

October 2011

Driving for fun since 1950



The Treat:

A Delicious Buffet Dinner

When:

The October 18th Western PA **Region AACA Monthly Meeting.**

Time:

Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by the regular monthly meeting.

Where:

American Legion Post 982, Latrobe (Pipetown)

The Trick:

Come in a clever Halloween costume. You could win a cash prize!

It Really Was A Great Summer...





The sun burst through the clouds at our 48th Car Show (I-r) Pat Gaudiose and Jim Peppler review judging sheets.





John Ross Kuhns & balloons On the Progressive Dinner Tour (I-r) Lois & Gordon Shurie, Patricia Surovy, Al Findley



It's time to think about 2012 dues. See the enclosed flyer. Get ready for a "funtastic" 2012.

2012 WPR AACA RENEWAL

Keep this form to send with your 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) 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 WPR newsletter and be listed in the 2012 directory, please complete the membership form below and mail this form and your check payable to WPR AACA to:

Donna Surace
4049 Blue Willow St
Irwin. PA 15642

We look forward to another exciting year! Together we can all meet new friends and enjoy the many

exciting activities enjoyed in the Western Pennsylvania Region AACA. ****************** _____ 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) no charge. NOTE: Deadline for renewal without penalty is February 28. Dues received after February 28. will incur a late fee of \$25.00 in addition to annual WPR membership dues stated above. Signature ____ Member (Print) Spouse (Print) Name Name Member No. (6+ digits) Member No. (6+ digits) **Address** Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____ **Student/Junior Members at Home** Cell Phone _____ Name _____ Member No. (6+ digits)_____ Email Student/Junior Member at Home Age _____ Name ______ Member No. (6+ digits) Member No. (6+ digits)

Age



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Membership for 2012

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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:

> Craig DeFloria, Treasurer 164 Millersdale Road Greensburg, PA 15601

Your card will be stamped and mailed back to you.

CALENDAR

Western PA Region AACA Monthly Meetings are held at the American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown). Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January beginning at 7:30 p.m.

2011 Meetings: October 18, and November 15.

Western PA Region Tours, Shows & Events



Western PA Region Christmas Party December 11 at 6:00 PM More information to come.

DeNunzio's at Arnold Palmer Regional Airport, Latrobe

Local Cruises and Shows

for a complete list of area cruises visit the links on the Western Pa Region website http://local.aaca.org/westernpa/

Norwin Hills Car Cruise

Norwin Hills Shopping Center, Route 30 starting at 5:30 PM. Every Saturday from now until the snow flies.



"Cars have become very appliance-like: You just get in and you go. Most people never open the hood of their car. I have an owner's manual from a 1950s motorcycle called the Vincent that recommends, "After 1,000 miles, disassemble the entire engine, check everything, reassemble."

-- Jay Leno

AACA 2012 National Board of Directors Elections

Remember to Send in Your Postage Paid Ballots By November 15th!



A postage paid ballot was included in the mailer polybag your October, 2011 Antique Automobile Magazine was mailed in.

Complete candidate information is included in the September-October 2011 issue Antique Automobile.		
	f America Official Ballot for 2012. ballots must have seven names selected Valid" and will not be counted.	
Member Vote	Spouse Vote	
□Jack Arms	trong	
□ James B. C	Cross	
□Harvey J.	Eger	
□Jack T. Harv		
Brenda Shore	Kaiser	
Sharon M.	Lee	
Hulon C. Me	Craw	
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□Don Re		
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Postcards must be postme	rked by November 15, 2011!	

IMPORTANT

You MUST vote for SEVEN candidates on the ballot – no more, no less or it will be disqualified!

here were some important inserts included in the mailer polybag containing the recent October, 2011 issue of your AACA *Antique Automobile Magazine*. One was a form for renewing your AACA National dues for 2012. The other was a ballot for the Election of the 2012 AACA National Board of Directors.

Inside this issue on pages 16-20 there are photos and short biographies of National Board Nominees from across the USA including Harvey J. Eger from the Western PA Region. That's right, our President is on the ballot for the 2012 AACA National Board of Directors. Harvey has served as

our Region's President for six years. He has also served as the Region's Treasurer, Car Show Chairman and Registrar during the 2010 AACA Founders Tour, among many other service rolls. Take the time to read his biography in *Antique Automobile*. Harvey has judged at, and participated in many AACA Meets and events over the years. He has always brought back interesting stories, great first-hand information and new ideas to share with our Region. Throughout 2011 he also contributed several articles on AACA national events to our *Western Rou*



Harvey J. Eger

on AACA national events to our *Western Round-Up* newsletter along with some great antique car photos.

Having Harvey on the 2012 AACA National Board of Directors would certainly be another feather in the Western PA Region's cap.

So don't forget to vote! We are all members of the biggest and best antique automobile club in the world, and there are many fine people out there working tirelessly to keep it that way. The postage paid ballots must be postmarked by November 15th.

Name That Car!

by Mark Jackson



Al Findley was the quickest on the draw and correctly identified last month's car as a 1960 Edsel station wagon after catching me in person at the Sep-

tember meeting. Ed Vrable and Gordon Shurie also correctly identified the Edsel. Thanks for participating guys, but Al wins the pumpkin pie 'cause he was the first to tell me.

1960 was the last year for the Edsel. The grille design was minus the famous "horse collar" in the center. There were only a handful of 1960 models made when production came to a screeching halt. So this wagon is "a rare bird."

I always found it amusing that people at the time found Edsel's horizontal/vertical grille design "ugly". Think about it. BMW and Pontiac later achieved great success using grille designs based on the same principle.



Can you correctly identify the year and make of this month's car? The photo was taken this summer at the Arthritis Foundation Car Show in Dublin, Ohio. Be the first to contact me in person, by phone, 724-832-9074 or by email, rpmguy2002@yahoo.com and win a bag of fun-sized Kit Kat candy bars.



Minutes of the September 20, 2011 Meeting

meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held September 20, 2011 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, Latrobe, PA, (Pipetown) commencing at approximately 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Vice President John Ross Kuhns followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 48 members in attendance and two guests – Terry Bickerton and Rita Wall. Terry is the winner of the Region's 2011 Chance Car, a 1981 Camaro.

Minutes of the August 16, 2011 Meeting

The minutes of the August 16, 2011 meeting were printed in the September *Western Round-Up*. Vice President Kuhns asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, the Vice President called for a motion to approve the minutes.

Upon motion of Howard Finney, seconded by Mark DeFloria and unanimously carried, the minutes of the August 16, 2011 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Craig DeFloria prepared and submitted the August Treasurer's Report, but was not able to personally attend the August meeting to present it. Safety Director John Kuhns read the August Treasurer's report to the membership in Craig's absence, and asked for a motion to approve the report. A motion was made by Tom King, seconded by Ron Underwood. The August Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

John reported to the membership that due to school commitments, Craig DeFloria will not be able to attend the next few monthly meetings. However, he will provide an envelope/index card system for submitting reimbursements.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership - Howard Finney, Chairman

Howard Finney gave a membership reading for Terry Bickerton, who was recommended by Harvey Eger. A motion to accept Terry as a new member was made by Al Wirick, seconded by Tom King and unanimously approved.

Howard had applications from Tom and Linda Lang, but they were not present. Another new member applicant, Ron Horach plans to be at the October meeting.

Tours - Mark Jackson, Chairman

Mark stated that the 2011 Progressive Dinner Tour held on Saturday, August 20th was an outstanding success and wonderful example of teamwork. It was a beautiful day for touring. Mark thanked all the dining stop hosts: Charlie and Connie Schifano, breakfast; Harvey and Susan Eger, salad; Mark and Jill Jackson and Pastor Elaine Frantz, Word of Life Ministries, dinner and John and Vicki Kuhns, dessert. Mark also thanked

all who attended. He encouraged members to volunteer to host a dining stop next year. It's great fun and really pulls the club together.

Mark said that he was looking into arranging an October tour to a local festival or car show, but found that most of them were being held during the same weekend as the big AACA Hershey event. He suggested that members consider "on your own" tours to an October 8th Antique Car Parade in downtown Bedford sponsored by the Fort Bedford Region AACA, and/or the Pumpkin Fest in Confluence, PA which also has a car show on October 9th. He asked Mark DeFloria to post links to more information and entry forms for these fall events on the Region's website.

Howard Finney said that he was planning a Pumpkin Run Tour for the Laurel Highlands Region on October 2nd and that Western members were welcome to participate. He asked anyone interested to contact him.

Events - John Ross Kuhns, Chairman

Sally Wirick reported that the Western PA Region's Annual Christmas Party is planned for December 11th at DeNunzio's at Arnold Palmer Regional Airport, Latrobe. In order to keep member's costs down the Party will be partially subsidized by the Region. The menu will include steak and chicken. More information is to come.

Chance Car - *David and Debbie Sheetz, Co-Chairs*No report

Car Show - Harvey Eger, Chairman

Carol Calabrace reported that this year's show had a total of 193 cars, 75 of which were pre registered. She thanked everyone involved for all their help. She also said that there were numerous compliments along with a few suggestions and complaints.

Tom Ulishiney thanked all who helped park cars.

Connie Schifano thanked all who donated baked goods for the Bake Sale. It was a wonderful day.

Charlie Schifano said that on a good note, Boy Scout Troop 405 was pleased with the income from their food booth. On a bad note, that he had received a complaint about someone touching a car as it was being parked.

John Kuhns conveyed thanks from Vicki and Blair Kuhns to all who donated items to the Chinese Auction, which raised approximately \$750.

Howard Finney reported that one of our judges sat in a car when judging. He reminded members that this is not permitted.

Howard then read aloud a letter criticizing the car show, which was received as an anonymous email. Essentially, the letter contained complaints related to judging criteria, Region

members entering their own cars, and suggestions regarding the possible addition of porta pottis and extending the sound system so that it can be heard in all areas of Legion Keener Park.

Chuck Speicher noted that the Region's Board of Directors discussed this letter at a recent meeting, has taken the comments under consideration and will take appropriate action.

Chuck then thanked all who worked and helped with the publicity aspects of the car show. He also informed members that there were follow up car show photos in the *Tribune-Review* after the show.

John Ross Kuhns commented that when Region members enter their vehicles in the car show they help fill out the classes and also help revenue.

Gary Cooper suggested the possibility of inviting judges from other regions to come and judge our show. He also said that no matter what you do their will be some complaints.

Howard Finney stated that a license plate is not a requirement to participate in the Region's car show.

Charlie Schifano suggested adding a "Show & Shine" class next year, which would not be defined by year or other criteria, and would not be judged. This class would offer car show participants the opportunity to park and show their cars near their friends cars no matter what year and make the cars were.

Mark Jackson thanked all who helped with the Kid's Corner. The sparkplug competition was a big hit. Most of the kids who tried it had never seen a sparkplug before.

Sally Findley said that about 35 - 40 Hot Wheels cars were sold and that the Kid's Corner was busy.

Both Sally and Mark agreed that it would be nice to have the Kid's Corner on the stage again next year.

NEW BUSINESS

2012 Chance Car

Vice President Kuhns informed members that the Region is currently looking for a Chance Car for 2012. The preferred candidates are an antique Mustang, Camaro or Corvette, which the general public is very familiar with.

Safety Director John Kuhns commented that he has seen some outstanding Corvettes from the 80's going for very reasonable prices. He also stated that the 2011 Chance Car, a 1981 Camaro, had very little trunk space and ususally needed a "chase car" to haul the Easy-Up canopy, etc. A hatchback Corvette would offer comparable trunk space and would be about as easy to get into and drive as the Camaro was.

Vice President Kuhns also informed members that the Board of Directors recently decided that the 2012 Chance Car winner would be chosen on the last weekend of October 2012, rather than the day before the car show on Labor Day weekend. This would allow the Region to sell Chance Car tickets during the Car Show and at other popular events through September and October. The goal is to sell all of the tickets. This year, despite a lot of hard work by many, we had approximately 540 unsold tickets. The later Chance Car date would also lighten the work load during the car show weekend and

allow us to focus more on the event. Another advantage will be that the Chance Car would have it's own exclusive place on the 2012 calendar.

The purchase budget for the 2012 Chance Car is around \$10,000.

From the floor

Ron Barnhart informed members that there is no car cruise planned at Idlewild Park for Hallowboo this year.

John and John Ross Kuhns attended the Glenmore Gathering Auction and Show. High sale was a 1933 Marmon V-16, which did not run and sold for \$160,000.

Howard Finney reminded members that the Region's 2012 dues will be due starting in October and that Donna Surace has prepared a flyer which will be in the October *Western Round-Up*.

John Ross Kuhns informed members that a Halloween Dinner will be served prior to the October 18th meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to wear costumes. Cash prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

Mark DeFloria reminded members that Harvey Eger is a candidate for the AACA National Board of Directors. A voting card and other information are in the most recent issue of *Antique Automobile Magazine*. The voting card is included in the plastic wrap outside of the magazine along with an AACA National dues renewal form. Mark reminded all of Harvey's extensive participation in AACA judging and events, and conveyed that it would be a good thing for the Region to have a member on the AACA National Board. Harvey has served as the Western PA Region's President for the past six years.

50/50

Winner of the 50/50 was Joe Vrable who won \$66.00. The winner of the bonus was John Ross Kuhns who won \$65.00

Unclaimed prizes from the 2011 Car Show Chinese Auction were also raffled off.

Adjournment

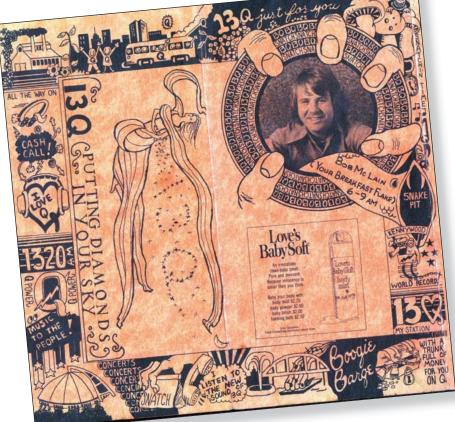
Vice President Kuhns asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Dick McKelvey, seconded by Ron Underwood and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.



(l-r) Lou Zecchini shows Dominic Surace his mighty fine Cadillac during a the breakfast stop on the 2011 Progressive Dinner Tour.

70's Radio Memories

by Mark Jackson

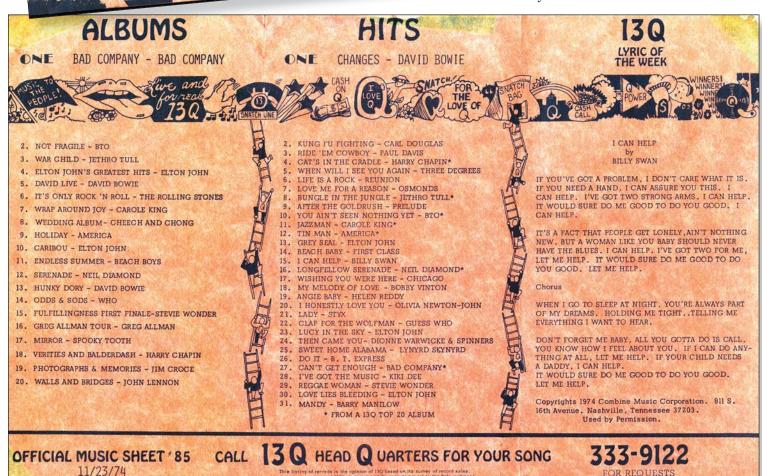


ovember, 1974 - I was a freshman at LaRoche College in the North Hills of Pittsburgh. My daily driver was a 1948 Chevrolet Stylemaster sedan, which had just become an antique the year before. It was the oldest car on campus.

Purchased from the original owner, a 93 yearold man from Bovard, PA, the car's original radio worked like a charm. I doubt that he listened to it very much.

So from my personal collection of "stuff from college you just can't throw away", here is a pocket-sized "music sheet" from Pittsbugh's now long gone 13Q radio station, which was broadcast on glorious AM. Do you remember any of these hits songs from the Sensational 70's? I can still see the soft orange glow of my Stylemaster's radio dial as the speaker blasted, "Everybody was Kung Foo fighting....those cats were fast as lightening..."

Check out the graphics on the cover – trolley, Civic Arena, an analog phone! 13Q used to have a "dial-in-to-win contest" between song sets. The D-Jay would announce, "Be the 7th caller and win \$75 in the 13Q Snatch!" This would be a feat I would accomplish several times from my college apartment to the amazement of my roommates. And that prize money – it bought some new retreads for the '48 Stylemaster of course!



Western Round-Up Classifieds

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

1940 Dodge Deluxe 4 door sedan

3.5 hrs run time on engine rebuild Car has sat for 15+ years, \$1,000. Dennis Landis, 2105 Shanksville Rd Berlin, PA 15530

1949 Plymouth 2 door Club Coupe Special Deluxe

Flathead six, three speed. 43K miles. Body and frame solid. Runs good. In good shape mechanically. Paint is a little rough. \$8,000 or best offer.
Call Pete Orazio 724-694-5190

1961 MGA 1600 Excellent running condition. Current inspection and service asking \$11,500. Georgia Smith, 724-593-6297, Ligonier, PA

1968 Olds Cutlass 'S' 2dr Coupe Was a father & son project. Son away in Army. Father lost interest. A good start for someone wanting a project car. \$2k in new uninstalled "Year One" parts. Make a reasonable offer. Will consider a trade.

724-593-2152 or reply to survivor811@yahoo.com

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

1977 Cadillac El Dorado Excellent original condition, 26,000 original miles Call Lou: 724-834-6813



1963 Lincoln Continental 83,000 miles, PS, PB, PW, PDRLKS, AM/FM, \$17,500 Call Nat 724-853-8385

Pair of aluminum heads for a 215 du in Buick V-8 engine # on heads A 219 B 8 and A 219B 1 Fair condition, one valve spring missing Call Ray 724-832-3041

1985 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz Convertible

Beautiful, like new, 77,533 original miles, Black with burgendy leather interior and black top. \$15,000 or best offer. Call Joyce or Bob 724-537-2003.

'67-'69 Hardtop Camaro or Firebird tinted windshield, PPG, Brand new in box. \$100. Call Dave at 724-925-1356.

14" Rally Wheel for 1980 Camaro NOS black, \$30 Call Joe Vrable: 724-219-3922

WANT TO BUY

White Wall Tires wide or narrow, four 750 x 14, four 215-75-14, Larry Hood 724-552-3154



"Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved."

-- Will Rogers

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP

The Western Round-Up is the official publication of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA). It is mailed to all members of the region the week preceding the regular monthly meeting. The meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month excluding December and January.

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Great Times & Great Cars - 2011 Daws Awkscht Fescht in Macungie, PA

August 5, 6 & 7 - One of the largest antique and classic car shows in the country.

Photos by Denny and Becky Blank



Western PA Region friends circle in the shade



"Field of dreams..."



Art deco style from the 30's and 40's



Model A Fords in perspective