

THE WESTERN ROUND-UP



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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: www.aaca.org 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 <http://westernparegion.org>

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

Monday, May 20, 7:00 p.m. - Monthly Meeting at Specialty Cars Ltd. - 4728 Route 982, Latrobe, PA 15650

Tuesday, June 18, 7:00 p.m. - Monthly Meeting at American Legion Post 982 - 158 American Legion Rd, Latrobe, PA 15650 (Pipetown)

Friday, May 31, 7:00 p.m. - Car Show Committee Meeting at the Westmoreland Conservation District barn, 218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg, PA 15601

Tuesday, July 16, Hoss's Steak & Sea House - Dinner (on your own) 6:00 p.m., Monthly Meeting 7:00 p.m. 1261 South Main Street, Greensburg, PA 15601

Tuesday, August 20, 7:00 p.m. - Monthly Meeting at American Legion Post 982 - 158 American Legion Rd, Latrobe, PA 15650 (Pipetown)



WESTERN PA REGION EVENTS

July 4, 5, 6 & 7 - The 50th Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival at Twin Lakes Park, Greensburg

Our Western PA Region AACA will once again have a promotional booth and rotating display of antique cars on the lower lake dam breast, including a fundraiser. Space is limited. More details to come.

Sunday, July 28 - Annual Picnic The Cooperstown Club Pavilion, Latrobe, 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 1 - Western PA Region AACA Paul P. Bell Memorial Antique Auto, Custom and Street Rod Show

Legion Keener Park, 1658 Catherine St, Latrobe, PA 15650
9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

AACA NATIONAL EVENTS

June 9-13, 2024 - Fredericksburg, Virginia - Eastern Divisional Tour, sponsored by AACA Buzzards Breath Region. Open to vehicles up through 1999.

June 20-22, 2024 - Saratoga, New York - Eastern Spring Nationals, sponsored by AACA Saratoga Region Thomas Walsh, Chairman - 518-863-4987.

July 10-13, 2024 – Big Horn Mountain, Wyoming
– **Western Divisional Tour**, sponsored by
AACA Nebraska Region. Open to vehicles up through 1999.

**August 22-24, 2024 – Hampton, Virginia – Special
Eastern Fall Nationals**, sponsored by AACA Historic
Virginia Peninsula Region

**September 22-27, 2024 – Fairfield, Pennsylvania –
Revival AAA Glidden Tour®**, sponsored by the AACA
Sugarloaf Mountain Region – Bob Burchill, Chairman – hat-
tiesgarage@comcast.net

**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 –
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LOCAL CRUISES & SHOWS

Saturdays - May 25; June 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
**All Vehicle Cruise - New Life Cruisers at Word
of Life Church**, 4497 PA 136, Greensburg, PA 15601, 4:00
- 8:00 p.m. No entry fee.

**Saturday, June 8 - 2nd Annual Greater Pittsburgh
Rehabilitation & Nursing Center Auto Show**
890 Weatherwood Land, Greensburg, PA. 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Bikes are welcome. Prizes, Music, Food Truck, Vendors, Entry
fees: pre-registration \$5 (in house at RNC Front Desk) \$7 at the
Gate. Rain Date Saturday, June 22. Raindate Saturday, June 22,

**Sunday, July 14 - 3rd Annual Cruise at Lincoln
Highway Experience**, Noon - 4:00 p.m. Classic and custom
cars Cost: \$8 per pre-registered vehicle; \$10 per vehicle on the
day of the event. FREE for visitors not showcasing cars. Dash
plaques to the first 100 vehicles. Music, food trucks, wine tasting,
50/50, prizes, & more! 3435 State Route 30 E, Latrobe, PA

**Friday, August 2 - EC Cruisers Bovard VFD
Burger Bash Car Cruise** 2 Washington St., Bovard, PA
15619, 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Entry fee \$5.

**Saturday, August 3 – Sixth Annual Cruise for
Conservation**, to benefit the Sewickley Creek Watershed
Association - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Westmoreland
Conservation District and Donohoe Center, 214 and 218
Donohoe Road, Greensburg, PA 15601, Entry fee \$5.

For more cruise and show listings...
visit carrcruises.com Search “Pennsylvania” by month.

President's Message



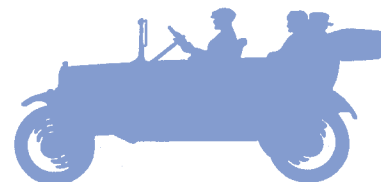
WPR President Debbie Sheetz

Ready, Set, Go! Car shows and car cruises are in full swing. Sadly a lot of the weekends have had rain and storms. Weekdays seem to be the evenings to go out cruisin. The only cruisin we have seen was a black bear cruisin through our yard twice in a week!!! Hopefully some of you saw the Northern Lights. Dave and I had clouds when we were looking.

Plans for the Western PA Rgion car show are well under way thanks to Flo Myers. Mark Jackson's tireless work has secured the club's Small Games of Chance license. We are working on getting a raffle ticket ready to sell to help with club expenses.

Dave and I are looking forward to touring on National AACA tours this summer. They are always very interesting and a lot of fun. If you've never been on one, you should try and make time to attend one.

-- Debbie





Minutes of the April 13, 2024 Monthly Meeting

A meeting of the Western PA Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America was held on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at the Westmoreland Conservation District, 218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg, PA. This April monthly meeting preceded the Region's 2024 Rev-Up Party. Secretary Mark DeFloria called the meeting to order at approximately 2:02 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 37 members in attendance and three guests. The guests were Steve Baser and Marianne and Ron Caruso.

Minutes of the March 19, 2024 Monthly Meeting

The Minutes of the March 19, 2024 Monthly Meeting held at American Legion Post 982, Latrobe were printed in the March/April *Western Round-Up* newsletter. Secretary DeFloria asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes. Hearing none, Mark asked for a motion to accept the March Minutes as printed. A motion was made by Cindy Harvey, seconded by Howard Finney and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report - Craig DeFloria

Treasurer Craig DeFloria was not able to be present at the meeting, but prepared and submitted a March Treasurer's Report, which Secretary Mark DeFloria read aloud. Secretary DeFloria then asked if there were any questions about the report. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the March Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by Tom King, seconded by Cindy Fisher and unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Membership - Howard Finney

No report.

Newsletter - Mark Jackson

Mark encouraged members to submit articles about any old car adventures as the new cruising season unfolds - car shows, trips, etc. Articles could be typed or handwritten. Photos are also welcome. Perhaps all that is needed to tell a story is a good photo or two with a short caption to make a short photo feature.

Website - Mark DeFloria

Mark asked members to let him know of any changes in their email addresses or phone numbers. He also welcomed any comments or ideas for the website.

NEW BUSINESS

Sunshine Committee - Flo Myers, Sheila Kurtz, Molly Detwiler and Becky Blank

Two get well cards were sent out since the March Meeting.

Rev-Up Party - Toni and Phil Beattie

Toni thanked members present for coming and said that great food and fun activities await. She thanked those who volunteered to set up and clean up. The theme was "The Fabulous 50's" and the Conservation District barn's meeting hall was decked out accordingly. Louise Marks and helper Steve Baser set up some really unique 50's themed props from Louise's collection to set the tone.

Car Show - Flo Myers and the Car Show Committee

Car Show Judging Committee member John Harvey will be giving a judging system update and overview after the Rev-Up Party today.

Tours - Carl Erb

Carl reported that he is working on two tours. He also welcomed members to come up with an idea for a tour and host it.

Carl recently visited Jon Leimkeuhler and presented him with a mounted group photo from the Western PA Region, which was taken during the September, 2023 tour to his classic car collection near Pittsburgh. Our region also partnered with the Rolls-Royce Owners Club and the Classic Car Club of America for this tour. Each of these club's logos were featured in the group photo. Jon appreciated the photo and suggested another area collection to Carl for a possible future tour.

Carl informed those present about the upcoming Free Museum Day on May 5 in the Ligonier Valley. This event could be a fun on your own tour, or you could coordinate with friends. You can visit up to five Ligonier Valley Museums that day at no charge including: The Compass Inn Museum, Fort Ligonier, The Ligonier Valley Rail Road Museum, The Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art and The Lincoln Highway Experience.

Carl also reminded everyone that the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix is coming up with exciting world class events June through August, which are fundraisers for autism. He strongly encouraged those present to attend some of these unique car events if possible.

Picnic and Christmas Party - John Ross Kuhns

The WPR Picnic will be Sunday, July 28 at the Cooperstown Club Pavilion, Latrobe. The 2024 Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 8 at Rizzo's in Crabtree.

Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Rotating Award

Denny Blank was the won the April Award raffle. Only those who drove an antique or classic car to this event could participate in the raffle. Denny drove a 1990 Cadillac Eldorado. Secretary Mark DeFloria presented Denny with the award.

From the Floor:

John Ross and Vickie Kuhns told members that today was their daughter **Aria Kuhns's** birthday. Since Aria was present, everyone sang "Happy Birthday" to her and applauded.

Tom King reminded those present that Spring Carlisle is this week.

Carl Erb reminded everyone about an open house the last weekend in April at Hahn Restorations' new location in Renfrew, PA.

Howard Finney said that a possible speaker for a future meeting could be an author who wrote a book about Duesenbergs.

Adjournment

Secretary Mark DeFloria asked members to remember that a car show judging presentation by John Harvey will follow the Rev-Up Party at around 4:00 p.m.

Mark then asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Cindy Fisher, seconded by Barbara Shugars and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

-- Respectfully submitted by Mark Jackson Publicity Director

Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Award



Western PA Region Secretary Mark DeFloria (left) presents the Region's "rotating" Drive Your Antique or Classic Car Award to Denny Blank (right) for driving his 1990 Cadillac Eldorado to the Region's April Monthly Meeting and Fabulous Fifties Rev-Up Party held at the Westmoreland Conservation District, Greensburg on Saturday, April 13, 2024.

Those members who drive an antique or classic car to a WPR event or meeting are eligible to enter a drawing to win custody of this classy award. They may enjoy it until the next event when it is passed on to another winner.

The award features a timing chain and gears mounted on a wooden plaque with the WPR logo. It was made by member Dave Sheetz. Sharing this award is an honor and promotes getting those wonderful old cars out on the road. Congratulations, Denny.

Car Show Corner



I'm sure you have all received the REVISED SPONSORSHIP LETTER and attachments. Please, if you have questions, call me 724-331-7293. I'd rather clear up any concerns or comments.

We will be having a meeting on May 31st at 7:00 p.m. at the Westmoreland Conservation District barn, 218 Donohoe Road, Greensburg.

Here are a few things I/WE do need:

- Walkie/Talkies – John Harvey brought up the idea of using them for communication between the different stations on the show field/gates. Soo, please bring them to the meeting 7:00 p.m. on May 20th at Specialty Cars Ltd., Latrobe.
- Ideas for Driver Participation Games – I have a friend collecting spark plugs (we want to fill a big jug). I'll pick a couple of snack items up (like skittles, M&M's, etc.), but would also like a couple non-food based guessing games.
- We need to be thinking of Show Field Layout.
- Forms will need to be reproduced.

Please let me know if you have any questions or thoughts on other Car Show things that need to be covered.

Thank you ALL! Flo

Fabulous 50's Rev-Up Party - It's Time to Cruise!



Cheerful, nostalgic 50's decorations set the tone.



The best 50's costume award was presented to Louise Marks.



Ready for the delicious Pot Luck buffet dinner after the April Monthly Meeting.



That Nash Service Technician in the corner is Cris Detwiler.



l-r: Clay Stoner, Tom Ulishney and Nancy Vrable at the buffet.



Phil Beattie conducts the 50's car trivia contest.

On April 13, 2024 the Western PA Region paired its regular Monthly Meeting with a Fabulous 50's-themed Rev-Up Party at the Westmoreland Conservation District barn on Donohoe Road, Greensburg.

To help celebrate the beginning of the 2024 "cruising season", Rev-Up Party hosts Toni and Phil Beattie encouraged attendees to dress in their favorite Fabulous 50's attire. Those who did would be eligible to win a special prize for the best outfit. As members and guests entered the barn, many wore poodle skirts, blue jeans, white T-shirts, decorative jackets and other colorful, creative 50's concoctions. Fabulous 50's music hits played in the background, while everyone was greeted by amazing Fabulous 50's decorations. These included pink and black balloons, a colorful diner mural and mannequins dressed as 50's characters. WPR member Louise Marks provided a number of the beautiful mannequins and other unique decorative items from her collection.

Several WPR members prepared a selection of tasty appetizers to start things off. As everyone gathered and socialized before the Monthly Meeting, they were able to enjoy a broad selection of fresh veggies, dips, cheeses and finger foods. A beverage bar was also set up by the barn entrance with something for everyone.

The meeting began at 2:00 p.m. and was followed by a delicious "pot luck" buffet dinner around 2:30 p.m. As an "anchor" for the dinner, on behalf of WPR, hosts Toni and Phil prepared and provided savory roast beef and ham along with fresh Italian bread. On the registration flyer, WPR members were asked to bring a dessert or side dish to share depending on the first letter of their last names, beginning with A-K or L-Z. Once again, WPR members were creative and generous with a great selection of "pot luck" delicacies.

During dinner Toni Beattie announced several door prizes and John Kuhns, Sr. conducted a 50/50 drawing. After dinner,

Toni led everyone through a "vote by applause" selection of the best Fabulous 50's outfit. Louise Marks was the crowd favorite for her decorative 50s jacket, shirt and pink and black cap ensemble. Toni presented her with a fun bouquet of car cookies as the prize.

After the presentation of the best 50's outfit award, Phil Beattie conducted a 50's car trivia contest. Sheets numbered one through 20 were passed out. Then one by one Phil read aloud an interesting variety of 1950's car-related questions asking people to fill in on the contest sheets what they thought were the correct answers. After all of the trivia questions were read, Phil went back through them and gave the correct answers so that people could check their scores. The highest score was 18 out of twenty, which was member Mark Jackson, who was determined the winner. Toni and Phil presented Mark with a beautiful, informative book on classic cars.

At the close of the Rev-Up Party Toni and Phil thanked the set up and tear down volunteers and all who helped put the successful celebration together. She also reminded everyone to remain for a special presentation by WPR member John Harvey on changes to the judging system for the 2024 WPR Car Show at Legion Keener Park on September 1.

John Harvey then brought those present up to speed on the new judging class structures and procedures that the Car Show Committee is putting into place. He also shared his insight and experience serving many years as an AACA National judge. John related his learning and observations to the context of our WPR Car Show, which is a much simpler, but similar operation. John's presentation was an excellent educational opportunity, which was well received and much appreciated.

Sincere thanks to Toni and Phil Beattie for hosting the 2024 Rev-Up Party and to all who made this eclectic kick off one to remember. In celebrating, learning and educating about our great hobby we move forward best working as a team.

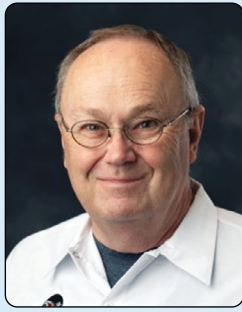


standing: John Harvey gives car show judging updates and pointers.



Thank you Rev-Up Party hosts Toni and Phil Beattie.

Automotive Genealogy



By Myron Smith
VP - Region & Chapters Development
& Support - Western Division

My wife and a paternal second cousin are interested in genealogy. The cousin has built family trees for our Smith family, my mother's Butler family and Barb's family-the latter 2 being no relation to her at all but she loves doing it. I enjoy looking at other research but don't have time to do it myself. This has no bearing on cars but got me thinking another thought "I wonder what happened to an old car I looked at one time"

While sitting at a stop light recently, I remembered a really nice black 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air 4 door that would have made a great HPOF car. It used to be parked at that intersection. I wondered what had ever happened to the car. It probably would have been mine except the dealer was so nasty I refused to deal with him. That got me to thinking also about a very nice 1955 Chevrolet we looked at one time that also disappeared probably never to be seen again. It can be interesting tracing our cars 'roots' and with state motor vehicle agencies being more and more restrictive in the information they let out it has become more and more difficult to research a car's history.

Some things are just meant to be however, I have a 1959 Impala 4 door hardtop, which from the owner's manual I knew had come from the town where my son Nathan and I had both attended high school. At the local town fall festival I took the car and left a sign on it asking that if anyone knew the original owner, to please contact me, as I would like to know the car's history. No one responded. The next year we took the completely stock 1959 Chevrolet to a Good Guys event. Before I even got parked, a couple of guys walked up and started asking questions about the car, including "Was the a/c in it when you got it? Is it a 348 engine and was it in it when you got it?" After the questions were answered he said, "my Dad had one just like it." I responded "I know the original owner's name" and told him what it was. He then responded "That's my Dad's car. I was really upset when I found out he had sold it. I've tried to trace it and the county sheriff friend told me he couldn't tell me where it was even if he ran the records." I found out there had

been very little time between when his dad sold it and when I bought it from another party.

Another of my cars a 1942 Ford I bought in 1976 from it's original owner. I offered it on loan to that county's museum for the winter which they readily accepted to put it outside their WWII POW display in the museum. As we were delivering the car to the museum, one of the local museum workers asked. "Did this car come from a little old lady who lived by the tennis court?" I said "yes." He responded "I never thought I'd see this car again." I have owned the car for 41 years, and he remembered the car. It made my day.

A friend and his Dad restored a Model T Ford, which the dad then took to California when he retired. My friend got to wondering about the car and was hoping to get it back. He was able to trace the car and when he found it, it was in a used car lot in California. He bought it and brought it back to Nebraska where he now enjoys it. A lot of memories are tied up in it.

Another friend wanted a car like he and his wife had had when they got married, a 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 2 door hardtop. He bought a similar car to restore, then was rummaging around a salvage yard about 50 miles from his home and on top of a stack of cars headed for the crusher was a 1964 Galaxie 500. It was HIS car! His bought it and his restoration project suddenly changed.

Some look for early cars and have tried to trace them down from old car magazines, including ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE. Some searches do not have happy endings. Another friend has searched and searched for the 1967 Caprice coupe that he bought new—To no avail whatever happened to it will probably be as big a mystery as the two that got away from our family: a 1941 Pontiac, and a 1958 Apache Pickup. All that I have are photos. So, on cold winters nights or too hot summer days, see if you can research where your car has been or where one of your previous ones is now – it's interesting.

-- The Rummage Box



1942 Ford advertising illustration

An Auto Pioneer's Name Lives On - Buick

Wikipedia

David Dunbar Buick (September 17, 1854 – March 5, 1929) was a Scottish-born American inventor, widely known for founding the Buick Motor Company. He headed this company and its predecessor from 1899–1906, thereby helping to create one of the most successful nameplates in United States motor vehicle history.

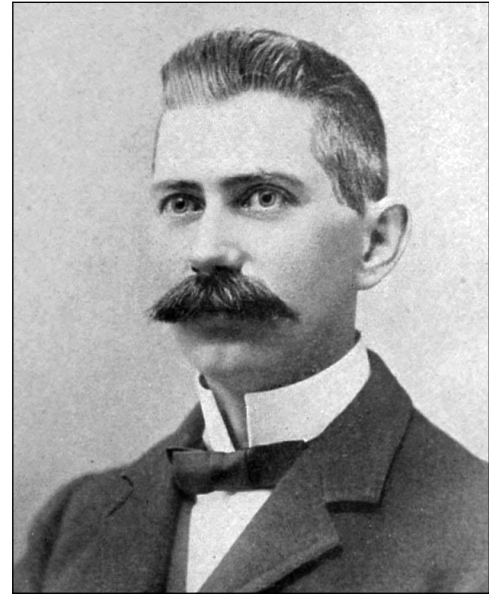
Buick was born in Arbroath, Scotland. He and his family moved to Detroit, Michigan when he was two years old.

Buick quit school in 1869 and worked for a company which made plumbing goods. When the company ran into trouble in 1882, he and a partner purchased it. At this time, Buick began to show his promise as an inventor, producing many innovations including a lawn sprinkler and a method for permanently coating cast iron with vitreous enamel which allowed the production of "white" baths at lower cost (although cast iron baths are uncommon nowadays, the method is still in use for enameling them). With the combination of Buick's innovation and his partner's sound business management, the company became quite successful.

During the 1890s, Buick developed an interest in internal combustion engines and began experimenting with them. He was spending little time on the plumbing business, and his business partner became impatient with him. The partnership was dissolved, and the company was sold.

Buick now had the time and capital to work on engines full-time, and he set up a new company, the Buick Auto-Vim and Power Company, in 1899 to do so. The stated aim of the company was to market engines for agricultural use. Buick soon turned to the development of a complete car, rather than just an engine. He also concentrated on research and development at the expense of manufacturing and sales. The result was that he consumed his capital by early-1902 without having generated any significant return, only a single car.

In early-1902, he established the Buick Manufacturing Company, with the objectives of marketing engines to other car companies, and manufacturing and selling its own cars. Manufacturing and development problems ensued, and, at the end of 1902, Buick was out of money with only one car to show for his work. The concentration on development had produced the revolutionary "Valve-in-Head" overhead valve engine. This method of engine construction produces a much more powerful engine than the rival side valve engine design used by all other manufacturers at the time. Overhead valve engines are used by most car manufacturers today, but now only General Motors (GM) and Chrysler produce the "push-rod" variant with any regularity. Since overhead cam engines are design variants of overhead valve engines, all modern engines are derivatives of Buick's invention.



David Dunbar Buick

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The money ran out again, and in 1903 Buick was forced to raise more money via a \$5,000 loan (equivalent to \$170,000 in 2023) from a friend and fellow car enthusiast, Benjamin Briscoe. With this financial help, Buick formed the Buick Motor Company, which would eventually become the cornerstone of the General Motors empire.

In 1906, Buick accepted a severance package and left the company that he had founded, with only one share of the company in his possession. Then president of Buick, William C. Durant, bought this share from him for \$100,000 (equivalent to \$3,400,000 in 2023).

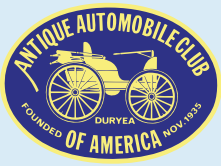
After unsuccessful investments in California oil and Florida land, and an attempt (with his son Tom) to manufacture carburetors, Buick made a brief return to the automotive business in 1921, as president of the short-lived Lorraine Motors, and in 1923 with the design of the Dunbar, an automobile prototype.

In an interview with historian Bruce Catton in 1928, Buick admitted that he was almost completely broke, unable to even afford a telephone, and worked as an instructor at the Detroit School of Trades. He died of colon cancer on March 5, 1929, at the age of 74 and was buried at Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit.

Commentator Theodore F. McManus noted that "Fame beckoned to David Buick. He sipped from the cup of greatness, and then spilled what it held." In 2000, automotive historian Vincent Curcio observed that "To date, over 35,000,000 motor cars have been built in his name, which will never be lost to history."

David Dunbar Buick was inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame in 1974.

It's time to visit the AACA Website - aaca.org



By Vicki Bolton
VP Judging Administration

When was the last time you went to the AACA website? It is a great tool for members and prospective members! The website is now full of helpful information and links. Members can quickly find many useful things including printable applications for members as well as one for military applications under membership.



Members can now join and renew online simply by selecting the **Join/Renew Today Button**. The area for Regions is where you can find information about the closest region or chapter. The webmaster and editors can also find logos here for their websites and articles. There is a link to the various forms that a region may need from time to time.

The **Publications** drop down displays the list of publications that can be viewed. You will find the AACA Policy & Procedures Manual and the AACA Bylaws in this list. You are talking to a prospective member and don't have your magazine

with you? No problem, just open the website on your phone and open the magazine from Publications. Or maybe you have a question about judging? You can review the judging guidelines in Publications. You will also find a very concise vehicle classification document. Two very important publications in this section are the Speedster and the Rummage Box.

If you are not getting the Speedster in your email, you should update your email with Headquarters. The speedster is a great way to stay in touch and get the very latest news. The Rummage Box is full of articles that the newsletter editors love to use in their newsletters.

Choose **Events** to see the National Show and Tour Calendar. You can also see the local event calendar. You were not able to go to the Annual Convention? Did you know that you can see the National Award winners including the Master Editor and Master Webmaster awards? Just go to Events and select the National Awards, then click the first paragraph and it will take you to the presentation of all the National Awards. Maybe you want to see who won in the last Nationals, just select Nationals Results and you can see the winners for the last 10 years!

Contact is also a great repository of information. Here you can look up your current directors and just click on their name to send them an email. Committee Assignments are listed here as well. You can review the committees so that you will know who to contact if you have a question about one of these committee areas.

Please take some time to get to know your website. It is full of interesting tidbits and helpful information!

-- *The Rummage Box*



Classic Auto Object of Art

WPR member Bill Holtzer enjoys finding unique antique car related items at estate sales, flea markets, etc. Here's a interesting find that he came upon recently. It's a ceramic classic car light with a fluorescent tube. The piece is about 15 inches wide. The car's front end resembles a late 1940's, early 1950's Buick. The driver and passenger seem to be enjoying a conversation while on their journey. Congratulations Bill on this artistic find.

Name That Car

By Mark Jackson

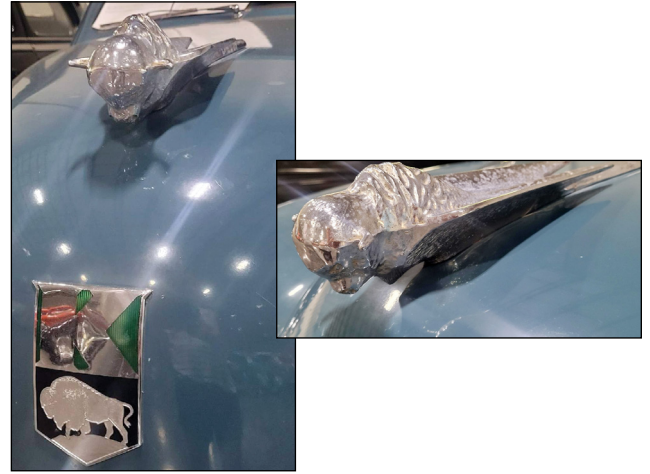
March/April's Pickup



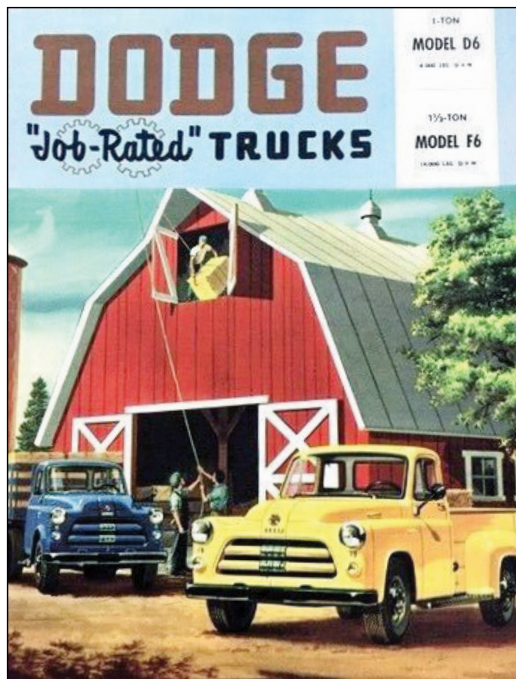
Gary Wiegand was the first to correctly identify April's Pickup as a 1956 Dodge, which was once owned by longtime dedicated Western PA Region AACA member Ron Underwood. Ron passed away in 2021 at the age of 86. He lived in the Pittsburgh area and regularly drove to Latrobe for WPR meetings and events. Gary told me that it was Ron who got him to join WPR over 39 years ago.

This Dodge Pickup was originally Ron's work truck. Ron cared for this truck in such a way that it became a pristine antique vehicle. The photo above was taken during the last WPR Legion Keener Park Car Show that Ron brought his 1956 Dodge Pickup out to display, driving it to the show from Pittsburgh. Denny and Becky Blank also remembered that this snazzy pickup once belonged to Ron.

May's Car



Can you identify the make of this classic car just from the hood ornament and emblem? These photos were submitted by Flo and John Myers, and were taken at a recent car show they attended. Be the first to contact me with the correct make of this car and win a \$20 Sheetz Gift card. Don't worry about the year. We're just looking for the correct make. Call 724-832-9074 and leave a message or email jacksonmark469@gmail.com.



1956 Dodge Truck sales brochure cover

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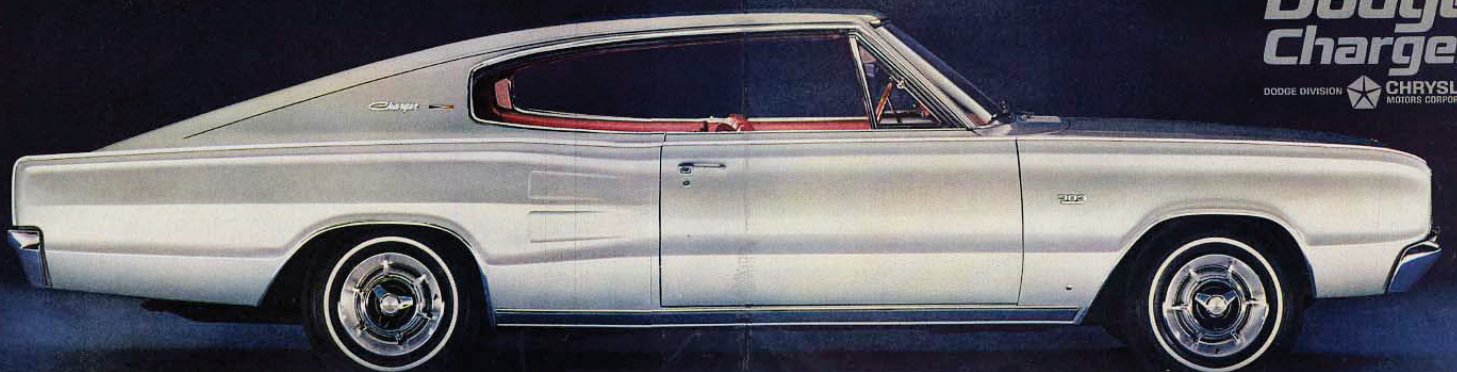
These disappearing headlights are standard equipment. Their neat appearance, up or down, is something special. Convenient automatic refraction is provided.



What's better than bucket seats up front? Bucket seats all around. What's better than bucket seats all around? Buckets in back that hold that to give you more load space than you ever expected in a car like this.



Take a good look at the best "fast look" on the road. But don't be misled by Charger's smooth line. Under that polished, curvy exterior, you'll find a car that has to be the fastest quick-change artist on the road. Charger's character is actually— and at the back of a wheel. On the left, Charger's attitude shows off its four-seater sporting side.



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