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How to Become a Member

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.

2024 Calendar

WESTERN PA REGION MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 17, 7:00 p.m. - Monthly Meeting at The Lincoln Highway Experience Museum - 3435 State Route 30 East, Latrobe, PA 15650

Tuesday, October 15, 7:00 p.m. John Kuhns, Sr.'s home garage (NOT the Dealership) 2339 Raymond Avenue, Latrobe, PA 15650

Tuesday, November, 19, 7:00 p.m. American Legion Post 982, Latrobe - To be confirmed.

WESTERN PA REGION EVENTS & TOURS

Sunday, September 22, Progressive Dinner Tour A registration flyer was emailed to all members. Questions: Tom King 412-855-7887

10:30 a.m - 12:00 Noon Brunch hosted by Tom and Doreen King

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch hosted by Louise Marks

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Dessert hosted by John and Vickie Kuhns

Saturday, October 19 - Fall Driving Tour - Hosted by Tony and Norma Mascia, enjoy a country drive to Loyalhanna Dam and a lunch at an old school house. More details to come.

Sunday, December 8 - WPR Christmas Party Rizzo's, Crabtree, PA - Registration and details to come

AACA NATIONAL EVENTS

October 8-11, 2024 – Hershey, Pennsylvania – Eastern Fall Nationals, sponsored by AACA Hershey Region – contact: fallmeet@hersheyaaca.org

October 23-26, 2024 – Huntsville, Alabama – Southeastern Fall Nationals, sponsored by AACA North Alabama Region – Dave Robertson, Chairman – 256-653-4036; dave.robertson44@gmail.com

February 6-8, 2025 - AACA National Convention Charlotte, North Carolina

April 3-5, 2025 - Southeastern Spring Nationals Charlotte, North Carolina

May 1-3, 2025 Western Spring Nationals/Grand National

Tucson, Arizona

June 1-7, 2025 Vintage Tour Southern/Eastern Pennsylvania

President's Message



WPR President Debbie Sheetz

HUGE Thank You goes out to all club members who came out to support and help with the annual car show! We couldn't have asked for a more perfect and beautiful day. It was impressive to see all the yellow shirted members hurrying around organizing and making sure the attendees know where to go or have what they need to have a great show day with our club. I personally heard a lot of people say that this was their first time attending our show and as they left the show field said they would definately be returning next year.

But wait...our activities are not over for this year yet! We have the upcoming and favorite Progressive Dinner Tour on September 22nd. Hopefully you are registered for a fun day of touring, fellowship and eating! Please bring a chair along.

We had our raffle end with winners to be reported on at the next meeting.

I can't remember Western Pennsylvania having this many days with clear blue skies in a row. Yes we need the rain but I for one have been enjoying all the sunshine. Sooo lets get those cars out there for a drive and enjoy the day.

-- Debbie



The 2024 WPR Car Show President's Choice Award was presented to Mike Vickors for his 1969 Camaro Z 28



They're Still Out There!

By Bill Holtzer

The car pictured above is a late 1950's English car. It is an Armstrong Siddley. They were made in England from 1919 to 1960 and merged with Rolls-Royce in 1966. This one is sitting behind an old store building next to the Dollar General in Mount Pleasant.

Western Round-Up Classified Ads

Western Round-Up classified ads are free to WPR members. Contact the editor at jacksonmark469@ gmail.com to submit an ad. Ads will run for three issues unless you notify us to take it down. Ads are for vehicles and auto-related items - parts, memorabilia, etc. Photos may be used, but should be of good quality.

1949-52 GM exterior sunvisor. NO rust or dings. It has the front stainless trim piece with a small ding. No mounting hardware or center top trim piece. Asking \$125.00

also...

Vintage Allstate rear station station wagon mat It is 42x72 and is in 2 pieces that snap together It is in excellent shape and is red & black (would look great in a green or orange car (Ha!!! Ha!!!) Asking \$99.00

Contact Bill Holtzer at 724-771-4183



Auto Wisdom from Dad

"Never sit in a crushed velour interior wearing corduroy pants. You'll never get out."



Minutes of the August 20, 2024 Monthly Meeting

meeting of the Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at the American Legion Post 982, Latrobe (Pipetown). Vice President Flo Myers called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 30 members present and one guest, Mike Taylor.

Minutes

The Minutes of the June 18, 2024 Monthly Meeting were tabled until an amendment could be made addressing a discussion that was missed under Membership. The amendment to the June Minutes was published in the August Western Round-Up on page 4 preceding the July Minutes. The August Western Round-Up was emailed to members on August 19. Vice President Myers asked if there were any corrections or revisions to the amendment. Hearing non she asked for a motion to approve the amendment as printed. A motion was made by Tom King, seconded by Brian Ellicker and approved unanimously.

The July 16 Monthly Meeting Minutes were printed in the August Western Round-Up. Vice President Myers asked if there were any corrections or additions to the July 16 Minutes. Hearing none she asked for a motion to approve them. A motion was made by Kirk Fellabom, seconded by Toni Beattie and approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report

WPR Treasurer Craig DeFloria was unable to attend the August Meeting, so no July Treasurer's Report was given.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Picnic

The 2024 Annual Picnic was hosted by John Ross and Blair Kuhns and the Kuhns Family at the Cooperstown Club Pavilion, Latrobe. It was a beautiful day with great food, fun games and a car show judges' training session conducted by John Harvey. WPR members also drove a lot of cool old cars to the picnic. Many thanks to the Kuhns family.

NEW BUSINESS

Membership - Howard Finney

Howard introduced Michael Taylor from Allison Park, who was recommended for WPR membership by Carl and Camille Erb. Michael owns a 1955 Chevy and 1954 Dodge Royal. Howard asked for a motion to accept Michael as a new WPR member. A motion was made by Cindy Harvey, seconded by Becky Blank and unanimously approved. All present welcomed Michael into the WPR AACA with a round of applause.

Newsletter - Mark Jackson

Mark encouraged everyone to enjoy the interactive links provided in the digital emailed Western Round-Up newsletter. He recognized Carl Erb particularly for his use of links in his stories covering his tours. Carl often links to YouTube videos and information to provide more information on the automotive topics he covers. Carl reminded members that when visiting the WPR website to click on the PDF version of the newsletter to access these links, not the HTML version.

Sunshine Committee - Flo Myers

Flo reported that two get well cards were sent out since the July Monthly Meeting.

Tours - Carl Erb

Carl informed members about an upcoming car cruise at Al Geisler's car collection in the McKees Rocks area on September 8. WPR members visited Al's outstanding car collection in August of 2020. Carl said that Al provides hamburgers and hot dogs and cruise guests are asked to bring a side dish, but please no desserts. Carl will provide more information via an upcoming WPR email.

Tom King reported that a WPR Progressive Dinner Tour is planned for Sunday, September 22. Dining hosts will be Tom and Doreen King, Louise Marks and John and Vickie Kuhns. A registration flyer with more details will be coming out by the car show.

A Fall Driving Tour is being planned by Tony and Norma Mascia for Saturday, October 19. It will include a country drive to Loyalhanna Dam and a lunch at an old school house. More details are to come.

Car Show - Flo Myers

Flo reminded those present that the car show is a week from this Sunday, and with all the details it's like preparing for a wedding.

- Toni Beattie brought empty baskets to the meeting and invited members to take one to fill for the basket auction.

- Becky Blank has four food vendors lined up: Firehouse Subs, Kings and Lunch Lady food trucks, and a hot dog, sausage vendor.

- Molly Detwiler asked anyone bringing baked goods for the

bake sale in a container to put their name on the container.

- We will be selling Cash for Gas tickets at a special booth along with 50/50 tickets.

- Flo will contact Latrobe Parks to be sure the electric is on and the restrooms are available.

- The Kids Corner will have coloring books, stickers, trinkets and Hot Wheels cars and a track set up.

- We will be marking class judging areas on the show field on Saturday, August 31. Meet at Legion Keener Park at 10:00 a.m. Marking paint, caution tape and class signs are in the WPR trailer.

- Tom King suggested moving the pay gate booth up to the top entrance of the show field driveway. This will help create a longer lane for show car classification and help keep a lane open for other traffic ie: vendors, handicapped parking, etc. This will also help keep show car traffic moving. All were in favor of this idea.

- Tom King and Denny Blank will be at the pay gate booth, John Harvey, Dave Sheetz and Tony Mascia will operate the classification area. Once classified, show cars to be judged will be given a yellow card with their assigned show field class number on it. Cindy Fisher will direct show cars to the judged or non judged fields after they are classified. On the judged show field they will then be directed to their class areas by WPR members. We need more help parking show cars.

- The main pay gate will close at Noon.

- WPR judges need to report to their class areas at 12:15 p.m.

Some judging teams will have to cover more than one class.

- D.J. Pete Highlands will be with us once again.

- Flo has the WPR trailer well organized and added specially made hanging brackets to neatly hold the many signs needed for our show.

Veteran Appreciation - Flo Myers

Flo has been reaching out to help recognize all WPR members who are Veterans. This year, we rather than recognizing them with a memento, WPR will be recognizing them as a special judging class sponsor with their names listed on the show field sponsorship sign beside the class number sign.

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 8 at Rizzo's in Crabtree, PA. Registration information and details to come.

WPR September Monthly Meeting

The September Monthly Meeting will be held at the Lincoln Highway Experience, 3435 Route 30 East, Latrobe starting at 7:00 p.m.

From the Floor

Howard Finney told those present that he recently talked over the phone with long time WPR member Jim Heatherington, who is doing o.k. Jim now lives in the Butler area. He still has his Model A Ford. Howard and Jim grew up together in McKeesport, PA.

Snacks - Toni Beattie

Toni provided some delicious cookies for a wonderful snack.

Adjournment

Vice President Myers asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Tom King, Seconded by Becky Blank, and unanimously approved.

> -- Respectfully submitted by WPR Publicity Director Mark Jackson substituting for Secretary Mark DeFloria



Carl Erb received the Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Award from WPR Vice President Flo Myers

Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Award

Carl Erb won the Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Award at the August Monthly Meeting held at American Legion Post 982, Latrobe for driving his 1970 Citroen DS 21 Pallas EFI.

Members who drive an antique or classic car to a WPR event or meeting can enter a drawing to win custody of this classy award to enjoy until the next event, when it is passed on to another winner.

Originally made by Dave Sheetz, the award features a timing chain and gears mounted on a wooden plaque with the WPR logo. Let's keep driving those great old cars.



Past Western PA Region member Julia Bray passed away August 23, 2024. Julia was a devoted member for many years and very supportive of our Region. She enjoyed WPR events and was always the first to sign up when a special event was announced at a meeting. Our deepest sympathy to her family and friends. Julia was 86.





Tony Mascia classifies a Chevy Pickup.



A 1932 Essex Coach Street Rod



Our busy WPR Registration Team



2nd Place to Tim Hoover's 1937 Mack Truck AC-G





1959 Ford Retractable top goes down. Class 17 - Custom/Modified Trucks





Mark DeFloria directs a 1971 Olds 442 to its Class.

articipants, spectators, WPR members and vendors enjoyed an outstanding car show on Sunday, September 1, 2024 at Legion Keener Park in Latrobe, PA. It took nearly a year of careful planning by Car Show Chair Flo Myers and the WPR Car Show Committee to pull together one of the best car shows our AACA Region has ever had, with a little help from Mother Nature providing the sunshine. The teamwork displayed by our WPR members before, during and after the show was also outstanding. Everyone was on task set up, traffic control, vehicle classification, parking, registration, sales, activities, judging, awards and clean up. This year we welcomed around 250 show cars. Some came from as far as

Checking out the Custom/Modified Cars in Class 16.

Erie to the North and West Virginia to the South.

For over 60 years WPR car shows have adapted to the times. On the judged show field, classes have been adjusted according to the variety and number of vehicles showing up. The class judged show field is for passenger vehicles at least 15 years old and older. For 2024 the newest vehicle would have been a 2009. In 2024 the Car Show Committee decided to raise the number of the judged classes from 17 to 21. This helped establish more breaks in the class vehicle year range and categories. As a result, newer models were not pitted against older models in one large judging class, making the process more fair and allowing for more awards to be given. The vehicles were also more evenly

spread out on the class judged show field.

A few years ago WPR also started offering a non-judged, drivers participation show field welcoming current production year show cars and older.

The Car Show Committee planning meetings and judges' training sessions were crucial to the 2024 show's smooth operation and success. WPR members John and Cindy Harvey and WPR head judge Howard Finney have served many years judging AACA National Meets. This year they helped introduced a more thorough and efficient way of classifying judged show field vehicles.

Every show vehicle would make three stops as they entered the Legion Keener Park driveway to the WPR show fields. As suggested by WPR member Tom King, the entrance fee collection booth was moved from the driveway's center to the its beginning. That way show vehicles were sorted out and fees collected at the start. Then they proceeded to the judging classification booth further down. The length of the driveway helped spread vehicles out as they waited to be classified. There the vehicles were reviewed by WPR experts Tony Mascia, Dave Sheetz and John Harvey to determine their judging class. Drivers were given a yellow card with their class number and proceeded to a spot where WPR member Cindy Fisher either directed them onto the judged show field or non judged show field. Upon entering the judged show field gate vehicles were directed to their class area based on their yellow card number and parked by WPR members. Once parked, the drivers reported to the Main Pavilion and registered with the WPR registration team.

Judging class sponsorships helped fund this year's show. Sponsorship signs were placed by each class number sign on the show field. Out of 21 classes 15 were sponsored. Those sponsors are named with their classes in the Awards list following this article. We are most grateful for their support.

Although the official show start time is 9:00 a.m. show vehicles started arriving about an hour early. Yellow shirted WPR members were ready at the Main Pavilion with our traditional scrumptious Bake Sale, amazing Basket Auction, Cash for Gas and 50/50 ticket sales booth and Westmoreland Food Bank Collection area to fill Flo's truck with donations. The gates closed at Noon. Shortly thereafter, WPR member Boy Scout Casper DeFloria conducted the flag ceremony for the National Anthem. Judging began around 12:15 p.m.

In the vendor area everyone enjoyed the excellent variety of quality food vendors available including food trucks from Firehouse Subs, The Lunch Lady and King's Restaurant, an old fashioned Hot Dog/Sausage stand and Ligonier Creamery Ice Cream Booth.There was also an auto-related flea market booth and many cars for sale in the Car Corral.

Throughout the show D.J. Pete Highlands entertained all with great music and announcements. The Awards Presentations began around 3:30 p.m. announced by WPR director John Kuhns, Sr. The awards were then presented to the winners by WPR President Debbie Sheetz as they made the victory lap around the Main Pavilion.



WPR President Debbie Sheetz presents the Best of Show Award to Joe Paouncic for his extraordinary 1968 Chevrolet Nova SS.

2024 AWARD WINNERS

Best of Show

Joe Paouncic - 1968 Chevrolet Nova SS

President's Choice

Mike Vickors - 1969 Camaro Z 28

Class 1 - Production/Stock Car or Truck to 1941 Sponsored by Moyer Insurance

1st Kevin Reeves - 1937 Chevrolet GC Pickup2nd Tim Hoover - 1937 Mack Truck AC-G3rd Art McMullen - 1931 Model A Ford Woody

Class 2 - Production/Stock - Car 1943 to 1955 Sponsored by The Detwiler Family

1st Bruce and Judy Ludwig - 1954 Sport Coupe
2nd Dave Bell - 1954 Ford Crestline Skyliner
3rd Kimberly Frederick - 1949 Crosley Hot Shot

Class 3 - Production/Stock - Car 1956 to 1957 Sponsored by Friends of Howard Finney

1st Tom Milligan - 1957 Chevrolet Belair Convertible2nd Jim Spar - 1956 Mercury Montclair

Class 4 - Production/Stock - Car 1958 to 1965 Sponsored by 82 Airborne Division Association

- 1st Ed Sackandy 1959 Morris Minor 1000
- 2nd Tim Plesz 1960 Austin Healey 3000
- 2nd Kip and Linda Steel 1962 Chevrolet Biscayne
- **3rd** Jim Sadler 1964 Ford Galaxy Convertible
- 3rd David Sullivan 1963 Ford Thunderbird



Albert Heiles receives First Place in Class 5 for his 1970 Volkswagen Beetle.

Antique Auto, Custom and Street Rod Show continued from page 7

Class 5 - Production/Stock - Car 1966 to 1970

1st Albert Heiles - 1970 Volkswagen Beetle
2nd Eric Poniatawski - 1969 Chevrolet Camaro
3rd Kevin McCawley - 1966 Oldsmobile Jetstar 88

Class 6 - Production/Stock - Car 1971 to 1977 Sponsored by Delaney Chevrolet of Greensburg

- 1st Jack Kean 1973 AMC Javelin
 2nd Rob Ghote 1972 Dodge Dart Swinger
 2nd Robert Paunic 1974 Pontiac GTO
 3rd Jim McCurdy 1973 Opel GT
- 3rd Craig D. Southern 1976 Chevelle Malibu

Class 7 - Production/Stock - Car 1978 to 2009 Sponsored by Superior Motors

1st Ken Baker - 1984 Pontiac Trans Am
2nd Jeff Hammond - 1988 Chevrolet Monte Carlo
2nd Ned H. Stokes, Jr. - 1980 Triumph Spitfire
3rd Bonnie Mansfield - 1986 Pontiac Fiero

Class 8 - Production High Performance GM Car 1949 to 2009

Sponsored by Super Car Workshop

1st Jim Ciccone - 1971 Oldsmobile 442 Convertible
2nd Ron Sklenar - 2005 Pontiac GTO
3rd Dennis Stern - 1969 Chevrolet Camaro SS RS

Class 9 - Production High Performance Ford Car 1949 to 2009

Sponsored by Specialty Cars, Ltd.

- **1st** Michael Blissman 1969 Mustang
- 2nd Michael Blissman 1976 Mustang
- 3rd David Gilbert 2006 Shelby GT-H

Class 10 - Production High Peformance - All Other Cars

In Honor of The Veterans of The Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America

- 1st G. Keller 2005 Lotus Elise
- 2nd Ron Scalzitti 1970 Plymouth Road Runner
- 3rd Greg Close 1970 Plymouth Superbird



President Sheetz presents the Third Place Award in Class 10 to Greg Close for his 1970 Plymouth Superbird.



Bill Heasley receives First Place in Class 11 for his 1954 Dodge Power Wagon.

Class 11 - Production/Stock Truck 1942 to 2009 Sponsored by Jeff Ward of Edward Jones

- 1st Bill Heasley 1954 Dodge Power Wagon
- 2nd John Ross Kuhns 2005 Chevrolet Silverado 1500
- 3rd Roy Crownover 1999 Dodge Ram
- 3rd Kathie Willochell 1947 Chevy Truck

Class 12 - Production/Stock Corvettes 1953 to 1982 Sponsored by Three "K" Cabinets

- 1st Bill Shoup 1980 Corvette
- 2nd Jack Eidemiller 1967 Corvette
 - 3rd Ed Theis 1968 Corvette

Class 13 - Production/Stock Corvettes 1984 to 2009

- 1st Joe Theis 2007 Corvette
- 2nd Rick Rupert 2001 Corvette
- 3rd Terry Kneppen 2002 Corvette

Class 14 - Production/Stock Mustangs 1964 to 1985 Sponsored by Integrity Retirement Solutions

- 1st Michael Blissman 1968 Mustang
- 2nd Randy and Debra Graham 1985 Mustang GT Convertible
- 3rd Ed Oberlin 1965 Mustang

Class 15 - Production/Stock Mustangs 1986 to 2009

- 1st Steve Evans 2007 Mustang
- 2nd Francis Adams 2005 Mustang GT
- 3rd Chris Colvin 1987 Mustang
- 3rd David Seminary 2008 Mustang

Class 16 - Custom/Modified Car

- **1st** Mike Vickors 1969 Camaro Z 28
- **2nd** Barry Kuhn 1964 Mercury Comet Caliente
- 2nd Jolene and Kevin Schrecengost 1955 Chevrolet
- 3rd Gail Miscovich 1956 Ford Fairlane
- 3rd Regis Bodnar 1960 DeSoto Adventurer

Class 17 - Custom/Modified Truck 1949 to 2009 Sponsored by Superior Motors

- 1st Jack Vieselli 1969 GMC
- 1st Brian Magolsky 1963 Chevrolet C10
- 2nd Jesse Somers 1969 Chevrolet C10
- 3rd Tom Somers 1969 Chevrolet CST 10

Class 18 - Street Rods to 1948

Sponsored by Three "K" Cabinets

- 1st Ray Valko 1932 Essex Coach
- 2nd Ken Eriksson 1932 Ford
- **3rd** Cliff Burkholder 1935 Ford Pick Up
- 3rd Mike Dempsey Chevrolet 1940 Business Coupe

Class 19 - Special Interest to 2009

1st Bob Inhof - 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle Station Wagon**2nd** Ryan Murphy - 1968 AMC Rebel

3rd Charlie Lentz - Willys Jeepster

Class 20 - Motorcycles to 2009

- 1st James Gilley 2003 Suzuki Intruder
- 2nd Dave Gayden 1986 Honda
- 3rd Joe Barlock 1983 Honda Goldwing Trike



AACA Senior Cars on display

Class 21 - AACA Senior Vehicles

Sponsored by Specialty Cars, Ltd.

David Sheetz - 1970 Camaro Z28 Cris Detwiler - 1948 Nash Super 600 Paul and Joanne Colligan - 1964 Chevrolet Corvair Dave Powers and Lisa Hileman - 1978 Dodge Lil Red Express

John W. Harvey - 1974 Chevrolet Monte Carlo

Jeff Yoder - 1985 Chevrolet Monte Carlo

Sheila Kurtz - 1978 Chevrolet Impala

Randy Duncan - 1972 Dodge Demon

Jaime Cintron - 1986 Chevrolet Camaro Iroc Z John Kuhns, Sr. - 1967 Chevrolet Corvette Tony Mascia 1981 - Fiat X19

Car Show Corner - Wrap Up

By Flo Myers, Car Show Chair

WOW! WOW! WOW!

I can't say **THANK YOU** enough for all the awesome work that everyone contributed to the show. The effort you all brought to the table, and working together as a team, made this car show a remarkable one.

When everyone unselfishly helps, uses their experience and energy, **WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!** 'Til next 2025.

> Thank you, *Flo*



Hi Everyone,

I want to 'Thank' all members who had donated baked items for the bake sale at this year's WPR car show. We had a nice selection of baked goods. Our profit for this year's bake sale was \$912.00. I wanted to especially 'Thank' the following for their help with setting up the tables, serving patrons, labeling the baked goods and their cheerful salesmanship:

Camille and Sheila – Thank you Ladies for your assistance!!

Molly Detwiler Bake Sale Committee Chair

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP

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Summer, 2024 - Phil and Toni Beattie A Trip to North and South Dakota

By Phil and Toni Beattie

e did a trip to North and South Dakota this summer. One of the highlights was stopping in Fargo North Dakota and seeing the actual wood chipper used in the movie "Fargo." We also stopped at the geological center of North America in Rugby, North Dakota. We visited the Black Hills of South Dakota and the Badlands. Both are must see.

While in South Dakota we stopped at the Pioneer Car Museum in Murdo. <u>http://www.pioneerautoshow.com</u> which was recommended to us by Debbie and Dave Sheetz. It was just a short drive from our hotel in Wall, South Dakota and was worth the trip. The museum had 275 cars, 23 buildings to explore among other memorabilia including tractors, hit and miss engines and many different knick knacks (old piano, statues, jukebox, and signs). The man who owns it was so friendly and welcoming. If you are ever out in South Dakota and are looking for a roadside attraction it is a must see too.

Here are some of our favorite photos from the trip.



Mount Rushmore, South Dakota



North America's Geological Center



At the Badlands, South Dakota



Devil's Tower in nearby Wyoming







North Dakota - "Fargo" movie prop

The Pioneer Car Museum in Murdo, South Dakota



1948 Nash wrecker with service station memorabilia



"The Twentieth Century Limited", a two engine, one of a kind wooden car.



1920 Altman Taylor tractor

1937 Cord 812s

1945 Indian Model 841 Motorcycle



1920s Touring Cars

1954 Kaiser Darrin Roadster with sliding doors

Name That Car

By Mark Jackson

August's Car

September's Truck



Phil Beattie was the first to correctly identify August's Car as a 1971 Chevrolet Chevelle SS. Tony Mascia, Denny and Becky Blank and Gary Wiegand also correctly identified the Chevelle. I always liked the design of the Chevelles from 1970 through 1972. I was 14 years old when they came out and remember saying to myself, "That's a great looking car!" And I'm sure about six million other "Boomer" 14 year olds were thinking the same.

Carl Erb's Double-Header Tour to the Jeff Lentz and Lew Gainfort collections this past June was another amazing feast for the eyes. This Chevelle was part of Lew's collection. Our thanks again to Jeff and Lew for their kind hospitality!



September's Truck holds a special place in my heart. My best friend WPR member Joe Vrable, Jr. worked diligently for many years on this beautiful pickup. His dream was to complete it and drive it to the WPR Legion Keener Park show. Sadly, Joe passed away in 2018. However, his wife Tammy, son Joe III and wife Maggie finished it in Joe's honor and drove it to the show this year. Be the first to correctly identify the make and year of Joe's pickup and win a \$25 Sheetz gift card. Email jacksonmark469@ gmail.com or call 724-932-9074 and leave a message.



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Did You See These Beautiful Bikes?

Specialty Cars Ltd. of Latrobe provided an amazing, fun, educational display of antique Honda Mini-Bikes and Schwinn Stingray Bicycles on the Legion Keener Park Stage during the 60th Anniversary Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom and Street Rod Show on September 1, 2024. Visitors enjoyed the bikes and interpretive sign about their history. Some even enjoyed unique photo ops. One thing about the WPR car shows - you'll see stuff here you won't see anywhere else!

