



**November 1, 2013**

**Thanks Received** A special note of thanks has been received from Jim Knaack, NSRA Northeast Director thanking Harold, Matt and George for serving as gate greeters at this past Northeast Street Rod Nationals *plus*. CVSR thanks you three as well as it indeed took some time from the festivities to serve a few hours for the good of the show.

Frank Sloup, the Event Director also sent a thank-you note to the club thanking us for once again operating the Scavenger Run and the Repair Shop.

**November Meeting** The CVSR November meeting is coming up this **Tuesday November 5**. We will be going to Brian Martin's. His address is **507 Cilley Hill Road, Underhill**. We have never been to Brian's so here are directions to his place: Driving on Route 15 Underhill Flats is just north of Underhill. Cilley Hill Road is just north of Underhill Flats. Cilley Hill Road "tees" onto Route 15 so there is just one way to go off of Route 15, (northwest). Go just a short way up a slight hill and his house, a white ranch is on the right. He will have a sign there so go up his driveway and there will be parking around back and at other areas near the house.

**Voting for Officers** At the last club meeting we nominated Dan, Tim and Art for the offices they have held this past year. However for the first time ever we had no nominations for President. This of course is a very serious matter which could gravely affect the operation of the club. One thought was to have each of the three other officers rotate duties of President on a monthly basis throughout the year.

However...since the meeting when nominations were made Matt FitzGerald has stepped forward and made known that he is willing to run for President. Matt has been a member of the club for many years and active in many of the club events. Our Bylaws specify that we vote for officers by ballot. Since nominations have been made we can simply have write-in votes on the ballots for anyone we want to serve as an officer. Perhaps someone else in the club would also like to run for any one of the offices. He could express his desire at the meeting as well. Let's be thinking about this as we approach the meeting this coming Tuesday.

**OMYA Trip** Thanks to arrangements by George our club was able to cruise to the OMYA stone quarry in Middlebury on Saturday October 19. The company held an Open House on that day which was attended by a great crowd of people. We had many in our group including Harold, George, Stan, Art and Marion, Bob and Gloria and former member Chet Hawkins. Calcium Carbonate in the form of limestone and marble is mined from the quarry, pulverized and distributed to many companies that include it in their products such as paints, paper, vinyl and even tooth paste. The feature of the day was massively huge equipment such as trucks, loaders, drilling rigs as well as the pulverizing stations. We rode on buses down to the quarry level where we talked to geologists and the drilling machine operator. George works for Shelburne Limestone Company which operates the facility so knew as much or more than the guides! OMYA even served a nice lunch. Thank you George for pursuing this event for us.

**VSR Loses a Member** We are sorry to have to announce the passing of Dick DeRagon an active and popular member of the Vermont Street Rodders. Dick had been quite ill for a long time. As part of our Scavenger Run this past September his engraved stone at Bristol which listed him as a Bristol veteran was to be found and given as one of the answers on the questionnaire. Vermont Street Rodders have unfortunately lost four members in the last three years as well as Ken Bessette's sister who passed away recently.



**Flyin' Bob** We almost lost our very own Bob Landry as well! He has renewed his interest in radio controlled

airplanes so much lately that he apparently thought *he too* could fly!! He was up on a ladder which was against his recently acquired motor home Thursday a week ago when the ladder slipped and he came flyin' down on the pavement! He suffered a mild concussion, two broken ribs and lots and lots of scrapes and bruises. He has been to the hospital two or three times and is now pretty well stabilized but as you can imagine not able to do much at all as he has deep bruises and aches all over and can't move much.

### What can we do for Bob?

It is that time of year that we get our cars and equipment ready for storage and put them away for the winter. Bob has a list of things to do but he is unable to do much more than direct traffic. If we can devote some time to working for him on winter-get-ready things it will help him out considerably.

Art will be going over to Bob's Monday and Tuesday as a start and invites anyone else that can get free to join him. Things to do are pretty much common things like put away the compressor from the Repair Shop, remove batteries, fill tanks with gas, move cars, etc. Call Art at 879-7283 this weekend and we will co-ordinate our efforts. Part of a day would help out considerably. I count up about seven members in the club who possibly could help out...

**Club Donation** Our club Treasury is doing pretty well these days so we voted at the last meeting to give a donation of \$200 to the Vermont Food Bank.



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