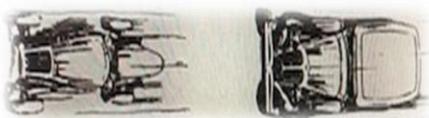


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Potato and Sausage Crockpot Meal

1 pound of sausage or kielbasa
1.5 pounds of yellow potatoes cut into 2-inch pieces
1 cup water
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1/2 T garlic
1/2 cup diced onion
Salt and pepper to taste
Add all ingredients to crockpot and cook on high 3-4 hours



Creamy Beef and Bowtie Pasta

1 lb ground beef
Salt and pepper, to taste
1/2 medium onion, diced
2 cloves garlic, minced
3 cups beef broth
1 cup heavy cream
2 cups bowtie pasta (farfalle)
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese (or cheese of choice)
1 tsp paprika (optional, for added flavor)

Cook Ground Beef: In a large skillet over medium heat, cook the ground beef with diced onion and minced garlic until beef is browned and onions are soft. Drain any excess fat. Season with salt, pepper, and paprika (if using). Add Broth and Pasta: Pour in beef broth and heavy cream, stirring to combine. Add bowtie pasta to the skillet and bring it to a simmer. Cook Pasta: Cover and cook for 10-12 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the pasta is al dente and most of the liquid is absorbed. Enjoy!



**The only time to eat diet food is while waiting
for the steak to cook and the pie to cool!**

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Articles in this newsletter may be reprinted.

President's Message



Well, here I am... back again! I'm just like a bad penny I keep turning up.

First off, I want to thank Scott Deno for stepping up and taking over the president's position in the last couple of terms and thanks to all the Board of Directors members, old and new, for stepping up and keeping our club running on all cylinders!

I'm starting this first presidents' message right after we got home from the After Holiday Party at Belly Busters restaurant. It was a wonderful time. We had such a great turnout and the food was excellent. The staff at the restaurant couldn't have been nicer or more helpful. We had a great time playing Grinch Gift Exchange and many extremely valuable prizes were awarded. Haha

If the temperature had been 20° warmer, I would have gotten Huck the Truck out of the garage and brought him to the party, but Jackie was already complaining about freezing to death.!

In more serious business we will be holding the first board meeting of the year next week and setting up our calendar for the year. Hopefully we can find a way to have a second show this year. When the new schedule comes out in the Vapor Locks, please mark the dates on your calendar and make it a point to attend as many events as you possibly can. Our club has such a wonderful assortment of people and meeting and getting to know them is a treat and sometimes a surprise! We sat with Tom Orr at the party and found out that his grandfather and my grandfather were friends and business associates 60+ years ago. We found this out while discussing the joys of driving "3 on the tree"!

Ken Claar has agreed to join the board of the Allegheny Region I'd like to see us show our gratitude by supporting the Keystone Chapter Truck Show on July 25th in East Freedom! I hope to join the truck guys at their National in Macungie Pa. on June 19 & 20. I think the 2 clubs can help each other out.

Thanks to all for allowing me to help guide the club for the next couple of years.

I have gotten the '46 Lincoln from Pete Searer and the 1911 Maxwell from Larrie Derman so there will be many new stories and adventures to come plus many totally undeserved complaints from Jackie!

Bill "I'm Baaaack" Forsht

Calendar of Events

March 18 Cook's Nite - Olde New York, St. College Scott 814-571-9790
March 19-21 Keystone Nat'l Indoor Truck & Tractor Pull (Harrisburg, PA)
March 22 Blair County Auto Club indoor swap meet 8a.m-2pm at Stuckey Auto Collision Center, Duncansville, PA
May 20 Cook's Nite, Paesano's, Alexandria- Gladys 814-667-3796
May 24 Set up for Memorial Day Show 6:00pm
May 25 Memorial Day Show in Boalsburg, Ernie Romanini
May 29-31 Nittany Antique Machinery show, Penn's Cave, Centre, Hall www.nittanyantique.org
June 17 Cook's Nite Belly Busters, Altoona Bill Forsht 814-931-7045
June 19-20 46th ATCA annual National meet, Macungie, PA
June 28 Forsht Picnic. Arrive after 12:00 Eat at 2:00
June 28 Board Meeting after Forsht Picnic
July 15 Cook's Nite, Traditions, Martinsburg, 5:00 (**note time 5:00**) contact Loy and Betty Blattenberger .814-793-2756
July 18 Swigart/Region Show, Huntingdon
July 25 Keystone and Allegheny Mountain Region Truck/Car Show
Aug. 1 Raystown Car Show, 1PM-4PM Hosted by Lake Raystown Resort Lodge & Conference Center.
Aug. 19 Cook's Nite Quaker Steak & Lube, St. College, Scott 814-238-4031
Aug. 29 Mifflinburg Tour contact Scott Deno 814-571-9790
Sept. 16 Cook's Nite, Kelly's-, Huntingdon, Jackie Forsht 814-312-5287
Sept. 19 Keystone Chapter Fall Truck Show and Festival
Oct. 20 Cook's Nite Spruce Creek Tavern NOTE DAY CHANGE
Nov. 1 Fall Dinner and annual meeting, Marzonies, Greenwood Paula – 814-215-5949

Additional events, corrections and updates will be included in future issues of Vapor Locks

Additional Carlisle events listed on www.carlisleevents.com



Board of Directors Meeting

January 24, 2026

Swigart Museum Office

Gladys

A planning meeting for AMR was held on January 24 in Huntingdon. Secretary Pat Swigart is having computer issues so the minutes for the meeting will be in the next issue of VL. New technology is great when it works!!



No worries, Pat!!

Congratulations!!!!

Winners at the Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA
October 7-10, 2025

Don Barlup—Repeat Driver Participation 1914 Pullman
Ernie Romanini—First Preservation 1981 Pontiac

THE EDITOR'S DESK



Hi Everyone,

President Forsht has returned and Jackie is our first lady, and I am still your Editor.

There is a lot to include in the first issue of VL 2026. Hopefully I don't miss anything, but if I do, I will catch up in the next issue.

Mother Nature blessed us with quite a snowfall. Hopefully everyone is tunneled out and safe. I wanted to make a snowman but of course the snow was not snow making quality. Oh well maybe next time.

As stated in Scott Deno's message sent to everyone "Opportunity knocked at the planning meeting on January 24, 2026 for activities in the Region. Ideas, comments etc., were discussed and plans, places and dates were selected. Check out the ("Calendar of events".) Updates will be included in future issue of VL. It is not too early to save the date before your calendar is filled.

Spring is to begin March 20 so let's start counting down the days until we can get out and enjoy the "Old Cars".

We hope in 2026 you will be able to find the time on your busy schedule to come and enjoy the day and.... be on the Region's team.

See you on the road!

Gladys

1951 Dress

This is what a lady may wear in 1951 to be in Style. The beautiful lady may be dressed to go out!



National Events

May 28-30—Eastern Spring Nationals—Indiana, PA
June 14-19—Sentimental Tour—Mechanicsburg, PA
August 19-22 Annual Grand Nationals—Allentown, PA
September 20-26 AAA Glidden Tour—Dover, Delaware
October 6-9—Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey PA

Other dates are listed in your AACA Magazine



Cook's Nite 2026

Schedule

March 18	Ole New York, State College, - Scott 814-238-4031
April 15	Cooks Nite Marzoni's – Duncansville contact Paula
May 20	Paesano's, Alexandria, PA - Gladys 814-667-3796
June 17	Belly Busters Altoona, PA Jackie Forsht 814-931-7045
July 15	Traditions 5:00 and dessert at the Blattenberger's contact Loy and Betty, 814-793-2756 NOTE TIME 5:00
August 19	Quaker Steak & Lube, State College, Scott 814-238-4031
Sept. 16	Kelly's Corner - Jackie Forsht 814-931-7045
October 20	Spruce Creek Tavern, Spruce Creek. NOTE DAY CHANGE, Tuesday

Updates will be in another issue of VL

How did we manage to live?

WE HAD:

A little house with three bedrooms and one car on the street.

A mower that you had to push to make the grass look neat.

In the kitchen on the wall, we only had one phone,
And no need for recording things, someone was always home
We only had a living room where we would congregate,
Unless it was at mealtime in the kitchen where we ate.

We had no need for family rooms or extra rooms to dine,
When meeting as a family those two rooms would work out fine.

We only had one TV set, and maybe two channels,
But always there was one of them with something worth the view.

For snacks we had potato chips that tasted like a chip,
And if you wanted flavor there was Lipton's onion dip.

Store-bought snacks were rare because my mother liked to cook,
And nothing can compare to snacks in Betty Crocker's book

Weekends were for family trips or staying home to play,
We all did things together -- even went to church to pray.

When we did our weekend trips depending on the weather,
No one stayed at home because we liked to be together.

Sometimes we would separate to do things on our own,
But we knew where the others were without our own cell phone.

Then there were the movies with your favorite movie star,
And nothing can compare to watching movies in your car.

Then there were picnics at the peak of summer season,
Pack a lunch and find some trees and never need a reason.

Get a baseball game together with all the friends you know,
Have real action playing ball -- and no game video.

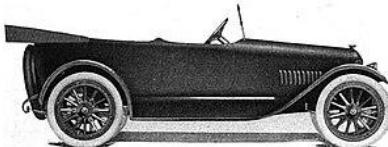
Remember when the doctor used to be a family friend,
And didn't need insurance or a lawyer to defend?

PART 2 will be in the next issue of VL

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Wikipedia

Here is another Car I never heard of. Have you?



A 1917 Kline Kar Touring

The Kline Kar was an American automobile built first in York, PA, (1910–1912), and then in Richmond, Virginia, (1912–1923). The car was often just referred to as a Kline.

James Allen Kline (1874–1944) moved to York to work on a car that at the time was known as the York, but soon became the Pullman. After leaving that company, he partnered with another former employee, Samuel E. Baily, and with Joseph C. Carrell formed **B.C.K. Motor Company**. This new firm produced the **Kline Kar** starting in 1910, in the building owned by Baily for his carriage company.^[1]

The new 6-cylinder cars were entered in auto races. There were two dirt track race cars called "Jimmy" and "Jimmy, Jr." after the chief designer and his son. These race cars brought the company nationwide attention.^[1]

Richmond, Virginia businessmen noted how well the **Kline** was selling in their state and moved it to Virginia. In Richmond, they reorganized as the **Kline Motor Car Corporation** and built a new factory in which to produce the car. This factory was located on the Boulevard, (2910 Arthur Ashe Blvd.). From November 1912, Klines were produced in Richmond, except for the engines brought in from Bath, New York, where the Kirkham Machine Company built them to Kline's design.^[1]

The Kline Model 6-50 runabout, which cost \$2,585, was advertised as "one of the classiest roadsters brought out for several seasons... for a physician or a young man of fastidious taste."^[1]

In 1915, the firm was in receivership, but it survived and two years later was making 1,399 cars in a single year. The Post–World War I recession again weakened the company. The Kline became an assembled car.

From 1920 all Klines came with a 3672cc Continental engine increasing to a 3959cc unit in 1923. Prices at that time ranged from \$1,865 to \$2,790. The company closed in early 1924

1951 Grocery prices

courtesy of the Morris County Public Library in Whippany, NJ.

I bet everyone's' Grandparents can remember these prices from 1951.
Will they make a comeback 75 years later?

1. Apples (McIntosh): Four pounds for 35 cents
2. Bacon (Sunnyfield, sliced): 55 cents for a one-pound package
3. Beef (ground): 65 cents a pound
4. Beef (rib roast): 89 cents a pound
5. Bread (Jane Parker, rye): 18 cents for a 16-ounce loaf
6. Candy (Nestle's, semi-sweet morsels): 22 cents for a six-oz. package
7. Candy (Whitman's Sampler): \$2.00 for a one-pound box
8. Cheese (Philadelphia, cream): 41 cents for an eight-ounce package
9. Chicken legs: 65 cents a pound
10. Chocolate syrup (Hershey's): 45 cents for a 48-ounce tin
11. Crackers (Keebler Town House): 21 cents for an eight-ounce box
12. Eggs: 24 cents a dozen
13. Grapefruit (Florida): Three for 19 cents
14. Ham (smoked shank): 39 cents a pound
15. Ketchup (Del Monte): 20 cents for a 14-ounce bottle
16. Juice (Minute Maid): 33 cents for six two-ounce cans
17. Margarine (Al sweet): 32 cents for a one-pound package
18. Oil (Mazola): 61 cents for a quart bottle
19. Pineapple (Del Monte, sliced): 36 cents for a 30-ounce can
20. Potatoes: \$1.99 for 48 pounds
21. Potatoes: Five cents a pound
22. Raisins (A&P, seedless): 17 cents for a 15-ounce package
23. Rice (Carolina): 17 cents for a one-pound box
24. Soda (Canada Dry, ginger ale): 39 cents for two two-liter bottles
25. SPAM (Armour): 48 cents for a 12-ounce can
26. Tea: 45 cents for a 48-count box

EVERYONE IS
POSTING THEIR
VACATION
PICTURES AND
I'M LIKE...
I WENT TO THE
GROCERY STORE.

75th Anniversary

**The Antique Auto Club of America (AACa)
celebrated 75 years in 2010 in Louisville, Kentucky.**

**Now in 2026 Allegheny Mountain Region will
CELEBRATE 75 YEARS.**

Our Founder



On a cold wintery evening, February 2, 1951, William E. Swigart, Jr. and 47 additional Antique car enthusiasts anxiously arrived at the Bedford Springs Hotel in Bedford, PA. The goal they had in mind was to discuss the idea of an antique car club that would be part of AACa.

Under the direction of founder William E. Swigart, Jr., this group united and formed the Allegheny Mountain Region, AACa. At the beginning of the meeting there were fourteen members of AACa and by the end of the meeting twenty-eight new members had filed applications.

William E. Swigart, Jr.

The enthusiasm and interest in those attending to establish a region was overwhelming. A petition was drafted signed for submission to the directors of the Antique Automobile Club of America for an area with a radius of approximately 100 miles from Bedford.

Officers were elected before the end of the evening and thus were the beginnings of an antique car club. The Allegheny Mountain Region, AACa. Shortly after the car club received a charter. IT WAS OFFICIAL!!

Can you imagine it ever crossing the minds of anyone attending at the 1951 meeting, that the Allegheny Mountain Region would still be active and celebrating 75 years February 2, 2026. Possibly not but here we are.

75th Anniversary p.2

During the past 75 years many have been instrumental to the success of this magnificent club. The leadership role has been held by 38 unique Presidents, numerous board members, officers and volunteers.

Bill Forsht, our President will guide the Region in 2026 our 75th year.

The Region has been very blessed to have many dedicated members willing to work together to enhance the antique car hobby.

We are very proud of our achievements throughout the years. Times have steadily changed during the past 75 years, and our Region continues to advance with them.

As we celebrate our 75th year, 2026, our Region continues to promote the hobby that we all love. Members can take great pride in being part of the hobby that gives so much pleasure.

A 1951 dream of having an antique car club that spanned the Allegheny Mountains became a reality. It was the dedication, hard work, and love of antique cars that created a Region with a purpose.

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As we celebrate our 75th year, 2026, our Region will continue to promote the hobby that we all love.



Top Cars in 1951

In 1951, the top three American car manufacturers—collectively known as the "Big Three"—dominated the market, comprising General Motors (GM), Ford Motor Company, and Chrysler Corporation. Chevrolet (GM) was the top-selling brand, followed by Ford, while Plymouth (Chrysler) held the third-place position, commanding most of the post-WWII, early-50s market.

- **1. General Motors (GM):** Leading with brands like Chevrolet, Buick, Oldsmobile, and Cadillac, GM was the dominant manufacturer, with Chevrolet frequently taking the top sales spot. 2,400,757.
- **2. Ford Motor Company:** Following a strong post-war recovery (particularly with 1949–1951 "shoebox" models), Ford was the second-largest producer. 1,356,342.
- **3. Chrysler Corporation:** As the third-largest, Chrysler maintained a strong, conservative market share with Plymouth, Dodge, and DeSoto, often holding a high-volume, mid-price, and lower-price presence. 1,170,613.

These manufacturers controlled over 90% of the market later in the decade.



Car Slogan for 1951



Gettin' Out in Front of AACA Events, to Help...Rev 'em Up!

By Steve Rossi VP Event Planning

"Since 1935, AACA has had one goal: The preservation and enjoyment of automotive history of all types. From National Meets and Tours to Regional events." So begins our official Antique Automobile Club of America mission statement. AACA activities are the glue that binds our organization together. And as time marches on, the challenges to execute them continue to accelerate

You may have noticed that just after we completed February 8-10, 2024, Annual Convention & National Awards Banquet in Chantilly, Virginia, promotion began for February 6-8, 2025, Charlotte-Concord, North Carolina Convention. In other words, a year in advance.

The campaign began in the May/June issue of Antique Automobile magazine. The 2025 Convention has also been consistently promoted in our online Speedster publication, as well. and we've been moving the message ever since. There'll be posters in and around Hershey and more material to follow within AACA mailings, etc.

Meanwhile, we've also been leveraging our digital and social channels and added a first-ever "Convention" tab to the website. Obviously, publicity is important. But even more so, it's a-d-v-a -n-c-e-d publicity that can really help turn the tide. That's because forceful and effective communication relies on garnering a conscious and sustained share of mind. Which picks up from where mere awareness leaves off.

A continuous and regimented effort will cut through the clutter that everyone is bombarded with nowadays. Ensuring that your event remains in front and center on members, radar screens will help turn prospects into participants. And it will help further attract the public.

Event Committees should, in fact, include a dedicated position for publicity and promotion. After all, if there's a Chief Judge...there should certainly be a Chief Marketeer!

Please get out in front of our AACA events...to help rev 'em up



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SPRING DINNER

April 15, 2026

“The Dream” Hollidaysburg

I am sure after this cold weather everyone will be looking forward to warmer weather and the club's Spring Diner.

The dinner location will be The Dream in Hollidaysburg.

Amber/Paula are working on the details which will be included in the March/April issue of Vapor Locks.

It is not too early to mark your calendar!!

Allegheny Mountain Region, AACA

Memorial Day Car Show

Pennsylvania Military Museum Boalsburg, PA

May 26, 2026

Registration opens at 9:00 and closes at 12:30

Donation for attendance \$10.00 per car

Dash Plaques to the first 150 vehicles

Art, Crafts etc. in the Village. Food and socializing at the show

NO JUDGING!!!!

Drawing for gift cards and other donations at 3:00

Must be present to win!

Complete information will be in the Mar./Apr. VL

SAVE THE DATE!

Keystone Truckers Show

Antique Car and Tractors

Keystone Nationals Indoor Truck & Tractor Pull (Harrisburg, PA, March 19-21) and the [Keystone Truck Nationals](#)

23RD KEYSTONE CHAPTER ATCA TRUCK, ANTIQUE CAR, TRACTOR, AND MACHINERY SHOW

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SAVE THE DATE

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(leave message if no answer)



Just For Laughs



I have the most loving wife. Last night I woke up while she was holding a pillow tightly over my face to protect me from Covid-19.

You know you are getting old when the recliner and the heating pad are your idea of a hot date.

You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and try to get up.

Home schooling update: My child just said I hope I don't have the same teacher next year.

I was in Walmart using the restroom and just as I closed the stall door, a voice from the next stall said, "Are you alright. "Embarrassed...I said, I'm alright!!!" The voice then said, 'So what are you up to?" I said, "Ummmm...just trying to handle a little private business over here!" Then I hear "Can I come over?" Annoyed., I said "Excuse me??!?" Then the voice said, "Listen, I have to call you back, there's an idiot in the next stall answering all my questions!!!"

CLASSIFIED from Scott Deno

I laughed when I read this adv in HCCA Gazette magazine, yes, it is for real:

"Cars Wanted"-

Basket case brass era auto project - My wife wants me out of the house and busy. Do you have a Brass Era project car for sale?"



LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 2010



Allegheny Mountain Region was represented at the **75th Anniversary of AACA**.

The trip to the 75th Anniversary Celebration began Monday morning, June 28 or Tuesday morning June 29 depending on your traveling speed. The trip was 500 – 600 miles depending on where you

were located. Pat Swigart, Scott & Ellen Deno and Bill & Gladys Guyer traveled together and left Altoona at 9:10 a.m. on Monday. Harry & Gail Whitman and Ernie & Susan Romanini left at 6:00 a.m. and were the first to arrive at the hotel in Virginia where we were staying the night. Sandy Ritchie & Bill Clement and Dave & Victory Kontor also left on Monday. I am uncertain when others from the region left home, but everyone arrived safely in Louisville. Other travelers were Nick & Della Sabatino, Dan & Sue Faretta. Others making the trip were Jeff, Evelyn and Bud Price; Ralph and Gladys Kepner; Ed Schenck and his son; John and Marge McClure. (I apologize if I missed anyone). Everyone had a great time!

Tuesday morning, we were all off for the second part of our trip. Everything was going smoothly until Scott, who was leading, noticed an antique car pulled off the road. We couldn't let a fellow antique car enthusiast on the side of the road. We all pulled over so the guys could lend assistance with a flat tire and when the guy was ready to leave the car had vapor locked. Before long the car started, we waved goodbye and were on the road again. We reached the Crown Plaza got settled into our rooms and it was time for dinner. We enjoyed dinner, renewed old acquaintances and made new friends.

Wednesday was registration at 8:00 where we received tour information including tickets, commemorative 75th license plate etc. We then had free time to enjoy. In the hospitality room, cold drinks were available, shops at various booths and just enjoyed the day.

The Kyana Region had a variety of self-guided tours to follow or do anything you wanted to do. Tours included:

Historic Bardstown

Bluegrass Tour – Lexington, KY featuring the Kentucky Horse Park
French Lick, Indiana – West Baden Springs Hotel/Casino
Elizabethtown, KY - General George Patton Museum - Swope Car Museum - Churchill Downs - Kentucky Derby Museum - Louisville Slugger Museum - Schimpff's Confectionary & Candy Museum – Schmidt Coca Cola Museum

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Wednesday evening's special event was the Old Car Parade and Ice Cream Social. There was a lot of socializing, car gazing and a lot of ice cream eating.

Thursday evening the special event was dinner and a riverboat cruise on the Belle of Louisville. The Belle is the oldest operating river steamboat in existence today. We sat on the top deck and had a great view. Some of the guys checked out the engine area.

Friday evening's special event was the 75th Anniversary Banquet and the "Bandits, Guns, and Automobiles" presentation by Jeff Mahl at the expo center. This was wonderful!! Scott and Ellen Deno, Pat Swigart along with Gladys Guyer were among others dressed in period clothing for the evening. Many compliments were received for the era clothing.

Saturday was the BIG car show at the Expo center. There were many vehicles to admire and a flea market. Congratulations to members of Allegheny Mountain Region for their awards!

REGION AACA WINNERS were:

- Jeff F. Price, Reedsville, won Repeat Preservation, 1917 Harley Davidson
- Scott Deno, State College, won First Preservation, 1918 Cadillac
- Dave Kontor, Latrobe, won Second Junior, 1967 Chevrolet
- Sandy Ritchie, Sunbury, won Third Junior, 1967 Mercury
- Ralph Kepner, Port Royal, won First Preservation 1977 Buick Riveria

Congratulations!!!!!!

Saturday evening, we joined together, had dinner and socialized until we returned to our rooms and prepared for our return trip on Sunday.

The hospitality room was a hot spot for shopping, especially for the ladies who were purchasing hats. Scott Deno had his car trailer loaded not only with his 1918 Cadillac, but with the ladies' hat boxes.

Members of Allegheny Mountain who attended the 75th Anniversary Celebration were: Pat Swigart; Sandy Ritchie with friend Bill Clements; Harry and Gail Whitman; Ernie and Susan Romanini; Scott and Ellen Deno; Dave and Victory Kontor; Dan and Sue Faretta; Nick and Della Sabatino; Jeff, Evelyn and Bud Price; Ralph and Gladys Kepner; Ed Schenck and his son; John and Marge McClure; as well as Bill and Gladys Guyer. Everyone had a great time!

Christmas Party

Gladys Guyer

On January 18, 2026, the Region held an after Christmas Party at Belly Busters in Altoona. This was a new venue for the Region.

Bill and Jackie Forst did an outstanding job arranging the dinner. They greeted everyone as they arrived and made everyone feel welcome.

Members began to arrive about 1:30 to begin the afternoon. Everyone greeted each other and took seats and socialized until 2:00 when our buffet was ready. Loy Blattenberger gave the innovation. The line formed for our meal. Our buffet included salad, vegetable medley, roasted potatoes, chicken, and roast beef. Drinks of choice were served, and baskets of rolls were on our tables.

Everyone came away from the buffet line with a plate that had no extra room. Everything was delicious. And then Bill Forst treated everyone to chocolate cake with peanut butter frosting.

Jackie organized a game called Grinch gift exchange with many gifts. It was a fun game that everyone enjoyed. Good game Jackie.

When the game was over and our coffee cups were empty it was time to say goodbye.

A BIG thank you, Bill and Jackie, for everything you did for the afternoon.

