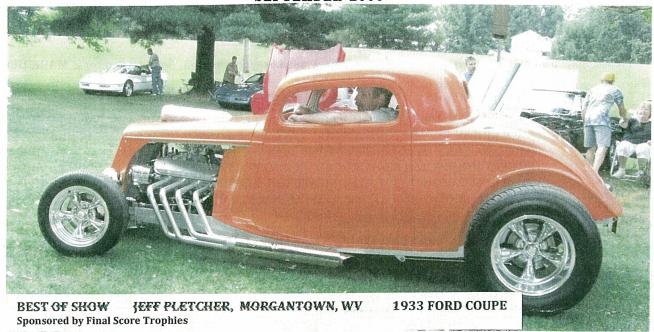


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## 2009 car show



#### **CHANCE CAR WINNER**

This year's chance car winning # was 5499. The keys were presented at our annual Car Show on September 6th by Stan and Eleanor Kanick and Western PA President, Harvey Eger. The lucky winners were JERRY AND BETTY BERKLEY of New Stanton, PA. Please check our web site for additional photos. www.aaca.org/westrnpa

Mark DeFloria, Web Editor Western PA Region, AACA Do you wonder how many tickets Jerry and Betty bought for

Do you wonder how many tickets Jerry and Betty bought for the chance car? They bought 2, one from Al Wirick at Saltsburg and one from their friend Jim Bowman. It was their lucky day when their number came up on the PA lotto!

Jerry and Betty came to the car show with their 1953 Pontiac Chiefton red and tan convertible. They also are the original owners of a 1965 Bonneville Convertible, red with a white top. They have a 1938 maroon Lincoln Zephyr, a 1964 Ford Galaxy 500 convertible in Steeler colors and a Hudson Terraplane, which is still a work in progress.

They do not belong to any car clubs but can often be seen at the Steak&Shake car cruises, which is where I caught up with them Wednesday evening. We hope they enjoy their new Mustang and maybe will think about joining our club.



#### FIFTY-FIFTY WINNER

Ray Stanford was the lucky winner of the 50/50 at the 2009 Car Show. His winnings came to over \$500. His ticket was drawn by a cute little girl named <u>Lita Hoffman</u>. Ray graciously gave \$40 from his winnings to Lita and donated \$40 to our club. What a generous guy!

**Dodie Ulishney** headed up this year's enthusiastic team of 50/50 sellers. Returning from last year's show, there was **Dodie**, **Nancy McKelvey**, **Joyce Inhoff**, **Susan Eger** and **Robin Kanick** (master of the bull-horn). We recruited **Lee Speicher** to join us this year and she did a fantastic job and tolerated (with the rest of us) having "hat hair" for the entire day.

An extra special recognition and thanks should go to our **Robin Kanick** (soon to be **Robin McCoy**), who came all the way from DuBois to help sell tickets while being in the last week of her wedding preparations. Not many brides-to-be would be willing to or able to pull that off. THANKS ROBIN!

BACK ROW: Lee, Nancy, Ray, Robin, Joyce FRONT ROW: Dodie, Susan, Lita

(Photo courtesy of Tom Ulishney)

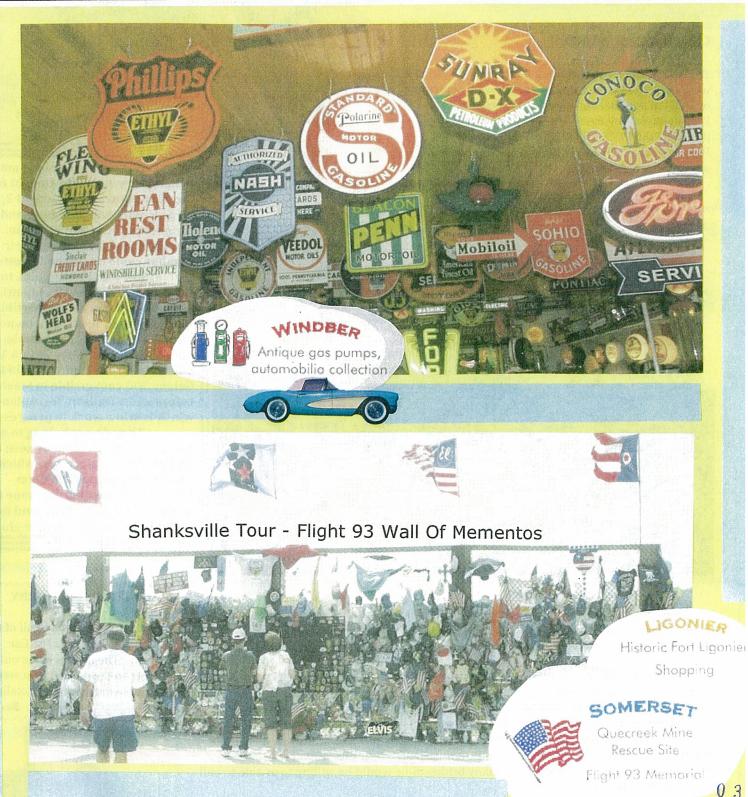
#### NOTE FROM BARB ERNY

Thank you to all of the money counters at the Car Show. The figures came out exact to the penny! You were a great help and did an excellent job!

### MCKELVEY FOUNDERS TOUR DRY RUN, JULY 25, 2009

### MCKELVEY DRY RUN --- JULY 25, 2009

Members on the tour included: Howard and Bettyann Finney, Chuck and Lee Speicher, Louella Bell and Alice Clark who were riding with Gary and Edith Cooper, Dave and Debbie Sheetz, Tom and Dodie Ulishney, Mark Jackson and his daughter, Mary, Ed and Nancy Vrable, Bill and Rosella Smith, Denny and Becky Blank, Connie and Charlie Schifano, Susan and Harvey Eger, Fred and Ann Nicholls, Nancy and Dick McKelvey, Bill and Libby Maurer, Ralph and Joanna Schearer and Ron and Marianne Caruso.



# SHEETZ FOUNDERS TOUR DRY RUN, AUGUST 16, 2009

DAVE AND DEBBIE SHEETZ had 17 cars participating in their Founders Tour dry run. Everything went smoothly and the directions were flawless. We enjoyed the stops at The COUNTRY PIE SHOP & OLD GENERAL STORE, FORT NECESSITY, NEMACOLIN WOODLANDS and LAUREL CAVERNS. The weather was beautiful and all seemed to enjoy the day.



PA Scenic Byway Rt. 381

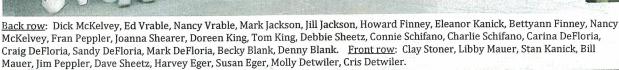


Fort Necessity National Battlefield

Laurel Caverns

DEBBIE





### SCHIFANO-BLANK DRY RUN

The fourth and final Founders Tour Dry Run will be held Saturday, September 19th and will be led by Charlie Schifano & Denny Blank. Members are to meet at the Sheraton Greensburg at 8 AM that morning. Our first stop will be at an area Taxidermy establishment. Breakfast will be next, at the Studebaker Auto Restoration Center on Route 22. Then it is on to Indiana to visit the Jimmy Stewart Museum, followed by a lunch stop in town. Afterward, we head to Smicksburg for touring, shopping and a possible winery stop (depending on PennDot). This ends the tour and we head back to Greensburg and home.

A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the meeting or you may call **Charlie at 724-832-7498**. Let's make this last dry run a well-attended event and make our Howard proud!



Restoration Shop

SMICKSBURG

Amish Country





# member news

#### september 2009

Sadly, our club has lost yet another member. **Dick Newell** recently passed away and will be missed by many members of this club. Our condolences to his family and his wife of many years, Linda.

It was nice to see **Carol Calabrace** at the Car Show along with members of her family...daughter Shelly and son Danny and his wife Jennifer.

**Mar Stoner** has been making a slow but sure recovery and we were happy to see her at the Ligonier Stroll and the Car Show.

**Paul Carey** was at the Car Show with his wife, **Eleanor**. Members were happy to see him again and glad that he was well enough to attend. We are hoping that this means he will be starting back to meetings soon!

**Sandy DeFloria** has recovered from a recent health matter and will soon be going back to work.

**Howard Finney's** dad is recovering from recent surgery and will be in physical therapy for several weeks. **Bettyann** is feeling and looking great with her newly installed pacemaker.

#### PLEASE KEEP ME INFORMED OF MEMBER NEWS:

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Dick Newell (in foreground)
Being 'roasted' by John Kuhns at a WPR Kick-Off party, mid 1980's
Photo courtesy of Tom Milligan

Garol Galabrace

"I would like to thank everyone for your cards, thoughts and prayers on the loss of my brother, Dr. Marvin Beatty. Your kindness was a gree comfort during a most difficult time. Thank yo again."

Carol Calabraca





CONGRATULATIONS to AUGUST WINNERS

DAVE DAVIS won the 50/50: \$59.00 DOREEN KING won the Jackpot: \$119.25

"It pays to come to meetings!"

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#### **IDLEWILD**

These club members (and others) were seen at Idlewild's Old Fashioned Days on July 22nd this summer: Pete Highlands was MC-ing the Car Parade. Al Dings came with his yellow Chevrolet. lack and Nancy Wolfe had their yellow Chevy Convertible. Check out Jack's cool shirt in the photo. Mark, Sandy and Melanie DeFloria came for the parade in a blue two-tone Chevy BelAir. Ralph and Joanna Shearer had "Ling Ling," their B/W 1965 Corvair. Bill and Rosella Smith, who have been members for about 2 years, brought a 1960 Corvair that they bought from their friends, Fred and Ann Nicholls. Bill and Rosella also own a 1931 Model A Coupe. Bill and Libby Mauer and Ed and Nancy Vrable were there. Cris and Molly Detwiler (Mr. and Mrs. Nash) came with their son Casey (see photo - red, white and blue striped shirt). Dorothy Detwiler, (blue hat) mother of Cris, is in one of the photos sitting with Nancy Vrable. Charlie and Connie Schifano brought their granddaughter Kristen and Kristen's friend Mitch. Kristen is the pink tank top in the photos. Connie decorated the tables in a red & white picnic theme. (When we go to Dublin and Macungie, she does a black and white check motif. We dine in style.) Ron Caruso drove his yellow Shay and came early with his "little brother" Adrian. Marianne Caruso brought her "little sister" Emily in the BelAir. Dave and Debbie Davis came with their daughter Sara Jo and grandson Lance in their yellow Corvette. Debbie brought a great relish called Alligator Eyes Salsa and here is the recipe:

#### ALLIGATOR EYE SALSA

½ c. Black Olives, chopped small

½ c. Mild Pepper Rings, chopped small

½ c. Green Onion tops, sliced thin

½ c. Tomatoes, diced small

Garlic Power to taste

Olive Oil to taste

Combine these ingredients until it tastes good to you and serve with chips, crackers, whatever.

If you call Debbie, she may be able to help with amounts. She usually makes very large batches and was unable to give me a smaller version, so I just guessed. In the photos, you'll see that Lance loves the salsa. He also likes to do impersonations of his grandpap Dave. He is doing one in the photo at the bottom of the page. Dick and Nancy McKelvey came in a 1951 red Mercury and Denny and Becky Blank were there with their yellow Chevelle SS and wearing SS T-shirts (photo in Aug newsletter). We saw Lou Zecchini and Patty Surovy strolling around the park. It was a fun day.

Note from Tom

**THANKS** to all of the members that attended the parade for the 75th anniversary of Norvelt. I know you were very busy that day and a little tired. The Norvelt firemen were very appreciative and enjoyed seeing all of the old cars. Dodie and I appreciate the good response from our members.

Thanks again,

Tom & Dodie Ulishney

July 30, 2009

Note from Dodie

**Thank you** to the following ladies who made the 50-50 a HUGE success:

Robin Kanick

Joyce Inhoff

Susan Eger

Nancy McKelvey

Lee Speicher

The winner was <u>Ray Stanford</u> and the little girl that picked the winning ticket was <u>Lita Hoffman</u>. I tip my hat to all of you and a hearty "ya-hoo"! Thanks again, Dodie

#### WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND

by Al Wirick

MOHLER MOTOR CO. 215 E. PITTSBURGH STREET GREENSBURG, PA PHONE 682\*

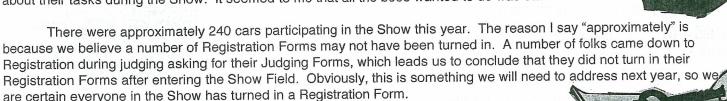
I started working in 1946 at Mohler Motor Co. in Greensburg, a Ford-Mercury Lincoln Dealer. Mr. E. W. Mohler drove Lincoln Convertibles. In 1948 Ford Motor Company decided to split the dealerships, taking Lincoln and Mercury off of Mr. Mohler, leaving him a Ford-only dealer. In the next few days a beautiful blue Cadillac Convertible appeared in Mr. Mohler's parking spot. As near as I can remember, he drove Caddy Convertibles from then on.

Now today look what's happening: Ford Motor Company decided to eliminate Lincoln Mercury dealers and return to the Ford Lincoln Mercury Dealer. Strange how big business works. The "big wheels" that are supposed to be running these corporations live in luxury, take corporate jets to bankruptcy meetings and take their **big** bonuses, smile and keep going. Great life, I'd say.

\* This original 682 phone number for the dealers became 6820, then TE 46820 and now is 724-834-6820.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

It's hard to believe Labor Day has come and gone, and with it the end of the summer of 2009. The passing of Labor Day also means that our annual Car Show is history, and what a success this year's Show was, thanks to all of the WPR Members who turned out to help. The folks in yellow shirts were outnumbered only by the yellow jackets, which all but took over our pavilion, but I think our Members were a lot busier than those bees as they went about their tasks during the Show. It seemed to me that all the bees wanted to do was eat.



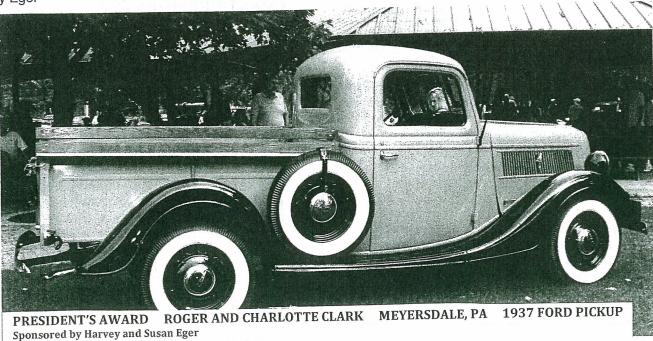
Other than that, and a couple of other issues that came up during the day, I think that the Show was a tremendous success, and hope that everyone agrees. Thanks to all of you who turned out to help. I know it was a long day for everyone, and if you were as tired as I was after the Show, I can only offer one consolation: we don't have a Swap Meet coming up in a couple of weeks this year.

Although summer is over, we still have a few things planned for the remainder of the year, including the final "dry run" for Charlie Schifano's Founders Tour" coming up on September 19, our annual Christmas Party on December 20th, and the Annual Meeting in January. In addition, there is a Cruise on September 20<sup>th</sup> at Pepperwood Grille, hosted by Laurel Highlands, and the annual Cochran House Christmas Lunch in December. Be sure to check the Events Schedule to confirm dates and times.

Looking towards the Annual Meeting, we will be electing three individuals to serve on the Board, and will be announcing the winners of the Jack Clark Award, the Foster Fike Award, and the Paul Bell Award. A Nominating Committee for Board Elections will be announced at the September Meeting as will details on Nominations for this year's Awards.

Finally, we have less than 9 months remaining to complete our preparations for the 2010 Founders Tour, which the Region is hosting in June of next year. We need everyone's help and support in order to make the Founders Tour a success. Please, if you have not yet participated in the monthly Founders Tour Meetings, which are held the second Tuesday of every month, start coming to those Meetings. We need everyone to help sell ads for the Tour Booklet, to help solicit items for the Chinese Auction, and to work on a committee for the Tour. Thanks in advance for your support and cooperation in continuing to make the Western PA Region one of the best Regions in the country.





# MESSAGE FROM HOWARD

There are only 8 MONTHS left to get ready for the AACA NATIONAL FOUNDERS TOUR. We have our Team Leaders in place to be in charge of the various jobs. Now it is time for others in the club who did not want to take on a leadership position to come forward and volunteer to assist with some of the smaller tasks. Please see Howard or any of the Team Leaders about where your time, talents, and skills might best be put to use.

#### **TOUR CHAIRMAN**

HOWARD FINNEY

724-834-3450

#### **TEAM LEADERS**

STAN KANICK SECURITY, GREETERS, PARKING, SIGNS, SET-UP IOHN KUHNS AND IOHN ROSS KUHNS AD SALES AL WIRICK **DISTRIBUTOR CAPS** HOSPITALITY ROOM MARY ANN BRANDT NANCY WOLFE **CHINESE AUCTION** BARB ERNY FINANCE **BETTYANN FINNEY BANQUETS** BETTYANN FINNEY LODGING **CLAY STONER CAR DECALS** MARK JACKSON **FLYERS** MARIANNE CARUSO ENTERTAINMENT RON CARUSO AND JIM SMITH CENTERPIECES HARVEY EGER REGISTRATION ROBIN KANICK (MCCOY) DAILY NEWSLETTER DONINIC SURACE MAIL BOXES CHUCK SPEICHER SIGN PROCUREMENT TOM KING BOOKLET CRIS DETWILER PHOTO ALBUM **CLAY STONER** DASH PLAQUE NANCY MCKELVEY SHIRTS

Remember that the SCHIFANOS' AND BLANKS' DRY RUN is on Saturday, September 19<sup>th.</sup> All meet @ the Greensburg Sheraton at 8 AM. This tour takes us on a Northern Scenic Route into Indiana County. The more cars that participate in the Dry Run Tour, the better able we are to work out any bugs or kinks in advance of the actual 2010 tour. So please come and offer your critique and feedback.

We are still in need of distributor caps, ads for the booklet and donations for the goody bags and Chinese Auction. Remember to attend the Founders Tour Meetings on the second Tuesday of every month @ the GREENSBURG SHERATON @ 7PM.



# It's a Gas

Gasoline does not live forever -- it breaks down over time. First, the most volatile portions of gasoline evaporate, causing a car to become hard to start. Second, "gums" settle out of the gas. When the syrupy gums separate and settle, they can clog carburetors and fuel injectors. Gasoline in a gas tank will not begin to break down for at least a year, so there's no problem unless a car is in long-term storage. If you will be storing a car for a long time; keep the tank totally full to minimize air contact and help prolong gas life and add a stabilizer. It's better to drive some of the gas out every so often and refill the tank with fresh gas.

Submitted by Dominic Surace Automotive

#### **PAST PRESIDENTS**

by F. L. Nicholls

Of all the Past Presidents. I am sure that our President for 1965 is the best known. EARL MUIR joined our Region in 1957 and had served our Region as Vice President in 1964, Treasurer in 1968, 1969, 1970 and 1971. He also served as Secretary, I believe, in 1967. He was active in national AACA Judging and received his Master Judge Award in 1972, and was Chief Judge at the WPR national Meet held at Seven Springs in 1972. Earl and his wife, Velma had participated in many Glidden Tours in his 1923 Ford "T" Touring. He owned many antique cars, two of which were National Award winners: the 1923 Ford "T" Touring and a 1932 Harley Davidson motorcycle. Among his other cars were a 1914 Monroe Touring, a 1936 Ford Roadster, a 1932 Chevrolet Tudor and a Studebaker President. He was instrumental in founding the Laurel Highland Region, and later served on the National AACA Board of Directors. Both he and his wife are deceased.

#### MINUTES

#### AUGUST 18, 2009 MEETING

#### OF THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA REGION OF THE ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

A meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held August 18, 2009 at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) Hall, Latrobe, Pa commencing at approximately 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by President Harvey Eger, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 56 members in attendance.

**GUESTS:** Bob and Joyce Halula

#### MINUTES OF THE JULY 21, 2009 MEETING:

The minutes of the July 21, 2009 meeting were printed in the August Round-Up. The President asked if there were any additions or corrections to those minutes. Hearing none the President called for a Motion to approve those Minutes. Upon motion by Howard Finney, seconded by Nancy Wolfe and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the July 21, 2009 meeting were approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Barb Erny then presented the Treasurer's Report. She noted that an error reported last month was corrected. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Fred Nicholls, seconded by Tom Ulishney and unanimously carried. The Treasurer's report was approved.

OLD BUSINESS: Harvey Eger has asked that anyone giving a report to please come to the front and use the microphone.

<u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> Howard Finney Chairperson. Howard presented the second reading for Robert and Joyce Halula. A motion to accept was made by Charlie Schifano, seconded by Ron Underwood and unanimously approved for membership.

**FOUNDERS TOUR:** Howard Finney reported on the 2010 Founders Tour. He would like for members to attend the Tour meetings on the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is September 15, 2009 at the Sheraton Greensburg. **DISTRIBUTOR CAPS** are still needed. Please give them to Al Wirick. Please attend the Founders **TO R** meeting. We can't spell 'tour' without "<u>U</u>".

<u>FOUNDERS TOUR TEST RUN</u>: August 16, 2009 (Sheetz's) (southwest) Dave reported the run went very well – others reported it was very accurate. September 19, 2009 will be the Schifano/Blank dry run to Indiana, PA.

<u>OTHER TOURS:</u> Charlie Schifano was called upon to report on the trips to Dublin and Macungie. Ten Cars represented the club at Macungie.

September 26 & 27 Idlewild Park "Hallowbaloo" There are members taking their cars on Sunday, the 27<sup>th</sup>. See Charlie Schifano for details Any Car Cruise activities check with Charlie. Ron Caruso reported on the Pepperwood Grill Cruise to be held Sunday September 20, 2009 1pm – 4pm. Entertainment will be provided by the "SharpTones". Free vodka infused tea tasting.

**2009 CHANCE CAR:** Eleanor and Stan Kanick are handling the Chance Car. The <u>last</u> 16 unsold tickets were taken by Bob and Joyce Halula.

<u>PICNIC</u>: John Ross Kuhns was the Chairman of the picnic held July 18, 2009 at Cooperstown Club. The weather was "chilly" but fun had by all. The extra food from the picnic was brought to the meeting and enjoyed by all. A big THANKS to John for a job well done! <u>CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>: Connie Schifano and Marianne Caruso are chairing the Christmas Party. Lakeview has been reserved for this event on December 20, 2009. Please note that the date originally announced has been changed.

<u>MERCHANDISE:</u> Nancy Mckelvey is the Region Merchandise Chairperson. Nancy gave the following report: She has shirts and other items for sale and thanks everyone for their purchases.

NEWSLETTER: Susan Eger asks all new members to fill out a new member interview sheet for the newsletter.

HOSPITALITY: Thanks to Susan Eger and "Little Debbie" for tonight's 'gourmet' refreshments.

**2009 CAR SHOW:** The car show will be held on Sunday, September 6, 2009, at Legion Keener Park in Latrobe. Harvey Eger is Chairman of the show and gave the following report: Harvey is setting up job assignments and working on details.

Those who are setting up the show field should be there Sat. 1pm.

Car Parking workers should be on site by 8am-8:30 am Sunday of the show.

Chinese auction items and Bake sale items should be to Debbie Sheetz/Connie Schifano by 10am day of show.

Wear the Club Yellow Shirts day of show. \*\*\* If a fire extinguisher is not present in a show vehicle, that vehicle will not be judged.

NEW BUSINESS: The Club received an e-mail from a ranger at Keystone State Park stating they may be restarting their car shows.

OTHER BUSINESS: Denny Blank explained about Vinkler Signs (license plate decals) for your antique vehicle. See Denny for details.

50/50 DRAWING/KITTY: This month's 50/50 of \$59 was won by Dave Davis, leaving a balance of \$59 for the Kitty which the region will match for a total of \$118.00. Badge fines collected tonight amount to \$1.25. This brings tonight's Jackpot to \$119.25. Doreen King held the winning ticket and took home \$119.25.

On the motion of Becky Blank and seconded by Howard Finney and unanimously carried, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:50PM.

Bob Inhoff Secretary



Check air filer monthly – if air filter is dirty, replace it. The air filer is relatively easy to locate, it's under the metal "lid" found in the carbureted engine. It may also be found at the front end of the air duct assembly.

Check brake fluid regularly – remove the lid or pry off the clip in the brake cylinder reservoir. If it needs more fluid, add the approved type of fluid for your vehicle and check for possible leaks.

Since many of our members are "double dippers" and belong to more than one car club, this calendar includes WPR events as well as non-WPR events in and around our region. PLEASE INFORM ME of any needed corrections, changes, additions or clarification as soon as you can. Remember to double check all information in this calendar with a second source before heading off on a journey. Items listed in BOLD are national AACA and local WPR events.

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#### **SEPTEMBER**

15 Tue	WPR monthly meeting, 7:30pm
18 Fri	Annual AACA Grand National – Topeka, Kansas
19 Sat	WPR Dry run for 2010 FOUNDERS TOUR (Schifano) meet 8 am @ Sheraton GBG
20 Sun	Pepperwood CRUISE-IN, 1-4 PM see Marianne Caruso, \$6, Sharptones, drink specials, 50/50
21 Mon	Last Day of SUMMER:(
22 Tue	Historic Saxonburg Main Street, 5-9pm; DJ, Raffles, Dash Plaques, Crafts/Antiques/Food
26, 27	HalloBoo Cruise, Idlewild Park, see Charlie for details
27 Sun	DelGrosso Park HarvestFest Car Show, \$4, AACA Allegheny Mountain Region (814-931-7045)
30 Wed	Fall Carlisle Swap Meet (through October 4)
OCTOBER	
1 - 4	Fall Carlisle Swap Meet, cont'd.
3 Sat	Acme U. Meth. Church, Rt. 31, 7th annual Car Show; registration 9-11am, \$9.00. Judging, 12-2pm, trophies @ 3pm -
	must be present. Spectators Free. Info: 724-593-6785 or 724 423-2821
7 - 10	AACA NATIONAL Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey - SWAP MEET and CAR SHOW
10 Sat	Historic Saxonburg Main Street, 5-9pm; DJ, Raffles, Dash Plaques, Crafts/Antiques/Food
12 Mon	Kings, Buffalo Plaza, 356 South of Butler, DJ, "Halloween Cruise" 6-9pm
13 Tue	WPR 2010 FOUNDERS TOUR meeting with H. Finney, 7pm @ Sheraton GBG
	ONLY 7 MEETINGS LEFT!
20 Tue	WPR monthly meeting, 7:30pm
NOVEMBER	
10 Tue	WPR 2010 FOUNDERS TOUR meeting with H. Finney, 7pm @ Sheraton GBG
1 277	ONLY 6 MEETINGS LEFT!
17 Tue	WPR monthly meeting, 7:30pm
DECEMBER	
04 Fri	Dawson Christmas Dinner, 12:30p, see Marianne Caruso for details and reservations.
06 Sun	Laurel Highlands Christmas Party @ Darlington Inn
20 Sun	WPR Christmas Party @ Lakeview- Chairs: Connie Schifano and Marianne Caruso
JUNE 2010	NATIONAL AACA FOUNDERS TOUR HOSTED BY OUR REGION

# Cruisin' with Charlie

This is the last month for Cruisin' with Charlie. Sadly, summer comes to an end on Sept. 21st and the car season begins to wind down. There are still some local cruises that hold out as long as the weather does and a few are listed below. I would like to thank Charlie for his willingness to put together a list of cruises for the newsletter. Many club members have told me that they appreciated the list and had lots of good times this summer at the cruises. Thanks Charliel

#### **CRUISE UPDATE:**

Sept 19, Noon to 5, Penn Township Cruise, Harrison City Municipal Park

Sept 19, 11:00 AM Avonmore Harvest Car Cruise, Parade at 1PM

Sept 20, 1-4 Pepperwood Grille Cruise-in, see Marianne Caruso for details Sept. 26 & 27, HallowBoo Cruise @ Idlewild Park, see Charlie for details

EVERY WEDNESDAY, 5 til dark, Steak & Shake, Greensburg...until weather cools. EVERY THURSDAY, 6-9, Lamplighter, Rt. 22, Delmont....until weather cools.

EVERY SATURDAY, 5:30-9pm, Norwin Shopping Center on Rt. 30...until weather cools.

EVERY SUNDAY, 5-8pm, Dairy Queen in Delmont...thru October???("Boo-Cruise")







### Car Care Tips

Vehicle owners who postpone maintenance risk the loss of fuel efficiency, engine breakdown, and their own safety. Fortunately, do-it-yourself vehicle maintenance checks can be easy. Below are some critical items that should be examined to keep your vehicle in good condition:

Check antifreeze level weekly – certain cars contain transparent reservoirs with visible level markings. The level marking should show a 50/50 solution of water and antifreeze. Don't take off the pressure cap when the engine is hot.

Inspect belts and hoses monthly – worn, flayed, and glazed belts should be replaced. It should be tightened if it has more than 1/2" of slack. Cars that contain belt tensioners don't require adjustments. It is important to replace brittle or bulging hoses and clamps should be tightened. If hoses feel too hard or too soft, it needs replaced.

Check oil monthly – remove dipstick, insert it, and remove it again. If oil is low, add more. An oil change is recommended every 3 months or 3,000 miles whichever comes first.

# FOR ALL THOSE BORN BEFORE 1945

# WE ARE SURVIVORS!!

# Consider the changes we have witnessed:

We were born before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, Frisbees and the PILL.

We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ballpoint pens; before pantyhose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and THEN lived together. How quaint can you be?

In our time, closets were for clothes, not for "coming out of." Bunnies were small rabbits and rabbits were not Volkswagens. Designer Jeans were scheming girls named Jean or Jeanne, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along well with our cousins.

We thought fast food was what you are during Lent, and Outer Space was the back of the Riviera Theatre.

We were before house-husbands, gay rights, computes detting, dual carears and computer marriages. We were before day-care centers, group therapy and number homes. We never heard of Five radio, take decks, electric typewriters, strifficial hearts, word processors, yogurt, and guys wearing earrings. For us, time sharing meant togetherness — not computers, or condominiums; a chip meant a piece of wood, hardware meant hardware, and software wasn't even a word!

In 1940, "made in Japan" meant junk and the term "making out" referred to how you did on your exam. Pizzas, MacDonalds and instant coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores, where you bought things for five and ten cents. For once nickle you could ride a street car, make a phone call, buy a Pepsi or enough stamps to mail one letter and two postcards. You could buy a new Chevy Coupe for \$600... but who could afford one? A pity, too, because gas was 11 cents a gailon!

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, GRASS was mowed, COKE was a cold drink and POT was something you cooked in ROCK MUSIC was a Grandma's lullaby and AIDS were helpers in the Principal's Office.

We were certainly not before the difference between the sexes was discovered, but we were surely before the sex change; we made do with what we had. And we were the last generation that was so dumb as to think you needed a husband to have a baby!

No wonder we are so confused and there is such a generation gap today!





The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining.

John F. Kennedy

#### Caring for Your Wheels

Several agents can attack your wheels. The main culprit is brake dust. Brake pads are made from several components, including monofilament carbon fibers, metal filings, Kevlar fibers and polymer-based adhesives. Brake pad adhesive is the root of most problems. When the adhesive residue (a component of brake dust) becomes wet, it turns acidic and may etch wheels. Metal filings, during braking, will become red hot and tend to "burn" tiny holes in the finish of wheels. If there are small droplets that look like road tar on the wheels, this may actually be re-polymerized brake pad adhesive. Polymer adhesives form droplets that wind up on wheels where it adheres. Key to maintaining your wheels is a coat of wax. Wax acts as a protectant. Damaging effects of red-hot brake dust, brake dust acids, pollution and ozone are unleashed on the wax instead of your wheel.

There are many ways to clean wheels; choose the least aggressive method that will get the job done. A quality car wash/water solution is the least aggressive and will probably remove most of the dirt/brake dust from the wheel. If car wash does not do the trick, then try a quality wheel cleaner. Be careful when choosing a wheel cleaner as most popular brands are highly acidic and may damage the finish on your wheels. The active ingredient in many wheel cleaners is hydrofluoric acid (the same acid used to etch glass). If you use a highly acidic cleaner, the finish can be stripped off the wheels.

Most wheel cleaners work best on a dry wheel. Spray the cleaner on the wheel and work evenly into all areas of the wheel with a soft cloth, soft sponge or wash mitt. Try to smooth out drips or runs so there is an even coating of cleaner over the entire wheel. Allow the wheel cleaner 3-5 minutes to work and gently scrub the wheel with your cloth/sponge/mitt. Some areas of a dirty wheel may require gentle brushing with a soft brush to dislodge the dirt. If areas need additional cleaning, respray with wheel cleaner and gently brush. The key words here are "soft" and "gently". The finish on many wheels is acrylic enamel or high temperature lacquer that is relatively soft and may scratch. Once the dirt/brake dust is loosened, rinse thoroughly with water and dry.

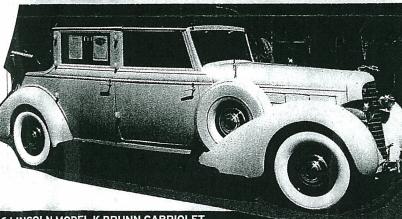
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#### GARAGE SALE





Three year, body off frame/rotisserie/bare metal restoration of a very straight, solid original. Power steering, brakes, windows, seat and top. Air conditioning added during restoration. Extra engine available.



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This is one of 10 built and one of only two known to exist, and Jay Leno has the other of the wheel with a soft cloth, soft.

This car was built for Richard Ringling, heir to the Ringling Brothers Circus.



curtains, RHD. Original 6 cylinder motor. Only one known to exist.