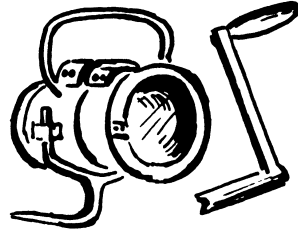
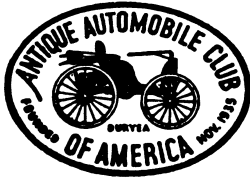


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## Ontelaunee Region



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## SMOKE SIGNALS

### APRIL

|         |                                   |                |
|---------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1       | Ontelaunee Business Meeting @3:00 | Krumsville, PA |
| 13-15   | AACA Southeastern Spring Nat'l    | Charlotte, NC  |
| 15      | Early Bird Tour                   |                |
| 19-23   | Spring Carlisle                   | Carlisle, PA   |
| 30-May3 | AACA Southeastern Regional Tour   | Oak Ridge, TN  |

### MAY

|       |                                   |                |
|-------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 6     | Ontelaunee Business Meeting @3:00 | Krumsville, PA |
| 13    | Wheels for Victory Car Show       | Kempton, PA    |
| 14    | Apple Blossom Tour                |                |
| 18-20 | AACA Eastern Spring Nationals     | Gettysburg, PA |

### JUNE

|       |                        |               |
|-------|------------------------|---------------|
| 2-4   | Carlisle Ford          | Carlisle, PA  |
| 10    | Fleetwood Rotary Show  | Fleetwood, PA |
| 11    | Church Tour            |               |
| 23-24 | Carlisle GM            | Carlisle, PA  |
| 25-28 | AACA Eastern Div. Tour | Denver, PA    |

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Ontelaunee AACA year is well underway. As of this writing, we have just wrapped up our Hamburg Swap Meet. Thanks for all your help. We had more than 25 volunteers supporting the gate and vendors. It was a long weekend, but we picked a good one. It was a little cold in the morning, but the sun was out and so were the vendors and shoppers. We had absolutely no space left. All the inside and outside space vendor spaces were occupied by 72 vendors, many with multiple spaces each. We definitely had more than last year due to the incredibly good weather.

Last month, we discussed the hall rental fee increase which has prompted us to increase vendor space rentals for 2024 and keep the admission price the same. Our plan was that this increase would cover the rental fee for the Fieldhouse, so we didn't need to raise the admission fee also. Traffic through my swap meet space was an indication that we had more people than last year. I spoke briefly with Lester Manwiller, he told me that attendees were up 25% from last year, in total 1531 people, up from 1169 in 2022. Most vendors I talked to reported brisk sales. Many mentioned to me that it was the best Hamburg Swap Meet in years. The weather sure helped! We must thank Lester Manwiller for his job publicizing this event. Without his efforts contacting many car clubs, tacking flyers around the area, and passing out reams of flyers at other swap meets; we would not have had this success. His marketing efforts definitely had the desired effect. Lester said the final figures are the club roughly doubled it's profit from previous years.

The Hamburg Swap Meet is one of two major fundraisers for your club. I don't know about you; but since this is a car club, I am glad we can do car things to help raise funds instead of hoagie sales or hawk candy bars. Some clubs have no choice but to do that, but thanks to your hard work we don't have to. Still there could be improvements. We are still somewhat short of help for Sunday setup, so we can look to fix that in future years. Again, thank you for all that pitched in and helped. You all did a great job so give yourselves a pat on the back. Let's now turn our attention to tours for a few months and have some fun! Remember that the 60th Annual Das Awkscht Fescht will be here before we know it.

Jeff Dotterer, President

## **MARCH MEETING MINUTES**

President Jeff Dotterer welcomed Ontelaunee Region AACA members to a business meeting at the New Jerusalem Zion UCC Church Krumsville, PA on March 11, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. There were 23 members present. We recited the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Susan Manwiller gave the Secretary's report from the business meeting held February 4, 2023. A motion to accept the Secretary's report was made by Bob Hobaugh and seconded by Ken Dages. The motion carried unanimously.

Lester Manwiller gave the Treasurer's report for February 2023. Leroy Hinkle questioned the taxes and audit. Lester said the club is tax exempt but must file anyway. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Tim Hinkle and seconded by Shirley Schaffer. The motion carried unanimously.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Membership:**

1. Phyllis Peters reported 157 members as of tonight. New member, Franz Blusack helped outside at Hamburg on Sunday. Also, Paul Schmidt (the younger Paul) got reinstated.
2. She gave out another free National and has 2 remaining and can get more.
3. Ken Dages mentioned that he has names of local people who joined National at the Philadelphia Auto Show. Phyllis will call them to see if they want to join our region.
4. Marilyn Roth is on the sick list.
5. Leroy questioned if the free memberships are for a single or joint. Membership in National is the same for single or joint.
6. Neil Merkel volunteered to man a table for membership by his vehicle at the Wheels for Victory Car Show in Kempton.

Website: No report from Michael Dotterer who was absent. If anyone has photos from Hamburg email them to Michael.

Newsletter: Mike Horning had nothing new to report. He is open to suggestions on newsletter articles.

Activities: Suzy McGovern has two tours open, August and November. Jeff mentioned that at the National meeting they said come on down and tour the National Headquarters and Library. It would be an easy tour for someone to arrange a tour to get there and for lunch. The tours that are filled are as follows:

1. Early Bird Tour – Saturday April 15, Tour masters are Ken and Elsa Dages. He has 15 people going so far. Deadline is April 10.
2. Apple Blossom Tour – May 14 (Mother's Day) Tour masters are Jeff and Cheri Dotterer. Meet at 7:30 a.m. at Lehigh Valley Medical Center, Moselem Springs. We will be part of a car show from 8:00 to 10:30 in St. Peter's Village and then go to The Inn for brunch. While there we can walk around or go into shops.
3. Church Tour – June 11, Tour masters are Jeff and Cheri Dotterer. View churches in Schuylkill County on our way to Knoebles Amusement Park.
4. Picnic Tour – July 9, Tour Masters are Ray Huber and Marilyn Roth. They arranged for a catered lunch at 12:00 noon by Janelle's Catering at Macungie Park.
5. Three-day Tour – September 29 to October 1 to Gettysburg, Tour masters are Barbara Koch and Florita Hobaugh. Details will be in the newsletter for motel, museums, restaurants, and attractions.
6. Fall Foliage Tour – Suzy McGovern and Barbara Spohn

Hamburg Swap Meet: Lester reported it was very successful. Attendance surpassed last year and all inside and outside spaces were sold. Jim Peters and his crew created spaces outside so no one was turned away. Lester thanked Barbara Koch and Bob Hobaugh for selling 50/50 tickets. The winner

was Jeff Nye and he was thrilled that he won. Jeff commented that Lester did a great job. Of course, the nice weather helped. Lester said we could still use more members to help. Leroy Hinkle said the new member was very helpful.

Das Awkscht Fescht: Bob Hobaugh reported the following:

1. He has been doing DAF presentations at Rotary Clubs and Car Clubs for the purpose of getting volunteers and more vehicles for the Fescht. Since last month he has done presentations at Cedar Crest College and in Fleetwood, Bethlehem, Norristown, Doylestown, and Kutztown.
2. The feature car, Corvettes, has pretty much filled the tent with special models.
3. He is working on a revised dash plaque.
4. He is working on a revised vendor card which will have a QR Code which when scanned takes you to the site to register.
5. The next Fescht meeting with Macungie Park is March 14 at 7:00 p.m.
6. Bob has approximately 20 volunteers from Rotary members.

Susan Manwiller has 522 vehicles registered and 152 flea market spaces. Last year at this time we had 586 vehicles and 179 flea market spaces. Flea market vendors have been steadily coming in since letters were sent. They have until April 1 to renew before the spaces are open to anyone.

President's Banquet: Nov. 12, 2023, to be held at the Blue Mountain Family Restaurant in Shartlesville. Jeff and Cheri have secured the music.

Christmas Party: Dec. 10, 2023, Barbara Koch reported it will be held at NOVA. We will have the same magician with new tricks.

### OLD BUSINESS

As membership chairperson, Phyllis has 25-year and 50-year membership pins available. She presently has members eligible for 50 year pins that do not attend Ontelaunee events. After a discussion it was decided Phyllis would put a notice in the newsletter that they need to contact her and arrange to get their pin.

### NEW BUSINESS

Jeff asked for a volunteer to be administrator for the Facebook page. Previously Barry Seel was doing it but he is no longer a member. We want to keep the page but someone must contact Barry to change administrators.

### CORRESPONDENCE

May 13, 2023 – Wheels for Victory Car Show, Kempton Community Center. Audrey Merkel said registration is \$10 if registered by May 9 and \$15 day of show. 100% of proceeds go to Victory Junction.

Thank you to Barbara Spohn and Suzy McGovern for refreshments.

The bakers for April 1 meeting are Barbara Koch and Florita Hobaugh.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. was made by Shirley Schaffer and seconded by Tim Hinkle. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Manwiller, Secretary

### **ACTIVITIES CORNER**

It seems we got through this winter with next to no snow,,,,,which was just fine with me. Now on to our car tours. So far it looks like we have a great line up of great tours, I hope you can come and join us on at least some of our tours. We still have 2 tours open if your interested in running one let me know. Our president gave me an idea for a tour and if your willing to do it let me know. You take care and stay safe.

Suzy

## **50 YEAR PINS**

It has come to our attention that there may be some 50 Year members that have not received their 50 Year Pin. If you feel that you are one the those, please call me and we can make arrangements for you to get your pin.

Phyllis Peters, 610-965-9236

### **EARLY BIRD TOUR-SATURDAY, APRIL 15 (NOTE:-SATURDAY-NOT SUNDAY) TOUR MASTERS-KEN AND ELSA DAGES REGISTRATION DEADLINE--APRIL 10**

#### **COST:**

MEMBERS: \$15.00

NON-MEMBERS: \$30.00

CHILDREN: 3-11 \$5.00

NOTE: AS OF JANUARY 1 COST OF ALL TOURS IS \$15.00 PER MEMBER

TIME: MEET AT HOBBY LOBBY IN TREXLERTOWN SHOPPING CENTER ON HAMILTON BLVD.  
AT 8:00AM. WE WILL LEAVE AT 8:15AM

WE WILL TRAVEL TO BARRY'S CAR BARN IN INTERCOURSE, PA. THIS IS AN ANTIQUE CAR MUSEUM FOCUSING ON AMERICAN MUSCLE CARS OF THE 1950'S-1970'S. WE WILL THEN GO A BLOCK AWAY FOR A SHORT VISIT TO THE KITCHEN KETTLE VILLAGE SHOPS. FROM THERE WE WILL TRAVEL TO GARDEN SPOT RETIREMENT VILLAGE FOR A BUFFET LUNCH AND TOUR OF THEIR HUGE MODEL TRAIN DISPLAY, AS WELL AS VISITING THEIR LARGE WOOD SHOP AND HAND-MADE GIFTS SHOP.

SEND CHECK FOR \$15.00, MADE PAYABLE TO: ONTELAUNEE REGION-AACA, ALONG WITH FORM BELOW TO:

KEN DAGES, PO BOX 7, TREXLERTOWN, PA 18087

ANY QUESTIONS-CONTACT KEN OR ELSA AT (215)290-6730 ANY DAY BEFORE 9:00 PM  
REGISTRATION FORM WITH EACH PERSON'S NAME MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 10

NAMES: \_\_\_\_\_

AS A CONVENIENCE TO THOSE WHO ARE GOING ON THE EARLY BIRD TOUR AND LIVE IN THE KUTZTOWN AND READING AREAS, I HAVE CHOSEN A SECOND MEETINGPLACE. WE WILL MEET THOSE MEMBERS AT THE SPEEDWAY GAS STATION AT THE ROUNDABOUT WHERE ROUTE 662 AND 222 MEET. INDICATE WHEN YOU SIGN UP, WHICH LOCATION YOU WANT TO MEET. WE WILL ARRIVE THERE SOMETIME NEAR 8:30 AM. IF YOU HAVE ALREADY SENT IN YOUR FORM, PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHERE YOU WANT TO MEET---TREXLERTOWN OR THE SPEEDWAY.

THANKS, KEN

## APPLE BLOSSOM TOUR

We are taking a trip back in time to beautiful St. Peters' Village near Warwick, PA in Chester County.

Date: Sunday, May 11, 2023

Time: 7:30 am

Meeting: LVHN Medical Center, Routes 662/222

Traveling to: Cars and Coffee Car Cruise, St. Peter's Village.

Dust off your classic or antique for this beautiful drive through the countryside.

The event runs from 8 am-10:30 am.

Lunch: Inn at St Peter's Village

<https://www.brandywinevalley.com/st-peters-village-is-a-step-back-in-time-2/>

Menu: Choice of sandwich/salad

- Cobb Salad: Grilled chicken, bacon, avocado, tomatoes, onions, cheddar cheese, mixed greens
- The Burger: ½ lb Angus burger, American cheese, toasted brioche bun
- French Dip: Roast beef and Swiss on garlic butter Italian roll pared with au jus for perfect dip
- Crab Cake Sandwich: Sauteed crab cake on brioche bun with lettuce and tomato
- Chicken Parm Sandwich: breaded chicken breast, marinara and provolone on crusty Italian roll

Sandwiches are served with choice of fries, salad, or soup.

Gluten free options are available. Talk with Cheri for your needs.

Drinks: soda, sweet teas – raspberry, peach, sweet & sour, lemonade, tea/coffee, fruit juices, milk/chocolate milk

Cars and Coffee is hosted by the Devotion Detailing from 8 am-10:30 am.

What to do while we are at the car show: walk up and down the town and visit shops.

Checks payable: Ontelaunee AACA

Send to: Cheri Dotterer, 202 Donne Road, Hamburg, PA 19526

cell: 610-914-9919

Cost: \$15 members

\$20 non-members

\$5 children 12 and under

Registration deadline: May 6, 2023

Persons attending:

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Menu order for each person

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**3 DAY TOUR**  
**September 29,30 and October 1**

The tour includes the visitor's center, a 2 hour bus tour of the battlefield, an evening ghost walk tour (optional), several other museums, a visit to the Eisenhower farm, a stop at a winery, and of course several nice restaurants! There are a lot of shops and things to do in Gettysburg! The cost will be \$250 for members and \$280 for non-members. If you are planning to attend: the motel is The Inn at Cemetery Hill 613 Baltimore St. Gettysburg, 1-717-334-9281, \$142 plus tax per night. When making reservations just mention the Ontelaunee Region AACAA. The group rate is only good til August 1, 2023. Questions call Barbara Koch 610-816-5586.

**HAMBURG SWAP MEET THANK YOU**

A BIG THANK YOU to all the members and friends of members that helped make this year's Hamburg Swap Meet a big success. Special thanks to Jim Peters and the outside crew for their help in placing the vendors and creating new spaces for this year's show. All spaces inside were sold and the outside spaces were soon filled up with vendors. The inside crew started marking the spaces at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday so the vendors could start setting up a 9:00 a.m. Tables were distributed to the vendors that purchased them before hand and the day of. Thanks to the ladies who manned the white elephant stand and to Barbara Koch and Bob Hobaugh for selling 50/50 tickets. Vas Hinkle and Suzy McGovern did a great job collecting the attendance money on Sunday. We had over 1500 spectators come through the doors. The clean-up crew did a fantastic job leaving the Field House cleaner than when we got there. We were fortunate to have nice weather which brought out an abundance of vendors and spectators. Thank you again to everyone that helped make this swap meet a success.

Lester Manwiller & Committee

**APRIL BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES**

|                  |      |                      |
|------------------|------|----------------------|
| Dave Browne      | 4/2  |                      |
| Carl Breiningner | 4/8  |                      |
| Kenneth Dages    | 4/9  |                      |
| Ginny Gatley     | 4/9  |                      |
| Tim Wehr         | 4/12 |                      |
| Susan Hinkle     | 4/13 |                      |
|                  | 4/20 | Kenneth & Elsa Dages |
| Thomas Kidd      | 4/22 |                      |
| Scott Dages      | 4/26 |                      |
| Michael Wolfe    | 4/27 |                      |

**NATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE**

We have Two Free Memberships to give to potential people who have never been a member of AACAA. If you know anyone who is interested please have them contact me. I will see that they receive the necessary paperwork. Those who choose to take advantage of this offer must also join Ontelaunee. This is a one year only membership so to take advantage it is important to receive this membership as soon as possible.

Phyllis Peters, Membership

**KEEP ME INFORMED**

When someone is in the hospital, or on the sick list I would appreciate if you could let me know. If someone from the club has passed away I would also greatly appreciate a phone call.

Thank You, Phyllis Peters