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Notice



2003 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PLEASE READ!

Sometimes information regarding an event changes after it is posted. To avoid problems on your part, call ahead to verify times and dates of events listed.

- June 11 CAR CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM PIZZA & GYRO EXP.
CLAY PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON. 724-864-9959
- June 13 KING'S RESTAURANTS, HARMAR TWP.
6:00PM TO 10:00PM (NEXT TO SHULTS FORD)
- June 14 AACA Butler Old Stone House Region's Antique, Custom,
Collector Car & Motorcycle Show, Alameda Park, Butler,
Pennsylvania. contact James Pastorius (724) 353-2977 or Dave
Collette (724) 368-8226.
- June 14 M&M Jaycees 18th Annual "Cruise-in on the Square," an open car
& truck show, downtown McConnelsville, Ohio. Walter Dalzell
(740) 982-4213 (eve).
- June 14 NORWIN HILLS - CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM
- June 14 HAPPY DAYS CAR CRUISE, 7th Ave BEAVER FALLS PA.
1:00PM TO 9:00PM INFO: (724) 843-6911 OR (724) 843-
6315 <http://www.geocities.com/happydayscarclub/>
- June 14 Anchor Inne, ERIE, PA., 6816 W. Lake Road 2pm-5pm
\$2.00 Donation 50/50 Drawing, Chinese Auction, Music and
Food Benefits Resident Activity Fund
<http://www.lakeerieclassics.com/>
- June 15 FATHERS DAY CAR CRUISE, NORWIN ELKS LODGE,
SANDY HILL RD, MANOR, PA 12:00PM TO 5:00PM
BENEFIT - CEREBRAL PALSY Call BUD (724) 864-1794
- June 17 WPR MEETING**
- June 18 CAR CRUISE EVERY WED NIGHT 6:00PM TO 9:00PM
PIZZA & GYRO EXPRESS. CLAY PIKE RD. N.
HUNTINGDON. DASH PLAQUES - 724-864-9959

COVER PHOTO: 1976 American Motors Pacer DL coupe
Owned by Warren & Jane Sheppick

Purchased Oct. 12, 2002. 22,600 miles from Orbisonia, PA

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- June 18 CAR CRUISE EVERY WED NIGHT 6:00PM TO 9:00PM
PIZZA & GYRO EXPRESS. CLAY PIKE RD. N.
HUNTINGDON. DASH PLAQUES - 724-864-9959
- June 19-21 AACA Eastern Division National Spring Meet, Carlisle,
Pennsylvania, hosted by Gettysburg Region. Show Site:
Carlisle Fairgrounds
- June 21 NORWIN HILLS - CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM
- June 21 SUPER CAR CRUISE NIGHT, STARLITE DRIVE-IN
THEATRE, 4560 GIBSONIA RD (RT 910), GIBSONIA, PA.
6:00 PM MOVIE AT DUSK
- June 22 McCRACKIN FORD, McKNIGHT RD, NORTH HILLS -
PITTSBURGH REGISTRATION 8:30AM - 10:00AM
AWARDS AT 4:00PM Call TERRY (412) 243-2377
[GREATER PITTSBURGH MUSTANG CLUB](#)
- June 22-27 AACA Vintage Tour, Washington, PA, hosted by Northern
Panhandle Region
- June 25 CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM PIZZA & GYRO EXP. CLAY
PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON 724-864-9959
- June 27 KING' S RESTAURANTS, FOX CHAPEL, WATERWORKS
MALL 6:00PM TO 10:00PM
- June 28 WPR Longaberger Factory & Car Show Bus Trip Call
Sally Wirick 724-836-1910. SEE INSIDE THIS ISSUE**
- June 28 WAL-MART GREENSBURG, PA 5:00PM TO 9:00PM
CHILDREN' S MIRACLE NETWORK, TEXAS ROAD
HOUSE DOING THE GRILL LIZ (724) 830-2442
- June 28 ROLLIN OLDIES - AAMCO CRUISE, E. PITTSBURGH ST.
GREENSBURG PA. 6:00PM TO 10:00PM RAIN OR SHINE
NO REG. FEE Becky - (724) 834-7272
- June 29 AACA Mon Valley Region's 31st Annual Car Show & Flea
Market, Motor Drome Speedway, Smithton, Pennsylvania, exit
49 off I-70. For registration contact Warren Sheppick (724)
565-4921; for flea market/car corral (724) 258-7154.
- July 2 CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM PIZZA & GYRO EXP.
CLAY PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON. 724-864-9959**

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



BY DEBBIE SHEETZ

Rain Rain Go Away! Ok, I'm sure everyone has had enough rain by now. Our grass and trees are as green as they get and we feel like we live in a tropical rain forest. Soon the plants will be drowning.

Dave and I had to miss the Gravity Hill Tour on June 1st. I have heard that there was a really nice turn out of cars and a good time was had by all. Despite the wind, things *were* rolling up hill! Great to hear that so many had a nice day.

June 21st is the AACA Eastern Division National Spring Meet at Carlisle. It will be hosted by the Gettysburg Region. Hope to have a good showing from our club.

The Chance Car has had a lot of rained out weekends so far. We really need members to take tickets and sell. Please call Kanicks for scheduling for car cruises and flea markets on the weekends to sell tickets. Twin Lakes Arts and Heritage Festival which is held over the 4th of July week end is our big chance to sell a lot of tickets, if it doesn't rain! We also need members to display their cars on the breast of the dam. Twin Lakes is our big selling weekend and if we don't have a good showing of cars, we may not be permitted back next year. Besides, you get to park closer than anyone else and for FREE.

The next meeting is on June 17th. Hope to see you there. 🍷

FROM THE EDITOR

BY MARK DeFLORIA

Many thanks to Mike Kosko and Fred Nicholls for submitting articles for this issue of the *Round-Up*. Articles from our members make reading the Round-up enjoyable. If anyone else would like to have an article included, please forward it.

Al & Sally Wirick and Fred Nicholls are planning tours for July. Don't be left out. Check out the details in this issue.

Please submit items for the Round Up so it reaches me by the First of each month by mail or email. Articles can also be submitted at our monthly meetings. All items must be written down (typed if possible), so that I can accurately include it in the next *Round Up*. 🍷

L.B. JOY



BY MIKE KOSKO

Ligonier Beach is a swimming pool, restaurant, and bar that I hope you can cruise to during June, July, or August.

One of my visits there was Tuesday, June 25, 2002. It was a hot, humid day with a high around 90 degrees. I arrived there when they opened, eleven o'clock in the morning; I swam for half-hour, then wrote the notes for this article.

L B sits a little below Route 30 on the right, as you go 30 east just beyond Ligonier. Its parking lot is expansive, and has some shade area under tall maple and pine trees. Its clubhouse is low, wide, wooden, and painted white, with green shingles. The owners of L B, Ray Graham and his family, bought the business in 1998. Ray told me L B has existed since 1925, though it's little restaurant by the pool was built in 1949.

The swimming pool itself is a slant pool, which means its sides don't go straight down; rather, they slant, like the confines of a lake. The bottom area of the pool is white and one of the Grahams, a fairly young man, told me there is no coloring added to the water, at various times of the day makes it green, blue, etc. (I always go to L B when it opens, eleven a.m. and the water then is always a beautiful light green --- and is also bracingly cold).

The pool is the size of a football field. It is one big oval. In its very center an old water spout sticks up out of the pool and shoots up a three-foot stream of water constantly.

Right behind the clubhouse, before the pool, is a grass sun-bathing area. To its left is an area of beach sand, and to its right us a tiny pavilion with white tables and chairs in it. To the right of the pavilion are old wooden poolside chairs, which reside near the diving board end of the pool. These chairs, are painted either red, yellow, or blue. Behind some of them is a small fenced-in grass area. The two old diving boards are perpendicular to each other. They have metal frames and handrails, all painted blue.

Close to the diving boards at poolside is an aging little house, the filter house, probably built in 1925. At the center back of the pool is a very small pump house, also very old. Right behind the filter and pump houses are steep, droopy pine trees and other tall trees, so that the long back of the pool is lined by cozy, paternal trees near the pool's edge.



And then there are the bar and restaurant. The bar, and bar area are outdoors, to the right of the diving-board end of the pool. The little bar is in the middle, surrounded by round tables with beer-logo umbrellas sticking up from them. This area looks a little out of place with the old-fashioned swimming pool-- the Grahmas put the bar in - but maybe the bar makes L B better. Beside the bar area is the little restaurant, I entered it, and saw a small, out-of-the-past dining area before me, with quaint, white-tablecloth tables and paddle fans on the ceiling. I didn't get the meal prices, but this eatery is quite alluring.

What an interesting place, this Ligonier Beach. If you don't swim you can eat, drink—in moderation—and lounge, sun up and relax. L B is a lovely, historic atmosphere.

And then you could tool up the mountain. Remember, driving your old car is the fun of getting there. 🚗

Added by Editor: The WQED documentary "Things That Are Still Here" features a segment of Ligonier Beach. In it's description it states; "The Gallo family, of Westmoreland County, opened a giant swimming pool in 1925. It was known as Ligonier Beach, and today it continues to operate. Patrons talk about the attractions of the pool, and many of the older patrons discuss coming here as children. The Gallos, who sold the pool in 1997, visit the pool to discuss its history, and to recall the pool's opening. They also discuss its history of great entertainment, including Dean Martin and other popular entertainers." Photos of Ligonier Beach are rare. None to be found on the internet. Perhaps we should take some on one of our tours traveling that way?

MINUTES OF THE MAY 2003 MEETING

BY MARK DeFLORIA

President Debbie Sheetz called to order the May 20th meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America at 7:35 PM. The meeting was held at the American Legion Post 982 (Pipetown) Hall, Latrobe, PA. fifty-seven (57) members were in attendance. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mark DeFloria read the minutes from the April 15th Meeting. A motion was made by Tony Buyny to accept the minutes as read. Tom Milligan seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Tom Milligan read the Treasures Report. Ron Underwood made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Bill Rusnock. All voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Correction: April/May Badge Fine starting total is \$85.00 not \$83.25 as was printed in the May Round-up.

Club Memorabilia: John Kuhns is in charge of Club Memorabilia. See John to order. Order forms are in the March & April Round-Ups.

NEW BUSINESS

Newsletter/Website: Mark DeFloria thanked Mike Kosko, and Fred Nicholls for their articles and continued contributions to the *Round-Up*. The May *Round-Up* is available from our web site, in color.

Club Picnic: Debbie Sheetz, Tom Milligan and Mark DeFloria will be coordinating the Annual Picnic. It will be on July 27th at the Slovak Picnic Grounds.

Car Show: Dan Calabrace reported that this is our 40th Annual Car Show. Dan is looking for ways to make the show special. If anyone has any ideas please contact Dan. The Annual Car Show will be held on August 31st. Car Show Flyers are available from Dan.

2003 Chance Car: Stan and Eleanor Kanick are handling the Chance Car this year. Tickets are now available. The car has not seen much action so far, due to the weather. See Stan or Eleanor to arrange to have the car.

Christmas Party: John Kuhns is the 2003 Christmas Party Chairman. The party will be at the Blue Angel Restaurant on December 6th.

Scholarship: Tom Milligan reported that Guy Davis attended the Annual Awards Banquet for the Eastern Vo-Tech School on May 13th. Guy presented a \$1000.00 scholarship to Lucas P. Holbrook of Latrobe on behalf of the Western PA Region.

Membership: Tom Milligan read the 1st Reading for Harvey J. Eger of Jeannette. Harvey is recommended by Frank and Mary French. Harvey owns a 30 Ford Coupe, 54 Triumph Roadster, 67 & 80 MGB Roadsters and a 76 Cadillac. Harvey will be voted on during the June meeting.

Tom Milligan read the 2nd Reading for William Savage and Marie Bush of Ligonier. A motion was made to accept, all present voted in favor. Welcome to our region William and Marie.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Badge Fine Kitty was \$85.00 for the May Meeting. \$1.00 was collected from badge fines. The Region' s portion of the 50/50 (\$31.00) was added to the Badge Fine Kitty, bringing the total to \$117.00. A name was drawn. The member was not present. It pays to attend. The starting Kitty amount for June will be \$117.00.

At ~8:15 R. Tony Buyny made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Fred Nicholls seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The meeting was attended by:

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| 1. Kenneth Bankovich | 30. Thomas Milligan |
| 2. Charles Barron | 31. Richard Morhack |
| 3. Wayne Barron | 32. Richard Newell |
| 4. Robert Baughman | 33. Fred Nicholls |
| 5. David Blain | 34. Ann Nicholls |
| 6. Thomas Bradish | 35. Peter Orazio |
| 7. Donald Brant | 36. James Peppler |
| 8. Mary Ann Brant | 37. Frances Peppler |
| 9. Anthony Buyny | 38. Bill Rusnock |
| 10. Daniel Calabrace | 39. John Rusnock |
| 11. Carol Calabrace | 40. Charles Schifano |
| 12. Paul Carey | 41. David Sheetz |
| 13. Robert Cirilli | 42. Debora Sheetz |
| 14. David Darrigo | 43. Robert Shugars |
| 15. Mark DeFloria | 44. Thomas Stiffey |
| 16. James Erny | 45. Katherine Stiffey |
| 17. Barbara Erny | 46. Clayton Stoner |
| 18. Pat Gaudiose | 47. Marilyn Stoner |
| 19. Julia Gaudiose | 48. William Stump |
| 20. John Goodwin | 49. Joe Swezey |
| 21. R. Wayne Gorr | 50. Alan Terek |
| 22. Keith Howard | 51. Thomas Ulishney |
| 23. Alfred Hurst | 52. Dodie Ulishney |
| 24. Stanley Kanick | 53. Ronald Underwood |
| 25. Eleanor Kanick | 54. Edward Vrable |
| 26. William Kober | 55. Nancy Vrable |
| 27. Linda Kober | 56. Allen Wirick |
| 28. John Kuhns | 57. Sarah Wirick |
| 29. David Lizza | |

CARS I REMEMBER



1930 Ford "A" Tudor Sedan

BY FRED NICHOLLS

My eight years at Pleasant Unity Elementary School ended in the, spring of 1939.

For two years I got on and off the trolley at the Trauger stop. But things were going to get better. A young fellow from our church talked his father into buying a 1930 Ford "A" Tudor Sedan. So beginning in the fall of 1941 we rode to Latrobe in the Ford. There were six of us; three girls who rode the back seat, the driver, plus another boy and myself, who rode the front seat. I, being the smallest had the honor of riding the middle of the front two bucket-like seats. But anything was better than riding the trolley. The fare was ten cents a day, and we met at Ed Harr's garage.

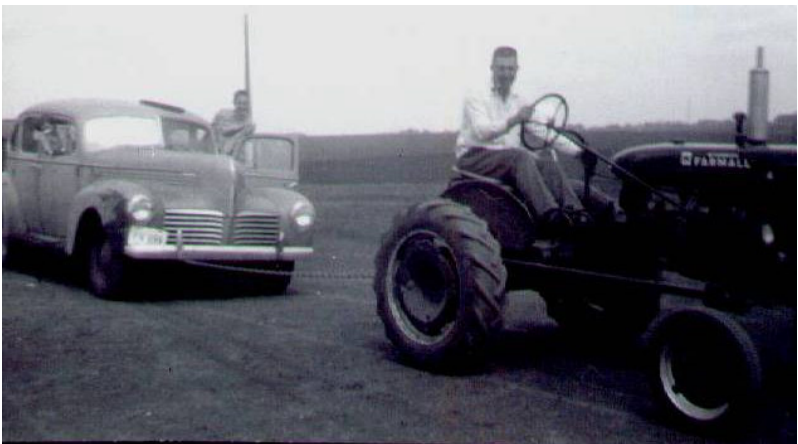
If the Ford wasn't running, the driver would get his father's 1931 Nash four door sedan. This was pure luxury compared to the Ford, and often would try to see how fast it would go. During the next two years we only had two accidents with the Ford.

Going to school one morning on the hill that now would be approaching the entrance to the Latrobe Airport, something broke in the steering gear, and we ended up in a cornfield. No injuries and the Ford was back on the road in several days.

The other accident happened in our Senior year. We were going home, and as we started down the hill (the entrance of the Latrobe Speedway is on the left) for reasons best forgotten, the driver lost control of the Ford and went off the road on his right side, cut back too quick, went off the road on the left side and overturned onto the car's left side. We climbed out, and the only injury was the girl on the left of the back seat cut her finger when the side glass broke. A farmer who lived in the house across the road brought his Farmall tractor and a chain, pulled the car back onto its wheels, gave us some old oil to replenish some that had run out, and we drove it home.

1931 Nash

His dad straightened the fenders, painted them, replaced the glass, and we drove the car for the rest of the year. For a few days we had the luxury of the Nash. 🍷



Hudson being towed by a Farmall Tractor.
Sorry, I could not find photo of Ford in tow.

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- July 2 CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM PIZZA & GYRO EXP. CLAY PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON. 724-864-9959
- July 2 WAL-MART - ERIE, PA, 4950 W.23rd St. 6pm-9pm \$1.00 Donation 50/50 Drawing Benefits Children' s Miracle Network
<http://www.lakeerieclassics.com/>
- July 3 JEANNETTE CITY CRUISE, McGEE AVE , JEANNETTE, PA CALL PETE (724) 523-6232
- July 5 NORWIN HILLS - SATURDAY NIGHT CRUISE
GANGEVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 6:00PM TO 9:00PM
- July 6 AACA Anthracite Region's 18th Annual Antique, Classic & Special Interest Car Show & Swap Meet, McAdoo Little League Field, McAdoo, Pennsylvania. Contact Joe Forish (570) 929-2017 or fax (570) 929-2427.
- July 5 SUPER CAR CRUISE NIGHT, WAL-MART 6:00PM TO 10:00PM, RT 8 AND KREBS DR, GIBSONIA, PA FREE ADMISSION
- July 9 CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM PIZZA & GYRO EXP. CLAY PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON. 724-864-9959
- July 11 KING' S RESTAURANTS, HARMAR TWP. 6:00PM TO 10:00PM (NEXT TO SHULTS FORD)
- July 11,12,13 DAVE AND ED' S, CANFIELD AUTO MEET, CANFIELD FAIRGROUNDS, CANFIELD, OHIO
<http://www.autoevents.com>
- July 12 NORWIN HILLS - CRUISE 6:00PM - 9:00PM
- July 12-20 Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, Race Days July 19, 20, 2003, Lots of Pre Race Activities all week,
- July 15 WPR Meeting**
- July 16 CRUISE 6:00PM TO 9:00PM, PIZZA & GYRO EXP. CLAY PIKE RD. N. HUNTINGDON. 724-864-9959
- July 19 WPR Old Fashion Car Tour - JOIN WITH ME ON SATURDAY, July 19th FOR AN OLD FASHION CAR TOUR. NO INTERSTATES, AT AN AVERAGE SPEED OF45 MPH. WE WILL LEAVE LEGION KEENER PARK, LATROBE, PA. AT A TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED NEXT MONTH. IF YOUR ANTIQUE CAR IS NOT RUNNING, BRING YOUR MODERN IRON. WE WANT YOU. TOUR LEADER: Fred Nicholls**

**SUMMER TOUR!
JULY 19, 2003**

Join with Ann and I on the Summer Tour on July 19, 2003. We will leave Legion Keener Park, Latrobe, Pa. at 9:00 A.M. We will stop for a late breakfast/early lunch, and then on to the final destination. Rain or shine, the total miles covered back to Latrobe will be about 150 miles. If the old girl is ailing (I refer to your car), bring your modern iron. Either way, you are most welcome.

A sign up sheet will be at the June meeting Fred Nichols

**JUNE 28TH
BUS TRIP TO THE LONGABERGER BASKET COMPANY**



Trip: Dresden, Ohio
To: Car Show & Longaberger Baskets
When: Saturday, June 28th

Leaving Denny's, Westmoreland Mall at 6 a.m.
Breakfast at Bob Evans in Ohio, Breakfast & Lunch on your own. Dinner included in price of trip. Arrive back in Greensburg around 11 p.m.

Number of people attending _____

Total @ \$40 each _____

**R.S.V.P. by June 15th
Sally & Allen Wirick 724-836-1910**

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PA. 6:00 PM, MOVIE AT DUSK
- July 22 – 25 Idlewild Old Fashion Days
- July 27, 2003 WPR Annual Picnic & Corn Roast**
- August 1 FRIDAY NIGHT (CRUIZIN & GRILLIN),OUR LADY
OF GRACE CHURCH , RT. 30 & 130 EXIT GBG.
TEXAS ROAD HOUSE DOING THE GRILL
- August 19 WPR MEETING**
- August 31 WPR ANNUAL ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW**
- September 16 WPR MEETING**
- October 21 WPR MEETING**
- November 18 WPR MEETING**
- December 6 WPR Annual Christmas Party**



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