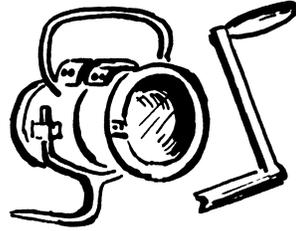


# “Tin n Brass”



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## SMOKE SIGNALS

### 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-May5	AACA Founders Tour	Show Low, AZ

### May

2	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
3	Apple Blossom Tour	
7-9	AACA Central Spring Nat'l	Auburn, IN
13-16	AACA Eastern Divisional Tour	Cambridge, MD
17	Wind Gap Car Show	Wind Gap, PA

### June

5	Carlisle Ford	Carlisle, PA
13	Rotary Show of Wheels	Fleetwood, PA
14	Church Tour	
19-20	Macungie Truck Show	Macungie, PA
26-27	Carlisle Chevrolet Nat'l	Carlisle, PA
24-27	AACA Eastern Spring Nat'ls	Beckley, WV
28	West End Car Show	Gilbert, PA

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wayne Tuck told us to carry membership applications and Club event publicity sheets. Following his advice, I shared 10 copies of our "Tin 'N Brass" and many more copies of the Hamburg Swap Meet and Das Awkscht Fescht registration sheets at the AACA exhibit during the Philadelphia International Auto Show. On Saturday, February 15, 2020, thousands of spectators visited our exhibit and heard about Ontelaunee! Now I carry 10 applications for Ontelaunee and the national AACA in my car. Please join me in spreading the word!

We had a terrific Hamburg Swap Meet on Sunday, March 1, 2020! Thanks to all members who served at the meet and who set up on Saturday at the Hamburg Fire Company Field House. Special thanks go to Lester and Susan Manwiller who promoted the meet in advance and served during the meet and to Marilyn Roth and her brigade for organizing the white elephant tables. Our new members, Jeff and Cheri Dotterer, helped at the meet and were vendors. Here is a link to our Swap Meet photo gallery on the Region's website <http://ontelaunee.aaca.com/photo-gallery/>. Thank you for bringing your friends and family to make each of our jobs lighter and to Marty Moyer who donated \$50 to the Region.



Please read Carl Breininger's story about his Studebakers appearing in this edition of "Tin 'N Brass." As owners and dealers of Studebakers, he and Minnie have wonderful stories

to tell. Ask them about the dealership, their cars and memories. Expect to see another article from Minnie about her Buick. My family drove Studebakers, too: 1936 President, 1941 Commander, 1949 Commander Deluxe Coupe and 1960 Lark Deluxe Sedan. They all served us well, except the 1949 Coupe that had an early retirement thanks to a tractor trailer.

Please register with Barbara Spohn for the Early Bird Tour, heading to Stoudt's Winery in Shartlesville on April 19, 2020. Barb and Suzy have thought out of the box (and the bottle) for this tour. We have no leaders for the Apple Blossom Tour scheduled for May 3, 2020, the Dog Day Tour scheduled for August 16, 2020, and the Fall Foliage Tour scheduled for October 18, 2020. These would be a great opportunities for you, as leader, to show our members something fun in our back yard.

Thanks to our bakers for serving such wonderful food at Region meetings. On January, 4, 2020, Shirley Schaffer and Elaine Baer served refreshments. On February 1, 2020, Minnie Breininger and Marilyn Roth served cherry pie. On March 7, Suzy McGovern and Barbara Spohn served something Irish.

Finally, we have added pictures, galleries and the newsletter to our website. Check out these upgrades at: <http://ontelaunee.aaca.com/>.

Bob Hobaugh

### MARCH BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Ontelaunee Region AACA was held at the New Jerusalem Zion UCC Church, Krumsville, PA on March 7, 2020 with 27 members present. President Robert Hobaugh opened the meeting at 7:00 with the pledge of allegiance to the flag and reminded us to SPRING AHEAD.

Secretary's report: The secretary's report from February 2020 was read without any corrections. A motion was made to approve the report by Marilyn Roth and Suzy McGovern. The motion carried.

Treasurer's report: President Robert Hobaugh gave the treasurer's report for February 2020. A motion was made to approve the report by Michael Horning and Barbara Oswald. The motion carried.

Membership: Phyllis Peters reported that as of tonight we have 178 members (113 single and 65 joint). A new member from Schnecksville, who joined at the Hamburg Swap Meet is Michael Beers. Phyllis has four more free memberships from National. Our membership is down from other years some due to death and moving away. We also signed get well cards for Darlene Souders and Mike Wolfe who is having a knee replacement. Barry Hunsicker is at home and doing ok. He was missed at Hamburg. Phyllis is looking for an address for Glen Anderson because his Tin & Brass was returned.

Activities: Suzy McGovern said there are still tours open and bakers are needed for meetings. The list is being passed around to sign up. Suzy and her sister, Barb Spohn are the tour masters for the Early Bird Tour with an attendance so far of 17 people. The date is April 19 and we will be able to taste the wine.

Hamburg Swap Meet: Robert Hobaugh standing in for Lester Manwiller announced that we had a very good year. The Region netted \$4,492.65. The weather was great. Some of the vendors signed up for 2021. A big thanks to Lester and Susan Manwiller and all of the

people who were there early and late to set up, clean up, park cars in the cold, to make this endeavor a success. There were many bargains to be had at the white elephant tables. One of the most interesting items was a calendar that was not allowed to be taken home by the provider. Some members bought items that they should not have. Maybe they will be donated for next year. Lester and Susan delivered the goods not sold to Goodwill.

Das Awkscht Fescht: It was brought to our attention that the cars in the tent must register for the three days. It was then explained that that has been the rule for years.

Tin & Brass: Mike said that he and Michael Dotterer are working hard to include much of the Tin & Brass information on the website for more exposure. They are trying to link the Tin & Brass to the website. Sherry took many pictures at Hamburg and also added some pictures from past DAF to include in a gallery so that color can be added.

Numbers were called and the winners all went home with items that they really needed.

Refreshments: Barbara Spohn and Suzie McGovern used the theme for St Patricks' Day with Shamrock pretzels/green M&Ms and cupcakes and cookies.

A motion was made at 7:41 to adjourn the meeting. Shirley Schaffer and Neal Merkel raised their hands, the motion carried.

#### FATHER'S DAY AT WERLEYS CORNER

Father's Day at Weisenberg Lowhill Township Historical Society, 4585 Werley's Corner Road, New Tripoli, Pa 18066, Noon to 5:00 PM. Free admission. Bring Dad and your antique cars, motorcycles, hot rods, muscle cars for some awesome food (food trucks).

Try to win some great items in a Mini basket raffle. All buildings containing antiques, etc, will be open for you viewing pleasure.

For those of you who have not been there this is the hotel that Sterling Zimmerman, one of Ontelaunee's founders, owned and is now the WLTHS. The club's original headdress is on display, and many other antiques with lots of interesting history. Contact Gloria Zimmerman at [gfirm@ptd.net](mailto:gfirm@ptd.net) or call 610-395-0763 to reserve your vehicle space.

#### EARLY BIRD TOUR - APRIL 19, 2020

For the first tour of 2020, we will be tasting wines at STOUDT's WINERY in Shartlesville where they use their own grapes and other fruits grown on Stoudt's Fruit Farm owned by Bob L. Stoudt. They have approximately 20 different wines and plan on adding more selections to their list as their business grows. For your information if you buy a bottle of wine you will receive \$5.00 off one bottle of wine.....WINE ONLY..... We will eat before we start our wine tasting.

MEET: Northern Berks Doctors Office (off Route 61 next to the Cracker Barrel Hamburg)

TIME: 9:45 a.m. (Leave at 10:00 a.m.)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 4, 2020

TOURMASTERS: Barbara Spohn & Suzy McGovern

COST: \$10.00 members/\$26.00 non-members, children under 3 free, 3-11 \$5.00

Make checks payable to ONTELAUNEE REGION AACA

Send payment to Barbara Spohn, 129 Dry Hollow Rd., Bernville, PA 19506

Any questions call Barbara at 610-488-1209

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

#Adults \_\_\_\_\_ #Children Under 3 \_\_\_\_\_ #Children 3-11 \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTIVITIES CORNER

We have been having some beautiful weather but I'm wondering if its luring us in and we still might get a huge snowstorm? At least if we do it probably won't last long. So maybe that furry little critter was right. I guess we'll just have to wait and see.

We DON'T need any BAKERS for this year we're all booked up. Thank you everyone!! Now on the other hand we do need tour masters. Neil & Audrey Merkel and Minnie (not sure about Carl ONLY KIDDING) signed up for the Fall Foliage...Thank You very much I appreciate it. We still have the Apple Blossom (May) and Dog Day (August) tours available. Come on I know someone wants to do a tour....think about it till next meeting or give me a call.

Stay cool till next meeting  
Suzy

### HAMBURG SWAP MEET

The 53rd Hamburg swap meet is now history and we are working on 2021. The weather was windy and cold but no rain or snow. The volunteer crew marked off spaces inside and outside of the field house on Saturday. Tables were put in the vendor spaces where needed. Thanks to the members who set up and priced the white elephant items. Workers had a good lunch at Westy's compliments of the club.

On Sunday, we were there at 5:00 a.m. as the vendors filled the field house. Inside there were 96 spaces sold and outside 61 spaces sold. There were 5 spaces sold for the car corral. Barbara Oswald sold the 50/50 tickets. Our President, Bob Hobaugh, was at the entrance to greet attendees and try to recruit new members.

Thanks to everyone who helped from set up to clean up. It couldn't be a success without the help from the members. Thanks to all of you.

Lester Manwiller

### MY STUDEBAKERS

My father drove Studebakers but I did not want to drive Studebakers. So my first car was a 1952 Ford. My second car was a blue and white 1957 Ford Fairlane. While in high school, I needed a job and so started my adventure with Studebaker by working at the Kuhnsville Studebaker Garage owned by Mr. and Mrs. Carl L Mayers. After graduating, I

continued working at the garage until Mr. Mayer's health deteriorated. We purchased the repair garage and the Studebaker dealership in the year 1968. I serviced and repaired all types of cars, and sold Studebakers, other used cars and Texaco gasoline.

In 1966 when the Studebaker Corporation no longer made Studebakers, I sold new Dodge cars through Hahn & Sons Inc., owned by George and Paul Hahn in Lehigh. I operated the garage for 20 years. In 1988, I went out of the car business and drove tri-axle dump truck for Faust Trucking for 10 years. Next, I drove a big yellow cattle truck (called a school bus) for the Parkland School District for 15 years. I retired in the year 2012.

During that time I accumulated quite a few cars.

I have the 1949 Studebaker Commander that my father owned and with which I courted Minnie. I also have a 1950 all-original Studebaker Champion that has won many awards at Hershey. In my corral, I also have a 1951 Studebaker Champion that I purchased from a customer. It is all-original except for the left rear fender and door. I entered it in the HPOF class and have won many awards. I also have a 1960 refurbished Studebaker Lark and a 1964 Studebaker Hawk plus several others not licensed to drive. The Studebaker car was the most easily serviced car that I ever worked on.



1964 Hawk and 1950 Champion

profile, large glass area and flow-through fenders, with similar streamlining in the front and rear. The Studebaker L-head six-cylinder engines were simple, durable and economical. In the 1960s, Studebaker promoted its Lark, a compact car available with an L-head six-cylinder or various V-8 overhead valve engines. The Hawk series and the Avanti came with V-8 engines, some supercharged. After automobile production ended in 1966, the Studebaker Corporation continued with Paxton superchargers.

Years ago people made fun of the Studebaker, not knowing if it was coming or going, due to the radical post-war Loewy design. Now it draws



Carl and his 1957 Ford Fairlane

Studebaker was America's oldest manufacturer of vehicles, building wagons since 1850. The South Bend, Indiana, company was known for its low-priced Erskine and large President Eight during the 1920s. It built smaller Dictators and Commanders and large classic Presidents during the 1930s. Following 1941, it manufactured defense contract airplane engines, trucks and Weasel personnel carriers. Its post-war offerings benefitted from Raymond Loewy Studio's design with low



1960 Studebaker Lark

more attention because the younger generation does not know what kind of a car it is. The Studebaker was ahead of its time. The cars had some extras that other cars did not develop until later like the hill holder, a coupling between the clutch and brake system that prevented the car from rolling backward down a hill when the clutch was engaged.

Carl R. Breininger

#### APRIL BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

Clair Boatman	4/6	Eugene & Sherry Bardo
Carl Breininger	4/8	
Kenneth Dages	4/9	
Ginny Gatley	4/9	
Susan Hinkle	4/13	
	4/20	Kenneth & Elsa Dages
Thomas Kidd	4/22	
Donald Haines	4/23	
Bernice Boyer	4/25	
Scott Dages	4/26	
Michael Wolfe	4/27	

#### NATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Good News!! We have received an additional Four Free Memberships from National. We were allotted Four and have been able to give these to new members. As of now we still have Four Free Membership to give to potential person who has never been a member of AACA. If you know anyone who is interested please have them contact me. I will see that they receive the necessary paperwork. Those who choose to take advantage of this offer must also join Ontelaunee. This is a one year only membership so to take advantage it is important to receive this membership as soon as possible.

Phyllis Peters, Membership

#### 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