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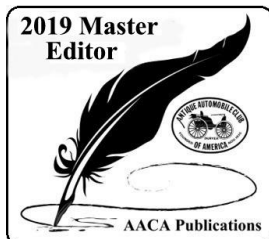
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President's Message



OH NO!!! AMR's President may be missing. My text messages have not been answered so I have no words of wisdom from him.

I have a few ideas as to what may have happened.

President Bill could be out on a long shopping trip hoping to find a special Christmas gift for Jackie.

or

He very well may be on a road trip for another car.

or

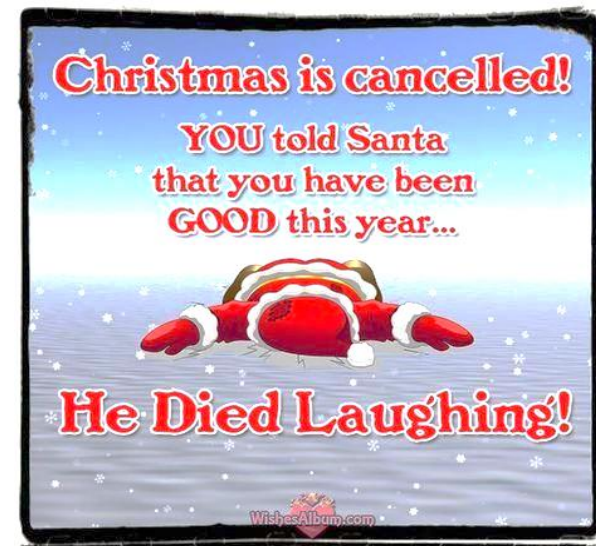
Perhaps he is on his way to the North Pole looking for Santa.

or

Could this be a kidnapping situation, after all he is a very unique person. I JUST DON'T KNOW!!

If we have a detective in the Region maybe you could solve the case?

Gladys



ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN REGION AACA

Board of Directors Meeting

October 24, 2020

Bill and Jackie Forsht's Garage

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Mountain Region was held on Saturday, October 24, 2020 in the Entertainment Garage at the home of Bill and Jackie Forsht.

President Forsht called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M.

The minutes of the June meeting were included in the Vapor Locks and were approved upon motion of Scott Deno, seconded by Ellen Deno

The Financial Report was approved upon motion of Randy Clemens, seconded by Paula Clemens.

It was decided to wait to see what happens with the COVID-19 pandemic to see what we will do about the After Christmas Party.

There will be a Board of Directors meeting on January 17, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. at the Forsht's garage.

We will look into planning a one day tour in the Spring at this meeting.

The Nominated members to the Board of Directors ballot was cast and passed unanimously. They are: Zach Boring, Jim Burke, Scott Deno and Loy Blattenberger,

The Cook's Nite Out events will be on hold until further notice.

The Boalsburg Show is also on hold until further notice.

Jeff Boring is continuing looking into better rates for CD's.

The Region again received four (4) free membership applications from National. These were distributed.

There was a discussion regarding what we will do with the club cabinet. Possibly we will get rid of it.

A discussion regarding having an anniversary meet at Bedford Springs for the Region's 70th Anniversary will be discussed further at the January meeting. It could be at the end of the summer.

Upon motion of Paula Clemens, seconded by Jeff Boring the meeting was adjourned.

Calendar of Events

Region Activities

January 17, 2021

Board Meeting at Bill Forsht's garage

Additional AMR dates will be added after the Board meeting

National Activities

February

11-13

Annual Convention - AACA National - Philadelphia, PA

March

17-20

Special Winter Nationals - Puerto Rico Region - San Juan, Puerto Rico

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Special Grand Nationals - Puerto Rico Region - San Juan, Puerto Rico

April

8-10

Southeastern Spring Nationals - Hornets Nest Region - Charlotte Autofair, Concord, NC

20-22

Southeastern Divisional Tour - King of the Road Chapter - Central Florida

May

6-8

Central Spring Nationals - AACA National - Auburn, IN
Founders Tour (1932-1996) - Mountain State Classics
Region Davis, WV

20-25

Board of Directors Meeting

January 17, 2021

Bill Forsht's garage

2:00

Everyone is welcome!



THE EDITOR'S DESK

Hi Everyone,

This is the last issue of Vapor Locks for the year. I am sending a BIG Thank you to everyone who has contributed to each issue. I would also like to THANK our advertising sponsors. Everyone is greatly appreciated.

2020 year was certainly different. We may not have had the experiences we would like but if you think about it we as a family and we as Americans have much to be thankful for.

Yes, this year was nothing like I have ever experienced. Staying home, not being around other car club friends altered church services and ordering items online so it could be delivered to our front door. Yep everything is sure different.

We have looked for deals on masks and hand sanitizer. Can you believe a nationwide toilet paper shortage (who could have guessed that one?) This never-before-seen virus and worldwide pandemic has changed our lives drastically. 2020 will certainly be a year talked about for a very long time.. It sure was not what we expected but...let's look forward to 2021 and make it a great year.

Happy Holidays to everyone!

Stay healthy and safe, and we'll meet you on the road in 2021.

Gladys



Fall Dinner

Hosted by Jackie and Bill Forsht

The Region's Fall Dinner was held Saturday, October 24, 2020 at Bill and Jackie Forsht's garage.

Bill and I were not able to attend the Dinner but it was reported a nice group of members attended and had a great time at the event.

There was lots of socializing before and after the Board Meeting and during the meal.

Everyone enjoyed a buffet that Bill and Jackie had catered. There was Spaghetti, Chicken Alfredo, salad, bread, beverages and dessert. (I think everyone had a full belly!)

Bill and Jackie had a nice surprise for those attending. Bill announced the Forsht's were covering the cost of the meal. What an awesome gesture!

Thank you Bill and Jackie!!



Paula Clemens.

2020 PERSON OF THE YEAR



Paula and hubby Randy

Paula Clemens has been involved in Allegheny Mountain Region for a lot of years. She is a very outgoing person always ready to lend a helping hand.

This Lady has been involved in dinners, registration at our Memorial Day and Delgrosso car shows and others.

Paula baked dozens and dozens of cookies for the hospitality room when AMR hosted the 2012 Founders tour.

She has arrived at club meetings with dessert for everyone in hand.

This girl not only helps with Region activities but when it is time to clean up you can count on Paula being there to help.

Paula is a committed member of Allegheny Mountain Region and a very deserving person of the 2020 "Person of the Year Award".

Congratulations Paula!



Surprises Kids find in Old Cars

By Wayne Tuck

Executive Vice President

Features we find in old cars can be a new discovery for kids. I still laugh to myself every time I think about the time my youngest grandson came out to the garage for a visit with granddad. I was working on my 1952 Hudson at the time and put him in the front seat. The first thing he noticed was the size of the steering wheel. I'm sure he had never seen a car without power steering. This was a new discovery for him. He was even more surprised with the window crank handles. How many kids today have never seen crank down windows? Not only a crank down window, but crank open vent windows. Most of today's youth have never seen a vent window. He spent the next half hour working his way around the interior cranking windows up and down.

We found an entire new world of things he never knew existed. A cigar lighter? That is known as a power outlet today. You mean you need to push down the buttons individually to lock the car? You need a key to unlock it? Ash trays? Turn the knobs to change the radio station? Where are the seat belts? What is that button on the floor? No padding on the dashboard?

Now let's take a look at an even older car. A tassel on the string that pulls the shade down over the back window? You mean you need to put your arm out the window to signal a turn? That lever on the left controls the spark advance? What is a spark advance anyway? Step on a floor pedal to start it?

All you need to do to get their attention is show it to them. Kids are even more thrilled if you take them for a ride. Let's all do something to pique their interest. The future of the old car hobby depends on it!



Car Trivia

Free Trivia

1. What did the Olds designation 4-4-2 stand for?
2. What automaker's first logo incorporated the Star of David?
3. What was the first car to use power operated seats
4. In what model year did Cadillac introduce the first electric sunroof?
5. What car was the first to have its radio antenna embedded in the windshield?
6. What type of car had the distinction of being GM's 100 millionth car built in the U.S.?
7. What autos were the first to use a standardized production key-start system?

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COOK'S CORNER

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1 pound cream cheese, at room temp.
2 cups shredded Cheddar, pepper Jack or Colby
2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
Salt and black pepper
1/2 cup finely chopped pickled peppers
1/2 cup finely chopped parsley leaves
1/4 cup finely chopped fresh chives
Crackers for serving

Directions: Line the inside of a 6-cup Bundt pan with plastic wrap. Mix softened cream cheese, shredded cheese, Worcestershire sauce, 1/2 teaspoon salt and few grinds of pepper in a food processor until smooth. Empty the mixture into a medium bowl, and fold in all but 2 tablespoons of the chopped peppers. Spoon the cheese mixture into the prepared Bundt pan; pack it in, spread into an even layer and cover (or simply form the cheese mixture into a ball and wrap tightly with plastic wrap). Refrigerate until chilled, at least 1 hour up to 2 days.

Uncover and invert the cheese mold (or unwrap and transfer the ball) onto a serving platter. Sprinkle with the chives and parsley to completely coat the wreath, and garnish with the reserved 2 tablespoons peppers. Serve with crackers, sliced bread or crudités.

Cranberry-Apple Punch

4 cups apple juice chilled
4 cups apple juice chilled
2 cups cranberry juice chilled
2 cups ginger ale chilled
1 can (12 oz.) frozen orange juice concentrate
Apple and orange slices for garnish

In a 4 quart container, combine apple juice, cranberry juice and orange juice concentrate. Refrigerate until serving time. Just before serving pour punch into punch bowl and add chilled ginger ale. Garnish with frozen cranberries, apple & orange slices. Enjoy!



Just For Laughs

Granddaughter Meets Santa

. Ruth Turner, Callao, Virginia

My nearly two-year-old granddaughter was reluctant to meet Santa Claus for the first time. Nevertheless, she patiently sat on his lap and waited while we took picture after picture. Finally, having had enough, she figured a way out of her predicament. She turned to Santa and stated, "I pooped." With that, Santa said, "She's done," lifted her up, and handed her back to her grandmother.

Expensive Perfume?

On Christmas Eve, Nathan thought it would be nice to buy his wife a little gift for the next day. Always short of money, he thought long and hard about what that present might be good. Unable to decide, Nathan entered a department store and in the cosmetics section he asked the girl, "How about some perfume?" She showed him a bottle costing \$100. "Too expensive," muttered Nathan. The young lady returned with a smaller bottle for \$50. "Oh dear," Nathan grouched, "still far too much." Growing rather annoyed at Nathan's meanness, the sales girl brought out a tiny \$10 bottle and offered it to him. Nathan became really agitated, "What I mean is I'd like to see something really cheap." So the sales girl handed him a mirror.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. 4 barrel carburetor, 4 speed transmission, and dual exhaust
2. The Dodge Brothers.
3. They were first used on the 1947 Packard line.
4. The 1969 Cadillac Fleetwood Eldorado
5. The 1969 Pontiac Grand Prix.
6. March 16, 1966 saw an Olds Tornado roll out of Lansing, Michigan with that honor.
7. The 1949 Chryslers

JUST FOR THOUGHT

Andrew Shecktor

It had been a rough year: A single father with two young daughters, I was out of work and out of money. With little choice, I told the girls, "It looks like our gift from Santa will be the gift of our love for each other." Then a miracle occurred. I won \$1,000 in a contest. I kept it a secret as I went on a shopping spree and spent Christmas Eve wrapping presents for my girls, all the time thinking, *Boy, will they be surprised!* The next morning, I went to the living room to lay out the gifts and froze. There were already dozens of presents under the Christmas tree—all with my name on them. My girls had felt bad that Dad wouldn't be getting any gifts, so they'd carefully wrapped their favorite stuffed animals and other toys so that I would have a merry Christmas. As I stared at the gifts through tear-filled eyes, I promised myself to never again doubt Santa Claus.

When Santa came to the nursing home where I worked; the first patient he visited was Margaret. She was confined to her bed but was thrilled when he roared "Ho, ho, ho" in her doorway. "Santa!" she said softly.

"Merry Christmas, Margaret "What do you want for Christmas, little girl?"

"I want a kiss from you, Santa," she said with a grin. Santa gently took Margaret's hand, bent down, and kissed her. He then added quietly, "God bless you, Margaret."

"God bless you, too, Santa," she whispered back.

Santa went on to visit every bedridden patient in the home. Afterward, he asked his nurse escort whether he could say goodbye to Margaret. Struggling to find the right words, she told him that Margaret had passed away soon after he'd left her room. She said that in her final moments, Margaret had spoken of being blessed by Santa. Santa thanked the nurse for telling him and then quickly left the floor. After all, nobody would want to see Santa Claus cry



Poinsettias at Christmas

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Poinsettia plants are native to Central America, especially an area of southern Mexico known as 'Taxco del Alarcon' where they flower during the winter. The ancient Aztecs called them 'cuetlaxochitl'. The Aztecs had many uses for them including using the flowers (actually special types of leaves known as bracts rather than being flowers) to make a purple dye for

clothes and cosmetics. The milky white sap was made into a medicine to treat fevers. (Today we call the sap latex!)

The poinsettia was made widely known because of a man called Joel Roberts Poinsett (that's why we call them Poinsettia!). He was the first Ambassador from the USA to Mexico in 1825. Poinsett had some greenhouses on his plantations in South Carolina, and while visiting the Taco area in 1828, he became very interested in the plants. He immediately sent some of the plants back to South Carolina, where he began growing the plants and sending them to friends and botanical gardens.

One of the friends he sent plants to was John Bartram of Philadelphia. At the first Philadelphia flower show, Robert Buist, a plants-man from Pennsylvania saw the flower and he was probably the first person to have sold the poinsettias under their botanical, or Latin name, name 'Euphorbia pulcherrima' (it means, 'the most beautiful Euphorbia'). They were first sold as cut flowers. It was only in the early 1900s that they were sold as whole plants for landscaping and pot plants. The Ecke family from Southern California were one of, if not, the first to sell them as whole plants and they're still the main producer of the plants in the USA. It is thought that they became known as Poinsettia in the mid-1830s when people found out who had first brought them to America from Mexico.

There is an old Mexican legend about how Poinsettias and Christmas come together, it goes like this:

There was once a poor Mexican girl called Pepita who had no present to give the baby Jesus at the Christmas Eve Services. As Pepita walked to the chapel, sadly, her cousin Pedro tried to cheer her up. 'Pepita', he said "I'm sure that even the smallest gift, given by someone who loves him will make Jesus Happy."

Pepita didn't know what she could give, so she picked a small handful of weeds from the roadside and made them into a small bouquet. She felt embarrassed because she could only give this small present to Jesus. As she walked through

Poinsettias pg. 2

the chapel to the altar, she remembered what Pedro had said. She began to feel better, knelt down and put the bouquet at the bottom of the nativity scene. Suddenly, the bouquet of weeds burst into bright red flowers, and everyone who saw them were sure they had seen a miracle. From that day on, the bright red flowers were known as the 'Flores de Noche Buena', or 'Flowers of the Holy Night'.

The shape of the poinsettia flower and leaves are sometimes thought as a symbol of the Star of Bethlehem which led the Wise Men to Jesus. The red colored leaves symbolize the blood of Christ. The white leaves represent his purity.

The Poinsettia is also the national emblem of Madagascar.

2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

I hope you have taken advantage of the savings for your 2021 membership by sending your membership renewal of **\$10.00** to Secretary Pat Swigart by December 31, 2020. (Your renewal form was in the last issue of Vapor Locks)

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Oily to Bed - Oily to Rise

By Stan Smith

In a recent hobby magazine I found an article on preparing one's vintage/classic car for upcoming winter. One item that caught my eye was the draining of the engine oil once you knew the car/truck wasn't to be driven again till spring. This gets rid of any acids that have formed in the oil during the past 8 months of driving. Good advice since I've normally waited till spring to change the oil.



"Were you aware that some new cars and trucks over the last 10 years have been using very light grade oils from the factory?" This is happening with the new generation of Hybrid/EV cars from Japan.

They are now using multi grade oils that have a viscosity close that of water. The ratings are 0W-20, 5W-20 and 5W-30. So far the only domestic vehicle using this light oil has been the Chevrolet Silverado.

Something else I learned was that the letter "W" stood for Winter, not Weight. The first number is the cold weather operating rating and the second number is for hot weather. The numbers came about years ago by the American Society of Automobile Engineers thru a designated series of viscosity tests. At first one would choose from 20, 30 or 40 rated motor oil. Then came the multi grades along with the synthetics like Mobil 1.

So be careful when changing your oil.....it's not as simple a choice as it was 50 years ago. Back then one had a favorite brand and was using a paraffinic (Pennsylvania) or naphthenic (Gulf Coast) type oil. Those super light multi viscosity oils are being used by the modern car manufacturers to help with achieving better mileage figures.

Every time I do an oil change I recall when my father and I restored our Mercer we had mother make for it a mat to cover the floor. On the underside of it she wrote with magic marker:

"OILY TO BED, OILY TO RISE....
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Hershey Hangover 2020

Scott and Ellen Deno attended their first Hershey Hangover tour October 11-13 which was the 9th such tour which is always staged near Hershey just after the AACA Hershey show. The tour is sponsored jointly by the Horseless carriage club and the Snapper region of the AACA for brass era cars. We arrived at noon Saturday and our 1912 Rambler joined 35 other beautiful brass cars. As we pulled in, who should we see but region members and longtime friends Don Barlup and Dave Kontor unloading Don's 1914 Pullman. We immediately made plans for lunch with first class transportation provided by the Pullman. After lunch our friends, Pam Robinson and Bill Preston, arrived from New York who agreed to be passengers in the rear of the Rambler. The Rambler was a little nervous, since it was its first tour with the Deno's and a full car. It was absolutely super to finally meet some serious car folks after a long summer with no activities. The opening "meet and great" dinner was an outdoor event for social distancing.

Sunday was a beautiful drive to the great little town of Lititz. Brass cars filled the downtown park. It brought back memories of a nice region trip to Lititz years ago. Lititz was the nice town we remembered however it was sad to see the Wilbur Chocolate factory was now an apartment building, even though Wilbur chocolates were still available in town across from the old factory.

Monday was a drive to Hershey Park and AACA museum. Since the tropical storm was a visitor on Monday, we used modern transportation. Yes, it was cold and rainy all day. I shed a tear as we passed the empty flea market area thinking of the missed bargains and memories in 2020 due to the cancelation. We stopped at the new AACA headquarters and it looks great from the outside, but not just yet ready for visitors. Good friend Bob Schultz had called me before our trip with questions about a 1908 Albany the museum was prep'ing for display, so I had to stop at the "secret" museum shop to do some consulting/BS'ing. Bob has the coolest job working on every conceivable car you can imagine; however the pay is low (like zero). I stayed so long I nearly missed lunch which was catered at the museum. Thank you Bob and Don Barlup for giving us a tour of the museum's storage garage after lunch. Wow, was the building FULL of a wide variety of interesting transportation.

Tuesday was a drive through Lancaster country side where I couldn't believe our tour guides found so many beautiful windy roads, well-kept farms, small streams and covered bridges (see the Rambler posing with the covered bridge).



The weather improved, but still overcast and cool (see ladies bundled up for the day). First stop was the Shady Maple restaurant and STORES which is a must stop, if you have yet to visit. Next stop was unique; Lippincott's Jaguar restoration shop. Mr. Lippincott was a great host and has been doing this for only 52 years! (He retired from racing Jaguars recently!). Several near perfect E Type Jaguars from the 60's were great to inspect. Then, we were on to the Foxchase golf club for lunch. The tour seemed to end as soon as it started, but it sure was great to finally do touring in 2020.

Glad to report that the 1914 Pullman and the 1912 Rambler both completed the tour in style.

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BATTERY	BRAKES	CARBURETOR	CHASSIS
ENGINE	FAN	FUEL TANK	HOOD
IGNITION	MUFFLER	ODOMETER	OIL FILTER
RADIATOR	RADIO	SEAT	SPEEDOMETER
SUSPENSIONS	TIRE	TRUNK	WINDSHILDD

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Wikipedia

The Toilet Paper Roll

We can thank Irvin and Clarence Scott of Philadelphia's Scott Paper Company for the convenience of perforated toilet paper on individual rolls. In 1890, Irvin and Clarence Scott of the Scott Paper Company of Philadelphia revolutionized toilet paper. They put toilet paper on a roll and began to individually package these rolls for sale in drugstores and pharmacies. This embarked them on a journey that would make them famous.

In 1902 when purchased all the rights to the WALDORF® Trademark. This became the company's first branded product. At this point it became obvious that the Scott Paper Company was here to stay.

It was not until 1903, that under the guidance of Arthur Hoyt Scott, Irvin Scott's son, Scott Paper Company began to produce toilet paper that was marked with Scott Tissue. He encouraged his father and uncle to sell at most 6 brands in order to become more specialized. As stated in Time, "By 1910 it was apparent that his idea of specialization was correct; his six brands provided 80% of the total sales of \$726,264.09." These ideas were not the only influences Arthur Scott brought to the company though.

At the time, a roll of 1,000 sheets sold for 10 cents. It did not take long for the Scott Paper Company's toilet paper to hit the mainstream and by 1925 they were the leading toilet tissue provider in the world. While Scott Tissue's success made it a household name

Arthur Scott was the author of the Scott Paper Company's first effective slogan, "Soft as old linen".

Even during the great depression, the Scott Paper Company did not have to lay off a single worker. They continued to operate at full capacity since the need for toilet paper had become a constant. By the 1950's, stories of people hoarding toilet paper became common. Some people even began buying full cases of 100 rolls at a time.

Throughout the years Scott Paper Company continued to modify its product. Whether making it softer, larger packs or different wrapping, they are still very relevant in today's culture. Although Scott Paper Company was acquired by Kimberly-Clark, Inc. in 1995, the SCOTT® brand is still widely recognized today. The company has gone on to produce a wide variety of paper products including, but not limited to, paper towels, napkins and tissues.

The Good Ole Days

Tom Orr

My folks had a 49 and a 51 Ford wagon. Both bought brand new. They were the talk of the neighborhood.

My first time to drive was to drive the 49 two blocks as I wanted to see if I could shift the gears. I remember well that I did OK especially for a 10 years old.

Our 51 had the Fordomatic transmission and I drove that car a good many times from 51 to 53 when it was traded in on a 53 Victoria which I also drove many times.

1951 FORD PRODUCTION AND PRICE STATISTICS

The Classic Ford

1951 Standard

Tudor Sedan	146,010	\$1,417
Business Coupe	20,353	\$1,324
Fordor Sedan	54,265	\$1,465

1951 Ford Custom V-8

Victoria Hardtop Coupe	110,286	\$1,925
Tudor Sedan	317,869	\$1,505

Crestliner 2 Door Sedan

Club Coupe	8,703	\$1,595
Fordor Sedan	53,263	\$1,505
Convertible Coupes	232,691	\$1,553
Country Squire 2 Door Wagons	40,934	\$1,949
	29,017	\$2,029

