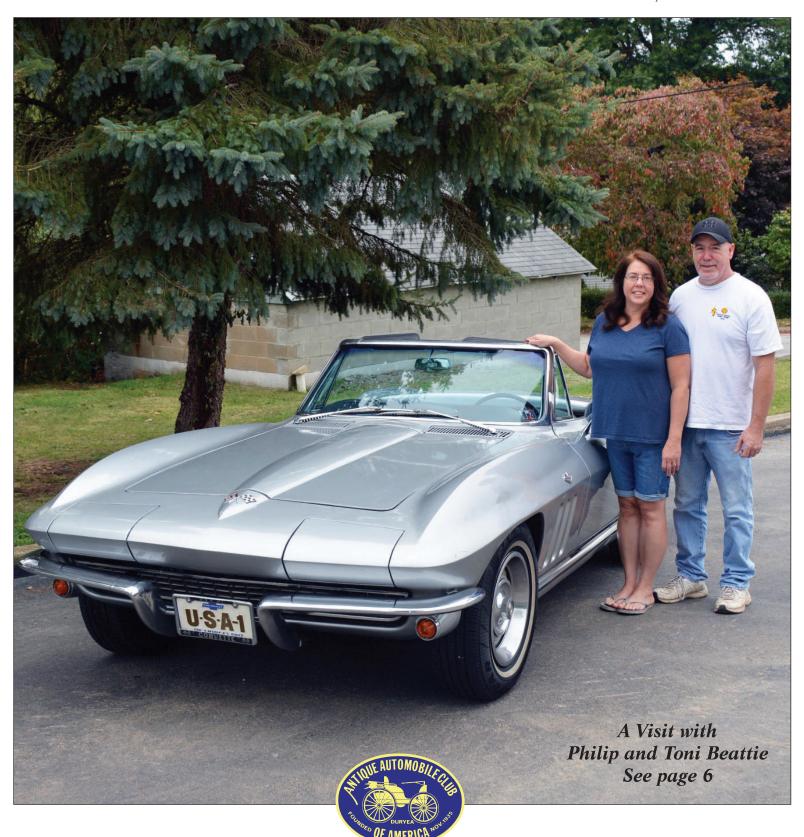
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Our monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Post 982, 158 American Legion Road, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown). You do not have to own an antique car to join us.





Welcome new members David and Darlene Sheats

We express our deepest heartfelt sympathy to Cris, Molly and Casey Detwiler and Cris's mother Dorothy on the sudden passing of Cris's father Martin Detwiler on October 10, 2019. "Marty" would often join Cris and Molly on various WPR activities and tours. In 2013 Cris and Molly hosted the dessert stop for the Progressive Dinner Tour. Marty and Dorothy whipped up a tastey batch of their homemade ice cream for the occassion. It was quite a treat! Marty also went along on the WPR bus tour to Hershey a few years back. More recently he attended the WPR Tour to Don Pyle's Car Collection in Greene County. Marty was an expert mechanic retired from West Penn Power. He was a tremendous resource for Cris and Molly in the restoration and maintenance of their award winning Nash automobiles. We wish the Detwiler Family comfort in the cherished memories of this fine, talented gentleman.



Marty Detwiler studies a 1941 Chevrolet during the tour to Don Pyle's Car Collection this past summer.

Membership is Critical to Survival!



By Mel Carson 2019 AACA President



The Antique Automobile Club of America needs the help of each existing member to survive and maintain our organization for the long-term! Every member needs to bring in a new member to AACA now! Every organization that desires to continue to exist will evolve and change as needed to be appropriate for the membership. AACA has accomplished this over the history of the organization. When driving your antique car to fill the gas tank, attend cruise-ins or shows - folks at all times want to look at your car and talk with you about it. This is a good opportunity to tell them about AACA and all it offers to the antique car enthusiast. Please let them know, that to be involved, all AACA members do not have to own a pristine show vehicle. This is a message to convey to any prospective new AACA member. A Driver Participation Class (DPC) vehicle is a vehicle that has a place on the show field but is perfectly suitable for driving and touring at the same time – including air conditioning and radial tires. The AACA organization includes a great antique car magazine, about six to eight car show Nationals spread around the country, a Grand Nationals event each year, and usually about four Touring events each year. Library resources are offered to members who can obtain research and restoration information on possibly any vehicle every produced. The new AACA headquarters facility now under renovation in Hershey will include an enhanced state-of-the-art automotive library to benefit the hobby. Explain these advantages to a car person and they may be a great candidate for membership in AACA and help keep our organization alive!

-- The Rummage Box





Car Show Thank You! from Flo Myers

To All members of the Western PA Region AACA Car Club:

I wanted everyone to know how much I appreciate the efforts and help made to make the 56th Annual Paul P. Bell Memorial car show complete. Despite the weather, which scared many individuals off, I feel we put on an awesome show and everyone gave it their best efforts. I hear the Bake Goods were AWESOME, Chinese Auction Baskets were out of this world, Field Judges were on top of their game, field staging was perfect, DJ brought out songs that had hips moving and registration, from the entrance to application completion, had everyone organized. Thanks also for those who donated or solicited goods for the door prizes and baskets.

Thank you everyone, Flo

CALENDAR 2019

NOTE: OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING DATE AND LOCATION HAS BEEN CHANGED TO...

Saturday, October 26, Western PA Region
Octoberfest Dinner & Monthly Meeting with
Chance Car Winner Drawn on PA Lottery LOCATION: the Westmoreland Conservation District,
218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg. The Octoberfest Dinner
will be start at 5:30 p.m. The PA Lottery will be at 7:00 p.m.
Registration required.

November 19 - WPR Monthly Meeting at American Legion Post 982, Latrobe (Pipetown) starting at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 1, Western PA Region Christmas Party DiSalvo's Station, Latrobe, PA 12:30 p.m. Social, 2:00 p.m. Dinner, Watch for the registration flyer.



Minutes of the September 17, 2019 Monthly Meeting

meeting of the Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on September 17, 2019 at the American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown). President Bob Doppelheuer called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 29 members in attendance at tonight's meeting. David Sheats was in attendance as a guest at tonight's meeting.

Minutes

The Minutes of the August 20, 2019 monthly meeting were printed in the September 2019 issue of the Western Round-Up distributed by email with printed copies available at tonight's meeting.

President Bob Doppelheuer asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Tom King made a motion to approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Debbie Sheetz and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

The August Treasurer's Report was read by Treasurer Mark Jackson. President Bob Doppelheuer asked if there were any additions or corrections. Cindy Harvey made a motion to approve the report as presented, seconded by Becky Blank and unanimously approved.

OLD BUISINESS

Membership – *Howard Finney*

Howard Finney, read an application for membership for David and Darlene Sheetz recommended by Howard Finney and Dave Sheetz. Becky Blank made a motion to accept David and Darlene into the Region, seconded by Denny Blank and unanimously approved. Welcome to our Region David and Darlene.

Western Round-Up Newsletter – Mark Jackson

The September Western Round-Up was distributed to members by email. Printed hard copies of the September *Round-Up* are available for pick-up at tonight's meeting. Remaining newsletters will be sent to members who opted to have newsletters mailed. Mark Jackson thanked Molly Detwiler and Carl Erb for their submissions to the newsletter.

Western PA Region Web Site – Mark DeFloria

Mark DeFloria asked that members notify him of any changes in email addresses. Mark reminded the members present to check the web site for Region related information. Members should forward by email anything they would like included on the Region's web site.

2019 Chance Car – Sheila and Joe Kurtz

Sheila Kurtz reported a number of members turned in tickets at tonight's meeting. Unsold tickets, stubs and money need to be turned in to Sheila or Mark Jackson by October 15th so that they can be organized in time for the Saturday, October 26th Meeting and Lottery Drawing.

NEW BUSINESS

Change Region Monthly Meetings from the American Legion Post 982 to other Venues

The October Monthly meeting will be held on Saturday evening, October 26th at the Westmoreland Conservation District on Donohoe Road in Greensburg. Plans are to have an October fest dinner and then be able to see the winning Chance Car number drawn on the PA Lottery and the winner informed. There will be social time starting at 5:00 p.m. Octoberfest Buffet Dinner is complimentary for Western PA Region members, but you must RSVP by October 16th. Phone Mark Jackson at 724-832-9074 or 724-961-3563 or email: jacksonmark469@gmail.com so we have an accurate head count. Guests are welcome for dinner at \$10 each payable at the door. Guests must be pre-registered via RSVP. The monthly meeting is at 6:30 p.m. The Chance Car winner will be determined by the PA Lottery four digit number. With any luck the winning ticket will have been sold and we can notify the winner. Don't forget to let Mark Jackson know if you plan to attend by October 16th!

2019 Western Pa Region – Paul P. Bell Memorial Car Show – *Bob Doppelheuer / Mark Jackson*

Mark Jackson and Bob Doppelheuer gave a summary of the 2019 Western PA Region – Paul P. Bell Memorial Car Show. This year's show was on Sunday, September 1st at Legion Keener Park, Latrobe. Bob reported that the registration program worked well and thanked Becky Blank for entering the information. Bob also thanked all of the members that helped with the show. Bob commented that the Chinese auction, door prizes, bake sale, set-up, parking, judging and tear-down all went well.

There was a discussion on the "Best In Show" award as to whether it takes the place of the first in class award, or if the recipient receives the Best In Show and the first place award from the class they were in. Some members present commented that in past shows the "Best In Show participant is taken from one of the first place class and then the placements all move up in that particular class. Fourth to third, third to second and second to first in class. This is to be further discussed.

2019 Tours – Carl Erb

Carl Erb spoke about several upcoming area events including:

Penn Township Fall Festival on Saturday & Sunday September 20th-22nd

Ellwood City Fall Fest and Car Cruise will be held on September 28, 2019.

Butler Parts A Rama will be held on September 27th – 29th

Fall Carlisle October 2nd-6th

Hershey from October 9th-12th

2019 Christmas Party – Kuhns Family

President Bob Doppelheuer reported that the Christmas Party will be at Disalvo's Station on Sunday, December 1st. Mark your calendars!

From the Floor:

Bill Maurer brought in an AACA Roster from 1956 to share with the members at tonight's meeting. A couple of famous members were listed. Our first Western PA Region President George French and listed across the fold from George was Dwight D. Eisenhower and Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Snacks – Debbie Sheetz

Debbie Sheetz brought pies and coffee for our after meeting desert. President Bob Doppelheuer thanked Debbie for bringing the deserts at tonight's meeting.

Adjournment

President Bob Doppelheuer asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:35 PM. Howard Finney made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Becky Blank and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Mark DeFloria, Secretary

Great Fun at the 50s Fest Car Show in Downtown Waynesburg, PA on Sept 14th



The Greene County Courthouse



Elvis quilts on Corvettes, "Thank you very much."



There were over 200 cars in Downtown Waynesburg



A ghost rider in a bare bones pickup



This Rambler Taxi owner invited autographs



Amazing and rare 1936 Studebaker Dictator

A Visit with Philip and Toni Beattie

by Mark Jackson



In their three bay garage Philip and Toni Beattie proudly stand beside their 1948 Ford F-3 pickup truck with the 1927 Willys Knight sitting to the left in the background.

he Western PA Region is lucky to have members from a wide variety of different areas in Westmoreland and surrounding counties. The town of Vandergrift is located in northwestern Westmoreland County along the Kiskiminetas River. Vandergrift is a unique town in so far as it was designed in 1895 by Frederick Law Olmsted, who is popularly considered the "Father of American Landscape Architecture." Olmsted was hired by Pittsburgh steel magnate George McMurty to design and build a town that would inspire harmony and productivity in his steel mill workers through a benign, attractive physical environment and the promotion of home ownership. Downtown Vandergrift's streets follow the gentle slopes of the hills along the Kiskiminetas River with gently

rounded corners and intersections. There are also plentiful trees and green spaces.

Western PA Region members Philip and Toni Beattie reside in a quaint neighborhood on a hill overlooking downtown Vandergrift. Philip grew up nearby in Washington Township. Toni is originally from Jeannette. They joined the Region in October, 2018 and have been enjoying the Region's activities and tours. According to Philip, he and Toni were members of AACA and wanted to join an active region in the area "that did things." They learned about the Western PA Region through the AACA website. The Western PA Region's hosting of the 2018 Grand National Meet also helped get their attention.

Antique cars have been a passion for Phil since he



Sporting new 16 inch wheels and tires the 1948 Ford F-3 pickup has a large, heavy duty 3/4 ton bed.



The Beattie's 1965 Corvette Convertible has its special place in their garage along side the 1948 Ford F-3 and the 1927 Willys Knight

was a kid. Although Toni didn't grow up with the same old car passion, she enjoys and supports Phil's enthusiasm for the hobby. The Beatties enjoy driving their 1965 Corvette Convertible and touring. This past spring they participated in the tour to Lenny's Classic Car Collection in Altoona. It was a great tour, but a rainy day, so the Corvette stayed at home that time. The Corvette was originally owned by Philip's father, who brought the car home when Phil was four years old. When Phil's father originally purchased the Corvette it had a little over 35,000 miles on it. Today it has a little over 43,000. Since the 1965 Corvette has come under Phil's stewardship, he and Toni proudly enjoy driving and maintaining it.

Across the street from the Beattie's house was a large vacant lot owned by a neighbor. After many years of diplomatic negotiations, the Beatties were finally able to purchase a large portion of the lot on which they built a beautiful three bay garage. The garage doors face the street. Upon driving by the Beattie's garage when the doors are

open one is taken back by a wonderful site – three amazing antique vehicles staring straight at you. These three are an interesting and varied combination reflecting Phil's broad interests. On the far right sits the 1965 Corvette Convertible, ready to roll. In the center stands a large 1948 Ford F-3 pickup truck, a project Phil hopes to have on the road within a year or so. On the far left is a 1927 Willys Knight sedan, a unique and interesting project.

According to Phil, "We always had an old Ford truck in the family. So the '48 pickup was a good fit." Originally from Kansas, the pickup has a very solid body and framework. The truck's build is unique. It's a heavy duty ³/₄ ton truck that originally had 17 inch tires. Phil pointed out, "Most of these types of trucks were produced as flatbeds. Not too many were made with pickup beds." Phil located a set of 16 inch wheels and tires which he recently installed. The old Ford is standing tall and proud on those tires anxiously awaiting the day it can get rolling

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The 1927 Willys Knight - A Rare and Unique Car Worthy of Restoration



This highly original sedan features artilary wheels and cowl lights.



Phil Beattie checks out a carburetor which he wants to replace.



The sedan will need body wood replacements and a new interior.



Progressive Willys installed four-wheel brakes on the Knight in 1927.

The Road Less Traveled By

by Guy Davis

ast year, my brother Dave returned from fall Carlisle with an interesting automotive artifact. It was a wolf whistle designed to be installed in an antique car. For those members in our club who are too young to know what a wolf whistle is and for those members so old that you sometimes put your pants on backwards and have trouble remembering what you did 5 minutes ago, I will try to define a wolf whistle. A wolf whistle is a high pitched sound immediately followed by a lower pitched sound that tails off. The sound can be produced either mechanically or by one's own lungs and lips. In the past, the whistle was often used when a fellow noticed a pretty girl walking by. The lad would direct the whistle towards the young lady who, in turn, might look back at the fellow, give a coy smile, and keep on walking. The whistling action was never meant to be demeaning nor humiliating towards the recipient. In fact, most young women at that time took it as a compliment. Today, if I was to elicit a wolf whistle towards a female, I might be accused of sexual harassment, uncouth behavior, or even released from my employment should the event occur in the workplace. At the very least, I would be sent to sensitivity training where my Neanderthal thought processes could be reprogrammed to be more in tune with today's sensitive society.

For the typical red blooded American male, there are two subjects that hold his fascination: machinery and women, and when you combine the two, you create an almost intoxicating elixir. This fact can be seen throughout history. For example, the fuselages of military airplanes were once decorated with images of scantily clad damsels. Such illustrations eventually became known as "nose art." Books have been written on the subject and if one were to Google "nose art" on a computer, a number of images of World War II vintage aircraft decorated with the shapely ladies can be seen. Before you bring such images up on your computer screen, however, please make sure there are no young children in the room, and that you have taken any prescribed heart medications prior to viewing the website.

Car manufacturers, automotive parts supply companies and the tool and machine industries have taken advantage of the hypnotic trance men fall into when they encounter a beautiful lady associated with mechanical apparatus. To illustrate this point, a number of years ago, my friend Ed purchased a 1968 Ford Mustang convertible in need of a total restoration. I accompanied Ed to fall Carlisle so



he could begin gathering parts for his project. We approached a large tent where NOS suspension parts were being sold. Upon entering the tent, we encountered a young, shapely blond who wore white hot pants and a pair of wide suspenders that tightly stretched over her buxom chest and down her back. A diagonal banner across her torso read "Miss Suspension." Later in the day as we walked the grounds of the flea market, Ed said that he wished to return to the tent where the suspension parts were being sold as he wanted to better study a pair of shock absorbers he saw there. I really don't think it was the pair of shock absorbers that Ed wanted to study more closely.

During the 1980's, I purchased a number of Snap-On tools from a local vendor, and each year he rewarded my patronage with a Snap-On Tools calendar. The young ladies featured on the pages of the calendars were shown holding various tools but to me it did not look like the girls were appropriately outfitted to rebuild a carburetor or use a mig welder. Never-the-less, the calendars did draw quite a few onlookers, obviously the fellows were checking out the newest tools on the market. Another calendar which I received annually was from the Stihl Company. I never realized that so many women wore such tight fitting clothes when they used chainsaws, weed whackers, and leaf blowers. No doubt, the very tight, skimpy clothes



The Team Shelby Girls at the recent Shelby American Automobile Club meet at the Pitt Race Complex

were worn for safety reasons as loose, baggy clothes could be caught in the machinery.

The advertising agencies for automobile manufacturers also once used women in an attempt to entice men to buy their products. One of the more "sensual" car ads from a bygone era recently appeared in our own AACA magazine. On page 100 of the November/December, 2018 issue, a lovely, young lady with long blond hair stands behind a 1969 Dodge Charger RT. With an alluring look on her face, she is shown slightly lifting her white dress, perhaps to show off more of her shapely legs. The wording in the ad reads, in part, "Mother warned me that there would be men like you driving cars like that. Do you think that you can get me with that long, low tough machine you just rolled up in?" At the end of the ad, the young lady gives the owner of the Dodge her name. The not so subtle message from the Chrysler Corporation hinted that if a man purchased a powerful, macho machine like the Dodge Charger, he would stand an excellent chance of "picking up a beautiful babe."

More recently, I attended the Shelby American Automobile Club national meet at the Pitt Race Complex just north of Pittsburgh. Vintage Shelbys, Cobras, and high performance Mustangs could be seen on the fields and on the race track. Team Shelby and Ford Performance cars and equipment were on display during the four day event.



A portion of a late 1960's Shelby Cobra GT 350/500 advertisement with an attractive model by an attractive car.

Also on display were the Team Shelby girls. Though they did not seem to know much about cam duration or rear end gear ratios, they did smile a lot and appeared quite hospitable. I think the girls may have received more attention than the cars that surrounded them.

Should I someday find myself driving the antique car in which my brother Dave installed the wolf whistle, and if I should happen to see a pretty, young lady walking along that road less traveled by, you can bet your bottom dollar that I will push the button which activates the wolf whistle. For those folks out there who may think such an action on my part would be insensitive and rude, I will simply ask of all of you to smile, enjoy life, no offense intended.



A classic 1969 Dodge Charger RT advertisement

A Visit with Philip and Toni Beattie continued from page 7 once again.

Phil has always had an interest in 1920s and 1930s cars and a desire to own one. "I've always liked Model Ts and As, but wanted something different." At first Phil looked into the possibility of buying a locally owned Hupmobile, but the opportunity then disappeared. Afterwards, he learned of a 1927 Willys Knight sedan that was for sale in the area. He went to see the car and liked it. It "yard ran" and looked like an exciting project. The owner told Phil that someone else was coming from out of state to get the car. So it seemed as though another opportunity had also disappeared. Several months later, Phil learned that the Willys Knight was still available. He approached the owner again and was then able to buy it. As many of WPR members know, patience and persistence can eventually pay off.

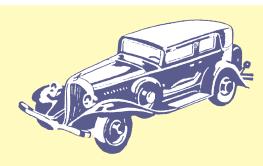
Phil really likes the originality of the 1927 Willys Knight from its classy cowl lights and beautiful Willys Knight logo radiator badge to its massive headlights and wooden-spoked artillery wheels. "It's a car you don't see that often", he said. The old sedan has a great "patina" to it and is a marvel to look at. It features a unique "sleeve valve" six cylinder engine. According to Phil, Willys sleeve valves were a durable answer to the regular valves other manufactures were using at the time, which were experiencing early wear and tear. Another great feature of the Willys Knight is four wheel brakes, something manu-

facturers were starting to pay more attention to in 1927 and a safety item that would become commonplace in the 1930s. Overall, the metal throughout the car is in great shape, but the body's wood frame needs a lot of work along with a new interior. Phil is up to the challenge. "I don't know much about wood, but I will learn", he said. Both Phil and Toni were heavily involved with the WPR 2019 Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom and Street Rod Show. They entered the 1965 Corvette Convertible and won third place in their class. Phil also helped judge at the show teaming with John Myers.

Toni took on the task of helping pull together and run the Chinese Auction this year together with Flo Myers. She was especially pleased that most of the auction baskets, or items in them, were donated by WPR members and friends. With approximately 30 baskets on display, the Chinese Auction was very popular. Participants liked the new ticket system too. According to Toni, "Only a few baskets were not picked up, and we made sure the winners got them." Toni and Flo called to arrange for winners to pick them up. A couple of the baskets were also delivered.

Any occasion when WPR members get together serves as a friendly forum for discussing the ins and outs of the antique automobiles. If you have not already done so, introduce yourself to Philip and Toni Beattie. You will be glad you did and you will enjoy their sincere passion for this great hobby.

It's Here! Nash Presents a Completely New Kind of Car ...the Metropolitan!



A Great Place for that Car Show Goodie Bag Stuff

by Flo Myers

Hey all you car show junkies! For those of you, like myself, who attend car shows throughout the year and receive "goodie bags", t-shirts, hats, etc., and don't know what to do with them — don't throw them in the garbage. Save them and give them to me. I found a place that loves that stuff. John and I recently attended a very, very small church show/fall festival in Clinton (Fayette County). I had taken a few hats, t-shirts, and a lunch bucket full of trinkets ---- THEY LOVED THEM!

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Name That Car

by Mark Jackson



September's Truck

This great original truck is a 1947 Dodge. Guy Davis owns it and drove it in the winner's parade at this year's car show. The truck was found stowed away in Greensburg. Despite it's work worn appearance, it runs very well. Every chip, scratch and dent tells a story. Thanks to Guy and Dave Davis and crew for bringing this great truck to the car show. It drew a lot of smiles. The Twinkies will stay on the store shelf this time, as no one tried to identify truck and driver.

October's Car and TV Quiz



I came across these guys when I took the WPR Chance Car to the Octoberfest Car Show at the Hebron Lutheran Church in Blairsville. This display is a tribute to a classic 1960s TV sit-com, which is still being rerun today. The characters were ghastly classic movie "monsters", but lovable. Interestingly, the show conveyed a great deal of fine family values. In the spirit of Halloween, can you name the famous TV show? The coffin dragster also had a name. Do you know what it was? Which characters are in this photo? Be the first to contact me with the correct answers and win a \$10 gift card to Sheetz. Contact me in person, email jacksonmark469@gmail.com or call 724-832-9074 and leave a message. (You don't have to name the skeleton.)



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WPR Members Out & About - King's Cruise "Trunk or Treat"



Charlie and Connie Schifano's Chevy Pickup truck bed is loaded up with that Halloween spirit.



If the King's Restaurant "Frownie Brownie" buys a WPR Chance Car ticket he could find himself with a 1965 Mustang and a smile.