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The Chevrolet Impala sold more than one million units in North America, setting a record that still stands today. Originally introduced in 1958, the Impala was the best-selling automobile in the United States during the 1960s. Early Impala models sported six taillights, a unique feature which for a time, became the Impala trademark.
 General Motors issued three specialty convertibles: the Buick Skylark, the Oldsmobile Fiesta, and the Cadillac Eldorado. The Buick Skylark was the most successful with a production of 1,642 units.

3. The original Porsche 911, introduced in 1964, boasted an impressive 130 HP@6100rpm and a top speed of about 130 mph.

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The President's Message



I am sorry to say that Ellen & I are backing away from region activities for a while. Not the least of issues is that Ellen fell recently and broke her leg. After being so mobile including aerobic dance instructing for many years, she is having trouble making friends with the crutches. Even though it is slow,

she is coming along.

The region will be going through some issues in the near future. Your help in making these issues short lived will be appreciated.

I have asked VP Gladys to take on some of my duties for the near future.

Your president Scott Deno

1. What car sold more than one million units in 1965, setting a record that still stands today?

2. What three specialty convertibles did General Motors originally introduce in 1953?

3. How much horse power did the first Porsche 911 have?

Differences will always exist, but division does not have to result! Beth Moore

Glidden Tour,

Hastings Nebraska - September 17-22, 2017 John Nikodym, Tour Chairman, gliddentour2017@gmail.com402-746-2248

In September, for the first time, the Nebraska Region AACA will welcome those attending, the *72nd Revival AAA Glidden Tour*. Hundreds of car enthusiasts will be arriving from all over the country for a full week of fun, driving their pre-1943 cars over hundreds of miles of road.

The 2017 tour will be headquartered at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings, Nebraska. The tours will allow you to experience the many facets of agriculture, Nebraska's largest industry. The history of U.S. transcontinental transportation is rich in this area and will be brought alive by the Glidden tour.

The 2017 Glidden Committee invites you to join in this memorable experience!

Region members known to be attending at this time are: The Turners, Denos, Barlups, Dave Kontor, and Pat Swigart



COOK'S CORNER

Free Recipes Crispy Cucumber Salad

2 cucumbers sliced 1/2 cup celery seed 1/4 cup sliced onions 1/2 cup sugar 1/2 tsp. salt

Whisk Vinegar, sugar, salt and celery seed. Add cucumber slices and coat with vinegar mixture. Cover and refrigerate overnight. Serve cold.

Easy BLT Salad

16 oz. medium shells cooked according to pkg, directions
1 lb. bacon cooked until crisp
1 small onion chopped
2 tomatoes - flesh part only, diced
1 1/2 c ranch type dressing

Combine cooled shells, onion, tomato and ranch dressing together. Refrigerate several hours or overnight. Crumble bacon and put on top before serving.



COOK'S NITE OUT

No cooking tonight! Gladys Guyer

A regular event for Allegheny Mountain Region is "Cook's Nite Out". A relaxing evening of having a meal and enjoying the company of fellow members. Hope you can join us at the next cook's nite.

July 19 Jean Bonette, Bedford call Judy Lloyd 814-623-7931

- Aug. 16 Mill Stone Manor, Huntingdon -Pat Swigart 814-251-2299
- Sept. 20 Perkins, State College--Scott Deno 814-238-4031
- Oct.18 Burnham--Cathy Searer 717-242-2954
- Nov. 15 Traditions Restaurant in Williamsburg Contact Christine Stachmus 814-942-7683

THE RECYCLE GALLERY

Free Pictures



Ready for a romatic night?

Allegheny Mountain Region Board Meeting June 17, 2017 Mill Stone Manor Restaurant, Huntingdon, PA

The Board of Directors of the Allegheny Mountain Region held their meeting on June 17, 2017 at the Mill Stone Manor Restaurant, Huntingdon, PA.

Board members in attendance were: President Scott Deno, Vice President and Vapor Locks Editor Gladys Guyer, Board Members: Bill Guyer, Fred Hammer, Nina Hammer, Gail Whitman, Harry Whitman, and Secretary Pat Swigart.

Board Members absent were: Bill Forsht, Susan Romanini, Cathy Searer and Treasurer Pete Searer.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by President Deno.

The minutes of the April 23, 2017 meeting were printed in the Vapor Locks. Upon motion of Fred Hammer, seconded by Gail Whitman, the minutes were approved as written. Motion carried.

In the absence of Treasurer Pete Searer, the Financial Report was given by Gladys Guyer. Gail Whitman made a motion to have the report from the Boalsburg Show separated from the regular Region Financial Report. This was seconded by Fred Hammer. Motion carried. The Financial Report will be approved at the next board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Name Badges

Gladys reported that there were 36 name badges ordered. She will take names of anyone wishing to secure one but there will be no reorder until she has enough for an another order.

Shirts

There were 24 shirts sold. Gladys has 12 on hand. Anyone who would like to have one should contact her to check on the sizes available.

<u>Cabinet</u>

We would like to get a cabinet to be put in Mill Stone for our trophies and memorabilia. It should be a glass front cabinet with locking doors that would not be too expensive. It was suggested that everyone be aware of one needed and let any member of the board know where one could be secured.

By-Laws

Fred Hammer presented a copy of the By-Laws which he has updated from the 2008 version. Gladys made a motion that we accept these changes and

Allegheny Mountain Region Board Meeting page 2

Schedule of Events

The schedule for the balance of the year was discussed and appears in this issue of Vapor Locks.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring Meet Request

Scott reported that he was approached by Don Barlup asking the Region to host the 2018 Spring Meet. After much discussion Fred made the following motion. "I move we regretfully decline the invitation from National AACA to host the 2018 Spring Meet". This was seconded by Nina Hammer. Motion carried.

Cook's Night Out

The places for the Cook's Night Out were discussed and will be listed in Vapor Locks. This Wednesday we will be going to the Spruce Creek Tavern. There has been a good turnout at these dinners.

Turkey Hill Tour Conflict

Background to the Turkey Hill Conflict and Fred Hammer's motion at the June 17 board meeting.

In August of 2016, Fred Hammer was leading the weekend region tour and a situation occurred. At a board meeting before the tour a decision had been made for the Region to cover the members \$9.00 cost for the Turkey Hill Experience. Everyone on the tour was a member of the Region except Susan Romanini's granddaughter. Per the Board authorization to pay for "members" Fred ask Susan to pay for her Granddaughter, Susan objected. This became a conflict. President Deno made the decision that the region would pay for everyone on the tour. At the next board meeting Fred made it clear the situation was very upsetting and humiliating for him. Nothing more was discussed on the matter until the board meeting of June 17, 2017 where Fred reiterated his feelings on the tour situation. Fred indicated that he needed board action for "personal closure". Fred's motion and board vote appears in the published minutes below.

Fred Hammer made the following motion, "I move that our president, Scott Deno and fellow board member, Susan Romanini be given formal disapproval for their actions in violation of AMR By-Laws on the Turkey Hill Tour in 2016". This was seconded by Nina Hammer. The motion carried by a vote of 5 to 2.

Adjournment

Upon motion of Gladys Guyer, seconded by everyone, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Patricia B. Swigart, Secretary

Region Shirts

Gladys Guyer



Allegheny Mountain Region has few extra club shirts for sale.



These polo shirts are very soft, **Water** made from cool breathable fabric and comfortable to wear.

Allegheny Mountain Region, AACA is embroidered on the front left hand side.

These fashionable shirts are only \$10.00 for the men's and ladies. If you would like to purchase one contact Gladys at <u>gladys guyer@yahoo.com</u> or call 814-667-3796.



Just For Laughs Funnies Garden

Recently divorced, I moved back to my home town hoping to start over again. A few weeks later, while making a dentist appointment, I was surprised to see I recognized the dentist's name as a good looking boy from my high school 20 years ago. However, upon walking into the dentist's office, I quickly realized he must be someone else. He was bald, had a big beer belly, and looked a lot older than me. Just to be sure though, on my way out I asked him if he went to the high school that I had attended. "Yeah", he responded, "I graduated in 91." "Oh my gosh", I excitedly said "you were in my class." "Really", he said that's interesting, "what class did you teach?"

Anxious to finally get the porch painted, I urged by husband to allow the man that knocked on our door looking for handiwork to do the job. The man happily agreed to paint it for \$50. We were thrilled at our good luck of getting our wide porch painted for a measly \$50. Minutes later there was a knock at the door. "All done" he said. "Already?" we both said at once. "Yeah, and by the way, it's a Lexus not a Porsche

JUST FOR THOUGHT

Helping hands

A mother, wishing to encourage her son's progress at the piano, bought tickets to a performance by the great pianist. When the evening arrived, they found their seats near the front of the concert hall and eyed the majestic Steinway piano waiting on the stage. Soon the mother found a friend to talk to, and the boy slipped away.

At eight o'clock, the lights in the auditorium began to dim, the spotlights came on, and only then did they notice the boy - up on the piano bench, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." His mother gasped in shock and embarrassment but, before she could retrieve her son, the master himself appeared on the stage and quickly moved to the keyboard.

He whispered gently to the boy, "Don't quit. Keep playing." Leaning over, pianist reached down with his left hand and began filling in the bass part. Soon his right arm reached around the other side and improvised a delightful countermelody. Together, the old master and the young novice held the crowd mesmerized with their blended and beautiful music.

In all our lives, we receive helping hands - some we notice, some we don't. Equally we ourselves have countless opportunities to provide helping hands sometimes we would like our assistance to be noticed, sometimes we don't. Little of what we all achieve is without learning from others and without support from others and what we receive we should hand out.

Allegheny Mountain Region members are always willing to lend a helping hand!



2017 Calendar of Events (tentative)

July 19	Cook's Nite, Bedford Area
July 29	One day tour to Amish Cheese Cave & more
August 4,5,6	3 day tour to MD (NOTE DATE CHANGE)
Aug. 11, 12, 13	Swigart Meet in Huntingdon
August 16	Cook's Nite, Mill Stone Manor, Huntingdon
Sept. 15, 16, 17	3 day Tour to Manassas, VA
Sept. 17-22	Glidden Tour, Hastings Nebraska
Sept. 21	Cook's Nite, Perkins in State College
Sept. 24	Delgrosso Show, Tipton, PA
Oct. 15	Grape Escape
Oct. 18	Cook's Nite, Burnham
Date	Smithfield Firehall
November	Cook's Nite place to be decided

Be sure to check you National Antique Automobile magazine AACA for additional Events

Additional area events

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July 14&15	Central PA Auto Auction, Lock Haven.
	Info 800-248-8026
July 15	Reo Club of America National Meet, Lewisburg, Pa.
•	Info call Joel Klemick 570-494-7180
July 17-21	AACA Vintage Tour, Wellsboro, PA
July 21-22	Keystone Truckers Show, Martinsburg
July 13-16	Chrysler at Carlisle
August 4-6	Trucks at Carlisle
August 20	Clearfield Car Show hosted by Central Mtn. Region
August 24-27	Corvettes at Carlisle
Sept. 27-Oct 1	Fall Carlisle
October 5-7	Fall Hershey Car Show
Oct. 14	Fall Foliage Tour, Bedford PA



THE EDITOR'S DESK



Hi everyone,

Summer is going by quickly so get that car revved up for some fun with the club.

There are 3 upcoming tours for you to support the Region and attend. It is really hard for me to believe that Allegheny Mountain Region has 100 members and

so few attend the tours, dinners, picnics etc. Yes I know we are all getting older but we aren't out to pasture yet, we still have many good years left to enjoy our hobby.

Tour information is included in this issue of Vapor Locks. Take the time to read over it and see if you would like to join in. I guarantee you will have a great time on any of them or all of them. Bill and I plan to take part in all of them. We just can't have too much fun.

The Swigart/Allegheny Mountain Show information is also included in this issue and Pat has ordered nice weather so no excuses.

Cook's Nites are held each month and attendance has been good. At the June Cook's Nite, there were 28 members and guests socializing and of course eating.

Well, gonna go for now, have to get ready to tour.

See you on the road!

Your editor Gladys

Do what is right not what is easy!

"FORSHT'S PICNIC"



Bill and Jackie had "Bill's Man Cave Garage" prepared for a great picnic.

Everyone enjoyed socializing and looking at Bill's collection of memorabilia.

"Chef Bill" worked his magic at the grill cooking everything to perfection and sooooo tasty. While

Bill was grilling, Jackie organized the wide variety of side dishes brought to share including dessert.

Advertising in 1951

It was a delightful, relaxing afternoon with a group of car club friends.

Thank you, Bill and Jackie for hosting a great picnic.



RIDE THE RAILS

3-day Tour **date changed to** August 4, 5, and 6 2017



Raise your hand if you want to have a fun filled weekend tour. I see a lot of hands up and invite you to tour with us.

Mark your calendar to join the "group" for a great weekend to Maryland. We will leave Friday morning; (place and

time not set) enjoy scenic roads and travel to Cumberland area. Additional stops are a possibility and we will enjoy Cumberland. Accommodations for the night will be at either in Frostburg or Cumberland.

Saturday we will spend part of our day riding on the Potomac Railroad.

Sunday we will enjoy the day and return home.

Tours are a great deal of fun so reserve the dates and come with us.

Please respond to Gladys at 814-667-3796 or email gladys_guyer@yahoo.com. Asap.



Cover Story

My First Car Submitted by Clair R. Grove

VJ Day, August 14th, 1944 stands out in my mind like a beacon. WWII was over and my brother, A. Dean Grove, would be coming home. Everyone was in a joyous mood. Church bells were ringing, horns were blowing and families were having parties.

After brother Dean arrived home he continued the farming operation that he left when he joined the United States Army Air Corps. Just over the hill, new neighbors arrived from Altoona. They decided a farming operation was to be a new venture for them and it would be in the chicken business. They were new to farming but savvy to things going on in Altoona, learning that Home Taste Bakery Company would be getting a new fleet of trucks, selling all their old 1930 Model A Fords they used during the war. Our neighbors purchased two trucks for their business and brother Dean purchased one of them.

Thus began my first experience with the Model A Fords. I was 13 years old at the time and loved that truck. I hauled manure, hay, and lumber with it. I could set the points, grease it, change the oil, fix the brakes, clutch etc.

The story continues when I celebrated my 16th birthday and Dad offered me the family car, a 1940 Willys as a birthday gift. His plans were to by a new 1949 Ford. "Thanks a lot Dad," I told him, "but I'm saving my money for a Model A Car and I have \$23.00 saved up." "OK", Dad said, and that ended the conversation or so I thought.

Dad worked for the P.R.R. boarding at his cousin's home on 13th street in Altoona. On the next block lived a retired school teacher who planned to sell her 1928 Model A Sport Coupe for \$175. Dad discovered she walked the 2 blocks to school in good weather and drove the car when the walks were icy.

Well Dad was ready to make a deal. He called to ask if this '28 was to my liking and I said it was but I didn't have the money. I was ecstatic when Dad told me that he and my brother would buy it for me and that I could just work out the cost. What a deal!

The next step was to get the car. Driving it home from Altoona, we discovered the radiator was plugged from not being run and it boiled like a tea kettle. So, an engine over-haul was the next job along with a new clutch and pressure plate and she was ready for the road.

We used that A Model for everything from hauling produce and chickens to Huntingdon, to taking eggs and chickens across the mountain to Leamersville

to the sale barn. I raised sweet corn, chicken, sold eggs and worked the threshing crew to help pay for that car.

My First Car Continued

When I left home to join the Air Force in 1951, Dan and Dean used the Model A to get through snow drifts. It was unstoppable with a set of chains on the tires.

I returned home to the farm in 1955, now married and my model A was still perking right along. Where the '49 Ford wouldn't go the '28 Model A did.

We began once more to use the '28 to haul sweet corn to Snare Brothers in Smithfield. Weaver's Clover Farm store in Huntingdon bought eggs and produce. We sold corn to J.C. Blair Hospital, hauling it on the front fenders. Eggs were placed in the rumble seat. Chickens freshly cleaned were cooled in Spring water in wash tubs and wrapped in heavy sheets (ice was unheard of) and then put on the carriers taking them as quickly as possible to the Penn Hunt Hotel on Allegheny Street and to Sausman's Restaurant on 4th Street.

In 1955 we purchased a herd of cow, shipping the milk in cans. Again the Model A was put to use as a pickup truck. The rumble seat was removed and a wooded bed was built accommodating the six milk cans. We also used the bed for hauling tools for timbering, gas, power saws oil etc.

After I purchased a pickup truck in 1961 the Model A was put into retirement. Then we decided to have it restored, taking it to Howard Bigley, who had a shop behind Laney's Feed Mill. The Model A was in his shop when hurricane Agnes in 1972 flooded our area with the flood completely covering it. Mr. Bigley had to clean the mud which was very caustic due to the chemicals in the flood water, re-upholstering the inside, putting on a new top, repainting the body. The car today is much the same as when he completed the task in 1975 except for new tires and miscellaneous parts as plugs and points.

We continue to enjoy driving it today as I did 64 years ago. Only then there were two people on the fenders, five in the front seat and four in the rumble seat when we went to drive-in movies. There were no seat belts to worry with and gas was 18 cents a gallon...fill-up was less than \$2.00!! Wages were \$1.00 a day. At 22 miles to the gallon, I could do a lot of traveling for two bucks. Life doesn't get much better than that.

My first car continues to provide pleasure to our family. Incidentally, the '30 AA truck is still in my possession. A Galion dump bed was installed, enabling us to haul wood, stone, sand etc. with it. Because Ford made hardened intake valves like exhaust valves, unleaded gas is no problem, working well without additives.

"Henry Ford's" Model A's has been a reliable source of help in our framing business for the last 65 years and continue to do so today!

Manassas, VA Tour

42nd Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Show Saturday, September 16, 2017

Allegheny Mountain Region will be supporting our neighbor, the Bull Run Region and.....tour at the same time. A "win win" for everyone!

The Manassas, VA Tour will be on September 15, 16, and 17. This is going to be a fantastic weekend. We have never toured to Manassas so it will be a new area to enjoy.

Friday we will travel to Manassas enjoying the sites along the way. Saturday we are joining the Bull Run Region for their 42nd Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Show at the Manassas Museum Grounds. Sunday we will return home.

Below are some highlights of Saturday and registration information Enjoy wide variety of pre-war and post-war vehicles

- •1992 and older cars on display--street rods/modified cars included
- Free admission to Manassas Museum
- Opening Flag Presentation & National Anthem Ceremony at 11:30 AM
- Participant Judging 50 class awards plus 14 Special Awards!
- Special display of Unique Commercial Vehicles
- Have a bite to eat at the fabulous "29 Diner" barbecue tent
- Free spectator admission, free trailer parking and free garage parking
- Door prizes +50/50 raffle + Silent Auction + Car Corral + Flea Market
- Free Country/Western concert by Miss Hannah Polk
- Model T Assembly /Disassembly demonstration
- One block to Manassas Farmer's Market and International Food festival
- RAIN or SHINE, the show goes on!

Car pre-registration (by 9-12-2017): **\$15** Show-day registration: **\$20** Show-day registration: **\$25** 10' x 15' space Dash Plaque to first 175 registered cars



Good Old WD40 page 2

In **1993**, WD-40 $_{\odot}$ was found to be in 4 out of 5 American households and was used by 81 percent of professionals at work. Sales had grown to more than one million cans each week.

The new WD-40^{\otimes} Big Blast^{\otimes} can was introduced in **2003**, featuring a wide-area spray nozzle that delivers WD-40^{\otimes} quickly and efficiently over large areas.

In **2005**, as a commitment to offering consumers the easiest, most convenient way to get the job done, WD-40 Company introduced the WD-40_® Smart Straw_®, which features a permanently attached straw. The Smart Straw_® can solve the number one complaint about WD-40_® products: losing the little red straw.

WD-40 Company, in **2006** introduced the WD-40 $_{\odot}$ No-Mess Pen $_{\odot}$ to provide millions of WD-40 $_{\odot}$ users a portable, precision-application.

In **2008**, WD-40 Company listened to its consumers and converted its most popular-size WD-40 $_{\odot}$ cans to WD-40 $_{\odot}$ Smart Straw cans.

WD-40® Trigger Pro® - a non-aerosol was introduced in 2009.

In **2011**, WD-40 Company introduced WD-40_® Specialist_® – a new line of bestin-class specialty products under the WD-40_® brand geared toward trade professionals. Also in **2011**, WD-40 Company designed four limited edition cans that honor the men and women who serve or have served in uniform, and donated 10 cents of each can purchased to charities. A total of \$300,000 was donated to Armed Services YMCA, Veterans Medical Research Foundation and Wounded Warrior Project.

By **mid-2013**, the WD-40 Company celebrated its 60th Anniversary and the WD- 40_{\odot} Specialist product line had grown to eight products.

In **2015**, WD-40 Company introduced WD-40 EZ-REACHTM with an attached 8" flexible straw that bends and keeps its shape. It can reach the unreachable.

In **2016**, WD-40 Company introduced the WD-40 $_{\odot}$ Specialist $_{\odot}$ Spray & Stay Gel Lubricant. The no-drip formula stays where it's sprayed, it provides 12x longerlasting lubrication. Later in **2016**, four new high-performance greases join the WD-40 Specialist family. Their advanced, industrial-strength technology handles specific high-temperature, pressure and moisture challenges

In **2017**, WD-40 Company launched its first non-aerosol Industrial-Strength Cleaner & Degreaser under the WD-40_® Specialist_® brand. This water-based formula has a unique bio-solvent that is engineered and proven to be more powerful, safer and easier to use than other degreasers on the market.

Alum Bank Car Show

Fred Hammer

The car show at Alum Bank was huge! Well over two dozen cars just in Class F (1965 to 69). Cars were there from Michigan to North Carolina and in between -- an amazing assembly.

The picture below doesn't even show the short end of the row of class F where we were. There were even more cars extending the other side to the west of us.

As luck would have it, Don Foor was parked next to us. We had several conversations, and the conclusion of one conversation prompts me to ask all of us here in Centre County to get as many AMR members as possible to support CNO in Bedford this coming July 19th.

If you need more details than that, contact me at fchammer1@aol.com

Happy Trails, Fred



Nina Hammer and Don Foor enjoying the day!



Good Old WD40

Wikipedia Interesting information on the little blue can with the red straw!

In **1953**, a fledgling company called Rocket Chemical Company and its staff of three set out to create a line of rust-prevention solvents and degreasers for use in the

aerospace industry.

Working in a small lab in San Diego, California, it took them 40 attempts to get the water displacing formula worked out. But they must have been really good, because the original secret formula for $WD-40_{\odot}$ -which stands for Water Displacement, perfected on the 40th try—is still in use today.

Convair, an aerospace contractor, first used WD-40 $_{\odot}$ to protect the outer skin of the Atlas Missile from rust and corrosion. The product actually worked so well that several employees snuck some WD-40 $_{\odot}$ cans out of the plant to use at home.

A few years following WD-40[®]'s first industrial use, Rocket Chemical Company founder Norm Larsen experimented with putting WD-40[®] into aerosol cans, reasoning that consumers might find a use for the product at home as some of the employees had. The product made its first appearance on store shelves in San Diego in **1958**.

By **1960** the company nearly doubled in size, growing to seven people, who sold an average of 45 cases per day from the trunk of their cars to hardware and sporting goods stores in the San Diego area.

1961 was the first full truckload order for WD-40 $_{\odot}$ filled when employees came in on a Saturday to produce additional concentrate to meet the disaster needs of the victims of Hurricane Carla along the U.S. Gulf coast. WD-40 $_{\odot}$ was used to recondition flood and rain damaged vehicles and equipment.

In 1968 goodwill kits containing WD-40 $_{\odot}$ were sent to soldiers in Vietnam to prevent moisture damage on firearms and help keep them in good working condition.

The highlight for **1969** - the company was renamed after its only product, WD-40 Company, Inc.

In **1973**, WD-40 Company, Inc., went public and was listed Over-The-Counter. The stock price increased by 61% on the first day of listing.

Since that time, WD-40 $_{\odot}$ has grown by leaps and bounds, and is now virtually a household name.

The 48th Swigart Museum Meet August 11, 12, &13, 2017

Everyone is invited to attend the 48th Swigart and Allegheny Mountain Region Meet. The meet will be on the Museum Grounds.

A wonderful weekend has been planned by Pat and staff. This is a great opportunity to bring the old cars, talk with old friends, make new friends, and... visit the museum.

Complete information for the meet is included on your registration form in this issue of Vapor Locks.

You won't want to miss this fun filled weekend!

Make your reservations now!

ONE DAY CHEESE TOUR JULY 29, 2017

Tour Chairman Scott Deno



Members of the Region are invited to participate in a fun one day tour in the State College area.

Our drive will take us on beautiful country roads to the John Esh Cheese Cave and Farm. We are scheduled for the famous Goot Essa cheese tasting at 9:30. John, his wife and nine children maintain the farm and create many varieties of cheese.

We will meet at McDonalds in the Nittany Mall 8:00 a.m. for breakfast or 8:30 a.m. to begin tour.

The temperature inside the cave is 52° very cool, so you may want to bring a jacket.

The rest of the itinerary is not complete but rest assured it will be interesting and there is always food involved, maybe ice cream too. Contact Scott Deno asap and let him know you are joining the tour. (814) 238-4031 or <u>nsdeds@hotmail.com</u>