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ner of your address label you should have received a dues renewal form in the November newsletter. If you did not receive a renewal form and you think your dues are about to expire, contact Lon Wilson, membership chairman. You can pay by mail or bring your form with payment to me any of the next upcoming meetings. PLEASE RETURN THE FORM, as it is the proof you paid once your funds have been turned into the treasurer. Remember you can pay for multiple years to save having to pay each year. Just contact Lon if you have any updates to any information such as address or cars owned. Don't forget to renew your National dues as well as you need to be a National member to stay in the local club. Thank you Lon Wilson - Membership Chairman

Events for 2024

Jan. 20, 2024 – Annual Installation Banquet, hosted by Karen Schwartz & Sue Yearke

- Feb. 18 Revisit the 50s hosted by Jerry & Peggy Ptak, Polish Falcons, 445 Columbia, Depew, 1pm
- *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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Members who attended the annual Christmas Party were: Dean & Pat Burgstahler (95); Don Butlak (105); George & Ruth Camann (*); Joe & Margaret Dallos (85); Chuck & Mary Beth Facklam (*); Jack & Linda Foster (105); Chuck & Chris Gugino (10); John & Elaine Haid (*); Eileen Holden (30); Ken Knoll (*); Robert Mandziak (50); Ross & Gail Martin (55); Andrew & Tomoko Menard (10); Mike Mesi (*); Joe & Mary Momot (60); Bob & Peggy Nash (85); David Nash (50); Ray & Barb Noonan (*); Daniel & Candace Reed O'Connor (*); Mark & Ann Palmer (115); Mary-Teresa Platt (10); Jerry & Peggy Ptak (*); Don & Lynelle Schloerb (125); Cliff Schulz (*); Karl & Eileen Wode Schurkus (115); Jeffery & Karen Schwartz (*); David & Jane Szachta (20); Terry Tredo (80); Dennis Upton (70); Steve & Kathy Vaccaro (50); Chuck Weimer (*); Ken Weinstein (50); Cheryl Westmorland (45); Lon & Valerie Wilson (*); Charles & Gertrude Wolski (80); Sam & Jean Yanik (*); and Mark & Sue Yearke (*)

Points accrued this year are in parenthesis. A star indicates member(s) have achieved enough points for Activities Award



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Cliff's Notes: Season's Greetings everyone...

Yes, Christmas and New Years are near and how fast has this year gone by. My wishes to everyone are for a safe and healthy 2024.

There's a long list of Thank You's for the 2023 LER Christmas Party. Candace and Mary Theresa set up a festive table of Holiday chance for members. Lynelle and Barb organized a delicious Christmas Dinner followed by a Price is Right Game. Generous members donated a ton of clothes and necessities for the Cornerstone Manor. Thanks for everyone's support for this event and all throughout 2023.

As you may have already heard, I will be stepping away from the LER board for 2024. Thanks for everyone's support and attendance at all the indoor and outdoor events. I'm sure you've heard about my "Phantom Jaguar". Well, it is real, and I need the extra time to finally get it to the AACA National Shows. Then the Chevelle SS wants to follow the

same route. I plan on attending most LER events and update my progress in a special edition Cliff's Notes. Love you all and wish me luck and God's blessings. Fresh News, my NEW 2024 Jaguar F-Type just got delivered in time for Christmas. I'm going to have a hard time finding a Christmas tree big enough to park it under. I will be leaving a lot of cookies for Santa this year. There's a batch of chocolate chip cookies in the oven right now. Thanks' Santa

> Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. Cliff

Points of Interest



items from club members that may be of interest to other club members

Model A Restorer's Club 22nd Annual Snow Buster Automotive Swap Meet, Sunday, February 4th, 9am -3pm. The Event Center, at the Erie County Fairgrounds, 5820 South Park Ave, Hamburg, \$8 Entry Donation supports MARC Scholarship Fund.

Heavenly Pumpkin Pie from Linda McCaffery

1 Pkg. Vanilla Pudding 1/4 Cup light brown sugar, packed 1/4 Tsp. Ginger 1/2 Tsp. Nutmeg 3/4 Tsp. Cinnamon 1/2 Tsp. Salt 1-1/2 Cups Milk 1 Tbsp. Butter

1-1/4 Cups

Canned Pumpkin

Baked 9-inch Pie Crust

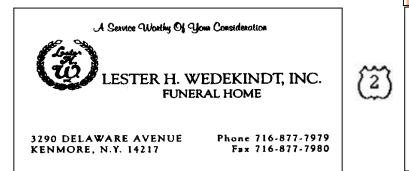


Mix sugar and pudding with spices, salt and milk. Stir over direct heat until mixture boils. Remove from heat. Add Cool for five butter. minutes, stirring once or twice. Add pumpkin and beat smooth. Pour into baked crust and chill. To serve top with whipped cream.

JANUARY ANNIVERSAR

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

ON THE COVER New members David & Jane Szachta. displayed their 1930 Chevrolet at the Herschell Spillman Carousel Museum this past summer. They took their vehicle to Norwich to receive the HPOF award. See them on the picture page as they play "The Price is Right" game at our Christmas Party.





ACTIVITIES REPORT

LET'S GO LER Members: The club needs members to be more involved with activities, come up with new ideas, host or help with an event. Board members are ready, willing and able to assist. 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.

December 10th Was our annual Christmas party at the Polish Falcons hosted by Lynelle Schloerb and Barb Noonan. The LER members came through big with donations for the Cornerstone Manor. It was wonderful afternoon celebrating the holidays with club members. The Price Was Right for Mark Palmer and Karen Schwartz, congratulations go out to them. Thanks to Lynelle and Barb for all they did putting this event together.

January 20th Annual Installation Banquet. Hosted by Sue Yearke and Karen Schwartz. This will be at the Classic V on Niagara Falls Blvd in Amherst. The theme will be Jigsaw Junction: Piece Together the Fun. See the Sidelight for the sign-up sheet. Reservation deadline is January 16th.

February 18th Peggy & Jerry Ptak will be hosting this event at the Polish Falcons from 1 to 5pm. They have arranged guest speaker Gregory Kinal to give a presentation on the 50's. Refreshments will be provided by Lynelle Schloerb. See the Sidelight for the flyer, sign up is not required and there is no cost for members to attend.

March 10th, we have a pending event, but if you have an idea see any board member, board members can assist in planning an event.

April 14th LER Pinewood Derby Event, hosted by George Camann at the Polish Falcons from 1 to 5pm. George has arranged the Western NY Boy Scouts for an afternoon of pinewood derby racing. The Boy Scouts will provide and setup the four-lane track, organize the registration, weigh in of the cars and run the heats with a computerized timing system. Entry fee will be \$10 per car, you will need to buy your own car, kits are available as little as \$6.99. This will be open to



non-member family and friends. See the Sidelight for details and how to sign up.

May The Rust Buster is open, we need an event and someone to host, there is plenty of time to come up with something, bring your ideas to any board member and they can assist you in planning the event.

June 9th Will be our annual car show hosted by Chuck Facklam and Mike Mesi. There will be some big and exciting changes for next year's show. Details to follow.

July Summer picnic will be hosted by Chuck Weimer and Cliff Schultz. We will be looking into the Clarence Town Place Park, the Townview Pavilion, the same location as last year. Details to follow.

August There is some talk of an event, nothing confirmed, it's still open, we need an event and someone to host, there is plenty of time to come up with something, bring your ideas to any board member and they can assist you in planning the event.

We always need volunteers, helpers and ideas for clubsponsored events. If you are interested in sponsoring, cosponsoring or helping out at an event, please contact any board member.

Chuck Weimer Activities Co-Chairmen

The LER board has determined that membership includes two adults. That means that single member can bring a second adult to a function at member price. Any additional adults are at guest price.







AACA LAKE ERIE REGION

2024 INSTALLATION BANQUET

Jigsaw Junction "Piece Together the Fun"



Saturday, January 20, 2024

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

Classics V 2425 Niagara Falls Blvd Amherst, NY 14228

Doors Open at 5:00pm Cash Bar w/Hors D'Oeuvres 6:00pm Dinner

Family Style Dinner will include: Italian Sausage, Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Penne & Broccoli, Herb Roasted Potatoes, Chef Salad, Roasted Vegetable Blend, Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce Red & White Wine, Coffee, and Tea

PRICE: Members \$43 each/ guests \$48 each

Please detach and send with check payable to AACA Lake Erie Region

*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 16, 2024-----

Activity Awards Points

more of our members reach the 150 points to win an award. You can begin earning points starting in January and earn throughout the year. It really is quite easy ~ you just need to be involved, attending meetings, bring your antique car to summer events, you can even go to a National Car Show. There is no need for you to keep track of your points \sim that's my job! Once you have 150 points, you will receive a chip designating the year you won this award.at the upcoming Installation Banquet. First time winners will receive a plaque and a chip with the year on it. There is a lot of space on the plaque for future chips. The three

Happy New Year! We would love to have many highest achievers (yes you can earn more than 150 Points) will receive a special gift.

> The Board has reviewed and changed some of the point values for events, so please read carefully. The Board feels this system offers every member an opportunity to be recognized for outstanding participation.

> The following list has the events/activities and the points they will accrue. Please make sure you sign in at every meeting. If you have questions or think I have missed you, please let me know. Thank You.

Peggy Ptak – Activities Awards Chair

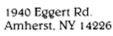
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Event	Points	Per		
Attend Annual Banquet	15	Person/Couple		
Attend LER monthly meeting / activity	10	Each meeting attended		
Bring an antique car to an LER tour / event	10	Each Event attended		
Enter a car in LER annual car show	10	20-point max		
Work at LER annual car show	10	Person/Couple		
Judge at LER annual car show	10	Person/Couple		
Attend an AACA national meeting / activity	10	Each event attended		
Judge at an AACA national meet	10	Person/Couple		
Enter a car in an AACA national meet	10	Person/Couple		
Chair / Co-chair an LER event / activity	20	Each event chaired/co-chaired		
Sign up a new member	10	Each new member		
Write an article for <i>Sidelight</i> / Website *	10	Per each article published (see note*)		
Submit a recipe or puzzle / game for the Sidelight	5	Per item published		
Serve on LER Board	20	Per Year		
Serve as <i>Sidelight</i> Editor	20	Per Year		
Serve as Website Editor	20	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Chair	30	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Co-Chair	20	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Chief Judge	20	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Registration Chair	20	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Field Marshall	15	Per Year		
Serve as LER Car Show Parking Chair	15	Per Year		
Serve as Split Club chair	15	Per Year		
Serve as Activity Awards Chair	15	Per Year		
Serve as Policy & Procedures Chair	15	Per Year		
Special Member Contribution	10	Per contributions made (eg. Car show DJ)		

*Article for *Sidelight* / Website Notes: Article must be written by the person submitting the article. Copyright laws apply to all non-original material. Points are not awarded for required officer columns.

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SAVE THE DATE.....LETS REVISIT THE 1950'S



FEBRURARY 18TH

AT THE

POLISH FALCONS

445 COLUMBIA AVE., DEPEW



Mark your calendar from 1 – 5 pm

Greg Kinal presents "The 1950's"



Many of our members have classic cars from the 1950's.....why???? Because of the look, the color, the time of life that brings back great memories. Greg will bring back the age of television, the 57

Chevy, and all the "Happy Days" along with important events. Come and join us for an afternoon of nostalgia.

Refreshments by Lynelle



See you there.

LER PINEWOOD DERBY EVENT



Sunday, April 14, 2024 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm

@ Polish Falcons, 445 Columbia Ave., Depew 14043

Your Antique Car may be stored for the Winter, but now it is time to:

START YOUR PINEWOOD DERBY CAR ENGINES

Pinewood Derby Cars are not just for scouts anymore!! Entries are open to all AACA LER members and their families: children, grandchildren, (girls like to design and race too!)

Purchase, design, build and enter your car in the AACA LER First Annual Pinewood Derby Race. Entry Fee: \$10 plus the cost of the Pinewood Derby Car Kit. Kits can be purchased from the Boy Scouts online at: https://www.scoutshop.org/pinewood-derby, or WNY Scout Council BSA: 2860 Genesee St., Buffalo, NY 14225 (call 716-891-4073 hours: Mon to Fri 10am to 5pm) or from Amazon, JoAnn Fabrics and Craft Stores or Hobby Lobby Stores. If you still have a pinewood derby car from your childhood, enter it in the Antique/Vintage Division.

There are five divisions for the races: Adults ages 16 and over, youth division 1 (age 8 & under), youth division 2 (ages 15 to 9), Hi-Performance (no limitations other than length and width, Antique/Vintage (derby cars built before 1997). Also: Best Design and Best Paint Job.

The Boy Scouts will provide and set up the four lane track, organize the registration and weigh in, and run the individual heats with a computerized timing system. All decisions are final.

SIGN UP & Register Early. We expect the competition will be fierce. Space is limited to 75 cars.

Reservation Deadline – April 1st, 2024 - Registration and payment of the \$10 registration fee should be made online directly with the Boy Scouts. The website will be provided next month.

Registration will include rules for building your car along with tips to make your car fast.

Once we have 75 entrants, the registration will be closed.

For questions, Contact George Camann at 716-727-9559 or email at <u>budcamann@gmail.com</u>

The registration fee directly supports the WNY Scout Council BSA. Thank you for supporting Scouting in Western New York. Your support helps to actively support thousands of families in 6 counties.



Handmade table favors: a bag of goodies from Barb Noonan & a tree ornament from Pat Burgstahler



Julie Dressler. from Cornerstone manor & Lynelle Schloerb smile for the camera while Candace Reed & Mary-Teresa Platt sell lots of tickets

LER Christmas





The Teams: David & Jane Szachta; Peggy Nash & Sue Yearke and Mark Palmer & Karen Schwartz are ready to play. Barb Noonan created the game "The Price is Right" and mans the computer

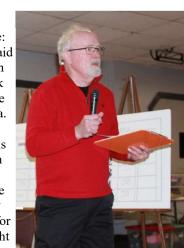




ROUND 3 DECIDE IF THE PRICE FOR EACH ITEM IS TOO HIGH OR TOO LOW. RECORD YOUR ANSWER ON YOUR BOARDS. FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER, YOUR TEAM EARNS 200 POINTS.

Above: John Haid & Don Butlak spy the camera.

Dennis Upton was "Game Show Host" for the night





The teams talk over their answers, Peggy & Sue get them right!





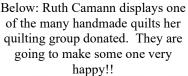
FINAL ROUND

EXAMINE THE COLLECTION OF ITEMS. DETERMINE A TOTAL PRICE FOR THE COLLECTIVE ITEMS. THE GROUP CLOSEST TO THE TOTAL COMBINED PRICE WITHOUT GOING OVER RECEIVES 500 POINTS.

"The final answer is" The audience enjoyed watching the players

> The lucky man is Joe Dallos and gets his share of the split club from Cliff Schulz









There were lots of laughs at some of the answers.



Some of the many gifts donated to Cornerstone Manor fill these tables. Below Elf Cliff helps fill the "Sleigh", then Elf Lynelle delivers & fills two carts from her packed car







SIDELIGHT TREASURES

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AUTOS FOR SALE

'36 all steel Chevy low cab pickup, freshly painted, new tires, new



hydraulic brakes and clutch, all glass intact, new wiring, radiator recently checked and is good. \$20,000 Call Don @ 716 877-0097, warnickdj@roadrunner.com (4)

²40 Ford Deluxe conv, car owned by Jackie Kennedy Onasis, excellent shape, drive it home, fully documented, Car in Wilson, NY, \$48,000. Call Randy at 716-525-4409. Lead from Gary Alt (2)



'41 Studebaker Champion, 2dr, barn find, maroon, original 52,527 miles, needs restoration, to settle estate, first \$3,000 takes it home, bring a trailer, Todd Schupbach 716-435-4279 (3)



AUTO MISC FOR SALE

- Chilton 1963,1965,1967,1968,1969 flat rate & repair manuals, 1966 flat rate, 1970 repair manuals. Motors Repair Manuals 1st edition truck repair, 10th, 14th, 16th, 22nd edition Auto repair, 1954, 1956, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1971, 1973, 1974 Motors Auto Repair Manuals, 1964 Motors flat rate manual. \$1 each or \$25 for all. Ed Group, 1-814-474-3652 (4)
- Complete history 75 yrs Cadillac, hard cover \$40; The Buick Complete History by Terry Dunham, hard cover \$50; '52 Cadillac shop manual \$30; service manual '53 Olds air conditioning \$20; Ford pass-car TBird-truck soft trim parts manual '53-55; GM First 75 yrs \$20; '39 Chev shop manual



\$20; '66 Chev truck shop manual \$20; plus shipping. Tom Koziol 1-423-327-3740 or <u>acmecoop31@hotmail.com</u>. (4)

- Winter storage for vehicles, boats and RVs. Very large barn in Elma, wood floor storage available for vehicles. Contact Chuck at: 716-254-3926 (leave message and I will get back to you.) <u>cfacklam@roadrunner.com</u> (2)
- '64 Ford Galaxie 2 dr hdtp: passenger door, trunk lid & hinge assy (with torsion bars), ¹/₄ windows (l&r), windshield & back window glass & trim for both, partial side trim, front & rear bumper brackets, gas door, exhaust hangers (l&r), drive shaft, trans. crossmember, brake pedal assy, power brake booster, emergency brake ass, rear tail- light lenses & trim bezels, Call Paul at 716-874-9119 for prices. (2)
- '61Chevrolet Bel Air LH front door, 4 dr sedan, door has glass & window regulator, needs some work, but usable \$50 B/O Ed Vogt 716-826-9082 (2)
- Shop manuals for sale: '42 Buick \$35.00;'70 Cadillac, reprint in a binder - \$10.00;'74 Oldsmobile - \$25.00; '83 Oldsmobile -all RWD models & Tornado - \$25.00; '90 GM B body cars, all -\$25.00; Fisher Body service manuals 1983 & 1984 - \$20.00 each. Ed Vogt 716-826-9082 (1)
- 6 quarts of Lucas Hot Rod and Classic Hi Performance motor oil - Sae 20W-50 with high zinc. cost \$60 - will sell for \$40. Dennis Upton 716-984-5847(1)

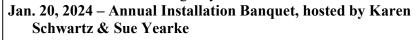


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Calendar of EventsJan. 1 – New Year's DayJan. 15 – Martin Luther King Day

Award of Excellence



Feb. 2 – Groundhog Day

Feb. 18 – Revisit the 50s – hosted by Jerry & Peggy Ptak, Polish Falcons, 445 Columbia, Depew, 1pm





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