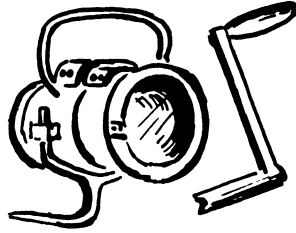
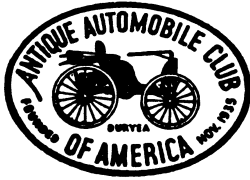


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HAPPY 55TH ANNIVERSARY TO OUR CLUB

SMOKE SIGNALS

February

1	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
6-8	AACA Annual Meeting	Philadelphia, PA
27-29	AACA Winter Nat'l	Miami, FL
29	Hamburg Swap Meet Set-up	Hamburg, PA

March

1	Hamburg Flea Market	Hamburg, PA
6-7	Martin Motorsports MC Show	Boyertown, PA
7	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA

April

2-5	AACA Southeastern Spring Nat'ls	Charlotte, NC
4	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
19	Early Bird Tour	
22-26	Spring Carlisle	Carlisle, PA
23-25	AACA Western Spring Nat'l	Show Low, AZ
24-25	Perkiomen Antique Motorcycle Show	Oley, PA
26-May 5	AACA Founders Tour	Show Low, AZ

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to all members for supporting development of our website. The Board's recommendation to engage a website administrator happened because of your approval. We can use the website as a tool to engage new members and to help the club run on all cylinders. Imagine online club information for members together with public promotion of future events and celebration of recent successes with color pictures! Check out our progress at <http://ontelaunee.aaca.com/>.

Our meeting on February 1, 2020, is another time to celebrate the grant of our charter by the AACA on February 5, 1965. February marks our 55th anniversary! With this edition of "Tin 'N Brass" is chapter one of Lynn Zettlemoyer's story of our Club entitled "The Glorious Beginning." He wrote it in 1972 and used it to mark our 30th anniversary at the June 10, 1995 banquet. Lynn chronicled our history and his records about Das Awkscht Fescht are kept at the Macungie Historical Society.

On February 1, 2020, we welcome Wayne Tuck, a member of our Region, a Director of AACA and its Membership Chair. He will share proved methods for growing Club membership. The website is only one tool to reach prospective members and we look forward to his presentation. That night will also be an opportunity to ask questions of our new website administrator, Mike Dotterer, great-nephew of our co-founder, Royden Dotterer. Mike has completed applications to join the AACA and our Region.

Also appearing in this edition of "Tin 'N Brass" is an article about Ron and Nancy Hutchins' 1988 Porsche 928 S4. Thanks to them for that piece and to Lester and Susan Manwiller for the article in the January newsletter about their 1955 Chevrolet. This mix of American and foreign antique motor vehicles represents a tradition for the Ontelaunee Region. "The Glorious Beginning" chronicles two foreign car presentations at our first chartered meeting on February 12, 1965. Please continue to submit your car articles so

we can hear a new story each month.

Special thanks to Joanne Ebert for her years of service as Activities Director. She stepped down between the President's Banquet and our January meeting. Joanne's special humor and no nonsense approach to distributing raffle prizes always lifted our meetings. Thanks also to Susan McGovern for taking that position. Another person with a great sense of humor and confident manner, Susan is known by several names spoken with affection. Ask to see her coonskin hat!

Let's promote our Hamburg Swap Meet scheduled for Sunday, March 1, 2020 between 7:00 am and 2:00 pm at the Hamburg Fire Company Field House. Lester has flyers for you to distribute and chores for you to share. Please remember that we begin Saturday, February 29th at 7:00 am to mark off spaces for vendors. Please bring your friends and family so we can post guards at doors and get the job done early.

Finally, I am honored to represent our Club at the AACA Annual meeting scheduled February 6 through 8, 2020 at the Philadelphia 201, formerly the Sheraton. Please join Florita and me in Philadelphia and let everyone know about our 55th anniversary!

Bob Hobaugh

MINUTES FOR JANUARY MEETING

The regular meeting of the Ontelaunee Region AACA was held at the New Jerusalem Zion UCC Church, Krumsville, PA on January 4, 2020 with 28 members present. President Robert Hobaugh opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Bob thanked Suzy McGovern and the officers from last year.

Secretary's report: The secretary's report from November 2019 was read without any corrections. A motion was made to approve the report by Ken Dages and Mike Horning. The motion passed.

Membership: Phyllis Peters sadly reported the death of Benjamin Koch who passed away Friday evening. A sympathy card was passed around. Ben was president in 2013 and Lester will send a \$50 memorial to the charity listed in the obituary. Phyllis will be calling about 20 members who have not yet renewed. As of tonight she has 157 renewals of which 59 are joint members. Twenty-six members do not pay dues because they are life, honorary or the spouse of a deceased member within the last year. New life members are Jed Rapoport and Todd & Andrea Kriner. New members are Charlie Potts, Scott & Kathy Dages and Bonnie & Howard Schorr (children of Ken & Elsa Dages), and Jamie & Tom and Jason & Melanie (children of Jim & Phyllis Peters). Phyllis has one free membership left and will request more if needed.

Activities: The president thanked Joanne Ebert for all the years of service as activities director. Suzy McGovern is the new activities director. Ken Dages will be doing the Two-day tour and the Applejack & Cider tour. Barb Spohn and Suzy will be doing the Early Bird tour. Still available are the Apple Blossom, Dog Days, and Fall Foliage tours. We have bakers for the first 3 months. Suzy brought in an article from the Reading Eagle featuring our President Bob who received the Northeast Berks Chamber of Commerce Exemplary Member of the Year award.

Newsletter: Mike Horning thanked everyone for their articles. He is looking to have

someone write an article about their car each month. Lester wrote about his 1955 Chevy in January and an article from Ron Hutchins will be in the February newsletter.

Publicity: Don Baer had been putting our monthly meetings in local publications last year and he will start doing that again this year.

Hamburg Swap Meet: Lester wrote the necessary letters to the Hamburg Chief of Police and Fire Police. The food is arranged. He still has 24 spaces available inside but has had calls for spaces and is waiting for their checks. Outdoor spaces will mainly be filled the day of the event depending on the weather. Letters have been sent to anyone who didn't renew and phone calls will be made shortly. Flyers were available for anyone who wishes to put some in local businesses. Bob asked members to please help out Saturday and Sunday at Hamburg.

President's Banquet 2019: Suzy McGovern hoped everyone enjoyed the banquet. She will be giving away as door prizes two extra planters that she had made for bakers and tour masters.

Christmas Party 2019: Barbara Oswald hoped everyone enjoyed the gifts and the entertainment.

New Business:

Budget: The Treasurer presented the budget for 2020. A motion was made to approve the budget by Elaine Baer and Shirley Schaffer. The motion carried.

Region Website: A motion was made at the December board meeting to make a recommendation to the club to spruce up our website based on an agreement to be updated as signed by both parties and with a 30-day termination by either party. A sum of \$600 was included in the budget for publicity. Bob talked to the website administrator for the New Jersey regions and he charges anywhere from \$0 to \$3000 to set up the website and \$105 a month to maintain it. Bob has talked to Michael Dotterer from Hamburg who is 19 years old and does website management. He would be willing to update our website for \$50 a month. His agreement as amended at the Board's request was circulated to members at the meeting. After a discussion with questions from the members a motion was made by Neil Merkel and Minnie Breininger to authorize our President to enter into that agreement to have Michael Dotterer manage our website for a trial period of 12 months. All were in favor and the motion carried. Bob said there is a clause in the contract that would allow us to get out of the contract after one month if we wanted to. Members would like Michael to update our website and then come to our meeting and show and explain to us what he did. Bob would like to see him become a member.

February Meeting: Wayne Tuck, AACA Chairman of Membership, will give a presentation on membership.

Ontelaunee Region 55th Anniversary: In February 1965 George Norton submitted an application to be a chartered region of the AACA. Bob asked us to think of ways to celebrate and promote ourselves.

Refreshments were by Shirley Schaffer and Elaine Baer.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Minnie Breining and Nancy Horning at 8:00 p.m. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Manwiller, Secretary

HAMBURG SWAP MEET

Help will be needed on Saturday, February 29 at 7:00 a.m. to lay out spaces for the swap meet. Any help will be greatly appreciated. We will also need help on Sunday, March 1 at 5:00 a.m. to help the vendors locate their spaces so they can set up and be ready for the public at 7:00 a.m. Don't forget to bring your "white elephant" items either Saturday or Sunday. We will also take the items at the February meeting. Please give me a call if you need the items picked up.

Lester Manwiller, Chairman, 610-823-4656

ACTIVITIES CORNER

This is just some information to think about before the next meeting. We need someone to take the Apple Blossom tour for May 3rd, the Dog Days tour for August 16th and the Fall Foliage for October 18th. If you can do it another weekend (Saturday or Sunday,) we can always change the date. We are flexible.

For the bakers we need someone to bake with Audrey Merkel for April 4th. We need bakers for September 5th and November 7th. And if you men are so inclined to bake or buy at the store it works for me. Just something to think about till next meeting.

Suzy McGovern

1967 BMW R60/2

Bob Hobaugh bought his 1967 BMW R60/2 motorcycle in 2013 from Richard A. Reinhold, a master automobile restorer and former member of the Ontelaunee Club. Richard was a Renaissance man, skilled in carpentry, electricity, metal fabrication and painting.



He built his shop in Reinholds and is well remembered for restorations of 1917 Cadillacs, among many other classic cars. With our celebration of Cadillacs and LaSalles at Das Awkcht Fescht this year, we should remember Richard for helping to preserve our Cadillac heritage.

This BMW represents the near end of a long run of BMW's R60 series in the post-war era. Manufactured with air-cooled, horizontally-opposed cylinders and a

driveshaft, this motorcycle followed that engineering design used in the first BMW made in 1923, known as the R32, and in most BMWs manufactured between the R32 and the R60/2. The BMW is designed to have a sidecar: it has three threaded shafts for attachment of a sidecar and an adjustment on the triangular front forks to decrease wheelbase for turning with a sidecar. Called Earles forks and named for their English designer, Ernest Earles, they worked well with sidecars because they resist heavy dive from use of the front

brake. In 1968, BMW introduced telescopic forks for R60/2s which made the model appear more modern.

BMW manufactured the R60 from 1956 through 1960 and the more powerful R60/2 from 1960 to 1969. Bob learned from BMW Group Archive in Munich that the BMW was manufactured



on February 9, 1967 and arrived at Butler & Smith of New York City, the American importer, on February 14, 1967. It came with a bench seat, no mirrors, no faring, no turn signals nor bags but cost about \$1,300. That was expensive for a mere 594 cubic centimeter displacement engine with 30 horsepower. Richard Reinhold installed correct after-market parts including a Wixom faring and saddlebags, and some parts not authorized by BMW including Japanese turn signals, mirrors, and luggage rack. Richard and his sons rode the BMW with these safety upgrades until 2013.

Bob had the faring and all non-authorized accessories removed and installed correct or new old stock parts including an Albert mirror, Denfeld solo seat, turn signals, brake shoes, battery box and powertrain gaskets. He also had the electrical system restored and the power components tuned. It still shows its original paint, wheels, bright work and powertrain, appearing unrestored with authorized accessories. Only the Dunlop tires and turn signal switch are incorrect but make it a safer bike.

This motorcycle has been judged in the “original” class and received its Junior First Award in 2017 and Senior Award in 2019 from the Antique Motorcycle Club of America. The BMW was invited and shown at the Radnor Hunt Concours d’Elegance on September 8, 2019. Bob was honored for the invitation where the first place award went to a Crocker recently purchased for a reported \$704,000. Bob rides this BMW to shows, principally Das Awkscht Fescht , Duryea Day, Perkiomen AMCA at Oley and the Kutztown Kruizz.

More about the R60 can be found in Danny Liska’s [Two Wheels to Adventure \(Alaska to Argentina by Motorcycle – Bigfoot1\)](#), and in Robert Pirsig’s [Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance](#). Accompanying this article are pictures of the BMW as Richard Reinhold owned it and in its present condition, as shown at Radnor Hunt.

1988 PORSCHE 928 S4

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company purchased this Porsche on January 14, 1988 for high-speed testing of its premium tire series. Goodyear installed a roll bar and removed the mats for testing. The test track had an embedded window so that underground cameras could record tire characteristics. In early 1992, Goodyear completed testing, removed the roll bar and reinstalled the floor mats. The company offered it for sale to Goodyear employees in an auction.

Nancy and I purchased the car with 15,600 miles. Driving the Porsche back from Akron was great fun because it was fast, stable, comfortable and quiet. It has a V-8 engine displacing 302.5 cubic inches and producing net 316 horsepower and 316 foot pounds



of torque. The engine has 32 hydraulically-actuated valves and can rev up to 6,600 rpms. The Porsche can accelerate to 60 mph in 5.7 seconds with a top speed of 165 mph.

Porsche management drove 928s rather than the familiar model 911. The 928 was supposed to replace the 911 but did not. Porsche produced the model 928 from 1977 until 1994. Some cars manufactured in 1994 were titled as 1995 cars. Porsche began building the four-valve-per-cylinder models in 1986 which are more valued than

the earlier cars with two valves per cylinder. A stock but race-prepared 1986 model 928 S4 held the record for the fastest naturally aspirated automobile in the United States.

Our car now has 37,800 miles on the odometer and is still a joy to drive. Maintenance is complicated because the car has separate computers to monitor fuel injection, ride quality, ABS brakes, transistor ignition, cogged timing belt and other systems. Did I tell you the engine takes 9 quarts of oil? So, other than regular wear and tear items, the repair costs have been reasonable. We replaced the tires, a timing belt, a fuel injection computer and leaking valve cover gaskets.



This Porsche is a pleasure to drive. The interior is fine leather; the instrument panel follows the steering wheel adjustment to suit the driver's needs; and the seats adjust electrically to fit me. A full set of tools hides in the rear upholstered hatch and, provided you have short legs, the back seat is almost comfortable. I believe this Porsche performs with the best for acceleration and control. The brakes are among the best and the ride is refined. It may be the best driving car Nancy and I will ever own.

by Ron Hutchins

ONTELAUNEE REGION AACA FROM "THE GLORIOUS BEGINNING" CHAPTER 1

During the summer of 1964, Sterling Zimmerman wrote a letter to Lynn Zettlemoyer, then editor of Lehigh Valley Region's "Body Squeaks," concerning the situation of many Berks County residents needing an antique car club. These persons were not members of the Antique Automobile Club of America, but were friends of Zimmerman and had mutual interests in the field of antique automobiles. At that particular time, nothing was done pertaining to this original written request for an antique car club.

However, the first unofficial gathering of these Berks County car buffs was held

on Friday evening, December 4, 1964, at the Kempton Hotel, Kempton, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Sterling Zimmerman, Royden Dotterer, Donald Peters, Lee and Clark Hummel, Otto Gruber, Robert Rhode, and George Stump. Mr. Stump, already well-known in AACA circles as a member of the hobby and an expert car upholsterer, had enlisted the aid of his friend, George R. Norton, Jr., of Reiffton, Pennsylvania, in setting up this meeting with Zimmerman and his friends. The one important accomplishment that first evening was the decision to hold another meeting which the public would be invited to attend.

Thus it was January of 1965 that a definite step was taken to form a club devoted to antique automobiles. An announcement of the formation meeting appeared in a January 1965 issue of the weekly newspaper, "The Kutztown Patriot." The meeting was held on a Friday evening of the same month, again at the Kempton Hotel. Also attending with George Stump was George Norton, Vice President of Publications and Past President of the national organization of the Antique Automobile Club of America. Upon Norton's arrival and prior to the meeting starting, it was requested that Norton talk first via telephone with Zimmerman, who was unable to attend this second meeting since he was recuperating from a hospital visit requiring surgery. Norton's knowledge was invaluable when the group discussed the major decision which had to be made that evening – whether or not the assembled persons wanted to form as an official Region of the national AACA and enjoy extra benefits such as liability insurance, provided free by the national organization. After both avenues were thoroughly discussed, it was agreed by all to form an official Region of the AACA.

In order to present a petition to the parent organization, everyone was required first to join the national AACA. Sterling Zimmerman served as Acting Director. An official name was needed for the Region. After much discussion, Otto Gruber submitted the name, "Ontelaunee Region," which was unanimously agreed upon. With this phase accomplished, Norton then presented this petition for a charter at the national Board meeting held during the 29th annual meeting in Philadelphia, on February 5, 1965. With the national AACA Board members acting in our favor by granting a charter, Norton was able to report back at our next meeting on February 12, 1965, that we were an official Region of the AACA. Again, this Friday evening the meeting was held in the dining room of the Kempton Hotel, courtesy of the proprietor, George Wessner.

It was here that the election of officers was held with the following results: Director, Sterling Zimmerman; Vice-Director, George Stump; Treasurer, Royden Dotterer; and Secretary, Lynn Zettlemoyer. Midway through the meeting following the election, Zettlemoyer asked that his name be stricken from the position of Secretary. Since he had agreed to serve as Editor for the future regional newsletter, he felt that it would be detrimental to the newsletter to have the Editor assume two positions. The previous motion was retracted and changed so the offices of Secretary and Treasurer were combined. Dotterer accepted both offices. This proved to be an excellent move, since he continued (most effectively) for the next seven years. In addition, Zettlemoyer announced the name of the newsletter to be "Tin 'N Brass."

During the February meeting, it was agreed that the annual dues be \$2.00 per year for a member and the member's family. It was also decided to hold the regional business meetings the last Friday of the month. As time was growing short, it was impossible

to become involved with the deep discussion of activities or selecting committees. The balance of the meeting was turned over to George Norton, who supplied the entertainment. He showed his collection of color slides taken in November 1964 of the world-famous London the Brighton run, a timed run that does not allow newer cars than 1904. The quality of his slides and witty remarks made the evening most enjoyable. With Norton was a guest, Mr. Phil Evans, an electrical engineer on a 3-week visit from Europe who gave a short talk on antique automobiles in Europe. The February Treasurer's report showed income of \$94.00 from 47 memberships, expenses of \$53.83 for stationery, leaving a balance of \$35.65.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

Paul Schaffer	2/2	
Thomas Gatley	2/3	
Raymond Brown, Jr.	2/5	
Dianne Heyer	2/10	
Barbara Spohn	2/11	
Al Myers	2/12	
Peggy Engard	2/13	
Carolyn Rahn	2/14	
Richard Hough	2/15	Daniel & Bernice Boyer
Leslie Davis	2/17	
Ed Umberger	2/18	
Barbara McMichael	2/18	
Joan Shade	2/19	
	2/20	Paul & Joan Shade
Ann Lawtsch	2/23	
	2/25	Scott & Brenda Smoyer

KEEP ME INFORMED

When someone is in the hospital, or on the sick list I would appreciate if you could let me know. If someone from the club has passed away I would also greatly appreciate a phone call.

Thank You, Phyllis Peters

DUES ARE PAST DUE!

LAST NOTICE!

Remember your 2020 Ontelaunee Region DUES ARE PAST DUE after January 1, 2020 so, lets pay now! DUES are \$10.00 Single, \$15.00 for Joint and \$150.00 Life Membership only if Life Member in National. If membership is not received by February 1st I will be removing you from the membership rolls.

This would be a good time to enter your spouse as a member. If she is not already a member and have her receive all the benefits of the club.

Please make sure we have your current telephone number and e-mail address so I can keep membership records up to date.

Send you dues to Phyllis Peters, 5265 Elgen Dr., Emmaus, PA 18049