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Official Newsletter of the Central Indiana Austin-Healey Club

Overdrive

From the President

By Jim Frakes

Happy New Year, another great Healey driving opportunity year! With Conclave Colorado Springs looming in early July, it could be your year for a wonderful driving experience. We hope you participate, whether you ship your car and drive it in the Colorado Mountains, or take advantage of the joint tour being put together by our own Dick Storrs. The event promises to be a lot of fun. The Healey Marque issue has all of the enrollment and schedule of events in it. This month's issue has a great article about driving up Pike's Peak. The article gives several tips on stops not in the tourist brochures, so take a look and see if you think it is a worthwhile trip.

Last month's Overdrive mentioned the news from the Delegates meeting that National AHCA dues would increase. You may have already found that out with your renewal notice, the increase was \$10 for the year. I urge you to please think about what you paid for everything in 1999; cars, food, entertainment, COLTS and even your insurance. Now think about the fact your Austin Healey Club of America has NOT raised annual dues since 1999! During that time, the

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Coming Events

The January business meeting will be on Thursday January 13th at Sahn's Tavern and Cafe in downtown Indianapolis in the historic Gibson Building at 433 North Capitol Avenue. Park in Sahn' private lot. (822-9903)



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Ohio Valley AHC

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Indiana British Car Union

<http://www.ibcu.org>

Marque Matters Blog

<http://www.marquematters.blogs.com/>

AH Club of America

<http://www.healeyclub.org/>

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single most expensive item on the budget is the Healey Marque. Then think of the added value of the Healey Marque; from 34 pages to 40 pages, from 50% color to 100% color, and, in my opinion, an addition of a world class editor with a fantastic Healey Heritage himself, Reid Trummel. Let's also not forget the various postage increases. Yes, the dues increase for 2011, \$10 per year, authorized at the National Delegates meeting in November is large, but it just had to happen. It was put off too long.

Speaking of insurance, this time of the year is a good time to also bring members up to date on what the Healey Club does for you, the members, not just officer's, at local events. Our coverage includes liability for all members at an officially sanctioned event. What events are sanctioned? All scheduled events such as monthly meetings, scheduled driving events, annual shows such as September Round-up and BGAHC Springthing, etc. Questions arise as to when do we notify insurance of an event? We don't, unless the event is held at a venue where we are asked to prove our certificate of liability, and then a request is made. Other than that, the club, through our National AHCA, is insured for liability.

Planning for 2011 will be the main subject at the Meeting this coming Thursday, January 13th. We hope you will join us and contribute to keeping the Central Indiana Austin Healey Club, active, fun and a great social event. Thanks to all who sponsored an event in 2010 and those who attended and assisted in our events. Special thanks to Charlene Gilham for arranging the Art Museum Tour. I certainly learned a lot about Andy Warhol, an American Icon.

From the editor:

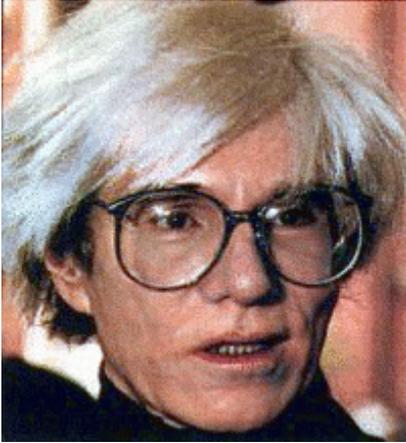
First, many thanks are due Bob Haskell for his effort over the past couple of years in making the Overdrive an informative and enjoyable read, and especially for faithfully chronicling our many shared road adventures and social gatherings. Please be sure to thank Bob personally next time we are together.

Second, please feel free to share with me any ideas you have for future Overdrive content. I would really appreciate articles, photos from our events, book reviews – anything you have! Well, almost anything!

Bruce G.

Andy Warhol and Madeline Albright meet the CIAHA

On December 4th, the club was invited to tour of a special exhibit, “Andy Warhol Enterprises”, at the Indianapolis Museum of Art led by club member and IMA Docent, Charlene Gilham. Joining her were Jim and Bev Bush, Bob and Melanie Haskell, Roy Bowman and son Blake, Michael and Rita Goldenberg, Norm and Suzie Shoppenhorst, Jim Frakes, Dick Storrs, and Bruce Gilham.



The exhibit, “Andy Warhol Enterprises” was inspired by the name of the corporation Warhol formed in 1957 to manage his business ventures and explores his fascination with money, his devotion to commercial products, his work life and business endeavors, and his portraits, ranging from commissioned works to examples of the careful packaging of his own image.

Before turning to Pop Art, in 1959 Andy Warhol was the most highly paid commercial artist in New York. The exhibit included more than one hundred of Warhol’s works in a wide range of media, including paintings, drawings, sculpture, film and video. Through out his career Warhol strove to cultivate and control his own image in a kind of instinctual self-promotion that preceded the concept of “branding”.

Charlene engaged us in her tour by passing out quotes of Andy’s for our group members to read as we encountered his work, including:

“Once you see Pop (art) you can’t see America in the same way”

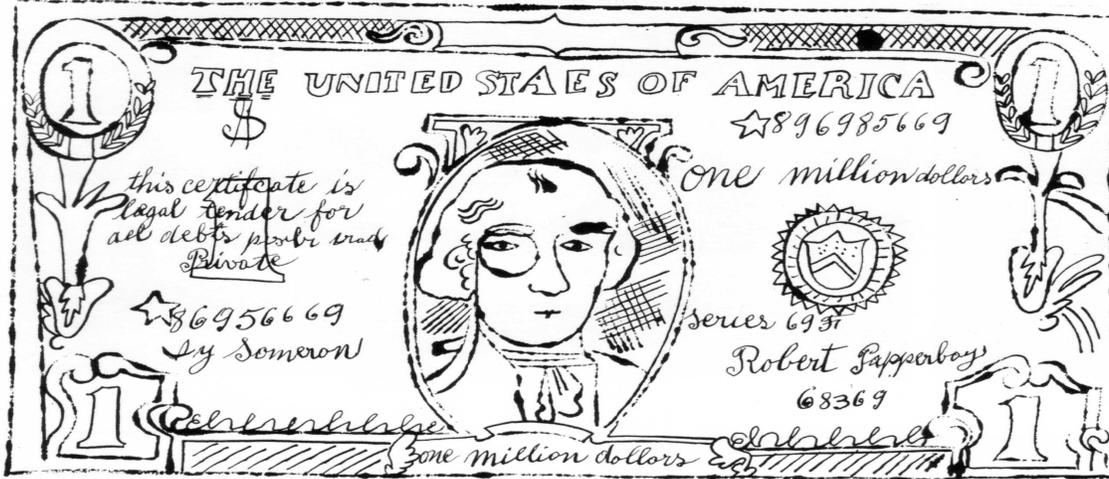
“I always say, One’s company, two’s a crowd, and three’s a party”.

“Capture the moment, it is always changing”

“I paint pictures of myself to remind me I’m still around”

“Making money is art, working is art, and good business is the best art”

“Everyone will have fifteen minutes of fame”



In Andy's mind, every social encounter was an opportunity for artistic inspiration and business cultivation. Although he predicted 15 minutes of fame for everyone, for Andy it lasted 25 years. Some believe that Pablo Picasso was the most important artist in the first half of the 20th Century, and Andy Warhol was the most important artist in the second half of the 20th Century. Not exactly a starving artist, when Andy died at age 58 from a medical error after a routine gall bladder surgery, he was worth over \$220 million.

As a bonus, we also toured the Madeleine Albright exhibit, "Read My Pins". Former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, and the first female Secretary of State, Madeleine became known for wearing pins as a diplomatic tool. Her "pins with an attitude" as shown here in the photo with Yasser Arafat, sometimes gave a warning – "Be Ware". The exhibit includes over 200 of her pins coupled with photos of historical diplomatic events showing the pins she wore ranging from gold and diamonds to a ceramic pin made by her then five year old daughter, Katie.



Thank you Charlene!

Christmas Party

After fits and starts, our Christmas Party turned out to be a huge success. A chilly, snowy evening set the stage for warm company, tasty hors d'oeuvre, a great meal, and yummy deserts. We were grateful Jim Frakes was able to arrange a last minute venue in the office space next to his business. We are especially thankful for the extra efforts of the Frakes, Haskells, and Switzers for making our party a success.

Attending this year were: Randy and Janet Belden, Steve and Martha Berenyi, Roy Bowman, David Broyles, Dick and Ruth Buis, Jim and Sandi Burck, Jim and Bev Bush, Bill Coan and friend Sandy, Jim and Karen Frakes, Bruce and Charlene Gilham, Michael and Rita Goldenberg, Bob and Melanie Haskell, Paul Imel and Kay Goldsberry, John and Kathi Mann, Steve and Shelia Martin, Craig and Sue Rice, Norm and Suzy Shoppenhorst, Dick and Sherry Storrs, Jim and Jo Switzer, and Bruce and Barbara Watson.

Thanks to the generosity of our club, Sue Rice had a good amount of food and sundries to take to the Widow's Barrel Food Pantry run by the West Newton Worship and Youth Center.



The Chinese gift exchange was lively and ended with smiles for most gifters and takers!

2011 Calendar of Events

January

- 13th - Business Meeting at Sahm's Tavern and Cafe

February

- 22nd - Daytona Party / Business Meeting
- 27th - All British Swap Meet & Auto Jumble - Chicago

March

- 10th - Business Meeting

April

- 14th - Business Meeting
- SpringClean - TBA
- CHIA Spring Road Rally - TBA

May

- 12th - Business Meeting
- NIAHC Spring Tune-Up - TBA
- 19th – 22nd - Bluegrass SpringThing 2011
- 20th-22nd - Carlisle, Pennsylvania Import Car Show & Kit Nationals
- 28th - Indy 500 Party

June

- 3rd -4th - 27th Annual British Bash (Louisville)
- 5th - Champagne (IL) British Car Festival
- 9th - Business Meeting

July

- 3rd-8th - Conclave 2011 (Colorado Springs)
- 14th - Business Meeting

August

- Encounter (PA) AH Sports and Touring Club - TBA
- Ice Cream Social, Ralley, and Business Meeting - TBA
- Indy British Motor Days - TBA

September

- 8th - Business Meeting
- 10th - Northern Indiana AHC British Car Open Field Day (Lemon Creek, MI)
- September Round Up - TBA

October

- 1st - British Fall Out, Winona Lake
- CIAHC Fall Ralley - TBA
- 29th - Halloween Party and Meeting

November

- 10th Business Meeting

December

- 3rd Christmas Party (tentative date)