# THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



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# Let's Go On a Pumpkin Run!





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The William E. Swigart Jr. Automobile Museum Huntingdon, PA 44th Swigart Antique Car Meet August 9, 10, 11, 2013

# Western PA Region AACA Monthly Meetings

WPR 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).

We start with a business meeting followed by fellowship, a snack and short program. There is also a 50/50 and bonus drawing. Please join us for fun, fellowship and car talk.

2013 Meetings: February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, and November 19

#### **CALENDAR**

December 16, Western PA Region AACA Christmas Party, Rizzo's Malabar Inn Banquet Hall, Crabtree, PA Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar starts at 4:30 p.m., Dinner at 5:00 p.m. Registration must be in by November 30th. Flyers were mailed to members early November or visit WPR website www.westernparegion.org

**February 7-9, 2013 AACA Annual Meeting,** Philadelphia, PA

### Plan Now for 2013

These are two of the biggest and nicest car shows in the Tri-State Area and a WPR Tradition.

Charlie Schifano has reserved a limited number of hotel rooms for:

# The Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise In 2013

Dublin Ohio (north of Columbus)
July 11, 12 and 13. (Thursday, Friday, Saturday)
Approx \$119. per night at the Hilton Garden Inn
located within the show grounds. Rooms are all
kings. Other arrangements can be made if made
early enough.

#### Das Awkscht Fescht Car Show 2013

Macungie, PA (Reading area) August 2 and 3. (Friday and Saturday)

This is the 50th Annual Das Awkscht Fescht.
5 king and 5 double rooms now available at the Hawthorn Hotel.

Please contact Charlie Schifano to save a room if you are interested in attending either or both of these Events/Tours. It pays to register early.

Rooms fill up fast.

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(I-r) Donna Surace, Nancy Vrable and Sally Findley make selections at Green Mead Farm.



Debbie Sheetz & Vickie Kuhns enjoy the Gallery.



The Schifano's 1929 Studebaker



Dominic Surace views Steve Simpson's art.



A view of the Youghiogheny River rapids at Ohiopyle

arlier this year WPR President John Ross Kuhns suggested that we revive an old tradition - the ✓ Pumpkin Run Tour. On a colorful fall day members would get together and drive a tour route through the scenic Laurel Highlands and stop at a local farm to purchase pumpkin and holiday decorations. There could be a few other stops along the way with the tour ending at a fun dinner destination. Dominic Surace suggested, "Let's drive down to Ohiopyle. That's always a nice drive."

On Sunday, October 21 about twenty-five members participated in the 2012 Pumpkin Run. Starting out at the Latrobe K-Mart parking lot, the group made its way east on Route 30 to Route 711 and continued on to Green Mead Farm where they picked out their pumpkins, hauling them to their cars with a fleet of red Radio Flyer wagons.

The tour route continued on Route 711 to Route 130 which wound along to Route 381 through the little community of Kregar to Jones Mills and Route 31. In Donegal the group stopped to visit Stephen Simpson's Highlands Art Gallery, where they enjoyed samples of Stephen's extraordinary nature and local landmark photography. From Donegal the group traveled on a few scenic back roads back to Route 381 and on to Ohiopyle State Park, where all stopped to enjoy views of the Youghiogheny River rapids and Ohiopyle waterfall.

The tour then headed up towards Kentuck Knob and over the mountain via the winding Dunbar-Ohiopyle Road, ending up at Route 119 by the Fayette County Fairgrounds. Dinner was at Bud Murphy's Sportsbar in Connellsville.

Kudos to John Ross Kuhns who drove the entire tour in his 1931 Model A Ford five window coupe, mechanical brakes and all. Kudos also to Jan and Roger Christiansen who braved the cool day in their '63 Triumph with a top that could not go up and no heat.

According to Donna Surace, "It was a nice tour. We were on roads we were never on before!"

Do you know of great places to go, neat things to see and fun places to eat? Why not put together a WPR Tour? Contact WPR Tour Chairman Mark Jackson.



It is with deep sorrow that we report the passing of long time Western PA Region member and dear friend Libby Maurer on November 14th. Our deepest sympathy to Bill and family. Bill and Libby were married for 54 years and regularly attended WPR meetings, tours and events.

Our deepest sympathy to Susan and Harvey Eger on the recent passing of Susan's father.

Please welcome the following new member and update your roster:

> Timko, Greg A. 118 Wainwright Dr N Huntingdon, PA 15642



# Minutes of the October 16, 2012 Meeting

meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held October 16, 2012 at the American Legion Post 982 Hall, Latrobe, PA, (Pipetown). President John Ross Kuhns called the meeting to order at approximately 7:35 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 53 members in attendance and one guest, Greg Timko.

#### Minutes of the September 18, 2012 Meeting

The minutes of the September 18, 2012 monthly meeting were printed in the October, 2012 Western Round-Up. President Kuhns asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, he then asked for a motion to approve them. Harvey Eger motioned to approve the minutes as printed. Charlie Schifano seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

#### Treasurer's Report

Craig DeFloria presented the Treasurer's Report. A motion to approve the report was made by Gary Wiegand, seconded by Al Findley and unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Membership - Howard Finney, Chairman

Howard gave a reading for Greg Timko from North Huntingdon. A motion to accept Greg Timko as a new WPR member was made by Gary Wiegand, seconded by Dave Sheetz and unanimously approved.

#### Dues - Donna Surace

It is time to renew WPR memberships for 2013. A renewal sheet is included in the *Western Round-Up* newsletter. If you have sold more than 30 Chance Car tickets in 2012 turn in a blue membership renewal sheet without a check, because your 2013 WPR membership is free. Deadline for membership renewal is the Annual Meeting in January 2013.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Chance Car - Howard and Bettyann Finney

Howard reported that 4,965 Chance Car tickets have been dispersed with 38 on hand. As of now, 4,536 tickets have been sold. Tickets that are still out there need to be turned in with ticket monies. If tickets are not turned in you own them.

#### **WPR** Apparel - Al Findley

2011 Chance Car ticket sale points can be used towards purchase of WPR apparel until June 30, 2013. They are void after that date. Contact Al to redeem your points or to purchase apparel. Al has some merchandise with him tonight.

#### Audit Committee - President John Ross Kuhns

Donna Surace and Dave Sheetz will serve on the WPR audit committee. Ralph Shearer, who has participated for many years will be away in Florida.

#### **Board Nominations** - President John Ross Kuhns

If you would like to run for the WPR Board or nominate someone for the Board please come see us. Be sure you have permission from someone before you nominate them. There are two positions open. We need people to run.

## Nominations for the Jack Clark Service Award - President John Ross Kuhns

This award is given annually to a person who has done the most for the WPR throughout the calendar year. Nomination information is in the October Round-Up. Please mail in your nominations to WPR Secretary Mark Jackson.

#### Christmas Party - Sally Wirick assisted by Donna Surace

The Christmas Party had been originally scheduled at De-Nunzio's at the Latrobe Airport. Their prices have gone up significantly, approximately 40% since last year. We're looking into other locations, but keeping the date as December 16th.

#### WPR Annual Meeting - John Kuhns, Sr.

John reported that the WPR Annual Meeting will probably be Sunday, January 13th at Dino's in Latrobe.

#### **Tours** - Mark Jackson

Based on a suggestion from John Ross Kuhns, there is a Pumpkin Run tour planned for this coming Sunday, October 21st. We will be leaving the Latrobe K-Mart parking lot at 1:30 p.m. and travel to Green Mead Farm in Ligonier to purchase pumpkins. Then we will continue on through the countryside to Donegal and visit Stephen Simpson's Gallery of Highlands Art. From there the tour will head down to Ohiopyle and then over the mountain to Dunbar, Connellsville and dinner at Bud Murphy's. According to Luella Bell, Bud Murphy's was a favorite WPR dining stop in years past.

## Special Tour to the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio for 2013 - Al Friend

Al Friend reported that he is working to organize a tour to the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio, coordinating with three organizations - the Western PA Region AACA, the Model A Ford Club and th Corvair Club. This tour would take place in either April or early October in 2013. He would like to form a committee to help out. There Air Force Museum is incredible and there is much to see in Dayton, which was the home of the Wright Brothers.

Al would like to coordinate the tour so that fellow Air Force veterans would be available to tell first hand stories. Dayton

is a four hour drive from the central Westmoreland County area, so it would involve staying overnight. He asked members present if they would prefer a two or three night stay trip. Tour participants could possibly stay at the Bob Hope hotel which is on airport property at a rate of approx. \$85. per night, which includes a great breakfast buffet. More details to come as plans progress.

#### Newsletter - Mark Jackson

No report

#### Web Master - Mark DeFloria

Please let Mark know if you have a new email. The October Western Round-Up has been posted online.

#### Snacks - Debbie Sheetz

President John Ross Kuhns thanked Debbie for furnishing this year's delicious snacks.

#### New Members Ambassador - Chuck Speicher

If any new members want to know anything about the club please see Chuck.

#### Comments from the Floor

Charlie Schifano - Carlisle report: The car corral was good, not too many high priced. Many with less than 20K miles on them. There were lots of cars priced under \$10K. Weather was not bad, but sadly had engine trouble with the Impala on the Turnpike.

*Bill Maurer* - This was Bill's 58th year at Hershey. Much has changed. Everything is paved now. Bill specializes in antique automobile literature.

*Howard Finney* - This was one of the coldest Hershey events. There were six now shows in one judging category.

Al Terek - In AACA judging you are only competing against yourself.

*John Kuhns, Sr.* - Hershey - Vendors were tearing down early on Friday, which was a disappointment.

AAA Premier Membership - One free 200 mile tow and four free 50 mile tows per year. They want you to use these tows. Consider having a car transported home from Hershey or Carslie if you have this membership. You must pay the Turnpike fees.

President John Ross Kuhns - John met a gentleman who's been a Western PA Region AACA member since 1962, but has only come to two meetings in that time. He prefers not to come to meetings because at one time he came to one and there was an argument going on. John Ross asked members to reach out to other members like this and let them know how much fun we have at our meetings and events. There will always be differences of opinion between people. You will find that in any organization. Why belong to an organization if you don't come to any of the events?

Dominic Surace - AACA National elections - Dominic was not comfortable with the AACA voting policy which states if you don't vote for seven candidates on the ballot, the ballot will not be counted. Harvey Eger, who serves as an AACA National Director responded that there has been a lot of discussion on this issue and that it may change in the future.

#### 50/50

Howard Finney won the first drawing. Nancy McKelvey won the second drawing. The amount was \$43.

#### Adjournment

President Kuhns asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Howard Finney, seconded by Gary Wiegand and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

-- Mark Jackson, Secretary

## 2012 Chance Car Winner is Stephanie Seybold of Latrobe



(I-r) 2012 Chance Car Chairs Bettyann and Howard Finney present the keys to the beautiful, antique 1984 Chevrolet Corvette to winner Stephanie Seybold of Latrobe, PA. WPR President John Ross Kuhns joins in congratulating Stephanie. The winning ticket was sold by Vickie Kuhns at the Latrobe Air Show.

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### **Western Round-Up Classifieds FOR SALE**

#### Pack Rats Anonymous - Burrow Overstocked!

Parts for cars that have gone. Will consider an offer on the lot.

Cadillac: NOS Resonator - 50 inches long ID .250 OD 2.410 Depression for cross member, center of depression 23 inches.

**Used Cadillac parts:** '64 fender skirts; '57 window switch; '57 automatic dimmer control box; '67 RH bumper bottom; '64 LH upper bumper end; '64 Pair top front fender stainless strips; '64 side front fender strips; '67 Calais 4 door rear window glass; '67 A/C evaporator, Other '67 Caddy parts at the bottom of the pile.

**'73 Eldorado** complete, title sent into State. Drove in long ago.

Chevrolet: 3 '46-'48 transmissions; 2 Vaccuum shift units; 1 torque tube; 1 '49-'50 transmission - Muncie with overdrive; 1 '46-'48 complete front suspension with springs, spindles, brakes and drums; '46 steering shaft and gear box; '46 rear shocks; '46 master cylinder; '46-'48 air cleaner; '54 air cleaner; '46 throw out bearing and fork; '46-'48 NOS rocker cover; 2 '46-'48 timing gear covers; 216 engine partly disassembled, Misc. ignition parts - coils, points. New voltage regulator, 6 12 V? New wheel cylinder kits '46-'48 3/16 cups; 2 '46-'48 DC generator, '47 starter motor; 2 W-1 Carter carbs; 1 '46-'48 bolt on oil filters, '46-'48 radiator, under seat heater coil

**Pontiac:** '63 Two Coupling Hydramatic (4 Speed) taken from a running car about 1976 always in dry storage. 1968 428 engine partly disassembled.

GM 3 A/C compressors, 4 HEI distributors, Carburetors - 14 Quadrajet, 4-M various applications, 8 2GC Carbs.

If I dig deeper there may be more.

Larry VanSickle 814-629-5592

**1977 Cadillac El Dorado** Excellent original condition, 26,000 original miles Call Lou: 724-834-6813

1985 Buick Riviera V-8, velour seats, loaded, Second owner, good shape. Chuck, 412-823-5806

#### 1989 Chevrolet Caprice Brougham

92K miles, Runs and drives well. Needs inspected \$1,500 OBO, Mark 724-832-9074

#### WANT TO BUY

Old books on Buicks John Kosko, 724-832-2576 or 412-584-5551

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Harvey Eger, Bettyann and Howard Finney, Regis Jackson, Nancy McKelvey, Clay Stoner, Donna Surace

# October Meeting - Halloween Pizza Party Time...



(I-r) Molly, Casey and Cris Detwiler look marvelous.



It's Gary Wiegand and Mr. Hyde!



Howard Finney has a great costume in the bag.



Oh deer - Dominic and Donna Surace



"Who you gonna call?" (I-r) Craig, Casper and Carina DeFloria are Ghostbusters and the Stay Puffed Marshmello Kid.



The mysterious Professor is Chuck Speicher



Who was this spooky fellow?



Look at Jill Jackson's hat and turn to stone!



Greetings Earth People...



Regis Jackson's simple message



Taking Halloween literally

wild variety of costumed characters paid a Halloween visit to the WPR monthly meeting on October 16th. Scariest, most original, funniest, worst excuse for a costume – who could decide? They were all good. So after a parade around the American Legion Hall, these characters were rewarded with one 2012 WPR Chance Car ticket each. So what ghoul or goblin wouldn't like tooling around in a red 1984 Corvette?

Many thanks to John Ross and Blair Kuhns for arranging the WPR Halloween Pizza Party. Also, many thanks to everyone who dressed up to celebrate.



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## **Name That Car!**

by Mark Jackson



### October's Car

October's car was correctly identified as a 1933 REO by Bill Maurer. Bill wins the Hostess Ho Hos. However, since the Hostess Company is in trouble, I may have to substitute a similar pastry.

The REO bears the initials of Ransom E. Olds, who is one of my automotive heros. The curved dashed Oldsmobile was the first mass produced automobile in America. When business politics found Mr. Olds on the outside of Oldsmobile not being able to use his name for a new car he was developing, he cleverly used his initials, REO. The

REO was an excellent car. It's slogan was "You can do it with a REO."

From what I've read, Ransom E. Olds was a happy guy. He is smiling in most all photos and movies of him. He loved living, and was an outstanding innovator.



November's Car

Do you recognize this great car? Be the first to contact me with the correct year and make of this car and win a bag of Tootsie Pops. Contact me in person. Call me at 724-832-9074 or email at rpmguy2002@yahoo.com.