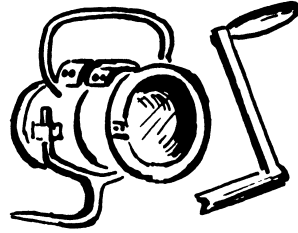
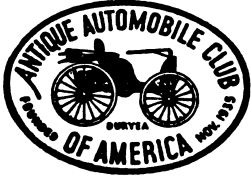


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2020 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January

4 Ontelaunee Business Meeting Krumsville, PA

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-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

July

4	Hawk Mt. Region Car Show	Fleetwood, PA
5	Anthracite Car Show	Hazleton, PA
19-24	AACA Reliability Tour	Lockhaven, PA
23-25	Grand National	Allentown, PA
27	DAF Stake Off	3:00 PM
31-Aug 1	Das Awkscht Fescht	Macungie, PA

August

15	Wheels of Faith Car Show	Whitehall, PA
15	Night in the Country Car Cruise	New Tripoli, PA
16	Dog Days Tour	
20-22	AACA Southeastern Fall Nat'ls	Elizabeth, Ind.
27-30	Corvettes at Carlisle	Carlisle, PA

September

5	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
5	Duryea Day Car Show	Boyertown, PA
6	Slatington Lions Car Show	Slatington, PA
7	Robesonia Car Show	Robesonia, PA
7	Ludwigs Corner Car Show	Ludwig's Corner, PA
13	Strausstown Car Show	Strausstown, PA
13-18	AACA Revival Glidden Tour	Saratoga Springs, NY
19-20	2 Day Car Tour	
30-10/4	Fall Carlisle	Carlisle, PA

October

3	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
7-10	AACA Eastern Fall Meet	Hershey, PA
18	Fall Foliage Tour	
19-23	AACA Central Tour	Tulsa, OK
25	Free Spirit Buick Car Show	Lehighton, PA

November

7	Ontelaunee Business Meeting	Krumsville, PA
8	Apple Jack & Cider Tour	
15	Ontelaunee President's Banquet	

December

6	Budget and Reorganization Meeting	Krumsville, PA
13	Ontelaunee Christmas Party	

ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Let's celebrate our successes and plan for the future of the Ontelaunee Club. We enjoyed some great dinners, tours and events in 2019. Suzy McGovern served us well and we owe her much appreciation for that leadership. 2020 marks the 55th anniversary of the Ontelaunee Club. We need to appreciate our history and strengths and build on that base.

First, we should celebrate our 55th anniversary. We could build that theme into each event and plan a special event. Each member can celebrate by being proud of who we are as a Club. Knowing our history is part of the celebration. Ontelaunee has successfully coordinated the vehicle display at Das Awkscht Fescht since 1965. Our future members helped run cars at the Fescht in its first year, 1964, before we were chartered in February 1965. During my association with the Club, we hosted two AACA Nationals, 1986 in Macungie and 2012 in Reading, and hosted a Vintage Tour in 2001.

Second, we should tell our story. Let's continue to promote our events to the world outside our Club. That means placing flyers and press releases on our events. It also means showing who we are on our website. In 2019, we began to use the website for telling our story: some articles in our newsletter appear on the website. Check it out at <http://ontelaunee.aaca.com/>. I welcome articles about your cars and challenge the Club to place one car story each month.

Third, we can benefit from adding new members. We build membership by telling our story, trying new things and sharing our "brand." Wayne Tuck, Club member and Chair of the AACA Membership Committee, has agreed to speak with us about membership on February 1, 2020.

Finally, I am honored to be your President and promise to serve the Club as best as I can in 2020. I look forward to our events, particularly Das Awkcht Fescht where our featured cars will be Cadillac and LaSalle. Please join me in celebrating our 55th anniversary!

Bob Hobaugh

MY 1955 CHEVROLET

My family had Chevrolets when I grew up so it's no wonder my first car was a 1948 Chevy which got me around when I was in high school. After graduation from high school I immediately joined the Army. When it looked like I would be stateside for a while I came home from Texas and purchased a 1955 Chevy, black with blue interior. I drove the car of my dreams to Texas and was no sooner situated when I got orders to go overseas. So I drove that car back home to Fleetwood and flew to California where I boarded a troop transport ship to South Korea.

Fast forward to 1997 and my father, Robert, had a 1955 Chevrolet BelAir which he had purchased used and had taken on many car tours for the Ontelaunee, Hershey and Penn Dutch Regions. It was in 1997 that my father's health started to deteriorate and he listed some of his vehicles for sale. I decided to purchase the 1955 Chevy BelAir from him.

It is a 4-door sedan with two tone paint, coral and gray, and white wall tires. It was the first successful Chevrolet with an optional V8 engine. Chevy's new 265-cubic-inch overhead valve V8 was designed to be smaller, lighter and more powerful than previous V8s and is known as the "Chevy small block". In 1955 Chevrolet drastically changed its body design with the full shoebox look. The 1955 also had wrap-around glass on the windshield and triangular tail lights that jutted outward.



The Chevrolets manufactured in 1955, 1956, and 1957 became referred to as the "Tri-Fives". The 1955 Chevrolet changed from a 6-volt to a 12-volt electrical system. Nineteen different two-tone color combinations were available or one solid color. A standard column-mounted three speed synchro-mesh transmission was available with or without overdrive or the fully automatic two-speed Powerglide transmission. Mine is automatic.



When the car was restored I had the original engine rebuilt. I also kept the original color scheme. When my father purchased the car there were sanders in the trunk of the car. Sanders were remotely activated from a switch on the steering wheel column to drop sand in front of the rear wheels during icy road conditions. I assume the car was originally from one of the northern states. The sanders were not a dealer option but could be purchased and installed later. They were so unique I decided to leave them in the car.

The restoration was completed the day before the AACA meet at Gettysburg in spring 2018 where it won a First Junior. The car won a Senior award at Hershey that fall. I am working towards earning a senior award at the National Chevy Club show. Accompanying this article are pictures of the car during restoration and as restored.

Lester Manwiller

REPORT ON CHRISTMAS PARTY

We had some snow in the beginning of the week but no snow on Sunday December the 8th. Which meant that everyone who traveled from a distant had good traveling weather. I'm sure the people from New Jersey were absolutely happy about it. I know I was but didn't have as far to travel as them.

Most people arrived at noon or a little after, so we could get some mingling in with our friends and have some good conversations. I always look forward to this part of the party because I enjoy talking. (As most of you know) Then at 1:00 we sat down to a delicious PA Dutch meal which is always very tasty and most people especially look forward to the lettuce with bacon dressing. Jim Peters, I think always looks forward to the ice cream. (Just saying)

The entertainment was Joe Keppel Magician Comedy of Magic who was amazing. I think I can safely say the adults as well as the kids enjoyed him. I know I couldn't figure some of his magic tricks. (Ok maybe all of them) Barb Oswald told me he even preformed at the White House. I believe you could tell he enjoyed his job.

Of course, Santa showed up and brought presents for the kids which I think Santa enjoyed also. He even brought presents for the big kids. Since I got a present, I'm assuming Santa thought I was on my best behavior this year or Santa memory is going. (My money is on memory loss) I also think Santa had to use Ben Gay on his knee that night.

I want to thank Barb Oswald for a job well done. I believe everyone enjoyed themselves. I know I did. See most of you at the January meeting.

Suzy McGovern

JANUARY BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARIES

Ron Hutchins	1/1	
	1/12	Tom & Barbara McMichael
	1/15	Raymond & Judith Fischer
Joan Myers	1/16	
	1/17	Thomas & Carol Kidd
Margaret Long	1/18	
Wayne Schaffer	1/19	
Paul Sable	1/21	
Connie Wiedinmyer	1/22	
Harry Bowers	1/23	
William Smith	1/24	
Michael Horning	1/25	
Carl Yackanicz	1/27	
Florita Hobough	1/27	
Margie Gaudet	1/29	
Matthew Manwiller	1/31	Ron & Nancy Hutchins

KEEP ME INFORMED

When someone is in the hospital, or on the sick list I would appreciate if you could notify me. If someone from the club has passed away please give me a call.

Thank You, Phyllis Peters

DUES ARE PAST DUE!

Remember your 2020 Ontelaunee Region DUES ARE PAST DUE after January 1, 2020 so, lets pay now, that way you will not forget. DUES are \$10.00 Single, \$15.00 for Joint and \$150.00 Life Membership only if Life Member in National.

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 address and telephone number and e-mail address so I can keep membership records up to date.

We will no longer be issuing membership cards.

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

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AVAILABLE

We have 1 free National Membership left. To be eligible for this membership you have to be a first time applicant to National. You must also join Ontelaunee Region. This free membership is for one year only. For information please call Phyllis Peters, Membership.

