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of the St. Lawrence-Adirondack Region, AACA

### **MARCH 2002**

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## Plans and Events for 2002

Let's get out with the old cars and friends (old and new) and have some fun in 2002. I encourage those who are interested to think about Vintage Clothes for events. Let's get geared up for our club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2003: Think 1950's! **Keitha!** 

**Saturday**, **March 30**: First Tour of the season to Lonnie Backus' in Chipman to view his antique collection. Meet at Floyd Sherman's at 1 pm for the drive to Lonnie's for the 2 pm tour. Following will be a Dutch Treat meal at the newly remodeled River Lanes Bowling in Waddington.

**Saturday**, **April 27**: Tour to Watertown to the Jefferson County Museum where we will get a special showing of the restored Babcock Automobile that was built in Watertown. The Tour leaves from the Ames parking lot in Canton at 12:30 pm for the 2 pm Museum Tour. Dinner at Chappies 50's Diner in Watertown to follow.

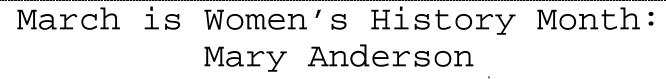
Saturday, May 11: Tentative date for the Club's Spring Banquet; details to follow!

Saturday, June 15: Club picnic, details to follow.

Saturday, July 6: Madrid's Bicentennial Parade and Car Show

Saturday, July 13: 34<sup>th</sup> annual Potsdam car show; Wayne Ackley has offered to host a picnic supper to follow the show at his place.

Sunday, August 18: Club picnic hosted by Bill Mousaw in Colton.



A young lady named Mary Anderson traveling from Alabama to New York City, is credited with inventing the first windshield-clearing device. When Anderson reached the big city, she witnessed drivers constantly stopping their cars and getting out to remove snow and ice from the windshields. Anderson began to draw up plans for a device that could be activated from inside the car to clear the windshield. A patent for a swinging arm with a rubber blade was applied for in 1904. Anderson's device consisted of a lever that could be



operated by the driver. The lever caused a spring-loaded arm with a rubber blade to swing across the windshield and then back again. Although other similar devices had been made, Anderson's actually worked. Once winter was over, the device could easily be removed. Anderson never sold her invention, but by 1913 mechanical windshield wipers were standard equipment on American cars.

**AACA Juniors:** AACA continues to develop resources to attract younger members. Recently the AACA Junior website was opened by National at: <u>http://www.aaca.org/junior/index\_800.htm</u>

**Legislation Memo:** Please contact our New York State Senators to oppose Section 803 of S. 1766, a provision that that would federally fund state scrappage programs for vehicles over 15 years old. Details were included in the February newsletter.

# **2002 Calendar of Events**

#### APRIL 18-21 - SPRING CARLISLE

### MAY

4-5: Rhinebeck Show & Swap19: Burlington, VT - 2nd Annual Vermont Classic Car Show

25-26: Plattsburg, NY - 4th Annual Classic Car Show 31-June 1 - Carlisle All-Ford Nationals

#### JUNE

2: Oneida Lake Region, AACA's annual Show in the Shade at Long Branch Park 8-9: Manchester, VT - 16th Annual Hildene Antique & Classic Car Show 14-16 - Carlisle All-GM Nationals 28-30 - Carlisle All-Truck Nationals

#### JULY

13: 34th Annual Potsdam Antique Car Show
19-21: Syracuse Nationals Car & Truck Show
23-28: Watkins Glen, NY - 9th Annual Birds in the
Glen International Thunderbird Club Convention
26-28 - Summer Carlisle & Carlisle Summer Bike Fest

28-31- Aug 1-2 - AACA Founders Tour, Central WI, Wisconsin Region

#### AUGUST

1-2 - AACA Founders Tour, Central WI, Wisconsin Region

9-11: Stowe Antique & Classic Car Meet15-17 - Special AACA Eastern Division National FallMeet, Purchase NY, Westchester Region23-25 - Corvettes at Carlisle

#### SEPTEMBER

8: Cornwall, Ontario - 2nd Annual Car Show 13-15: Rhinebeck, NY - Eleventh Goodguys East Coast Nationals 13-15: Bennington, VT, Antique Car Show 29-Oct 4 - AACA Reliability Tour, Gettysburg, PA, Gettysburg Region

#### OCTOBER

3-6 - Fall Carlisle9-12- AACA Eastern Division National FallMeet, Hershey, PA

#### St. Lawrence-Adirondack AACA Members

We have been notified by National Headquarters that local club members must belong to National Membership BEFORE they are local members.

"There are several hundred regions and chapters chartered by the Antique Automobile Club of America in the United States and Canada. Regions and their chapters are administered in an autonomous manner holding their own meetings, collecting local dues and conducting runs, meets and other events under the direction of their respective elected officers. Membership in the national Antique Automobile Club of America <u>is a prerequisite</u> to joining the region or chapter."

This cost is only \$26.00 per year (you and spouse) and entitles you to Antique Automobile Magazine, with listings of historical and technical articles and tour accounts. Your dues also automatically allow you membership to the AACA Library and Research Canter, should you so desire the use of. Ownership of an automobile is not a prerequisite to be a member.

We have a handful of people who paid local dues only for us to learn they did not join National. Your officers have applications and we implore you to consider this and clear up the Region's listing with Hershey headquarters. They mail a listing of members and also require a Roster Report by May 1st. Let's keep our Region strong and running smoothly. We urge you to act today.

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