

# THE TOWN CRIER

## Upcoming Meetings

- ◆ **Apr:** No Meeting
- ◆ **May:** Thompson Motor Speedway, Thompson CT, Sat May 14, 9:30 AM
- ◆ **Jun:** Little Compton, RI at the Crooks Sun Jun 12
- ◆ **Jul:** Picnic at Colt State Park, Bristol RI, Sun Jul 17
- ◆ **Aug:** Elm Draught House Cinema tour Millbury MA, Sun Aug 21
- ◆ **Sep:** Weekend on the Cape, Sep 16-18
- ◆ **Oct:** New Bedford Fire Museum, Oct 16

## Travel Photos!

Colonial region members Carlos Heligman and Brian Siplo have been collecting photos of possible future additions to their garages while traveling in Central and South America. See page 3.

## Member's Rides

If you have a recent or favorite photo of your beloved Plymouth (with or without yourself in the photo) email it to Don Palmer or John Russo. If you have any questions about how to do that, please give either of us a call.

## President's Message

Spring has finally arrived and the antiques are starting to make their annual appearance. Shortly after our March meeting, the roads were salted again, so the awakening here will be delayed. Don spent the winter working on antique snowmobiles and tractors. Now he is starting to work on antique lawn mowers . (Much easier to work on than Antique cars.)



Eleven Colonial members stuffed themselves at IOKA Valley Farm on March 20<sup>th</sup>. No one left hungry. Some had individual maple syrup production tours and samples, while many watched a video of a huge machine that cuts, de-foliates and sections trees in a one-man operation designed for commercial wood harvesting .

Our meeting went well and we have planned the meetings and activities for most of the year. NOTE: NO APRIL MEETING

May 14<sup>th</sup> ( Saturday) at the racetrack sounds busy and interesting. BRING YOUR OLD CAR. We will park in the car show and if you'd like... follow the pace car around the track in your old car. WE MUST meet at the Guest Services building at 9:30 sharp. If you are late you are "on-your-own". We must enter as a group to park (cont'd)

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together. Bruce will meet us there and has typed schedules and a map. Meeting will be very short during lunch, and you need to let Bruce know by May 8.

Hope to see a good group of antique Plymouths.  
Judy

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## Secretary's Report

COLONIAL REGION PLYMOUTH CLUB MEETING:  
March 20, 2016

Members present: Crooks, Nichols, Whitmans, Ruops, Russos, Don Palmer

With Judy Whitman presiding over the meeting initially at 12:00 and again at 3:00, she welcomed members.

Weather was on everyone's mind....it appears Bob & Sue Douglas have stolen our winter & snow and taken it to the Cape leaving us with nothing. A motion to get Bob & Sue to move back however did not surface.

The Secretary's Report was accepted with modification to the May event date. Judi Nichols indicated 3 more have sent in membership dues & 7 remain past due. While on the subject of money....Natalie won the 50/50.

Off we went to the 1:00 luncheon at the IOKA Valley Maple Farm and it was very busy with us parking in the rear for the trek up to the buildings including group pictures with no snow on the ground and even short sleeves.

After some fine food we toured and got a 1 on 1 description of the gigantic fully automated Stainless Steel Maple Syrup Processor:



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We returned to the Whitman's & Bruce N. provided info on the May 14 Thompson Speedway event and handout with details of the day. He stressed the importance of calling him by May 8 to insure you and your car were included in plans.

Judy discussed a low effort, non judging, show and parade, and possible judging demonstration for Chrysler Products at the Plymouth, Mass. Town Anniversary in Yr 2020. Judy has been contacted by the town planners and they are looking to fit us in to their multiple events similar to the one we had there in 1993. See their website for more info: <http://www.plymouth400inc.org>

The next meeting will be at the Thompson Speedway on Saturday May 14 at 9:30 AM, since April remains open. The meeting will start at guest services. The Crooks will host the June 12 meeting in Little Compton, RI. On July 17, we have planned to hold a picnic at the Colt State Park in Bristol, RI. August 21 is a tentatively planned event for a tour of the theater in Millbury, MA. Our weekend at the Cape will be September 16-18th. Bruce indicated the Spirit of Shrewsbury Sept 25th Parade is open to the Region members. Car line up is at 12:00 with show kickoff at 1:00. More on this parade at: <http://www.spiritofshrewsbury.org/> The Region must sign up by July1. On October 16 there are tentative plans to visit the oldest firehouse in New Bedford. The future meets may include some Region viewing of a car auction....to be discussed once more info is available.

Respectfully submitted,  
Don Palmer

ps: we missed the Fram clock

## Good Hunting for Old Plymouths in Central and South America

Kathy and I just returned from a trip to Colombia and visited (among other places) the northeastern part of the country (toward the Venezuelan border). We were driving around Bucaramanga and spotted this 1954 Cranbrook. It was for sale, too! There are very few classic cars like this in Colombia because of their strict air pollution requirements. It's been a while since we saw an old Plymouth like this one. Colombia is a beautiful country, and the people we met were so warm and welcoming. We would love to return one day, and continue our lookout for old Plymouths. - Carlos Heligman



I saw this in the small hamlet of San Antonio Mulix at the end of a dead-end one-track road in the Yucatan, Mexico last week. Although it is in really sad shape, I'm surprised it wasn't stripped more—the native Mayan/Mexican folks are VERY poor for the most part and re-purpose EVERYTHING. Perhaps this "X3" (on the passenger door) is an honored relic from a more glorious past? I'm sure it could be anyone's for a few hundred pesos (6 US cents = one peso). - Brian Siplo