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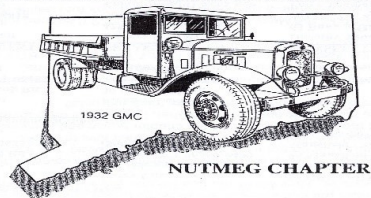
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Next Meeting: July 12, 2020  
Coutu's Truck Country  
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Business Meeting at 2:00 PM



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## PRESIDENT MESSAGE

July/August 2020

I guess I cannot put off any longer writing the President's Message as the Newsletter needs to get to the printers and be mailed soon. In this ever-changing world, a day can make a difference and maybe a day could bring some good news. I will try not to dwell on the Covid-19 and the political unrest in our country. This will only raise our blood pressure and we do not need that. I will try to stay focused on how these current events affect our Chapter.

First of all, we hope our members and their families are well health wise. This is serious, and I think at this point, if we are lucky enough not to be sick, we know some people who are or who have been. I will not bore you with the reminder to wash your hands and wear a mask in public, but I would recommend this would be a good time to ask someone "higher" than any of us to help and guide us through these trying times.

The last normalcy in our Chapter was at our January meeting. It was a beautiful day and we gave out checks to deserving organizations from the profits of our successful 2019 Truck Show. We had up-beat discussion about the coming year and our 2020 Truck Show. Life was Good!

Our March meeting at Matt Pfahl's was cancelled because there was talk that it was not good for older people to gather. Many people were disappointed as visiting Matt's garage is always interesting. Our May meeting was to be at Topland Farms in Roxbury. By then, the State guidelines did not allow for any gatherings for any reason. Believe me, you missed a great place and Dudley missed sharing his collection with you. For the first time ever, our annual Brooklyn Truck Show was cancelled. There are no events planned at the Brooklyn Fair Grounds until future notice and State Law forbids large gatherings like those that we attract at our show. It seemed as though everywhere we turned, life was put on hold in an effort to stop the spread of this virus.

Now for some good news, the Nutmeg Chapter is financially sound and can weather this year without our major fundraiser. Our past officers were very conservative and always planned on having a cushion in case of a bad year. The Brooklyn Fair will hold our deposit for our 2021 Truck Show. And so, we look ahead to our 2021 Truck Show.

As I write this, we are planning to have our July 12 meeting at Rob Coutu's Truck Country. We are within current State guidelines with having a meeting of less than 50 people; but we will have to wear masks and try to maintain our social distance. To avoid any health or legal problems, we will not serve food at this meeting. Rob and Vanessa are very disappointed, as they enjoyed doing the great spread they put out and that everyone enjoyed. We will have pre-packaged cookies and snacks as well as bottled water and soda. If you could bring your own folding chair that would be great, but if you cannot, that is fine. If you are not feeling well, have a fever or are not comfortable attending under these circumstances, please stay home and be safe. We will look forward to seeing you at a future meeting when things return to our old normal.

ATHS National had to cancel the National Truck Show & Convention in Springfield, IL. Because of this first time ever happening, National made the bold decision to have a Virtual Show. There were no direction booklets written on how to do this. They were thrown into the pool and had to learn how to swim then. The results weren't perfect, but it showed what team work can do under adverse circumstances. Many parts of the Virtual Show were a learning experience for the ATHS staff and leaders. As ATHS members, we learned that in the comfort of our homes, we could see what happens at the National Convention & Truck Show. Many of our members have never been to a National Show and maybe they should give it some serious thought for 2021 in Harrisonburg, VA. We should be thankful for their efforts and the long stressful hours they put into making the best of a bad situation.

With all that has gone on in the last few months, I have learned that "communications" are important. Without communication, we don't know what is going on. I tried my best to relay information from National to Nutmeg members with all the fast happening changes that were taking place because of the cancelling of the National event. I hope some got this information and took advantage of it. Maybe some our younger members can invite some our older members over to watch the National Convention & Show on YouTube or the ATHS Website. While older-folks are not fond of computers, I think they would make exception to see 1400 old trucks, interesting seminars and awards presentations. Don't forget the refreshments!

When I was washing the winter dust off my truck, I said to myself: where are you going? There's nothing going on! Maybe a ride just to give it a work out! In our "Events" section there are still some shows that are "on" (as of now) later in the season. Call them before driving the distance.....

Looking forward to seeing you all in July. Stay Well, Stay Healthy!

Don Arnauckas, President

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON July 12, 2020 at Coutu's Truck Country, 1535 West Main Street, Willimantic, CT**  
**Business meeting will be begin at 2PM. Rob says to come early for the 50-cent tour to see all the changes at Coutu's Truck Country! Members are always encouraged to bring their trucks to line up in front of Coutu's. Light refreshments will be provided. Due to CT Guidelines, we must wear masks or face coverings and practice social distancing. Contact Rob at 860-423-6004 or Don at 860-274-4758 if you have any questions. Bring your own chair if you have one handy!**  
**Directions: US Rt. 6 or CT Rt. 66 are good choices if you are coming east or west. Coutu's is located on the west side of Willimantic one-quarter mile north of Rt. 66 or half mile south of US Rt. 6 on CT Rt. 32.**  
**Coming from the north just take Rt. 32 to Willimantic. You will not miss it because there will probably be something interesting out front.**

## **LONG RANGE PLANNING FOR OUR CHAPTER**

### **NUTMEG COMMUNICATIONS**

On the subject of "communications", the Nutmeg Chapter could use some improvement in this area. As I mentioned earlier, these last few months have been a challenge. We have had more changes in plans and information to get out on short notice than ever before. WE NEED TO UPDATE OUR INFORMATION as to how best to reach you in these changing times. When I try to contact members, this is what I have encountered this year:

- Of 170 members, I have 42 e-mail addresses; some come back as undeliverable which means I have incorrect information.

- Some people do not answer their phones

- Some phone numbers are no longer in service

- Some people do not have answering machines

- Some people no longer have landlines, they use cell phones only and we do not have that information

In this day and age, I think we have more than 42 members who have access to e-mail. If you wish not to be contacted, we will honor your choice. We need to work on a "One Call Now" system sooner rather than later; and at the very least, we need to update members information. Research the "One Call Now" system to make it easier for the next President.

### **Membership Chairperson**

We are still looking for a member or (possibly a spouse) to fill the Membership Chairperson position. Duties include the receipt of new member and renewing member applications, updating the current membership roster and getting the membership payments to the Treasurer for deposit into the Chapter's bank account. Some computer experience is helpful but not necessary. The membership chair reports the status of membership at each meeting, and identifies delinquencies to the president. This is an ideal position for the spouse of a member. Tom Bachand, our treasurer, has been doing double-duty for two years and it is time to lighten the load. Please consider this position to maintain our Chapter's goal to remain healthy and growing. Give Tom or Don a call today and discuss your options for this important position.

### **2021-2022 PRESIDENT**

After careful consideration and as I have stated previously, it is my desire to relinquish the position of President of the Nutmeg Chapter. As with Tom, I have been doing double-duty for the past two years and feel it is time to get new blood in the Chapter. I am content being the Editor of your newsletter, if that is your desire. So that being said, we are in search of a President for the upcoming two-year term. We need someone with new ideas and new enthusiasm who would like to take on the challenge of leading the Nutmeg Chapter. There are plenty of individuals willing to work with our next president, BUT we need someone to step up and take on this position to maintain a healthy and growing Chapter. Give it some thought; perhaps you may be just that person. Contact any officer to discuss this opportunity.



Since our 2020 Brooklyn Show was cancelled, here is a selection of pictures from the 2019 show. Last year's show had a record number of participants and thanks to Rich Cwirka, we have these excellent photos to enjoy. The entire membership thanks Rich for capturing a Nutmeg memory.













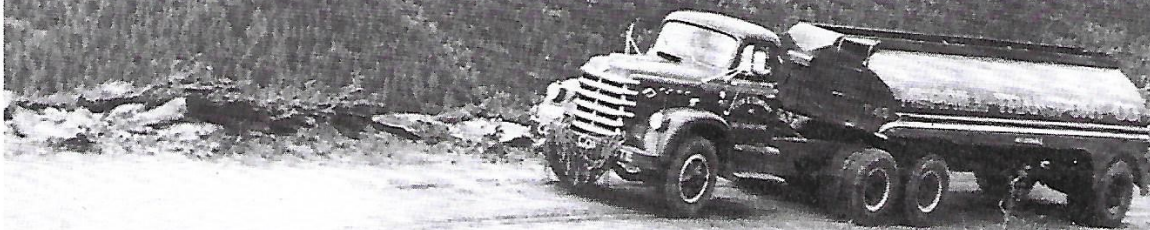








# Operation Nightmare



**H**AULING an annual 500,000 gallons of fuel oil to the summit of New Hampshire's 6500-foot Mt. Washington can't be considered a snap, no matter how you look at it. It must be done at night on a road that twists tortuously, with one hairpin turn and switchback following closely on the heels of the last. Then too, there is the matter of grade; it averages 12%, with occasional stretches as steep as 32%. Finally, there are the wild winds which make the cloud-shrouded peak their special haunt. Month in and month out, the winds average 37 m.p.h. at all hours, and in every calendar month they exceed hurricane velocity—75 m.p.h.

It's no wonder this operation, known as the world's toughest truck run, is called "Operation Nightmare." There isn't an easy inch of the way. Each trip is a contest between the man-truck team and the wind, weather, roads and the mountain itself.

Total elapsed time for the 8-mile run is 2½ hours. In this distance there is a 4700 foot change in elevation. Every foot is gravel, with skids and lack of traction accepted as a part of the scheme of things by the intrepid drivers who make the climb.

The Mt. Washington oil-lift started back in '54 when a new TV station was constructed atop the peak. It posed a problem—how to get the fuel oil up there to power the generator

engines. That's where Merrill Transport Company of Portland, Maine came in.

Merrill had the reputation of being specialists in tough trucking jobs, so naturally they got first crack at tackling New England's dominating pinnacle. They met the challenge head on, tried the mountain's precipitous roads and found them no match for their veteran drivers and their Diamond T's. From that day on Merrill has been the carrier of the fuel that keeps the picture tubes glowing.

Merrill's nerve wracking mountaineering job is even more vital now, for it is on top of frigid, wind-whipped Mt. Washington, in sub-zero temperatures that the Air Force conducts tests on jet engine efficiency. There, too, the Navy tries out new clothing designs and materials. The mountain's crown provides weather conditions comparable to those the two Services would encounter as a part of every day life

should an Arctic war ever have to be fought. The fuel Merrill hauls keeps these vital experiments going.

Paul Merrill, company owner, has used Diamond T's for years. He says, "Diamond T's have the power, durability and built-in ruggedness to handle our tough job. Truck dependability is a must for us, and Diamond T provides it."

Thanks to J. R. Johnson Jr., of Diamond T Truck Sales & Service, Portland, Maine.



Paul E. Merrill

## 2020 ATHS NUTMEG CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Due to current COVID-19 situations, we have made every effort to check the websites or contact individuals concerning the status of the Events listed below. The information listed is based on the information that was available on June 11, 2020. We strongly advise that you check the status of the events BEFORE you make travel plans.

- JUNE 28** ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Annual Truck Show & Flea Market, Brooklyn, CT - **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- July 11 & 12** ATHS Long Island Chapter 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Show, Riverhead, NY - **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- JULY 12** ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Meeting at Rob Coutu's Truck Country in Willimantic, CT. Business meeting at 2 pm. You are encouraged to bring your truck and come early to see what is new at Coutu's Truck Country. Due to CT Covid-19 Guidelines, we must have masks and practice social distancing. Contact Rob Coutu at 860-423-6004 or email at [rjcoutu@coutus.com](mailto:rjcoutu@coutus.com)
- July 18 & 19** Zagray Farm Museum Summer Show & Swap Meet at the Zagray Farm Museum, 544 Amston Rd., Colchester, CT from 7AM to 4PM. Admission \$5; Vendor Spaces \$25. Contact George @ 860-639-1213 or Karl at 860-334-2838. [www.ZagrayFarmMuseum.org](http://www.ZagrayFarmMuseum.org)
- July 18 & 19** Owl's Head Transportation Museum Truck & Tractor Show, Owls Head, Maine (Per the website Museum is closed until further notice)
- July 19** ATCA Uncle Sam Chapter 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Truck Show, Washington County Fairgrounds, Greenwich, NY **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- July 31-Aug 1** 3rd Annual Gear Jammer Magazine Truck Show, Brimfield Winery & Cidery, 35 Main Street, Brimfield, MA. Contact Bob at (508) 212-9998 or find them on Facebook or [www.gearjammermagazine.com](http://www.gearjammermagazine.com)
- July 31-Aug 2** Northeast Rock Busters Diggin' & Dozin' Show - Concord, NH. **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- Aug 1** ATHS Green Mountain Chapter Antique Truck Show, Chester, VT. **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- Aug 6-9** 21<sup>st</sup> Annual National Brockway Truck Show at CNY Living History Center, Cortland, NY. **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- Aug 16** ATCA Mid-Hudson Chapter 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Truck Show - New Paltz, NY **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- Aug 22** ATCA Granite State Chapter Old Truck Meet at Feather Airport, Deering, NH from 8 AM to 4 PM. Please contact Larry Smith at 978-360-4486 for more information.
- Aug 30** ATCA Bay State 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Show at the Bolton Fairgrounds, 3817 Bridge St., Lancaster, MA Sunday Only 8AM to 4 PM. Please note new location. Contact Jen Santucci at 508-768-5997 for more information
- Sept. 6** ATCA Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Truck Show & Flea Market at the Harford Fairgrounds, Harford, PA 8 am to 4 pm. Fun for the family. No truck registration fee.
- SEPT TBA** ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Meeting to be announced at a later date
- Sept 13** ATHS Pine Tree Chapter 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Truck Show, Topsham Fairgrounds, Topsham, Maine. Details to follow (Alternative Rain Date is Sept. 20) Contact Jamie Mason at 207-949-1360
- Sept 19** Annual Friends of Autocar Show & Luncheon, at the Goshen Fire Hall, West Chester, PA. More information will be available later. Contact Ted Goldsborough at 610-667-0629 or 610-529-6931 or [goldsborough@gmail.com](mailto:goldsborough@gmail.com)
- Sept 19-20** ATHS Mohawk Chapter 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Antique Truck Show at Saratoga County Fairgrounds, Ballston Spa, NY. Contact Herb @ 518-424-3083 or Jeff @ 518-371-8881 or visit <https://www.facebook.com/HudsonMohawkATHS>



- Sept 20** **Wishes-on-Wheels Convoy at Rentschler Field**, East Hartford, CT. Truck registration opens at 6:30 am, \$25 registration fee. Convoy leaves at 9:15am. Rain or Shine. Visit [wishesonwheels.com](http://wishesonwheels.com) for further details.
- Sept 27** **ATHS Metro Jersey Truck Show**, Skylands Stadium, 94 Championship Pt., Augusta, NY. Contact Tom Amaducci at 973-687-8833 or George Petrask at 862-241-9237 or [www.vintagetrucksofmetrojersey.org](http://www.vintagetrucksofmetrojersey.org)
- Oct 3 & 4** **Zagray Farm Museum Fall Festival & Swap Meet** at the Zagray Farm Museum, 544 Amston Rd., Colchester, CT from 7AM to 4PM. Admission \$5; Vendor Spaces \$25. Contact George @ 860-639-1213 or Karl at 860-334-2838. [www.ZagrayFarmMuseum.org](http://www.ZagrayFarmMuseum.org)
- Oct 11** **ATHS Pioneer Valley / ATHS Classic White Group**, Westfield Airport, Westfield, MA. More information to follow when it becomes available.
- Oct 17** **Double D Living History Farm Annual Open House**, at Dudley Diebold's, Roxbury, CT **CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19**
- NOV TBA** **ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Annual Thanks Giving Dinner Meeting with election of officers.**

*Disclaimer: This list is compiled from a variety of sources, therefore it is wise to call and confirm dates & locations.*

*We strongly suggest that you verify information before traveling to a listed event.*

*Refer to "WHEELS OF TIME- THE ROUTE GUIDE" for all other ATHS events.*

## The push in aerodynamics continues with other 'new' trucks

Two other vehicle modifications, one from General Motors Corp.'s Detroit Diesel Allison Div. and one from Navistar International, represent the continuing interest by vehicle OEMs in performance improvements. Both are prototypes, and both are being kept relatively quiet, although DDA has put out one press release on its "Phantom" tractor-trailer, and Neil A. Springer, president of Navistar International Corp., did make a passing reference to one of his company's developments.

Springer, speaking at a government-

industry-labor workshop in Nevada in August, divulged that a new aerodynamically improved vehicle was under test in the Southwest. One key benefit of the new design had already become apparent before the formal tests began, he said. "We've come to believe that the significant gains in suppressing splash and spray on heavy vehicles will come from aerodynamic design, and not from add-ons." Navistar's own drivers, he said, in delivering the prototype to the test area, spotted clearly noticeable reductions in splash and spray

when the prototype ran through heavy rainstorms. "We're only beginning to look at it," he said, "but so far it's very promising."

Detroit Diesel, while reluctant to say a whole lot more about its concept vehicle, has announced a fuel-efficiency test in which its futuristic tractor-trailer (see photo) produced a 7.84 mpg average on a 392-mi. trip through Michigan and Indiana, running against a conventional tractor with trailer that racked up 5.68 mpg. DDA acknowledged that the test was not an SAE Type II test, but one that it felt did represent the "real world." Both engines were 300-hp., and each carried 41,000 lb. of cargo. Both tractors had wind deflectors and side fairings, and the GM vehicle carries the division's DDEC electronic controls.

Detroit Diesel is continuing to test the vehicle "throughout the country in the widest possible range of terrain and weather," according to Al Kozel, manager of on-highway marketing.

Among other untypical aspects of the DDA prototype are sharply smaller radiator grille, shrouds on side panels, and extended cab fairings. In the prototype, small television cameras have been mounted on the cab fairings to monitor both sides of the vehicle. Viewing screens are mounted on the dash.

The vehicle was styled by Airodyne Industries Inc., Southfield, Mich. 🚚



*Futuristic DDA tractor-trailer, powered by 300-hp. DDEC (electronically controlled) engine, produced 7.84 mpg in 392-mi. test through Michigan and Indiana.*



## NUTMEG FOR SALE & WANTED SECTION

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**1965 CHEVY C-60 DUMP TRUCK**, 283 V-8 with 4-Speed Trans and 2-Speed Rear End. Needs restoration.

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Many of our members pay their Annual Dues at the Brooklyn Truck Show. **Those who have not paid by August 1, 2020 will be dropped**

**from membership.** We do not want to lose you, so mail your dues today to Tom Bachand at 108 Harrisville Road, Woodstock, CT 06281.



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**Autocar's First Western-Built Unit Comes East**



NEWBURGH, N.Y. — The first Autocar to be assembled at the relocated Autocar plant in Ogden, Utah, has been delivered to J. T. Ross Hauling, Inc., West Haverstraw, N.Y. Assembly was earlier located in Exeter, Pa. The truck is seen at the White Trucks of Newburgh facilities.

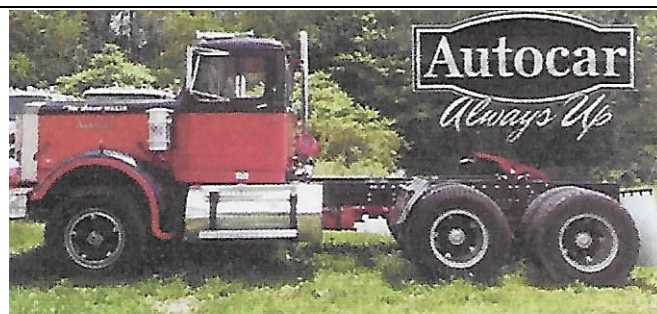
**NUTMEG Chapter Website is ON the ROAD**

The Nutmeg Chapter Website is up and running — Have you checked it out yet?? Now more than ever we need electronic media to keep members and the public informed about the Nutmeg Chapter. AND we need to spread the word to those interested in old trucks, new trucks and trucking history. Check it out today.

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Truck Drawing 2020.**

***Congratulations to the Winner***  
**Nutmeg Member George Fiebe, Patchogue, NY**

**From the Archives**  
**New York Truck Exchange May 1981 Issue**



Don Arnauckas of Oakville, Connecticut, claims his 35-year-old Diamond T is geared just right for 1980 — the truck has a top speed of 55 mph! A 1945 Model 614HS, the truck is equipped with a Hercules CBJXD engine rated at 98 hp, a 5-speed transmission and double reduction rear end. Although Scovill Manufacturing of Waterbury, Connecticut, owned the truck for 30 years, it had only 80,000 miles on it when acquired by Mr. Arnauckas in 1975. He hopes to some day restore the Diamond T to its original operating condition.

***First truck I ever owned & when I sold it I doubled my \$\$.***  
***I wonder where it is now..hope not the scrap yard!***

## FROM THE EDITOR'S LOG BOOK

### **CARES & CONCERNS**

\***Ken Miller & family** wishes to thank everyone so much for the outpouring of sympathy and well wishes during their time of sadness and loss of Daisy - wife, soul mate, Mom, Step-Mom and friend.

\*Our deepest sympathy is extended to **Art and Betty Jay** on the passing of Art's mother. Elizabeth Alice Jay died on May 27 at the age of 104 years. Alice is survived by 3 sons, 10 grandchildren as well as great grandchildren & great-great grandchildren.

\*We extend our deepest sympathy to **Denis Yaworski** on the passing of his 81-year old brother Jimmy who lived in New Jersey. A resident of a nursing home for the past 4 years, he died due to Covid-19.

\*Our thoughts and prayers go out to **Tom and Patty Bachand** who lost several family members and friends to Covid-19. This has been a difficult time for everyone.

\*We extend our **sympathy to Nutmeg Members** who may have lost a friend or family member to the COVID-19 pandemic.

\***Richard Laiho** reports that he is feeling much better, is back to work full-time and looking forward to our July meeting.

\*We send wishes for a speedy recovery to **Lance Dimock** on his upcoming surgery.



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