

TIN 'N BRASS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Wolf Sanctuary

Photo Credit: Bob Hobaugh - Wolf Sanctuary

On Sunday, May 18, 2025, 23 members and family left the Strausstown playground to drive to the Wolf Sanctuary in Lititz, PA. Additionally, we had a guest, Barbara Wicks, who is considering becoming a member. Plus, Elaine's two-year-old great granddaughter came along. Mother Nature gave us a sunny day, no rain!

We drove through Bernville, Robesonia, Womelsdorf, Newmanstown, and Schafferstown. Most of the trip passed through farmland, and we saw cows, horses, a mule, and pigs.

At the Wolf Sanctuary, our tour guide was a very knowledgeable volunteer who has worked there for 20 years. She spent an hour leading us past most of the pens.

She knew all the wolves by name. Since the day was mild, most of the animals were moving around and visible.

The 50 wolves and wolf-dogs were rescued from people who tried to domesticate them. They are always wild animals, not dogs. The guide described how they live in packs, the sizes of males and females, their colors, their lifespans, and their bite pressure of 1500

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pounds per square inch! A German Shepherd's bite is approximately half that. Some of the wolves ignored us, while others seemed curious about us humans and even posed for pictures. The tour was very interesting.

Afterwards, we drove back to Robesonia and had a family-style dinner at the Heidelberg Restaurant. We had our own dining room, and the group was able to socialize and enjoy the meal.

~Barbara Koch



A Message from our President

Summer is here. You would never know it to look out my window. So far, it's been a weird June with cold, rainy mornings and long stretches of damp, overcast days. It seems more like early April than June, even our church tour was somewhat wet as we went from museum to planetarium, we needed umbrellas. We had a good tour, though. It's not the end of the world to get a little wet, and we all had fun seeing the PA Dutch exhibit and the planetarium presentation. It's amazing all you can see and do right here in our own Ontelaunee backyard.

I have a gut feeling by the time July is history and we turn the page to Das Awkscht Fescht 2025, the weather will change, and the heat will only make us wish we had one of these cool days. Still, the event needs to be done. Macungie Park is counting on us to deliver another standout show with a feature car of a Camaro. Muscle cars are hot right now, and the Camaro leads the way. The Lehigh Valley Camaro Club is set to host and bring you their best shiny Camaros to look at. By the way, show Chairman Bob Hobaugh, could really use your help. Call him at 610-360-6537 to add your name to the list of helpers. We sure could use a few more parkers and registration workers. It takes many people to put on such a big show. Thank you to the volunteers who have already planned to share their time. I am looking forward to seeing you and your classic car at the show. Have a good month.

~Jeff Dotterer

Upcoming Tours

Picnic Tour

Date: July 19

Departure: New Jerusalem Zion's UCC

9:00 AM

Tour: Albany Township

Destination: Picnic at Neil and Audrey's home - 218 Robin Hill Rd. Lenhartsville

Tour Host: Neil and Audrey Merkel

Deadline: July 11

Dog Days Tour

Date: August 24 - **NOTE: Change of Date**

Departure: Meet 10 am Weis, Folglesville, PA

Destination: WK&S Railroad

Lunch: Knepper's Inn

Tour Host: Mike and Donna Wolfe

Deadline: August 10, 2025

Fall Foliage

Date: October 19

Departure:

Destination:

Lunch:

Tour Host: Leroy and Vas Hinkle

Deadline:

Apple Jack & Cider Tour

Date: November 15

Departure:

Destination: Seltzer's Lebanon Bologna Factory, Palmyra

Lunch:

Tour Host: Lester & Susan Manwiller

Deadline:

Three Day Tour

Date: **September 12-14**

Departure: 8am Trivet Diner on Tilghman Street in Allentown

Destination: Grand Canyon PA

Tour Host: Tim and Susan Hinkle

Deadline: **AUGUST 15, 2025**

Friday, September 12

Meet for breakfast at 8:00 AM at the Trivet Diner on Tilghman Street in Allentown. Leisurely driving tour to Scranton for lunch.

Visit the Electric City Trolley Museum and take a trolley ride.

Drive to our motel and dinner in Towanda.

Saturday, September 13

Breakfast at the motel, followed by a drive to the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum in Ulysses.

Lunch and an afternoon covered wagon ride into the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania.

Drive to our hotel and dinner in Wellsboro.

Sunday, September 14

Breakfast at the hotel, followed by a drive to Williamsport.

Trolley tour of Millionaire's Row.

After lunch at a nearby restaurant, head home.

Bring along your **E-ZPass** if you have one. It may be useful, depending on your personal route back home.

Three Day Tour continued

Cost per member: \$150.00. Cost per non-member: \$215.00. Includes all meals and tours.

Make checks payable to Ontelaunee Region AACA. Mail the payment and meal selection form to:

Timothy Hinkle
712 East 18th Street
Northampton, PA 18067.
Call Tim .

You must contact the motel and hotel directly to book a room. The room cost is not included in the tour price. Mention this tour and Ontelaunee Region AACA when you call to reserve your room. All rooms have two full or queen beds. Wellsboro rooms (this is a popular year-round destination) are in three price categories. Register early to reserve one of the lower-priced rooms. **Registration deadline is August 15, 2025.**

Friday, September 12, 2025

Quality Inn & Suites
Towanda, PA 18848
(570) 265-5691
\$98.10, including tax

Saturday, September 13, 2023

Penn Wells Lodge
Wellsboro, PA
(570) 724-3463
\$158.68; \$200.86; \$234.16, all including tax

Registration form pages 9-10

Church Tour Recap

This is the third consecutive year that Jeff and I have planned and executed the Church Tour. In our first year, we attended church at our home church and also visited churches in southern Berks County. Last year, we toured past the churches of Minersville. This year, we chose to attend the church where we hold our meetings, New Jerusalem Zion UCC. This congregation is small. We outnumbered their attendance 4X with our 18 members. Pray for them. They need it.

After church, we drove into Hamburg for lunch at the newest restaurant in town, Copperz. By ordering ahead, we weren't even seated, and the waitress started bringing our food. But we still needed a tour. Jeff and I planned a tour, so we did not need to travel on Route 61. We did need to travel it for one mile, taking us on an adventure on the backroads of Shoemakersville and Centerport.

Emerging in Wyomissing, we ended the tour at the Reading Museum and Planetarium with a guided tour of the PA Dutch gallery and the Earth and the Universe planetarium show. They have a portrait of Martin Luther and other interesting artifacts from around the Commonwealth. God made sure he reminded us who was in control with raindrops as we hustled between buildings. I hope you enjoyed your ride and show. ~Cheri Dotterer

62nd Das Awkscht Fescht – 2025

Our 62nd Das Awkscht Fescht will roll on August 1-3, 2025. This motor vehicle show is how Ontelaunee Region AACA raises funds for our charitable uses. The Fescht benefits from the help of members of the Ontelaunee Club, Rotarians, and community volunteers.

We will celebrate six generations of fun with the Camaro and the 70th anniversary of the Yamaha motorcycle. The Camaro Club of the Lehigh Valley will coordinate our theme tent. Hope that the weather holds with clear, dry days!

The Fescht is three distinct shows:
Friday, we open our doors to all antique cars, including resto mods, hot rods, rat rods, and custom cars.
Saturday, we present vehicles with authenticity and condition, the guidelines of the Antique Automobile Club of America, and include future classics that are newer than 25 years old.
Sunday, we host about 28 car clubs, including foreign cars.

Motorcycles join us for all 3 days.

On Saturday, we host a large class of antique motorcycles, many owned by members of the Perkiomen Region of the AMCA. Members of the Ontelaunee Region of the AACA have a special car display area in a shaded area. We hope to have a generous showing by members of the Antique Truck Club of America.

Please sign up to help by calling Chair Bob Hobaugh at 610-360-6537. We have opportunities to help lay out the show field and vendor area during the week before our show. Susan Manwiller runs vendor registration. LeRoy Hinkle supervises vendor layout. Phyllis Peters runs vehicle registration. Lester Manwiller coordinates show field layout. Thanks to all who participate, whether as a volunteer or an exhibitor!

Bob Hobaugh, Chair
Das Awkscht Fescht

National Memberships

We have **Two Free Memberships** to give to potential persons who have never been a member of AACA. Time is running out, as these memberships are only valid through September and will expire at the end of 2025.

Caring for our members

If you know of a member who is hospitalized, unwell, or has passed away, please reach out to me. Your call ensures we can offer support and condolences. Complete the form on page 11, mail it in, and call Phyllis.

July Anniversaries

21 George & Karen Husack, Jr.



July Birthdays

- 3 Franz Busack
- 8 Brenda Zimmerman
- 21 Susan Manwiller (Lester)
- 24 Robert Lawatsch
- 27 Barbara Oswald



Stay Connected with our Community

Membership Roster Updates

Please update **your** 2024 Roster with the following information:

New Rosters will be printed in 2027

Remove:

Glenn Danenhower (his wife is still a member) - passed away

Change of address:

Matthew & Susan Manwiller
1420 Countyline Rd.
Gilbertsville, PA 19525

New Members:

Brent & Christen Himmelberger
540 Faith Drive
Mohrsville, PA 19541

Philip & Ruth Ann Christ
3250 State Rd. Apt. 175
Sellersville, PA 18960

2025 DAF Registration

We need people to man the registration tents all three days. If anyone is interested in helping at Registration Friday, Saturday or Sunday you should report at the tents no later than 7:00 a.m. each day.

Phyllis Peters
Membership Chair

Three Day Tour Details

Ontelaunee Car Club members will be invited to take a three-day driving tour to the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania near Wellsboro, PA, at the end of the second week in September. Exact dates and logistics are being worked out, and enrollment and cost information will appear in the *July Tin 'n Brass*. Here's a basic outline of what's being planned. Leaving from Allentown, we will take a scenic drive to Scranton, where we will visit the [Electric City Trolley Museum](#) and [Trolley Excursions](#) and ride on a trolley.

After staying in the Scranton area overnight, we will drive to the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania to view the canyon from a scenic overlook at [Leonard Harrison State Park](#).

Then we will take a [covered wagon ride](#) down the Canyon, Tioga County. Following a visit to the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum, which includes information about the Civilian Conservation Corps, we will stay in Wellsboro overnight.

On our third day, we will travel to Williamsport, where we will take a trolley ride through [Millionaires Row and Historic District—The Lumbar Heritage Region](#), North West & North Central PA.

Following lunch, one of many wonderful meals on the tour, we head home. I hope you'll be able to join us.

~Tim Hinkle

2025 Events through Summer

See ontelauneeaca.com for details

Monthly Meetings are held at 3:00 pm.

Zion's New Jerusalem UCC,
1456 Krumsville Rd, Lenhartsville, PA 19534

Meetings are held January-May, September-
November

NO Meetings June-August, December

July

NO CLUB MEETING

July 4: Fleetwood Car Show

July 11-13: Chryslers at Carlisle

July 19: Picnic Tour

July 21: DAF Pin Find

July 28: DAF Stake Out

August

NO CLUB MEETING

August 1-3: Das Awkscht Fescht

August 1-3: Truck Nationals at Carlisle

August 21-23: Corvettes at Carlisle

August 24 : Dog Days Tour

August 30: Duryea, Boyertown

September

September 1: Ludwig's Corner Car Show

September 1: Robesonia Car Show

September 6: Meeting

September 12-14 : 3 day Tour

September 7: Strausstown Car Show and
Swap Meet



2025 National Events

June 19-21: Eastern Spring National,
WV

July 2-5: Central Spring Nationals,
Auburn, IN

July 24-26: Grand Nationals/ Zenith,
Dayton, OH

August 12-15: Eastern Divisional Tour,
Northern Maine

September 7-12: Revival AAA Glidden
Tour® (Pre-1943), Owensboro, KY

September 18-20: Southeastern Fall
Nationals, Corydon, IN

For Sale

1956 Packard Convertible

Needs restoration.

Lots of new parts included.

The car is located in Leighton.

(Estate of George Hahn)

Call Greg Bayer

941-799-9096

See the featured Camaros and
Yamahas at **Das Awkscht Fescht.**
August 1, 2, and 3. Enjoy the Corvettes!
Register your classic car, rod, truck or
motorcycle now at
<https://awkscht.com/registration/>.



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2025 Officers and Board Members

President	Jeff Dotterer
1st V. President	Tim Hinkle
2nd V. President	Michael Wolfe
Secretary	Susan Manwiller
Treasurer	Lester Manwiller
Chairperson	Barbara Koch
Directors	Elaine Baer
	Shirley Schaffer
	Nancy Horning
	Ray Huber

2025 Committee Chairpersons

Activities	Suzy McGovern
DAF	Bob Hobaugh
DAF Registration	Susan Manwiller
Membership	Phyllis Peters
Newsletter	Cheri Dotterer
Swap Meet	Lester Manwiller
Website	Michael Dotterer

Phyllis Peters | 5265 Elgen Dr, Emmaus, PA 18049
610-965-9236



2025 Church Tour - PA Dutch Gallery, Reading Museum

TV & Movie Trivia – Hershey Region

“Breaking Bad” On AMC, 2008–2013, stars Bryan Cranston as Walter White, an overqualified high school chemistry teacher who turns to a life of crime. What car did Walter drive?

- A. 1982 Chevy Monte Carlo
- B. 1988 Chrysler Fifth Avenue
- C. 2004 Pontiac Aztek

“The Rockford Files” On NBC, 1974–1980, Private Detective Jim Rockford drove a Pontiac Firebird, but sometimes borrowed Rocky’s truck (his father). What kind of truck did Rocky have?

- A. 1975 Dodge D100
- B. 1975 Ford F150
- C. 1975 GMC K-1500

Rockford Files - C
Break Bad - C

3 day tour Registraton Form: Route 6 in Wellsboro

Name _____

Passenger(s) Name(s) _____

Full Address _____

Registration deadline is August 15, 2025.

Check payable to Ontelaunee Region AACA

Cell Number _____

\$150.00 per member

Email Address _____

\$215.00 per non-member

Vehicle Make & Year _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Breakfast—Friday, September 12: order off the menu

Choose one entrée per person for each meal. Write their first name for each choice:

Lunch—Friday, September 12 (includes soft drink)

Beef Sandwich with Fries _____

Pulled Pork Sandwich with Fries _____

Cheeseburger with Fries _____

House Salad with Grilled Chicken _____

Dinner—Friday, September 12 (includes soft drink)

Caesar Salad _____

Pot Roast, House Salad, Mashed Potatoes _____

Pot Roast, House Salad, Rice _____

Spaghetti with Meatballs & Salad _____

Fettuccini Alfredo & Salad _____

3 day tour Registraton Form

Dinner—Friday, September 12 (includes soft drink) - continued

Fettuccini Alfredo with Chicken & Salad _____

Fettuccini Alfredo with Shrimp & Salad _____

Lunch—Saturday, September 13 (includes soft drink)

Ham & Cheese Six Inch Hoagie _____

Turkey & Cheese Six Inch Hoagie _____

Chef Salad _____

Dinner—Saturday, September 13 (includes soft drink)

Haddock Dinner _____

Eight Ounce Sirloin Dinner _____

Pork Chop Dinner _____

Chopped Steak Dinner _____

(V)egetable of the Day (T)ossed Salad (C)oleslaw (S)teak Fries (B)aked Potato

Choose Two Sides _____

Lunch—Sunday, September 14 (includes soft drink)

All American Burger with Fries _____

Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich with Fries _____

Grilled Chicken Sandwich with Fries _____

Reuben (pastrami) Sandwich with Fries _____

Cost Members including immediate family: \$15, 6-12 \$5, Under 6 Free

Tour Registration Forms

Non-Members: Actual cost of the event

Checks Payable to Ontelaunee AACA

Picnic Tour: July 19

Members' Names: _____

Non-Members' Names: (\$30) _____

Children 6-12: _____ Children under 6: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mail Form to: Neil Merkel 218 Robin Hill Rd. Lenhartsville, PA 19534

Dog Days Tour: August 24

DEADLINE: August 10, 2025

Members' Names: _____

Non-Members' Names: (\$30) _____

Children 6-12: _____ Children under 6: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please choose a meal. Sandwiches include choice of French Fries or Cole Slaw:
Call restaurant for children's menu.

Meal Choice	French Fries	Cole Slaw
Garden Salad with Grilled Chicken		
Steak Sandwich		
Cheeseburger with Lettuce & Tomato		
Fish Sandwich with Lettuce & Tomato		
Chicken, Bacon, Ranch Wrap		

Mail Form to: Mike Wolfe, 8204 Holbens Valley Rd.,
New Tripoli, PA 18066 |

Cheri Dotterer
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Hamburg, PA 19526

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TO :



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We are dedicated to the preservation, restoration and maintenance of antique cars, trucks and motorcycles.



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Antique Automobile Club of America

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