

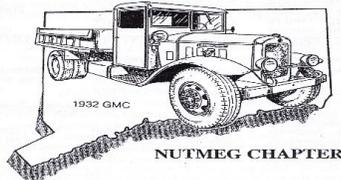
# ATHS NUTMEG CHAPTER STEERING COLUMN

NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2021 – OUR THIRTY- EIGHTH YEAR

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**Next Meeting: NOVEMBER 14, 2021**  
**Haul of Fame Museum**  
**133 Packer Road**  
**Canterbury, CT 06331**  
**Business Meeting at NOON \*\***  
**Dinner following business meeting.**

American Truck Historical Society



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**ATHS Nutmeg Chapter Annual Thanks-Giving Dinner**

**Sunday - November 14, 2021**

**Meeting 12:00 PM      Dinner 2:00 PM      Reservation Deadline is November 1, 2021**

**Haul of Fame Museum**

**133 Packerville Road**

**Canterbury, CT**

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**Menu**

**Garden Salad with Assorted Dressings**

**Steamed Mixed Vegetables**

**Sliced Top Round of Beef with Gravy**

**Sliced Turkey with Gravy and Cranberry Sauce**

**Butter and Chive Smashed Potatoes**

**Warm Rolls and Butter**

**Hot Apple Crisp with Real Whipped Cream**

**Fresh Brewed Coffee and Tea, Lemonade and Ice Tea**

**\*\*\*Deadline Monday, November 1, 2021**

Please make checks payable to: Nutmeg Chapter – ATHS

Mail to: Tom Bachand at 108 Harrisville Rd., Woodstock, CT 06281

E-mail: [tbachand@charter.net](mailto:tbachand@charter.net) or Phone 774-230-3553

**Member & Spouse \$20 each**

**Guest \$26 each**

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|---------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Name _____    | Member                   | <u>    X \$20</u> | \$ _____ |
| Address _____ | Spouse/significant other | <u>    X \$20</u> | \$ _____ |
| Phone _____   | Guest(s)                 | <u>    x \$26</u> | \$ _____ |
|               | TOTAL enclosed           |                   | \$ _____ |

**You may pay your 2021 and/or 2022 Dues at this meeting.**

Please contact Lance Dimock, Membership, if you are uncertain of your current status.

E-mail: [dimolalo@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dimolalo@sbcglobal.net) or Phone 860-643-5224

***Happy Thanksgiving to All Nutmeg Chapter Members and Their Families***

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November-December 2021

Greetings from Woodstock

On September 19<sup>th</sup> of last month, members and guests of our Chapter held its bi-monthly meeting at Toplands Farm in Roxbury, CT. On behalf of our membership, I would like to sincerely thank Dudley for inviting us to his Farm for our meeting, as well as the up-close and personal guided tour of the collection of steam, gas tractors and trucks - a truly world class assembly of equipment. Those members who participated in the tour were very impressed with not only the types of equipment assembled on site but also equally amazed with the knowledge and detailed history Dudley provided us about each piece of equipment as we viewed it- it is nice to see a person take such great pride in his hobby as well as sharing his interest with others. A shout out and thank you to all of our members who attended this meeting. It was nice to have a meeting out in the western part of the state.

A true time for seasonal change. The weather patterns this spring and summer have given all of us many inches of rain along with armies of bugs and flying insects. I will miss the warm days of summer but I'm glad that we will be able to be outside and not have to swat away pests. The mild autumn weather gives us the chance to get our vehicles and property ready for the future. Winter should not be a surprise of what is coming down the road for us weather wise. But somehow, the list of items needing attention continues to grow. Yesterday afternoon, I was playing with my 2-year-old grandson with dump trucks in his sandbox, being with him and living in the moment felt good. Take some time for yourself and enjoy each day.

Our last meeting was very productive. The Board of Directors will be meeting before the annual meeting in November to discuss a number of items as outlined in the minutes of the meeting. As I stated before your voices are important to us. Please reach out to any of the Officers / Directors with suggestions as well as concerns you might have related to the direction of the club.

Stay well!!! Looking forward to seeing you on November 14<sup>th</sup>!!!!!!!

Tom

**ATTENTION: IF there is a pre-addressed envelope in this Newsletter, that is to remind you that your Nutmeg Chapter Dues have not been received as of October 1, 2021. We do not want your Nutmeg membership to lapse. Please send a check in the amount of \$15, payable to Nutmeg Chapter ATHS today. By paying your dues, you continue to support the Nutmeg Chapter and preserve the history of trucks, the trucking industry and its pioneers. Thank you.**

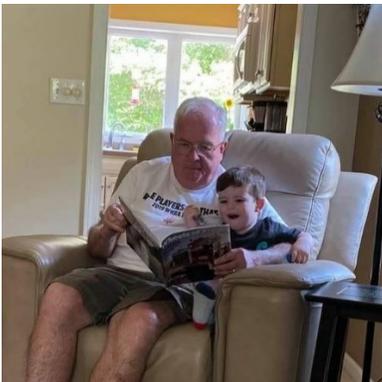
### Directions to Haul of Fame Truck Museum:

**I-395 Exit 29** and go West to Stop Light, Turn Left on Route 12 South

At next Stop Light- turn Right on to Route 14A West. Continue straight through Plainfield, crossing 2 sets of Railroad Tracks.

Bear Left at Stop sign on to Packerville Road which changes to Packer Road. There will be two Stop signs on this road.

It is approx. 3 miles from the Packerville Road Stop sign to the Haul of Fame Museum. Watch for "Willimantic Waste" on the left.



Tom spends an afternoon with grandson Luis reading *Wheels of Time*.

## **Minutes of Nutmeg Chapter Meeting September 19, 2021**

**Call to Order:** Tom Bachand, Nutmeg Chapter President, called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

### **Opening:**

The Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chapter President Tom Bachand. Tom welcomed all to this beautiful location and extended the members' appreciation to Dudley Diebold for inviting the Chapter to Toplands Farm in Roxbury, CT. He told Dudley that the Chapter was looking forward to tour of his extensive tractor collection. This was the Chapter's third attempt to visit Toplands Farm and we had a perfect September afternoon to view his collection. A delicious lunch provided by the Nutmeg Chapter was enjoyed by all and there was an abundance of sweets to round out the meal.

### **Attendance:**

There were 23 members and guests present. Guests included Will Whitman and Greg McKenzie from the Yankee Chapter ATCA and Joe Rogers from Milford. These 3 gentlemen were among the several non-members who spent time at Brooklyn Truck Show helping us out. Also in attendance was Don Groph, a close family friend of the Diebold's. Don Arnauckas introduced the guests and also noted that Bud Hallock, a long-time member of the Chapter and his wife were able to join us today. Don then went around the room and noted those present.

### **Secretary's Report:**

A motion was made to accept the Secretary's Minutes of the July 18, 2021 meeting as they appeared in the Newsletter. The motion was seconded and the members voted unanimously to approve the Minutes. Betty Jay was unable attend today because of distance and Pat Bachand and Kathy Arnauckas will take over her duties for today.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Kevin Bachand, our new Treasurer, was working at a race in Watkins Glen. Tom Bachand gave the Report for July-August 2021:

1. Savings Account- No activity beside interest recorded
2. Regular Account  
Income: 50/50 Raffle, Dues  
Expenses: BTS Graphics & Printing and Newsletter postage.
3. Show Account Activity: All invoices have been paid and any outstanding income has been recorded.

Tom reported that the Chapter was in good financial standing and that Charitable donations will be discussed later in the meeting.

A Motion was made to accept the Treasurers Report for the period July-August 2021. It was seconded and members voted unanimously to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

### **Membership Report:**

Lance Dimock was away on vacation. Lance prepared the following report to be read at the meeting.

Current membership is 166 and we gained 6 members as a result of the Brooklyn Truck Show. At the current time, we have 20 members who have not paid their 2021 dues. Reminders with reply envelopes were sent in the last newsletter and many members responded. Don Arnauckas has been asked to again do this in the next newsletter and a special notice will be included in the Nov-Dec Newsletter to encourage our members to support the Nutmeg Chapter by paying their dues. The majority of the dues are used for the printing and postage of the Newsletter and the cost of unpaid dues related to printing/postage to date is approximately \$280. This factor will be discussed at the next Board of Directors meeting to be held later this fall.

### **Newsletter:** Donald Arnauckas, Editor

The deadline for submissions to the Newsletter will be October 1, 2021. Don encourage anyone to contact him with any stories, articles or ads by that date. Don also informed members of the passing of several members and those are listed in the Cares & Concerns section of the Minutes. It is important that members contact any of the officers when the Cares & Concerns of other members who need our attention.

**Website and Social Media:** See the newsletter for the results of our social media posting.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Boy Scout Payment and Donation** – The Boy Scout Troop was given a check in the amount of \$500 on the day of the truck show. The Board of Directors provides an additional donation that will be voted on and approved at the Annual Meeting in November as has been the practice for at least the past seven years. The Boy Scouts with adult supervision, provide an invaluable service to the Chapter by assisting with parking spectator vehicles. We could not continue without their help.
2. **Annual ThanksGiving Dinner Meeting:** The Chapter has once again contracted Matthews Catering to cater our November Annual Meeting and a \$1,000 non-refundable deposit has been made and a contract signed by Tom. It should be noted that the deposit is good for two years in the event social issues prevent the members from getting together in November. Tom was able to negotiate the minimum

head count down from 80 to 50. Additionally, the cost of the meal has increased from \$20 to \$26 due to increased costs of providing our customary meal. It should be noted that this increase is the first one in seven years. A motion was made and seconded to discuss the meal cost for members in Good Standing (i.e. DUES PAID) as well as guest cost. After a short discussion which included comments regarding the fact that we have not had an increase in 7 years and the service has always been very good, a vote was taken.

**Motion was made** and seconded that the Chapter would continue to subsidize the cost for members and their spouses or significant others in the amount of \$6. The dinner cost will be \$20 for members and their spouses/significant others and guests will pay \$26. The Chapter will pick up the cost of the gratuity of 18% (expected to be in the neighborhood of \$234.00). Those present unanimously approved the motion.

Details of the dinner will be listed in the next newsletter, along with an RSVP date .

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Woodstock Fair** -Tom extended a Thank You to members of the Chapter who took equipment to the 2021 Woodstock Fair as well to the Woodstock Fair for their generous donation to the Nutmeg Chapter for our participation again this year. The \$400 donation will be added to the Membership Account.

**Board of Directors meeting will be held prior to the Annual ThanksGiving Meeting at a time to be announced.** Items to be discussed will include Charitable donations, Membership, Transfer of \$2,200 from the Show Account to the Savings Account; and any other business presented to the Board by members that they wish to have discussed. Members are encouraged to contact Tom with any items they want discussed.

1. **Charitable Donations:** It has been the custom of the Chapter to donate profits from the Truck Show to local charities. Member input is important. If members have any requests for charitable donations to be voted on at the November ThanksGiving Meeting, they should contact any officer or board member as soon as possible after they receive their newsletter and prior to the meeting, so that their request can be included in our list of recipients.
2. **Woodstock Cornet Band:** Calvin Neely outlined a request for an "in-kind" donation to the Woodstock Cornet Band in the amount of \$300 to assist them in obtaining supplies and volunteer labor to gently refresh their 1931 Ford AA antique stage truck that is in dire need of maintaining its appearance. The Woodstock Cornet Band usually performs at the Truck Show, but this year due to distancing issues, they were unable to be there and therefore our usual donation was not made at that time. This \$300 if approved would be in lieu of our usual donation. It was suggested that this be discussed at the Board of Directors meeting and then placed on the agenda for the November 2021 meeting.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. The 50/50 Raffle winner was Peter Yeomans. Peter returned his winnings back to the Club. Thank you Peter!
2. It was noted that Carl St. Jean is a celebrity of sorts. He will make an appearance in the 2020 Hallmark movie "One Royal Holiday." His story will appear in the newsletter!

#### **Future Meetings:**

- November 14, 2021:** Thanksgiving Dinner Meeting at Yaworski's Haul of Fame Museum in Canterbury, CT. Look for details in the next newsletter
- January 9, 2022:** Foskett Equipment, Woodstock, CT. Date to be announced
- March 2022:** Matt Pfahl's Mack & Antique Truck Restoration in Bethlehem, CT. Date to be announced

#### **Cares & Concerns:**

**Sadly the club was notified of the death of two members, Charles Caesar and Kenny Miller.**

**Charles "Chuck" Caesar,** Lance was notified by the family that he passed away in April of this year and worked in trucking all his life. He attended meetings as his work schedule allowed.

Maggie McCormick notified us of the passing of **Kenny Miller** on September 16. Kenny and his wife Daisy were active members of the Chapter almost since inception, in fact Kenny was a founding member of the Nutmeg Chapter, and hosted many meetings at their Broad Brook home. Daisy passed away April 7, 2020. Kenny was a collector of many rare and unusual cars, trucks and tractors. Many members sought Kenny's advice on all matters related to trucks. Harold Foskett spoke of the years of service Kenny gave to the Nutmeg Chapter and a Moment of Silence was held in his honor.

Details about these fine gentlemen will be in the newsletter.

Don Arnauckas updated the membership about **Frank Hale**, another long-time member and owner of a B-61 Mack. Frank is now in assisted living in Yarmouth Maine, and on occasion will get a ride to 'visit' his beloved truck which he can no longer drive. Frank was a former officer in ATHS National.

**Other news:**

Tom was contacted by Raymond Vigeant that he has a collection of Wheels of Time Magazines from 1980 to present that he wishes to give away. You must take the complete set. He also has a large collection of Toy Truck & Contractor that he wants to give away. See the next newsletter for details.

There was no other business to be discussed and everyone was anxious to begin the Tour with Dudley of his wonderful collection of tractors and trucks, the meeting was adjourned.

**Adjournment:** 1:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Arnauckas & Patty Bachand



**NOVEMBER 11, 2021**

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| Don Arnauckas     | Thomas Bachand   | George Beebe       | Ronald Bell      |
| Arnold Briggs     | Leonard Clauson  | Calvin Cobb        | Charles Connors  |
| Richard Cote      | Kevin DallaCorte | Richard Dayton     | John DelBene     |
| Gavin Donnelly    | James Dowd       | Frank Doyker       | Steven Fairfield |
| Frank Hale        | Elton Hallock    | Bob Hassett        | Donald Hurliman  |
| Art Jay           | Frank McLean     | Carl Meissner, Jr. | Peter Merriman   |
| Jeffrey A. Nasuta | Calvin Neely     | John O'Connor      | Elton Palm       |
| Frank Pisano      | Bill Semple      | Dennis Slater      | Mike Slebonick   |
| Richard W. Steele | Roger Tellefsen  | Peter Yeomans      |                  |

*These men, like so many others, took an Oath “to protect and defend” our country. At their young age, they probably didn’t realize they might not come home. While we wait in line to Vote, remember those who gave their lives so we can Vote and have a democratic form of government. Let us not complain about the time we wait in line – they gave years of their time. Let us not complain about getting rained on - they often slept on the ground, wet and hungry. Without these men and others who took the “Oath”, we wouldn’t be living in the greatest country in the world, Land of the Free and Home of the Brave. Thank you for your Service.*

**Nutmeg Chapter Annual Charitable Donations**

As is customary with the Nutmeg Chapter, a large portion of the profits from our Brooklyn Truck Show are donated to many worthy local charities. Since there was no Show in 2020, our donations last year were minimal. Due to the very successful 2021 Show, the Chapter is ready and able to share our profit with others.

Do you have a favorite charity that you would like the Chapter to consider giving a donation to? If so, please contact any officer or at-large member with your suggestion. The deadline for making your suggestion is **October 25, 2021**. The Officers and Board of Directors will be meeting on October 28 and they will be putting together a list of charitable donations for 2021. This list will be discussed and voted on at our November 14 Annual Dinner Meeting.



## Color Me Happy – Book Just Released

**Martha (Maggie) Addington-McCormick** aka Hot Dog Lady announces that her book of poems Color Me Happy has been published and is ready for all to enjoy. Her poems are about family, friends, her customers, holidays and much more.

In her dedication, Maggie writes: “My poetry is dedicated to all those who touch my life. For they are the ones that made it possible. And to my friend, Walt Scadden who told me my poems were book worthy. To everyone, thank you and enjoy.” Congratulations Maggie!

See our For Sale section for details on how you can get your copy.

## Website & Facebook Stats

I believe it is time to update our members on the effectiveness of our Website and Facebook postings. Pete Sears, our webmaster, reports that from August 2020 thru August 2021, Nutmeg Chapter website has had 973 unique visitors, 1200 visits, and 2483 pages reviewed. Our “About Us” and “Upcoming Events” get the most views. Thank you Pete for your prompt attention to our site.

A review of our Facebook page noted that our recent postings (since the Truck Show) showed that 277 saw our meeting notices and that over 400 looked at our postings and overall 1200 have viewed our Facebook Pages. Posting on Facebook is still a learning process for me and thanks to Jonathan for taking the wheel when I cannot!

Any suggestions to improve these media sites that will better market our Chapter are welcome. Contact Kathy or Jonathan with your ideas!



[www.nutmegchapteraths.com](http://www.nutmegchapteraths.com)



[www.facebook.com/nutmegATHS](https://www.facebook.com/nutmegATHS)



## Beware of Scam Emails aka Phishing

A reminder to everyone who uses email: Please disregard and delete any emails that appear to be from officers of the Nutmeg Chapter asking for gift cards for any charitable causes. Our officers would NEVER email any such requests. DO NOT Respond to it! JUST DELETE IT.

## Carl St. Jean is on the Screen!

It seems we have a celebrity in our midst in the person of Nutmeg member, **Carl St. Jean**. It was reported at our recent meeting that Carl was included in the cast of an upcoming Hallmark Movie “A Royal Holiday”. The Hallmark Channel movie was filmed in and around Woodstock and the Woodstock Inn. Carl can be seen driving a 1925 Stutz Fire Engine in this Christmas movie. Carl said that he spent over two days and 18 hours on the set and that his three seconds of stardom cannot be missed. Congratulations Carl, we will be looking for you on the Hallmark Channel.



## A Sneak Peek of the Tractors at Dudley Diebold's



## **In Memory of Kenneth Edmund Miller**

**1943 - 2021**

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Kenneth Miller, a lifetime resident of Broad Brook, CT. He died peacefully at his home on September 16, 2021. Ken was a self-employed mechanic with an avid love of antique vehicles. Kenny, as he is known by many, was predeceased by his loving wife of 46 years, Daisy. He is survived by his loving and devoted son David and daughter Roanda, former wife and close friend Linda Cohen. Ken was a founder of the Nutmeg Chapter of the American Truck Historical Society. Ken and Daisy were active members of the Nutmeg Chapter as well as several clubs including the Antique Truck Clubs of America, and the Dodge Brothers Club. Ken was an active member of the New England Doodlebug Association with Daisy attending all events with him. Ken always had a joke and a smile, he was a man with a generous heart.

Kenny has been through a lot in the past few years, first there was the loss of his barn and many of his antiques when a massive fire caused by a lightning strike destroyed his barn and many of his antique vehicles. There were many health issues for both he and Daisy. The passing of his beloved Daisy in April 2020 surely made it difficult for Ken to carry on. The team of Ken and Daisy are back together again.

Services for were held on September 24, 2021 at the Samuel & Carmon Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family ask that Kenny and Daisy be remembered with donations to the Nutmeg Chapter of the American Truck Historical Society. We extend our deepest sympathy to the Miller family at this difficult time.

### **A Tribute to Ken and Daisy Miller**

written by and given at their funeral by Maggie McCormick

I have known Ken for close to 50 years. He and my husband were friends. Ken has been my mechanic for an old GMC for 25 years. One great thing about Ken is he made garage calls. I would call and tell him what the old GMC was doing and he would show up with his tools in a pail and fix it 2-4-6. He always knew what to do. His knowledge was untouchable. I remember having trouble with spark plugs. A previous mechanic had installed one type that was wrong. Ken said get a set of D-21 Champion plugs and let's see what happens. Well, I've never had a problem since. Also the old GMC was losing vim and vigor. So Ken said install an 8 volt battery instead of the 6 and let's see what happens. Well, that was like a shot of Geritol. It gave the old GMC a great new life ever since. Ken was one of a kind. I will miss him so very much.

He missed Daisy Mae a lot. Household chores were not his expertise or living alone. She was a beautiful friend. We had known each other ever since she was Mrs. Miller. She was smart and loved the old vehicles as much as Ken. She loved her Dodge pickup. She loved auto racing and knew all the driver's, what they drove and their standing. She was a great listener. You could pour out your heart to her without reproach. She came from a big family, She was always helping them out. When we got together there would be joking and laughter no matter how she was feeling. At the last Antique Truck picnic held at their farm, she didn't feel like making her baked beans, one of her signature meals. So we went to Walmart and picked several different flavors of B&M Beans, came home and mixed them together. Everyone raved about them. We looked at each other with a smile and said 'if they only knew'. Daisy loved her family, (Ken, Ronda, Stepson David and his extended family.) She suffered greatly with the loss of Baby Kenny.

Ken & Daisy, thanks for being beautiful friends until journey's end. They introduced my family to Ellington Pizza, Daisy's boiled dinner recipe and the Nutmeg Antique Truck Club (a great Club).  
(Maggie McCormick)

### **Art Jay offered the following memory of Kenny**

Ken leaned over at the Nutmeg Meeting back then and said, "do you want a truck. I have one with a money-back guarantee. I know you are new at this and I think I can help you. If you change your mind after I sell it to you, I will take it back". That was Ken, the Ken that I knew. For as long as we were friends and exchanged conversation, he always wanted to be of help and much more concerned about Betty and me than of himself.

Well, my 48 Federal was purchased in 1993 and the only repair has been a water pump rebuild. He went out of his way to insure that all was OK with the truck and with ourselves and had a great relationship with him and his family over the years. Along life's highway there are very few caring, honest and sincere folks and I surely will remember Ken as topping my list.

### **A memory from Bernice West**

Kenny and Bob were good friends for many years and through their friendship I met him and Daisy. At the club meetings and events I got to know them better and quickly saw how kind and generous they were and how much they did to support the club. Kenny was a founding member of the Nutmeg Chapter. I remember clearly the first beginnings. One day, about 40

years ago, when Bob came home after seeing Kenny, he was very excited because Kenny had told him there was talk about starting an antique truck club.

And that was the beginning of the Nutmeg Chapter of The American Truck Historical Society. Thank you Kenny.

#### **Harold Foskett remembers Kenny**

I first met Ken in 1989 at the Brooklyn Truck Show. He had a C30 or 35 International truck un-restored, all rusty and a sign that said "this is where we start from." Being an International buff, we hit it off quite well.

Kenny was full of helpful information, and a great source for parts. Always a great experience to visit him and Daisy. The Tobacco sheds were full of tractors and parts. Plus all the stuff around the yard!!! Over the years, I have bought and sold him parts, tractors and trucks... Always a great deal!!!

Kenny was a wealth of knowledge, just a great person, always there to help. He helped everyone in the Club, and the Club too. Kenny and Daisy were always active and love to have events at their home. They will be sadly missed.

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#### **Charles A. "Chuck" Caesar III 1950 – 2021**



The members of the Nutmeg Chapter extend their heartfelt sympathy to the family of Charles A. "Chuck" Caesar, III. We were notified by his family that he died on April 7, 2021, at his home in East Hampton. Trucking and Charles went together. He was employed for 40 years by Roncari Industries and Tilcon. He owned his own rig for many years, crossing the country and taught tractor-trailer driving. Chuck not only loved driving trucks, he also had a love for his Harley-Davidson motorcycle on which he spent many happy hours. In addition to being a member of the American Truck Historical Society, and the Nutmeg Chapter, Chuck was a lifetime member of the NRA.

Chuck is survived by his wife of 33 years, Layne McLennan, his son Anthony M. Caesar, stepson Craig E. McLennan and his brother Kenneth N. Caesar of Suffield. At his request there were no services and interment was private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Truck Historical Society. May our friend Charles Rest in Peace.

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#### ***Dedicated to preserving the dynamic history of trucks, the trucking industry, and its pioneers.***

*As you may have noted, the families of Kenny Miller and Charles Caesar have requested that memorial donations be made to the Nutmeg Chapter and to the American Truck Historical Society. This is a testament to these fine gentlemen who's keen interest in antique trucks and the trucking industry was alive and well right up to the end.*

*We thank the Miller and Caesar families for keeping the history of trucking alive for future generations by requesting these memorials to honor their loved ones.*

## OUR VISIT TO TOPLANDS FARM

Dudley Diebold was our guide as we toured five buildings chock full of tractors & other antique machinery.



We will feature more photos in later issues.  
In the meantime, Enjoy the tour on paper!







Don Groph, a family friend of the Diebold's, treated the ladies of the Nutmeg Chapter to a tour of the Roxbury Historical Museum and a tour of the grounds at Toplands Farm. L to R- Cris, Don, Pat, Cynthia & Kathy. Joanne Rooney is behind the camera!

**2021- 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**DISCLAIMER:** This listing has been compiled from a variety of sources. Therefore, it is best to call and double-check the dates and locations of any of these events. You can always check the latest copy of the ATHS Wheels of Time or ATCA's Double Clutch or their websites for more events.

**Please Be Aware that local CDC Guidelines may require Masks & Social Distancing.**

**Nov 14** **ATHS NUTMEG CHAPTER THANKS-GIVING DINNER & MEETING** at **Haul of Fame Museum** in Canterbury, CT. Mathews Catering will serve a delicious dinner. **Business Meeting will begin at 12:00 (Noon).** Dinner will be served following business meeting and no later than 2:00 pm. Payment due to Tom by November 1, 2021. See Page 2 for details.

**Jan 9, 2022** **ATHS NUTMEG CHAPTER MEETING** at **Foskett Equipment** 151 Peake Brook Rd. Woodstock, CT. 06281 Business meeting begins at 2:00 PM. Details to follow in January-February issue.

**March TBA** **ATHS NUTMEG CHAPTER MEETING** at **Pfahl's Antique Truck Restorations**, 73 East St – Route 132, Bethlehem, CT 06751. Meeting at 2:00 PM. See Details in March-April Newsletter.

**NUTMEG FOR SALE & WANTED**

**FOR SALE**



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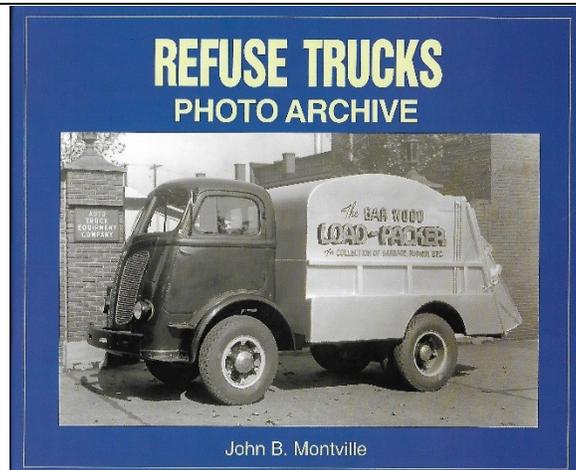
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**CARES & CONCERNS**

\* The members of the Nutmeg chapter extend our deepest sympathies to the family of **Charles Caesar** who died in April and to the family of **Kenny Miller** who died in September. See their obituaries on pages 8 & 9.

\* **Harold Foskett** is diligent about the PT needed to recuperate from his double knee replacement in May. He is doing much better and is back at Foskett Equipment every day.

\* **Jim Dowd "JD"** continues to face medical problems and is homebound. He faces surgery later this month. He likes to keep up on Nutmeg activities. I am sure he would enjoy hearing from fellow members.

\* **Frank Hale** of Yarmouth, ME is living in an assisted living facility. Occasionally he gets to visit his Mack B-61, that is at the Bickford Collection, in Yarmouth.

\* Congratulations to **Tom and Pat Bachand** on the birth of Aleena Ann born August 8. Aleena joins big brother Luis and Tom and Pat will be busy in the days ahead spending time with them.

\* **Harold and Cynthia Foskett** are awaiting the birth of another great-grandson in November. Be sure to keep us posted.

**It is important to Stay In Touch with each other.**

**Please continue to notify Don or Tom if you know of anyone who should be included in our Cares & Concerns!**

Do you have something to sell, a part for your restoration project that you need, or something you want to add to your collection? You can advertise for FREE in our Chapter Newsletter. Deadline for placing your ad is 2 weeks after our meeting. Contact Don at 860-274-4758 or [dwatrans@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dwatrans@sbcglobal.net).

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