



Great Lakes Chapter Volvo Club of America Meeting

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

Tony M's, Lansing, MI

The Great Lakes Chapter of the Volvo Club of America met Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at Tony M's at 6 PM. Present were David Irvine, John and Janet Mendler, Al Bulgrin, Gretta Van Bree, Dave Reidel, Joyce, Jim and Rick Webb.

The treasurer's report was passed out. Currently there is a balance of \$2,382.59. David Irvine asked and was approved to have \$40.00 for refreshments for the Volo event this weekend.

Rick reported he is still trying to delete or merge the old Facebook account. We need to work on getting 100 likes for our Facebook account to give us more accessibility to promote. To like our page, go to: <https://www.facebook.com/greatlakesvolvoclub/> Rick is also advertising events to others and some of them did join us for the 28th Street Metro-cruise.

The Volvos at the Gilmore 6.5 and the Metro Cruise at Betten Imports were both considered to be a success. David used \$40.00 to buy some refreshments to serve at Betten which was a nice touch.

Janet Mendler mentioned that the Algonac Historical Society was nominated for an award. David is a member and has given two lectures on car museums and wooden boats so congratulations to the Historical Society for their State Wide Recognition. Janet will be at the awards ceremony for the Algonac Historical Society this weekend.

This week Sat. the 23rd is the Volo Museum event in conjunction with the Chicago and Wisconsin groups. It appears that only David and Joyce Irvine will represent our club. The Webbs have a conflict.

We discussed getting the "tuners" to become more active with our group. We also discussed being more involved with nearby clubs. It was felt a merger would not be desirable due to distance but invites to our events and vice-versa would be great.

A communication was read by Mr. Irvine from Brent Gustafson about his activities of trying to get various groups together, his travels to Sweden and to the Volvo and Saab Museum among other things. Janet Mendler suggested that Mr. Irvine contact him to see if he is interested in writing an article for the International Travel News.

There was discussion about our spring dust off in late April/early May and Mr. Irvine suggested that we follow up with the Detroit Historical Society about their "Private" collection that they have invited us to see.

In addition, there was some initial discussion about Volvos at the Gilmore VII being a "meet" and to add activities for spouses and other family members who may not be interested in an entire DAY at the museum. Activities in West Michigan will be promoted, including the Miniature Museum that happens to be on the grounds of the Gilmore.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 6 pm at Tony M's in Lansing. If any members wish to get involved with our board, please do not hesitate to contact any of our board members.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20.

Respectfully submitted.

Joyce Webb

OTHER NEWS:

Go to our web site for the most up to date details about upcoming activities, including this weekend's Volvos at Volvo.

<http://www.greatlakesvolvoclub.org>

Here are some recent posting regarding Volvos looking to be adopted...

1. <https://detroit.craigslist.org/okl/cto/d/1990-volvo-240/6300400073.html>

2. My husband has two Volvo 240s for sale. Heartbreaking, but both need engines. The wagon has pristine interior, new Michelins, rear facing seat, has been well cared for and loved by our entire family. The sedan was purchased for parts, etc. from a young man who wasn't able to afford engine repairs.

My husband, Mike Bush, enjoyed doing maintenance and repairs on his wagon for many years, but an engine replacement is too much for him to handle. Tempting to have it done, due to his attachment to the 240, but just not practical at this time.

I, his wife, do not want to scrap them, due to the great condition of them. I know it's hard to find 1991 parts.

Please let us know if you know anyone who can use the 240s. He is asking \$2000 for the pair plus other parts. I can forward photos.

Thank you,

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Volvos at the Volo!

