

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



Meet Wally Petersen. He's the last remaining Charter Member of the Pierce-Arrow Society and he visited your editor this Fall. Please see the story inside.

Happy Holidays!

To all GLR Members and their families

#### A View From the Rumbleseat:

by Bill Morris, Editor

In this issue we present our visit with Wally Peterson who is the last remaining Charter Member of the PAS. Ken Muellner sent us some photos of his brand new wooden spoke wheels. Also, please find the attached renewal form and the event calendar for 2022. Stay well and stay safe.

## Following the Arrow:

#### by Jane Barclay, GLR Regional Director

#### Hello Great Lakes Members!!

The Holiday Season has arrived, and we hope that all our PAS friends are enjoying the family filled season. Perhaps the weather will allow for a drive in a few Pierce-Arrows this season. The Midwest has been cooperating lately on the weather front and we hope our good fortune continues.

There will be a 2022 Spring Fling in Ann Arbor, MI with the dates of April 21 thru 24, 2022. Our base will be the **Hilton Garden Inn – Ann Arbor, MI**. We have a room block for April 21-24, 2022. Get your room reservations now as they are fully refundable. Our rate block ends March 20, 2022. Our rate is \$129 a night and is held under the GLR, Pierce-Arrow Society. Call the hotel directly to make the reservations: 734-585-0305. Most museums and such as not taking reservations for events until after the new year. More info will be available on the website at: <u>https://www.pierce-arrow.org/members/pas-events/</u> after January 1, 2022.

In Ann Arbor, we will travel to Ypsilanti and visit the Yankee Air Museum, The Firehouse Museum, and the Automotive Heritage/Hudson National Museum. Arrival at the Hilton Garden Inn of Ann Arbor on Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup> for the start of our weekend, with dinner Thursday evening. Friday is a tour to "Hell and Back," for lunch and ice cream in Hell, MI and other local sites. Saturday Ypsilanti and touring, followed by a dinner as a group. We hope to see many of you in Ann Arbor.

If you have not heard, there is a great **PAS Winter Mini-Meet** in San Antonio, TX, Feb. 3-6, 2022, see information below with links to the event or go to the PAS website for links as well.

#### Mark your calendars for these PAS events:

<u>PAS Winter Board Meeting & Mini-Meet</u> – Feb. 3-6, 2022 GLR Spring Fling ~ Ann Arbor, MI – April 21-24, 2022 – Info Coming <u>64th Annual Meet ~ Buellton, CA</u> – June 20-24, 2022 19th Gathering at Gilmore ~ Hickory Corners, MI – August 25-28, 2022 – Info Coming <u>65th Annual Meet ~ Glens Falls, NY</u> – June 19-24, 2023 <u>66th Annual Meet ~ Kalamazoo, MI</u> – August 20-25, 2024

May you all stay healthy, safe and happy this Holiday Season. Our "Thanks" to Bill for another great newsletter!!

Happy Holidays,

Jane Mann Barclay GLR Director

#### Welcome New Members

John Kaforski	400 S Lombard Ave.	Lombard, IL 60148
Meagan Lobzun	1155 Brewery Park Blvd	Detroit, MI 48207
	Suite 240	
Paul Stone	921 E Main St.	Greensburg, IN 47240
Michael Bleisch	620 N. Royston Rd.	Charlotte, MI 48813
Jerry Purtell	1691 N. Garfield Rd.	Linwood, MI 48634
Chuck Carroll	6263 Steinbeck Way	Westerville, OH 43082

#### The Last Charter Member of PAS

## **By Bill Morris**

We recently had a pleasant visit with Wally Petersen who is the last remaining Charter Member of the PAS. Wally lives in Waupaca, Wisconsin and was brought to our house by his daughter Cindy who lives in St. Charles, IL about 20 miles from us.

Wally was the first editor of the "Arrow". He loves to talk about the early days of the Society when he was just a kid who was into hot rods and was helping Vale Faro and his buddy Hulin Cross organize things and get it all running. During that time he was able to acquire a 1931 Model 42 Convertible Coupe which he kept for a number of years. Eventually, he sold the car to Bob Kull in Mattoon, IL who restored it and won the Weis Trophy at the St. Louis Annual Meet in 1994.

We took Wally and Cindy for a nice long ride in our '32 Club Brougham and he was delighted to be able to ride in a Pierce again. The last time he rode in one was also with us at the 2002 Kalamazoo Meet when we had him, his brother and Hu Cross in the back seat of our '31 for a day of touring.



Charter Member Wally Petersen with our '32 Club Brougham Photo by his daughter Cindy

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Wally has been fascinated to watch the development of the Pierce-Arrow Society over the years as it became what it is today. He gave to me his collection of many of the earliest "Arrows" that he edited as well as some of the artwork that went into them. I will make sure that these go to the archives of the Society.

Wally is quite healthy and looks forward to new opportunities to see Pierce-Arrows on the road.



Left to right are Hulin Cross, Paul and Wally Petersen in 2002

Ken Muellner has FINALLY received his rebuilt wheels from the Amish in Ohio. Aren't they gorgeous? Thanks for the photos, Ken!



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# **2022 Great Lakes Region Pierce-Arrow Calendar** *All Events & Dates subject to Covid Cancellation*

Feb. 3-6	San Antonio, <b>TX</b>	<b>PAS Winter Mini-Meet</b> Warm weather, hotel on the Riverwalk. See details on Website & PAS Mail.
April 21-2	4 Ann Arbor, MI	<b>GLR Spring Fling Tour</b> Details & registration will be available on the PAS website after Jan 1. Bring a Pierce or drive modern, but come have some fun with Pierce-Arrow friends visiting museums in Ypsilanti. Reserve now: Hilton Garden Inn-Ann Arbor \$129 under GLR-Pierce-Arrow Society. 734-585-0305
June 3-5	Hickory Corners, MI	<b>CCCA Museum Experience</b> Gilmore Car Museum Driving Tour Tour, Museum Experience Show Sunday, (269) 671-5333. All 1916 or later Pierce-Arrow eligible.
June 12	Cincinnati, <b>OH</b>	Ault Park Concours Call Stu Blair – (513) 340-8370
June 19	Oakbrook, IL	<b>CCCA Father's Day Show</b> Usually well-attended by area GLR members. Call Bill Morris-(630)469-9138
June 19	Grosse Pointe, MI	Eyes on Design Show at Edsel Ford home
June 19-24	4 Buellton, CA	Pierce-Arrow Society Annual Meet
		Northern California wine country and coast visits. Always Great fun for P-A fans. See Society mailings for the details or on the website. Call 619-630-8155 with questions.
July 9	South Bend, IN	<b>Concours at Copshaholm</b> by the Studebaker Museum Contact Pat Slebonick (574) 235-9714
Aug 25-28 Hickory Corners, MI 19th Annual PAS 'Gathering at Gilmore'		
11ug =0 =		Two plus tour days & a Sunday show at the Pierce-Arrow Museum for PAS members & guests. Host Hotel will be <b>Comfort Inn</b> in Plainwell - (269) 685-9891 \$127-\$148 Group Rate. Fun tours, great scenery, car collections, and good food. New & Old favorite venues. Rooms blocked only until July 15 so reserve early! Registration forms with all the other details will be mailed in April & on the PAS website. Questions? Call Dave (231) 740-3610.
Sept.	Detroit, MI	Concours of America New location & date
Oct. 4-7	Hershey, PA	Visit the Pierce-Arrow Tent - C4A 22-23. Also Thursday evening Dinner for PAS members & friends.

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) 469-9138OHIO GeorgINDIANA Roy Foreman - (219) 942-8138ONTARIO -MICHIGAN Curtiss Pool - (248) 585-5805ACTIVITIES

OHIO George Quay - (440) 543-9132 ONTARIO - Ralph McKittrick- (416) 281-4422 ACTIVITIES Dave Stevens -NEW #(231) 740-3610

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# RENEW YOUR DUES, PLEASE! We've attached a renewal form for your convenience.

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