PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



BY MARK DeFLORIA

As the year is winding down, I want to thank everyone who helped with our Region activities. We have had a great year. John Kuhns continues to be the "Party Person" as he has organized the "Kick-off Party" and the "Christmas Party." Both very successful events.

The "Annual Picnic" was chaired by Debbie Sheetz, Tom Milligan and myself. The food was good and the company was even better. The weather helped out, and we were able to see many of our members antique automobiles.

Western Pennsylvania Region members were treated to some fine tours this year. Many thanks to Charlie Schifano for helping to organize the tour and for being our "Tour Chairperson." Thank also to Fred Nichols, Warren Sheppick, Ralph Shearer, Ralph & Joanna Shearer and Al & Carole Friend for planning and conducting our tours.

The 2005 Chance Car Chairpersons were Barb Erny, Tom and Dodie Ulishney. Ken Bankovich volunteered to stuff the chance car tickets into envelopes. Many thanks to Barb, Tom, Dodie and Ken. The Chance Car ticket sales help fund everything our Region does.

Our \$1,000. scholarship this year was awarded to Timothy McDowell from Ligonier High School. He was a student from the Collision Repair Technology Program. Timothy maintained an excellent academic record, and is described as being self-motivated, reliable, and dedicated.

Our Annual Car Show was once again a huge success thanks to Dan Calabrace and his helpers. The sun was shining, food was great and once again our members did an outstanding job. What a group!

With the help of so many members, it has been a joy to be President of the Western Pennsylvania Region. Thanks to everyone who made this year so enjoyable.