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### PRESIDENT'S **MESSAGE:**

It's officially fall and amongst other things going on, we just got back from this year's Poor Man's Tour. We were Blessed with fantastic fall weather and the only rain we had came overnight on Saturday. I want to say THANK YOU to everyone from both the Queen City Region and our club that joined together to make this a very successful tour. Both clubs

were well represented even with a couple of last-minute dropouts due to health reasons.

We started out at White Post Restorations which is always a very interesting tour. We had three generations of the Thompson family guide us through the shops, garages, and give us some history of the company and the Village of White Post. We saw some of the current restorations on our tour last year, proving that a top notch restoration takes a lot of time partly due to all the effort that has to be put into finding the correct parts and the tedious work involved to produce a better than new vehicle. We were also invited to go to the White Post Train Station that William IV and his wife have recently finished restoring. THANK YOU to William III, William IV, and the young and growing William V for taking your time to allow us all to tour your wonderful facility again.

We left White Post and headed down Route 11 to Strasburg for a very good lunch at Castiglia's Italian Restaurant. They were very accommodating and both the food



OCT CALENDAR CAR OF THE MONTH: Tom and Emily Parker's 1971 Buick. See story page 3.

and service was excellent. Continuing down Rt. 11 we stopped at

#### **CALENDAR**

- OCT 2 Membership Meeting, 7pm, Round Hill Church, Winchester
- OCT 7-10 Eastern Division Fall Meet, Hershey, PA. The Grandaddy of them All!
- OCT 16 Board Meeting, 7pm, Round Hill Church, Winchester. All members welcome.
- **OCT 27 MONDAY, NOON DEADLINE for NOV NEWSLETTER**
- OCT 31 Happy Halloween!
- NOV 6 Membership Meeting and Election Night, 7pm, Round Hill Church, Winchester
- DEC 13 Christmas Party and Installation of 2026 Officers, 5:30-8:30 pm, Donato's Touch of Italy, Winchester

the Meems Bottom Covered Bridge in Mt. Jackson. The original 204 ft. long bridge, which is the longest covered bridge in Virginia, was opened for traffic in 1893. Vandals burnt the bridge in 1976 on Halloween, but it was rebuilt with both modern engineering and original timbers that were salvaged from the fire and reopened for passage in 1979. It is one of only a few covered bridges in Virginia that vehicles are allowed to cross.

After crossing the bridge we headed a short distance down the road to Route 11 Potato Chips for a tasty understanding of how their delicious chips are made. They do not process on the weekend but did provide an overview of the operation and samples of most of their products. If you would like to see

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### Oct. 2, 2025 7:00 pm **Membership Meeting**

Fellowship Hall, Round Hill Church 2993 Northwestern Pike Winchester, VA 22603

(see directions, next-to-last page of newsletter)

Meeting Hosts: Paul & Lorie Ruscito Light refreshments will be served

### **HAPPY OCT BIRTHDAYS!**

04 Jim Vargo

07 Tom Wisener

10 Jack Fischer

11 Craig Comontofski

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11 Paul Beam

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20 John Kerr

23 Cindy Kareski

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25 Pixie Ruhlmann

Susan Myers

30 Anne Heithaus

31 Paul Ruscito

31 Tom Parker







**IN SYMPATHY** Shenandoah Region extends its sincere condolences to Kevin and Nicole Malony on the August 26 passing of Kevin's mother, Mary (Midge) Malony, 80, of Winchester. Mary was born in Baltimore, MD, graduated from the University of Maryland with a bachelor's degree in nursing, worked at Sacred Heart Hospital in Cumberland MD and retired from

the Western Maryland Health System. She was the heart and soul of her family. Mary dedicated herself to always being there to help her kids or grandkids, serving as a role model for the whole family. She is survived by her husband Thomas Malony, whom she married on Nov. 20, 1965; children: Kelly Feller, Kevin Malony (Nicole) and Laurie Joy (Park); grandchildren: Caeman Feller (Kayla), Harrison Joy, Mary Claire Joy, Reid Malony, Emma Saunders and Grant Malony; two brothers and a sister. Please keep Kevin, Nicole and their family in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

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### NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 2026 REGION OFFICERS NAMED

Per the By-Laws, President Jeff Smulovitz has appointed a 3-member Nominating Committee to find candidates for next year's Board of Directors. Dan Rowzie (Chair), Art Bragg, and Tom Wisener will present the proposed slate of officers at the Oct. 2 meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at that time. Offices on the ballot in November will be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and one 3-year-term Director (2026-28).

### THANK YOU MESSAGE

I would like to say thank you to the Shenandoah Region AACA club for the love and support I received

during the difficult times these last few months. My mom was diagnosed with an advanced cancer and mercifully passed recently. The club was a real source of strength and comfort to me. Jeff Smulovitz came and picked me up on short notice at the airport when I needed to come home from vacation unexpectedly-and was a great listener during a dark time. When mom passed we used Omps Funeral Home. Larry should be very proud of what he has built there. His staff helped our family immensely with navigating a really tough road. When bad things happen you find out quickly who your friends are. Our club members have reached out and sent cards and well-wishes letting my family know we are supported. I'm very fortunate to have found such good friends here in our car club-Thank you! — Kevin Malony

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## BALLOT FOR 2026 AACA NATIONAL OFFICERS IN YOUR AACA MAGAZINE



Your Sept/Oct issue of the AACA National magazine, "Antique Automobile" included a postcard, which is your ballot to vote for seven AACA National Board of Directors nominees. Don't

throw that postcard away - YOUR vote is needed. Biographies and photos of all the nominees are in the magazine. Be sure to mark seven nominees or your ballot will be invalid.

## Sunshine Report

Sunshine Chairs Dave & Sharon Lewis report sending:

- ▼ Sympathy card to the family of Kevin and Nicole Malony in the loss of Kevin's mother (see In Sympathy above).
- ♥ Get-well wishes to Rita Dieter, who had a recent hospital stay, to Lauren Conrad, who broke her foot in a fall, and to David Conrad, who injured his leg.
- ♥ Please remember Kevin and Nicole, Rita and Lee, and Lauren and David in your thoughts and prayers for healing.
- ◆ As always, let's all keep in our thoughts and prayers those members who struggle daily with ongoing issues that keep them "in the shop" and not running on all cylinders.



### OCT. CAR of the MONTH:



Tom and Emily Parker's 1971 Buick LeSabre Custom

### by Tom Parker

This is the last of my cars to be featured in the annual club calendar because I am out of cars! Maybe I need to be on the lookout for a new addition so that I have something to add in the future. This 1971 Buick LeSabre Custom sedan is the second car (and second '71 Buick) that I have purchased on the Bring-A-Trailer auction site. I purchased it in spring of 2024 sight unseen but, I knew the seller and that I could trust its condition. So much so that I flew to St. Louis, MO and drove it back home.



I arrived in St. Louis late morning on a Friday in March 2024 and, by early afternoon, I was on my way back east in a car I had never driven before with no tools. I had never driven through so much hard rain as I did on that trip. It literally rained the whole way. I stayed overnight on Friday in Ohio and was home to try and dry out by Saturday afternoon. The car performed flawlessly on the trip but the white vinyl top was very dirty!

Unfortunately, I don't have a lot of history on the car. It was built the second week of July 1971 at the Southgate plant in California. It spent time in Wyoming (still has a 1977/1978 inspection sticker on the windshield) and Indiana before being purchased by the person I bought it from. Though the car has been repainted, it still has its original blue cloth interior and white vinyl top. Both are in excellent condition. The LeSabre is outfitted with the optional 455,





giving it a little extra power over the standard 350.

The car still only has 43,800 original miles on it. I have put many miles on it in just the time that I have owned it-800 miles home from Missouri, 650 miles round trip to the 2024 Buick Club of America National Meet in Strongsville, OH, 300 miles round trip on the 2024 Poor Man's Tour, and many drives around the area. As you can tell, it is an excellent driving car. I keep thinking that I may want to sell it to make room in my garage for something else but it is a hard one to let go of--and the AC works!



### PRESIDENT: [from page 1]









White Post scenes Saturday morning.

them in operation, they recommend you call to be sure they will be cooking on the day and time you would be going. Our family has been to this facility and also the original location when it was in Middletown, VA. It is very inter-

esting to see the process in operation and in my opinion well worth the trip. This facility is almost fully automated unlike the original facility where they hand-stirred the vats of chips using a steel-tined leaf rake! Thank You to the



Castiglia's Italian Restaurant, **Strasburg** 





Meems Bottom Covered Bridge





owner and employees there for your gracious hospitality.

It was back onto Rt. 11 for the final leg of the day to our overnight stay in Harrisonburg. The Hampton Inn - University was our host hotel. There were plenty of restaurants in the area to choose from for dinner and then most, if not all, of us settled in for a good night's rest. As far as I know the partying was left up to the local JMU college students. I didn't get any calls to bail anybody out!! Thank You everyone for being on your best behavior!

After breakfast on Sunday we headed back north for a few stops before heading home. Our first stop was at the collection of Dale Adams. Talk about unique, this has to be the automotive definition of that word. He loves power and speed along with out of the ordinary anything. Most of his collectibles are adorned with a "Dalearized"





Dale Adams' Collection on Sunday

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Dale Adams' Collection on Sunday identifying his special touches he has made to them. The Metropolitan wagon was custom made along with the boat and trailer behind it. The roof, rear panels, hatch, and quarters were all hand made to create a one of a kind station wagon. The boat started out as a pedal car and is "powered" by a cordless drill. The crank mechanism

ing reel, my guess it was for deep sea fishing. The wood for the boat body is all hand cut and fitted and the "fenders" on the trailer are actually from an airplane. He has a wild imagination for building out of the ordinary yet beautiful vehicles. His collection is too much to mention here but includes an assortment from an AMC Matador to a Rolls Royce. In between falls a Cadillac station wagon, a couple limousines, and several right hand drive unique imported vehicles. He has also acquired several license plates with the numbers "000-000". He said he wanted low numbers and you can't get much lower than that. I could fill the entire newsletter up with descriptions and pictures but seeing this collection in real life is the only way to honor it. Thank You Dale and his daughter for allowing us to enjoy your eclectic collection of fine automobiles.

It was back on the road north to a stop for lunch. We had planned to dine at the Edinburg Mill in none other than Edinburg, VA. However, there was a festival in town this weekend that caused us to continue a little further north to the Woodstock Diner in, can you guess, Woodstock, VA. This was a blessing in disguise as the service was fast and the food was delicious. Thank You to the staff for taking on our group with a moment's notice.

Our final stop was a hop, skip, and jump north to the Roy Wimmer collection. He has a wonderful collection that them for supporting our club. was featured in the Winchester Star to pull the boat onto the trailer is a fish- last year. He is very proud of not only



his collection of vehicles but also his automobilia that covers the walls of his garages. From hubcaps that he was picking up off the roadside as a youngster to at least one license plate from all 50 states, most everything we saw was in showroom condition. Thank You Roy for also taking the time out of your day to share your collection and stories with us. He invited us back for a possible fun run in the future.

That pretty much sums up this year's Poor Man's Tour. THANK YOU Tom Parker and Paul Ruscito for sharing the tour committee duties with me. All our time and efforts created a very successful tour this year. THANK YOU again to all the members of both clubs for attending this year's tour and hopefully we can get together next year for another tour sponsored by the Queen City Region.

See you at the membership meeting back at the church on Oct. 2. Please remember to support our advertisers in this newsletter and Thank

> Photos by Jeff Smulovitz, Paul Ruscito, and Tom Parker



received since Aug 251

**CONGRATULATIONS TO RYAN** 

WEDDLE: Member Ryan Weddle received a First Grand National award in

Class 27E at the AACA Grand National Meet in Dayton, OH July 26 with his

1962 Chevrolet Impala. Ryan earned

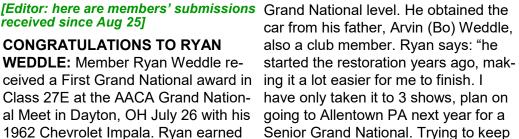
Spring National 2023, and his Senior

making him eligible to compete at the

at Hershey, PA Fall National 2023,

his First Junior at Gettysburg, PA

### **MEMBER NEWS**



[Editor: beautiful car, congratulations! My apologies that the win was over-

it fresh as possible, will probably start

driving it after that."



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looked in last month's issue.]

### MEMBER NEWS: [from page 5] FROM ERIC KIRK:

Photo of me in front of a 1934 Studebaker President 8 taken in Washington, PA at the All Studebaker Nationals.



### FROM PAUL RUSCITO:

Beautiful weather brought out well over 100 vehicles on Labor Day at St. Leo's Church in Inwood, WV. Kenny Harper brought his newly acquired 1966 Galaxie retro-mod. Nelson Chewning with his Model A brought home another tro-





phy. Both Nelson and Kenny received awards for their beautiful cars. Lorie & I spent some fun time with members Kenny & Penny Allen next to the Allen's red GTO. Members Bob & Nita Bearer took advantage of the great weather driving their yellow BMW con-









vertible. This was our first time attending this enjoyable show and have now placed it on my next years "must attend" list.

#### FROM TOM PARKER:

This summer had me on the road for about 2.5 weeks between several trips. some with the family and one on my own. First we took off for Nashville. Emily and our oldest daughter got tickets to a concert, so we decided to make a few days of it. One thing we

did while there was a visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame. Other than a mockup of a Taylor Swift tour bus, there were three cars in the museum. The first was a VERY custom 1962 Pontiac Bonneville convertible belonging to honky-tonk singer Webb Pierce. The car features a chrome-plated interior with over 150 silver dollar coins. steer horns, pistol shaped door handles, and a leather interior.





Next was this 1960 Cadillac Fleetwood limo that was customized for Elvis Presley. It has 24-karat gold plated trim, gold drapes, a gold-plated television, and there is crushed diamond in the paint!



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**2025 CAR EVENT CALENDAR** Tom Parker is collecting info on car events scheduled for 2025. If you know of a car event you think the members would enjoy, please email Tom at tomparkerir@gmail.com. If you have flyers you would like sent out via email "blast" or included on our Facebook page, or included in the newsletter, also cc: Secretary Linda at shendoahregion@gmail.com in your email to Tom. THANKS, TOM, for taking on this task again for 2025; the lists have been outstanding!

		2025 LOCAL EVENT CALENDAR	Updated 9/19/2025
Date/Time	Event	Location	Notes
Sept- 25-27	Tri-State Truck Show	Frederick Co Fairgrounds, 250 Fairground Rd, Clearbrook, VA	https://tri-state-antiquetruckshow.com/
Sept 26- 5-9pm	Fall Thunder in the Square	Downtown Hagerstown, MD	\$10 entry, enter Potomac St from Franklin or Washington from Prospect
Sept 27- 9am-3pm	Katie's Car Show	Skyline Harley, 140 Independence Dr., Winchester, VA	\$15 registration, raindate 10/4, benefits Katie's Comfort House
Oct 1-5	Fall Carlisle	Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA	
Oct 4- 10am-3pm	Fill the Field Car, Truck & Jeep Show	Crums Church, 2832 Crums Church Rd, Berryville. VA	Raindate 10/11
Oct 4- 11am-4pm	Downtown Leesburg Show	Downtown Leesburg, VA	Staging at Tuscarora HS at 9am, must pre-register, \$40 fee, raindate 10/18
Oct 7-10	Hershey Swap Meet & Show	Hershey, PA	
Oct 11- 9am-2pm	Fall Festival Show	Roy Rogers, 144 Oak Lee Dr, Ranson, WV	\$20 registration
Oct 18- 10am-4pm	Wings & Wheels Show	Winchester Airport, 491 Airport Rd, Winchester	Raindate 10/19
Oct 19- 8:30am-4pm	Fall Halloween Show	Newtown Commons, Main St, Stephens City, VA	\$15 entry, raindate 10/26
Oct 25- 10am-3pm	Trunk or Treat Car Show	Shenandoah Shores FD, 533 Mountain View Dr, Front Royal, VA	\$20 registration, raindate 11/1
Nov 1- 11am-2pm	Cars Changing Lives Show	Warren Co Fairgrounds, 26 Fairgrounds Rd, Front Royal, VA	By donation, benefits Cars Changing Lives- arrive 10am
		RECURRING EVENTS	
Fri- 6-9pm	Cruise-In	O'Reilly, 440 South St, Front Royal, VA	Apr-Oct
2nd & 4th Fri 5-8pm	Cruise-In	Roy Rogers, 144 Oak Lee Dr, Ranson, WV	May-Sept
Sat- 5pm	Cruise-In	BFC, 201 E Hirst Rd, Purcellville, VA	
Sat- 7pm	Cruise-In	Shell Gas Station, 140 W Main St, Purcellville, VA	
1st Sat- 5-8pm	Cruise-In	American Legion, 22 W 8th St, Front Royal, VA	May-Oct
2nd Sat 8-11am	Cars & Coffee	Calloway Classics, 8323 W Main St, Marshall, VA	Apr-Oct
2nd Sat 5-9pm	Cruise-In	Roy Rogers, 130 Riverton Commons, Front Royal, VA	Apr-Oct, raindate 4th Sat
Sat 10/4- 3-8pm	Cruise-In	Hagerstown Valley Mall, 17301 Valley Mall Dr, Hagerstown, MD	\$5 per car, raindates following Saturday
Sun- 10am-12pm	Cars & Coffee	Daily Buzz Café, 114 Elizabeth Dr. Stephens City	
1st Sun- 4-7pm	Cruise-In	O'Reilly, 33601 Old Valley Pike, Strasburg, VA	May-Oct
1st Sun- 4-8pm	Cruise-In	Henry's Grocery, 1181 W Strasburg Rd, Front Royal, VA	May-Oct
3rd Sun- 4-7pm	Cruise-In	Newtown Creamery, 320 Fairfax Pike, Stephens City, VA	Mar-Oct

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### **SUMMER ROAD TRIP, CONT'D:**

The third car was another Pontiac, a 1980 Trans Am used in the Smokey and the Bandit II film. It was owned by Jerry Reed.



After returning from Nashville, I left the next day for the Buick Club of America National Meet in Concord, NC (near Charlotte). They had about 225 cars at this year's meet ranging from 1909 to 2020. I took my modern Buick GS to participate in their new Contemporary Class that they introduced this year. It's an effort to encourage younger Buick enthusiasts with newer cars to participate and had a decent showing in the first year.



I found this 1914 "Marr" Cyclecar interesting. It was built by Buick's first Chief Engineer, Walter Marr, as a prototype for Buick. It is powered by a fourcylinder water cooled side valve engine. The car was never produced, and Marr kept the prototype and it has been passed down to his descendants over the years since.

I am a big fan of the "woody" wagons and this 1948 Super was in excellent condition.





This 1955 Century was done as a tribute to one that was driven by Glenn "Fireball" Roberts in the 1955 Daytona Beach NASCAR Grand National.



After getting home from Concord, the whole family headed west to California for a visit to Disneyland and some beach time along the Pacific Coast. At Disney, they had some cars staged in various places within the California Adventure Park like this Packard, street-



car, and Rambler Wagon. Also at CA Adventure Park is the Radiator Springs area complete with full-size buildings as you would see in the movies like





Flo's V-8 Cafe and the Cozy Cone Motel. The mountain range is made to look like Cadillac fins.



To round things out we went to Huntington Beach. We saw many classics on our travels in California, including some VW buses and this 1951 Chevrolet. The owner and his girlfriend were sitting in the trunk watching the sunset.



### FROM JIM COLVILLE: PURCELLVILLE CRUISE-INS

For those looking for a weekly cruise-in nearby, the Saturday evening cruise-ins at Purcellville, might be the closest weekly event for many club members.

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### PURCELLVILLE. CONT'D:



A few interesting examples include

Joe Pascale's '58 Cadillac convertible, a survivor Dodge A-100 van with a locally fabricated roof rack and side mounted surfboard rack. This van is on its way to a new owner in Hawaii.





A Cheeta replica was also at the Aug. 30 cruise.

The unique thing about Purcellville [Continued under MEMBER NEWS, page 10]

### NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT by Dan Rowzie, Membership Chair

Many years ago, the late Bob Pierce, a Club legend, used to write a feature on newer members, so we could get to know each other. What a great idea! This issue's spotlight revival is on Greg Miller.

### By Greg Miller:

On the front end, I was born in 1963 and grew up in western Hanover County Virginia. I finished VPI & SU (B.S. Dairy Science) in 1988; then milked cows for several years and sold fertilizer and agricultural chemicals for several more. After which, I switched gears to construction materials where I've been ever since. For the last 20 years, I've been selling concrete and crushed stone for Vulcan Materials Company with an eye on retirement in the next couple more.

I have been attending SR-AACA events since the mid 2000s when I moved to Winchester. You see, as a kid; I have always been attracted to old cars. While others graduated to Hot Wheels, I was happy with my Matchbox cars and trucks. I remember my father would bring me a Bruce Auto Parts (Mechanicsville, Va) calendar which gave me 12 months of classic cars, not hot rods. This truly appeased the purist side that unbeknownst to me, had begun to take shape.

In 1980, I learned to drive in a 1962 F100 USN surplus pickup truck acquired by my father from Bruce Auto Parts in the late 1960s. Mr. Bruce and my father were in the National Guard together. That same truck was returned to B.A.P. when it had finally given up the ghost in 1990 to be parted out. Later that same year, I bought my first car; a 1967 Chrysler Newport. Dad worked for VEPCO and had a coworker whose mother had it sitting around. My twin brother and I each came up with \$60.00 to purchase Mrs. Stallneker's car for a tidy \$120.00.

Fast forward forty five years. I just built a new home out Middle Road in Shenandoah County. I included a 3-car garage and a nice shop to boot. When I started to think of retirement, it occurred to me that I had no real hobbies or in-

terests. Work is about all I've ever known. I've never been on a golf course, I don't watch a lot of TV, I haven't hunted or fished in 40 years. Quite the boring life it was starting to seem. I enjoy talking with recent retirees as well as the seasoned, long term variety. They all say you need a social group, a purpose. In short, you need to stay physically, mentally, and socially engaged. It seems this Club would check those boxes!

At the first meeting I attended in January, Jeff asked what I had and what I was interested in. I replied I had nothing at the moment; I was still trying to figure out what that would look like. Like many, I think each manufacturer has produced a model(s) that really catches one's attention. Personally, very little made in the last 50 years truly makes me look twice. The exception would be American made trucks: Ford, GM, Dodge, & IH. The Pre and Post War orphans pull at the heart as well; Packard, Mercury, Kaiser, Studebaker, and Imperial among others have both lines and innovation that mean something. The Continental Mark II ('55-'57) as well as the Lincoln Continental Mark III ('69-'71) captured my attention in college and that remains unchanged. IH trucks, Scouts, Travelalls and tractors appeal to my agrarian roots; whereas business coupes strike a chord with my 40 year sales career. When Don Reid of the Statler Brothers speaks of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC in More Than A Name On a Wall; he often times suggests "If you touch It; It, in return, will touch you". I can't help but think that's when I'll know I've found my first.

I want to say thank you to those who have made me feel welcome.. This is a great group of folks that have a lot of knowledge and experience to share. I look forward to serving as much and as often as I can.

### MEMBER NEWS: [from page 9] PURCELLVILLE, CONT'D:

is that it's actually two separate cruiseins. The cruising starts at BFC (Burgers Fries and Chicken) restaurant at 5pm. the gathering goes till 7pm there. Then there's a separate cruisein at the Shell station in town at 7 and it then goes till 9pm. As the days get shorter and it gets darker earlier, the attendance at the Shell station has already started falling off. When we go, we typically attend the earlier show, and then choose a restaurant in town for dinner, before moving on to the second location. Neither location attracts a large number of cars, but there's always something interesting to see.





The '72 Chevy stake body was clean for a farm truck. Sometimes cars show up at one Purcellville location, but not the other. The red '72 Chevelle SS showed up at the Shell station, but not the BFC location.

On another night, Joe Pascale brought his '60 Cadillac convertibleSteve Reed has a few different Mopar cars (like the maroon '65 Satellite) and trucks that he brings on alternate





weekends to the BFC cruise in. Other cars at the Purcellville cruise-ins include a '67 Skylark convertible, and a '68 GTX.





### FROM JIM COLVILLE: BERRYVILLE SUMMER'S END

Saturday, August 23rd. You couldn't ask for a more beautiful day for a car show, and the Summer's End Cruise-in in downtown Berryville is one of my

favorites. It's always a great show and attracted about 140 cars this year. . I guess the convenience of being less than ten minutes from home could be part of the reason I like this show. But it's more than that. Being so close to the Loudoun County line, this show attracts an assortment of beautiful cars from both sides of the mountain, including some that would never venture as far Winchester for a show.







The Model A coupe was the oldest "stock" car in the show, though the orange reflectors (turn signals?) on the front bumper weren't "stock". On Main Street, there was a red and white '56 DeSoto I hadn't seen before. Bob Mayhugh brought his yellow '70 Challenger RT from Warrenton. The houndstooth seat upholstery on the yellow Challenger must have impressed the judge for the trophy from Roy's Upholstery.

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### MEMBER NEWS: [from page 10] BERRYVILLE CRUISE. CONT'D:





The red VW bug is another one I don't remember seeing before. Everyone in town knows CT of Tripp's Auto Sales. He has always been instrumental in making this show happen, and his white '61 Ford Starliner is a familiar sight in Berryville.





Tommy Compher brought out his green Chevelle SS after finally getting it on the road after years of sitting dormant in his garage. A friend, Phil

Ray, brought his pretty little orange Datsun 240-Z from Herndon.







A friend from Charles Town brought his 440 powered 1952 Dodge Wayfarer coupe and took home a trophy. The high-performance version of the 2nd gen Corvair was the top of the line Corsa model, available only in '65 and '66. The maroon one that showed up in Berryville was a nice example of the rarely seen Corsa model. Fifty years ago, the Karmen Ghia (like this green one) was a common sight, but they don't seem to be preserved at the same rate as bugs and beetles and are rarely seen now.



I was surprised the silver JDM (Japanese Domestic Market) Nissan Skyline GTR didn't attract more attention. Now that they are 25-year-old antiques, these are being shipped over in increasing numbers and are perhaps becoming less of a rarity in America.







The '56 Ford F-100 pickup was a pretty example of the popular '53-'56 body style, and the '56 was the only year of that style that had the wrap around windshield. I liked the maroon Corvette, but with the optional knock off wheels rather than the factory wheel covers, I can't tell if this one is a '65 or a '66. Lee Mowry brought his survivor 383 4 speed '68 Barracuda Formula S fastback all the way from Stafford.

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#### MEMBER NEWS: [from page 11]

#### **BERRYVILLE CRUISE, CONT'D:**







The maroon '66 Dodge Polara 500 convertible is owned by a Clarke County resident and is one I tried to buy several years ago. The blue '48-'50 Ford pickup stood out as did the white '69 Hemi Road Runner.



I vaguely remember special edition Chevy El Caminos in the late '70s and early '80s. But I don't remember a "Black Knight" edition. Steve Reed's green '69 Dart Swinger 340 4-speed may not be perfect. But it is all original and unrestored.



I've always liked the styling on the '63 Impala SS convertibles, and the maroon one shown here is one I always enjoy seeing at local shows. There were a few Mustangs in the show. I kind of liked the green '68 convertible best.

There was a corner of the bank and courthouse parking lot that few made it over to. That's where a few AMC's were sitting off all by themselves. The turquoise '69 Javelin was pretty, but with the AMCs off in the corner, few show goers were likely to see it, or another that stood out ,the bronze '68-'69 AMX.









Of all the Chevy pickups in the show, the blue and white '69-'70 C-10 was my favorite. The 1955 Packard Patrician is a regular at the Berryville show, but I don't recall seeing it at any other shows. Cindy Hollingsworth's green '69 Charger won the award from the police department which seemed kind of ironic as its the car most often seen running from the police in movies and TV shows.







Overall, it was a great show, though the number of cars seems to have gotten smaller in the recent years. Still, I will be looking forward to next year's show.

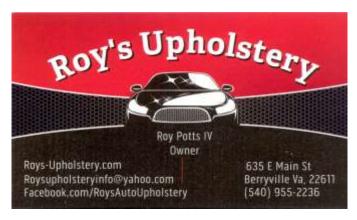


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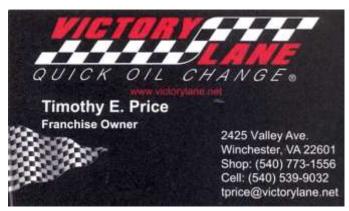


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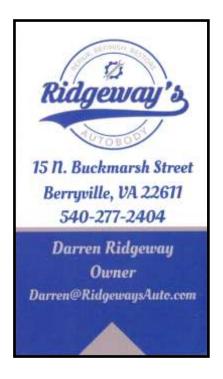


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NOTE: Timothy Price (see ad above ) says for antique cars, if you supply the oil and filter, he will change your oil and lubricate the chassis for \$40. Mention this ad.















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FOR SALE: 1958 Chevrolet 2-Door sedan, 216 engine, three-on-the-tree, new exhaust, original paint and interior. Runs well. Jim Stup (540) 465-5066

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### NEED A COSTUME FOR YOUR TRICK-OR-TREATING THIS YEAR?

### **Driving Directions to** Round Hill Church

2993 Northwestern Pike, Winchester, VA 22603

Starting just west of Winchester Medical Center, from the intersection of Route 37 and Route 50:

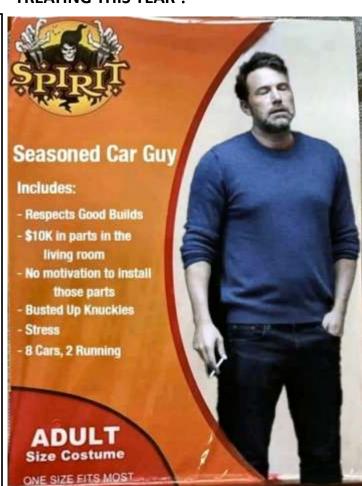
- Drive west on Route 50 (Northwestern Pike) for approximately 2 miles.
- Shortly after crossing Nat'l Lutheran Boulevard, turn left on Route 654 (Poorhouse Road). There is a used car lot on the left as a landmark.
- At 0.2 miles, turn right onto Route 803 (Round Hill Road). Winchester Independent School across the road is a landmark at this intersection.
- At 0.3 miles, turn right at the Church rear driveway (Trinity Lane) and uphill into the parking lot. There is a sign at the driveway entrance.

Fellowship Hall entry is at the bottom level, rear of the Church, off the parking lot.

If you miss the Church rear driveway:

- Continue on Route 803 until it curves uphill and meets Route 50.
- Turn right onto Route 50, driving east.
- At 0.5 miles, turn right directly into the front driveway of the Church.

Proceed left around the building to the rear parking lot.



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