A Message from the President

Check your wipers.

I'm looking at the weather forecast and it's predicting rain for the next 15, yes fifteen days. Yikes!

The first tour of the season was a rain-out but don't let that stop you from signing up for the June 6 tour run by Steve Illsley. The more the merrier, which is car club code for "every time we get together something funny happens and we all get a good laugh"

We've had great attendance at the meetings, even with the threat of tornadoes. That's a dedicated car club!

Don't forget to mark your calendars, Mother's Day is May 12. A perfect gift would be to replace the wiper blades on her car.

The monthly meeting will be moved to May 19, where you can show off your new wiper blades to the rest of the gang.

Mary Jo Phillips

This month's bad joke:
What snakes are found on cars?
(answer at the bottom of the Minutes on the next page)
Minutes - April 14, 2019

On April 14, 2019, the meeting was called to order by President Mary Jo Phillips following the pledge of allegiance. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the March 10 meeting. Minutes were accepted by Daryl Elliott and seconded by Carol Vivaldi. Treasurer’s report: $ 2,557.24, accepted by Carol Vivaldi and seconded by Steve IIsley.

Wellness Report

Romona Bickl is home from rehab.

Old Business

Steve IIsley’s Seton Hill brunch is scheduled for April 28. Group will meet at 10:30 a.m. at Zone 28 on Route 28 in Harmarville. If it rains, the trip is off.
Lunch tours begin June 6. Group will meet at the Mars train station. Call Steve IIsley for details on timing. We will see Dave Berg’s collection outside of Zelienople.

New Business

We welcomed new members Dan and Debbie Pirt to the club. They come to us with a 1953 Willys pickup and a 1954 Ford.

Rebecca at Highpointe is sponsoring a vintage car display on June 23 from 1 to 4. Carol Vivaldi will have sign-up sheets at May meeting.

Because of Mother’s Day, the May meeting will be May 19.

The Lincoln Highway Association is sponsoring a military convoy centennial tour from August 31 to September 16. Information is available on this website: lincolnhighwayassoc.org.

Thanks to Daryl Elliott for another interesting presentation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Steve IIsley.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Otto, Secretary

President’s Bad Joke Answer:
Windshield vipers.

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For funeral flowers/fruit baskets, contact Jack Swaney:
(724) 272-9405 or carnut123@hotmail.com

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A Final MG Ride
Submitted by Michael Breskovich

Last month my other car club (the Greater Pittsburgh MG Club) was contacted by a gentleman who’s father was a big MG enthusiast. Harry Kloss lives in Sharon, PA and was born March 30, 1919. His family was celebrating his 100th birthday and planned to surprise him with one last ride in a MG.

So five vintage sports cars made the 75 mile trek to display a nice variety of the bred. The ride from the retirement home to the restaurant was a mere 1.9 miles but was priceless in the face of Harry and his family. Of course since we were in Sharon we had to hit up “the ‘lube”, the original there on the river: Quaker Steak & Lube.

It was a very satisfying ride bringing joy not to a complete stranger but a fellow automobile enthusiast.

Keep In Your Thoughts

In March, Romana Bickl had fallen and broken her knee, and was cared for at UPMC Passavant. She moved to rehab, and is now home. Please consult your Member Directory for her mailing address, if you wish to send a card.

Highpointe at Rebecca

Vintage Car Exhibit

Sunday, June 23rd
1:00-4:00pm
1871 Highpointe Lane, Allison Park, PA 15101

This invitation was extended to only the NHHAC! There will be a sign-up sheet at the May 19th meeting or call Carol Vilvaldi at (724)939.7306

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This Bentley Ute Conversion Might be Peak Australia  
By Ronnie Schreiber, Hagerty News

Let's say you need a pickup truck but your refined tastes find the King Ranch trim level of a Ford F-150 too...low-brow, perhaps? Well, you're in luck—on May 11, 2019 Silverstone Auctions of the UK will put a 1956 Bentley S1 pickup on the auction block, hopefully sending “the world's poshest ute” to a new home.

Ettore Bugatti might not given it such a complimentary moniker. He once famously dismissed his British competition as the maker of “the world's fastest lorries”, using the British term for big commercial trucks, and he was referring to the cars.

This custom pickup started out as a conventional 1956 Bentley S1, purchased new in London by Charles Lloyd-Jones, whose family owned the oldest department store chain in Australia. Jones later sold the six-cylinder right-hand-drive sedan to William Keith Rous, more formally known as the Right Honourable 6th Earl of Stradbroke, who took it to Australia, where he lived.

Australians love their “utes”, car-based pickups similar to the Chevy El Camino or Ford Ranchero. Perhaps that's why the Earl had New South Wales coachbuilder George Williams convert his S1 to a pickup truck with a beautiful hardwood bed taking up the back half of the vehicle, while keeping the sweeping rear fenders of the original coachwork. The Earl certainly didn't mind people knowing he could afford a custom Bentley either; he had it painted a bright banana yellow, with the name of his cattle farm on the doors and the image of a Black Angus steer on the center-hinged hood.

In 2011, Rous donated the car to the Trinity Grammar School, which promptly auctioned it to raise funds for a new library for the school. In 2012 an unidentified buyer took the Bentley pickup back to the UK, where it has been in a private collection until now.

The Bentley ute is a little worse for wear, but not terrible given its age. The wood bed, which appears to have been made from mahogany or a similar species, could use refinishing, and there’s some peeling paint, and a few dents, as well as a little rust creeping around the edges.

The auction house estimates that it will sell for between $32,500 and $39,000. That's a bit of a premium over what our data says a four door 1956 Bentley S1 Standard Steel in similar condition should cost ($22,900), but then you probably aren't going to find another Bentley pickup truck at all, let alone one cheaper.

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**NHHAC Calendar of Events**

May 8 - Women's Lunch, 11:30am
May 12 - Mother's Day - Meeting Moved
May 19 - Monthly Meeting, St. Alphonsus Cafeteria, 7:00pm
May 23 - The Grove at Latrobe "Mini-Cruise"
May 31 - Men's Breakfast, Eat 'n Park on Rt. 910, 8:00am
June 6 - Lunch Tour, Mars Train Station to Dave Berg Collection
June 9 - Monthly Meeting, St. Alphonsus Cafeteria, 7:00pm
June 12 - Women's Lunch, 11:30am
June 16 - Oakmont Car Show
June 23 - Highpointe at Rebecca Residence, 1:00pm
June 28 - Men's Breakfast, Eat 'n Park on Rt. 910, 8:00am

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**Oakmont-Verona Rotary**

**Father's Day Car Show**

Judging Volunteers Needed

Sunday, June 16th
10:00am-4:00pm

Car Show Judges are needed for this year's show. If you are interested, please contact:
Terry Siefers - terry@gen3surveying.com

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**The Grove at Latrobe**

Retirement Community

"Mini-Cruise"

Thursday, May 3rd
2:30-3:30pm

Looking for around 5 cars to resident to enjoy. If able to commit ahead of time, please contact:
Jackie Hooper - (724)234.5450

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**Women's Lunch - Wed. May 8 at 11:30am**

Joe's Rusty Nail
560 Lincoln Ave
Bellevue, PA 15202

For reservations, please call:
Jackie Sheerer (412)367.3138

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1975 Corvette L82, 350, 4 speed, Headers with Stainless Steel Exhaust, T-Tops, Power Steering, Power Brakes, Power Windows, Tilt\Telescopic Steering Column, Wire Wheels, Luggage Rack. Odometer reads about 58,000, not sure if it is correct. Runs good, drives good. $15,000 OBO. Call or text Ray at (724) 612-4710

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2012 Mercedes SLK250. Convertible hardtop that has only seen good weather. Single owner. 44,500 miles. Asking $18,500
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