# THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



October, 2012

Driving for fun since 1950

# New Oktoberfest & Car Show Premiers in Blairsville

The Piper Family helps the historic Hebron German Lutheran Church pull together a wonderful, fun event.



WPR member Garvin Piper with the Hebron Lutheran Church and activity booths in the background.



Although small, this first car show featured unique & interesting vehicles.



WPR members Lee and Chuck Speicher were on hand selling tickets for the 2012 Chance Car. Lee is standing at the table with ticket purchasers.

ulling together a festival event and car show takes a lot of hard work and coordination. Getting the first one off the ground is especially challenging. On October 6th the Hebron Lutheran Church in Blairsville held its first German Oktoberfest & Car Show. WPR members Craig, Susan, Garvin and Charlotte Piper of Westmoreland Antique Car Restorations helped their historic church plan, promote and pull together a wondeful community event.

The Hebron Lutheran Church was the first English speaking Lutheran Church established west of the Allegheny Mountains. The essence of this Oktoberfest was wonderfully German. Homemade foods included a variety of hearty German soups, potato salad, bratwursts and saurkraut. There were delightful German ginger

cookies and black forest cake for dessert and of course German beers were available too.

The stage for the D.J. was Craig Piper's 1958 Stude-baker flatbed truck. Later in the day the versitile band Dr. Zoot entertained the crowd.

The event ran from 2 - 8 p.m. There were plenty of fun games for kids and families along with a large Chinese auction featuring many creative basket items. There was even a puppet show for kids inside the church.

We hope the Hebron Lutheran Church Oktoberfest will return again next year. Events like this in Western PA Communities help to make our Region a great place to enjoy the antique and classic car hobby, while supporting so many worthy organizations and causes.



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Only 10 seconds to attach. Only harm to car; no danger to Packed three in a package. Shipped  $\mathbf{b}\mathbf{y}$ 



Selling price, 2 pkgs. for 25c Sample, 7c; Dozen, 80c; Gross,

\$9.00

### 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:** Nov 20.

#### **CALENDAR**

#### Norwin Hills Car Saturday Cruises

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.



#### Sunday, October 21 Western PA Region Pumpkin Run Tour

Departing from the Latrobe K-Mart parking lot, Route 30 east at 1:30 p.m. Stops along the way include: The Green Mead Farm in Ligonier to pick your holiday pumpkins: Stephen Simpson's Highlands Art Gallery in Donegal; Ohiopyle State Park (if parking is available) winding up with dinner at Bud Murphy's Sportsbar in Connellsville. There will be lots of scenic byways - a great way to finish up the year.

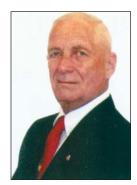
December - Western PA Region Christmas Party Details to follow...

February 7-9, 2013 AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA



## From the AACA President...

he next issue of the Antique Automobile is the most important issue of the year. This issue introduces the membership to the nominees on the ballot for reelection or election to the AACA Board of Directors. A look at our memberships' participation in voting indicates that privilege is not taken as seriously as it should be. We have over 60,000 members that are eligible to vote; however,



Herb Oakes 2012 AACA President

we only average about 10 to 12% that actually vote. Let me explain the importance of this responsibility of the membership.

Each year 7 Directors are eligible for reelection if they have not fulfilled their maximum allowable 12 years as a Director serving on the Board. To be placed on the ballot for reelection is not automatic. Each Director who is eligible for reelection has to be nominated for the ballot by the Nominating Committee. Each Director is evaluated by the Nominating Committee and is recommended for or against a place on the ballot for reelection. Once the Nominating Committee decides on the slate of Directors for reelection, it is presented to the full Board for approval. By using this process we are informing

the membership that these are experienced members of the Board that we feel should continue on as Directors.

Additionally, each year the Nominating Committee also reviews potential new candidates to serve on the Board of Directors. These individuals are deemed by the committee to have made significant contributions to AACA and possess the skills necessary to govern the club. They are personally interviewed and screened by the Nominating Committee and once a slate is agreed upon, those names are presented to the full Board of Directors for approval as new nominees to the ballot.

For this year of 2012, we have 6 out of 7 incumbents running for reelection. One is retiring as he has met his term limit. The total ballot this year will be 6 incumbents and 4 new candidates. As the ballot states, each member must vote for 7 candidates. If this requirement of voting for 7 candidates is not met, the ballot will not count.

Each of us as members should carefully read the bio of each candidate before we make the important decision of voting for a candidate to serve on our Board of Directors. The election of our Board of Directors is a serious matter, and the future of AACA depends upon your participation in this pro-cess.

Bottom line is to VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!!

 $\hbox{\it --The Rummage Box}$ 





I want to thank everyone who donated baked goods for the club car show held on September 2. The donations made it a great success.

-- Connie Schifano



## Calling all tickets!

Please turn in your 2012 Chance Car tickets to Howard & Bettyann Finney

#### NOW

The winning number will be taken from the PA State Lottery drawn at 7:30 p.m. Satuday, October 27th



# Minutes of the September 18, 2012 Meeting

meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held September 18, 2012 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, Latrobe, PA, (Pipetown). President John Ross Kuhns called the meeting to order at approximately 7:38 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 54 members in attendance no guests

#### Minutes of the August 21, 2012 Meeting

The minutes of the August 21, 2012 monthly meeting were printed in the September, 2012 Western Round-Up. President Kuhns asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, he then asked for a motion to approve them. Howard Finney motioned to approve the 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 Wiegand, seconded by Harvey Eger and unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Membership - Howard Finney, Chairman

Howard said that we are in a dry spell, nothing new to report.

Donna Surace reported that 2013 Western PA Region membership renewal forms will be in this and next month's *Western Round-Up* newsletters. She asked that members please fill them out as completely as possible. The form includes an area to list cars classic and antique cars you own which are operating.

Do not send in your AACA membership card with your renewal forms. We are not stamping cards. It is o.k. to send a copy of your AACA membership card. Deadline for renewing your Western PA Membership is by the Annual Meeting.

#### Car Show - Tom Ulishney, Chairman

Tom thanked everyone who helped with this year's Car Show and gave a special thanks to Carol Calabrace, who starts working on the Car Show in May. He also said that he had no complaints. Attendance was down due to weather. There were 94 cars on the show field. There are lots of 2012 Car Show dash plaques left over.

President John Ross Kuhns said the he has some extra Car Show dash plaques from 2009 - 2011 if anyone is interested in one.

Connie Schifano thanked everyone who contributed baked goods for the bake sale.

The 2012 Car Show made a \$491.68 profit despite the bad weather.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2012 Chance Car -** *Howard and Betty Ann Finney Chairpersons*

Howard reported that as of now 4,059 tickets have been sold. Money turned in to date is \$20,295. He currently has 49 tickets on hand. There are close to 500 tickets out there. Please sell them and turn them in as soon as possible.

### **2011 Chance Car Ticket Seller WPR Apparel Credits** - *Al Findley*

The WPR Board voted to extend the WPR apparel point redemption deadline for 2011 Chance Car ticket sellers to June 30, 2013.

Al Findley brought in some WPR apparel samples this evening and invited members to look them over. He also reported that he has received WPR apparel orders in the mail.

Members without 2011 ticket seller points can also order WPR apparel any time and pay with cash or check.

#### Increase in WPR Dues for 2013 and New Chance Car Ticket Seller Points System - President John Ross Kuhns

The WPR Board voted to increase WPR dues for 2013 to \$25. for single and joint adult memberships. This is the first dues increase in approximately 15 years.

Why raise dues? Costs have increased everywhere - food, gasoline, hall rental, etc. A new Chance Car will cost about \$10,000. The club subsidizes the costs for the Christmas Party, Annual Meeting, Rev-Up Party, Annual Picnic, Progressive Dinner Tour, etc. to help keep WPR member fees for these events to a minimum.

There will be a new reward system for Chance Car ticket sellers starting in 2012. If you sell 30 tickets or more you receive a free WPR single or joint membership. The Board is also developing additional ticket seller rewards for higher ticket quantites sold. More information will follow.

Harvey Eger encouraged anyone who has any problems with the dues increase to run for the WPR Board and change it.

Donna Surace will need a list of 2012 Chance Car ticket sellers. For now you can write in "sold 30 tickets" in your 2013 WPR membership renewal form.

#### **PARTIES**

#### Halloween Party - President John Ross Kuhns

The Halloween Party will be at the October 16, meeting at the American Legion in Pipetown. It will be a pizza party. Dress up in a costume. There will be prizes in different categories.

#### **Christmas Party** - Sally Wirick

Sally has been in and out of the hospital lately with health problems. She has made arrangements for the Christmas Party at DeNuzio's at the Latrobe Airport on December 16th. She will need help pulling everything together.

#### **TOURS AND EVENTS**

#### Tours - Mark Jackson

Mark reported that a Pumpkin Run Tour (suggested by President John Ross Kuhns) is being planned for the afternoon of Sunday, October 21st. We are planning to leave the Latrobe K-Mart at 1:30 p.m. Stops along the way include a local farm, where you can pick out pumpkins for the holidays, and Stephen Simpson's Highlands Art Gallery in Donegal. We are hoping to wind the tour towards Ohiopyle and end up at some place nice to eat for dinner.

#### Waynesburg 50's Fest

Chuck Speicher said that it poured down rain at the Waynesburg 50's Fest this year, but he and Lee still managed to sell a decent number of Chance Car tickets. Chuck encouraged members to try the event again next year. The variety of interesting vehicles is amazing.

#### Octoberfest at Hebron Lutheran Church, Blairsville

Chuck also informed members about a new Octoberfest in Blairsville. WPR members, Craig, Susan and Garvin Piper from Westmoreland Antique Car Restoration are helping plan the event. The Octoberfest will be held at the Hebron Lutheran Church in Blairsville on October 6th, and will feature a car show. There will be dash plaques and t-shirts for the first 30 cars. German food and beer will be available along with games and music. This is the first time for this event.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Newsletter** - Mark Jackson

No report

#### Web Master - Mark DeFloria

Mark told members that the 2013 WPR membership renewal form is posted on the website. He also hopes to change the format of the website in the future.

#### Snacks - Debbie Sheetz

Debbie said that it is "leftover night" Enjoy a bar-b-que sandwich.

#### **Member News**

Lee Speicher reported that Libby Maurer fell and is now in a care home. Her fall was not a severe one but it affected her. Lee said that Bill Maurer told her that, sadly, Libby cannot enjoy any cards she receives because she cannot comprehend them.

#### 50/50

The first drawing was won by Nancy Vrable. The second one was won by Howard Finney.

#### Program - Craig DeFloria

Craig presented an entertaining Powerpoint slide show on his recent visit to a Jeepster meet and show near State College, PA and his amazing Amish dinner.

#### Adjournment

President John Ross Kuhns asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Howard Finney, seconded by Jack Wolfe, and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

#### The Jack Clark Service Award

The Western PA Region AACA Jack Clark Service Award, formerly the Robert E. Levine Award, is given in recognition of those who have done the most to serve the Region during the year.

Nominations can be made from the floor at the November 20th meeting or you can send in your recommendation, **which must be received prior to the November meeting.** The award will be presented at the Annual meeting in early 2013.

#### Mail any nominations to:

Mark Jackson, WPR Secretary 133 Alexander Avenue Greensburg, PA 15601

Please include why you think this individual deserves the award.

#### Past recipients - The Robert E. Levine Award:

1993 - Vincent P. Altieri

1994 - John R. Kuhns

1995 - Sally & Al Wirick

1996 - Vince Altieri

1997 - Debora & Dave Sheetz

1998 - Dan Calabrace

1999 - Alan T. Terek

2000 - Barbara & Jim Erny

2001 - Mark DeFloria

2002 - Charlie Schifano

2003 - Al & Sally Wirick

2004 - Stan & Eleanor Kanick

#### Past recipients - The Jack Clark Award:

2005 - Tom Milligan

2006 - The Calabrace Family

2007 - Barbara Erny

2007 - Harvey J. Eger

2008 - Harvey J. Eger

2009 - Howard Finney

2010 - Howard Finney

2011 - Mark Jackson

### Name That Car!

by Mark Jackson



#### September's Car

Gary Cooper was the first to contact me with the correct year and make of September's car. He correctly identified a 1954 Kaiser Darrin, which was the first production fiberglass sports car in the USA, beating the Corvette to market by one month. It featured a unique "pocket door" design that made the doors slide into the fender of the car. Only 435 were made for the 1954 model year.\* Gary wins the sugar cookies.

Other WPR members checking in with the correct answer included Guy Davis, John Ross Kuhns, Denny Blank and Jim Heatherington.

\*source - Wikipedia

# Western Round-Up Classifieds FOR SALE

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

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

#### **WANT TO BUY**

**Old books on Buicks** John Kosko, 724-832-2576 or 412-584-5551

#### **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 acceptible 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

#### October's Car

Do you recognize this great car? My son Regis and I attended the Das Awkscht Fescht car show in Macungie, PA for the first time this past August. We both loved this car, and I greatly admire the automotive pioneer who established the company. Contact me in person with the correct year and marque of this car and win a box of Hostess Ho Ho's. Email me at rpmguy2002@yahoo.com or call 724-832-9074 or tell me in person.



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# Important News from PennDOT on Registration Plates for Antique & Classic Cars

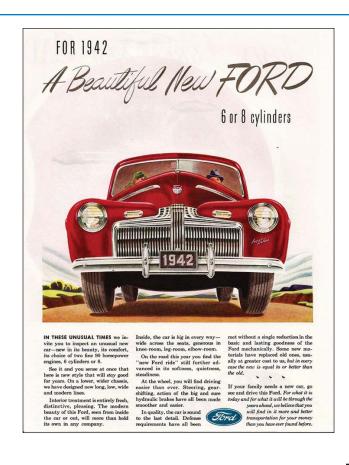
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#### Vintage Registration Plates

Act 25, signed into law on April 12, 2012, provides for a vintage registration plate to be displayed in lieu of a special antique or classic registration plate for this type of vehicle. This law is effective August 10, 2012. A vintage registration plate is a "period issued" registration plate from 1906 to 1975 to be displayed on an antique or classic vehicle with the same corresponding year of manufacture. Vintage registration plates will not be manufactured or issued by the Department. Applicants are required to provide the vintage registration plate they wish to display on their antique or classic vehicle. Form MV-11V, "Application to Display a Vintage Registration Plate," has been created to accommodate these requests and has an edition date of 8-12 and is available on our website at www.dmv.state.pa.us. The fee to apply to display a vintage registration plate is \$75. NOTE: This is in addition to any fees that may be due for antique or classic registration.

#### Antique and Classic - No Photographs

When applying for an Antique or Classic vehicle registration, photographs of the vehicles are no longer required. Form MV-11, "Application for Permanent, Antique, Classic or Collectible Registration Plate," has been revised and has an edition date of 8-12 and is available on our website at www.dmv.state.pa.us. The form now includes a certification section, which reads, "The vehicle has been maintained in or restored to a condition that is essentially the same as that which a vehicle of that particular year and model would have been in at the time it was originally manufactured and both interior and exterior are in good condition including paint, chrome, wheels and body. I understand that this vehicle must be maintained in compliance with Pennsylvania Equipment Regulations." Please note, four color photographs are still required when applying for a Collectible Vehicle registration.







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