

# THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



October 2010

**60 Years**  
1950 - 2010



## Oh, What a Year It Was...Hey, It's Not Over Yet!

**W**ow, 2010 has been a great and interesting year. We got things rolling with a fun and fabulous Rev-Up Party in March, and then rolled right into the Founders Tour in June! Years of careful planning and teamwork paid off as this was truly an outstanding event.

Then it was off on a bus to the AACA National Museum for it's Annual Car Show and a peek at some hidden treasures in the Museum's storage buildings.

Oh my, there was also that amazing steak dinner to officially celebrate the Region's 60th Birthday! Chef Dato grilling in front of the American Legion Hall...sauteed mushrooms

on one-inch-thick steaks and those luscious cheezy potatoes...my mouth is watering.

We had members attending AACA National Events and bringing home all kinds of awards. It was great to hear stories from Charlotte and Louisville. The Detwiler's Nash is getting so famous that it may end up in a major motion picture someday! (along side Harvey Eger's Model A Leatherback Sedan)

And the weather...except for a snowed over AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia our Region has enjoyed some beautiful days. September 5 was a perfect day for a car show. I'm sure Paul Bell would have been pleased to see the huge crowd

that turned out to enjoy "the greatest hobby in the world" at Legion Keener Park.

But hey, the year's not over yet. We've got a fun Halloween Party and Christmas Party coming up. You can also cruise to the Norwin Hills Shopping Center every Saturday until the snow flies. *(See Calendar page 2.)*

Each day is a gift, so enjoy them to their fullest one at a time. We've got one of the best Regions in the USA. Let's keep it rolling in 2011. Renew your membership. Volunteer on a committee. Sell those Chance Car tickets and enjoy the company of friends and the fruits of your labor.



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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:

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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: October 19 and November 16.

## Norwin Hills Shopping Center Cruise-In, Irwin

Every Saturday until the snow flies -  
5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. DJ, 50/50.  
Contact Gary Kee, 724-875-9722

## Western PA Region Halloween Party and Dinner

Tuesday, October 19 prior to the monthly meeting.  
Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.

## 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

## 2011 AACA Annual Meeting,

February 10-12 Philadelphia, PA



## Member News

It was great to have Sally Wirick and Marilyn Stoner back with us at the September meeting.

Alice Clark recently had surgery and is doing fine.

Congratulations to Cris and Molly Detwiler for being invited to show their Nash at the exclusive Glenmore Gathering in Canton, Ohio.

Look for Harvey Eger's 1929 Model A Ford Leatherback Sedan in the AACA 75th Anniversary Celebration photos from Louisville in the most recent edition of *Antique Automobile Magazine*.



# Dear Mark Jackson:

by John Kosko

Mark, I'm here at home looking at Antique Automobile September/October 2010 issue, back here in the Vehicles for Sale section. It's engaging to see them color; I suppose it was black- and- white years ago. Color juts out.

Now then, the 1926 Cadillac on page 88 strikes me. At \$75,000 it seems to me a reasonable price for that year of Cadillac bearing trophies. Then over on page 93 is a striking 1954 Ford Victoria. I think it's pink. Boy, it's a beauty. \$21,500. Would you spring for the '26 Cadillac instead, by adding \$53,500? I wonder what the other members think.

On page 92 is a stunning 1940 Ford pickup truck basking in sun and shade, \$30,000. And on page 94 is a green 1930 La Salle, \$85,000. To me it looks better than the '26 Cadillac, but how does one best that name? Anyhow, I believe La Salle is the greatest junior marque of all time. Also on 94 is a '23 Marmon in gorgeous yellow and is only ---"only"--- \$84,500. A couple of Packards grace page 95, a '41 convertible and a '53 coupe. It's hard for a Packard not to stand out. Talk about a name.

Finishing up, on page 96 is a glorious 1911 Regal and an extraordinary 1924 Rolls Royce. Tantalizingly the Rolls Royce does not say its price. Life can't do this to us; we want to know.

Did I fail to mention some other vehicles? Yes. Every member has a favorite and it may differ from other members'. The 1955 Pontiac at the top of page 96, in my opinion, is a living doll. But I'm open-minded: the 1971 Plymouth station wagon on page 95 is a beauty as well. Wish I knew what the others think.





# Minutes of the September 21, 2010 Meeting

A Meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on September 21, 2010, at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) Hall, Latrobe PA commencing at approximately 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by the President, Harvey Eger, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 56 members in attendance.

Guests: Al Findley, who submitted a membership application at the car show on September 5th.

## Minutes of the August 17, 2010 Meeting:

The Minutes of the August 17, 2010 Meeting were printed in the September Roundup. 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 of Howard Finney, seconded by Bob Inhoff and unanimously carried. The minutes of the August 17, 2010 were approved.

## Treasurers Report:

Barbara Erny then presented the Treasurers Report. A motion to accept the report as presented was made by Myron Shoaf, seconded by Stan Kanick and unanimously carried. The Treasurers Report was approved.

## OLD BUSINESS

### Tours/Cruises:

October 3rd, The Pepperwood Grille Cruise, Westmoreland Mall, Route 30 Greensburg sponsored by the Laurel Highlands Region featuring D.J. Pete Highlands, \$6.00 fee with food specials.

Toys For Tots event - flyers available

### Chance Car: Eleanor and Stan Kanick

Winning ticket number - 9951. The 2010 Chance Car winner was Bill Turner from Uniontown, PA. The winning ticket was sold by Ed Vrable at the Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival in July.

It was difficult to reach Mr. Turner to notify him about winning the car since he was away in Las Vegas when Eleanor tried to call. Eleanor suggested that a space be provided on next year's Chance Car tickets for additional phone numbers or a cell phone number.

2010 ticket sales summary: 52 members sold tickets, 12 members sold 100+ tickets, and there were 195 tickets unsold.

### Christmas Party: Connie Schifano/Marianne Caruso

The Christmas Party will be held on December 18 at Lakeview, Route 30, Greensburg in the Imperial Room. Dinner selections will include: stuffed pork chop or 1/2 roasted chicken.

**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

*See Christmas Party mail-in registration ticket on page 7.*

### Membership: Howard Finney

First reading for Al and Sally Findley recommended by Barbara Erny and Howard Finney

First reading for John and Jo Ann Mull, Jeannette, PA recommended by Bob and Joyce Inhoff

First reading for James Butler, Indiana, PA

Dave and Marjorie Reese are returning members recommended by Charlie and Connie Schifano.

Five people requested membership information at the Paul P. Bell Memorial Car Show on September 5.

### Western Round-Up Newsletter: Mark Jackson

Submitted articles, photos and ideas are welcome and appreciated. It is your newsletter.

### Website: Mark DeFloria

Many 2010 Car Show photos are on the website. Visit the site and enjoy.

### Region Historian: John Kuhns

**Hospitality:** Soft drinks provided. Tried to order pizza, but local shops were unable to fill the order.

### Car Show: Harvey Eger, Connie Schifano

273 Cars attended, a new record, of which 80 pre-registered

Needed more help in the morning parking cars.

The new judging form will be discussed at a future critique meeting.

Connie Schifano thanked all for the donation of beautiful and tasty treats for the bake sale. Bake sale income was \$611.75. Ron Caruso requested the recipe for the Steeler Cookies.

The Chinese Auction was "out of this world" thanks to the work of Vicki and Ashley Kuhns and the generous and creative donations made by our members. Income from the Chinese Auction was \$847.00.

The 50/50 income was \$593.52

There are left over dash plaques and pens while supply lasts for any member who did not get one.

Chuck Speicher reviewed publicity for this year's Car Show, and asked how many members saw the Car Show promotions on Comcast and the Arnold Palmer Regional Airport electronic board along Route 30. There were articles in the *Mount Pleasant Journal*, *The Latrobe Bulletin* and *Tribune Review*. Publicity suggestions for the future are welcome and appreciated.

The President called for any other Old Business.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 2011 Chance Car:

Chuck Speicher will be heading up the 2011 Chance Car Search Committee with help from John Ross Kuhns.

### 2010 Awards:

**Paul Bell Award** – Given for completion of a restoration by a member and shown at an event

**Jack Clark Award** – Given to the Individual who has done the most for the Region during the past year. Nominations will be accepted from the Floor. In making a nomination, you must tell us why you think the person you nominate deserves this award.

**Voting will take place at the November Meeting.**

### Election of Directors:

Anyone interested in running for one of the three Board positions should notify the President. Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting.

### Membership Renewal:

Renewal of National AACA Membership. This month's *Antique Automobile* magazine (which arrives this week), 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.

*Special Note: The biography of National Board candidate Hulon McGraw was accidentally omitted in *Antique Automobile* magazine, but his name is on the ballot.*

**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 will appear in the October *Round-Up*.

### Other:

**The October Membership Meeting** will start off with a **Halloween Party and Dinner** which will start at 6:30 p.m. Barbara Erny will coordinate with a committee. Costumes are optional.

**Harvey Eger's 1929 Leatherback Sedan** may be seen in the pictures from the 75th Anniversary Meet in Louisville which appear in this month's issue of the *Antique Automobile Magazine*.

Marianne Caruso said that a sign up sheet was available for the **Cochran House Christmas Luncheon on Thursday, December 9th at noon.**

**Cris Detwiler reported on his participation in the Glenmore Gathering in Canton, Ohio.** This is considered the third best car show in the USA in the same league as Pebble Beach - very classy cars.

### Kitty:

This month's 50-50 totaled \$ 52.00 and was won by: Stan Kanick.

The Kitty Balance was won by Ron Caruso

### Adjournment:

ON MOTION of Myron Shoaf, seconded by Ralph Shearer and unanimously carried, the Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:39 p.m.

-- Mark Jackson,  
Secretary

## LARGE GARAGE SIZE TIRE REPAIR KIT



No. H256-KS. The "big brother" of the long line of consumer kits—these garage kits are especially made up for use in garages, service stations and repair shops, where considerable tube patching is done. An abundance of first-class material for repairing hundreds of tubes. Furnished in strong, large can, size 3 1/2 x 7 3/4 inches, with illustrated descriptive label. Contains 100 1 1/4-inch ready-cut beveled edge patches; 150 square inch patching rubber (in sheets); 1/4 pt. can cement with brush fastened in lid; one heavy duty thumb buffer. Weight, 17 1/2 ozs.

Selling price, \$1.00 to \$1.25  
Wholesale Sample, 59c; Dozen, \$6.60



## Classic Car Wedding Request

*This email was received by Mark DeFloria through the Western PA Region website. Is anyone interested in helping this young couple with a classic car on their wedding day in 2011? If so, please reply to the email address in this letter.*

From: cgalik@gmail.com  
Subject: Anyone willing to assist?  
Date: Wed, 22 Sep 2010 22:13:58 -0400  
To: westernparegion@hotmail.com

Good evening!

Upon the advice of a friend who is a member of the AACA chapter up here in the Buffalo region, I'm hoping you'll be able to assist me. I will be getting married in Ligonier on July 2nd, 2011, and will be in need, obviously, of a car service. However, I would prefer to not have the cliché stretch limousine that is getting to be an

eyesore. Rather, in keeping with the classy nature of the Ligonier Valley area, I am looking for something vintage. I have, as of yet, only been able to find a handful of car services that offer such vehicles, the majority of which are in Pittsburgh. I was hoping that one of your members would be willing to make some extra cash for a few hours of work... and in this case, the work would be driving us in their beloved vehicle from Ligonier to Latrobe, and allowing it to be photographed. We were thinking of something in the 1930s to 1940s range, ideally white in color. We feel that the clean lines of an antique car would make our wedding pictures, and indeed that day itself, all the more memorable. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

regards,  
christopher galik

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Becky Blank, Mark DeFloria, Harvey Eger, Susan Eger, Barbara Erny, John Kosko, Connie Schifano, 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

**A**las, nobody won September's *Name That Car Contest*.

Perhaps it was just too easy. Everyone knows the good ol' Model T Ford Roadster.



This was a 1922 model that my grandparents drove on their honeymoon in 1923. They went on a motor trip from Mount Pleasant, PA to Washington, D.C. This was quite an adventure at the time. (Can you imagine no beltway?) Feeling adventurous, Grandma had to take a crack at driving it. She enjoyed the ease of the planetary transmission and the Model T's sturdy simplicity.

President Warren G. Harding was in the White House at the time, or was he? Apparently, Harding disliked being President and spent quite a bit of time away from the White House. Much of that time was spent on "road trips". As a matter of fact, he did once stop at the Summit Inn on Route 40 just south of Uniontown, PA. Perhaps his grand Presidential automobile crossed paths with Grandma and Grandad driving along in their little Model T... young lovers heading south and a disgruntled President heading north. It's an amusing thought.



Can you name the year and make of October's car pictured above? The dapper young man leaning against the car is my wife Jill's dad, Robert Bleibtrey. You can see by the expression on his face that he was proud of this car. Many years later "Bob" and Melissa Bleibtrey moved from upstate New York to Greensburg, Pennsylvania, where they eventually owned and operated the Point Grill on Otterman Street. Perhaps some of you remember Bob from a visit to the Point during it's hay day. A hard working and creative man, he was one of the first to bring the concept of "Happy Hour" to the Greensburg area.

Be the first to contact me correctly identifying Bob's car in this photo and win a pumpkin pie. Call 724-832-9074 or email [rpmguy2002@yahoo.com](mailto:rpmguy2002@yahoo.com)



## 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 Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Stuffed Pork Chops \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Chicken Tenders \_\_\_\_\_ Child Chicken Tenders \_\_\_\_\_

Please Respond by 12-13-10

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

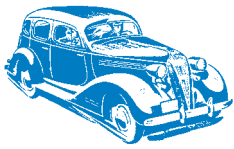
**Make checks payable to:  
Western PA Region AACA**

**Mail to: Connie Schifano  
223 Blackridge Drive  
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# Western PA Region HALLOWEEN PARTY & DINNER



**When:** Tuesday, October 19th prior to our regular monthly meeting

**Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.**

**Where:** American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown) - our regular place

**Halloween Fun:** Prizes for best costumes. (Costumes are optional.)  
Special door prizes, Traditional 50/50

**No cost for Western PA Region members. No need to register.**

*Just come and enjoy as part of our 60th Year Celebration!*

Questions or more information please contact Barbara Erny 724-537-9479

