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June 12-13 Alice Ramsey Centennial, Buffalo Transportation Pierce-Arrow Museum, Buffalo, NY.

June 12-14 HSR Historics, Watkins Glen, NY

June 14 EuroCar Day Rose Garden Restaurant, Williamsville, NY.

June 19-22 La Belle Macchine d'Italia, Poconos, PA

June 27 Alfisti Picnic during the Vintage Races at Mid-Ohio

July 3-5 IndyCar Race, Watkins Glen, NY

July 12 BBQ Drive Enjoy some barbeque and tractors at the deGlopper residence on Grand Island.

July 15-19 AROC National Convention, Portland, OR

July 16-19 Buffalo Italian Festival

July 18-19 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix

July 19 AACA Lakewood Rod & Gun Tour, Chautauqua County. Picnic on Lake Chautauqua and a tour of the Cummins engine plant.

July 26 World Series of Cars, Bergman Park, Jamestown, NY

August 8 Hemmings Sports & Exotic Car Show, Saratoga Springs, NY. Featuring Alfa Romeo.

August 9 Darwin Martin House Tour, Buffalo, NY

September TBD (3 Days) New York State Driving Tour. See editorial.

September 11-13 SVRA Vintage Races at Watkins Glen

September 12-13 Fairfield County Concours d'Elegance, Westport, CT
Featuring 2 8C 2900's, a 6C 2300, a 8C Competizione, and the BAT 11.

October 3 Fall Drive

November 2 Regular Meeting

December 6 Christmas Party

Chapter Events in bold.

First off, please allow me to apologize for the scattered ramblings and information you are about to read on this page. I have no central theme this week, but many topics I would like to cover. Foremost is the passing of Carmen Pino back in March. Carm contributed in many ways to this club, serving as treasurer, president, rally organizer, and repetitive trivia master. You'd think we all could name Louis Chevrolet's brothers' names by now, but we can't, which is why he kept asking that same question. Carm had set up a non-profit organization to support the arts, music, other cultural events, and the National Kidney Foundation. If you would like to donate, you can find out how by going to the website www.pinofoundation.org.



My two Milanos are still for sale if interested. I plan on doing an engine swap with them soon so I don't have to be the last car in any driving event. Joe Nuchereno's 164 is also for sale. You can find pictures of his car on the Buffalo Craigslist website. Separately, I am looking to borrow *Rendezvous* and *LeMans* on DVD if anyone has them available.

On a personal note, I found out recently that I will be keeping my job with my current employer, but I'm still waiting to find out what new position I'll be in. What it means for you is that I'll be available for the next few months while I await a class date. Nothing like having the Summer off. I've looked over the calendar of events on the front page and see lots of great events I hope to take part in this year.

If I have enough time and find enough people interested, I may try to organize a driving tour of NY State during September. I have an idea about covering the state over a three day period, either right before or after the vintage races at the Glen. The tour would make stops at a few selected points of interest each day. I would like to limit entry to cars 25 years and older, but would make exceptions for Alfas. Any vintage car would be welcome. I also plan on keeping the cost down to actual expenses (hotel rooms, meals, entrance fees for the sites) plus a \$50 donation to a cancer related organization. Does this appeal to any of you? If so, contact me.

And speaking of cancer, my daughter and I will be participating in the Ride for Roswell this June 27th. If interested in contributing to our fund raising efforts, again, contact me. My father recently passed away from mesothelioma, my mother from leukemia, the BAT 11 raises awareness of breast cancer, and the BAT 11 owner's daughter works

locally for the American Cancer Society. Will you please help us find a cure for these diseases?

And finally, I have available some 11"x17" BAT 11 at the Buffalo Transportation Pierce-Arrow Museum event posters. These posters are signed by the BAT 11's owner, Gary Kaberle. These posters are available through me for a suggested minimum donation of \$10 US/\$12 Cdn with the proceeds going to the American Cancer Society. I'll be bringing these posters to all club events until they are sold.



