The annual CVSR Dinner/Party was once again held at the 158 Main Street Restaurant in Jeffersonville. 22 members and spouses attended for a great buffet meal and many awards presented.



Bright Idea Rotating Award from Tim to Harold for his idea to cruise the Scavenger Run.
Bright Idea plaque from Art to Harold for permanent possession.

Awards from Tim:

- To Dan: Get the Lead out Award
- To Bob B: Keep up the Pace Award
- To Larry: Best Exhaust Note Award

To Art: High as a Kite Award
To Ellis: Yoda Award
To Bob L: Bye Bye Bugeye Award
To Dave: Kids Out for Ice Cream Award
To Gary: Host with the Most Award
To Don: Don's Diner Award
To Jan: Hookin' Us Up Award



From Dave S:

To Bob L: Murphy's Oil Soap Award

From Don:

To Tim: The Computer Geek Award
To Larry: First Trophy Award
To Jan and Linda: Most in Love Award
To Bob L: Best in Show
To Stan: Best Place to stand and watch Award
To Bob B: Help! I've Fallen and Can't Get Up Award

From Bob L:

To Tim: Builder's Award

From Art

To Bob B: Settin' the Pace Award
To Bob L: The Cool Move Award
To Tim: The Fever Award
To Jan: The Perseverance Award
To Don: Ya Better Keep It Award



- **April 5 Club Meeting** Our upcoming First Meeting in April will be held at Matt FitzGerald's in Fairfax. We have lots to do! We have to set up club meeting locations for early summer, come up with a Summer Events Committee and decide if when and how to put on a thirty year celebration of the founding of our club.
- **Upcoming Meetings**
April 5 Matt FitzGerald's in Fairfax
April 19 Bob Landry's in Essex

We are looking for places to hold our meetings for at least May and June so please think about hosting the club on one of those four dates.

- **Thirty Year Anniversary** It has been suggested that we ought to have a thirty year anniversary of the club. Our club was established in 1981. Here is the first paragraph from the CVSR History.

In the spring of 1981 Harry Rathburn of Ferrisburg, VT called some of his "Brothers of the Wheel" together every once in awhile to talk cars and cruise around a bit. It didn't take too long for him to see that there was a definite interest in street rods among the group and perhaps he had a good nucleus for the establishment of a street rod club! There was unanimous agreement among the 10 or so guys that lived in the greater Burlington, Vermont area and thus another street rod club was formed!

So with that in mind here are some thoughts (just thinkin') about what we can do.

One day weekend picnic, perhaps with a cruise and/or ice cream run.
Special arrangement of street rods including those of former members.
NSRA street rod inspections and NSRA Appreciation Day
Invite former members of the club from a list that we have.
Invite members of other local clubs.
Have invitees respond so we know how many are coming.
Members bring food; more than the usual since those invited will not bring anything.
Club pay for meat, etc. Big cake and ice cream.
Held at member's home or Airport Park, Sand Bar, etc. Swimming optional.
Prizes awarded, all or only former members eligible to receive. Sponsors?
50-50 Raffle for prizes of auto related items.

So...those are just some of the ideas that we can toss around either as an Events Committee Meeting or as a full club. Please be thinking about other ideas...lots of ideas... to make this event a good one!



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