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**Do you like old cars?** The Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) invites you join our region. Make new, like-minded friends. Enjoy our fun activities, events, and "know-how networking."

You don't have to own an antique vehicle to become a member, However, you must first join our national club, The Antique Automobile Club of America, before joining our Region. For national membership information and to join on line visit: <u>www.aaca.org</u> AACA is the largest and oldest antique automobile club in the world, and offers a wide variety of resources, and activities. All national members also receive the beautiful *Antique Automobile Magazine*.

Then visit our Western PA Region website for membership information, forms and examples of our activities <u>http://westernparegion.org</u>

Our new members are required to attend a Western PA Region monthly meeting to be introduced, officially voted in and welcomed. Our region's monthly meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except December and January. We are a Latrobe-based club.

Upon receipt of your membership application, our Membership Chairman will contact you to schedule a convenient monthly meeting for you to attend, which take place at several venues in the Latrobe and Greensburg areas.

Please feel free to contact any of the directors listed above with questions about memberships.

# 2023 Calendar

## WESTERN PA REGION MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 19, Monthly Meeting at American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, (Pipetown) Starting at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 17, Monthly Meeting at American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, (Pipetown) Starting at 7:00 p.m.

## WESTERN PA REGION EVENTS

# Saturday, September 23, Tour of Jon Leimkeuhler's Classic Car Collection

Meeting at 12:30 p.m. at Hoss's Restaurant, 1261 South Main Street, Greensburg. Departing at 1:00 p.m. Contact Carl Erb.

October Fall Foliage Tour - Information to come

## AACA NATIONAL EVENTS

### October 3 - 6 Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA

#### February 8 - 10 AACA Annual Convention

Chantilly, Virginia Hotel: Westfields Marriott Washington Dulles, 14750 Conference Center Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151 Room Rate: \$129 per night OR \$169 per night includes breakfast for two people. Reservation Phone: (800) 266-9432 (mention Antique Automobile Club of America)

Reservation Deadline: January 16, 2024

### FUN LOCAL CRUISES & CAR SHOWS

## Saturday, September 30 - Bushy Run Battlefield's Annual Car Cruise - 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

1253 Bushy Run Rd, Jeannette, PA 15623

No driver entry fee. DJ Glen Raymer, concession stand, free battlefield tours, awards for best in show vehicles. Any donations will benefit the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society, going towards the museum and educational programs.

# Sunday, October 1, Saint Paul Parish Car Show 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

820 Carbon Road Greensburg, PA, \$5 entry fee.

## Saturday, October 28 - Halloboo at Idlewild Park 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Lot C at Idlewild Park,

2574 Lincoln Hwy, Ligonier, PA 15658 Dress up and decorate your car for Halloween! Contact- Gretchen at group sales.

# President's Message



A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone; and you know who you are; who helped in anyway with our annual car show! We had the most beautiful day and turn out of spectacular cars. The park was definitely shinning with all the participants cars, trucks and motorcycles.

The show was a great success due to the wonderful a-ray of baked goods, the large line up of baskets to raffle and 50/50 sales.

I know there were a lot of tired members at the end of the day and again a very gracious thank you from Dave and I for all the hard work and help we received.

-- Debbie

# A Car Show Bake Sale Thank You!

Hi Everyone,

Thank you to everyone who had donated baked items for the bake sale at this year's WPR car show. Wow, we had a great variety of baked goodies! Our profit for this year's bake sale was \$842.00. I wanted to especially 'Thank' the following for their help with setting up the tables, getting the coffee started and flowing, labeling the baked goods and their selling savvy:

Becky, Camille, Sandy, Martha, Sheila and Jill – Thank you Ladies for your assistance!!



# **Calling All Veterans!**

By Flo Myers

The Western PA Region AACA would like to recognize ALL of our active members who have served the United States of America at our monthly meeting in October.

In order to make sure we have complete list, and building on my list from 2022, ANYONE who has joined since July of 2022, please get in touch with me either my phone: 724-331-7293 or email: flojo15601@gmail.com **by September 30th, 2023.** 



**ALSO** - I need to find out from each of the Veterans, what was the first car/vehicle you purchased when you excited the military. I will also be asking each of you to give 2 or 3 interesting details or specs about that car. Soooo be prepared.

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# Reasonably Priced Car Parts for Sale

# VW, Mustang & 1956 Ford Fairlane

Alice Shaulis contacted Bill Holtzer and I asking us to let our members know that her house is under contract and has a variety of car parts she would like to sell very soon.

These are parts that she and Ron had accumulated over the years and were their inventory for Hershey. Alice says that many of these parts are new in the box. She says the price would be very fair, and that they would be good for anyone who is a vendor at Carlisle or Hershey.

Interested WPR members can contact Alice at 814-279-6564

Thank you, Mark Jackson and Bill Holtzer

-- Molly Detwiler

# Major literature sales events combine to best serve Fall Hershey faithful



By David Landow, VP -National HQ and Library



he Society of Automotive Historians (SAH) and the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) have together enjoyed a long tradition of a mutually beneficial relationship. In fact, it was at the 1969 AACA Eastern Fall Meet in Hershey, during a meeting hosted by Antique Automobile magazine's then-editor William S. Jackson at AACA's former Governor Road headquarters, that SAH was formed. Annual Society gatherings at Hershey ensued, and by 1976, SAH added its presence to the Hershey swap meet field with its own vendor space, where the Society has been a continuous and supportive presence at Fall Hershey ever since.

SAH's diverse membership is an eclectic mix of professional and amateur historians, academic scholars, automotive journalists and publishers, museum and library professionals, educational and cultural institutions, collectors and restorers, and other interested automotive enthusiasts. The Society's 665 members reside in 25 countries, with 20% of its members residing outside the U.S. SAH members share the common pursuits of studying, researching, recording, and disseminating all aspects of automotive history.

From its "big top" tent at its Orange Field vendor space (OBB 16-19), since 2011, SAH has continually hosted its Authors' Book Signing during Fall Hershey. During the event's first year, seven authors offered their books for sale, enthusiastically discussing content and signing copies for everyone who wanted a personalized version. Last year, 16 authors were in attendance. This year, with 20-plus authors who have signed-on to offer some 60 different titles, turn-out is expected to reach an all-time high, exceeding the capacity of SAH's tent. However, AACA and SAH have joined forces to create more space.

This year, the SAH Authors' Book Signing will be held in conjunction with the AACA Library Yard Sale and the Buick Heritage Alliance (BHA) Literature Sale, all to be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at AACA's National Headquarters, each in separate tents. At the BHA Literature Sale, for the first time ever, the organization will sell its surplus duplicates of original General Motors and Buick literature. For the SAH, the new location and date for its Authors' Book Signing is in lieu of the event's traditional location at the SAH Orange Field tent and the traditional day-before-end of swap meet date.

Combining the location of all three events will best serve attendees by providing more offerings in the same place at the same time, but will also continue the usual opportunity to have interesting discussions with multiple authors about multiple titles and topics, to ask them lots of questions, and to obtain personalized copies of books for their library. Because space is limited for this popular event, authors must pre-arrange to participate. Any interested authors are urged to contact Helen V. Hutchings without delay at (hvhent@ juno.com).



2022 SAH Author's Book Signing photo by Rubén Verdés

--The Rummage Box



1952 Chevrolet Advertising Illustration

# Minutes of the August 16, 2023 Monthly Meeting

meeting of the Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at the Westmoreland Conservation District "barn" in Greensburg. President Debbie Sheetz called the meeting to order at approximately 7:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were twenty-seven (27) members in attendance. No guests were at tonight's meeting.

#### Minutes of the July 18, 2023 Monthly Meeting

The July 18, 2023 monthly meeting was held at held at Hoss's Steak and Sea House Restaurant, 1261 South Main St., Greensburg, PA. President Debbie Sheetz asked if there were any corrections or revisions to the July 18, 2023 minutes as printed in the August 2023 issue of the *Western Round-Up*. President Sheetz asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion to approve was made by Sheila Kurtz, seconded by Becky Blank and unanimously approved.

#### Treasurers Report - Mark Jackson

Treasurer Mark Jackson read the Treasurer's Report for July 2023. President Debbie Sheetz asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. A motion for approval was made by Bob Inhoff, seconded by Cris Detwiler and unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Membership** – *Howard Finney* No report.

#### **September Monthly Meeting** – *Tuesday, September 19, 2023*

The July 18, 2023 monthly meeting will be at the American Legion Post 982, Latrobe, PA (Pipetown) at 7:00 p.m.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Newsletter – Mark Jackson

Mark Jackson thanked everyone that submitted items for inclusion in the *Western Round-Up*.

#### Website – Mark DeFloria

Mark DeFloria asked that members let him know if they have an address or an email address change.

#### **Progressive Dinner Tour** – *Debbie Sheetz*

Debbie reported that the Saturday, July 22, 2023 Progressive Dinner Tour was a success. The tour included three stops. Brunch was hosted by Debbie and Dave Sheets, Lunch was hosted by Craig and Casper DeFloria, and Dessert was hosted by John and Vickie Kuhns. The day of the tour was a beautiful sun shiny day.

#### Sunshine Committee – Flo Myers

Flo Myers reported that the WPR Sunshine Committee consisting of Flo Myers, Sheila Kurtz, Molly Detwiler and Becky Blank mailed one get-well card on behalf of our Region to members this past month.

**Picnic** – *John Ross Kuhns* No report.

#### Tours – Carl Erb

Carl Erb reported that he is trying to put together a tour for September 23, 2023. More information to follow.

**Annual Car Show** - *Mark Jackson, Bob Doppelheuer, Flo Myers* Mark Jackson reported that Show field set up is planned for 1:00 p.m., Saturday, September 2. Members are asked to meet at the main pavilion at Legion Keener Park, Latrobe to mark off the different judging class areas and making sure all is in order at the park for Sunday's Show.

Members are asked to be at Legion Keener Park between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. to get ready for our show. The Gate opens at 9:00 a.m. for all show vehicles. The sign-up sheet for judging classes was passed around at the meeting.

#### Monthly Drive Your Antique/Classic Car Award

This month the award for driving a classic or antique vehicle to the meeting was won by Melvin Mitchell.

#### Meeting Snacks – Toni Beatty

Many thanks to Debbie Sheetz for bringing the peach and apple pies.

#### Adjournment

President Debbie Sheetz asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:03 p.m. Becky Blank made a motion for adjournment, seconded by Bob Sugars and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by Mark DeFloria, Secretary

## The 59th Western PA Region AACA Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom & Street Rod Show

# **Oh! What a Show!**



I-r: Dave Davis, Carl Erb and Tom King at the Gate



Muscular Mustangs, Mopars, Camaros, Chevelles and more under the trees



Jim Spon's 1956 Mercury Montclair & Tom Milligan's 1957 Chevy Convertible

Tom Pavelko arrives in his 1930 Chrysler Model 70.

t's a rare occasion in Southwestern PA when weather forecasts predict sunshine for many days before, during and after a planned car show. Such a prolonged positive forecast, and a beautiful show day at Legion Keener Park in Latrobe, PA made for one of the most successful Western PA Region AACA car shows in recent memory.

On show day, Sunday, September 3, 2023, excited Western PA Region members began arriving at the park around 6:30 a.m. to get everything set up and ready for the gate to open at 9:00 a.m. As everything was set up at the main pavilion - registration, bake sale, silent auction, drivers' contests, and D.J. Pete Highlands, the food and flea market vendors started setting up as well. All anticipated a great day. That anticipation struck true as show vehicles began lining up at the gate around 8:00 a.m. At 8:30 a.m. there were about 20 lined up, so we decided to open the gate early and get things going.

This year participants could choose from two show fields - a class judged show field for antique and classic vehicles 2008 and older, and a non-judged, drivers participation show field for vehicles 2023 and older.

By the time the gate closed shortly after 12:00 noon there

were more than 260 vehicles - cars, truck and motorcycles on the show fields. At 12:15 p.m. D.J. Pete Highlands played the National Anthem, while WPR member and Boy Scout Casper DeFloria held the flag. Afterwards, all drivers having their cars judged were called to the main pavilion for a short overview from WPR head judge Howard Finney on how to prepare their vehicles for judging. At 12:30 p.m. WPR judges hit the class judged show field. With so many extraordinary show cars to be judged, determining the top three winners in some classes proved to be very challenging. The awards presentations got underway a little later than usual, but everyone got to enjoy the traditional WPR parade of winners by the main pavilion as President Debbie Sheetz presented the awards.

Throughout the day, participants and spectators enjoyed exploring the amazing vehicles displayed on our lush green show fields. They also were very generous in supporting the WPR food collection for The Westmoreland Food Bank, and helped fill Flo's truck.

Special thanks to all WPR members and friends who helped make this year's show a wonderful success.

Click here to see more photos on our website.



WPR President Debbie Sheetz presents the 2023 Best of Show Award to Dave Bell for his 1955 Ford Crown Victoria



President Sheetz presents the 2023 President's Choice Award to Rege Klinchcock & Barb Trout for their 1969 Dodge Daytona Charger.



The Latrobe Fourth of July Celebration Committee presents their Award to Robert Lauber for his 1939 Chevy Street Rod.

## 2023 CLASS AWARDS

#### CLASS 1 - Production/Stock - Car or Truck to 1939

- 1st Geoffrey Lentz ...... 1932 Nash
- 2nd Bill & Carolyn Krall ...... 1931 DeVaux G-75
- 3rd Art McMullen......1931 Ford Model A Deluxe

#### CLASS 2 - Production/Stock - Car 1940-1949

1st Frank Pietryga ......1940 Chevy Business Coupe

#### CLASS 3 - Production/Stock Autos 1950-1959

- 1st Dave Bell ......1955 Ford Crown Victoria
- 2nd Marylou Marasco ...... 1957 Ford T-Bird
- **3rd** Bruce & Judy Ludwig .... 1954 Mercury

#### CLASS 4 - Production/Stock Autos 1960-1969

1st	George Santmyer	.1966 Pontiac GTO Convertible
2nd	Tim Plesz	.1960 Austin Healy 3000 MK1
3rd	Fred Mansfield	.1967 Pontiac GTO

#### CLASS 5 - Production/Stock Autos 1970-1979

1st	Jim Yurkovich	.1970 Olds Cutlass Supreme
		Convertible
2nd	Garry Smith	. 1970 AMC AMX
3rd	Mike Kozar	.1977 Fire AM

### CLASS 6 - Production/Stock Autos 1980-1989

1st	Ken & Sherry	
	Stankiewicz	1983 Olds Cutlass Supreme
2nd	Steve Lesho	.1986 Chrysler Laser
2rd	Lorny Brinkor	1085 Olde 442

**3rd** Larry Brinker ......1985 Olds 442

#### CLASS 7 - Production/Stock Autos 1990-2008

- 1st
   Ted Moss
   2006 BMW Z4

   2nd
   Butch Thatcher
   1991 Cadillac Biarritz

   2nd
   James Shoulau
   1000 Beith Death Out
- 3rd James Shawley.....1990 Buick Reatta Convertible

# CLASS 8 - Production/Factory High Performance 1962-1980

- 1st John Marsaco ...... 1970 Mustang Boss 302
- 2nd David Seminary ......1969 Chevy Camaro

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Lee & Kathie Willochell receive a Class 10 Third Place Award from President Sheetz for their 1947 Chevy Truck.



This tiger likes it better up on the roof, rather than in the tank.





Tom King and Bob Doppelheuer with Mustangs at the Gate

Corvettes with hoods up and ready for judging.



The Main Pavilion at Legion Keener Park buzzing with activity - registration, drivers' guessing games, a fabulous bake sale, silent auctions, D.J. Pete Highlands playing everyone's favorite oldies and Flo's truck being filled with donations for the Westmoreland Food Bank!

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# CLASS 9 - Production/Factory High Performance 1981-2008

1st Ron Starry Jr......1981 Corvette Yenko Turbo2nd David Gilbert.......2005 Holden Monaro CV82

#### CLASS 10 - Production/Stock Truck to 2008

- 1st Jack Elder ..... 1956 Chevy Truck
- 2nd Mike Leichliter......1977 Ford F150
- 3rd Kathie & Lee Willochell.....1947 Chevy Truck

#### CLASS 11 - Production/Stock Corvettes to 2008

- 1stJoe & MJ Theis2007 Chevy Corvette2ndJeff Yoder1995 Chevy Corvette
- 3rd Jack Eidemiller..... 1967 Chevy Corvette

#### CLASS 12 - Production/Stock Mustangs to 2008

- 1st Gary D. Sklenar .....2008 Shelby GT500
- 2nd Ron Sklenar ...... 2008 Shelby GT500
- 3rd Steve Evans......2007 Mustange Prem GT/C5

#### CLASS 13 - Custom/Modified - Car/Truck 1949-1975

1st	Wayne Maddock	1967 Chevy Truck
2nd	Jack Viecelli	1969 GMC
3rd	Dennis Stern	

#### CLASS 14 - Custom/Modified - Car/Truck 1976-2008

- 1st Russell Boyer......2006 Ford Mustang
- 2nd Denny Blank ...... 1982 Chevy C10
- 3rd Jerry Stankovich ...... 1995 Pontiac Firebird

#### CLASS 15 - Street Rods to 1948

1st	Ken Eriksson	1932 Ford B-400
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- 2nd Carol Britz ...... 1934 Dodge
- 3rd George Stump ...... 1933 Chrysler CT-8 Coupe

#### CLASS 16 - Special Interest to 2008

- **1st** Andy Ogurchak ......1966 Ford Bronco
- 2nd Joyce Inhoff .....1971 Chevy Malibu Wagon
- 3rd Charles Lentz...... 1949 Willys Jeepster



History lives at our show, I-r: 1930 Chrysler Model 70, 1923 Benz (See article on page 10), 1933 American Austin, 1932 Nash



What do you do at a car show like this? Relax and enjoy the day!



President Sheetz presents the Class 16 First Place Award to Andy Ogurchak for his 1966 Ford Bronco

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2nd	Chuck McDowell Jr	.2002 Harley Davidson
		FXDWG3
3rd	Joe Barlock	.1984 Honda Goldwing Trike

#### **CLASS 18 - AACA Senior Vehicles**

Jamie Cintron	1932 Pymouth PB Roadster
Dave Powers	1980 Dodge Mirada
James Sadler	1954 Ford F100 Pickup
James Sadler	1956 Lincoln Capri Cpe
Dale Frederick	1950 Crosley FOR
Dave & Nancy Collette	1935 Ford Coupe
Cris Detwiler	1948 Nash Super 600
Sheila Kurtz	1978 Chevy Impala



President Sheetz presents Sheila Kurtz with an AACA Senior Award for her 1978 Chevrolet Impala



Dave & Nancy Collette's AACA Senior Award 1935 Ford Coupe

# The Road Less Traveled By

By Guy Davis





Our 1923 Benz celebrates its 100th Birthday at the WPR car show.

A three quarter rear view of the Benz's elegant coachwork

arl Benz is generally regarded by many as the inventor of the first motorcar to use an internal combustion engine. His early work focused on the development of a reliable two-stroke engine for which he was granted a patent in 1879. His other patents included the spark plug, the carburetor, the clutch, gear shift, and water radiator. Karl Benz wife, Bertha, contributed to her husband's automobile development by suggesting a third gear for hill climbing as well as brake pads. By 1899, Benz owned the largest automobile company in the world at which time his factory produced 572 vehicles. Following the Great War, Germany suffered rapid inflation and the average cost of an automobile in that country was 25 million marks. The poor economy affected all businesses in Germany including Benz. In June of 1926, Karl Benz merged his company with Daimler Motoren Gesellschaft to form the Daimler-Benz company which then named their automobiles Mercedes Benz.

Arthur Stewart and his wife Hazel lived in the village of Adamsburg, Pa in a log structure that once served as a stagecoach stop. They had no indoor plumbing and relied upon an outhouse in the back yard for necessary business. The Stewarts owned four antique automobiles one of which was a 1923 Benz. In the early 1960s, the Stewarts decided to pick up roots and head west to California. Not wanting to take all four antique



The unique angled headlight lenses compliment the radiator design.

automobiles with them, they asked their next door neighbor, my father, Bob Davis, if he would like to purchase the Benz. At the time, the Benz was in poor condition. It didn't run, was in grey primer and several parts were missing. My father bought the old Benz and it was pushed into a garage where it sat untouched for the next several decades.

During the 1980s, members of my family began a body-on restoration of the Benz. Though not a show vehicle, the Benz restoration turned out well and it became a dependable driver. In 2010, my brother Bob received a phone call from a gentleman who served on the committee of the Indianapolis 500 as they were preparing to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the brickyard in 2011. The committee's goal was to assemble every make of car that participated in the first Indianapolis race and feature them at the raceway. The antiques would be the first cars to make a lap on the track prior to the start of the race. Since a Benz participated in the very first Indianapolis 500, the committee was desperately trying to locate one. Somehow they heard that the Davis family of Greensburg, PA owned a Benz and they contacted my brother Bob and asked him to bring it to Indianapolis. A family friend, loaned Bob a trailer, and accompanied him to the racetrack. Needless to say, it was quite a thrill for Bob to see our Benz become a part of Indianapolis 500 history.

This year marks the 100th birthday of our old Benz. Our goal is to trailer it to our club's Labor Day weekend car show in Latrobe for everyone to see and study this very unusual and rare automobile. According to an automobile historian who recently spoke with my brother Bob, there are only two known 1923 Benz in existence today. One, a four door sedan, is in a German museum, and the other is my family's two door sedan. My son Ben recently performed some necessary mechanical repairs on the Benz then test drove it on the road less traveled in order to make sure that it would be drivable at the show. Hopefully, Ben's Benz will bring a sense of wonder and appreciation of automotive history to those who gaze upon it.

Name That Car

by Mark Jackson

## **August's Car**



Howard Finney shot me an early morning email after the August Round-Up was posted online and was the first to correctly identify August's car as a 1934 Chrysler Airflow. Tom King and Denny Blank also correctly identified the Airflow.

The Chrysler Airflow has always fascinated me. It was the car that introduced aerodynamics to mainstream automobile construction. Chrysler engineers worked with aviation pioneer Orville Wright using a specially constructed wind tunnel to test hundreds of auto body styles for wind resistance. It was found that the popular "two box" square car body designs of the early 1930s were very wind resistant, so much so that they proved to be more aerodynamic when set backwards in the wind tunnels. Along with a more aerodynamic design, Airflow innovations included a lighter weight, unitized body construction and a change to the way the weight was distributed within the car. Until the Airflow, 75% of the passenger weight of a sedan was directly over the rear axle and springs, which caused poor handling and a harsher ride. The new Airflow design moved the engine forward and placed the passengers between the front and rear axles, improving the car's handling and ride quality. The 1934 Airflow was introduced as a new model in the Chrysler line up with other more standard Chrysler models still available. The DeSoto line up was then relegated to only feature DeSoto Airflows, which were a little smaller than Chrysler Airflows. This decision ended up hurting DeSoto.

Because of the unique, innovative body designs, the 1934 Airflows suffered from some build quality issues related to the many new welding techniques that had to be used to manufacture them. These cars were also introduced during the worst years of the Great Depression, when the public atmosphere was very conservative. Many people perceived the new aerodynamic body design as looking like an unpleasing "lump". In the 1935 through 1937 production years Chrysler Airflows sported a more pronounced "pointed" grill design along with the innovative body aerodynamics to help make it more acceptable to the popular tastes of the times.

Due to lackluster sales, the Airflow was discontinued after 1937. However, the aerodynamic lessons learned from the Airflow were picked up by Volvo, Toyota and other manufacturers, who used Airflow inspired innovations to develop car models with less wind resistance to give consumers better gas mileage in countries where gasoline was more costly.

Research source - Wikipedia

## September's Car



Can you tell me the make and year of this Street Rod that Charlie Schifano is helping the driver to class at the entrance of our 2023 Show? Be the first to get me the correct answers and win a \$20 Sheetz gift card. Email jacksonmark469@gmail.com or call 724-832-9074 and leave a message.

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We had some rare and wonderful cars at the 2023 Western PA Region Car Show. Have you ever seen a De Vaux? They were only made in 1931 with production ending in early 1932. The proud owners of this 1931 De Vaux are Bill & Carolyn Krall. Here Region President Debbie Sheetz presents the De Vaux with a Class 1 Second Place Award.



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