

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



November 2010

60 Years
1950 - 2010



Trick or Treat #...

Halloween Spirit Kicks Off October Meeting

Creepy, kooky, clever and spooky, and so it was as Western PA Region members celebrated Halloween prior to the October meeting. There were many creative costumes, prizes, laughter and a great fall dinner thanks to Barbara Erny and her Halloween Party Committee.

Guess Who? Answers on page 5



**Get Ready for a 2011 Fun
Renew Your
Memberships Now!**

Renew your National AACA Membership. See the insert in your most recent *Antique Automobile Magazine* or renew online with a credit card at www.aaca.org. **Renew your Western PA Region membership** by using the form enclosed in this issue of the *Western Round-Up*.





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Membership

Western Pennsylvania Region dues are \$10.00 until March 1, 2011 for individual membership and are \$12.00 after that date.

Joint membership dues are \$15.00 until March 1, 2011 and are \$17.00 after that date.

Student membership dues are \$5.00.

AACA National Rules dictate that you must be a member of the AACA National Club in order to join a region. Please display your current AACA National Membership Card when you pay your Western Pennsylvania Region dues.

Dues may be paid at the monthly meeting or by mail. If by mail, send your check along with your AACA National Membership Card to:

Barbara Erny
5218 Center Drive
Latrobe, PA 15650

Your card will be stamped and mailed back to you.

CALENDAR

Western PA Region AACA Monthly Meetings

American Legion Post 982, (Pipetown), Latrobe
Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January beginning at 7:30 p.m.
Remaining meetings for 2010: November 16.



Still cruisin' - The snow has yet to fly at Norwin Hills Shopping Center. If the weather holds you can still cruise there through the end of November. This photo was taken Saturday, November 13.

Norwin Hills Shopping Center Cruise-In, Irwin

Every Saturday until the snow flies - 4:30 p.m. DJ, 50/50.
Contact Gary Kee, 724-875-9722

Cochran House Christmas Luncheon

Thursday, December 9th at noon, Cochran House,
Dawson, PA

Western PA Region Annual Christmas Party,

December 18, Lakeview, Route 30, Greensburg, PA

Western PA Region Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 23, 2011 at Dino's Sports Lounge-Banquet Room, Route 30, Latrobe. Hors d'oeuvres at 2:00 p.m. Meeting and elections at 3:00 p.m. with dinner to follow. See enclosed flyer.

2011 AACA Annual Meeting,

February 10-12, Philadelphia, PA



Member News

Barbara Erny is recovering from a recent hospitalization. We wish her continued healing and a return to wellness again soon.

A hearty congratulations to John Ross Kuhns and Blair Flickenger who were married on October 16th. We wish you both all the best.

Keep this form -- Send to WPR with Membership Renewal.

**WPR AACA CURRENT MEMBERS
DON'T LET YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRE!!**

Members -- Please don't miss out on the fun and fellowship for next year! Get out your checkbooks! Regional Dues must be paid (National Dues must be paid first – use the form included with your Antique Automobile magazine or renew online) in order for you to be eligible to receive newsletters and attend or participate in any Western Pennsylvania Region AACA activity.

If you wish to remain eligible to attend WPR AACA functions, continue receiving the newsletter and be listed in our 2011 directory, please complete the membership form below and mail your check payable to WPR AACA to:

**WPR AACA
P O Box 882
Latrobe, PA 15650**

We are looking forward to an exciting year! Together we can all meet new friends and enjoy the many exciting activities planned for the Western Pennsylvania Region AACA.

✂ ***** cut off and return ***** ✂

_____ I am enclosing National Membership card(s) to be stamped by WPR and returned to me.

_____ Check enclosed. WPR dues: Joint Adult Members \$15, Individual Adult Member \$10, Student (age 13-25) Member \$5, Junior (12 & younger) Member no charge.

Reminder: Deadline to be included in Roster is February 28. After March 31, dues are \$17.00 for renewing joint members and \$12.00 for renewing individual members.

Today's date _____ Signature _____

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Member (Print)

Spouse (Print)

Name _____

Name _____

Member No. _____

Member No. _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Email _____

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Student/Junior Member at Home

Email _____

b) Name _____

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Student/Junior Member at Home

Member No. _____

a) Name _____

Age _____

Member No. _____

c) Name _____

Age _____

Member No. _____

Age _____

Dear Mark Jackson:

by John Kosko

My good man, my 10th attempt to be an Automotive Historian is starting with library books about some great pioneers, like Billy Durant and Henry Ford. Right now, through the Greensburg library, I have "Chrysler: The life and times of an automotive genius" (copyright 2000, author Vincent Curcio). It is 699 pages and came from Murrysville. I keep it for 3 to 6 weeks. It is exactly 2 inches thick, a juicy steak of car reading, sure to aid the passing of time.

Nevertheless I don't believe in hobbies, I believe in work. And Automotive History is a labor of love, a fun job, and although parts of it drag for the reading, and it's long hours, it is fascinating and peaceful for those of us who sink into its lore.

Speaking of tranquillity, when I go to our meetings at Pipetown American Legion, I try to get there early. I pull my car into the lot quietly and take an end spot by the far end of the sidewalk. That is around 6 p.m. third Tuesday. When I turn the engine off I step out of the car (if it is not raining and the weather is mild). I am stunned by the peacefulness around me. Usually the other members have not yet arrived. And this peacefulness is that of calm suburbia and half-rustic idyll.

In the maple trees and on the spacious lawns birds are chirping and moving about with easy aplomb. A squirrel or two scamper up trunks and out onto limbs. Rabbits jerk about

in the grasses, or near the elm trees. All these critters seem to own the place. They belong.

There is elbow room out here, from earned money. This is Americana, like the patriotic classical music of Aaron Copeland in the 1940s. The human residents of these houses I seldom see, yet I sense they are law-abiding and reposed.

Old vehicles, and newer ones too, fit out here. They squat placidly in this parking lot, their shells ticking gently for a minute or two after their engines are shut off. Their metal seems to softly speak "Thank you for bringing me here, near the open roads, by the trees and verdant landscape. I'm honored to have carried you out here. I'll wait in contentment to take you back home."

Mark, I am not criticizing city living. But this is not the city. This is not wall-to-wall pavement, and noise, and more danger. This is apple pie, greenery, gravel, less danger, quiet, rural routes and highways, the stuff and promise of pastoral postcards. We, and our cars and trucks, are in our element here. We are where we should be.

The meeting will be lively, for this is a big, dynamic, far-sighted club that works its members but gives them party after party. Yet let us not forget this peacefulness, this underlying harmony of outdoor Pennsylvania with our automotive souls.

Looking Back...

The 1948 Lincoln Continental Coupe

by F. L. Nicholls



Fred Nicholls

Paul Bell had recruited me into AACA judging at Hershey in 1966, and I was put into the Judging Team for Classic Cars. I believe this was the second year for organized judging and giving credit to members for participating. In these years most of the Classic Cars were driven to the shows, little was done to the interior and chassis. A few were repainted. Being a rookie, I was assigned to judge the chassis, which meant laying on the ground or pavement and crawling underneath. Looking for electric fuel pumps was a big issue.

We were judging a 1941 Lincoln Continental Coupe, and I thought this was a really sharp car. Three years would pass before I decided to look for a Lincoln.

The Buick was advertised for sale in *Hemmings Motor News*, and although I still had the Buick, Ann and I drove to Erie to look at a 1946 Lincoln Continental Coupe. This was a disaster. It had zebra covered seats and a leopard headliner. The owner claimed this was original.

At Hershey I had looked at a 1941 Lincoln, but it required



The 1946 Lincoln Continental Coupe we looked at in Erie. The owner claimed this interior was original.

too much work. In *Hemmings Motor News* there was a 1948 Lincoln Continental Coupe advertised by a John Elson in Versailles, Ohio. Even though it was not old enough for AACA, Ann and I decided to take a few days and drive to this town, which was on the Ohio-Indiana border.

Elson owned the Ford Agency, and also dealt in antique cars. He also had for sale a 1937 Ford Cabriolet Coupe, a

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Minutes of the October 19, 2010 Meeting

A Meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on October 19, 2010, at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) Hall, Latrobe PA1 commencing at approximately 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, John Ross Kuhns, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 70 members in attendance and no guests.

Minutes of the September 21, 2010 Meeting:

The Minutes of the September 21, 2010 Meeting were printed in the September Roundup. The Vice President asked if there were any additions or corrections to those Minutes. John Kuhns noted that the September minutes credited Vicki and Ashley Kuhns as heading up the Paul P. Bell Memorial Car Show Chinese Auction, when it should have been Vicki Kuhns and Blair Flickenger (now Mrs. John Ross Kuhns). The Vice President then called for the Minutes to be approved as corrected.

Upon Motion of Howard Finney, seconded by Donna Surace and unanimously carried, the minutes of the September 21, 2010 were approved as corrected.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Barbara Erny was not present due to an illness so no report was presented at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Tours/Cruises:

Marianne Caruso reported that the Cochran House Christmas Luncheon in Dawson on December 9 is pretty much filled up. She invited anyone who has not registered, but is still interested in going to contact her.

2010 Chance Car: Eleanor and Stan Kanick

Eleanor Kanick said that a final report was given at the September Meeting.

Christmas Party: *Connie Schifano and Marianne Caruso*
Connie Schifano reminded all that the Christmas Party is December 18th at Lakeview, Route 30, Greensburg. The party will be held in the Imperial Room. Hors d'oeuvres begin at 4:30 p.m. Dinner will follow at 5:30 p.m. A registration form was printed in the October *Round-Up*, and will appear again in the November issue. Costs and

discounts are as follows:

Costs: Members \$25.00 each
Members children under 12 \$5.00 each
Guests \$30.00 each
Children of guests \$10.00 each

Discounts: (*Discounts will be refunded at the door.*)
30+ Chance Car tickets sold = 50% discount
Founders Tour worker = 50% discount

Connie welcomed members to sign up tonight if they wanted to.

Membership: Howard Finney:

New members:

Second Reading for John and Joann L. Mull
Second Reading for Dave and Marjorie Reese
Second Reading for James Butler
Second Reading for Albert and Sally Findley

A motion was made by Charlie Schifano to approve all these Second Readings as new members. The motion was seconded by Donna Surace.

Discussion - John Kuhns expressed concern over new members not being present for their readings. Howard Finney pointed out that the current Western PA Region bylaws do not require new members to be present to be voted in. John suggested that this topic be discussed further to encourage new members to be active. Discussion concluded with this matter to be discussed in the near future. Howard pointed out that the membership must be notified in writing at least 30 days ahead of time concerning any proposed bylaw changes.

After this discussion the members present voted to approved Charlie Schifano's original motion, and all Second Readings presented at this meeting were approved as new members.

Newsletter: Mark Jackson:

Nancy McKelvey was the first to guess a 1949 Mercury as the auto featured in the October *Round-Up's Name That Car Contest*. She won a pumpkin pie from Eat n' Park.

Website: Mark DeFloria:

Mark invited members to submit information and photos for posting on the website.

Region Historian: John Kuhns

No Report

Hospitality: Debbie Sheetz

No Report

2010 Awards:

Luella Bell reminded members that the Award descriptions should be as follows: The Paul Bell Award is given for the most unique or unusual car, not for a recent restoration. The Foster Fike Award is given for a restoration completed during the past year and shown at an event. The Jack Clark Award is for service.

The Vice President requested nominations from the floor. In making a nomination, you must state why you think the person you nominate deserves this award. Voting will take place at the November Meeting.

Nominations from the floor were:

Paul Bell Award: Most unusual car - *No nominations*

Foster Fike Award: Best restoration completed over the past year and shown at an event - *No nominations*

Jack Clark Award: Recognizing the individual who has done the most for the Region during the past year.

Nominations - The Founders Tour Committee

Harvey Eger

Tom and Dodie Ulishney

Howard Finney

Carol Calabrace

Election of Directors:

Anyone interested in running for one of the three Board positions should notify the any of the Directors. Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting. A number of members were nominated from the floor for offices, but all declined.

It was pointed out that according to Region bylaws, an individual cannot hold an office in two different AACA Regions. This issue will be revisited at a future meeting.

Membership Renewal:

Renewal of National AACA Membership: The last issue of *Antique Automobile Magazine* contains a renewal form for payment of your National dues. Also included is a ballot for election of National Directors. Background information on the candidates for National Board office can be found in the *Antique Automobile Magazine*. **National dues can also be paid online through the AACA website, www.aaca.org.**

Western PA Region dues should be paid as well, before March 1 so that your name is included in our Roster, which must be sent to National by that date (March 1). A renewal form appears in this month's issue of the *Western Round-Up* newsletter.

The Vice President called for any other Old Business. There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

2011 Chance Car:

Chuck Speicher, Mark Jackson and John Ross Kuhns are serving as the 2011 Chance Car Committee. Chuck reported that he is regularly reviewing Craigslist. Good leads are welcome and appreciated.

The Annual Meeting:

John Kuhns announced that the Western PA Region Annual Meeting will take place on Sunday afternoon, January 23rd, at Dino's in Latrobe. More information will follow.

50-50 Kitty:

This months 50-50 (\$50.) was won by: Connie Schifano
The Kitty Balance (\$50.) was won by Ron Barnhart

Adjournment:

ON MOTION of Myron Shoaf, seconded by Stan Kanick and unanimously carried, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.

-- Mark Jackson,
Secretary

Who's On The Cover?



- 1 Charlie and Connie Schifano
- 2 Regis Jackson
- 3 Melanie and Mark DeFloria
- 4 Donna and Dominic Surace
- 5 Nancy McKelvey
- 6 Stan and Eleanor Kanick
- 7 Mark Jackson
- 8 Lee Speicher
- 9 Chuck Speicher, Jill Jackson, Marilyn Stoner
- 10 Myron and Connie Shoaf
- 11 Ron and Marianne Caruso
- 12 Dave Lizza and Luella Bell

beautiful 1936 Ford Coupe, a 1956 Ford Crown Victoria and the Lincoln. He had bought the car in Lockport, NY and drove it home. I mentioned that I was tired of trailering, and he told me he was interested in buying a trailer. I drove the Lincoln, and I thought it was fine, except it had narrow white sidewall tires. We made a deal, and he would drive the Lincoln to Indiana, his wife would drive a Ford pickup. If the trailer was as I said, he would take the trailer on trade, and take it home behind the Ford.

He called in about a week and said that they would be in Indiana late the next day. They arrived late in the afternoon, completed all the paper work, had dinner with us, and later headed to New Stanton where they had a motel room reserved. About a week later I sold the Buick to a man who said he would overhaul the motor. He hauled it home in a big box truck.

The following year after Hershey John Elson and wife stopped at our home. He was happy with the trailer and had used it a number of times. I was happy with the Lincoln and I owned it for six years.



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No. H38-KK. New and different. Just press against tire wall and you get the correct tire pressure. No removing valve caps. No pliers—no skinned knuckles. You can now gauge all your tires in a jiffy. As handy as the self-starter. Weight, each, 5 ozs.

Selling price, 98c

Sample, 55c; Dozen, \$5.95

RUBBER WINDOW WEDGES

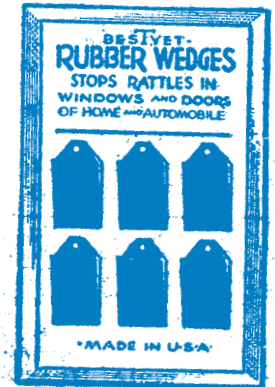
No. H127-BE. A very handy little rubber article which can be used in windows and doors, either in the home or the auto for eliminating rattles. A sure-holding wedge produced from real live rubber. Six wedges are attractively mounted on a display card. Weight, each, 1 1/4 ozs.

Selling price, per card of six, 20c

Sample Card, 10c;

Dozen, \$1.10;

Per Carton of 4 Dozen, \$3.95



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Special thanks to these members for contributing their time and talent to this issue:

Becky Blank, Connie Schifano, Harvey Eger, Susan Eger, Barbara Erny, Howard Finney, John Kosko, John Ross Kuhns, Fred Nicholls, Clay Stoner, Donna Surace

FOR SALE & WANT TO BUY

Automobile related ads in the Western Round-Up are free of charge for Western PA Region AACA members.

To place an ad contact Mark Jackson, Editor at rpmguy2002@yahoo.com or call Mark at 724-832-9074.

For Sale: 1969 Corvette Coupe
Original/excellent condition, All numbers match.
Automatic - side pipes, Gold/saddle
Call Lou: 724-834-6813

For Sale: 2006 BMW Scooter \$5,000.
1928 Model A Ford Roadster Pick Up
Janet Bloom: 724-676-4791

For Sale: 5 Tires, L-78 x 15 Wide Whitewall
3 inches. \$100. Ron Underwood, 412-341-7812
Cell 412-303-4927

For Sale: 1981 - 1985 Cadillac El Dorado parts
new and used.
Call Joe Vrable: 724-219-3922

Want To Buy: Ford Wheels, 1932 - 1935 and
1941 - 1948, Call Lou: 724-834-6813

Want To Buy: "Cars & Parts" magazine, it's
issues from the 1980's; also any books &
magazines containing Packards or Oldsmobiles.
John Kosko, 724-832-2576

Name That Car!

by Mark Jackson



Nancy McKelvey was the first to correctly identify a 1949 Mercury as the October *Name That Car*. She won the pumpkin pie, which was delivered fresh from Eat 'n Park at the October Meeting.



A mystery member submitted the above photo for the November *Name That Car*. Can you identify the correct year and make of this beautiful aerodynamic vehicle? Be the first to contact me with the correct year and make and win a box of Wilson's chocolate covered cherries. Email rpmguy2002@yahoo.com or call 724-837-5271. Can you guess who the cute little girl is in the photo? She is a long time Region member. Guess who she is and get a bonus - a Wilson's Wonderbar with almonds.

1920's Gas Stations



The dawning of "Service with a Smile!"



Western PA Region

Christmas Party

December 18, 2010

Lakeview Lounge, Rte. 30, Gbg. PA

Imperial Rm, Main Floor

Hors D'oeuvres 4:30 ♦ Dinner 5:30 ♦ Cash Bar

Entertainment by Sharptones.

Keep this portion for your records.

Member Cost: \$25.

Member Child's Cost:

Under Age 12 - \$5.

(Non-member Child \$10)

Guest Cost: \$30.

DISCOUNTS:

30 + Tickets Sold: 50%

Founders Tour Workers: 50%

(discounts reimbursed at door)

If you would like to attend, please sign below and choose a dinner selection. Detach this portion and send with your check.

Name _____

Roast _____ Stuffed _____ Adult Chicken _____ Child Chicken _____
 Chicken _____ Pork Chops _____ Tenders _____ Tenders _____

Please Respond by 12-13-10

Please bring a \$10 Gift per person for a Gift Exchange

Make checks payable to:
 Western PA Region AACA

Mail to: Connie Schifano
 223 Blackridge Drive
 Greensburg, PA 15601

2011 WPR Annual Meeting



Sunday, January 23, 2011
Dino's Sports Lounge-Banquet Room
Rt. 30 East in Latrobe
Across from Denny's

The Western Pennsylvania Region's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 23, 2011
At Dino's Sport Lounge Banquet Room.

The afternoon will begin with a cash bar and hors d'oeuvres at 2:00 pm
General Business Meeting and Elections at 3:00 pm
Dinner to follow

Dinner Choices Are: Stuffed Chicken Breast

Broiled Cod w/ lemon butter

Roasted Red Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Salad, Dessert, Rolls and Butter, and Coffee or Tea included
with each meal.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY January 14, 2011 NO EXCEPTIONS!

*Please fill out form below and mail to:

Mr. John R. Kuhns

4720 Route 982 N

Latrobe, PA 15650

Phone (412) 554-3321 if there are any questions

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Members Name: _____

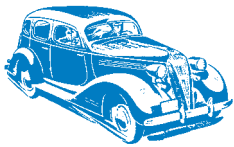
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| _____ Stuffed Chicken Breast @ \$18.00 | \$ _____ |
| _____ Broiled Cod w/ Lemon Butter @ \$18.00 | \$ _____ |
| _____ Total Enclosed | \$ _____ |

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No Children's Menu



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*Come enjoy the "Greatest
Hobby in the World!"*

Plan Now To Enjoy An AACA Tour in 2011

by Don Barlup
VP National Activities AACA



Don Barlup participated in the Western PA Region's 2010 Founders Tour driving his 1979 Lincoln Towncar limousine, which was once owned by Conrad Hilton.

Some clubs focus on car shows and meets; some clubs are known as touring clubs. AACA offers the best of both worlds. Let's talk about touring!

There are good tours and there are better tours, I have never been on a bad tour. AACA offers tours to satisfy all appetites. If you like brass, pre-1915 vehicles, the Reliability Tour held on even years is for you. On the odd years the Vintage Tour for cars up to 1931

may be your era. The Founders Tour welcomes vehicles from 1932 to 25 years old and is held annually. If you like 1928 to 1958 cars, AACA's newest tour the Sentimental Tour is held on even years. Then there is the grand daddy of touring, the AAA Revival Glidden Tour for vehicles built prior to 1942. AACA hosts the tour on odd years while VMCCA hosts on even numbered years. The aforementioned tours are generally five-day tours. For those of you who like a shorter tour AACA offers three-day Divisional Tours, for vehicles to 25 years of age. The Central and Eastern Divisions hold Divisional Tours on even years while the Southeastern and Western Divisions hold Divisional Tours on odd number days.

Now for the rules of Touring:
The first rule of touring is to have fun!
The second rule of touring is to create memories! The third rule of touring is to disregard the diet!

It's great to visit all areas of our great

country while touring in our cars, but all vehicles are not created equal.

There are runners and there are roadside attractions, usually seen with the hood up. Some of you are chuckling. I've probably ridden in your backseat!

Know your car or at least make sure your buddy is a good mechanic and is not driving a roadster, as their backseat may come in handy. Seriously, nothing is better than touring the back roads at a leisurely speed and seeing our great country from a different view than the 4-lane super highway. The collections and museums that I have seen in many years of AACA touring make the "American Pickers" look like novices.

"Never been on an AACA National Tour", you say!

Visit the AACA website at AACA.org and see what you are missing today or contact me for a Touring information brochure.

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