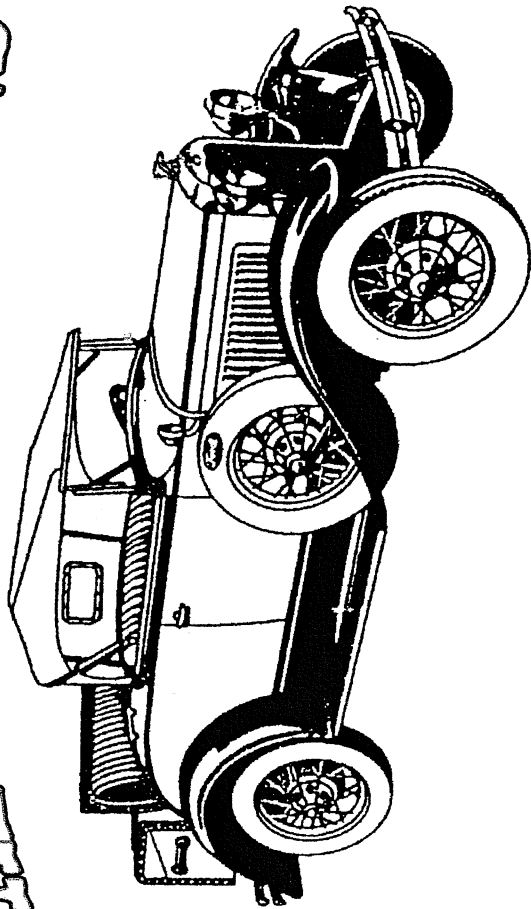


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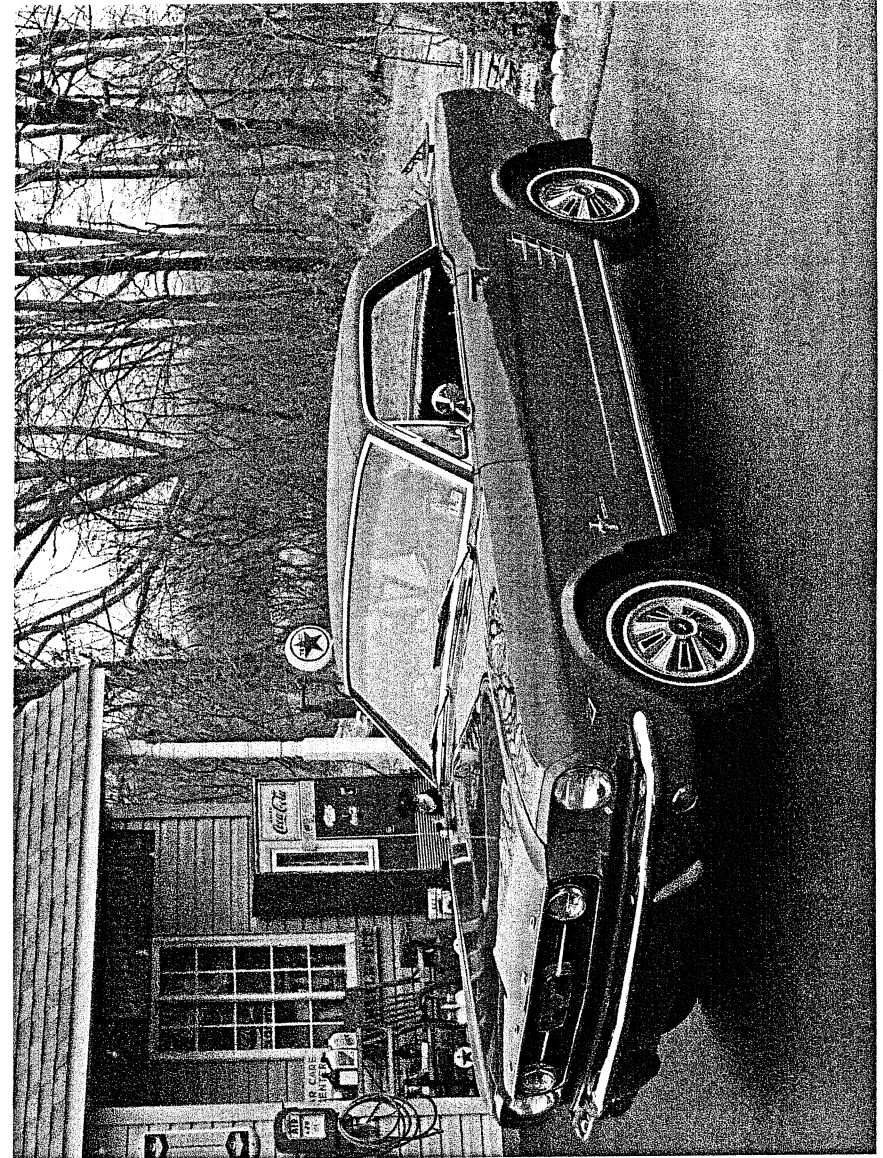
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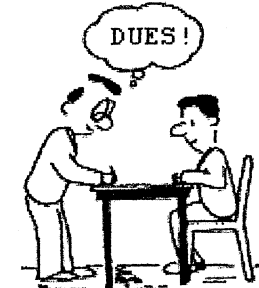
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- March 15** WPR Board of Directors Meeting
- March 16-18 AACA Winter National Meet, Mobile, Alabama, Hosted by AACA Deep South Region
- March 21** WPR Monthly Meeting
- April 8-10 AACA Central Divisional Tour, Grandbury, Texas, Hosted by AACA Texas Region
- April 18** WPR Monthly Meeting
- April 20-22 AACA Western Spring Meet, Tucson, Arizona, Hosted by AACA Tucson Region
- April 29** WPR Annual Kick-Off Party
- May 11-13 AACA Eastern Spring Meet, Camp Pendleton National Guard Base Virginia Beach, Virginia, Hosted by AACA Tidewater Region
- May 16** WPR Monthly Meeting
- May 25-27 AACA Central Spring Meet, Waco, Texas, Hosted by AACA Central Texas Region
- May 29-June 3 AACA Founders Tour, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Hosted by AACA Cedar Rapids Region.
- June 11** WPR Progressive Dinner Tour
- June 20** WPR Monthly Meeting
- July 18** WPR Monthly Meeting
- July 30** WPR Annual Picnic
- August 15** WPR Monthly Meeting
- Sept. 03** WPR Annual Antique Auto Show



2006 Dues must be paid before March 31 to remain active



FROM THE EDITOR



BY DICK McKELVEY

In the February issue of the newsletter Mark DeFloria announced that he was going to have to retire from his job as *Round-Up* editor and it would be the last month he would be able to volunteer in this position. Thankfully he will still be our WEBMASTER. He has done such a great job in both positions as well serving in various positions on the Board of Directors including club President.

At this point I am involved in an experiment trying to help out by working on the monthly newsletter. I thought I made it through the Annual Meeting without getting in trouble but a certain guy named Harvey came up with my phone number. I will do my best to help get the newsletter out every month on a timely basis. I don't have the computer or editorial skills that Mark has contributed to this letter for so many years so don't expect too much

Please submit items for the *Round Up* 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 they can accurately include it in the next *Round Up*. ☺

FOR SALE

Free advertising for your car(s) and or parts. Mail or Email your list to the WESTERN ROUND-UP Editor and your ad will run for two consecutive months.

1969 Corvair Monza Coupe: Original Florida car with 42,250 miles, owner downsizing. Phone Fred Nicholls – 724-463-8981

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Books For Sale

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Ford Chronicle \$ 24.00

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NEW BUSINESS:

National Tour: The Directors have been discussing a National Tour and have asked Howard Finny to look into what tours might be available in the next couple of years. Howard mentioned in his report possibilities a 2008 Founders Tour, 2010 Vintage Tour and a 2011 Glidden Tour. The discussion centered on trying to come up with new locations to visit and new activities that might be available for such a tour in Western Pennsylvania. There was some concern since there have been a number of tours near here in the past, it would take some real planning to make the tour a good draw. Howard suggested the Directors should do some inquiring about tours at the Philadelphia meeting.

Annual Meeting: John Kuhns has agreed to chair next year's Annual Meeting. John reported he would do a repeat of recent Annual Meetings and schedule it on the Sunday between the AFC / NFC playoff games and the Super Bowl.

Kitty: The beginning balance in the Kitty for February is \$41.25. The regions portion of this month's 50 / 50 is \$40.00. John Kuhns won the 50 / 50. There were no badge fees collected bringing the Kitty to \$40.00. Sandy DeFloria's name was drawn and she was not present. Next month's Kitty will start at \$81.25.

The meeting was unanimously adjourned following a motion by Howard Finny and a second by Tom Milligan

WPR KICK-OFF PARTY

The annual Western Pennsylvania Region Kick-Off Party is scheduled for 6:00 PM, Saturday April 29 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, (Pipetown). All current members and their families are invited to come out and enjoy the food and fellowship. This year Sally and Al Wirick have volunteered to host the event. The menu has been set and arrangements have been made to have a DJ for entertainment.

As of the date this news letter is being mailed the prices have not yet been set. Prices will be available at the March 21 meeting and will be in next months *Round-Up*. The April issue will also have a mail in reservation form. The deadline for reservations is April 21. The Menu will include: Roast Beef, Baked Scrod, Twice Baked Potato, Malibu Vegetable Blend, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Butter and Princess Cake.

Dick McKelvey has volunteered to serve as the Round-Up editor although if someone else in the club has more passion to fill the job. He would be willing to step aside.

Website: Mark DeFloria will again serve as Webmaster. Mark reported on things going on with the website and we are glad he is continuing in his award winning job.

2006 Kickoff Party: Al and Sally Wirick have agreed to Co-Chair the Kickoff Party. It will be held at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) on April 29, 2006.

Region Historian: Tom Milligan serves as our Region Historian. Tom remarked on some of the members and occurrences involving our club in past years.

Hospitality: Debbie Sheetz has once again agreed to serve as Hospitality Chairman. Debbie was recognized for her service in this capacity and then we gobbled up all the food she presented.

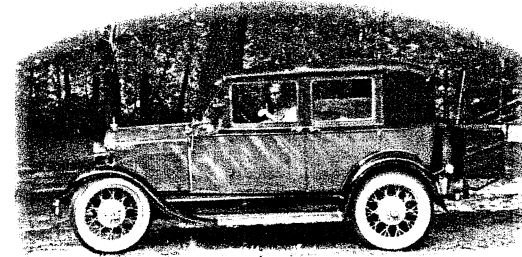
Merchandise: John Kuhns has agreed to continue handling merchandise. John reported that he still has some sweatshirts and denim shirts.

Heritage Festival: John Rusnock will handle the club arrangements. Some discussions centered on an eye catching sign, parking on the breast works and ticket sales volume. It was mentioned that 5 club members' cars could park on site and in good situations we have sold 300 / 500 tickets a day.

Car Show: Dan Calabrace will again chair the car show. The show is scheduled for September 3rd.

Programs: We still are looking for a Program Chairman. We already have a number of ideas and some volunteers to put on a short program at upcoming meetings. The chairman's position will not take anymore than a one- half hour a month. Anyone willing to handle monthly programs should see a the president or a director after the meeting.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



BY HARVEY EGER

Thanks to the efforts of our Chance Car Committee the region has purchased a candy apple red, 1966 Ford Mustang coupe, with black vinyl top and "Pony" interior as this year's Chance Car. It has a "289" motor, automatic transmission, new tires, new master cylinder, and power booster, rebuilt steering and a rebuilt carburetor. The committee looked at number of cars, including not only Mustangs, but three or four other makes and models as well, and this Mustang is by far, the best that they have seen. This car cost us more than we anticipated spending, but the Committee and the Board felt it was an excellent buy. More importantly, we all felt that THIS CAR WILL SELL TICKETS. Assuming that the weather is good, you will have an opportunity to see the car at our March meeting.

Although finding a car took a lot of time and effort, that was the easy part. The more difficult task now facing us is to sell all of the tickets. I know that selling 5000 tickets may be hard to do, but as Henry Ford once said: "Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs". For that reason, I am personally asking each Member to take at least ten tickets to sell. That number alone will come close to covering last year's unsold tickets. Even if you don't like to sell tickets, or think you won't be able to sell any, please take at least ten tickets. You can always take the Chance Car to Walmart or some other location for a couple of hours, and let the car sell the tickets. All you have to do is sit next to the car and collect the money.

Tickets for the Chance Car, along with color photos should be available at our March meeting. The drawing will be held on October 28. That gives us a little over seven months to sell tickets. I hope that each and every Member will do their part in making this year's Chance Car raffle a "sell out".

**MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY, 2006 MEETING
OF THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA REGION
OF THE
ANTIQUÉ AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA**

Respectively submitted, John Rusnock, Secretary

The February 2006 meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on February 21, 2006 at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) Hall, Latrobe, PA. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 P.M by Vice President, John Ross Kuhns, and this was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 50 members in attendance.

Message From The President: John Ross Kuhns, Vice President, read a short message from President, Harvey J. Eger, who was unable to attend the meeting because of a long-standing prior commitment.

Guests: Howard Finny presented Andrew Blanko, owner of a 1969 Firebird.

Minutes of The January, 2006 Meeting: The minutes of the January, 2006 Annual meeting, as printed in the February Roundup, were unanimously approved as per the motion of Warren Shippick and second of Tim Smith.

Treasures Report: Barbara Erny presented the Treasures Report. Barb reported that the current balance of club account is at \$15,569.60. A motion for approval of the report was made by Mark Deloris and seconded by Bill Rusnock. The report was approved by a unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

Membership: This year our club members have been very willing to volunteer in positions supporting the club and our activities. In this spirit Bill Rusnock has accepted the position of this year's Membership Chairman. We should all continue to work in promoting our club to attract new members to the club and to our hobby.

Bill presented the following names to be considered for membership:

First Reading:

Andrew Blanko sponsored by Howard Finny and Jim Smith

Second Reading and approval for membership:

Rick and Anita Totanto sponsored by Connie and Charlie Schifano

George Foster sponsored by Barb and Jim Erny III

Rick Tetano, Anita Totano and George Foster were unanimously accepted as new members.

As a reminder, every member must belong to the National AACA to have a membership in the WPR Region.. See Barb Erny to have your membership card stamped confirming national membership. You will not be able to vote at the 2007 Annual Meeting without this card.

Picnic: It was announced that the club picnic will be held at the Cooperstown Club on Sunday, July 30, 2006 The Directors decided to move the picnic due to a substantial increase in the cost of using the Sloveinan Park. There was no other report from the picnic Committee.

Chance Car: Don Brant is serving as this years Chance Car Committee Chairman. Assisting Don in locating a car for this year are Charlie Schifano, Bill Rusnock, Tom Ulishney and Dan Calabrace. The committee has looked at a some cars but have not yet found one to fill our need. Tom Ulishney has agreed to handle the car again this year. Stan and Eleanor Kanick have agreed to handle the tickets. Barb Erny, with the help of the Directors, will take care of stuffing the tickets. This year the drawing will be held on the last Saturday in October.

Incentive Points: The envelope for the February Round-Up should have updated the 2005 incentive points that were still available to members.

Tours: Charlie Schifano has again agreed to be Tour Chairman. Charlie reported the following tours are in the works at this time. Mark your calendar. A tour of Packard Motors in Ohio (No Date at this time)
Sunday June 11, the Progressive Dinner Tour.
July 7, 8 & 9, The Annual Arthritis Foundation Show, Dublin, Ohio
(Some members already planning to attend)
August 4, 5 & 6, Macungie
(Some members already planning to attend)
Snowshoe, W.VA. (3rd week in August ?)

Christmas Party: Betty Anne Finney and Julia Smith have agreed to Chair The Christmas Party. They report they have reservations made at Lakeview for Saturday, December 2nd.

Newsletter: Mark DeFloria announced that because of his business commitments, the February Issue of the Round-Up would be the last issue he could produce as our editor. Those at the meeting recognized Mark for his many years of service as our editor. Mark also has long service as a Director and office holder in the club including terms as our President. Mark will continue to be active in the club and still serve as our Web Master. Howard Finny presented Mark several awards of recognition from the national office of AACA. Howard also mentioned that applications are now due at National if the Western Pennsylvania Region is to be eligible for awards in 2006.