



1903-1909 EARLY FORD REGISTRY



Member Announcements

December 1, 2015

George DeAngelis Research Donated to the Early Ford Registry

In a historic meeting on Saturday, November 28th, 2015, at Mrs. George "Sid" DeAngelis' home near Dearborn, Michigan, some members of the EFR Board of Directors and representatives were impressed with the Research Collection presented to them. Sidonia DeAngelis, wife of the late George DeAngelis, presented all of his research about the first motor car built by Henry Ford, the **Quadricycle**, to the 1903-1909 Early Ford Registry, Inc. The group did not know about the volume of photographs, drawings and articles that George compiled in making a copy of Ford's first automobile. There are magazine articles, Ford Museum Pictures, folders full of his personal drawings and seven reels of 16mm film.



Director John Grace peruses the DeAngelis archive of the Ford Quadricycle



Also on hand for the presentation was **Patricia DeAngelis**, George's daughter.

Mrs. DeAngelis was very happy to hear of our interest in this work of her late husband. The dining room table was literally filled with these precious artifacts and our dilemma was what should be taken - for there were many personal items as well. Family pictures around the "Quad" during the building of it, Ford Motor official photos (a really neat one showing the Quad engine being test run inside a Ford office - with smoke obliterating desks and file cabinets) and George working on his lathe at home. Such detail overwhelmed us, like the receipt the Ford Motor Company paid George for transporting his Quadricycle to the New York World's Fair in 1964.

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It was decided that we would be entrusted to the entire collection to preserve, and any personal items were to be copied - as quickly as possible - and the originals returned to the family. They had little interest in the mechanical drawings and such, but did want the pictures and personal items - which we easily agreed to.

Rick Lindner, David Shadduck, John Grace and Dan Walters presented Mrs. DeAngelis with a plaque for her historic donation to "The Early Ford Registry".

A special section on the **Library** tab in the EFR website has been setup and is currently under construction. It will make the research including the plans drawn by DeAngelis available to EFR members. We will keep you informed of the progress. It should be completed in a few days with the new scans available in a few weeks.



To gain access to the material, you will only need to login with your EFR logon. This is your last name in lower case and EFR number. Complete details will also be posted on the website.

(This article was written by Rick Lindner with editing by Dave Dunlavy).



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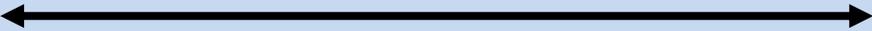
March 17-18, 2015, *The 26th Annual National Pre-War Swap Meet* at Chickasha, OK. The meet has the largest selection of brass era parts anywhere. It is limited to automobiles, parts, transportation items pre-1945. There is plenty of free parking, and admission is free. Get complete information at website www.pwsm.com or call Mike or Susie Ersland at 405.224.9090.



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