

THE GREAT LAKES ARCHER



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

'Twas the Night Before Christmas....



The Children were nestled all snug in their wee little beds,
While visions of open roads danced in their flat little heads!

A View From the Rumbleseat:

by Bill Morris, Editor

Happy Holidays to all GLR members and families.

There are more interesting photos and an ad courtesy of Frank Laskowski.

Welcome New Members:

Adam and Tami Gordon	6929 Vinton Ave NW	Comstock Park, MI 49321
John and Amy Hansen	4654 Wild Meadow St	Kalamazoo, MI 49048
Chuck Lachman	68681 M51	Paw Paw, MI 49079
Travis LaVine	1349 Beech Road	Nappanee, IN 46550
Morley Ouder Kirk	1865 St Laurent Blvd	Ottawa, ON K1G 6M7
Steven Pelke	1103 Jeanne Ct	Crown Point, IN 46307
Jeffrey Snell	253 West Aurora Rd	Northfield, OH 44067
Robert Swiatek	670 W Dowling Rd	Dowling, MI 49050

Following the Arrow:

Michael Bolitho, GLR Director

We had a few of our members stop by the Pierce-Arrow Society tent in the Chocolate Field at the AACA Fall Swap Meet, Hershey, PA. The variable weather largely cooperated, although Tuesday was warm and humid, Wednesday was a bit wet, and Thursday was much cooler. To prove you can find anything at Hershey I managed to find springs for the door lock on my 1930 Model B sedan when I walked by a random table. Liz Enney organized a great dinner at the Dodge City Steakhouse in Harrisburg on the Wednesday evening. If you are at Hershey, this is an annual event which should not be missed.

We've had an early winter here. The car was buttoned up early with several winter projects on the punch list. As I write this the temperature is about zero degrees Fahrenheit and it is only early December.

Two regional events are being planned for 2026. Stu and Clara Blair have put together a terrific program for the **Spring Fling** in Columbus in late April. We have early registrations. For this event, **please reserve your hotel room early**. The Ohioan Hotel is already sold out of rooms at the \$179 rate and it expects to be full that weekend. If you reserve now, you can cancel before March 31, 2026. Rooms are currently available at a \$189 rate. See details below. We've heard that members would like to see a GLR event in August. As a result, **The Great Gilmore Getaway** is being planned now. Details to follow shortly.

2026 membership is now due. Dues are \$10 for email; \$20 for email and snail mail. Your membership supports the region's events and four excellent issues of the Great Lakes Archer, which is professionally edited by Bill Morris. **NEW: This year, regional dues may be paid when you renew your PAS membership online.** See: <https://pierce-arrow.org/join-us/> Dues payments may also be made with a check payable to GLR-PAS. Please mail to: Diana Stevens GLR-PAS PO Box 309 Whitehall, MI 49461

2026 Events

Mark your calendars for the following events for 2026:

2026 PAS Winter Board Meeting & Mini Meet – Chantilly, Virginia **February 5–8, 2026** Board Meeting: Sunday, February 8. Information at: <https://pierce-arrow.org/2026-winter-board-meeting/>

2026 Great Lakes Region Spring Fling – Columbus, OH, **Thursday April 30 – Sunday May 3, 2026**. Includes tours of a private car collection, a railroad museum, and other events. Details at: <https://pierce-arrow.org/springfling/>

68th Annual PAS National Meet – Carson Valley, NV, **Monday, June 15 – Friday, June 19, 2026**.

Orphan Car Show at the Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI **August 29, 2026**, sponsored by the Pierce-Arrow Foundation/Museum. This weekend is a significant fund-raising event for the Museum to cover running expenses and building expansion after last year's refurbishment, and the support of GLR members is much appreciated. **Volunteers are needed and we would really like to see more Pierce-Arrows out** – please feel free to contact me for details.

August 27 – August 28, 2026: The Great Gilmore Getaway GLR is planning a two-day tour event before the Orphan Car Show. More details will be available early in 2026.

Comments and recommendations, or suggestions for activities are always welcome. If the region is going to host events, we need to know early that members are interested and will attend.

Similarly, if you are aware of antique or classic car shows or events in your area, please send them for the calendar.

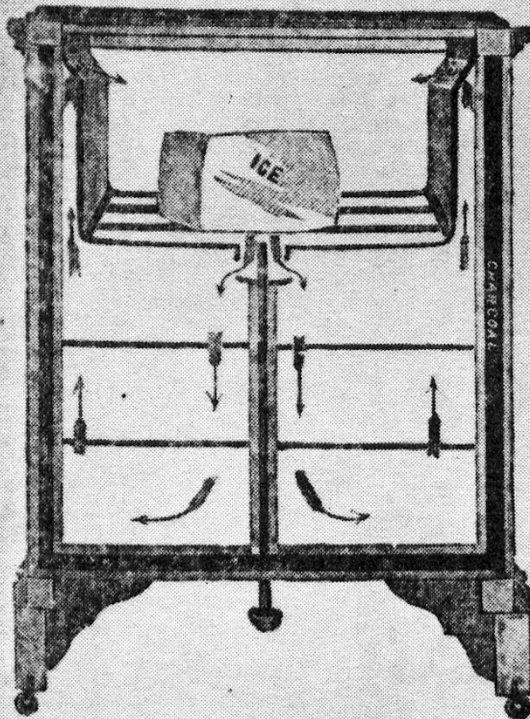
Contact me at mabolitho@sympatico.ca or (343) 576-8742 evenings before 9:00 PM EST.

See you on the road, Michael Bolitho, GLR Region Director

This is Spanky from the "Our Gang" Comedies. We couldn't tell for sure but the label on the hood of the pedal car sure looks like "Pierce-Arrow"



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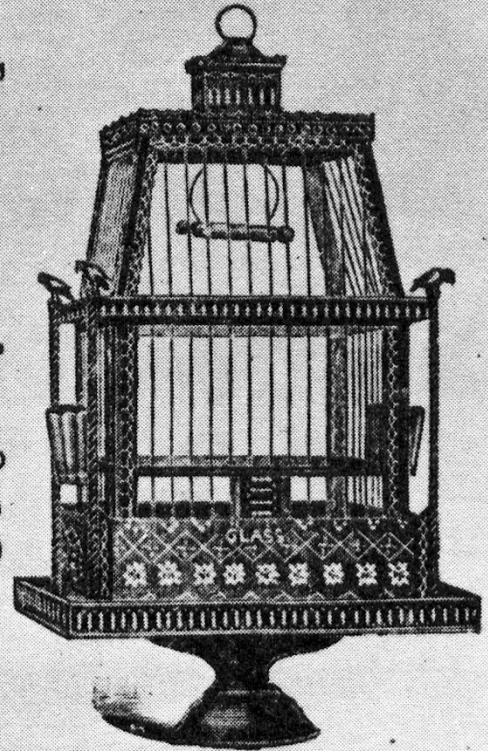
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Frank Laskowski sent us the ad for "refrigerators" and photos of a real live one that matches the ad.



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Call your area Coordinator with any event ideas or events to add

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

Other Areas Michael Bolitho (343) 576-8742 (temporary)

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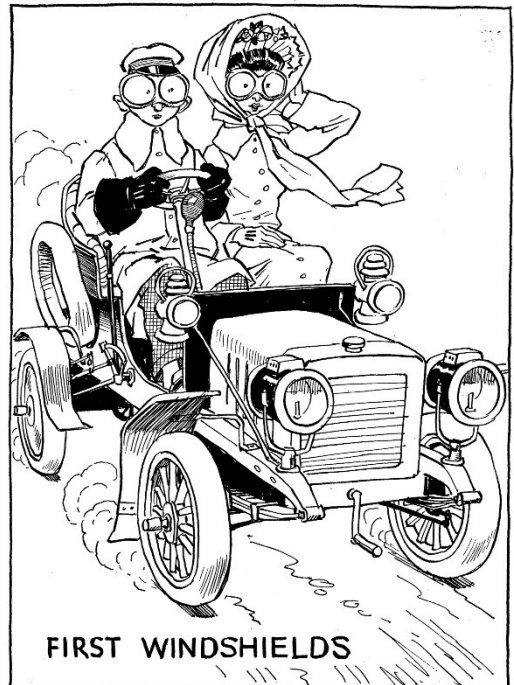
A La Femme



“SNUBBERS”

Here's some humor from 1928 as published by the SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers)

But The Public Really Pioneered



FIRST WINDSHIELDS

2026 Spring Fling

Hosted by PAS
Great Lakes Region

April 30 – May 3

COLUMBUS, OHIO

Mark your
calendars
today!



Join your fellow Pierce-Arrow enthusiasts this spring for a long weekend of cars, friends and classic Ohio charm! Our Great Lakes Region's Spring Fling will take us to vibrant Columbus, Ohio, for four days of touring, discovery, and pure motoring fun.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS & ITINERARY

Thursday, April 30 – Early-Bird Tour

Arrive early and get a jump-start on the fun! We'll begin with a visit to Ohio State University's legendary Horseshoe Stadium setting the tone for an enjoyable weekend

Friday, May 1 – Collections & Classics

Start the day visiting a private automobile collection. Later in the morning we'll enjoy a private tour of the Early Television Museum where early broadcasting technology comes to life. After lunch, we'll explore the Ohio Railway Museum, one of the oldest railway museums in America.

Saturday, May 2 – Culture & Capitol

Enjoy a guided visit to the Ohio Governor's Mansion and Gardens, showcasing one of the state's most elegant residences. Lunch is a treat at Schmidt's Sausage Haus, the famous German Village landmark known for its hearty fare and giant cream puffs! The afternoon features a docent-led tour of the Ohio State Capitol, an architectural gem rich in history and symbolism. The day concludes with dinner and an informative presentation on Ford Motor Company's manufacturing operations in Columbus – an insider's look at local automotive history.

Sunday, May 3 – Visit with PAS members Mark & Angela Hagans

Morning visit to the home of Mark & Angela Hagans, featuring their remarkable collection of original unrestored 1930s treasures; coffee and donuts, then head for home with memories of another unforgettable PAS adventure.

FOR YOUR REGISTRATION: Please send an email with your name, phone and number of guests attending to GLR Director

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