



### **Jeopardy Big Hit at recent meeting ...**

Dennis DeGrave volunteered to provide the entertainment in the name of a 'presentation' for our October meeting. He refused to give any additional details before the meeting began. Indeed it was a surprise. I was expecting a detailed discussion of the proper types of lubricants for old car engines, transmissions, and other areas. Dennis is a whiz at that stuff. Or maybe he was going to share with us some of the techniques he used to restore the gorgeous cars he owns, especially his Corvette and that great Studebaker. But no, he gave us all a surprise by hosting a game of Automotive Jeopardy! Dennis divided the room into two sides, each with a team leader who was assigned as the spokesman with the 'final answer' for their team. Team A was steered by Tom Link and team B was led by Charlie Nash. Dennis projected a real Jeopardy game playboard on the large screen and we read all the categories. Some people felt confident and some were a bit challenged. Nobody expected the kinds of questions that Dennis asked. Some, very few, were easy. Others could only be answered by a professional automotive historian. Our members proved up to the task as some spirited shouting and huddling occurred right away. The Nash team

was winning until the last question when they accepted a double or nothing bet from the Link team. Tom blew them away as he bet it all and won! (Tom took home a Dunkin Donuts gift card). Of course we all leaned a few things but the banter between Charlie and Tom was priceless. We were especially impressed by Tom's performance which was filled with comedic moments that were almost nonstop. He pretty much took over the show and had everyone laughing uncontrollably. I think Dennis got an even better response than he hoped for. As all who were present would agree, this was a fun night for everyone. Dennis should be congratulated for waking us all up and his unprepared henchmen should also be thanked for a job well done. We need more folks to volunteer to host a night of fun or education. Dennis showed us all how. Now it is your turn.

### **Jim Clapham Passes,**

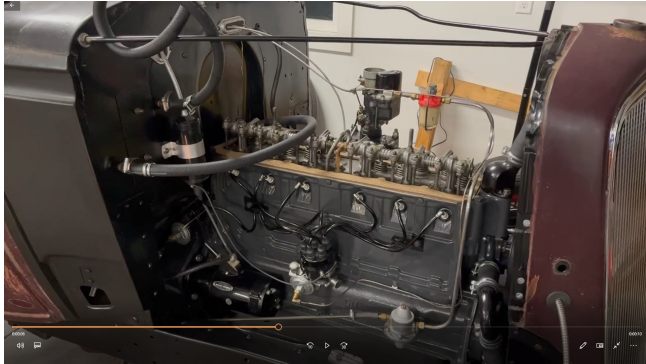
This month we lost another longtime member, Jim Clapham of Westerly, RI. Jim was the brother of highly active member Andy Clapham. Jim had been absent from recent meetings due to declining health. We wish the families of Jim and Andy our sincere condolences.

### **1934 Chevy Master is Running Smooth!**

Seth Paradise checked in with an update on his 1934 Chevy Master project. As you may recall, he took the car apart right down to the frame and is putting it back together piece by piece. Of course he is restoring everything as he goes along. Seth has indicated that he plans to give us a presentation all about his journey into old car restoration. For now he has sent us a video of his smooth running engine, just back from the machine shop where all six cylinders were re-sleeved, new valve seats installed, and numerous other improvements completed. In case you wonder why we don't often see Seth at meetings it is because Tuesday is his night for Chorus of Westerly. Seth is planning on a work-around so he can be with us as soon as possible. I for one am very interested.

The following film is of the working engine

which Seth reinstalled. Notice how clean it is and how not a drop of oil or puff of smoke is escaping. I like that original, thick, cork gasket all ready to to receive the valve cover. This is one smooth running machine. Seth can't predict when it will be back on the road but you can be sure it will run quiet like a brand new car. It reminds me of the 1932 Chevy Confederate that CharlieNash owns. That's another beauty, right down to the bud vases.



**1934 Chevy Master Engine newly restored**

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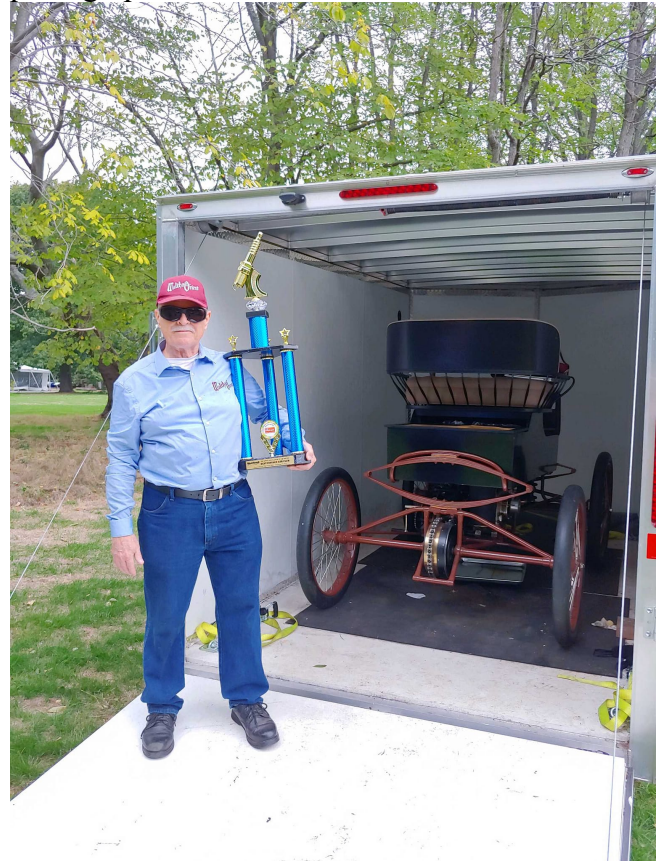
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### **George King Takes Trophy at Waltham,**

The Motorheads Car Show took place on Sunday, September 25. It was held in Waltham, MA, the home of the Metz. We were not at all surprised to hear that the 2022 winner of the Metz Trophy was our very own George King. The car that won the prize for him was his 1901 Waltham Orient that you have received numerous restoration updates about. This is the same car that George displayed at one of our meetings some time ago. Congratulations go out to George and his team who overcame numerous obstacles that included missing pieces for which there is no written or photographic record!



There is George with his trophy and the Metz in the background. I recall a similar photo from a couple years ago when the car was in pieces in the back of a shed just about the same size as this trailer. George has brought it a long way!

## The 2022 Hershey Report , submitted by Bob De Goursey

The ride down to Hershey always offers time for reflection. Thoughts don't just focus on where the next rest stop is (although that has become a more important issue every year!) but my mind constantly works out the choreography of "putting on the show" at Hershey. It reminds me of the classic song by Jackson Browne: "Load Out/Stay", which chronicles all the work, behind the scenes and onstage, that performers must complete to put on the "show". And so Bob and I spent weeks behind the scenes putting together all our wares and the gear that's necessary to display them, preparing for the greatest antique auto parts show in the world.



*Bob's art sometime takes a political bent as seen with this statement on the war in Ukraine*

This year some new faces were with us. Bob's daughter Cathy and son in law Ed as well as friends Keith and Heather Beauchamp provided

wonderful technical and logistical support and, most appreciated, great humor. Hershey is much the same as ever with one exception. Clearly the pandemic and online business have greatly affected the show. Although hundreds of vendors still remain there are many, many unoccupied spaces. Our corner affords us an ideal spot for foot traffic around the stadium and crowds still gathered at our booth. Business was unexpectedly good especially on the only rainy day, go figure? I sold a bunch of CarPartArt and Bob was elated to finally sell his (really) big tires and vintage gas pump, each which weighed a million pounds and had made many, many trips back and forth to Rhode Island in previous years. We also ate well, as usual, with various meats, especially head cheese, that we picked up at Dietrich's market on our trip south. We were also entertained by the usual wonderful array of vintage vehicles passing by our booth.

Many of our old acquaintances stopped buy, some to buy, some to just sit and chat, all well received. Repeat customers have been a mainstay of our business.

Where is Hershey going? For sure the attendance has fallen off. The number of vendors are fewer but the enthusiasm is still high. Much to everyone's chagrin, time marches on, as it always has, things change, Hershey among them, but it still has many years to live on.

Cheers!

Bob D



*This photo probably earned Bob a few new friends! Obviously he was quite successful at selling his specialized antique car part*



*Bob De Goursey has become a specialist at creating art with a welder. These were especially popular this year (see story).*

## Gerry Recommends ... submitted by Gerry Lynn

Gerry informs us that Jay Leno has been discharged from the hospital after suffering serious burns he received during the repair of a steam car. The rest of the story is [HERE](#) or scan QR code seen below.



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