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THE CRUIZE NEWS

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CRUIZE NEWS INFORMATION

Our/your club's newsletter, The Cruise News, is made available to club members and friends in both electronic and printed versions. Hopefully you enjoy receiving a copy, browsing the pictures, and reading the text as much as Sally and I enjoy preparing it for you. If you have any comments or suggestions to help improve the newsletter, or have pictures for inclusion, please feel free to forward them to us at dasrob@embarqmail.com.

YOUR 2017-18 CLUB'S OFFICERS

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YOUR 2017-18 CLUB'S DIRECTORS (TRUSTEES)

Butch Eagler
Todd Fisher
Kevin McCardle.
Marlin Milliken
Sally Roberts
Don VanHorn.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CLUB DUES REMAIN THE SAME

Dues for the 2017 year are currently being accepted and will continue to be accepted until the end of July, 2018. The fees remain unchanged since the club was founded in 2002, and are extremely reasonable. They are as follow:

New, full membership is \$25 (First year dues include a club T-shirt & AAC dash card)

Membership renewal is \$10 per year

New, social member, i.e., spouse or no car, is \$20 (First year dues include a club T-shirt)

Social membership renewal is \$5 per year

New, junior membership is \$20 (First year dues include a club T-shirt)

Junior membership renewal is \$5 per year

Reinstatement (\$25 full or \$20 Social/Jr.) does not include a T-shirt and other benefits

Payment of dues will be accepted at the monthly meetings and at most of the cruise-ins and car shows, or may be mailed directly to the club Treasurer Brent Miller at his home address – 117 North 3rd Street, Mifflintown, PA. 17059

WEBSITE UPDATE

Be reminded that the new domain name, www.all-americancruizers.com, is to be used when visiting the website as www.all-americancruizersinc.com is being shut down, if it already hasn't been.

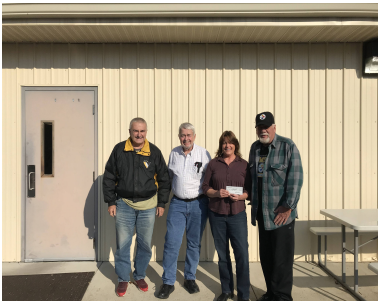
TOY DONATIONS MADE

Thanks to all of you who made contributions of toys and/or money at our car club's toy drive/cruise-in held at Harshbarger's Sub 'n Malt Restaurant in October. We collected and/or purchased a total of 161 toys to help "kick start" the "Toys for Tots" campaign at Regester's Chevrolet in downtown Thompsontown. Hopefully the car dealership will receive many more donations. Why - they, the Regesters, are quite generous and kindly donate five dollars for each of the toys collected for the purchase of more toys. All of the toys collected are then picked up, wrapped, and distributed by the Marine Corps to needy children making for a Merry Christmas.



Toy Drive continued:**MONETARY DONATIONS MADE**

Thanks to all Cruizers members and friends who participated in and/or contributed to the various fund raising events held by the car club throughout the year. A check for \$300 was previously given to the local food banks in the tri-county area, and most recently a check in the amount of \$500 each was provided to the Perry County Food Bank in New Bloomfield, Mother Hubbard's Cupboard in Lewistown, and the Juniata County Food Pantry in Mifflintown. The monies raised and donated go a long way to help each of the food banks purchase canned goods, frozen foods, and various non-perishable items for distribution during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons. Again thank you so much!

**CAR-RELATED EVENTS ATTENDED**

Several so-called "Trunk or Treat" events were held on Friday, October 27, in Juniata County, one in McAlisterville and the other in East Salem. Unfortunately no pictures were made available for the first, so only photos from the East Salem event are depicted here (Thanks to Donald VanHorn).



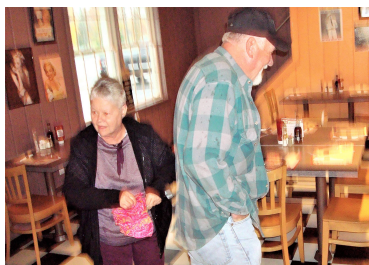
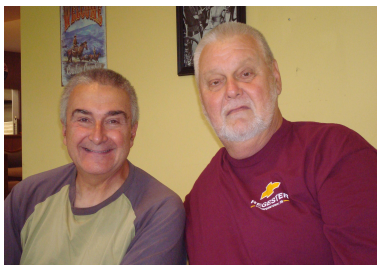
Trunk or Treat continued:



Harshbarger's Fund Raising Event

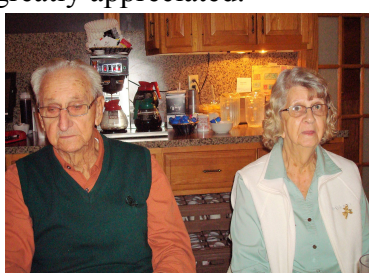
Our club's 4th fund raising event for 2017 was held at the Harshbarger's Subs 'n Malts Restaurants, both in McVeytown and in Mifflintown, on Tuesday, November 7. Each AAC member, their families and friends were informed regarding this event and advised to present the appropriate, printed coupon upon ordering meals. It was a miserable day, with rain, snow and sleet, and the turnout reflected that. Yet, the meal checks, totaling \$556.72 in purchases, were turned in that day, \$86.80 from McVeytown and \$469.62 in Mifflintown. The club earned 25% of those amounts and received a check from Rhonda, the owner of the two restaurants, in the amount of \$139.18. Thanks to each and all of you who participated. Your support of this endeavor was greatly appreciated by the club. All monies raised go toward the food banks in the tri-county area.

Harshbarger's continued:



Bread of Life Fund Raising Event

Our club's 5th fund raising event for 2017 was held at the Bread of Life Restaurant in McAlisterville on Saturday, November 18. AAC members, their families and friends were informed regarding this event and advised to present the appropriate, printed coupon upon ordering meals. Again, another miserable day for a fund raiser, heavy rains and cold temperatures all day long. The recent report from the Greg, the owner of the restaurant indicated that checks, totaling nearly \$500.00 in purchases, were turned in that day. The club earned 20% of that amount and received a check in the amount of \$100.00. The monies earned will be added to the Food Bank Fund to replenish that which was donated to the food banks during the 2017 season. Thanks to all who participated. Your support of this endeavor was greatly appreciated.



Bread of Life continued:



Red Zone Breakfast

Our first regularly scheduled “fall/winter,” Saturday morning breakfast was held at the Red Zone in Mifflintown on November 25. Despite the fact that this event was held just after Thanksgiving and prior to deer season, seventeen members and guests were present. A great time socializing was had by all in attendance, not to mention the good food. Be reminded that these breakfasts are held monthly during the colder non-cruising season; so, look for the future dates, and plan on joining fellow Cruizers at these events.



Red Zone continued:



Hoss's Fund raising Event

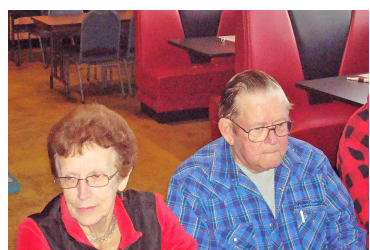
This year's 2nd fund raising event at Hoss's Steak & Seafood Restaurant in Lewistown was held on Sunday, December 10. Club members and friends were informed regarding this event and advised to present the "Hoss's Coupon" upon ordering meals. The most recent report from the manager at Hoss's indicated that 16 checks, totaling \$515.15 in purchases, were turned in that day. The club earned 20% of that amount and is scheduled to receive a check in the amount of \$103.03. Monies earned will be added to the Food Bank Fund to replenish that which was donated previously to the food banks in Mifflin, Juniata, and Perry Counties. Thanks to all Cruizers members, family and friends who participated. Your support was greatly appreciated.





Red Zone Breakfast

The final Saturday morning breakfast for 2017 was held, as usual, at the Red Zone on December 16, and we had the best attendance to date. A total of 25 club members and guests were present for the event, one which featured the 90th birthday of Cruiser Ralph Fry. A great time was had by all. Hopefully you will join us at the future breakfasts scheduled during the 2018 year.



ANOTHER CRUIZER PASSES



We are saddened to hear of the recent passing of a dear friend and fellow Cruiser in the name of Marlin "Tank" Messimer. It was reported to us by his wife, Jan, that Tank took his last cruise on Sunday, December 10, 2017. At the time of his death Marlin was at the UPMC Pinnacle in Harrisburg, having lost a lengthy battle with heart disease and other inflections. Anybody who knew Tank was glad to call him a friend. He was an avid car enthusiast, having owned many classic vehicles, most recently a 1996 Ford Cobra of which he was quite proud. Some of you may remember Tank as a renowned drag racer from the past, having run at Beaver Springs, Namibia, and Kramer. He will always be remembered for his sense of humor and loving and caring nature. RIP "buddy."

SUNSHINE REPORT

Let's be sure to keep Jan and the rest of the Messimer family in our thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time coping with Marlin's passing. Sally sent a card to Jan expressing our sincere condolences from the club. Also, at the request of Tank's family, in lieu of flowers and since Tank and Jan loved their "fur babies," our club forwarded a monetary contribution to the Humane Society of Harrisburg.

In addition to the above, Sally reported a card was sent to Donnie Guthridge, who was in the hospital with complications stemming from pneumonia, and is currently at Locust Grove Retirement and Rehabilitation Center in Mifflin. Let's keep Donnie and all Cruizers who are ill, or inflicted with a disease, in our thoughts and prayers.

If you know of any member in need of a card mailed from the club, please call Sally Roberts at 717-535-4155, or contact her with the name at the following email address - dasrob@embarqmail.com. Thanks, in advance, for your assistance.

NEXT CLUB MEETING

The next club meeting will be held on **Monday, February 5, 2018** (since there is no meeting scheduled for January) at Vince's Pizza & Restaurant in Burnham, followed by an informal get-together afterwards at Dunkin' Donuts across the street. Hope to see you there.

Other 2018 Meeting Dates:

Monday, March 5	Monday, August 6
Monday, April 2	Wednesday, September 5
Monday, May 7	Monday, October 1
Monday, June 4	Monday, November 5
Monday, July 2	Monday, December 3

SCHEDULING OF CLUB EVENTS

Sally and I are currently in the process of scheduling events for the club, working with officers and members to establish cruise-in and other event dates in the "tri-county area," i.e., in Mifflin, Juniata, and Perry Counties, as well as other not-too-distant locations. If you locate a suitable site for a cruise-in and would be willing to coordinate the said event, please contact one of the club's officers or send an email to dasrob@embarqmail.com.



Pre-cruising season events for January:

- January 19 – 21 Allentown Automania Swap Meet
January 20 AAC Saturday Morning Breakfast at the Red Zone
January 25 – 28 Harrisburg PA Auto Show

February 6 AAC Monthly Club Meeting

INDOOR PICNIC DATE ESTABLISHED

Please mark Saturday, March 17 on your calendar. That is the date of our club's winter, indoor picnic. It is being held at the West Decatur Fire Company's Annex Building, the same location as in the past. Times will also be the same as last year and the same as our summer picnic -- that is, 1:00 – 5:00, eating approximately 1:15 to 2:30. Following that, there will be time to socialize, and conduct a 50-50 drawing and drawings for raffle table prizes. That's correct – a raffle table. In the past members were quite generous, donating very nice prizes. We hope that is the case again. If you wish to donate a prize(s), you may bring or send them to the meetings in February or March, or bring them the day of the picnic. Further details regarding the picnic will be forwarded closer to the date, so look for those emails. But for now, **reserve the March 17 date** as we would love to see you and your family in attendance. Finally, if you know of anyone interested in joining the All-American Cruizers, feel free to invite them along as guests.