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Notice



2004 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PLEASE READ! Sometimes information regarding an event changes after it is posted. To avoid problems on your part, call ahead to verify times and dates of events listed.

AUGUST 17 WESTERN PA REGION MONTHLY MEETING

Aug. 21 & 28, Mt. Pleasant, PA. Fun in the Sun Wal-Mart Cruise 5PM
Wal-Mart Summit Ridge Plaza - 5pm to 9pm
Cruises are held every Saturday from now thru August 28, 2004 Entry Fee is by DONATION ONLY and ALL proceeds benefit the Southmoreland Marching Band there will be door prizes, 50/50, and DJ M. and Dave spinning the Dusty Discs. Gregg Thompson - 724-696-3612 or gregg25122@msn.com.

August 29 WPR Tour to Grice's Car Museum, Clearfield, PA. Contact Don Brandt for details. 724/539-1201.

Sept. 4, Holly Cataldo Memorial Cruise, A-Plastic Anemia Benefit, Downtown Jeannette, Pa. 5th Annual

SEPT 5 WESTERN PA REGION ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Sept. 19, Punxy Region, AACA 27th Annual Antique Auto Show, Marion Center Park, Marion Center PA. Registration to 12:30. Contact Harry Wolfe – 724-286-9490

Sept. 19, **Word of Life Annual Picnic & Car Show**, Rt. 136 Greensburg, PA
Registration 11:00 till 1:00. Trophies at 4:00 for top 10 cars (spectator choice) *No Entry Fee* 2 Meals per Car Entry* Door Prizes*
Contact 724-837-8790 (*submitted by Barb Shugars*)

SEPT 21 WESTERN PA REGION MONTHLY MEETING

SEPT 25 WESTERN PA REGION CHANCE CAR DAY

OCTOBER 16 WESTERN PA REGION – Parade & Nemaocolin Castle Tour Contact Jane & Warren Sheppick
Phone: 724/565-4921

DEC. 5 WPR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY 🍷

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*COVER PHOTO: 1968 Mustang Coupe
Western Pa Region 2004 Chance Car*

FROM THE EDITOR

BY MARK DeFLORIA

August has arrived. Everyone should have received the 2004 Roster in the mail within the last few weeks. The roster is updated to include new members as of the July meeting. I know there have been some changes to the cars that members now own. Please look over the Roster and give me any changes you may have if you would like them included in next years Roster.

It is time to use your 2003 WPR Points. Members who sold tickets for the 2003 Chance Car should check the Round-Up envelope to see if they have any remaining points. If so, the last day to use them is at our car show. As the saying goes **“Use them or Loose them!”** They can be used to enter your car at the car show or on Western PA Apparel.

Thanks to everyone who submitted articles for the *Round-Up*. The articles make the *Round-up*. Contributing to this issue is Fred Nicholls, Gary Cooper, Dan & Carol Calabrace and Mike Kosko.

Please submit items for the *Round Up* so it reaches me by the **Third Friday of the month by mail or email.** Articles can also be submitted at our monthly meetings. All items must be written down, so that I can accurately include it in the next *Round Up*.

Tour to Grice's Antique Car Museum August 29th



Don Brant has put together a tour to Grice's Antique Car Museum. Members interesting in traveling with Don should meet at the McDonalds in the Mt. Laurel Plaza in Latrobe at 8:00.

Don plans to leave at 8:30. There will be a stop at the Punxsutawney Piazza for breakfast. Don is planning on arriving at the museum around noon. Over sixty antique, classic cars and a 1955 Sinclair station replica are on display. Hundreds of trophy game mounts also on display. There is also a gift shop. The trip will be approximately 85 miles to the museum and 83 miles back, all the while traveling through Amish country. Call Don at 724/539-1201 for more information.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



BY DAN CALABRACE

Where has the summer gone? I can't believe it's August already. I've been to some nice Car Shows and Cruises and have gotten a lot of flyers for events coming up in September and October. We still have nice weather left to get out and enjoy our old cars.

We had a beautiful day for our picnic and a nice turn out of members with their cars. As always the food was delicious and plentiful. Our members sure are good cooks. There were gift certificates for Red Lobster and the Olive Garden given away by the Region. It was a nice day to sit around and shoot the breeze.

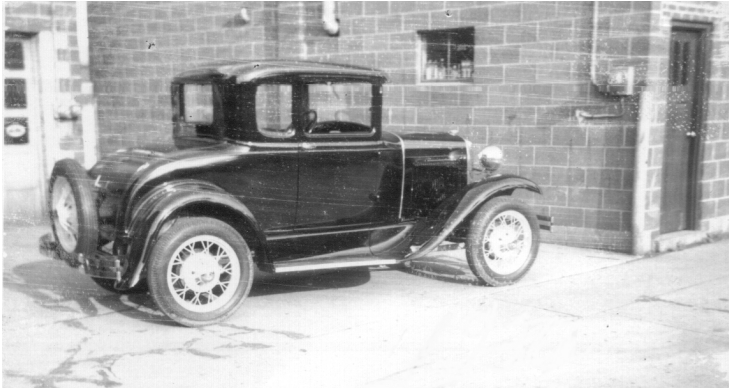
Our Car Show is coming up fast. We are still in need of a few more sponsors. If you would like to donate an item to the Chinese Auction, bring it to the August meeting or drop it off the day of the Car Show. Dodie Ulishney, Esther Woods, and JoAnne Shearer will be taking care of the auction. We also will be having the bake sale with Connie Schifano and Debbie Rusnock in charge. They would appreciate donations of the delicious baked goods our members make. You can drop them off the day of the Show. And as always the day of the Show, we will need help lining the cars up, judging and at registration. Wear your yellow shirts.

Don Brant has planned a tour to Grice Museum in Clearfield, PA for August 29th. We will meet at McDonalds in the Mt. Laurel Plaza in Latrobe at 8:00. Don plans to leave at 8:30. Don will have more information at the meeting.

Hope to see at the August 17th meeting. ☺

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CARS I REMEMBER



Fred's 1930 Ford Model "A"

BY FRED NICHOLLS

I imagine how any antique owner must have felt when he drove his first antique car purchase. It was just great, and you felt so proud. Today, that would be like driving a 1973 Mustang home. I started to look over the car, and in the rear deck I found a magazine, about the size of a Readers Digest, called Hemming's Motor News. In it were old car parts, old cars and other material related to the hobby. It was a must, so I subscribed at once.

A problem that I had not thought of before came up. Winter was coming on and I only had a one car garage. It was solved when I used a garage at my parent and home. Safely stored for the winter. I was reading Hemming's for some needed parts, when I discovered a man advertising 1931 Willy's parts. My friend ordered the axle, received it and waited till spring to have it installed.

With the arrival of good weather in the spring of 1964 I drove the car home to Indiana, and also contracted to build a large garage to my home. My records indicate that I paid \$2.00 title transfer, \$2.00 notary fee and 5% sales tax. I started looking forward to driving it.

Two men saw the car setting outside and stopped to look at it. They invited me to join an antique car club called Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) and the local Region, called Punxsutawney. The one man, Merle McQuiston was an old time Ford mechanic, and proved a very good friend.

In May I took the car on it first old car outing with the Region, called "The Candlestick Tour." It ran fine, and I couldn't wait for a Region sponsored Car Show in the local Park. My friend had the Willy's on the road, but he envied my Ford Coupe. 🚗

SPRING MEET



BY DAN & CAROL CALABRACE

We had a beautiful weekend for the Eastern Division Spring Meet at Hagerstown. Eleven of us left Friday morning at 5:00AM. The Howard Finney's had their 49 Chevy, the Jim Smith's had their 70 Impala, the Brant's and Schifano's in a Trailblazer and we had our 72 Monte Carlo. It was misty traveling over the mountains traveling to Breezewood but luckily we didn't have any rain, especially after spending the last two weeks cleaning the car.

Howard, Bettyanne, Jim and Julie took a tour of the Mack plant where they make the motors for their trucks. Despite the heat, they enjoyed the tour. Friday afternoon we went to Judges School. They went over a lot of the rules for judging cars. We got a book with the guidelines for judging. Its unbelievable all the rules there are. Friday evening, there was a barbecue at the Agricultural Center. It was an open building so we were swinging at flies while enjoying our meal.

Saturday morning we were on the show field bright and early to put the finishing touches on the car. It was a hot day sitting out in the sun but in was made enjoyable by talking with a gentleman from Virginia most of the day. All the cars we got to see were beautiful. I sure didn't envy the judges.

Saturday evening was the banquet and everyone anxiously waiting the outcome of the judges. I hope I have everyone from Western Region as at times the PA system wasn't very loud. Dave Berg, Guy Davis, Warren Sheppick received 1st Junior Awards. I received a 2nd Junior. Gary Wiegand received a Senior Award. Denny Slusser, Jim Laughlin, and Dorean Cirilli received Repeat Preservation Awards. Howard Finney received a Driver Participation Award.

We packed up and headed for home Sunday morning which wasn't an easy job for the Brant's and Schifano's. They needed a shoehorn to get all their finds at the mall and yard sales into Donny's Trailblazer. Next time Donny said he is putting his deer rack on so they aren't limited in what they can buy. We started home on Route 40 which soon become Interstate 68. It was a fun weekend and we met and talked with some very nice people. 🍷