

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



April, 2012

Driving for fun since 1950

Rev-Up Party Celebrates Success Stories



Marilyn Stoner and Don Brant collect occupations.



Storyteller Alan Irvine spins yarns.



Jeff Speicher, "My first car was a Chevy LUV."



Gary Cooper, "Anything as long as it's a Ford."



These folks won a chance to win the 2012 Chance Car.



Barbara Erny plays Money BINGO.



Bernie and Rhea Summit enjoy BINGO.



Chris Kuhns likes his little money tree!



Donna Surace, Jill Jackson and grand prize winner Debbie Sheetz ready to water her money tree.

On March 24th, WPR officially Revved Up the 2012 car season with a party celebrating a "Wealth of Success Stories." To get in the spirit, partygoers checked in at Registration Road and received a bag of gold chocolate coins and a Money pencil along with their program for the evening. Treat Street offered Snacks and Trudy Jackson and Garren ---- along with Nancy Wolfe and others got everyone cruisin' the room during Mingle Mania.

A delicious buffet dinner was served by Twin Oaks Catering of White Oak and Jane's Cookies of Jeannette provided cookies decorated like \$10 bills. To entertain us, Alan Irvine told tall tales and true tales of days long ago.

Fun and games had Mike Kohan, Gary Cooper, Bill Maurer, Jeff Speicher, John Ross Kuhns, Craig DeFloria and others telling stories of their own. Sam and Genevieve Snively won "Big Money" for being the first party registrants and Chuck Speicher, among others, won some "bread" too. Money Bingo had winners draw-



At the money prize tree: Mike Kohan, Jill Jackson, Trudy Jackson and Gary Wiegand

ing prizes off the Money Tree. Several partiers received Chance Car tickets to win a red 1984 Corvette! Rhea Summit drew Debbie Sheetz's number to win the Money Tree and a picture of Ulysses S. Grant (\$50). Tony Fallone who, along with Mollie Marazza, attended his first Rev Up Party, passed on a very sincere compliment on his way out the door – "Thanks. This was a great party. This is a fun club." That's the kind of stuff we want to hear from new members.

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Membership for 2012

Western Pennsylvania Region annual dues are:

Individual - \$10, Joint - \$15, Student (Age 13-25) - \$5.00,
Junior (Age 12 & under) - No charge.

Deadline for renewal without penalty is February 28.

All dues received after February 28 will incur a late fee of **\$25.00** in addition to annual WPR membership dues.

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 a copy of your AACA National Membership Card to:

Western PA Region AACA
P.O. Box 882
Latrobe, PA 15650

Western PA Region AACA Monthly Meetings

WPR monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 982, 158 American Legion Road, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown).

We start with a business meeting followed by fellowship, a snack and short program. There is also a 50/50 and bonus drawing. Please join us for fun, fellowship and car talk.

2012 Meetings: May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18, October 16 & November 20.

CALENDAR



Norwin Hills Car Saturday Cruise

Norwin Hills Shopping Center, Route 30, Irwin, PA
5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Cruise every Saturday thru
November 24th. Cruise cars are not permitted in the
parking lot until after 5:00 p.m. 450-500 cars weekly.

April 19-22, AACA Southeastern Spring Meet -
Hornets Nest Region, Charlotte, North Carolina

April 25 - 29, Spring Carlisle, World-renown auto
swap meet and car corral spans 82 acres. Carlisle Fair-
grounds, Carlisle, PA.

April 30, Downtown Irwin Car Cruise - noon - 5 p.m.
The streets are closed off to display classic cars only. A
great "in town" car show, oldies, food and fun.

May 5 & 6, Norwin Male Chorus Concerts at
Westmoreland County Community College. See page 8.

May 6, Western PA Region Lincoln Highway Cruise
-Latrobe to Bedford. Meet at the Latrobe Wal-Mart
parking lot, Route 30 at noon. Depart for Bedford at
12:30 p.m.

May 17-19, AACA Eastern Spring Meet - Ontelaunee
Region Wyomissing, Pennsylvania

June 3-8 AACA Sentimental Tour (1928-1958)
Waynesboro-Staunton Region Shenandoah Valley of
Virginia

June 10, First Western PA Region 2012 Golf Outing at Robertshaw Acres hosted by Jack and Nancy Wolfe

June 14-16 AACA Annual Grand National/Southeastern Special Fall Dual Meets, Celebration City Region, Shelbyville, Tenn.

June 23 AACA Museum Car Show - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hershey, PA

June 23, Downtown Indiana, PA Car Show 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

July 6 & 7 – Arthritis Foundation Car Show, Dublin Metro Center, Dublin, Ohio
As of April 15 there are five reserved rooms left for this event. Contact Mark Jackson.

July 28 - Western PA Region Annual Picnic, Cooperstown Club, Latrobe, PA

August 3,4 & 5 – Das Awkscht Fescht Car Show, Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA Harvey Eger has reserved a limited supply of hotel rooms for this event.

August 13 - 17 – AACA Founders Tour hosted by The Allegheny Mountains Region, Altoona, PA

August 22 - Weatherwood Manor Cruise, 6 - 8 p.m. Weatherwood Manor, 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg

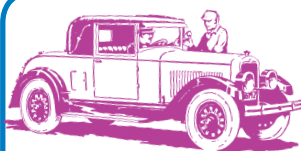
September 2 – Western PA Region AACA Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique, Custom and Street Rod Show at Legion Keener Park, Latrobe

Western PA Region Tours in Works
- details to come...

Cruise to Scottsdale and Connellsville for classic pizza at Bud Murphy's.

AI's Country Tour - Saw mill, antique tractors, a huge collection of animal trophies and a quaint country drive.

Progressive Dinner Tour - Mark Jackson will do the dinner stop. Who'll step up and sponsor breakfast, salad or dessert stops for 2012? Contact Mark. Keep it simple and fun.



Member News

Congratulations to Chuck and Lee Speicher on the birth of their new twin grand daughters!

Contact the editor with any member news you may have.

President's Message

Hello Everyone! First and foremost I want to thank Donna Surace and Jill Jackson for putting on an amazing Rev Up Party. I think I speak for everyone in attendance when I say everything was excellent, and everyone had a great time. If you didn't make the party you missed out.



The chance car has been out and I understand that tickets are selling quite well. If you'd like to take the car somewhere contact Howard Finney. Just remember the club will reimburse you for any expenses you have with the car. It's an excellent car and a great way to drive a Corvette If you never have.

I'm looking forward to a fun year for the club. Hopefully within the next few weeks we can have our first tour for the year. I hope to see you all on it.

Sincerely,
John Ross Kuhns III

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP

The *Western Round-Up* is the official publication of the **Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America**. It is published on a monthly basis with January/February being a combined issue.

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John Ross Kuhns, Mark DeFloria, Mike Kohan,
Donna Surace, Joe Vrable



Minutes of the March 20, 2012 Meeting

A meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held March 20, 2012 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, Latrobe, PA, (Pipetown) commencing at approximately 7:35 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President John Ross Kuhns followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 44 members in attendance and three guests - Tom and Linda Lang and Mark Ball.

Minutes of the February 21, 2012 Meeting

The minutes of the February 21, 2012 monthly meeting were printed in the March, 2012 *Western Round-Up*. President Kuhns asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, the President then asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Howard Finney motioned to approve the February 21, 2012 minutes as printed. Ron Underwood seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Craig DeFloria presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion to approve the report was made by Gary Cooper, seconded by Dodie Ulishney and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership - Howard Finney, Chairman

Howard Finney gave a membership reading for Tom and Linda Lang. A motion to accept Tom and Linda as new members was made by Debbie Sheetz, seconded by Tom Ulishney and unanimously approved. The Langs applied for membership at the Paul P. Bell Memorial Car Show.

Howard also gave a membership reading for Mark and Cindy Ball. A motion to accept Mark and Cindy as new members was made by Ron Underwood, seconded by Donna Surace and unanimously approved.

Donna Surace reported that as of the March meeting the 2012 membership of the Western PA Region was 177. The printed 2012 roster should be available in May or June.

NEW BUSINESS

2012 Chance Car - Howard and Betty Ann Finney Chairpersons

The 2012 Chance Car is an antique 1984 Corvette. Howard had tickets available to sign out at the meeting. Color flyers are now available to use as ticket sales aids. Howard requested that members please have tickets in numerical order when turning them in. Sort according to the number on the left. There are currently 2,000 Chance Car tickets signed out.

John Kuhns Sr. invited members to take out the Chance Car anytime to set up and sell tickets at local events, etc. A new

battery was recently installed. He reminded members to be sure the Chance Car is in park before taking the keys out. The Corvette is in storage in Latrobe. Please coordinate with Howard to take it out. The club will reimburse members for Chance Car expenses - car show admissions, gas, etc. Keep your receipts to be reimbursed. The Chance Car should always be returned with a full tank of gas. Please fill with 89 - 91 octane gasoline.

PARTIES

Rev-Up Party - Donna Surace

Donna reminded members present that the Rev-Up Party is this Saturday, March 24, at American Legion 982. Even though the registration deadline has passed, she asked any new members who wish to attend to contact her so she could make arrangements to accommodate them. The party will begin at 4:00 p.m. No one will be admitted before 3:30 p.m. so that the committee can finish preparations

Picnic - John Ross Kuhns

The Picnic will be July 29th at the Cooperstown Club - pig roast, corn on the cob and other summer favorites. Please bring a dessert. John Ross also noted that July 29th is also his father, John Sr.'s birthday.

Halloween Party - John Ross Kuhns

The Halloween Party will be held Tuesday, October 16th, the same night as the regular monthly meeting at the American Legion 982, Latrobe, Pipetown. There will be pizza and prizes for best costume categories.

Christmas Party - Sally Wirick

The Christmas Party is scheduled for December 16th at DeNunzio's at the Arnold Palmer Regional Airport, Latrobe.

Tours - Mark Jackson, Chairman

Mark reported that dining stop hosts are still needed for a Progressive Dinner Tour. A date has yet to be determined.

He also mentioned a possible spring tour on the Lincoln Highway to visit the new Flight 93 Memorial, and then perhaps on to Bedford for dinner at the Jean Bonet Tavern. Details to follow.

Al Wirick submitted a tour destination suggestion, which Mark said he will check into.

There are still rooms available for the Arthritis Foundation Car Show in Dublin Ohio, July 6 & 7. We are also looking into arrangements for the Macungie Car Show. These are favorites members like to attend.

President Kuhns asked if any members were planning to attend the AACA Eastern Spring Meet near Reading, PA. This year it is the AACA Meet closest to our area.

Car Show - Tom Ulishney, Chairman

The 2012 Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom and Hot Rod Show sponsored by the WPR at Legion Keenerr Park in Latrobe will be held on Sunday, September 2, 2012 Labor Day Weekend.

Carol Calabrace reported that she is working on the flyer.

Apparel

Al Findley has agreed to handle Region apparel for 2012. Al asked members to “stay tuned” as he gets the details together. President Kuhns thanked Al taking on this responsibility.

If you sold Chance Car tickets in 2011 you earned points towards the purchase of Region Apparel.

Newsletter - Mark Jackson, Editor

Mark reported that there has recently been a good number of article submissions for the Round-Up. He said that if he cannot get an article in one issue he will get it into the next one and thanked WPR members for their participation.

Website - Mark DeFloria, Webmaster

Mark passed around a list of emails for members to review and update. He also informed members that he has posted new photos of the 1984 Corvette Chance Car on the website.

Historian - John Kuhns, Sr.

John informed members present that anything historical relating to the Region is welcome. He hopes to be able to display the materials someday in the future.

Snacks - Debbie Sheetz

Debbie provided a wonderful variety of pies for this evening’s snack. President Kuhns thanked her.

New Members Ambassador - Chuck Speicher

Chuck invited all new members to please ask him if they want to know about anything.

From the AACA Museum

President Kuhns read aloud a thank you letter from the AACA Museum Executive Director for the WPR’s recent donation.

From the Floor...

Tom Ulishney asked if anyone knew if the Region would have the old spot on top of the dam breast to sell Chance Car tickets at the 2012 Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival at Twin Lakes Park. Jill and Mark Jackson responded that they had heard from the Festival office that this was so. Mark added that based on conversations he recently had with the Festival Executive Director, the Festival is interested in doing more activities in conjunction with the WPR in the future.

John Ross Kuhns told the story about how he recently became the proud owner of a 1931 Model A Ford Roadster, which was a “basement find” only a few blocks from his home.

Special Program - Roger Christiansen

WPR member Roger Christiansen gave a fantastic presentation on automotive innovator and inventor Charles Kettering. The presentation focused on Kettering’s contributions to automotive technology, ie. the electric starter. Roger informed members present that he would gladly do a “Part B” presentation on Kettering’s other inventions at another WPR meeting if there was interest.

50/50

Winners of the 50/50 drawings were Pete Goodwin, who won the first drawing and Julia Bray, who won the second drawing. Prize amounts were \$49. each.

Adjournment

President Kuhns asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Howard Finney, seconded by Tom Ulishney. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Proposed Western PA Region AACA Bylaws Changes

These changes are proposed by the WPR Board of Directors. Membership voting will occur at the May, 2012 Monthly Meeting.

Article XI Dues, Section 2 currently reads –

“Dues shall be payable on January 1 of each year for the current year. Dues which are not paid by February 28 shall be considered delinquent and shall be subject to a late charge as established by the Board of Directors.”

Proposed amendment –

“Dues shall be payable on January 1 of each year for the current year. Dues which are not paid by the Annual Meeting shall be considered delinquent and shall be subject to a late charge as established by the Board of Directors.”

Reason for amendment – To encourage timely payment of dues.

Article VII Directors and Officers – Section 4 currently reads – “No husband and wife shall serve as Directors at the same time.”

Proposed amendment –

“No member of the Board of Directors of this Club shall hold an elective office in any other Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America whose registered address for operational purposes is located within a 100 mile radius of Latrobe, PA. This restriction does not apply to non-geographical regions such as Touring Regions. No husband and wife shall serve as Directors at the same time.”

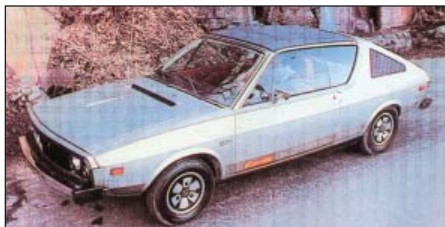
Reason for amendment – To avoid conflicts of interest with AACA Regions within a 100 mile radius.



WPR member Roger Christiansen presents “Meet Charles Kettering” at the March monthly meeting. As part of his presentation Roger shared a Powerpoint, which showed members how some of Mr. Kettering’s automotive innovations worked. Kettering was the head of General Motors research for 27 years. According to Roger, Oldsmobile wanted to name one of their best engines after Kettering, but corporate policy forbade such a personal touch, so the engine was called the Rocket 88. Thanks Roger for a fantastic and unique presentation. Let’s do part B sometime soon.

Name That Car!

by Mark Jackson



No one correctly guessed last month's car, which was a 1979 Renault R17 Gordini submitted by WPR member Mike Kohan. So the Pinwheel Cookies will stay on the shelf at Giant Eagle for now. Thanks Mike for the interesting submission.

Can you guess the year and make of April's car? This photo was submitted by WPR member Joe Vrable. The classy lady posed on the suitcase is Joe's mother, Darlene. Joe has many wonderful childhood memories of riding in this car. In fact, it has always been at the top of his list as a classic



he would like to acquire someday. Be the first to contact me with the correct year and make of this car and win a box of Hostess Brownie Bites. See me in person at a WPR meeting, call me at 724-832-9074 or email rpmguy2002@yahoo.com.

Western Round-Up Classifieds FOR SALE

1985 Buick Riviera V-8, velour seats, loaded, Second owner, good shape. Chuck, 412-823-5806

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

1985 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz Convertible Beautiful, like new, 77,533 original miles, Black with burgundy leather interior and black top. \$15,000 or best offer. Call Joyce or Bob 724-537-2003.

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

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

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

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

Complete 51 Volume set of Automobile Quarterly

Set includes all the slip cases for the issues, including several sets of indexes, in their own slipcases and the 2005 and 2006 executive planners. Sold as a single unit, not individually \$399.95 for everything.

Jim Butler, 103 Heatherbrae Square, Indiana, PA 15701
724-349-2642 (H) 442-846-9865 (C)

Buick chrome wheels 3 for 1965-67, 14 inch, 2 chrome Grand National wheels
Chuck, 412-823-5806

WANT TO BUY

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

Classified Ad Policy

Classified ads for antique or classic cars or parts are available free for Western PA Region members. After four issues the ad will be pulled unless it is renewed by phone or written request (email or letter) Please notify the editor if the item has been sold.

Photos are acceptable and will be used if there is room. The Round-Up editor and WPR are not responsible for typographical errors or misinformation.

Please submit all classified ad requests to:
Mark Jackson, Editor, 133 Alexander Avenue
Greensburg, PA 15601
724-832-9074 email: rpmguy2002@yahoo.com

Let's Sell Those 2012 Chance Car Tickets!

Antique 1984 Corvette Chance Car



Photos by Mark DeFloria

The classic car season is upon us. It's prime time for selling our 2012 Western PA Region Chance Car tickets.

Money earned from Chance Car ticket sales is the number one source of income for our Region. It helps enable us to extend discounted rates to our members for Region events, dinners, etc. It also helps support the AACA Museum, Library and some specially selected local charities, which are in harmony with the Region's mission.

Each year we also try to reward those members who sell Chance Car tickets with special incentives. So it pays to sell Chance Car tickets, and it's fun too!

Howard and Bettyann Finney are the 2012 Chance Car chairs.



Please contact them to schedule taking the Chance Car out to an event to sell tickets, or to get a supply of tickets to sell. 724-834-3450
email: howfinn@comcast.net
You can also send in the form below to get tickets to sell.

The Chance Car is being stored in Latrobe.

A full color Chance Car flyer is now available.

Howard asks that you please put ticket stubs in numerical order when turning them in based on the left number.

All expenses incurred when taking the Chance Car out to sell tickets (gas, event fees, etc.) will be reimbursed by the club. Submit the receipts to our Treasurer Craig DeFloria. Please do not take any money from the ticket sales.

Please always return the Chance Car clean and with a full tank of gas. Thanks!

2012 Chance Car Ticket Order Form

Yes, I am willing to help Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America sell tickets at \$5.00 each for the 2012 Chance Car. I understand that I may request additional tickets or can return any unsold tickets by contacting Howard Finney at 724-834-3450.

I will try to sell Chance Car tickets

_____ Number of tickets requested (Ticket Packets of 30 preferred, but you may request tickets in lots of 5.)
I will remit ticket sales money to Howard Finney at a later date.

I cannot sell Chance Car tickets but I will buy tickets for members of our WPR household.

I am enclosing a check to purchase: _____ tickets at \$5.00 each for a total of \$ _____. I understand that tickets will be mailed to me.



Please Print

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Please mail form to:

Howard & Bettyann Finney
267 Lancewood Pl
Greensburg, PA 15601



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Antique Automobile Club of America
P.O. Box 882
Latrobe, PA 15650



The Irwin Male Chorus invites you to their 2012 Spring Show

'Where Everybody Knows Your Name'

Located at the Westmoreland County Community College
(the Auditorium at the Science building) in Youngwood.

Show times:

Saturday May 5th at 7pm **Sunday May 6th at 3pm**
(Doors open at 6:30pm) (Doors open at 2:30pm)

Ticket prices are \$10 (pre-sale) and \$15 (at the door)
Children 12 and under are 'free'

Please contact WPR member, Cris Detwiler 724-925-2321
if you are interested in attending either show.

Cris will have tickets for sale at the April WPR meeting!

Tickets are also available through these merchants:

Vargo's Hallmark store at the Norwin Hills Plaza

King's Restaurant on Route 30 West (near the Home Depot
& Dick's Sporting Goods)

Norwin Chamber of Commerce on Main Street, Irwin

Teddy's Restaurant on Route 30, Irwin

Where Have You Been?

As the 2012 car season gets underway we invite you to share photos of any car shows, tours, meets or activities you may attend (AACA or otherwise.) Show us what you've been up to. Email photos to the editor: rpmguy2002@yahoo.com.



This March WPR members Regis and Mark Jackson visited the Studebaker Swap Meet in York, PA sponsored by the Keystone Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club.

They found a set of "perfect" back up lights for their '52 Land Cruiser, as well as some other chrome trim items. They drove the Lincoln Highway all the way back to Greensburg - a great father and son adventure.

