

January/February, 2012

# **Annual Meeting Keeps Region Rolling Forward**



Top 2011 Chance Car Ticket Sellers Dodie and Tom Ulishney



John Ross Kuhns and Second Place 2011 Chance Car Ticket Sellers Howard and Bettyann Finney



John Ross Kuhns and Third Place 2011 Chance Car Ticket Sellers Debbie and David Sheetz



Craig DeFloria (I) receives the 2011 Foster Fike Restoration Award from Harvey Eger (r) for his 1950 Jeepster.





Harvey Eger (I) presents the 2011 Jack Clark Sevice Award to Mark Jackson (r)



Driving for fun since 1950

John Ross Kuhns presents a special award to Harvey Eger thanking him for serving six consecutive years as Region President.

t was time to cap off 2011 and start into 2012 at the Region's Annual Meeting held Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at Dino's in Latrobe. Approximately 54 members gathered to review accomplishments, vote in the Board election, recognize achievements and enjoy some of those famous Dino's wings as hors d' oeuvres. The minutes from the 2011 Annual Meeting will be published in the December, 2012 Western Round-Up.

There were three Board positions opened and three candidates. There were no nominations from the floor. Rather than passing out and collecting paper ballots, President Harvey Eger asked for a motion for the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot electing all three candidates. The members present did so. The 2012 Board of Directors was determined to be: John Ross Kuhns, President; John Kuhns, Vice President, Craig DeFloria, Treasurer, Mark Jackson, Secretary, Harvey Eger, Safety Director and Chuck Speicher, Publicity Director. Top 2011 Chance Car ticket seller awards went to: Tom and Dodie Ulishney, \$100. for 735 tickets sold; Howard and Bettyann Finney, \$75. for 534 tickets sold; Dave and Debbie Sheetz, \$75. for 252 tickets sold and Sally and Al Wirick, \$25. for 241 tickets sold. Tom Ulishney sold the winning ticket and was awarded \$100.

The Foster Fike Restoration Award is given to a member who completed an outstanding passenger vehicle restoration and showed it at a region event during the year. The 2011 winner was Craig DeFloria for the restoration of his beautiful 1950 Willys Jeepster. Craig brought his completed Jeepster out to the 2011 Christmas Party at DeNunzio's in Latrobe. Every facet of Craig's restoration of his highly optioned Jeepster was first class.

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Get Your 2012 Chance Car Tickets! ....See page 7...

# Cruise on Out to Help Rev-Up the 2012 Season!

# Great food Games Entertainment Prizes Friendship

# Saturday, March 24th

Where:	American Legion 982
	158 American Legion Road, Latrobe (Pipetown)
Start Time:	4 PM Fire up your engines with munchies and a cash bar!
<b>Dinner:</b>	5 PM, then cruisin' on through the evening with fun, games
	and entertainment until it's time to catch a ride home.

- **Cost:** \$15.00 per member, \$25.00 per non member **Please CHECKS ONLY.** *Sorry, no refunds for no shows.*
- **Register:** Clip and send the form below along with a **check** payable to WPR to: Jill Jackson, 133 Alexander Avenue, Greensburg, PA 15601 **or** hand Jill **your check** and registration at the February WPR Monthly Meeting. **Deadline March 14th.**

No late reservations will be accepted.

Be sure to wear Your name badge!

Rev-Up Party Committee: Donna Surace Dominic Surace Jill Jackson Mark Jackson

# **2012 Rev-Up Party Registration Form**

#### **RESERVATIONS DUE BY MARCH 14, 2012**

*I/we will attend the Rev-Up Party on Saturday, March 24, 2012.* 

Name(s):

Members (including children) \_\_\_\_\_ x 15.00 each =

Non-Members (including children) \_\_\_\_\_ x  $$25.00 each = $ _____$ 

Total Enclosed (Please make checks payable to "WPR") \$



Please pay by CHECK ONLY Make checks payable to WPR

Send your reservation to: Jill Jackson 133 Alexander Avenue Greensburg, PA 15601



### 2012 Officers

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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:

> Donna Surace 143 Penn Manor Road Irwin, PA 15642

### 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:** February 21, March 20, April 17, May 15, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18, October 16 & November 20.

#### CALENDAR

March 24 – Western PA Region AACA Rev Up Party, American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown)

**July 6 & 7** – Arthritis Foundation Car Show, Dublin Metro Center, Dublin, Ohio

August 3,4 & 5 – Das Awkscht Fescht Car Show, Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA

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

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

# 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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President's Message

**Hello everyone.** I am honored to be your president for the 2012 Club Year. Although most of you know me, I want to give some background on myself.

My name is John Ross Kuhns III, and I have been on the WPR AACA board for the last 9 years. The antique car hobby has been a huge part of my life since I was a baby. My dad and I have gone all over the country to car shows and auctions, and had the opportunity to meet some great people and see some amazing cars. My first car was a 1966 Ford Mustang that I bought when I was 16, and still have today. My wife Blair and myself live in Loyalhanna, PA (just outside of Latrobe). Blair's not into old cars as much as I am, but I'll get her there at some point. Currently I have a 1966 Mustang, a 1940 Oldsmobile, a 1941 Chevrolet, a 1928 Chevrolet, a 1941 Packard, and a 1959 Ford Skyliner, but this list changes a lot.



Blair and John Ross Kuhns at the Region's 2011 Christmas party

Coming into the presidency, I feel I have some big shoes to fill. I will do the best I can. I will be having "Office Hours" every Monday between 6:30 PM and 9 PM. That is a time when I would like to handle club business. Please feel free to call me during that time or make an appointment with me to go over anything related to the club. My number is (412) 558-0994.

Sincerely,

John Ross Kuhns III



Longtime member and friend Morris E. Kunkle passed away on February 1, 2012. Morris served as Western PA Region President in 1960 and AACA National President in 1970. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Ruth and family.

Appreciation is extended to WPR member Larry Vansickle of Stoystown, PA for donating his collection of *Antique Automobile* magazines from dating from 1969 to 2010 for our historical collection.

Harvey Eger was elected to the AACA National Board of Directors and will learn more about his new resposibilities at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia in February. Congratulations to Carina and Craig DeFloria on the birth of their son, Casper Anthony, on February 5, 2012.

Father and son John and John Ross Kuhns appeared together in a large photo in the most recent issue of *Antique Automobile Magazine*. Did you see them?

Mark DeFloria received a 2011 AACA National Webmaster Award for his fantastic work on the Western PA Region website. The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. Only 12 or so such awards are given nationally each year.

Deepest sympathy expressed to Sally and Al Findley on the death of Sally's mother, Helen Kistler.

#### Welcome new Western PA Region members:

Ronald & Nancy Horak 811 Chestnut St. Latrobe, PA 15650 Ron: C 412-554-2732, rhorak1828@aol.com Nancy : C 412-554-2731, nhporsche@aol.com *Please add this information to your WPR Rosters.*  Annual Meeting Keeps Region Rolling Forward continued from page 1





Suzanne and D.J. Heatherington

Edith and Gary Cooper



Ralph Shearer and Dick McKelvey



The Western PA Region takes the cake!

The Jack Clark Service Award is presented annually to a member(s) who has done the most for the Region during that year. For 2011 the Jack Clark Award was presented to Mark Jackson in recognition of his work on the region's Western Round-Up newsletter, as Tour Chairman, and Board Secretary.

A special recognition plaque was also presented to Harvey Eger in appreciation of his service and commitment as Region President for six consecutive years, which is a new record. The top inscription on the plaque simply read, "Thank You, Harvey!" It also featured a "Metalphoto" image of Harvey behind the wheel of his Olds Cutless convertible with the Western PA Region AACA logo over his shoulder.

Past Western PA Region Presidents in attendance included: Gary Cooper, Dave Lizza, John Kuhns Sr., D. J. Heatherington, Debbie Sheetz and Mark DeFloria.

After the meeting a delicious dinner was served featuring steak, chicken or fish. And for dessert there was a special cake decorated with a spiffy antique car and the words, "Let's have a great year!"

## Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America Presidents

1957 - George French 1958 - Charlie Davis 1959 - C.H. Farr 1960 - Morris Kunkle 1961 - Herb Miller 1962 - Arthur Brundage 1963 - Galen Fike 1964 - Boyd Muir 1965 - Earl Muir 1966 - Robert Cable 1967 - Foster Fike 1968 - Paul Bell 1969 - Fred Nicholls 1970 - Charlie Davis 1971 - William Salvatora Sr. 1999 - D. J. Heatherington 1972 - Fred Nicholls 1973 - Paul Bell 1974 - Paul Bell 1975 - Larry Geisler 1976 - Larry Geisler 1977 - Bob Davis 1978 - Gary Cooper 1979 - Jack Clark 1980 - Jack Clark 1981 - Jack Clark 1982 - Dave Lizza 1983 - Dave Lizza 1984 - Jack Clark

1985 - Bob Cirilli 1986 - Earl Muir 1987 - Earl Muir 1988 - Paul Bell 1989 - Alan Terek 1990 - Randy Hall 1991 - Alan Terek 1992 - Jack Clark 1993 - Paul Bell 1994 - John Kuhns 1995 - Vincent Altieri 1996 - Tom Milligan 1997 - Allen Wirick 1998 - Vincent Altieri 2000 - Timothy Smith 2001 - Mark DeFloria 2002 - Charlie Schifano 2003 - Debbie Sheetz 2004 - Daniel Calabrace 2005 - Mark DeFloria 2006 - Harvey Eger 2007 - Harvey Eger 2008 - Harvey Eger 2009 - Harvey Eger 2010 - Harvey Eger 2011 - Harvey Eger 2012 - John Ross Kuhns



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meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held November 15, 2011 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, Latrobe, PA, (Pipetown) commencing at approximately 7:30 p.m. President Harvey Eger was absent. The meeting was called to order by Vice President John Ross Kuhns followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 54 members in attendance and one guest, Anthony Fallone

In honor of Veterans' Day Secretary Mark Jackson read aloud a letter to the editor written in the early 1980s by Western PA Region member Pete Orazio. The letter was a tribute to Pete's son who gave his life in the service of his country while in the Marine Corps.

#### Minutes of the October 18, 2011 Meeting

The minutes of the October 18, 2011 meeting were printed in the November *Western Round-Up*. Vice President Kuhns asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, the Vice President then asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mark DeFloria motioned to approve the October 2011 minutes as printed. Gary Wiegand seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Craig DeFloria presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Howard Finney, seconded by Barbara Erny and unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Membership - Howard Finney, Chairman

Howard Finney gave a membership reading for Anthony Fallone of Irwin. Charlie Schifano made a motion to accept Anthony as a new member, seconded by Mark DeFloria and unanimously approved.

#### Tours - Mark Jackson, Chairman

Mark informed members that a survey will be coming in the Round-Up to see what members are interested in for 2012.

Clay Stoner invited Western PA Region members to attend the Dawson House Christmas Luncheon hosted by the Laurel Region.

#### **Christmas Party**

Sally Wirick is handling registration for the Christmas Party

#### 2011 Chance Car - Debbie and Dave Sheetz, Chairs

Debbie informed members present that there were 57 ticket sellers in 2011. A total of 4,421 tickets were sold. \$22,130. was

deposited. It was a good year considering that rainy weather hurt many ticket sales opportunities and events. Debbie also thanked members for their expressions of sympathy on the loss of her father.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 2012 Chance Car

Secretary Mark Jackson announced that an exciting 2012 Chance Car has been acquired. It is a red 1984 Corvette with a hatchback, which was purchased from John Kuhns for \$9,250. The Corvette is in outstanding condition with 77K miles and a terrific paint job. It also comes with a removable black glass top.

Mark DeFloria informed members that photos of the 2012 Chance Car will be posted on the Region's website tomorrow.

#### From the Floor

Denny Blank asked members to contact him if they are able to help with the Marine Corps Toys for Tots Campaign this Christmas season. Toys are given to over 3,000 kids per year. Help will be needed the week of December 12 - 17 from 7-9 p.m.

Myron Shoaf expressed concern over the 15% alcohol slated to be added to gasoline in the near future. He cited that our old cars will not run on this type of fuel and members should make their concerns known to their local legislators.

#### 50/50

Lee Speicher won the 50/50. The amount was \$63. The second winner was Ron Barnhart who won \$62.

#### Adjournment

Vice President Kuhns asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Howard Finney made the motion, which was seconded by Gary Wiegand and unanimously approved.



Classic trucks at the 2011 Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom and Hot Rod Show

# Name That Car! (Let's try this one again...)

by Mark Jackson

Jack Wolfe submitted this classy mystery car in December, 2011. We didn't hear from anyone. Unfortunately, we had phone problems over the holidays, had them repaired, and as of this writing, are experiencing them again. Perhaps some of you tried to call us to identify the car, but could not get through. Let's try it again. Guess the make and year of this mystery car and win a Whitman's Sampler box of chocolates. Be the first to contact me by email: rpmguy2002@yahoo.com or call my cell phone: 724-961-3563.

Here are some hints. The nickname of this car is the same as a Pittburgh slang term meaning to "kid" or "aggravate" someone. The car was made the same year as the original movie, *Miracle* on 34th Street with Natalie Wood.

# Western Round-Up Classifieds FOR SALE

**1960 Ford Thunderbird** black, totaly restored Call Gary Cooper 724-483-3165

**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 burgendy leather interior and black top. \$15,000 or best offer. Call Joyce or Bob 724-537-2003.

**1969 Corvette Coupe** Orginal/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



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

**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

**'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

**Pair of aluminum heads** for a 215 cu 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

#### 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

# **Chance Car Tickets...** Let's Sell Them All!

he 2011 Chance Car, a 1981 Camaro, was won by Terry Bickerton from the Jefferson Hills area of Pittsburgh. A special thanks to 2011 Chance Car Chairs Debbie and David Sheetz for doing a fantastic job scheduling and coordinating the ticket sales.

Fifty-six member households helped to sell a total of 4,356 Chance Car Tickets leaving 644 tickets unsold for loss of potential profits of \$3,220. As our principal fundraiser, selling all 5,000 Chance Car tickets is important. Chance Car ticket sales are the funds WPR relies on to subsidize the newsletter and roster printing costs as well as WPR events all year long so that members can attend functions at discounted costs.

Forty-seven WPR member households did not participate in Chance Car ticket sales. We would like every WPR member household to at least buy a ticket for each WPR member in order to support WPR activities for the year.

The 2012 Chance Car is a snazzy 1984 Corvette. Tickets will be available at the February 21st monthly meeting. For those members who live a distance away or can't make it to a meeting, you may mail in the ticket request form below in order to participate in the 2012 Chance Car Ticket Sales.

The 2012 Chance Car winner will be determined by the PA lottery on October 27th.

#### Thank You 2011 Chance Car Ticket Sellers

Be sure to redeem your earned points towards the purchase of Western PA Region AACA apparel. \$1.00 point value per ticket sold up to 90 points maximum. Apparel points can be redeemed during 2012 only. (Contact Secretary Mark Jackson until a new apparel chairperson is appointed.)

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No. sold	Member/Household	No. sold	Member/Household
173	Anderson, Diana	10	Lizza, Dave
30	Barnhart, Ron	30	Maurer, Bill
10	Bell, Luella	15	McKelvey, Nancy
120	Blank, Denny	10	Newell, Linda
30	Bowman, Jim	40	Orazio, Pete
80	Brant, Don & Mary Ann	81	Peppler, Jim
30	Bray, Julia	25	Reese, Dave
15	Calabrace, Carol	10	Rusnock, John
90	Caruso, Ron & Marianne	60	Schifano, Charlie
51	Christiansen, Roger	75	Shearer, Ralph
30	Cooper, Gary	252	Sheetz, Debbie & Dave
30	DeFloria, Craig	30	Shoaf, Myron
30	DeFloria, Mark	10	Shurie, Gordon
10	Detwiler, Cris	30	Sivak, Ron
60	Eger, Susan	60	Snively, Sam
15	Erny, Barb	233	Speicher, Chuck
30	Findley, Al	54	Stoner, Clay
534	Finney, Howard	30	Summit, Bernie
5	Foster, George	137	Surace, Dominic
30	Friend, Al	35	Terek, Al
30	Frye, Glenn	735	Ulishney, Tom
30	Gaudiose, Pat	120	Underwood, Ron
15	Goodwin, John	49	Vrable, Joe
30	Inhoff, Bob	60	Vrable, Nancy
87	Jackson, Mark	60	Wiegand, Gary
20	King, Tom	241	Wirick, Al
140	Kuhns, John	41	Wolfe, Nancy
30	Kuhns, John Ross	8	Zecchini, Lou

# 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

Please Print

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Kuhns, Chris

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.



Name -Address -

Phone -

Please mail form to:

Howard & Bettyann Finney 267 Lancewood Pl Greensburg, PA 15601



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



Come enjoy the "Greatest Hobby in the World!"



#### Make plans to attend the Arthritis Foundation Car Show in Dublin, Ohio July 6 & 7, 2012.

Featured marques - 110 Years of Cadillac, 45 Years of Chevrolet Camaro and 45 Years of Mercury Cougar. WPR reserved rooms are still available. Contact Tour Chairman Mark Jackson rpmguy2002@yahoo.com



# Special Mini-Presentation Kicks Off 2012 Meetings...

Don't miss the first Western PA Region AACA monthly meeting in 2012



Charles Kettering on the cover of Time Magazine.

on Tuesday, February 21 starting 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 982 in Latrobe (Pipetown). After the business meeting WPR member Roger Christiansen will be making a special mini-presention entitled *Meet Charles Kettering*.

If you have an idea for a mini-presentation for one of the 2012 monthly meetings please contact Chuck Speicher or Mark Jackson. We ask that presentations be kept to 20-30 minutes in length.