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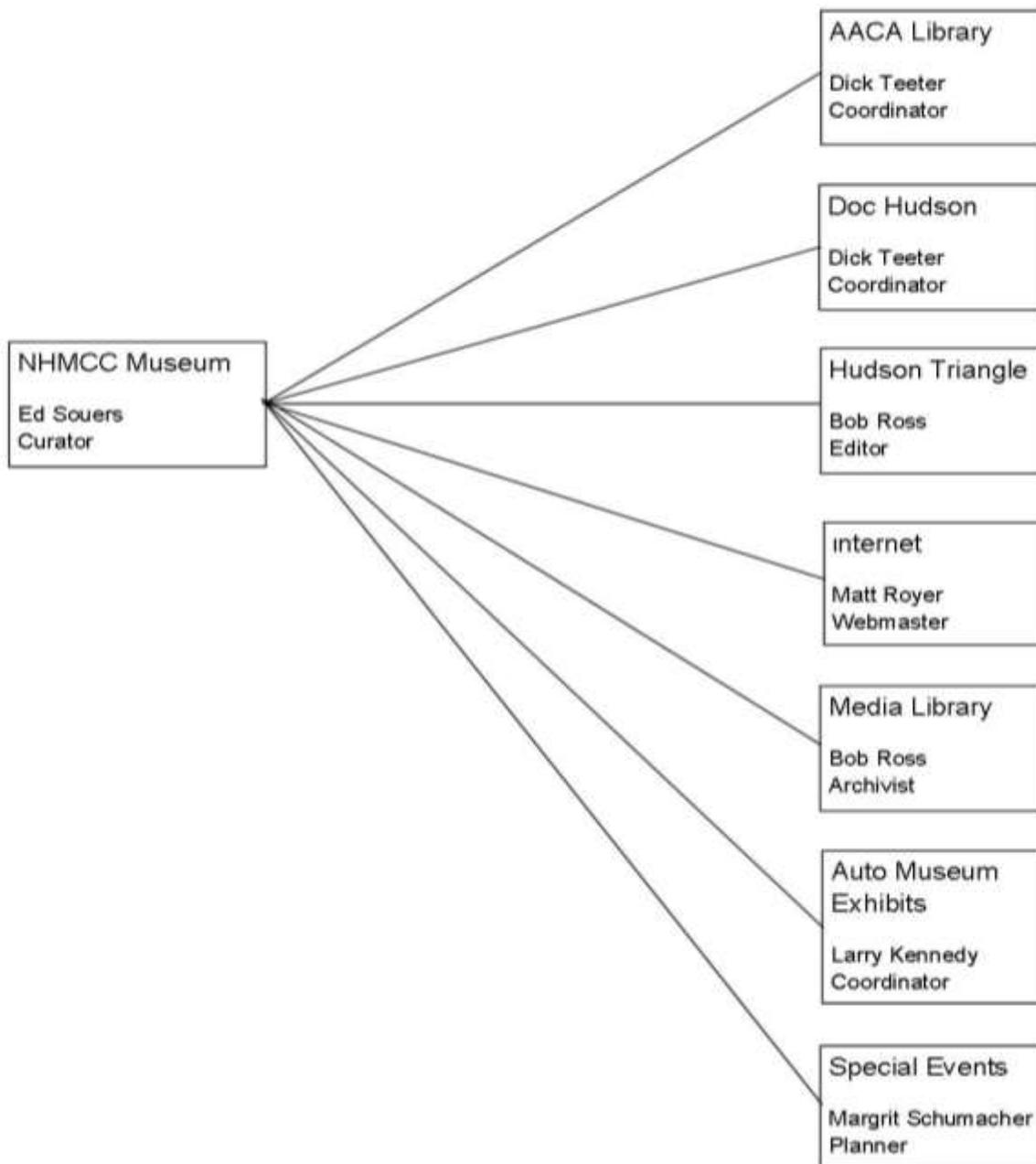
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# What has the Historical Society Been Doing?

Greetings, This is a special issue of the **HETHS Hudson Triangle** magazine. While you were working on you car and showing it to your neighbors, the HET Historical Society has been **collecting and preserving HMCC information and memorabilia and educating the world** about this special automobile company. Enjoy the ride!

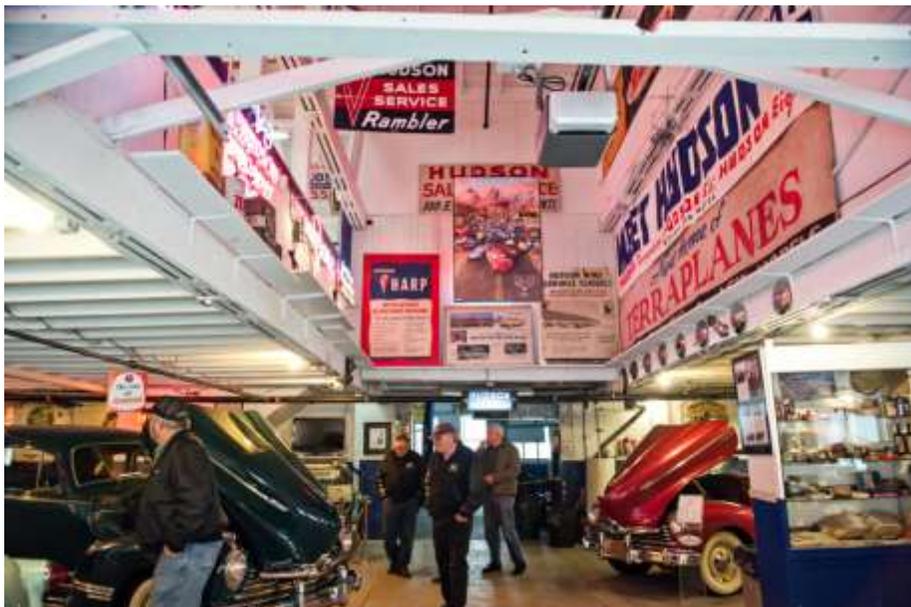
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## Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Historical Society NHMCC Museum Outreach



# The National Hudson Motor Car Company Museum

by the Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Historical Society



## The AACA Library

*Dick Teeter - Librarian*

The HETHS library archives remain **secure** at the **AACA Library & Research Center** in Hershey, PA. It has been sorted, cataloged and listed on the internet. The storage area is **heat and humidity controlled** and not accessible to the public. The information is now available not only to Society members but to HET Club members and the public as well.



1700 documents are accessible simply by requesting info from the AACA Library staff. Categories are **Misc., Book, Sales Literature, Racing, Parts Lists, Owners manuals, Dealer Albums, Dealer info, periodicals and photos**. The material can be obtained using the AACA Research Request Form which can be found at: <http://www.aacalibrary.org/contact/request.aspx>

The Library steps to the index are: **Web address: [aacalibrarycatalog.org](http://www.aacalibrary.org)**

**Click on: *Search the AACA catalog***

**Click on: *Automotive Literature***

Our materials can be added to by send me any materials relating to HET. Your items will be forwarded to AACA, inventoried, and then become available to Hudson lovers worldwide.

We appreciate your interest and generous donations.

## The NHMCC Museum

*Ed Souers - Curator*

The NHMCC Museum continues to be a gem for the HETHS. Opened in Oct. 2014, the museum is open 6 days per week. The museum is in the former **Miller Motors Hudson dealership** including the showroom, which is attached to the **Ypsilanti Automotive Heritage Museum**.

The Museum contains **eight** Hudsons, starting with a **1909 Hudson Model 20** and includes cars that represent all the decades. There is a cork clutch and an electric hand display highlighting a couple of unique Hudson features. The **video** that plays repeatedly each day and the displays are helping to inform the visitors about the HMCC.

Hudson memorabilia abounds at the Museum. Many items from the factory and various dealerships around the country are on display. Part of the second floor is home to part of Ken Poynter's extensive memorabilia collection. Over the past few months the facility has undergone a \$50,000 facelift funded by the Heritage Museum.



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## The Hudson Triangle Magazine

*Bob Ross - Editor*

The Hudson Triangle magazine has been published for HETHS members for many years. It was named after the **Hudson Company magazine**.

It features articles about the history and accomplishments of the Hudson Company and the society's efforts to preserve and promote the memories.

The magazine is published **5 times a year**; Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter, as well as a special issue for the International Meet. Copies are also made available to each of the annual Region Meets.

HETHS Members may also elect to receive a **full-color digital (pdf) copy** of the Hudson Triangle. There are many advantages to the digital copy: quick, undamaged color files, available while traveling, multiple color copies possible.



## The Doc Hudson Project *Dick Teeter - Coordinator*

Doc Hudson was a big hit at the Colorado Springs Meet. After the Meet, Doc headed East for some help at **Dr. Doug Wildrick's Shop** and then a drive to New England brought Doc to a region that was new. The car made a short stay at **Springfield Museums** in Mass. The highlight was Doc's visit as a very special guest at **Hemmings Concurs** in Saratoga Springs, NY. Following a mild New England winter, Doc attended the NE Chapters Winter Banquet.



Future stops are scheduled in the area for Doc and then a drive to the **Chattanooga International Meet**. Be sure to make your reservations for the meet to visit Doc and a hundred other HET products and hundreds of your Hudson family members.

Doc has been driven about **12,000 miles** since his appearance at Gettysburg. Please don't forget to help Doc Hudson with a donation to the HETHS earmarked for the **Doc Funds** (all donations are tax-deductible). This will help keep Doc healthy, well stocked with gas and oil, and rolling down the highway. Thank you for any help you can provide.

## The Auto Museum Exhibits

Larry Kennedy - Coordinator

**The National Auto & Truck Museum (NATMUS)** in Auburn, IN has four Hudsons in an exhibit sponsored by the HETHS. One of the HETHS Hudsons on display is a powder blue **1950 Hudson Commodore Six Club Coupe** with stick and overdrive.



Another HETHS Hudson is the black **1951 Hudson Pacemaker Convertible** with stick shift. This Hudson was donated by Harry Bong. Two other Hudsons owned by Larry Kennedy are included in this exhibit: a wine-colored **1941 Hudson Six Deluxe** Four door and a white **1951 Hudson Super Six Sedan**. This exhibit was established in early 1998.

The **Wisconsin Automotive Museum** located in Hartford, Wisconsin has a three Hudson car exhibit. On display there is the HETHS's **1956 Hudson Hornet 4 door Sedan**. It is powered by a 1957 AMC 327 V8 with a Jetaway Hydramatic and was donated by Dennis Flint of Sacramento, CA. Also on display in this exhibit are two Hudsons owned by Larry Kennedy: a **1954 Hudson Super Jet Club sedan** and a **1949 Hudson Commodore 8 sedan**. This exhibit was established by HETHS in October 1997 and includes a **Hudson Hornet Twin H Power engine and stand**.

## Special Events - Auction & Period Fashion Show Margrit Poynter - Planner

The HETHS has once again planned our annual fashion event in Chattanooga. The annual **Period Fashion Show and Auction** provides entertainment and usual and hard-to-find Hudson-related items to HET members. We hope that you will be joining us for some fun before the auction.



## The Media Library

Bob Ross - Archivist

A large number of VHS recordings had been collected by HETHS over the years. There was little or no indexing or identification as to content. All the material was reviewed and organized. All items not related to HMCC such as past HET Meets were separated out and transferred to the HET Library.



The material appropriate to the mission of the HETHS was recorded onto CDs and DVDs. The resulting content consisting of **46 CDs and DVDs, is in the media library.** In addition, **two backup copies** of the media along with the original VHS tapes are stored in separate geographic locations for safety.

A **descriptive index** of the media is available. The subjects include Sales Training presentations, Sales literature, factory photos, HET International Meets, and performance demonstrations.

## The Internet

Matt Royer - Webmaster

We are living in a time when there is a revolution in communication called the “**internet**”. Although some of the objects of our affection are over a hundred years old, the HETHS is able to use the latest communication techniques to teach and remind the public about the **Hudson automobile.**



The HETHS maintains a website at [www.HETHS.info](http://www.HETHS.info). This **website** is an informative site that allows nonmembers to see what our organization is about. There are sections that encourage **joining** the HETHS, **donating** to the HETHS, and how to **access** the HETHS library at the AACA. An **archive** of our Triangle back issues is also

available for download. We have **several hundred visitors** to our website each month.

Our **Facebook** page has over **1600 followers**, which is a good amount considering we do not pay to advertise our organization on Facebook.

I have dabbled with **Twitter**, but we just don't have very many followers as compared to Facebook. All of our Twitter followers are also Facebook subscribers.

If anyone has a good photo or tidbit to post on Facebook, I appreciate all submissions! Please email me with any questions or submissions - [HUDSONROYER@gmail.com](mailto:HUDSONROYER@gmail.com).

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- “Like” our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/HudsonEssexTerraplane>
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  - <http://classiccarimages.com/gallery.php?qid=62>
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- “Browse” AACA Library <http://www.aacalibrarycatalog.org/>
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## Look To Our Future

Imagine a time in the distant future when our great grandchildren suddenly inherit one of our Hudsons, Essex, or Terraplanes. These kids take one look and see this car or parts as a burden. They wonder "**What is this?**" or "Should I sell this as scrap metal?" We turn over in our graves!

If we do not make the effort in our lifetime to educate everyone about Hudson's, Essex, and Terraplanes, who will? We have to make certain that all the love, time, and money we have poured into our magnificent cars is not lost. We need to involve as many people as possible, young and old, in our efforts to promote and preserve all things HET.

Who is better to promote, preserve our cars, their heritage, literature and materials where they are available and usable by everyone? I am relieved by the realization that there is a **Hudson Essex Terraplane Historical Society** that is doing just that. We need to support these efforts and each of us need to help all we can by joining and working with them. Great things can be possible when we all work together toward a common goal.

The HETHS has specific funds set aside in their budget to help get our Hudson Essex Terraplane name out there. Funds that are made possible mainly through membership dues and the **HETHS Auction** held at the HET International Meeting every year are used for such things as the **NHMCC Museum** in Ypsilanti, MI, **Doc Hudson**, and our **AACA library** in Pennsylvania .

We have a special **Endowment Fund** that is funded by very generous people that want to see their legacy continue. We even have a **Doc Hudson Medical Fund** that is by specified donations only. (Doc is not eligible for Medicare so he desperately needs all the help he can get) If you use Amazon.com to purchase items you might consider going to **www.smile.Amazon.com**. You can specify a charity that you would like a portion of your payment to go to. Since HETHS is a non-profit organization you may select it as your charity. To make sure that your kids know what your Hudson, Essex, or Terraplane is you might want to mention in your **Last Will and Testament** that you would like to leave a Legacy in the form of money or a car going to an Endowment Fund for the HETHS.

I hope my great grandkids will someday say "**Wow! Pawpaw left me a Hudson!**" I can hardly wait to go to a Hudson Essex Terraplane museum so that I can learn more about how to take care and enjoy it!"

*Calvin*



# Hudson Motor Car Company 1909 - 1957



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***Thanks for your Support!***



## HETHS Auction

The auction for HETHS will be very large this year. The photos below are of two painted plaster models which will be offered for sale.



## Give the Society a Boost!

Did you know that you can **donate** to HETHS every time that you shop on **Amazon**. We have signed up the society for their charity program. When you are ready to shop, just go to <http://smile.amazon.com/>. Search for and select the "**Hudson-Essex-Terraplane Historical Society**". A painless way to help us out and the same Amazon prices.

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**The HETHS Mission: to honor and preserve the products and the legacy of the Hudson Motor Car Company by:**

- 1. Establishing and maintaining relationships with automotive museums.**
- 2. Establishing funds for the construction and endowment of Hudson museum facilities.**
- 3. Maintaining a library of HET literature and artifacts that is well organized, searchable, safe and accessible to the public.**
- 4. Educating the public about the Hudson Motor Car Company.**

Help the HETHS advance our goals

