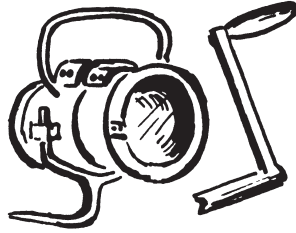
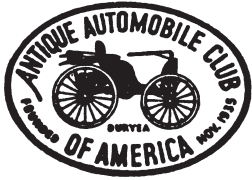


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APRIL

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6	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
17-21	Spring Carlisle Car Show	Carlisle, PA
21	Early Bird Tour	
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MAY

4	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
19	Apple Blossom Tour	
20-23	AACA Eastern Spring Nat'l	Saratoga Springs, NY
30-June 1	Carlisle Ford Nat'ls	Carlisle, PA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you had a happy Valentine's day this past February. I know we are all looking forward to spring and Easter. However after this recent warm spell in early February, I am afraid that some more winter weather is headed our way. We do have the Leesport swap meet on March 2 and 3. We can use some setup help on Saturday and parking on Sunday if you have some free time. Don't forget that the swap meet has moved to the Leesport farmer's market this year. I'm hoping the weather cooperates- NO SNOW!

This past February 8-10 Bob and Florita Hobaugh and I went to the AACA annual convention in Chantilly, Va. The northern Va. chapters had a well planned meeting. Our first day we were treated to a visit at the Smithsonian Air and Space museum at the Dulles airport. This museum has a lot to see-many airplanes including the Concorde, The Enola Gay, Chuck Yeager's plane that broke the sound barrier, military planes and helicopters, the Discovery space capsule, John Glenn's space capsule, rockets, satellites, drones and much more.

The next 2 days had some interesting seminars-Wilber and Orville Wright's history and early planes, and other early pioneers in flight. These pioneers shared a history with the early autos because many of the men came from the wagon and bicycle factories and the advent of the gas engine. Another seminar talked about the first cross country auto race in 1909. 6 cars were entered-2 model T's and 4 other cars. One of the other cars was an Acme which came from Berks county. A model T won but Henry Ford didn't care so much about winning-just the publicity! In 2009 55 Model T's redid the race across country but this time they had real roads. Another seminar promoted the AACA library. The librarian would like to assist any member with information about their cars. Interesting fact-the library sells books and printed material about cars on Tues. evening the week of Hershey in October. Their sale is at the AACA headquarter building.

We also went to the general business meeting. One of the members suggested that we should add retro mods to our membership to attract the younger car generation. Everyone is trying to attract younger members. Bob Hobaugh talked to a lot of people about the Das Awkscht Fescht. All of our pamphlets were gone off the information table. Next year's convention is in Charlottesville, N.C. I strongly encourage you to go for a good time!

Hope to see you at the next meeting or the April tour!

Barbara Koch

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 2024

President Barbara Koch called the business meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. on February 3, 2024 at the New Jerusalem Zion UCC Church Krumsville, PA. There were 30 members present. We recited the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

Susan Manwiller gave the Secretary's report from the business meeting held January 13, 2024. There were two corrections: It was Leroy Hinkle who suggested balloons be tied to a sign directing vendors where to register, not Vas. The tent sponsor for DAF is the RB Collection, Allentown, PA not the NB Center Automotive Museum. A motion to accept the Secretary's report was made by Minnie Breininger and seconded by Elaine Baer. The motion carried unanimously.

Lester Manwiller gave the Treasurer's report for January. Lester reimbursed vendors who paid for indoor spaces and are now taking less expensive outdoor spaces. A motion to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit was made by Ken Dages and seconded by Cheri Dotterer. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Phyllis Peters welcomed the following new members:

1. Daniel Netzband, who is the godson of Tim Wehr. He is 18 years old and lives in Orefield.
2. Ronald Bair from Slatington. He owns a 1958 Chevrolet and a 1960 Chevrolet Impala.
3. Bruce Dengler who owns a 1953 Chevrolet and a 1959 Mack Fire Engine. He was present at the meeting and introduced by Bob Hobaugh.
4. Bob and Marilyn Baertschy from the Mohnton area joined tonight at the meeting.

Phyllis has free National memberships from National for anyone who has never been a member. National youth memberships are \$12.00 for youth age 18 to 25 who are still in school.

As of tonight, we have 146 members. The following members have not renewed: Lloyd & Ruth Barnett, John & Nancy Black, Dave & Rose Browne, Scott & Kathy Dages, Albert & Lesley Davis, Barry & Karen Hunsicker, E. Fred Kriszat, Peter & Kimberly Lambert, Diane Maurer, Paul Schmidt Jr., Howard & Bonnie Schorr. Tom Hudecki & Kathy DeHaven are still pending. In January we lost Donald Wehr who passed away.

Roster: A new roster will be printed this year. This is done every three years. Lester asked if changes could be put in the newsletter so members can keep their roster updated.

Phyllis is required to submit to National a list of our club's membership. National will then let her know if someone didn't pay their National dues. Phyllis encourages everyone to pay their National dues when the notice comes out. Barb Koch reminded us that National dues can now be paid online.

Website: Cheri Dotterer had nothing to report in Michael's absence.

Newsletter: Mike Horning had nothing to report.

Activities: Suzy McGovern needs one baker for May. Tours are as follows:

1. Early Bird Tour – Tour masters are Suzy McGovern and Barbara Spohn.
2. Apple Blossom Tour – Vas & Leroy Hinkle going to the Mascaro Automotive Museum in Birdsboro.
3. Church Tour – Tour masters Minnie Breininger, Ray Huber and Marilyn Roth.
4. Picnic Tour – Open
5. Four-Day Tour: September 13-16, 2024 Tour masters are Ken Dages, Ray Huber and Tom Hudecki. They are doing a tour of Route 6, including the castle in Milford, and wagon ride in Grand Canyon of PA.
6. Fall Foliage Tour – Cheri & Jeff Dotterer are doing a hayride.
7. Applejack & Cider Tour - Open

Hamburg Swap Meet:

1. Swap Meet moved from Hamburg Field House to Leesport Farmers Market, 312 Gernants Rd., Leesport, PA. Lester got permission to put a sign at the Field House directing people to the new location. A sign has been made.
2. Lester needs help on Saturday, March 2, at 7:00 a.m. to number indoor spaces. We will use existing markings on the floor. Lunch will be provided.
3. Needs help on Sunday, March 3, at 5:00 a.m. to show vendors to their spaces and for the white elephant stand. There will be a food vendor inside and outside.
4. All 62 inside spaces are filled. 52 outside spaces are sold with more coming in. Outside vendors are under a roof.
5. Lots of advertising has been done. Jeff gave a whole box of flyers out in Allentown.
6. Thanked Cheri for designing the new Leesport flyer for 2025.

Das Awkscht Fescht:

Bob Hobaugh reported committee chairpersons met for a meeting on Jan 31 at Hometown Diner.

1. At the meeting discussed ways to improve parking of show cars. Lester would like to use yellow tape designating rows. We might use spray paint for lines.
2. Meetings with the park will be starting soon.
3. Bob met with the National Museum of Industrial History in Bethlehem. They would like to put a Mustang in their private courtyard and we could put a banner there advertising DAF.
4. Susan Manwiller reported 489 vehicles registered for 2024, 19 of those were online, that is 23 more than last year at this time. Flea market spaces are 107, 11 less than last year.

President's Banquet: Nov. 10, 2024, to be held at the Blue Mountain Family Restaurant in Shartlesville. Doors open at 12:00 noon, dinner is at 1:00 p.m. Barb has an idea for entertainment.

Christmas Party: Dec. 15, 2024, Tim Hinkle was absent.

OLD BUSINESS

Jeff Dotterer showed us a clock he received from his sister-in-law that was an award Jeff's uncle, Royden Dotterer, received for being Secretary-Treasurer of Ontelaunee Region in 1968.

Jeff read a very impressive thank you letter from Bryan Wagner for the \$500 education grant. He is a student at Drexel University majoring in electrical and computer engineering. Hopefully we can put his letter in our newsletter. The club gives a \$500 scholarship to 2nd year and above qualifying college students.

NEW BUSINESS

Thank you to Audrey and Neil Merkel for refreshments.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:45 p.m. was made by Marilyn Roth and seconded by Shirley Schaffer. The motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting is March 9th at 3:00 p.m. One week later due to swap meet.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Manwiller, Secretary

SWAP MEET March 3, 2024

As you are aware, the swap meet usually held at the Hamburg Field House has been moved to the Leesport Farmers Market. This is due to the field house giving a car dealer a proposed 5-year lease for the property. The Leesport Farmers Market is located at 312 Gernants Church Rd, Leesport, PA. Help will be needed on Saturday, March 2nd at 7:00AM to prepare the area so the vendors can start setting up at 9:00 AM. On Sunday March 3rd we will need help at 5:00 AM to show vendors their spaces. As always don't forget your white elephants. If you need them picked up, call me at 610-823-4656.

Lester Manwiller

ACTIVITIES CORNER

I wonder if that groundhog knows what he is doing?? That's ok I don't either. I'm not complaining but the days are great with the sunshine...I hope this weather keeps it up.

The car tours are looking good. Still have 2 open tours....the Picnic (July 14th) and the Apple Jack & Cider Tour (November 3rd). If interested in doing one of these tours give me a call. All the bakers are taken...so you know we will have some good eats coming your way.

I hope you have a great St. Patrick's Day!! Stay safe and hope to see you at the car club meeting.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT THE SWAP MEET ON MARCH 3rd because Lester could use the help.

.....Thank you Suzy

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

We have Two Free Memberships to give to potential people who have never been a member of AACA. 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

EARLY BIRD TOUR

APRIL 21

MEETING @ STRAUSSTOWN PLAYGROUND

LEAVING @ 9:30

We will be taking a tour of a real anthracite coal mine at Pioneer Tunnel Ashland...you'll board a mining car and travel 1,800 feet into the side of Mahanoy Mountain. Your guide will explain the mining process and show you around the tunnel. It's a 35 minute tour. There's plenty to explore above ground also.

At this point the tour is a work in progress.....It might just be a driving tour and then a place to eat and enjoy each other's company. So come along and enjoy the ride. It's sort of a mystery tour...

COST is \$15.00 per person

MAIL CHECK made out to ONTELAUNEE REGION AACA

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APPLE BLOSSOM TOUR

On Sunday, May 19, 2024, the Apple Blossom tour will leave from the Reading Health Physicians Network parking lot which is next door to the Cracker Barrel restaurant on Industrial Drive, Hamburg just off Route 61 across the street from Cabela's.

We are anticipating leaving the parking lot at 9:30 A.M. and taking a leisurely drive to the Mascaro Auto Museum in Birdsboro, PA. After the museum, we will proceed to the Douglasville Hotel for lunch. The Douglasville Hotel is best noted for a menu listing about 128 different ways to have a hamburger. Those who went on the Daniel Boone tour (Fall Foilage tour) last year will remember having lunch there.

Please send your payment made payable to Ontelaunee Region AACCA by Saturday, May 4, 2024, to:
LeRoy Hinkle
16 Grandview Rd.
Hamburg, Pa. 19526
Cost as follows:

Club members-----\$15 - NAME(S):

Guests over 12 years old-----\$30 - NAME(S):

Children 6 to 12 years old-----\$5 (**see below) - NAME(S):

**Please note that the museum requires prior permission for admission for anyone under 10 years of age. For us to secure this prior permission, we require notification to us by Saturday, May 4, 2024.

MARCH BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

Warren Fick	3/3	
Fern Fegely	3/4	
Susan Manwiller (Matt)	3/5	
John Heyer	3/6	
Marilyn Roth	3/9	
Ann Keck	3/9	
Brian Stever	3/11	
	3/13	Michael & Jill Naugle
	3/16	Robert Squitieri/Ann Keck
Robert Squitieri	3/19	
Lisa Wehr	3/20	
George Hahn	3/21	
Phyllis Peters	3/24	
	3/26	Wayne & Patti Schaffer
Elaine Baer	3/28	
John Rome	3/29	

Dear Jeff,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for being selected as the recipient of the 2023 Ontelaunee AACA Education Grant. It is an honor and a privilege to receive this support, and I am truly excited about the opportunities it will provide as I continue my academic journey at Drexel University.

Currently in my third year, I am pursuing a dual major in electrical and computer engineering. This scholarship is a tremendous help in allowing me to focus on my studies and actively participate in various endeavors on campus.

One of my most significant involvements is with Raptor Robotics, a student-led startup company at Drexel, where I am contributing to the design of the power system for a robotic rover aimed at addressing the landmine crisis in Ukraine. This project has been both challenging and rewarding, and I am grateful for the chance to apply my engineering skills to make a positive impact.

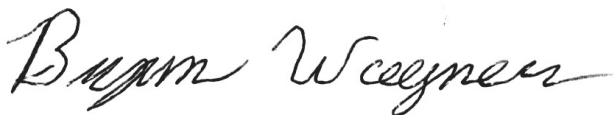
Beyond academics, I am actively involved in the Drexel Jazz Band as a tenor saxophonist, and I am a member of the Formula Society of Automotive Engineers Electric Vehicle Club and Circle-K Volunteer Club. These experiences have not only enriched my college experience but have also allowed me to develop a diverse set of skills and interests.

Receiving this scholarship is a tremendous support in pursuing my career goal of becoming an engineer. The financial assistance not only alleviates some of the burdens but also serves as a motivational factor, encouraging me to excel in my studies and contribute meaningfully to my community.

In my free time and during breaks, I like to spend time with my family and friends while also keeping up with hobbies of mine such as fishing, kayaking, and camping. Additionally, I share a passion for working on project cars with both my Dad and Poppop (Bruce Cronrath). Currently, I am restoring a 1990 Dodge Dakota, which will be my first truck, and I am also proud to have a 1995 Chevrolet Camaro that has been a platform for learning various car repairs and mastering manual transmission driving skills.

Once again, thank you for this incredible opportunity. I am eager to continue my academic journey, and I am committed to making the most of this support as I pursue my aspirations in the field of engineering.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bryan Wagner". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bryan" and last name "Wagner" clearly legible.

Bryan Wagner
Drexel University, Class of 2026