

THE GREAT LAKES ARCHER



The Newsletter of the Great Lakes Region of the Pierce-Arrow Society



The 2020 Harris Award Winner 1931 Model 43 Sport Phaeton Ted Lee Restored by Ron Blissit

See inside for our report on the 2020 Gathering at Gilmore

A View From the Rumbleseat:

by Bill Morris, Editor

We are pleased to bring you the report from this year's Gathering at Gilmore. The turnout was wonderful in light of all the Covid-19 restrictions. Bravo PAS! Thanks to Dave Stevens for his photos.

Welcome New Members

Jonathan Riley	9163 Weathervane Trl	Galesburg, MI 49053-9777
Martin R.T. Mersch	5833 N. Kenneth Ave.	Chicago, IL 60646-5909

Following the Arrow:

by Jane Barclay, GLR Regional Director

Hello Great Lakes Members!!

My sincere "Thanks" to Dave and Diana Stevens for the lovely 17th Annual Gathering at the Gilmore this past August 23rd. There was a nice show of support for the Region and the Museum, with our members and friends from other regions making this quite an enjoyable day. Curtiss Pool held the Museum store event, Wilma and Bill Morris provided the ballot/judging portion and the parking, while Diana had a fun picnic box lunch for all participants on top of all her regular Gathering registration duties. Again "Thank You" to all of you that helped to ensure a wonderful event. Lucky for us, the weather was in our favor as well.

Mark your calendars for the 18th Annual Gathering at Gilmore, August 27-29, 2021.

The PAS President has requested that we consider hosting an Annual PAS Meet at the Gilmore in 2024. As mentioned during the GAG/GLR meeting, I am open to thoughts and ideas from our GLR members; please reach out to me with your ideas. Several GLR members spoke to me about this possibility and I thank them for their input. We as a Region would need to commit to this event as a whole, therefore it will take a committed group of GLR members to make this decision.

After a cancelled 2020 Spring Fling, we hope that the pandemic situation will allow us to host a 2021 Spring Fling in Ann Arbor, MI. Hotels and meal venues are not taking reservations as of yet. I have been in contact with the Ann Arbor venues and will continue to work to coordinate a fun 2021 Spring Fling.

The 2021 National PAS meet will be held June 8-12, 2021 in Lancaster, PA. We hope to see you there. Hotel reservations are available, please use this link in order to secure a hotel room for this National Meet: https://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/L/LNSWVDT-PAS-20210605/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

The PAS Board Election is coming up this fall. You should be receiving your ballot in October. We have 3 GLR members up for re-election. **Please support our regional members in this election: Stu Blair, Dave Stevens and myself.** A promising sign for the future of PAS is candidate, Sean McNew. He is a younger member that drove from Southern California to the Buffalo meet in 2015. Input and active participation by young members is most important for the future of PAS.

Keep Following the Arrow!

Jane Mann Barclay

A Very Different But FUN Affair

The usual touring days were ruled out by Covid-19. The lunches, the dinners, many interesting stops along beautiful West Michigan byways and the traditional Awards Luncheon in the Pierce-Arrow Museum building were cancelled out one by one. All of the terrific plans we had for 2020 are pushed out to 2021. The only viable alternative left to us was 'Plan C', a Covid adaptable event. One helpful advantage that we had was that we had no contracts which would negatively affect the Pierce-Arrow Society in any way. Also we wanted to maintain our spot on the Gilmore Car Museum calendar for future years. A bare minimum and safe plan was developed.

About 30 people arrived early to do a 70 mile "on your own" Saturday scenic drive around lakes on low traffic country roads with the only stop being the Gilmore car Museum.



A beautiful view of Gun Lake was part of our tour

Mask use and social distancing was required in all buildings and occupancy numbers are limited. The Pierce-Arrow Museum has been limited to only 12 people at a time since our opening June 19. Separate buildings on the campus are surrounded by lots of beautiful grounds and the weather cooperated. No large group meals were possible, but outside service was available at Gilmore's beautifully restored "George & Sally's Diner". Unfortunately no group dinner was possible. Participants had dinner on their own at Covid compliant restaurants near Plainwell.



Sunday's weather for the Show was warm and sunny with a moderate breeze adding to the safety of social distancing. Turnout far exceeded expectations with 58 people registered from 14 states including the East, West and Gulf coasts. The assortment of vehicles included 12 Pierce-Arrow motorcars, a Pierce bicycle and a Travelodge.

While most of the vehicles were from the Midwest there were 3 that traveled a long way. Jane Smith's bicycle and Merlin Smith's 1601 Sedan came from Louisiana. Ted Lee brought his beautiful 1931 Model 43 Phaeton from Texas, a recent restoration masterfully done by noted PAS member Ron Blissit who also attended. Box lunches were enjoyed by the attendees following the casual Award presentations.

There usually are 3 classes and awards for each. Anticipating only a handful of cars, only 4 trophies were ordered. Everyone who brought a vehicle really deserves recognition for bringing out their Pierce vehicles. Thanks to Rob & Christine Bork, Greg Long, Will & Sue Pugsley, Jon Reus, Mary Slankard, Merlin & Jane Smith, Dave & Diana Stevens and the Award winners below for showing their Pierce vehicles despite the difficult situation. A special thanks to all who attended and made the event a success. Kudos also to Curtiss Pool for handling sales of 2021 Calendars and other P-A fundraisers to both attendees and the public.

The PAS Gathering at Gilmore Award Winners are determined from votes by the event Registrants except for the Director's Award selected by the Museum Director and Trustees for its special interest for P-A history.

1st Place 'HARRIS' Award	Ted Lee	1931 43 Phaeton
2nd Place	Terry & Rita Ernest	1913 48-B 7 Passenger Touring
3rd Place	Roy & Martha Foreman	1930 Model A Limousine
Director's Choice	Ken & Marianna Staples	1937 Travelodge A

**Save the Dates for the 18th Annual PAS Gathering at Gilmore
August 27-29, 2021**

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2021 Hotel Information: Comfort Inn
622 Allegan St.
Plainwell, MI 49080
(269) 685-9891
Ask for "Pierce-Arrow" Group
Primary room nights are 8/26 to 8/29





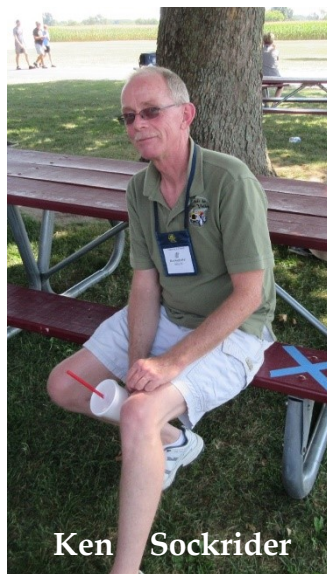
Cars on Display



on Show Day



Stu Blair



Ken Sockrider



Bill Parfet stopped by for a visit with Dave



Diana Stevens



Mark Mc Gaw



Upper Right: Ken and Marianne Staples

Lower Right: Al and Mary Zamba and your Editor



Greg Long, Tom Richardson and Tim Post



Looks Like Merlin Stopped for Ice Cream!



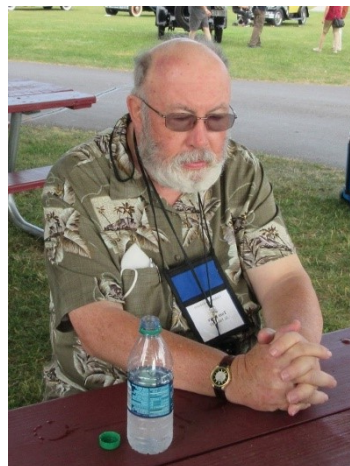
Someone got out and got under!



Mary Zamba and Rita Ernest



Oh, It's Greg.
What a surprise!



Left: Tom Brace
Above: Gary Schlimgen



Merlin Smith and
Randy Roberson



Ted Lee

Ron Blissit



Dan Lee Roy Foreman Bob Andrews



Curtiss Pool
Mans the Booth



Director Jane & Dave Barclay w Dexter



Greg Long & Ron Blissit



Rob and Chris Bork



Above Left: Glenn and Christi Wengerd



Above: Wilma Hunter and Marsha Mahan



Left: Cat R. Pillar



Randy Roberson





Left:
Jane
Smith
Barb
Smith
Duane
Wesche

Right:
Skippy
And Dan
Davis



The Arkansas Travellers: Lisa Chaffin
Heather Rodgers, Roger, Cygnet and Mike Bise



Scott and



Will Pugsley

Ahhh! The Open Road in a Pierce!



Wilma Rides with Terry
And Rita





**Harris Award and 1st Place
1931 Model 43 Sport Phaeton
Ted Lee (Left)
Restorer Ron Blissit (Right)**



**2nd Place
1913 Model 48-B 7P Touring
Terry and Rita Ernest**



**3rd Place
1930 Model A EDL
Roy and Martha
Foreman**





**Director's Award
1937 Travelodge Model A
Ken and Marianna Staples**

**Other Vehicles Attending:
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Greg Long's 1925 Series 80 Touring

Jane Smith's 1935 Boy's Bicycle



**Bob Bork's
1926 Series 80 Runabout**



**Ken Sockrider's
1926 Series 80 Town Car**



**George and Mary Slankard's
1926 Series 80 Opera Coupe**



**Jon Reus's
1931 Model 43 Rumble Seat Coupe**



**Dave and Diana Stevens
1933 1247 EDL**



**Will Pugsley's
1934 836A Sedan**



**Merlin and Jane Smith's
1936 1601 Sedan**



**Dave and Diana Stevens
1936 1601 5P Sedan**

We'll Have More Fun In '21!

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**For
HERSHEY
2021**

June 8-12

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OR INFORMATION CONTACT: krouchs@msn.com or call 717-576-7241

2020 Great Lakes Region Pierce-Arrow Calendar

Sept.19-20 Indianapolis, IN Connor Prairie Car Show & Events, CCCA Indiana Region

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL DIRECTOR - Jane Barclay - (773) 771-9326

Call your Area Coordinator or Dave Stevens with event ideas or events to add!

ILLINOIS-WI Bill Morris - (630) 469-9138

OHIO George Quay - (440) 543-9132

INDIANA Roy Foreman - (219) 942-8138

ONTARIO - Ralph McKittrick- (416) 281-4422

MICHIGAN Curtiss Pool - (248) 585-5805

ACTIVITIES Dave Stevens -NEW #(231) 740-3610

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