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### The President's Message



Well, Fall is really in the air with cool nights and plenty of rain. Just got back from the Penn's Cave Antique Machinery show with my father-in-law, Elwood, and the show is as big as ever. I hope I can get around as well as Elwood when I am 95 (he walked much of the field for the entire day)! Thanks to Don Bruner for some shelter from the

brief shower and good conversation. Don, I hope your shoulder is getting better after the dislocation incident. I spotted Harry Whitman at a distance but could not catch up to him which was no surprise (no surprise his nickname is "hurricane Harry"). Maybe it is time for the region to reconsider sponsoring a trip to Penn's Cave next year. It appears they are doing a good job on dust and mud control, which was the problem in the past. Also, I think the antiques get in free (normal entrance fee is \$6).

Members note - I talked to Gail Whitman this morning and her hip joint partial replacement is coming along great. Hope we will see her out and about soon. Ellen's leg is much better. She is still in a boot but can put some weight on the bad leg now.

Recent events - The Vintage Tour in Wellsboro in July was a delight and Ellen did great considering the crutches. Our 1918 Cadillac did it in style (gave no problems).

We also attended the Swigart meet in August which was a nice show and a nice day. Attendance at the show was again smaller than we would like. Please consider making it an event for you next year. It appears we will not make the Tipton show as we will still be driving back from the Glidden Tour in Nebraska that day. I am sure Bill Forsht and organizers will have a great show, as always. Hope you can find places to park everyone!

Future events – The Reliability Tour in 2018 will be in New York probably based in the Finger Lakes (town of Chanidagua, I think). I know most members do not have 1915 and older cars, but this gives you time to buy one! The Finger Lakes are a great location for a tour. On the Vintage tour this year we ventured into the southern end of the Finger Lakes at Watkins Glen and it is beautiful country.



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Also, another national tour is being organized by Bob Giles (he was one of the organizers of the Wellsboro Vintage tour this year). He hopes to include sites along Pennsylvania's Rt. 6 and extend down to Lewisburg. He may be looking for some help, if anyone wishes to get involved.

Tidbit from the shop – just finished restoring my 1929 Marmon leather seats. They were badly faded, cracked and even several cuts. I found a system to fix the numerous cracks, cuts and re-dye the leather. BIG improvement! Ask me about it next time you see me and the Marmon.

See ya down the road. Your president, Scott Deno



## **2017 Calendar of Events**

Sept. 15, 16,17 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 Tour

Oct. 18 Cook's Nite, Burnham OIP

October 28 Smithfield Fire hall

November Cook's Nite Traditions in Martinsburg

#### Additional area events

Sept. 27-Oct 1 Fall Carlisle

October 5-7 Fall Hershey Car Show

Oct. 14 Fall Foliage Tour, Bedford PA

#### COOK'S CORNER



Free Recipes

#### **Taco Casserole**

1 lb. lean (at least 80%) ground beef

1 package (1 oz.) Old El Paso taco seasoning mix

2/3 cup water

1 red or green bell pepper, cut into 1-inch strips

2 3/4 cups salsa

1package (12 oz.) frozen whole kernel sweet corn

Flour tortillas for soft tacos & fajitas (6 inch)

2 cups (8 oz.) of your favorite shredded cheese.

Heat oven to 350°F. In 12-inch skillet, thoroughly cook beef over mediumhigh heat 5 to 7 minutes, stirring occasionally and drain. Stir in taco seasoning mix, water and bell pepper strips. Simmer 3 to 4 minutes, stirring frequently, until thickened. Stir in salsa and corn.

Spray 13x9-inch (3-quart) baking dish with cooking spray. Cut tortillas in half; place 6 tortilla halves in bottom of baking dish.

Top with half of beef mixture (about 3 1/2 cups). Sprinkle with 3/4 cup of the cheese and remaining tortilla halves. Top with remaining beef mixture and cheese.

Spray piece of foil large enough to cover baking dish with cooking spray. Cover baking dish with foil sprayed side down. Bake 35 to 40 minutes or until heated through and cheese is melted.

## COOK'S NITE OUT

No cooking tonight!

Gladys Guyer



Cook's Nite is continuing thru November. Hope you can join us at the next Cook's Nite.

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Oct.18	Burnham, OIPCathy Searer 717-242-2954
Nov. 15	Traditions Restaurant in Martinsburg, PA Contact
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### THE EDITOR'S DESK



Hi everyone,

Here it is the middle of September, where has summer gone? We are all so busy with family, work etc. that it is sometimes hard to get out with the "old cars". There are a few more chances before there is snow in the air to participate in AMR events.

President Scott Deno and other members will be traveling to Hastings Nebraska September 17th - 22nd for the Glidden Tour. They will experience much of what Hastings has to offer.

Vice-President Gladys Guyer will be touring with a group of members to Manassas, VA September15-17th and will participate in the Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Meet sponsored by the Bull Region. These tourees will enjoy the sites, shops and more in the town of Manassas

AMR is supporting both tours by members from our Region and EVERYONE will have a great time. Reports on both will be in the next issue of VL.

The Delgrosso show is on September 24th and we would like everyone to attend. Next is the Region's Grape Escape/Fall Foliage Tour on October 15th, a fun day to get out with the car and friends. We also have the Fall Dinner/Annual Meeting on October 28 with a Turkey Dinner at the Smithfield Fire hall in Huntingdon. A great day to drive your car, show support for AMR and have a great meal.

There is a lot you can participate in before the snow and cold weather arrives. Why not come enjoy the activities and represent AMR?

See you on the road!

Your editor, Gladys

Belonging is something but participation is everything!

## LOCAL LORE

#### PHILLIPS HEAD SCREW

By Stan Smith

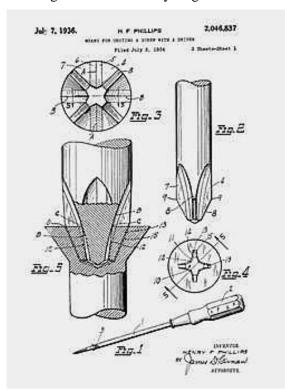
The May/June issue of VAPOR LOCKS had a short piece on the origin of the Phillips Screw. That piece brought back memories of my intense discussions with at least one or two persons at work who claimed that the Phillips Screw was invented in Philipsburg, PA. After some investigation I found there had been a screw factory in Philipsburg, but it existed only a short while way before we had automobiles.

It was the first screw factory in the United States having been built by Hardman Philips in 1821. The screws were made of wire processed by a rolling and wire drawing machine using iron from a nearby forge.

The screw mill was in operation until 1836, when the forge was destroyed by fire. The mill was also destroyed by fire 1859. For the most part the heads on the screws were square to be wrenched.

Please note there's a slight difference in the spelling...the nearby town of Philipsburg having only one "L" whereas Phillips Screws has two.

If you know of any local lore in your town please submit it for printing.



# 53rd Fall Foliage Festival Fort Bedford Region



## Car Parade Saturday, October 14

The annual Bedford Fall Foliage is coming on October 14, once again this will be a great chance to get out in the old car and support the Bedford Region.

**Check In:** 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bedford High School Parking Lot. Plaques to the first 150 qualified antique cars.

**Luncheon:** 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. TWO FREE lunch tickets with each preregistered car. Additional guest tickets are \$8.50. Lunch will be at the Bedford High School Cafeteria.

**Parade:** 2:00 p.m. Parade will start from the North Entrance of the Bedford High School Parking Lot, West on East John St. and end in the same lot following the Parade.

For additional information and registration form for the Festival contact Pat Hensel at **814-356-3313** 

## ≈ THANK YOU ≈

Gladys Guyer

A special "Thank You" to Scott Deno and Stan Smith for pick-up and delivery of the Region's display cabinet.

I think the boys got quite a workout getting it loaded on Scott's truck. Let's just say there was no need to go to a gym and lift weights. The weight of the cabinet was not known prior to the guys arriving at the pick-up destination, maybe that was a good thing!

Under the capable hands of Scott and Stan, the cabinet arrived safely and was unloaded at the Mill Stone Manor. How are your backs guys?

### **SWIGART MUSEUM MEET**

Pat Swigar

The 48th Swigart Museum Meet, sponsored by the William E. Swigart, Jr. Automobile Museum and the Allegheny Mountain Region, AACA was held on the weekend of Friday and Saturday, August 11 and 12, 2017.

The festivities started with registration on Friday afternoon. Around dinner time the forecast rains arrived and continued until late evening. In fact there was one "monsoon" after another. The scheduled Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social which is always held at the Museum was moved to the Mill Stone Manor Restaurant as they had the ice cream and all the "fixins" in their freezer. Since there was flooding in Huntingdon, some of the participants didn't make the trip down to the Museum for ice cream afraid that they may not be able to get back up to town to their motels. Although the numbers were down, we still had a good time reminiscing and just getting together.

Saturday Forecast - Rain. Although the forecast did not look good, we were lucky since the rain held off until afternoon and the cars started to congregate. The Kars and Koffee group was already on hand and we had about 60 cars on the field when all were registered. A number of new participants were on hand as a contingent of Volkswagens arrived.

As in the past, a delicious lunch was prepared by John Barley and his crew.

Looking a little dark in the sky, the Basket Raffle was held. These were donated by some members of the Museum, Museum Board members and Allegheny Mountain Region members. The awards were announced and given out a little early. As the last prize winner's name was announced, the rain came. It was short-lived, but things came to an end rather quickly. The tradition of a tour on meet day was brought back with a tour to Big Valley. Some of the participants took part in this and had a great time seeing the horses and buggies.

The Meet Banquet ended the weekend with a delicious meal served at Mill Stone Manor Restaurant along with door prizes for all attending.

Our Sunday Worship Service was cancelled due to illness of our regular minister, John "Fuzzy" Fosbrink. Although he was registered and ready to leave for the Meet, he had an attack and was taken to the hospital on Friday morning.

Everyone said their good byes with a promise to return next year on August 10, 11 and 12, 2018. We wished all a safe trip home and a promise that "We'll See You Down the Road".

## **SWIGART MUSEUM MEET pg. 2**

The following awards were presented:

#### Production cars & trucks to 1959 -

1st prize - Bob & Jackie Struble - 1922 Buick 2nd prize - Walter and Marge Franz - 1930 Chevrolet

#### Production cars & trucks 1960 - 1969

1st prize - Mike Simone - 1966 VW 2nd prize - Fred Sleasman - 1965 Pontiac

#### Production cars & trucks - 1970 - 1979

1st prize - Lawrence Acker - 1972 VW 2nd prize - Richard and Patti Fitzpatrick - 1973 Nova

Production cars & trucks - 1980 - 1989 - None

<u>Production cars & trucks - 1990 - 1999</u> Don and Carol Barlup - 1991 Lincoln

<u>Production cars & trucks - 2010 - present</u> 1st prize - Brenda Williams - 2013 Mustang

HPOF - Dan Williams - 1937 Chevrolet

People's Choice - Ashley Risbon - 1966 Mustang





#### **Beautiful Cars at the Swigart Meet**













## Fire Extinguishers.

What's the big deal?
By: Roger Irland Vice-President, Judging

So, when's the last time you saw flames erupt at a car show, right? Other than ones painted on a rod...

Well, in my experience, I'm happy to have had an extinguisher handy when I needed it. A number of years ago, I set out for a local cruise night in my 1963 Imperial. As I maneuvered into a parking space, a

soft bang and a loss of much-needed steering boost resulted from the high pressure hose bursting. Hot steering fluid sprayed on a hot exhaust manifold meant flames—and not the painted kind. I suppose I could have run over to the Home Depot and bought an extinguisher and I might have beaten the Fire Department to the scene. As I had an extinguisher on the floor by the passenger seat, I was able to quickly douse the flames with minimal collateral damage. I drove the car home and did not make the 10 o'clock news.

At a meet in Nebraska, while a steam car was being fired up, some leaking gas caught fire. Not a big conflagration, but nearby extinguishers kept a disaster at bay. So another good reason to have a fully charged fire extinguisher at the ready is to keep someone else's problem from spreading to your car.

I know some like to keep their extinguisher in the trunk, even held in by a bracket. I have a challenge for you. Have a friend time you as you start from the driver's seat, grab the keys, run around back, open the trunk and free the fire extinguisher from its' bracket and then head back up front to where the problem is. Compare that to reaching under the seat to grab the extinguisher. The cost of a five pound fire extinguisher is nothing compared to the damage that can be prevented when it's available to put to use immediately.

So, you have one for the kitchen, on the way to the basement and one or more hanging in the garage, right?





## Just For Laughs

Funnies Garden

A State Police Officer sees a car puttering along at 22 MPH. He thinks to himself "this driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over.

Approaching the car, he notices that there are four old ladies — the three passengers are wide eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?" The officer replies, "Ma'am, you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving much slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly... Twenty-two miles an hour!" The old woman says, pointing to a sign next to the road.

The State Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that the sign was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the woman grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask... Is everyone in this car OK? Your passengers seem awfully shaken and they haven't muttered a single peep this whole time," the officer asks.

"Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We just got off Route 119."

## THE RECYCLE GALLERY

Matthew Brake



## **JUST FOR THOUGHT**

#### The Important Things In Life

A philosophy professor stood before his class with some items on the table in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with rocks, about 2 inches in diameter.

He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. So the professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles, of course, rolled into the open areas between the rocks.

He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up the remaining open areas of the jar.

He then asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "Yes."

"Now," said the professor, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The rocks are the important things – your family, your partner, your health, and your children – things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter – like your job, your house, your car. The sand is everything else, the small stuff."

"If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or the rocks. The same goes for your life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take your partner out dancing. There will always be time to go to work, clean the house, give a dinner party, or fix the disposal."

"Take care of the rocks first – the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.

# Harvestfest Antique Car Show

September 24, 2017

The Delgrosso Amusement Park has invited the Region back for our annual car show.

Chair people for the show Bill and Jackie Forsht will have everything in place for the show.



The show will be held across the highway on the grass in front of DelGrosso Foods, Route 220 – Tipton, PA. There will be TWO FREE ADMISSIONS to the park which includes all day rides and a gift package of sauces for each car registered and driven to the show field.

## This year's feature vehicle is Bill and Mickie Loy's 1956 Ford Fairlane

- Registration opens at 9:30 AM
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- ➤ This is a non-judged show
- > Drawing for gift cards at 4:00 PM.
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See you there!!

**Author Stevens** 

## Where did AMR tour in 2007?

#### Somerset PA

Friday morning, 10:15, with Shelah and Emery Turner as our guides, a group of enthusiastic members of AMR were ready to depart. Everyone was given an itinerary to ensure that no one would miss a turn. Well, we will have to see about that. "The Group" consisting of Marge and Robert Cutright, Scott and Ellen Deno, Nick and Della Sabatino, Leonard and Gerda LeCrone, Bob and Jackie Struble, Pat Swigart and Bill and Gladys Guyer were ready to go. Cathy Searer and Denny and Christine Stachmus would meet us on Saturday.

Our first destination of the day was the Fallingwater. We only had to be there at 2:00. Should be no problem don't you think? Well, when you tour, you just never no. I think we went over every mountain in Somerset County; needless to say, we were running a bit behind time so there was no time for a lunch stop. No Worries!!! Pat had passed out peanuts earlier and we snacked on those. Arriving at 2:15, Shelah promptly took charge and all was ok.

After this stop, we headed for Somerset. Once again it took us a bit longer than anticipated, but we made it safely. Dinner was at Oakhurst Tea Room where we enjoyed a wonderful buffet. The LeCrone's were having a special day; it was their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding Anniversary. They were given a special cupcake and candle and of course we sang Happy Anniversary. After the long day, we checked into the Quality Inn at 8:30 p.m. and settled into our rooms.

Saturday morning, we met at 8:00 a.m. for a great breakfast buffet. We left at 9:00 to start our day of touring. Our first stop was the Somerset Historical Museum.

Next stop was Indian Lake where we had lunch. We arrived back to the motel at 3:15, took a 45 minute break and headed back out to visit a private collection of cars and motorcycles. Our evening entertainment was dinner and a show at the Rockwood Mille Shoppe Opera House. The buffet was outstanding and the show was the "Mansfield 5". They performed music from the 1950's. Some from our group could hardly stay in their chairs. It just seemed like you should be dancing. Wow!! What a great evening. The show ended around 9:00 so it was close 9:30 until we started back to the hotel. Emery took control and had the cars line up so everyone could see to drive and other vehicles could see us. We all made it back to the Inn safely. Thanks Emery!! We talked for a while and went to our room around 11:00.

Sunday, again we met at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and started out around 9:00. We went to the Flight 93 Chapel. If you weren't with us, you missed a

## Somerset Tour, 2007 pg. 2

magnificent place! This Chapel is a place you will never forget. It really goes to your heart. You must go there for the experience.

We left enjoying the leisurely drive and seeing was the windmills. Emery and Shelah led us to Ed's Steakhouse in Bedford for lunch. Another great meal!! The group separated into two, each heading home.

## FLT 93 CHAPEL CHAPEL GUEST HOUSE Flt 93 CREW MONUMENT



#### Flight 93 Memorial Chapel How it began

At the intersection of Coleman Station and Stutzmantown roads, a few miles from where United Airlines Flight 93 plunged to the ground, stands one man's testament to the crew and passengers onboard.

It is not part of the official observances but the Rev. Alphonse Mascherino's Flight 93 Memorial Chapel in Stony Creek Township shows how one man's vision can sprout like a mustard seed.

Mascherino had grand plans for the abandoned chapel from the moment he saw its "for sale" sign about a month after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. The tiny building had been dedicated as a house of worship in 1902 and was used as a Lutheran Church until 1969. It later became a seed storage building. It needed a lot of work but the Rev. Mascherino, who lived in Somerset; saw it as an opportunity to create a place of reflection for those touched by the heroism on Flight 93.

With only about \$300, a collection of antiques and coins and an enormous amount of faith, he was able to secure a loan to open the nondenominational chapel, a museum of sorts where today everything from photos of the crash to memorabilia from the victims' families is displayed.

Mascherino planned to chip away at his memorial project for as long as it took. Whenever he'd save up \$50, he'd drive to the local 84 Lumber store, hand a worker a list of items he needed, and ask for \$50 worth.

After a few trips, folks at 84 Lumber began asking questions. Unbeknownst to him, someone from the company began scouting out the chapel and

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what was going on. Impressed, the company kicked in \$23,000 for supplies and later decided to take over what turned into a \$150,000 renovation project, getting the work done in 10 days, in time for a Sept. 11, 2002, ceremony. Volunteers, many of whom heard about the project through word of mouth, began traveling from as far away as 50 miles to pitch in.

Since then, Mascherino has been accumulating a collection of items related to Sept. 11 and the families directly affected by it. There are signs and remembrances that were left at properties near the crash site, relics from the World Trade Center, and personal items belonging to passengers and crew aboard Flight 93, including a rugby ball used by passenger Mark Bingham.

After visiting the chapel and getting to know Rev. Mascherino, the mother of First Officer Leroy Homer Jr. donated a model plane the pilot made when he was 11. "She said, 'Let me tell you. I have many planes that belong to my son, but I give this one to the chapel because it's a United plane." The items in the chapel reflect the spontaneity and emotion of people who visit. Among donated items are a memorial stained glass window, a sanctuary lamp and several quilts made by a group of women in Berks County who were moved by their visit to the chapel.

Besides the memorial-filled sanctuary, there is a meditation room that features biographies of all 40 crew and passengers aboard the plane. Outside stands a tower holding the half-ton "Thunder Bell" that visitors are urged to ring four times for the four planes the terrorists crashed.

Behind the chapel is a 14-foot high, 16-ton black granite Flight 93 Crew Monument donated by the CAUSE Foundation. The monument, surrounded by granite benches with passengers' names engraved in them, features pictures of each of the crew members.

"He was a god send to us," Pat Morris, a retired United Airlines flight attendant, said of Mascherino. Morris was heavily involved in raising money for and creating the \$65,000 monument in the perfect setting where it sits outside the chapel.

Many relatives of Flight 93 crew members and passengers stop by the chapel during trips to crash site.

"Unfortunately, (the chapel) is not part of the national memorial, but it's something that's become important not only to the local people there, but to family members of the heroes on Flight 93.

## **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.....touring 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.

## **Classifieds**

AMR neighbors Fort Bedford and Gettysburg Regions

#### **For Sale**

**1984 Chevrolet Caprice Classic**, 4 door, 2 tone red paint, all original, body like new. \$7,000.00. Contact James Fisher at 814-847-2578

**1955 Packard** 400 2-door hardtop. All original except for correct paint scheme. Purchased from Packard Museum in OH. Has 35,000 undocumented miles, believed correct. \$18,500 OBO. Contact Joe Porter, Mechanicsburg, PA (717) 761-2521

**Large amount of automotive tools and equipment.** Ideal for restoration of older vehicles or for a person starting a small repair business. Sold as one lot, \$3000. Contact Don Collins, Hanover, PA (717)633-1238



## **Cover Story**

#### **Info from Drew Appleman**

The car featured on the cover of this issue of Vapor Locks belongs to Drew and Annie Appleman of Altoona. This beautiful car is a 1963 Studebaker Granturismo Hawk.

Drew and Annie purchased their Studebaker in 1994 in Altoona from Jay Robinson. The Hawk has a 289 engine and a 2 barrel carburetor. It was made at the South Bend, Indiana Studebaker Plant and was one of 6800 produced.

You may have seen Drew and Annie cruising thru Altoona or in parades. Everywhere they go the car gets a lot of attention.



**Great Parade!** 

#### **Additional Information**

The **Studebaker Gran Turismo Hawk** (or **GT Hawk**), a sporty coupe was the final development of the Studebaker Hawk.

The 1963 car was slightly restyled, with refinements to the front, sides, and rear. Round parking lights below the headlights were set into the corners of the newly closed side grilles that bore a squared pattern of lines. Early in 1963 production the parking light bezels were changed and the right side of the dash became wood grain, matching the area around the instruments. The doors had red, white, and blue emblems added next to the Gran Turismo emblems, and at the rear, the aluminum overlay's colors were reversed and red, white, and blue were added to the Hawk emblem on the top of the trunk lid.

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

### October 28, 2017 Smithfield Fire Hall near Huntingdon

October 28, 2017 Allegheny Mountain Region will hold a Fall Dinner and Annual meeting.

During the meeting, we review of the 2017 calendar of activities. The Board would like everyone attending to voice ideas, ask questions, share likes, dislikes, criticisms, express opinions of what you would like to see planned for 2018. The President and current Board would like you to **please attend** and share your thoughts.

At this time of year there is always a need for nominees to serve on the Board of Directors. Jeff Boring and Scott Deno, the nominating committee has contacted various members for on the ballots.

Criteria for serving on the Board of Directors are:

- Have a membership in the Allegheny Mountain Region.
- Have a membership in the AACA.
- Agree to serve a three year term.
- Join the current Board in assuming a leadership role in the Region.
- And most importantly, attend Board Meetings and club events.

The annual meeting will include the election for Board of Director's for the term 2018-2019-2020. We have a great list of nominees including some new names willing to get involved in AMR.

The candidates for the 2018 Ballot are:

Randy Clemens, Altoona Earl Eby, Huntingdon Ed Hinkle, Pleasant Gap Mike Walters, Centre Hall Scott Deno, State College Jeff Boring, Altoona Ellen Deno, State College John Mueller, Altoona

All of the candidates would be a great asset to the Board of Directors.

Your ballot is on the cover of this issue of Vapor Locks.

Your ballot will also include the member of the year award vote. A member you feel has contributed the most to enhance Allegheny Mountain Region throughout 2017.

## **Gold Panning Cruise In**

Planned by Don Foor

Saturday morning as we headed to Alexandria for a cruise it was a beautiful day. The sun was shining, no rain, and cool. What more could we ask for?

Driving into the cruise lot, Don and Carol Foor, Bill and Judy Lloyd and 7

other cars from the Fort Bedford Region were parking.

After some catching up, Don lead us on a short walk where we met Don Butler. Don Butler is an actual gold miner who spends his winters panning for gold. He



mines in Arizona where he owns a mining claim. We listened and watched intently to the various steps for mining from beginning to end.



Don working hard!

When we walked back to our cars, other local cars had joined the cruise in.

Of course our day could not end without a meal so we went over to Paesano's and had a late lunch with ice cream for dessert.

Then it was our turn. Don Butler had actual bags of pay dirt to pan gold. Anyone who wanted to pan some pay dirt was welcome to give it a try. Our own Don Foor was feeling lucky so he was ready to try his luck. Don did find some gold and that is when Carol took charge of the precious metal.



Carol with the gold!

Thank you Don for planning a nice day!

## **Auto World Trivia**

- 1. General Motors' entry-level luxury brand Buick introduced a sports/luxury coupe in 1963. The car was distinguished by razor edged lines and a 425 cid engine. It was produced through 1993, then brought back from 1995-1999. What car was this?
- 2. Ford Motor Company introduced a compact car in 1960 that featured a 144-cid V6. The model stayed in Ford's line until 1970. What car was this?
- 3. Rambler/AMC had their share of popular models. In 1965 Rambler introduced a 6-seat fastback to compete with Ford's Mustang. The car was only produced for three years -- a total of 17,400 cars. What car was this?

Answers at bottom of this page

## 2017Glidden Tour,

Hastings Nebraska - September 17-22, 2017

The members of Allegheny Mountain Region attending the 72nd Revival AAA Glidden Tour in the Region are either on their way or ready to leave for their journey to Nebraska. They are excited to have a week to experience to enjoy everything the tour has to offer.

Wouldn't it be nice to know how many tours all of AMR has participated in since the beginning of the Glidden Tours?

Region members making the 2017 trip are: Shelah and Emery Turner, Scott and Ellen Deno, Don and Carol Barlup, Dave Kontor and Pat Swigart

I am sure there will be great stories of adventures to report when they return.

Have a safe trip and a great tour!!

#### Trivia Answers

- 1. Riviera
- 2. Falcon
- 3. Marlin