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Cliff Welcomes Santa to our meeting

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**LER BOARD MEMBERS & CHAIRMEN FOR 2022**

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- 2022 Webmaster .....Jerry Ptak
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Events for 2022

**Jan. 22, 2022 – Installation Banquet, 5 pm,  
Classic V - Karen Schwartz & Sue Yearke,  
Chairwomen.**

**Feb. 20 – Elks Lodge, 1-4pm, program on  
European Immigration to WNY, George  
Camann, host.**

\*This is a tentative schedule. The dates & locations are subject to change, so check this list monthly for more information and possible changes.

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# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



## SYMPATHY

To Don McHenry and his family on the loss of his wife, Beverly, who was a long-time member of LER



**Attendance Report:** Those members who welcomed Santa were: Gordy Allan (10); Dean & Pat Burgstahler (50); Don & Joyce Butlak (\*); George & Ruth Camann (\*); Sue Cervi (Cornerstone House rep); Christopher Ciszek (40) & Pay Haynes; Chuck & Mary Beth Facklam (55); Jack & Linda Foster (\*); Larry & Laurie Gee (20); John & Elaine Haid (\*); Eileen Holden (20); Kenneth Kaczka & Sue Reville (\*); Ken Knoll (50); Robert Mandziak (20) & James Edholm; Russ & Gail Martin (10); Joe & Linda McCaffery (80); Andrew & Tomoko Menard (10); Mike Mesi (95); Paul & Dolores Meyer (40) & Crista Scheiten & Brenda Karl; Bill & Candace Mutignani (10); Bob & Peggy Nash (70); David Nash (10); Daniel O'Connor & Candace Reed (\*); Mark & Ann Palmer (30); Dennis Powers (85); Jerry & Peggy Ptak (\*); Peter & Olga Pucak (30); Don & Lynelle Schloerb (75); Paul Schrader (30); Cliff Schulz (\*); Karl Schurkus & Eileen Wode (40); Jeffery & Karen Schwartz (\*); Bob & Chris Snyder (30); John & Darla Sole (20); Terry Tredo (20) & Don Tredo; Dennis & Del Upton (50); Steve & Kathy Vaccaro (70); Don & Doris Warnick (60); Chuck Weimer (\*); Cheryl Westmorland (30); Lon & Valerie Wilson (\*); Charles & Gertrude Wolski (50); Sam & Jean Yanik (\*); and Mark & Sue Yearke (\*).

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Cliff's Notes:* Here we go friends, out with 2021 and welcome in 2022. We closed out 2021 with our festive Lake Erie Region Christmas Party. Plenty of home style cooking was served to all with Christmas cookies and ice cream at the finish line. Lynelle did another great job organizing this event. Oh, and Santa dropped in the say Ho Ho Ho, tell some jokes and play a couple of games. I saw him taking notes for who was naughty and nice. I hope you were on the good list this year. Candice and Dennis continue making members rich with the 50/50 drawing. Jolly good show as Santa would say. Special thanks go out to Valerie for make those candy cane/chocolate sleigh name

tags for all. Wow, parked on the front table when you arrived, 80+ sleighs looked like a North Pole cruise nite. *Super Cool!* Many members brought in clothing donations for the Cornerstone Manor. Thanks to all who participated.

The 2022 club board of directors is now set with all exiting members renewing for another term. Don't forget to send in your local and national dues. Lots of exciting plans are taking shape for 2022.

I wish everyone good health, peace, love and joy throughout 2022.

See you in the New Year!

Stay well. *Cliff*

### ACTIVITIES AWARDS POINTS

Once again, it is time to start accumulating activity points as we go through the year. Points are awarded for attendance, driving an antique during the summer months, chairing an event, etc. Everyone has a chance to earn points throughout the year.

For the new members and those who may have forgotten, here is the list of how activity points are awarded on an annual basis. The Board feels this system provides members with recognition for outstanding participation.

Members are responsible for signing in at each event. Members must also notify the Activities Chair (or any board member) when they attend, bring a car or judge at a National meet. The Activity Chairman then tabulates

these points throughout the year. Members with required number of points at the end of the year will receive the Activities Award, presented at the January Installation Banquet, with the first-year recipients receiving a plaque with a small tag or chip designating the year. There will be available space for future tags to be added. The past two years, because of pandemic cancellation of events, 100 points was the mark to achieve this honor. Hopefully this year we will have a full year raising the mark back to 150 points. Good luck to everyone.

**\* Per membership: \*\* Article must be written by person submitting the article. Copyright laws apply to all non-original material. Points not awarded for required monthly columns.**

Event	Points
Attend Annual Banquet	15 pts *
Attend monthly meeting / activity	10 pts each meeting attended *
Attend a national meeting / activity	10 pts each event attended *
Enter car at national meet	10 pts *
Judge at national meet	10 pts *
Bring antique car to summer club tour /event	10 pts (added to attendance pts)
Enter a car(s) in LER annual show	10 pts - 20 pts point max
Work at annual car show	10 pts *
Get a show sponsor for the car show sponsor	10 pts sponsor *
Chair an event / activity – local or National	20 pts each *
Co-chair an event / activity – local or National	10 pts each *
Sign up a new member	10 pts each new member
Write an article for <i>Sidelight</i> / Web Site **	10 pts per each article
Board Member	15 pts year
Sidelight Editor	15 pts year
Web Site Editor	15 pts year

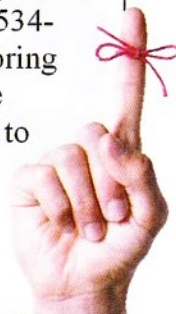
Winners of the Activities Awards who obtained the required number of points are listed at right, in alphabetical order. Each will receive a chip for their board representing their dedication to the club. First time winners, Peggy & Jerry Ptak will be receiving their board & chip at the Installation Banquet. The three highest achievers will receive a special gift. Come to the banquet to find out who they are! Congratulations to all!

Don & Joyce Butlak; George & Ruth Camann; Tim Cryan; Jack & Linda Foster; John & Elaine Haid; Kenneth Kaczka & Sue Reville; Daniel O'Connor & Candace Reed; Ray & Barb Noonan; Jerry & Peggy Ptak; Cliff Schulz; Jeffery & Karen Schwartz; Chuck Weimer; Lon & Valerie Wilson; Mark & Sue Yearke; and Sam & Jean Yanik.

Valerie Wilson – Activities Awards Chairman.

### REMEMBER!!

Local & National dues were due by December 31, 2021. You can pay National dues by credit card at 1-(717)-534-1910. You can bring local dues to the Banquet & give to Lon Wilson – Membership Chairman



## ACTIVITIES REPORT

**Attention LER Members:** We have open events for 2022, July summer picnic, August, September and the October fall run. If you would like to host or co-host please contact any board member. A list of all board members can be found in the Sidelight on page 1.

Please remember to sign up early for these events and treat your club mates with respect and consideration. Please be advised that all upcoming events are pending cancellation due to the current affairs with the Coronavirus. Everyone's health and well-being is of the utmost importance. Please stay safe and take care.

**December 12<sup>th</sup>** Annual Christmas party was at the Polish Falcons in Depew. Hosted by Lynelle Schloerb. Lynelle did an outstanding job putting this event together, the food was delicious and Santa Claus made an appearance to top off the festivities.

**January 22<sup>nd</sup>** Annual Installation Banquet at the Classic Five in Amherst. Hosted by Sue Yearke and Karen Schwartz. See page 4 in this Sidelight for details and sign-up sheet, and reservations are needed by January 18, 2022. The theme will be "Spring Out of Winter". Don't miss out on this one!

**February 20<sup>th</sup>** George Camann is hosting this event at the Elks in Lancaster from 1 to 4pm. George has arranged a guest speaker to talk about European

Immigration to Western NY in late 1800's to the early 1900's. Refreshments will be served by Lynelle Schloerb. See the page 6 in the Sidelight for details.

**March 13<sup>th</sup>** Will be March Matinee hosted by Cliff Schultz and Chuck Weimer at the Elks in Lancaster from 1 to 4pm. We will be presenting the movie American Graffiti, popcorn and refreshments will be served. Details to follow.

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** Will be our annual presentation of the past year in review hosted by Lon Wilson. Refreshments will be provided by Lynelle Schloerb. Details to follow.

**May** Rust buster. This event is being planned. Details to follow.

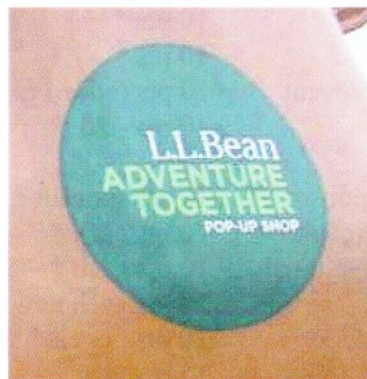
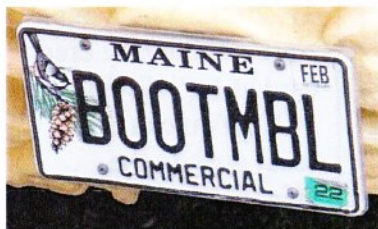
**June 12<sup>th</sup>** Will be our annual car show. Hosted by Chuck Facklam and Mike Mesi. This event will be held at the Elma Village Green in Elma. Details to follow.

**July Summer** picnic, we have some talk about some possibilities. More to follow.

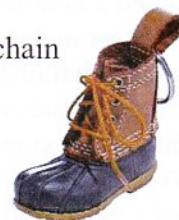
**August Event** is open. We always need volunteers, helpers and ideas for club-sponsored events. If you are interested in sponsoring, co-sponsoring or helping out at an event, please contact any board member.

Chuck Weimer Activities Co-Chairmen

I am sure everyone has heard about the Wienermobile. Well, how about the bootmobile? Lon and I heard about this unusual creation that was traveling the country and making a stop on the UB Campus. While Lon was still recouping from knee surgery, I drove us out to see the LL Bean vehicle. If you have ever been on a large college campus before, I am sure you know how confusing it was. Anyway, we found a grounds keeper who help us find this four-wheel wader. Here is what we saw. Valerie Wilson



We got the keychain to prove we saw it!





AACA LAKE ERIE REGION

2022 INSTALLATION BANQUET

Spring Out of Winter

Saturday January, 22, 2022



Please join us for an evening of fun, food, and friends.

Classics V

2425 Niagara Falls Blvd

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5:00pm Cash Bar w/Hors D'Oeuvres

6:00pm Dinner

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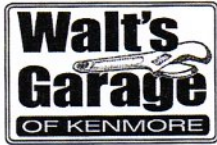
TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Please include email address or phone number for reservation confirmation within 5 days. Should you not hear from us, please call Karen 716-860-7480 or Sue 716-796-1942*

Send Reservation to Karen Schwartz; 483 Schwartz Road; Lancaster, NY 14086

**Reservation Deadline January 18, 2022**





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**FEBRUARY 20,  
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Elks Lodge  
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Lancaster,  
1-4pm**



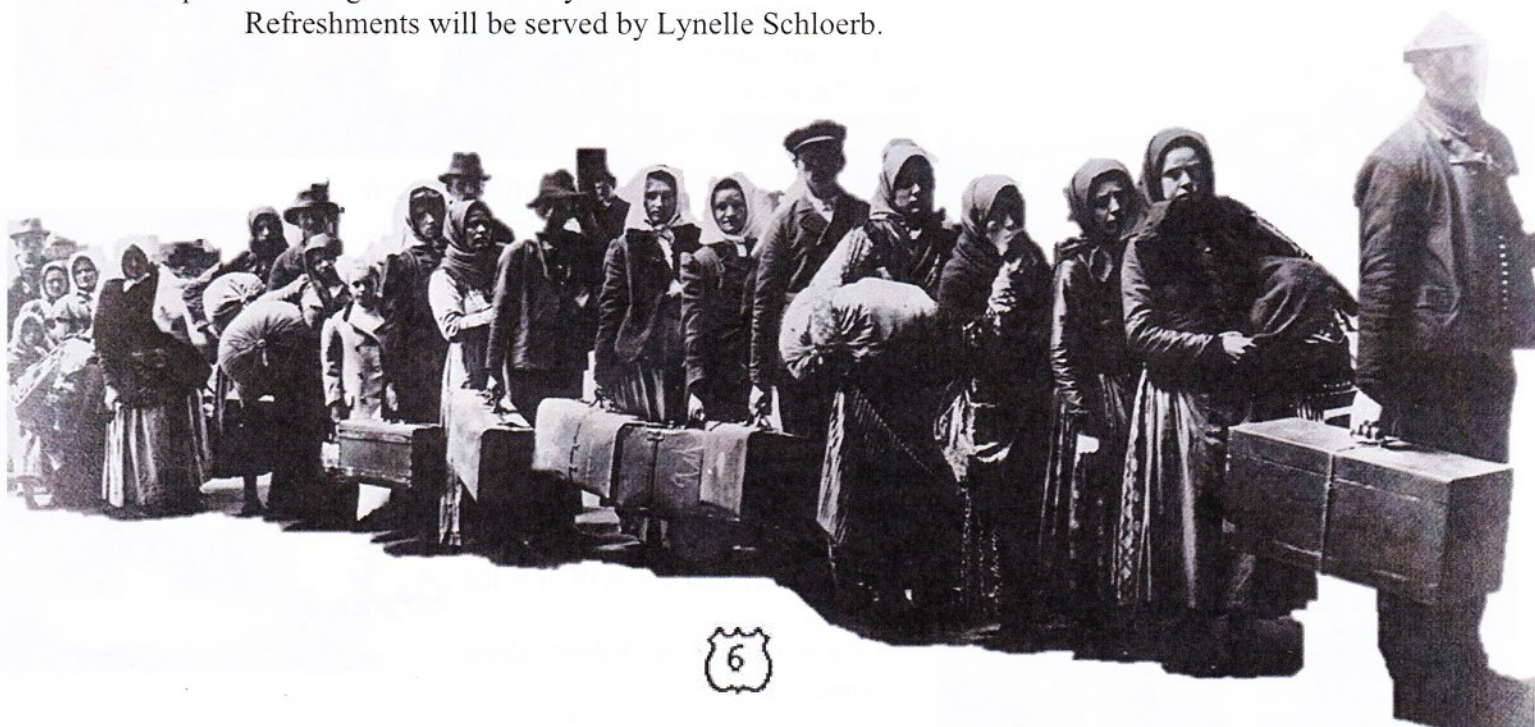
Greg Kinal will present his program which deals with the trials and tribulations our early immigrant ancestors faced in the decision to cross the Atlantic and come to America. The program begins with the reasons why our ancestors decided to leave Europe. Then comes the difficult task of paying for the voyage over. My grandmother's poor family had to borrow what they could to send her 18-year-old self here.

Next, how emotional was it to leave your village and all that you knew including language, dress, food, and religion. Our immigrant relatives had to be scared, excited and sick all at once. Most came from small villages located deep in their ancestral country. What was the city like where they picked up their ship? My grandmother came from a village of 400 and then came to Antwerp. Then the voyage over, with seasickness prevalent throughout the entire voyage.

Once they landed in NY, now what. Then came the hell of Ellis Island and judgements around every corner as this program will discuss. Once through Ellis Island, they moved into tenements in large cities like NYC. The neighborhoods were sometimes organized by nationalities. My family lived in South Buffalo. We were Ukrainian/ Polish and lived on one side of the street with the Irish on the other side.

The program discusses what jobs they took, and what the immigrant family was like here in the US. To give you a hint, I was very aware of my grandfather's belt that was passed down from my father to me. As we come to the last part of the program, emphasis is put on how important it is to us that they made the sacrifice to journey here. I will discuss the very emotional impact of immigrants on us today.

Refreshments will be served by Lynelle Schloerb.



# Christmas Party 2021



And the sleighs were laid out on the table with care, in hopes that our members would soon be there!



Candace & Dan sell tickets to be drawn after dinner, Andy buys from Dennis – maybe the winner!



Lynelle started the evening introducing Sue Cervi - our guest, Then it's on to dinner and you know the rest.



Candace made baskets each tied with a bow, Ready to be won as they sat in a row.

Dan holds Candace's chocolatey treats While Don has some other tasty Xmas eats



The donations came in and placed on the table, soon to go to those less able.



After dinner it happened, he arrived oh so quick, We knew Cliff would welcome jolly old St. Nick.



Listen closely and you will hear the clicks It's the sound of Lon Wilson taking some pics!







Santa told a story after we dined,  
which gave us a chance to pass around the wine.  
Left and right, it passed hand to hand,  
til story's end to see where it would land



New members were called upon to pick  
the tickets for prizes.  
Russ & Gail Martin and Mark & Ann  
Palmer drew some surprises.

The split club had quite a few bucks,  
Cliff says "Ken won it - you lucky duck!"



Cliff had a gift for Lynelle to show  
our appreciation  
For all her work on this celebration



Karen helped Sue pack up the  
donations in buckets just right



The baskets were won by Mike, Laurie & Lynelle  
All were pleased to win,  
I'm sure that you can tell!



Merry  
Christmas to  
all and to all a  
good night!

## LOOKING BACK

When Dan O'Connor and Candace Reed went to the 70<sup>th</sup> annual Henry Ford Old Car Festival in Dearborn, Michigan on the weekend of September 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, they captured Dan's Model A and a few other beauties. Here are those photos.

In the November 2021 issue of the Sidelight, Dan told the story of how he met Joe & Mary Momot at this show, not realizing they were LER members, too!

Dan & Candace in period attire.



As this pandemic continues on, we want to remind members that if you are not feeling well, please stay home. Thank you from your LER AACA friends.



## GET WELL WISHES

Russ Galbo, Lee Hartung, Carol Knoll, Mark Schleicher and Franklin Schweitzer

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#### \*AUTOS FOR SALE\*

'31 Chevrolet 5 window coupe, older restoration, orig restored engine, new interior & tires, call for further info & price. Henry Schmidt 716-628-2362. Lead from Gary Alt (I have seen pictures of this car & it is nice.) Don't miss this one. (3)

'39 Jaun Fangio Chevrolet coupe, replica, restored, \$25,000. Car is in Amherst, NY Contact Bob 716-583-7717 (3)

'48 Playboy, manufactured in Buffalo, NY 1947-1950; 97 cars were made, 40 are left, first car made with folding metal hardtop 4 cyl \$35,000/BO. Car is in Georgia Contact Bob 716-583-7717(3)

'63 Ford Galaxie XL 390ci, 4 door survivor, clean, new: gas tank, fuel lines, master cylinder, brakes, tires, starter motor and battery. registered, recent inspection, A nice ride. \$15k or best offer. Andy 716-390-2725 Lead from Lon Wilson (1)

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