



# Shop Manual

August 2025

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## Vice President's Message

Summer is flying by like a fully loaded tractor-trailer on I-95 headed south to other parts of New England. August is almost over, and the antique vehicle shows are in full swing. The first ATCA Granite State truck show to return to the Barrington location was well attended by Pine Tree Chapter truck enthusiasts. Thanks to Clayton Hoak for advertising next month's Topsham show in front of his Brigadier. I didn't participate in the show due to my work schedule, but from the photos on Facebook, it looked like there was great weather to walk around and see all sizes of trucks. We also gained a new member at the Barrington Show. Mark Searway, of Scarborough, wandered into a group of current and former Pine Tree Chapter officers and directors and inquired how he could join the Chapter. After introductions he was escorted to meet the Chapter Treasurer, Jamie Mason. Welcome aboard, Mark.

Doug Wakefield and I attended the ATCA - Bay State Chapter show on August 23 in Bolton, Massachusetts. A few of us gathered there from the Pine Tree State, and it was a great time to hang out with our members from Massachusetts and Maine. There were plenty of shiny Mack trucks, Peterbilts, pickups, and military vehicles. The truck enthusiasts and working people take a lot of pride and polish to keep their trucks looking top-notch, and it showed down in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Pine Tree members have been busy behind the scenes getting ready for our Topsham show on September 14th. A big thank you to Howard Clouston, Clayton Hoak, Peter Mullin, Sandra Gushee, Ron Bisson, and Jamie Mason. Every year, the show has been slowly evolving, and I look forward to the diverse sizes and years of trucks that attend. I hope we have great weather.

On a sad note, since the Owls Head show, we have lost a few cherished members of the Chapter: Lenny Adler, Bob Brann, and Larry Worley. All three were service-minded men in their community, state, and civic duties. Lenny was a firefighter, Bob was a historian with the Windsor Fair, and Larry served in the Army. All three will be missed around old truck circles.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Topsham show, and we will also start planning the fall auction as the hands of time quickly move on the clock. Let's enjoy every moment of summer that we have left for 2025, and don't forget to take your old truck or trucks out for a drive around the countryside with the windows rolled down. *Tom*

## 70 Years and Counting

Long time Chapter members Bob and Mary King celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Congratulations to Bob and Mary for reaching this tremendous milestone!

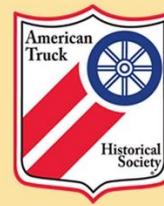
# Antique Truck Show

8th Annual



Food Truck On Site

Pine Tree Chapter



Sunday, September 14, 2025

*Topsham, Maine Fairgrounds*

8:00 Am to 2:00 PM

\$5 Admission

Fairground Swap Meet 6:00 AM to Noon

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**Camping at the Topsham Show** – In mid-August Fairground campers were required to leave the Fairground camping area following a State inspection. The Fairground website currently states -

“Our campground is licensed only for fair-related, agricultural camping—not year-round stays. The recent decision to have campers relocate came directly from state licensing requirements, not as a choice by the Board.” For more or updated information contact: Tom Rhoades [207-241-0404](tel:207-241-0404)

## In Memory Of

Long time Pine Tree Chapter member Leonard "Lenny" Adler of Otisfield ME, passed away on July 10, 2025 at age 80. Lenny's obituary can be found at

<https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/me/otisfield/leonard-john-adler-20035456>

Long time Pine Tree Chapter member Bob Brann of Windsor, ME, passed away on July 23, 2025 at age 75. Bob's obituary can be found at

<https://www.centralmaine.com/2025/07/31/obituaryrobert-sabin-brann-2/>

Long time Pine Tree Chapter member and newsletter contributor Larry Worley (Back Side of Worley's Logbook) of Poland Springs, ME passed away on August 1, 2025 at age 77. At Larry's request there was no obituary. Both Lars Ohman and Sandy Gushee have shared some memories of Larry further in.

## RAMBLINGS.....

I got to thinking, the other night, and that could be dangerous. If I recall correctly, I've belonged to ATHS and ATCA for 43 years. I have been fortunate to meet some real great folks in this hobby, some are still with us, and unfortunately, way too many have gone on to the big truck show in the sky. This issue of THE SHOP MANUAL has way too many notices of those that have passed along

Along the line, some have left a lasting impression, and they are dearly missed. To single out one person for their friendship and knowledge of trucking, engineering, model numbers and an overall devotion to sharing this with others. One comes to mind.... Larry Worley, of Poland, Me. recently passed.....and with this went a vast source of knowledge, and love for trucking and its history. Larry's trucking spanned 60 years for various companies. My time with Larry was with Daryl D. Gushee, of New Gloucester, Me. He worked for Daryl for 11 plus years, and never refused a job or assignment, and hauled in many a non-running truck without a complaint. One job stands out in my mind.

Daryl landed a job from the East Coast to Washington state. It required a series of loads that had to arrive on the West Coast, in order of disassembly, to be reassembled out there. I had never been to Washington State, although I had been to the other 47 states. Daryl put trust in me to drive one of the rigs out there. I ran with another Gushee rig and despite a snow-ice episode we made it on time. We got unloaded, and unfortunately my truck lost a clutch, and that is another story for another day. Larry took my trailer while the clutch replacement was under way, and got my load, then went back with his trailer and got his return load.

I was to run back to the East Coast with Larry, as both loads were going to the same place. We spent a spell coordinating our log books (paper loose leaf logs back then) so we could run together. Running with Larry was a rolling history lesson of America. He knew every inch of the road, and the sights along the way. Truck Stops were chosen for maximum mileage each day, and he knew them all. CB chatter between us, and other truckers was non stop....we all know Larry loved to talk and share his knowledge. The trip went smooth as a smelt, and Larry and I, along with others, shared a great friendship. Unfortunately, medical issues, created by thousands of hours behind the wheel, forced Larry into semi-retirement driving. His zest to share his knowledge did not stop there, and he attended many a truck gathering, always with a good story, and a quantity of "Momma Frog's" cookies for all to enjoy. Be assured, Larry may be gone, but he is up there sharing his knowledge with those gone before us.... RIP Larry.....I'm just 'chuggin on down the road for now.... *Lars*

## 2025 Pine Tree Chapter Dues

If you haven't submitted your 2025 Pine Tree Chapter Dues, please send a check to Treasurer Jamie Mason at 104 Falmouth Road, Falmouth, ME 04105; or bring a check or cash with you to the Pine Tree Chapter Topsham Show at the Topsham Fairgrounds on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Still \$10.00 annually. Thank you.

# Northeast Rockbusters

## Antique Construction Equipment Show

### BORO SAND & STONE CORP.

192 Plain St. North Attleborough MA. 02760

*Note: Show location is on south side of Plain Street across from the concrete plant.*

**September 26th, 27th & 28th 2025**



Admission: \$10.00 daily  
Weekend Pass: \$15.00  
Under age 12 is free!  
Hours: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Daily



*Presented by the Northeast Rockbusters Chapter  
of the Historical Construction Equipment Association  
"a non profit 501 (c)(3) organization"*

For more information contact Ted Valpey at (508) 561-5675; George Santos, Jr at (781) 956-3684; Paul Jenkins at (781) 316-7681; or visit the Rockbusters website ....[www.northeastrockbusters.com](http://www.northeastrockbusters.com)

### Flat Tire Woes - by Charlie Huntington

It's been quite a while since I wrote another chapter of "Charlie's Mishaps" so here it goes! This tale of four flat tires begins on the way to Macungie with the Kenworth & Fruehauf camper trailer. I was on Rt 78 in New Jersey nearing the Pennsylvania border. No sooner did I think how smooth the trip had gone when I heard a tire on the trailer explode. I pulled into a small rest area and assessed which tire it was. I was thinking I might limp on to Macungie but would have to go past a weigh station. I decided that pulling into the TA in Bloomsburg, NJ might be a better idea. The service bay said they would get right on it, all I had to do was turn the rig around and back in. The maneuver actually went quite well despite being right in front of the fuel island with a large audience of pro drivers watching. The young crew was very efficient and soon had my spare on the trailer. Total cost was \$80 with only 50 minutes added to my Garmin's ETA.

Macungie was a great show as always! I hang out with my 2<sup>nd</sup> "family" from the Muncy All International Show. We came back from dinner on Sat night and one of the young fellows in the group told me I had a flat tire on the trailer. I thought at first that he was pulling my leg, but sure enough one of the inner tires was blown out. We sat under the popup for a few minutes and one of the gang asked if I wanted to get the bad tire off the trailer. I thought that was a good idea, so he set off to get the tools. I crawled under the trailer and jacked it up. After that, in true trucker fashion, the rest of the group jumped in. They thought the rim should be installed as a spacer so the tire was dismantled and put back on the trailer. I was able to make it home on 7 tires with no further issues.

The next trailer flat tire happened on the way back from the All IH Show in Muncy, PA. This trip I had the Transtar & Budweiser trailer. I considered running all the way home but decided to stay in Maybrook, NY. When I got north of Hartford, CT the next day, I got flagged by a driver about a flat on that trailer. I pulled over to the sight of the remnants of the tire hanging out of the back of the trailer. I couldn't get any truck road service interested in changing a 900-20 tire with a lock ring rim. I called 911 and they sent an officer who brought me to an off ramp that was actually quite wide. This trailer has single tires on it so there was no chance of running without having all of them inflated! At this point I called a truck buddy in Mass to see if he knew anyone that could help. During this call my battery on my flip phone gave up. Not just a low charge the battery was going to need a replacement.

Fortunately, I had my other phone but not with any truck contacts. I did have Carl Phillips' number and he gave me Clayton Hoak's number. While I waited for Clayton to work his magic, I got the bicycle out of the trailer to scout a better parking spot. Not far away was an old-time motel that had a parking lot out front. They let me pull in there for \$20. Clayton was able to hook me up with Rob Contu (Contu's Truck Country, Willimantic, CT), a fellow antique truck nut, who has a shop about ½ hour from my location. Rob came down with two 900-20 tires that he had mounted on restored rims many years ago. The rims didn't match mine so we got the flat off the trailer and headed back to Rob's shop, where he and his crew quickly switched the tire. We proceeded back to the trailer and put the tire back on. Rob refused any payment for the tires or his time (I did make a donation to his church and his crew). It cost me 7 hours overall but I was back on the road and had made a new friend!

So that's my tale of bravely (foolishly) running many miles with old equipment on old tires. In the beginning of the story, I promised 4 flats – what's the 4<sup>th</sup>? Between these two trips I ran over the head of a torx screw with my bicycle. It looked as if it might have come out of an old board and had rusted so just below the head it came to a very sharp point. I called a local buddy that's rescued me before and he soon arrived in my pickup to bail me out. My parting message is check those date codes on the tires of your equipment!



## Debuting at the Pine Tree Chapter's 2025 Topsham Show.....

Not to steal (all of) Lar's thunder on the debut of his recent acquisition at the Topsham Show...who can identify his new truck?



## Remembering Larry Worley by Sandra Gushee

Larry Elliot Worley was born on April 7, 1948, and he passed away on August 1, 2025 at the age of 77. He leaves behind his wife, Louise, of 53 years; his Sons James and Donald; his Daughter Paula and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

When Larry was not "over the road" as a driver, he would be at his home at Middle Range Pond in Poland Spring, ME. He lived there for over 50 years. He was very proud of his home and family especially of his youngest son Donald, who followed in his father's footsteps as an over-the-road driver.

One of Larry's loves was his "Pop's" 1953 Brockway road tractor. He spent years looking for it and once found he was sure to bring it home. He had great visions of seeing it restored. The truck is now in the hands of Art Chappell (Harrison, ME) and rumored to be undergoing a restoration.

Among Larry's many employers was Daryl D. Gushee, Inc. where he was employed as a driver from 3/1/2004 until his full retirement on 8/10/2015. Larry and Daryl Gushee, whom Larry fondly called "The Skipper", enjoyed over 11 years working together. Larry can be credited for retrieving many of the old trucks Daryl found in back yards and barn yards all across the county. After retirement Larry remained a wonderful friend to the Gushee family.

Larry was a very proud Vietnam War Combat Soldier assigned to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment also known as the Blackhorse Regiment. His tour of duty took place during the 1960's. Larry attended many of the annual reunions held by the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia.

Larry's CB Handle was "Stockcar". Along with trucks and trucking his other huge interest was in auto racing. He spent many hours over the years in the pits at Oxford Plains Speedway on event days and followed NASCAR, rarely missing a race on the TV.

Larry will be missed by many for his stories of the trucks he had the pleasure to drive, folks he met along the way and places he'd driven into or out of during his 60 years on the highways of the US and Canada. He had a remarkable memory for the details and he loved to share his adventures with everyone.

Larry will be buried in a private ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Augusta, ME.

### 17 Years in the Making... Part II



5/30/2008 in my garage



7/20/25 at Owls Head (Tom Hudgins photo)

## Early Compact Pickups

Almost forgotten are the first round of compact pickups set in motion by the importation of the Volkswagen Type 2 single and double cab pickups starting in 1956 or 1957. Chevrolet and Ford followed up in 1961 with the introduction of the Corvaire 95 and Econoline pickups; and Dodge in 1964 with the A-100 pickup. GMC did not offer an early compact pickup.

Each of the vehicles had one, or more, unique features. The Volkswagen's side and rear bedsides folded down providing a flat deck for overwidth and overlength loads. The Corvaire 95, offered in Loadside and Rampside models, had a deep center well and raised back deck due to the engine sitting over the rear axle. The Econoline had an extended five window cab with the engine behind the driver and flat deck bed. The Dodge A-100 was very similar to the Econoline with the corner windows being optional.

### COMPACT PICKUP SPECIFICATIONS

	MAX. PAYLOAD (Lbs.)	LOAD CAPACITY (Cu. Ft.)	FLOOR TO GROUND REAR (In.)	FLOOR TO TOP OF BOX (In.)	TAILGATE OPENING WIDTH (In.)
DODGE A100	2,130	74.0	21.8*	22.4	51.5
CHEVROLET CORVAIRE 95	1,850	82.5	27.3*	15.1/29.1	43.9
FORD ECONOLINE	2,050	73.0	20.8*	22.4	48.4
VOLKSWAGEN	1,764	54.2	38.6**	14.8***	61.8

\*Loaded to max. GVW    \*\*Unloaded.    \*\*\*"Upper Deck" T. G. Height.

Source – 1964 Dodge brochure



1960 Volkswagen Type 2 (Source: Bring A Trailer)



1961 Ford Econoline (Source: Ford brochure)



1964 Dodge A-100 (Source: Dodge brochure)



1963 Corvaire Rampside (TopClassicSale.com)

A January 10, 2025 Slashgear article noted “The Corvair pickup started its career at the top and steadily declined thereafter. From an initial production of over 13,000, by 1965, that number had dwindled to nothing. The curiosity and rarity have made the Corvair pickups interesting to the classic market. Its average used value hovers around \$28,000, and a top sale of \$88,000 signals a healthy, if not outrageous, demand for the unique link in the evolutionary chain of Chevrolet trucks.” Not bad for a truck with an asking price of \$2080.00 in 1961. The other marques may sell for similar money.



This 1965 Dodge A-100 pickup was shown at the Owls Head Transportation Museum at its’ 50th anniversary celebration on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. It featured a non-stock, Hemi.

### 2025 Local and Regional Events

Below is the 2025 event calendar through the end of the season. While I have tried to be accurate my sources may not be. Please verify dates and locations before heading out for the event. Also, please submit additional events you would like to see posted in the newsletter to Clayton Hoak – phone (207) 582-3224 or email [1948reo@roadrunner.com](mailto:1948reo@roadrunner.com). PTC events and additions since the May Shop Manual are in **bold letters**.

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| <b>Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup></b>               | <b>Pine Tree Chapter Topsham Show – Additional details on page 2</b>  |
| <b>Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup></b>               | <b>Cole’s Land Transportation Museum 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Transportation Festival / Touch-A-Truck Event 405 Perry Road, Bangor 11am – 3pm – Registration \$10 – Rain Date Sept 28<sup>th</sup></b> |
| Saturday, September 20 <sup>th</sup>                   | Hudson-Mohawk Chapter- ATHS 35 <sup>th</sup> Annual Truck Show, Saratoga Fairgrounds, Ballston Spa, NY  |
| Saturday, September 20 <sup>th</sup>                   | Nuss Collection Open House, Rochester MN  |
| <b>Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup></b>             | <b>Cole’s Land Transportation Museum Classic Car Show Supporting Veterans 405 Perry Road, Bangor 10am – 2pm – Registration \$10 – Rain Date Sept 21<sup>st</sup></b>                                |
| Sunday, September 21 <sup>st</sup>                     | 27th Trucking for Kids Convoy - Hannaford Corp. Offices, 145 Pleasant Hill Rd, Scarborough, ME 8 am – 3 pm / Touch-a-Truck 10 am – 12 pm / Convoy 12 pm   |
| Fri-Sun, September 26 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup>  | Rockbusters Antique Construction Equipment Show, Boro Sand & Stone Corp., 192 Plain St North, Attleborough, MA 02760 9-4 daily  |
| Weds-Sunday, October 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>  | Fall Carlisle Flea Market, Corral and Auction, Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA  |
| Fri-Saturday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> | Mack Days 2025, Gerhart Equipment. Lititz, PA   |
| Tues-Friday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> | Hershey Swap Meet – AACA Eastern Fall National Meet, Hershey, PA  |
| Sunday, October 19 <sup>th</sup>                       | 51 <sup>st</sup> Annual Ty-Rods Spring Swap Meet, Stafford Springs Speedway, CT   |

## Mack begins production of new Pioneer model – CCJ 8-21-25

The new highway truck, unveiled in April, represents the most significant advancement in Mack's long-haul offerings, combining aerodynamic performance, driver comfort and fuel efficiency, the company said.

"Starting production of the Pioneer at our Lehigh Valley facility is a proud moment for our entire team," said Stephen Roy, President, Mack Trucks. "Our skilled workforce has embraced the advanced manufacturing processes required for this next-generation truck, ensuring every Pioneer that rolls off the line meets Mack's legendary standards for quality and durability."



**Classified Ads** - Classified ads may be sent or called in anytime. They will generally be run twice unless the ad is pulled by the submitter. An ad will be run additional issues at the submitters' request.

**For Sale:** Two - 1948 M15a-20 Studebaker pick-up trucks. 1-ton with side bodies. Both need restoration but have new parts that go with them including 6-cyl. flat head engine (totally rebuilt at a cost of \$4800.00. rebuilt by Hi-Torque, Harpswell, ME, new chrome front bumper, reupholstered seat, new chrome hood nose trim, front wiring harness, new headliner and door panels. \$8000.00 for everything. Contact Bob King at 207-443-5927 (is selling for a friend).

**Wanted:** Exhaust manifold for 4-71 Detroit; must be center dump. Call or text Frank Betts at 207-431-7557

**For Sale:** CASE 750-B shovel dozer, 4-cylinder CASE diesel, three shank ripper (never been in ledge) powershift transmission, soft cab, good undercarriage (does not throw tracks). Was running 9/29/24. Call for details; pricing, availability evenings..... Lars (207-375-6515) or Email : [peckapohl@roadrunner.com](mailto:peckapohl@roadrunner.com)

**Wanted:** Flywheel housing for an 8V71 Detroit Diesel. Tom (207) 943-6548 or [tomchristopher28@gmail.com](mailto:tomchristopher28@gmail.com)

### **Pine Tree Chapter of ATHS Board of Directors (elected at the May 03, 2025 Annual Meeting)**

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Pine Tree Chapter – ATHS  
C/O Clayton Hoak  
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***DUES NOTICE - Membership Renewal + Update Form***

**Please sign me up for another year's worth of membership in the Pine Tree Chapter, ATHS. Current membership in the American Truck Historical Society is required.**

*Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*Street* \_\_\_\_\_ *Phone:* (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

*City* \_\_\_\_\_ *E-Mail* \_\_\_\_\_

*State* \_\_\_\_\_ *Zip* \_\_\_\_\_

***Mail dues to:***

Harold J. Mason, Treasurer  
Pine Tree Chapter - ATHS  
104 Falmouth Rd.  
Falmouth, ME 04105

***Pine Tree Chapter Dues of \$10.00 run from January to December.***