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PICTURE ON FRONT COVER "When Gas Was Cheaper"

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#### 2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

# WPR CALANDAR

April 12	WPR Kick OFF Party
April 15	WPR Monthly Meeting
May 20	WPR Meeting
June 17	WPR Meeting
July 4,5	Blackwater Falls WV
July 15	WPR Monthly Meeting
July 11,12	Dublin Oh
August 1,2 & 3	Macungie PA
August 19	WPR Monthly Meeting
August 31	45 Annual Paul P. Bell Memorial Show
Sept. 16	WPR Monthly Meeting
Sept. 19, 20 & 21	WPR 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Swap Meet.

## **AACA 2008 NATIONAL CALANDAR**

April 24-26	Western Spring Meet-Tucson AZ
May 15-17	<b>Eastern Spring Meet-Flintstone MD</b>
June 2-6	Sentimental Tour-Burlington NC
June 26-28	Central Spring Meet-Hastings NB
June 30-July 3	Central Div. Tour-North Dakota
August 4-7	Eastern Div. Tour-Berkshires
August 23	Central Fall Meet-Mason City Iowa
September 7-12	Glidden Tour-LaCrosse Wisconsin
September 18-20	SE Fall Meet-Cleveland, TN
October 8-11	Eastern Fall Meet-Hershey PA
October 20-24	Reliability Tour-Chattanooga TN



# FROM THE EDITOR Dick McKelvey

How about that weather? Hopefully we have turned the corner and can start this "Car Thing" going the right direction. If you get a chance to look at everything in this issue you will know what is in everyone's minds.

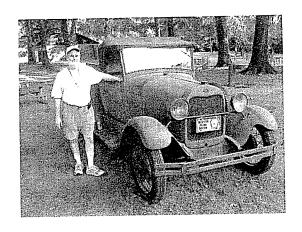
Even the Maple Festival in Meyersdale had pretty decent weather. The temperature was 64 in Latrobe and 46 in Meyersdale but from what I have heard it was not bad as compared to previous years. It was our first trip and I thought it was great. The Pancake Breakfast was super with all of that home produced Syrup. There were some great cars although I would have to vote for that 41 Packard that Charlie Barron used for his date with Maxine. Charlie and Connie manned the Chance Car Ticket Table all by themselves. We offered to help a couple of times but they settled in and didn't want any help. Ticket sales looked to move along pretty well.

We had the Caruso's and Schifano's in Melbourne, Florida where Charlie reports that he has never seen anything handled as well as their meet. Ron and Marianne had a great time with their Shay as you can read in an article on page 8.

A number of members went to Charlotte and to be honest I'm not sure what all went on at that gigantic event. I'm sure we will all hear about this event at this month's meeting. The picture of Harvey's Model "T" came from Charlotte. Actually my S88 Coupe came to me after going to Georgia by way Charlotte four years ago.

Hay, let's hit the road.

Dick



#### PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

April is shaping up as a busy month. I spent most of the week in Charlotte at the "Auto Fare" and AACA Southeastern Divisional Meet Naturally it was wet and cold. For those of you who haven't been to Charlotte the Hornet's Nest Region puts on two flea markets a year, one in April and one in September. They Claim to have over 10,000 vendors. What a job they do putting on this event but of course they have over 500 members in their region, and a full time staff of 3. From the looks of things everyone in the Region pitches in and works on the event. One nice thing I noticed was the number of golf carts that were running around as shuttles for people attending the flea market. If you wanted a ride, you just flagged down one of the carts, and they would take you (and your parts) where you needed to go. Some of the drivers had cell phones and you could call them if you needed help with your parts. I, personally, thought the layout of the flea market fields inside of the race track made it difficult to shop. Between the pit roads going in many different directions, and a lot of fencing, the aisles were not laid out in typical fashion, say like Carlisle or Hershey. It also looked to me like some of the vendors cleaned out their garages, as there was a lot of junk on display.

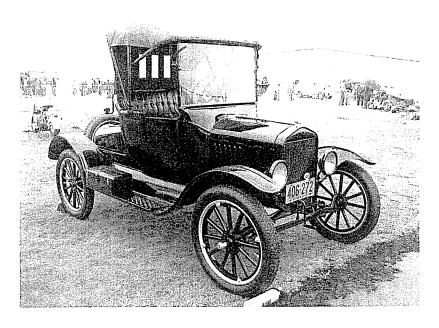
In addition to putting on the flea market, the Hornet's Nest Region sponsored the AACA Southeastern Division Spring Meet, which they will also do for the next four years. There were over 400 cars registered for the meet, but only 250 cars showed up on the Show Field due to the weather. There was a light rain most of the

morning, and it started to come down a bit harder around 12:30 PM. As a result, the cars were released about 1:30, rather than 3 PM as is customary. Despite the weather I had a good time.

Looking at the calendar for the rest of the month, the Kickoff Party is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, under the direction of Sally Wrick and Molly Detwiler. I just talked to Sally and we have 63 reservations. Two weeks after the Kickoff Party, on the 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> is Spring Carlisle. I'm sure there will be plenty of stuff for sale and cars, too.

I want to remind everyone that work on the 2010 Founder's Tour is underway, and we need your help if we are going to have a successful tour. Our next meeting is on April 22 at 7 PM at the Sheraton in Greensburg. Hope to see you there, as there is plenty of work to be done.

# Harvey Eger



Harvey's New Old Model "T" Show Car (What a Collector)

#### THE USED CAR LOT

By Fred Nicholls

I was having my regular car serviced at Colonial Motors, the Cadillac dealer in Indiana, in the spring of 1972. Rather than sit in the customer lounge, I looked over the used car lot. In the back row was a 1960 Cadillac Series 60 Fleetwood Sedan. It was light blue, white wall tires and had all the goodies. Even the vents were electric This was the top of the line for sedans. It had been brought in for state inspection, and they sold him a new car. The price was \$600. I bought it, and picked it up that evening. The car needed nothing. At home I took off the four hubcaps. Each cap had about 20 fins held on by a single screw. I took them all off and then polished the cap, put the fins back on and the cap looked like new. I drove the car all summer and took it back to Hershey that fall.

That year Paul brought a 1941 Buick Super to Hershey. Dave had a Ford Retractable and my Caddy. They filled our spaces. We sold all the cars, and fortunately Dave was able to drive the Ford home where the buyer would pick it up later. The buyer of my car, a dealer, sold it again before moving it from our spaces.

In 1973 I was having my car serviced at Davis Buick Cadillac Garage in Kittanning, and again I was browsing the car lot. In the back row was a 1962 Cadillac Coupe DeVille. The car was white, no rust on the body, the chrome was excellent, tires like new, the only drawback was the paint. I talked with Mr. Davis who told me the car came from a two Cadillac family in Fox Chapel. This was the wife's car, and it set in the garage all winter when they drove the husband's car to Florida. The paint was dull because she drove it through a car wash all the time and the brushes were worn. The air conditioning wasn't working. Price \$500. Sold if you fix the air. Agreed if the air didn't need a major part. Two days later he called me to pick the car up. It had about 47,000 miles on the speedometer.

#### The Used Car Lot

Continued

During the next several weeks using a compound from the local Buick Garage and a power buffer, the paint looked like new. Trouble was that everything in the garage had a coat of white dust. The car drove like new during the summer, and I kept it into 1974. That year a National AACA Meet was held in Roanoke, VA. Ann and I drove it thru WVA and then to VA, every time we stopped for food or gas, someone would comment on what a beautiful old car. At the Meet I had several offers, but we drove it back home. I traded it in on another Caddie that summer.

So looking at the back row, sometimes you find a goodie.

# SOME QUOTES WORTH REQUOTING

THEY DON'T MAKE THEM LIKE THEY USED TO ALL IS WELL THAT ENDS WELL MAKE HAY WHILE THE SUN SHINES THE HURRIER I GO THE BEHINDER I GET DON'T TALK WHILE I'M INTERRUPTING THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM DON'T DO AS I DO, DO AS I SAY YOU CAN'T GET THERE FROM HERE I GOT A MILLION OF THEM CHEAP AT HALF THE PRICE IF IT AINT BROKE DON'T FIX IT I'LL DRINK TO THAT WHEN IN DANGER OR DOUBT, RUN IN CIRCLES, SCREEM AND SHOUT PIECE OF CAKE, DUCK SOUP ONE OF US IS NUTS, AND IT'S NOT ME IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED, GIVE UP HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU KID YOU WANT IT WHEN?

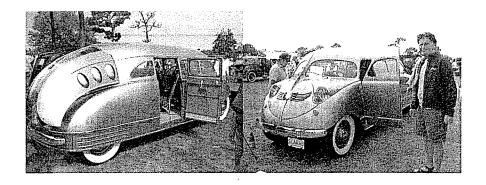
MORE TO COME By Jim Peppler

#### Ron and Marianne in Florida

When the Caruso's go on vacation it is always an adventure. On their recent vacation they stopped in Melbourne Florida to enter their newly detailed Shay in the AACA Meet. You have to believe me when I say that Marianne really worked that cat over. It is a 1980 Shay which is actually a replica of the 1929 Model A. They entered the car in the new AACA SGCV category for Second Generation Collector Vehicles. As it turned out it was the first Shay ever entered in this new category and it did win its award and will serve as a model example in future meets where the Shays are judged for this award. I understand the judges took over 30 pictures of the car to be used in setting judging standards.

While Marianne was engaged in this project and winning a distinguished honor for being the first owner entering a Shay in a National AACA Meet Ron was off on his own adventure. We didn't get any pictures of the Shay but judging from the pictures we did receive he apparently fell in love with the 1936 Stout Scarab in the attached picture. The car is extremely rare since there were only 9 vehicles built. Of course there are a number of our members that feel Ron is also rather rare, possibly really one of a kind.

Best of everything to a great couple.



#### MEMBERS CLASSIFIED ADS





#### SCOTTDALE PARTS-A-RAMA

\*\*\*MAY 10-11 8:00 AM TILL DUSK\*\*\*

#### Fort Allen Antique Farm Equipment Association Grounds

1 mile off US Hwy, 119, Scottdale-Mt Pleasant Exit

Vendor Space 20'x 30' \$20.00 Car Corral \$10.00

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# **IRWIN MALE COURSE**

The Irwin Male Course will be having their show at the WCCC in Youngwood. There will be three shows, April 18, April 19 and April 20.

Ticket are \$10.00 per person and \$5.00 for children under 12. The show theme will be "Family Vacation" Contact Cris Detwiler for information and tickets at 724-925-2321







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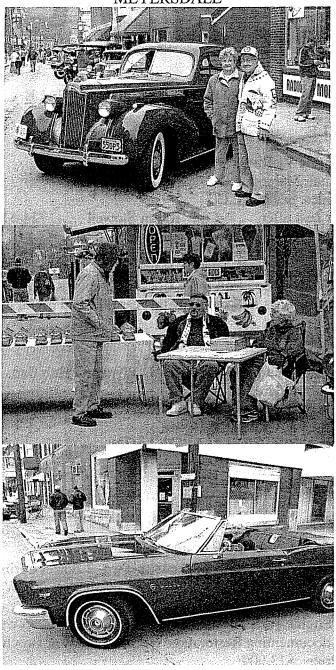
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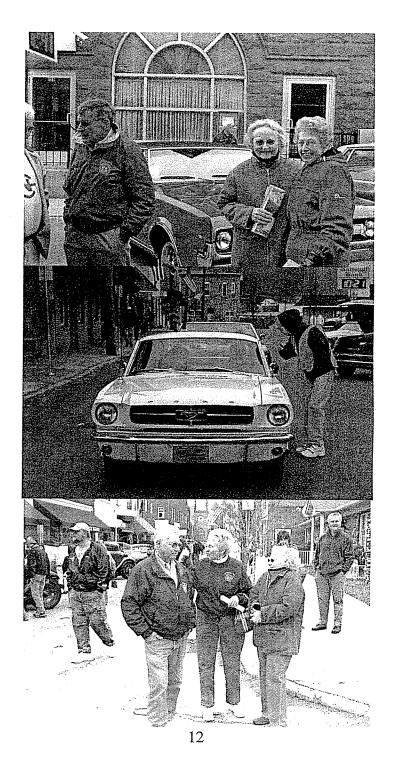
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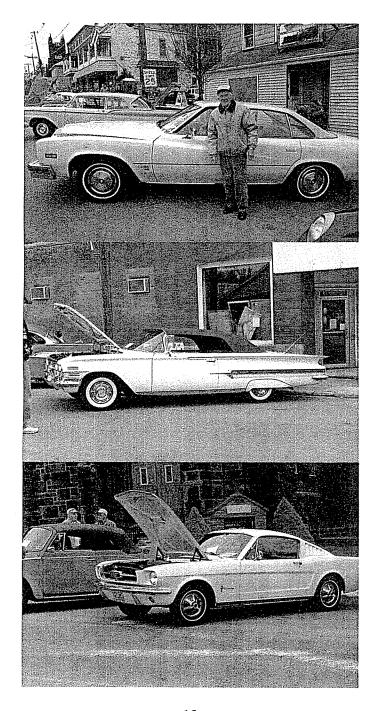
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