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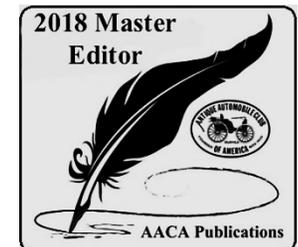
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# President's Message



Well a big buck up on top of Cresson Mountain is running thru the woods with the Mercedes emblem off my van hanging on his antlers! Actually, he might not be running any more considering how much damage he did. Good thing we decided to stay in Pa. this winter. I will spend the next month repairing the damage he did. That should keep me busy. If I happen to get that done and need another project, I have that 78 Ranchero sitting here staring at me!

I thought I had a great deal worked out to trade that Fiero in the Ferrari outfit for a Duece and a half truck. Then suddenly the guy I was dealing with just disappeared on me. I was really looking forward to driving that big camo truck to the Boalsburg show. Oh well, deals come and go. Who knows what we might trade it on in the spring? We did some transports for Centre Wildlife Rehab recently. One was an endangered short eared owl. He was hit by a car...NOT MY VAN! lol I will probably have to scrub my van out before I take the dog anywhere. We just found out our English setter is allergic to FEATHERS! He is a bird dog. Life is confusing.



Looks like I will be doing some traveling this winter even if we don't head to Florida. I am heading to St. Louis in January for a death investigation class and then in Feb. Scott Deno and I are going to Philadelphia for the AACA National Meeting. Oh boy, St Louis and Philly instead of Key West!

Ed Hinkle got us set up to have the after holiday party at Toftrees in State College on January 12. It should be a great spot for us. We will be meeting at noon and eating at 1:00. We will have the planning meeting after dinner. A big THANKS to Ed for getting us a new and nice place for our banquet!

We had a nice turn out at Jethros for the last Cooks Night Out of the year. Thanks to all of you for making them such great evenings. We will try to find some new and different places for next year!

If you need entertainment around Christmas stop and see the garden train we are setting up in the front yard. I am still getting the electric run to the "village" Jackie is building. She is really getting into it. She has a diorama of a mountain with a plane wreck on it and wolves howling over the half buried

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body of the pilot... I think she needs another hobby! She and Paula got elected to the board so maybe that will help keep her busy.

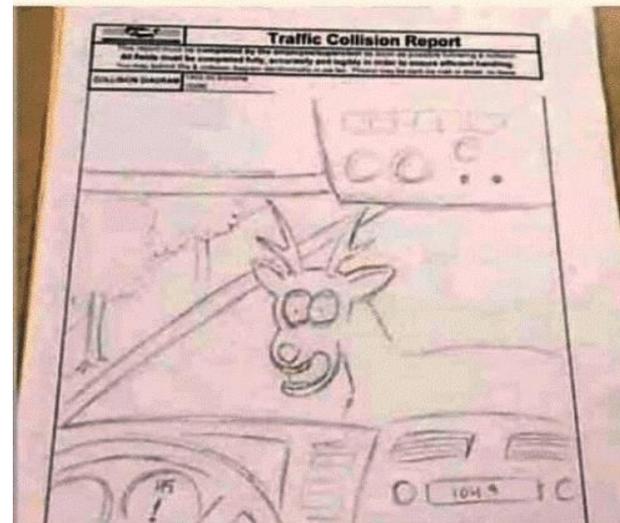
As a last note here, I would like to thank the club for awarding me the Member of the Year award. I am really touched by that. This is a great club full of wonderful and active members. I appreciate being singled out.

The old cars are mostly put to bed for the winter. Be thinking of the great places we can take them in the Spring. Drive the back roads in your dreams.

Bill (freezing my butt off in Pa.) Forsht

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She decided to write him a letter saying she was tired of him and didn't want to live with him anymore. She knew it was petty and perhaps childish, but she needed to know how her husband felt. And besides this was more of a prank than a real test, right?

After writing the letter, she put it on the table in the bedroom and then climbed under the bed to hide until her husband got home. She hoped to hear his outraged response, or to see him get upset.

When the husband eventually came back home, he saw the letter on the table and read it.

After a few moments of silence, he picked up the pen and added something to the letter. Then he started to get changed, whistling happy tunes and singing and dancing while he did so. He seemed overjoyed, rather than crushed and heartbroken.

The woman was shocked and incredibility hurt. But things only got worse.

The husband grabbed his phone and dialed a number. His wife listened from under the bed as he starting chatting to someone.

"Hey babe," said the husband into the phone "I'm just getting changed now, I'll join you in a bit. As for the other fool, it finally dawned on her that I was cheating on her and she left. I was really wrong to have married her; I wish you and I had met earlier. See you soon, Honey!"

Then he hung up and walked out of the room. After some time, the wife heard the front door open and close - her husband was gone. In tears and very upset, she climbed out from under the bed and stumbled over to read what her unfaithful husband had written on the end of her letter.

Through teary eyes, she read: I could see your feet under the under the bed you idiot, I'm going out to buy bread



**Matt Hinson**  
**Rummage Box Editor**



Welcome to my 15th issue as Editor of the *Rummage Box*.

I still have my 1938 Buick Century project in the garage, but have to admit that it has been sitting basically untouched for months. It will hopefully be getting back on track soon. I have been waiting on an appointment for an experienced metal repair guy to do some door skin repair and rocker panel repair. I

am happy that I am scheduled to drop the car off with him in the near future. As soon as the metal repair and paint is done, I expect to see the project coming to a conclusion fairly quickly.

I am enjoying the slightly cooler weather here in Southeastern North Carolina. It seemed that summer did not want to end here this year. Now that the temperatures are a bit more Fall like, I am driving my 1937 Buick Century more often. I don't seem to like cooking very much so we go out to lunch and dinner probably more often than we should. It does give me a chance to enjoy driving my 1937 Buick and engaging in conversations with others about the car, the hobby, and AACA on a regular basis. Whenever I park the Buick, people seem to be naturally attracted to it and want to talk. I typically get approached with questions about the car at almost every stop.



One of my more unusual local trips with my 1937 Buick to pick up a Christmas Tree a few years ago.

## AMR Annual Meeting

Thirty one members of the Allegheny Mountain Region AACA were in attendance at the Fall Dinner and Annual Meeting held on Sunday, October 27 at the Standing Stone Golf Club in Huntingdon.

Following a delicious Turkey and Ham Dinner President Forsht called the meeting to order at 4:28 P.M.

There was discussion about some of the recent tours that were planned by members of the region. The attending members always have a good time even with just a few cars. It was suggested that more members consider taking part in these events.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Chairman Randy Clemens. The members elected to the three year term are Jeff Boring, Jackie Forsht, Paula Clemens and Pat Swigart. As Pete and Cathy Searer chose not to run for another term President Bill thanked them for their past service.

The last Cook's Nite Out for 2019 will be held at Jethro's in Altoona on November 20. Those interested in attending should contact Jackie Forsht. We will start these very well attended dinners again in the Spring.

Ed Hinkle volunteered to chair the After Christmas Party. He will check for places to have this dinner and a date will be set.

The next board meeting will be held on Sunday, January 12 at River Billy's Restaurant in Huntingdon. This will be open to any interested persons and will begin our scheduling for 2020. If you have any suggestions for tours, dinners, or other events, please attend this meeting or let any board member know.

The Member of the Year Award was given to President William Forsht. Congratulations, Bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia B. Swigart, Secretary

# 2020 Calendar of Events

January 12	After Christmas Party, Tofrees, State College
January 18-20	Auto Mania, Indoor Swap Meet, Allentown Fairgrounds, Allentown, PA
February 6-8	AACA national Meeting, Philadelphia, PA
April 24-28	Spring Carlisle
May30-June 1	AACA Grand Nationals Auburn, IN
June 26-29	Eastern Spring National-NJ Region-Parsippany NJ
August 7-8	Swigart Museum Meet
September 22-27	Glidden Tour Hornet's Nest Region - Charlotte, NC
September	Delgrosso Show
October 2-6	Fall Carkuske Fkea Market, Carlisle, PA
October 9-12	Hershey

Additional events will be posted as information is available.



## Trivia

1. What car was reportedly designed on the back of a Northwest Airlines air sickness bag and released on April Fool's Day, 1970?
2. What was the first car to use power operated seats?
3. What automaker's first logo incorporated the Star of David?
4. What did the Olds designation 4-4-2 stand for?
5. What autos were the first to use a standardized production key-start system?

Answers elsewhere in Vapor Locks

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# THE EDITOR'S DESK

Well another year is just about gone and we have had a smooth ride in 2019 Club doors are closing for 2019 but new ones will be opening for 2020. Why not give us your new ideas and input to help us plan activities for the year.

This is the last issue of Vapor Locks for the year. I hope you have enjoyed reading each issue. I would like to say a special THANK YOU to everyone who had given me articles, pictures etc. to print for the club.

I hope all of you were able to attend some events this year. Bill and I had a super time at all of them. I am day dreaming of touring already. Is it too soon? I'm not sure but I am thinking about it anyway.

Don't forget the after Christmas Party on January 12 at Toftrees in State College. It will be a great event.

Have a great Holiday and make lasting memories with your family and friends!

I'll meet you in the next issue with plans for the road.

Gladys

## *Remember our troops*



*this holiday season!*

# 2019 Glidden Tour

**September 22-27, 2019**

Scott Deno

The 2019 Glidden Tour took place in Rock Hill, SC and was hosted by the Hornets Nest Region of the AACA. Our region was well represented by Don Barlup (his 15<sup>th</sup>), Scott & Ellen Deno (their 20<sup>th</sup>), Dave Kontor, Pat Swigart (her 30<sup>th</sup>), Nick & Della Sabatino, Dan & Susie Faretta, Emery & Shelah Turner (their 29<sup>th</sup>!). The 74th Glidden Tour started with an opening dinner on Sunday evening. I was pleasingly struck by the number of people we knew. It was old home week from various past tours which made this a special tour from the beginning.



**Brattonville lineup**

Monday was Historic Brattonville. This was an 800 acre plantation which gave the participants some insight into life in the 1750s to 1850s. We then drove through the cotton fields to visit the Museum of Western York County and learned some of the history of the region.

Tuesday we drove to the Kings Mountain National Park. There are many people who feel this was the site of the turning point in the American Revolution on October 7, 1780. A small band of American patriots defeated a strong force of British regulars and turned the tide of the conflict. We then stopped for lunch at a preserved textile mill called the Laboratory Mill. It was originally built to process drugs and gunpowder. We completed the day at the White House in Rock Hill. This is a well preserved historical site which is now used for special events. Our car display drew a pretty decent crowd.

Wednesday was a drive through the local countryside with a drive through Metrolina Greenhouses. This is one of their locations that provide wholesale plants and produce throughout the southeastern United States. We then drove over to the Clover High School. Many of the students came out to take detailed notes of a number of our vehicles and their choir also provided a performance in their auditorium. In addition to being model students (really!), these students put on an amazing concert.

# 2019 Glidden Tour page 2

Scott Deno

They really instilled hope in the future. Our lunch stop was at the Garden Café and Marketplace.

Thursday we drove over to the Olde English district and had a chance to enjoy the Landsford Canal State Park. Our lunch was at the Gateway Conference Center followed by a police escort into Chester, SC.

Friday was our closing day with a tour of the Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens. This was followed up with a stop at the Museum of York County which covers the natural history of the area. At our closing dinner, Pat Swigart, once again, did an admirable job as the Dean of Freshmen. Don Barlup was recognized for his 15th Glidden.



## COOK'S NITE OUT

Gladys Guyer

The last Cook's Nite Out for 2019 was held at Jethro's in Altoona with a great attendance.

Since the weather is unpredictable in the winter we will pick up Cook's Nite in the Spring.

Information will be included in Vapor Locks as soon as it is available.

## COOK'S CORNER

Gladys Guyer

### Sausage Crescent Cheese Balls

1 lb spicy or regular unstuffed sausage  
2 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese  
1 8oz. can refrigerated crescent rolls  
2 T. flour

Heat oven to 375 °. Line a 15x10x1 - inch pan with foil and spray with cooking spray.

In a large bowl, mix well sausage and cheese set aside. Unroll crescent dough on work surface. Coat each side of dough with 1 T flour. Using pizza cutter or knife, cut dough into 1/4 inch pieces. Mix crescent dough pieces into sausage mixture in small amount until well blended.

Shape mixture into 42 (1 1/4 inch) balls. Place in pan. Bake 15 to 17 minutes or until golden brown

### Monte Cristo Breakfast Casserole

Butter, for greasing pan	1 lb. deli ham
16 slices of white sandwich bread	6 large eggs
2 c. shredded Swiss cheese	2/3 c. milk
1/2 tsp. black pepper	1 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg	
Powdered sugar, for sprinkling	

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Grease a large, deep baking dish with butter. Lay 6-8 slices of bread in an even layer in the bottom of the pan. Fold ham slices in half and place on top of the bread. Sprinkle about two-thirds of the cheese over the ham then top with more bread slices.

In a large bowl, whisk together egg, milk, salt, pepper and nutmeg. Pour mixture evenly over the bread slices. If you have time, cover the casserole and let it sit in the fridge for 30 minutes. Otherwise, top with remaining cheese and transfer immediately to oven to bake until the cheese is bubbly and the top is golden, about 35 minutes.

Sift powdered sugar over the casserole. Serve warm with preserves.



## Fall Dinner /Annual Meeting Saturday, October 27, 2019



The Region held our annual Fall Dinner on Saturday, October 27 at the Standing Stone Golf Club.

A social hour began at 2:00 with appetizers prepared by Pat Swigart and Gladys Guyer. At 3:00 President Forsht welcomed about 30 members to the event. The blessing was said and our Ham/Turkey meal as well as dessert was on the buffet table waiting on us.

When the meal was over President Forsht called a brief annual meeting to order. (See meeting minutes elsewhere in VL) Several items were discussed including the after Christmas Party. Ed Hinkle volunteered to check on a few places in State College.

Jeff Boring, Jackie Forsht, Paula Clemens and Pat Swigart will serve as Board members for the 2020-2021-2022 term.

Votes were counted for Allegheny Mountain Region's person of the year. The award went to a very deserving person, our leader President Bill Forsht. Congratulations Bill!

Randy and Paula Clemens were good sports receiving gifts to help take care of their new grandson. Paula only needed the essential diapers so most of the help went to Randy. Randy received goggles, face mask, paper gown and several other items to be "baby ready".

We said our goodbyes and headed home.



## NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Board Members for the term 2020-2021-2022 Paula Clemens, Pat Swigart and Jackie Forsht posing with President Forsht. Missing Board member Jeff Boring

### ◆ PLANNING MEETING ◆

Board/Membership Meeting has been schedule for January 12, 2020. It will be held at Toftrees in State College at the conclusion of the After Christmas Party.

This is the first planning meeting of the year so everyone is invited to participate with comments and ideas for 2020.

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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS!

**Have you renewed your National Membership?**

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Region Membership?**

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Secretary Pat Swigart reports that membership renewals are coming in but there are still some that have not renewed. Your membership renewal will be \$10.00 if received by December 31. After December 31 the cost will be \$15.00

Please include all information that is requested. This helps keep all mailing addresses, e-mail and phone numbers current.

### Trivia Answers

- 1 - Gremlin, (AMC)
- 2 - 1947 Packard Line
- 3 - The Dodge Brothers
- 4 - 4 Barrel Carburetor, 4 speed transmission and dual exhaust.
- 5 - 1949 Chryslers

## Welcome To Allegheny Mountain Region New Member

**Richard Wissinger**

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Owens a 1939 Chevy Master Deluxe

Owens a 1950 Chevy Sedan

# After Christmas Party

**January 12, 2020**

**Event planner, Ed Hinkle**

Everyone is invited to the Region's after Christmas Party. The first event of the year is a great way for the Region to begin 2020. Join members on January 12, 2020 for an afternoon of pleasure.

Ed Hinkle is the man in charge! He has reserved Toftrees White Oak Room for the afternoon. Arrive at 12:00 and socialize until we have our meal at 1:00. The menu is superb. Below is what you have to look forward to. **YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS PARTY!**

## Soup & Salad Station

Garden Salad w/ mixed greens, vegie accompaniments, & assorted dressings  
Potato Salad                      Wild Mushroom Soup                      Artisan Rolls

## Buffet

Herb Roasted Turkey with gravy                      Mustard Glazed ham  
Traditional Stuffing                      Mashed Potatoes                      Chef's Vegetable

## Dessert Station

Traditional Favorites and Chef's chocolate selection

The Region is picking up part of the tab so pricing is below.

**Adult members \$20.00 each**

**Adult nonmember guests \$27.00 each**

**Children (age 5-8) \$10.00 each**

**Children (age 4 and under) FREE**

Questions contact Ed Hinkle at 814-577-3679 [or1931desoto@gmail.com](mailto:or1931desoto@gmail.com).

**In case of bad weather, the date will be rescheduled.**

Your reservation information is on the cover of Vapor Locks. Please understand Ed needs reservations by January 3, 2020.

Address: Toftrees, 1 Country Club Lane State College PA 16803

Directions from I-99 N toward US-220 N/Tyrone. Go for 38.0 mi. Take exit 71 toward Toftrees/Woodycrest. Go 0.3 mi. Turn left onto Waddle Rd. Go for 0.3 mi. Turn right onto Toftrees Ave. Go for 0.6 mi. Turn slightly left. Go for 0.3 mi. Arrive at your destination. **Total distance:** 41 miles

# JUST FOR THOUGHT

## The White Envelope

It all began because my husband Mike hated Christmas. Oh, not the true meaning of Christmas, but the commercial aspects of it – overspending and the frantic running around at the last minute to get a tie for Uncle Harry and the dusting powder for Grandma – the gifts given in desperation because you couldn't think of anything else.

It's just a small, white envelope stuck among the branches of our Christmas tree. No name, no identification, no inscription. It has peeked through the branches of our tree for the past ten years.

Knowing he felt this way, I decided one year to bypass the usual shirts, sweaters, ties and so forth. I reached for something special just for Mike. The inspiration came in an unusual way.

Our son Kevin, who was 12 that year, was on the wrestling team at the school he attended. Shortly before Christmas, there was a non-league match against a team sponsored by an inner-city church. These youngsters, dressed in sneakers so ragged that shoestrings seemed to be the only thing holding them together, presented a sharp contrast to our boys in their spiffy blue and gold uniforms and sparkling new wrestling shoes.

As the match began, I was alarmed to see that the other team was wrestling without headgear, a kind of light helmet designed to protect a wrestler's ears. It was a luxury the ragtag team obviously could not afford.

Well, we ended up walloping them. We took every weight class. Mike, seated beside me, shook his head sadly, "I wish just one of them could have won," he said. "They have a lot of potential, but losing like this could take the heart right out of them." Mike loved kids – all kids. He so enjoyed coaching little league football, baseball and lacrosse. That's when the idea for his present came.

That afternoon, I went to a local sporting goods store and bought an assortment of wrestling headgear and shoes, and sent them anonymously to the inner-city church. On Christmas Eve, I placed a small, white envelope on the tree, the note inside telling Mike what I had done, and that this was his gift from me.

Mike's smile was the brightest thing about Christmas that year. And that same bright smile lit up succeeding years. For each Christmas, I followed the tradition – one year sending a group of handicapped youngsters to a

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hockey game, another year a check to a pair of elderly brothers whose home had burned to the ground the week before Christmas, and on and on.

The white envelope became the highlight of our Christmas. It was always the last thing opened on Christmas morning, and our children – ignoring their new toys – would stand with wide-eyed anticipation as their dad lifted the envelope from the tree to reveal its contents. As the children grew, the toys gave way to more practical presents, but the small, white envelope never lost its allure.

The story doesn't end there. You see, we lost Mike last year due to dreaded cancer. When Christmas rolled around, I was still so wrapped in grief that I barely got the tree up. But Christmas Eve found me placing an envelope on the tree. And the next morning, I found it was magically joined by three more. Unbeknownst to the others, each of our three children had for the first time placed a white envelope on the tree for their dad. The tradition has grown and someday will expand even further with our grandchildren standing to take down that special envelope.

Mike's spirit, like the Christmas spirit will always be with us.



# Happy Holidays!!



# Harvestfest

**September 24, 2019**

Gladys Guyer

Each year the last Sunday in September AMR is invited to share in the festivities at the Harvestfest.

Bill and Jackie Forsht did a wonderful job planning the annual show. Bill and his crew made sure everyone got parked. The registration table was supervised by Jackie. Everything ran very smoothly with the help of several volunteers.

The weather is always a big factor for the show and this year the weather was great. Not too hot and not too cold and...there was no rain. As the day progressed more and more cars came to the show. By the time registration was over there were about 150 cars on the show field.

The park had many things to offer. There of course was lots of food, crafters, produce and much more. Many participants took advantage of all that was offered and spent time in the park. The guys did a lot of car talk while the girls enjoyed catching up with each other.

Near the end of the show a random drawing for gift cards for participants.

A sincere "Thank You" to the Delgrosso family for sponsoring the AMR show, giving a box of delicious sauces and free tickets for the park.

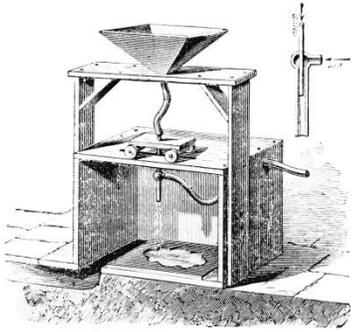
"Thank You" Bill and Jackie and helpers your work and dedication to have a successful show.

**Thank you to the participants**, the show would not be possible without your gorgeous vehicles.

Hope to see all you for the 2020 Harvestfest Show!



# The Inventor of Sandblasting was a Real, American Hero



Benjamin Chew Tilghman, invented sandblasting

As a native of the great state of Pennsylvania, Tilghman attended Bristol College and, later, the University of Pennsylvania.

Receiving his degree in law, Tilghman never practiced because, he had several other cool things that needed doing.

Prior to the Civil War, Tilghman was first and foremost a trailblazer in every sense of the word. Having journeyed through Europe and much of the then United States, the weary-worn traveler took needed rests in various factories and laboratories where he offered his brainpower free-of-charge: so long as he could further stimulate his mind.

After the war broke out, Tilghman volunteered in the 26th PA volunteer infantry. Entering the Army as a captain, he sustained a severe wound during the Battle of Chancellorsville in 1863, culminating in his promotion to Colonel and Commander of the 3rd United States Colored Troops.

Two years later, Tilghman was promoted to Brigadier General for “meritorious services.”

While stationed in the desert, General Tilghman witnessed the effects of wind-blown sand on windows — producing a matte and weathered effect, Tilghman was inspired to use this media as a tool.

Around 1870, Benny Chew Tilghman invented the sandblasting process that we all know. He soon found the process was useful for sharpening tools, engraving, cleaning, and achieving a desired aesthetic in wood furniture.

In 1871, the American Institute of the City of New York awarded him the Great Medal of Honor for the invention — following this, he was given the Elliot Cresson Medal for the invention by the Franklin Institute.

## 84th Annual Meeting

**Antique Automobile Club of America**

February 6-8, 2019

Philadelphia, PA

**Meeting, Trade Shows, Seminars, Lady’s Breakfast,  
President’s Dinner, Auction, National Judging Schools,  
National Awards Banquet**

### **Schedule of Events** (subject to change)

#### **Thursday, February 6, 2020**

3:00 - 5:30 PM Early Meeting Registration  
9:00 PM National Directors Reception (Suite 2301)

#### **Friday, February 7, 2020**

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM Meeting Registration (Ballroom Floor)  
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Hospitality ~ Ballroom Floor  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM Trade Show  
8:00 AM - 4:15 PM Seminars  
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM First Lady’s Breakfast (open to **all** members)  
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Youth Program  
5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Reception  
6:00 PM - 8:15 PM Region/Chapter Presidents’ Dinner (By Invitation Only)

#### **Saturday, February 8, 2020**

7:00 AM - Noon Meeting Registration (Ballroom Floor)  
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Hospitality ~ Ballroom Floor  
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM National Judging School  
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM Trade Show  
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Youth Program  
10:00 AM - 1:30 PM Seminars  
10:00 AM Philadelphia City Tours Begin  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM **AACA General Membership Meeting**  
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM AACA National Awards Reception  
6:30 PM National Awards Banquet

**COME AND ENJOY!!!**

