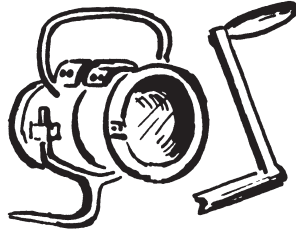
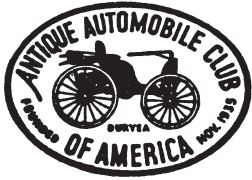


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SMOKE SIGNALS

NOVEMBER

4	Ontelaunee Business Meeting @3:00	Krumsville, PA
12	President's Banquet	

DECEMBER

3	Reorganization Meeting
10	Christmas Banquet

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The leaves are turning bright hues of red and orange. When you read this, they will have gone to brown and litter the ground. It seems like yesterday when we sat to plan the calendar for this year. We have had so many significant events this year. We started March with the Hamburg Swap Meet. It was a huge success. Walk-in customers were a much larger turnout than in other years. It's only fitting that we had an excellent event because it will be our last year at Hamburg Field House. It's being rented full-time by a local car dealer, which left us searching for a new place. I am happy to report that we received a contract and approval to hold on March 3rd, 2024, at Leesport Farmers Market. The setup day will be March 2nd. The Market offers inside and outside space under a roof for vendors. It is going to be a pretty seamless transition.

Also, our signature car show was a super event in conjunction with Macungie Park, Das Awkscht Fescht. Over three days, the feature car, the Corvette, and around 1,800 registered cars set us up for a fantastic show. Our members stepped up to the plate. Over 45 of you helped run the show. Also, thanks to our friends from various Rotary clubs who chipped in. Thank you to those who helped. To those who did not, we could use your help next year.

How about the many tours we had this year? We did a Cars and Coffee at historic St. Peter's Village, a nice trip to Knoebels Amusement Park, had a picnic at Macungie Park, visited the AACA Office & Library, a tour of the Gettysburg area and Battlefield, and recently toured the Grimes Airport. By the time you read this, the last tour to the Daniel Boone Homestead will be over. It's been a fun year. We are ready to plan for next year and will soon have some info on that. There is always something going on with this club. Come out to a tour next year and find out. You will be hooked, I promise. This year's running speedily by. We have my president's banquet at Blue Mountain Family Restaurant in just a few short weeks. Celebrate with us a successful season. We will conclude the year finally with our Christmas party back at Northern Valley Ambulance. Again this year, we will have magician Tom Yurasits to entertain us. Bring your kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids if you have them. Tom does a special show for them and is sure to keep them interested. The word is Santa will make an appearance, too. He's already been invited and has accepted. Info on how to attend elsewhere in this issue. See you there.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Dotterer, President

ONTELAUNEE REGION BUSINESS MEETING OCTOBER 2023

President Jeff Dotterer thanked Ontelaunee Region AACA members who came out in the rain to a business meeting at the New Jerusalem Zion UCC Church Krumsville, PA on October 7, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. There were 22 members present. We recited the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Susan Manwiller gave the Secretary's report from the business meeting held September 2, 2023. A motion to accept the Secretary's report was made by Tim Hinkle and seconded by Suzy McGovern. The motion carried unanimously.

Lester Manwiller gave the Treasurer's report for September 2023. A motion to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit was made by Shirley Schaffer and seconded by Ray Huber. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership:

1. Sick List - Phyllis Peters reported that Donald Wehr is in Lehigh Valley Hospital and Bruce Foelker had a mishap. The members signed cards for them. Bob Hobaugh had been in the hospital and Phyllis had sent him a card from the club.
2. Phyllis has four free National memberships for 2024 for anyone who has not previously been a member.
3. Membership Renewals can be paid to Phyllis at meetings or on tours, except the November meeting and President's Banquet.
4. In 2024 the club will publish a new roster. Enclose a note with your due's renewal of any changes such as emails or phone numbers.
5. Phyllis received a phone call from the person who is still looking for information on the 1932 DeSoto that had been Art Hettinger's.

Website: Jeff Dotterer reported in Michael's absence. If anyone has photos from the three-day tour, email them to Michael. Lester commented that it was a great tour. We saw lots of interesting things including the Adams County Museum and had plenty of good food.

Newsletter: Mike Horning had nothing to report. Vas pointed out a misprint on the scholarship application in the newsletter. It will be fixed in the next TNB. No applicants applied yet. They can also apply online.

Activities: Suzy McGovern passed the sign-up sheets for bakers and tours for 2024. Two tours are left for this year.

1. Fall Foliage Tour – October 15, Tour Masters are Suzy McGovern and Barbara Spohn. They are planning a tour to Grimes Airport.
 2. Applejack & Cider Tour – October 28, Tour Masters are Leroy and Vas Hinkle. They plan to take us to the Daniel Boone Homestead and eat at the Douglassville Hotel.
- October 13 is the workers party for DAF from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm held at Macungie Park in the stone building in the basement.

Hamburg Swap Meet: Lester reported that we can no longer have the swap meet at the Hamburg Field House for 2024. The Field House is being leased to a car dealer. The club is looking for a new venue. Leroy Hinkle mentioned the Salem Church on Old 22 but then the flea market would be on Saturday instead of Sunday. Neil Merkel is going to contact the Community Center in Kempton and Jeff Dotterer will be contacting someone at the Auto Mall in Morgantown. If we cancel, we will give the money back to the vendors that already paid.

Das Awkscht Fescht: Jeff reported that Bob Hobaugh called a wrap-up meeting from this year's Fescht and brainstorming new ideas for next year. Bob Hobaugh, Jeff, Leroy Hinkle, Phyllis Peters, and Lester & Susan Manwiller attended.

1. Feature car is Mustang, looking for sponsorship to pay for the tent. Mustang parts dealers and banks are possibilities. If someone pays for a sponsorship they will be under the tent.
 2. Celebrities in the Mustang world, such as the designer for Carroll Shelby and someone from Ford Motorsport will be doing presentations.
 3. Discussed new ideas to attract more people. Jeff suggested valve cover races. Leroy suggested a newlywed game.
 4. Human foosball was cancelled. The park was unable to get any teams to sign up.
 5. We would like to see the fireworks come back.
 6. Feature car for 2025 is Jeep and they said they will pay for their own tent.
- Vas questioned who would pay for the tent down the road if there aren't any sponsors.

President's Banquet: Nov. 12, 2023, to be held at the Blue Mountain Family Restaurant in Shartlesville. The entertainment will be playing older tunes that are car related.

Christmas Party: Dec. 10, 2023, to be held at NOVA. Entertainment is booked. Bring your grandchildren and great grandchildren.

OLD BUSINESS

The Education Scholarship was set up for 2nd year college students because the student is more likely to be committed to their education than a freshman. The scholarship is available to relatives of members of the Ontelaunee Region.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lester said on the three-day tour there were some places that would not take a check. He talked with Fleetwood Bank and there would not be any fees for a debit or credit card. He would need to show them a copy of our minutes showing it was approved. A motion was made by Tim Hinkle and seconded by Cheri Dotterer to allow the treasurer to get a credit card. The motion carried unanimously. The credit card will only be used if the place will not take a check. Both Lester and Suzy McGovern will be able to sign.

2. Lester brought up that the microphone for the speaker is not working. A motion was made by Nancy Horning and seconded by Cheri Dotterer to purchase a new microphone. The motion carried unanimously. Ray Huber said he thinks he has an extra one at home. He will bring it to the next meeting and we will try it.

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2024

President: Barbara Koch -- The motion was made by Nancy Horning and seconded by Ken Dages. The motion carried.

First Vice President: Jeff Dotterer --The motion was made by Lester Manwiller and seconded by Nancy Horning. The motion carried.

Second Vice President: Tim Hinkle -- The motion was made by Elaine Baer and seconded by Lester Manwiller. The motion carried.

Secretary: Susan Manwiller -- The motion was made by Suzy McGovern and seconded by Ken Dages. The motion carried.

Treasurer: Lester Manwiller --The motion was made by Suzy McGovern and seconded by Elaine Baer. The motion carried.

Board Members: Jeff Dotterer and Nancy Horning. Leaving the board will be Ken Dages and Tim Hinkle. Remaining on the board will be Ray Huber, Elaine Baer, and Shirley Schaffer. The motion was made by Jeff Dotterer and seconded by Lester Manwiller. The motion carried.

Thank you to Cheri and Michael Dotterer for refreshments.

On November 4, 2023, a board meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. to go over the scholarships, followed by the regular business meeting at 3:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. was made by Barbara Oswald and seconded by Elaine Baer. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Manwiller, Secretary

ACTIVITIES CORNER

Here we are in November and we are already done with our car tours. Now it's time to start thinking about next year's tours. All the tours are open except for the August 3 or 4 day tour. Of course the church tour is done by our president. So please start thinking about it.

As far as the bakers go for 2024 we only need 3 months yet to be signed up for which are May, October and November. Thank You for signing up so early. I really appreciate it.

The President's Banquet might be over by the time you get the newsletter that is held on November 12th at the Blue Mountain Restaurant in Shartlesville. The Christmas Party is held on December 10th at NOVA (which is the Northern Valley Ambulance Social Hall) which has a deadline for November 25th to attend.

Other than that the weather right now is getting on the chilly side....time to turn the heat on. I hope you have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Stay safe and enjoy the chilly weather.....

Suzy

2023 President's Banquet Sunday, November 12, 2023

This year's President's Banquet falls on Veteran's Day weekend. We want to honor our veterans this year. Please let us know which branch you served in your registration form.

Blue Mountain Restaurant

24 Roadside Dr, Shartlesville, PA 19554, 610-488-0353

Off Interstate 78 - Exit 23 Shartlesville

Doors open at noon

Dinner begins at 12:30

Entertainment: 1:00-2:00 pm New Earth Band

Banquet: 2:00 pm

Child's activity table will be available.

Cost:

Members and children 12 and older: \$20

Children 6-11: \$10

Children under 6: Free

Non-members: \$25

Non-member children (6-17): \$15

Make checks payable to Ontelaunee AACA

Deadline to Register: November 4, 2023

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

Participant's Name Member (Yes/No) Veteran (Yes/No) Age (children only)

Which branch

CHRISTMAS PARTY
Sunday, December 10, 2023

Where: Northern Valley Ambulance Social Hall (NOVA), 2375 Levans Rd, Coplay, PA

Doors open: 12:00 Noon

Dinner served: 1:00 PM

Entertainment: The magician has some new tricks!

Cost: Members and children over 11 \$25.00; children 6 through 11 \$10.00; children under 6 are free

Non-members \$30.00; Non-members 6-17 \$15.00

Make checks payable to: Ontelaunee Region AACA

Deadline: November 25, 2023

Mail check and form to: Barbara Koch, 710 Carolina Ave, Reading, PA 19605

Names of club members and ages and names of children:

Names of non-club members and ages and names of children:

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

Carol Halpin	11/1	Howard & Bonnie Schorr
	11/1	Tom Hudecki & Kathy Dehaven
Nancy Cronrath	11/2	
Nora Danenhowe	11/5	
Donna Stever	11/6	
David Anspach	11/10	
	11/13	James & Phyllis Peters
Lloyd Barnett	11/14	
Kathy Dages	11/14	
Sharon Naugle	11/15	
Rose Browne	11/18	Chris & Malissa Sullivan
Neil Merkel	11/20	Glenn & Nora Danenhowe
Thomas Duckett	11/20	
Barbara Koch	11/21	
	11/23	Terry & Sharon Naugle
Jeffrey Dotterer	11/24	Jeffrey & Cheri Dotterer
Dee Eng	11/25	
	11/26	James & Linda Costa
Timothy Hinkle	11/26	Lloyd & Ruth Barnett
Leroy Hinkle	11/29	

2024 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

We have 4 free National Memberships. To be eligible for this membership you have to be a first time applicant to National. You must also join Ontelaunee Region. This free membership is for one year only. For information please call.

Phyllis Peters, Membership

KEEP ME INFORMED

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

Thank You, Phyllis Peters

DUES REMINDER

Your dues for 2024 will be the same as for 2023. They are as follows: \$10.00 for single and \$15.00 for joint and \$150.00 for life (only if life in National). You will not be receiving a renewal form in your November or December newsletters. Please just send your check to me. If you have some changes please just indicate it on a slip of paper (telephone, cell phone number, new address etc.). We will be doing a new Roster and it is important to have your correct information.

This would be a good time to enter your spouse as a member, if she is not already and have her receive all the benefits of the club.

I will be collecting dues at monthly meetings, tours and the Christmas Party.

Your National dues renewal form was in your September/October National Magazine. National Dues are due by December 31, 2023. The loose sheet with your address label has the renewal form. Please save and use to pay your dues. Remember you have to be a member of National to be a member of Ontelaunee Region. Thanks You.

Phyllis Peters, Membership Chairman

REPORT ON 3 DAY TOUR

14 Ontelaunee members left Kutztown on Friday, September 29, for a three-day tour to Gettysburg. Barb Koch reprised her Club tour plans from 2013, this time with help of Florita Hobaugh. Excellent logistics kept us within walking distance (3 blocks) of all food and hotel in downtown Gettysburg. The only wild card was Congress whose budget stalemate could have shut down the Eisenhower Farm tour on Sunday. We adapted and most went there on Saturday.

Our caravan arrived in Gettysburg on Friday and drove directly to the Visitors' Center at the Battlefield. There, we met with 5 members of the Delaware Valley Region who added to our enjoyment of the tour. We walked through the book store and met author, William Styple, who autographed copies of his new book, *General Philip Kearney, A Very God of War*. His original research revealed in *McClellan's Other Story*, that Army of the Potomac General George McClellan negotiated for peace with General Lee without authority from President Lincoln and despite the President's command to fight more aggressively.



Lunch followed with many of us having Yankee Pot Roast. We digested lunch while watching a movie of the 3-day battle, visiting the Museum, and witnessing the refurbished Cyclorama. This Museum has the best examples of firearms and edged weapons in the Borough. The Cyclorama painting by the French artist, Paul Philippoteaux, depicts Pickett's Charge, the climactic Confederate attack on the Union forces during the Battle of Gettysburg on July 3, 1863.

We left for a tour of the battlefield. Our guide shared much insight but did not look us in the eyes. We stopped near McPherson's Ridge and at the High-Water Mark. Florita clocked him at 260 words per minute. This year Devils' Den and Little Roundtop were unavailable due to renovations but we learned a lot about the 3 days of fighting. Generals Meade and Lee provided much leadership but were forced to make decisions without all the information. We saw the recently erected statue of Confederate General James Longstreet whose troops bore the brunt of the battles on July 2 and 3, 1863.

Later in the afternoon we checked into our hotel, the Inn at Cemetery Ridge. It borders Baltimore Street and Steinwehr Avenue, the "tourist hot spot" of downtown Gettysburg. From there, we walked



next door to The Hoof, Fin & Fowl restaurant for an excellent dinner. Some walked on a Ghost Tour after dinner when we learned about the impact of the battle on the Borough citizens beginning on July 1, 1863. Two of our group captured “apparitions” on their cell phones.

Saturday, we learned more about the impact of the battle while touring the Lutheran Seminary. On the first day of the battle, Confederates pushed the Army of the Potomac back from McPherson’s Ridge to Seminary Ridge and Cemetery Ridge. The Seminary became a hospital for crude surgeries and compassionate nursing care. It has been remodeled with three movie areas and rooms depicting the hospitalization of Union soldiers. Many of us enjoyed the Seminary campus on a sunny Saturday afternoon.

The second day of the battle resulted in heavy losses but no confederate victory. By the end of the second day of the battle, Union troops successfully defended against Confederate assaults in the center at Cemetery Ridge, on the right flank at Culp’s Hill and at the left

flank at Devil’s Den and Little Roundtop.

Congressional brinksmanship caused us to visit the Eisenhower Farm on Saturday afternoon, thinking that it would be closed on our scheduled Sunday visit. When we arrived, we spotted a Crosley Runabout, a 1965 Buick Sport Wagon, and a 1955 Crown Imperial Limousine in the garage on the property. Our tour guide gave us the highlights of the life of Dwight D. Eisenhower who was born in 1890 in Texas. After graduating from West Point Military Academy, he met and married socialite Mamie Doud in 1916. Eisenhower served at Camp Colt in Gettysburg training soldiers. During the 1920s and 1930s, Eisenhower steadily rose in rank. In 1944, at Eisenhower’s direction, invasion forces hit the beaches at Normandy bringing an end to Nazi Germany. In 1948, he became President of Columbia University. Anticipating retirement, Dwight and Mamie bought a 189-acre farm near Gettysburg in 1950, but in 1952, Eisenhower won election as the 34th President of the United States. Following major renovations, the house was finished in 1955 and was complete with 7 bedrooms, 9 bathrooms, living room, formal dining room, den, and kitchen. A glassed-in porch was their favorite room. During the construction, the builders found that the house had been built around a 1738 log cabin, hidden behind brick veneer. The house retains almost all of the original furnishings including gifts they received from leaders around the world. On the wall hang many paintings by Eisenhower, a hobby he began in 1948. In 1967, the Eisenhower’s made a gift of their farm to the federal government with the agreement that Mamie would live there for life.

Saturday dinner at the Dobbins House Restaurant lived up to our expectations. It was established in 1776, making it the oldest standing structure in the town limits of Gettysburg. It was built to be a home for Reverend Alexander Dobbin, his wife Isabella and their ten children. The pastor remarried, following Isabella’s death, to a woman who brought another 9 children to the house. The basement had a water spring and the second floor must have been a dormitory.

We enjoyed Sunday breakfast at the Inn. Instead of a second day at Eisenhower Farm, we visited the Adams County Historical Society. There we learned that the 51,000 casualties of 160,000 combatants was really 5,000 dead at the battlefield and another 5,000 dead outside Gettysburg. We saw remnants of the Borough, including a sign for the 1808 tavern and a Democrat Drum dated 1856. Some of us sat through a reenactment of the Gettysburg Borough skirmishes inside a first floor model home.

Lunch was had at the Hoof, Fin & Fowl Restaurant where a special sandwich menu followed by ice cream satisfied even the hungriest among us. We learned that seafood, crab and scallops are prevalent in Gettysburg because it connects to the Chesapeake on Baltimore Street. Thanks to Barbara and Florita for assembling a great tour.

Bob Hobaugh

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: To be considered for this scholarship, applicants must enter their second year of education beyond high school or vocational school. The applicant must be the child or grandchild of an active Ontelaunee Region AACA member. They must be attending a college or trade school. Applicants will be considered if they enter their third or fourth year of college only if no second-year candidates are accepted.

Requirements: Applicants must complete the attached form.

Scholarship: Maximum \$500 per applicant.

Deadline: Friday, November 3, 2023

Apply online: <https://tinyurl.com/OnelauneeAACAScholarship2023>

or

Mail Typed Applications: Jeff Dotterer, 202 Donne Road, Hamburg, PA 19526

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Ontelaunee AACA Member: _____

Your Relationship to the Member: _____

What semester of your college/trade school program will you be entering this fall? _____

Name of your College/Trade School: _____

Major: _____

Have you applied for this scholarship in the past? Circle answer Yes No

If you answered yes above, what year did you apply? _____

Did you receive a scholarship at that time? Circle answer Yes No