



# CLUTCH CHATTER



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**JAN 6** - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M.,  
Peaslee Tech Center

**FEB 3** - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M.,  
Peaslee Tech Center

## WHAT IS JANUARY KNOWN FOR?

The first day of the month is known as New Year's Day. It is, on average, the coldest month of the year within most of the Northern Hemisphere (where it is the second month of winter) and the warmest month of the year within most of the Southern Hemisphere (where it is the second month of summer).

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Just a friendly reminder - all items for our newsletter are due by the 15th, monthly. Thank you.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To one and all a very Happy New Year! 2021 is behind us with all of its ups and downs, joys and sorrows and now we reach out and embrace the coming year. We had our annual Christmas Party with good food, good entertainment and great fellowship. Thank you all that could make it and sorry for all of you that weren't able to come. I am looking forward to moving ahead and getting back to what we used to call normal activity and not worrying about all the precautions. Thank you for letting me serve you these last couple of years and hope to see you soon. My prayer for each of you is health, peace and joy for 2022.

God Bless.  
Margaret

## NOTABLE JANUARY DATES

Jan 1 - New Years Day  
Jan 17 - Martin Luther King Day



## 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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(913) 710-7720  
2023 Board: Carl Peer  
(913) 856-7481  
2024 Board: Tony Mitchell  
(785) 424-7253

### MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

George Lauppe - January 2  
Don Fornelli - January 6  
Darrell Workman - January 6  
Gary Landes - January 13  
Margaret Barnes - January 17  
Mary Haid - January 18

### MEMBERS' ANNIVERSARIES

Russ and Rosie French  
January 11, 1997 - 25 years

### EDITOR'S NOTE

If we have missed anyone, it is because we do not have the information. Please ask K. L. Homolka for the "Information Form".

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## COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2022

CAR SHOW - Daryl Barnes  
SWAP MEET - Joe Arneson  
SCHOLARSHIP - Tony Mitchell  
TRAILER - Joe Arneson  
SUNSHINE - Barb & Dave Maycock  
CONTRIBUTIONS - Pete Maxon  
HISTORICAL - **VACANT**  
MEMBERSHIP - Margaret Barnes  
PROGRAMS - Daryl Barnes  
REFRESHMENTS - Daryl Barnes

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[Here you can find information on being a member, upcoming events & general information about the club.](#)

## **LRAACA MEETING MINUTES**

Christmas Dinner and Installation of Officers  
Sunday, December 5, 2021

Meeting called to order by President Barnes, who opened with a meal blessing. Twenty-eight members, spouses and friends attended and enjoyed a very fine meal of ham, turkey, potatoes, green beans, and dinner rolls prepared and served by the "Warden Church Ladies" group. Their delicious home-made pie was the finale of the meal. President Barnes officially installed the new officers: Darrell Workman as President, Jack Todd as Vice President, and Roscoe Yoder to fill the vacant Director spot. Pete Maxon and K. Homolka each accepted another term as Treasurer and Secretary respectively. A drawing was held and everyone won either a die-cast metal car or a beautiful Poinsettia. Santa came handing out candy and candy canes. Everyone got their picture taken with him, too. The Lawrence High Honors Choir presented a program of wonderful singing. Their performance was enjoyed by everyone.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

Respectfully submitted,  
K. L. Homolka, Secretary



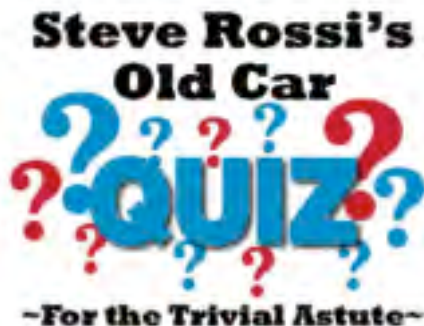
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## 2022 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

- February 10-12** - AACA Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA 717-534-1910  
**February 24-26** - AACA Winter Nationals, Melbourne, FL, Cape Canaveral Region  
717-534-1910  
**March 10-12** - Western Spring Nationals, Las Vegas 717-534-1910  
**April 7-9** - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC., Hornet's Nest Region,  
704-847-4215  
**April 21-23** - Special Winter Nationals, and Special Grand Nationals, San Juan, PR,  
Puerto Rico Region 305-978-8037  
**May 19-21** - Annual Grand Nationals, Virginia Beach, VA Tidewater Region,  
618-363-6730  
**June 16-18** - Eastern Spring Nationals, Beckley, WV, White Water Region  
681-220-8186  
**August 11-13** - Central Fall Nationals, East Moline, IL  
**October 4-7** - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey PA, Hershey Region  
717-566-7720  
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## ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2022

- March 18-19** - Chickasha, OK Pre-War Swap Meet, Grady Co. Fairgrounds  
**April 28-30** - Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, TX  
**May 6-8** - Lawrence Region AACA Annual Swap Meet, Lawrence, KS  
**June 2-7** - Midwest Regional Meet, Plain Ol' A's, Embassy Suites, Olathe, KS  
**October 2** - Lawrence Region AACA Car Show, Lawrence, KS



### QUESTION

Once upon a time, there was a Pontiac called "Silver Streak".

Why?

**Answer on page 13**

## THE JEEP RAFFLE

By Paula Ruby

Vice President - Regions Development and Support, Eastern Division

As most of you know, AACA has been selling raffle tickets for a 1973 Jeep Commando this year. I had sent a proposal to President Jim Elliott back in April and suggested that AACA do a car raffle to raise funds for the new Headquarters and Library & Research Center. After approval by the Executive Committee, I proceeded to focus my time on getting the raffle off the ground, and ordering raffle tickets and sending them out to the Presidents of all of the regions and chapters in the organization. Regions and Chapters either received 10 or 20 tickets to sell to their members or friends.

Tickets were sold all over the country, including Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. We do have regions in all of these locations. The tickets were also sold in Quebec and British Columbia, Canada. The raffle concluded on Saturday, October 9th at the Hershey Meet. At 2 PM on that Saturday, President Jim Elliott was ready to pull the lucky ticket. A large crowd had gathered at the raffle table. President Elliott reached deep down in the drum and came out with the winning ticket. The winner's name, Ed Garfield of Rochelle Park, New Jersey, was announced.

Mr. Garfield was standing right next to the Jeep and yelled out, "That is me!". As he came up to the table to be congratulated by President Elliott and myself the crowd applauded.

Mr. Garfield made arrangements to come back to Hershey to pick up the Jeep. So on Friday, October 15th he returned with his wife Kathy and a trailer to take the Jeep home. I think that the Jeep has definitely found a great new home and will be well cared for.

This raffle was a huge success and the proceeds will be put to good use. Thank you to everyone that purchased tickets and better luck next time when we do the next raffle.

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Ed Garfield of Rochell Park, New Jersey - winner of the 1973 Jeep Commando



**LAWRENCE AACA CHRISTMAS DINNER  
AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS FOR 2022**



Barb and Dave Maycock, Daryl and Margaret Barnes, Carl Peer



K. L. Homolka, Darrell Workman,  
and Joe and Janice Arneson

Ken and Virginia Filardo



Gary Landes, Don Gullett,  
Jack Todd, Bill Bunce and  
Ralph Reschke

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Margaret and Norm Kressmann  
and Susan and Tony Mitchell



Ladies with the high school choir,  
Abby and Kaeli Whitener



Members of the Lawrence High School Honor Choir

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**AND SANTA SHOWED UP!!!**



Santa giving Mrs. Santa  
her gift  
Tony and Susan Mitchell

Gary Landes  
is happy with  
his gift



Barb Maycock and Carl Peer  
receive their gifts from Santa

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Norm Kressmann receiving his gift from Santa



Shirley Cormack with her gift, a beautiful pink poinsettia

George and Marceil Lauppe receive their candy canes from Santa



Many thanks to Margaret and Daryl Barnes, and Barb and Dave Maycock, for arranging for the dinner and gifts.

Special thanks to Barb Maycock for giving each of us an additional gift bag of sanitizer, disinfectant and home made dish cloth.



Without good cooks, the dinner is not a success (and successful ours was!) The food these great ladies cooked for us was delicious!! And the pies were the best!

These ladies are the "Warden Church Ladies" group

We thank them very much.

Thanks to Tim Cormack for providing the photos.



Naughty or nice? How am I supposed to know?

## CARS OF THEN AND NOW

They just don't make em like they used to,  
styles have changed



Okay.....



Pretty much the same since 1969, but we still love the Porsche



69' Malibu



09' Malibu

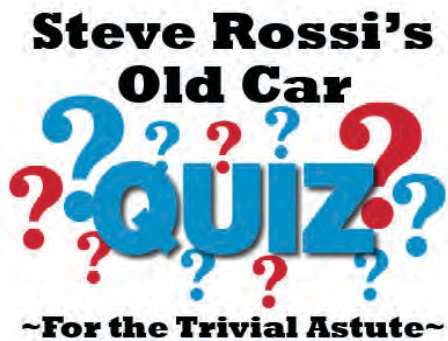
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The Mustang





#### ANSWER TO QUESTION ON PAGE 4



From 1935 through 1956, Pontiac featured bold, bright silver styling trim down the center of the hood and rear deck lid (sometimes) which widened and narrowed over the years and even turned into two bands (Twinstreak) for 1955 and 1956. While the exclusive design created a unique identity for Pontiac (the company called it "America's Most Distinctive Car"), in fact it was also a conscious styling tactic to originally hide shared Chevy sheet metal. When "Bunky" Knudsen became General Manager of the Pontiac Division as the

1957 model year was ready to arrive, the Silver Streak was eliminated because it was time to remove what he called the pair of "old man's suspenders".

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#### TRIVIA CHALLENGE

What car was the first to place a horn button in the middle of the steering wheel?

Answer on page 15

*Borrowed from the Mid-America AACA club and Tom Wedbush*

## PONTIAC MEMORIES

By John McCarthy, AACA Vice Pres. - Endowments

My Aunt Mary was the first one in our family to graduate from college in 1927. She was a high school social studies teacher and was always a frugal person. She lived with my Father and Grandfather. In late 1931, when the 1932 models came out, she bought a black 1931 Pontiac 6 two door sedan. In late 1937, she bought another black Pontiac 6 two door sedan but this one had a radio in addition to a heater. She now lived in her own house with a small garage. Like many garages in those days, the doors had been removed as cars were too long to fit inside. In 1941 and 1947 she again bought new Pontiac 6 two door sedan. The 1947 was dark gray, a car I remember well. In 1954 the Pontiac with 89,000 miles was not running well. The dealer only had two leftovers, both Star Chiefs which were too long.

A fellow teacher's husband was a Dodge dealer and in November 1954 he had a large selection of leftovers as 1954 was a slow year for car sales and the 1955 Dodge was an entirely new model. Mary splurged, and got an extremely good deal on a 1954 Dodge Coronet with a 241 cu in Hemi V8, Power Flite, four-door, light gray top, dark metallic blue bottom and wheel covers. The family was surprised to see Mary get such a nice car. In mid-1960 the Dodge, with only 52,000, miles needed a valve job costing \$100 and she wanted another Pontiac, but Pontiac's would not fit in the garage. Ramblers were very popular and Mary visited a dealer who only had a few 1960 leftovers and she bought a four-door dark brown sedan. I thought it was ugly. For the first two years she was happy with the Rambler but then things began to break that didn't normally break on cars---the driver's seat back, a window crank mechanism, and in 1964 the metal that held the front shocks on had metal fatigue with one completely breaking away. She went back to the Pontiac dealer who had a 1964 Tempest four-door sedan, 326 V8, automatic, power steering/brakes, light metallic turquoise. Mary was very happy with the Tempest which was her final car and lasted her more than ten years.

## A LITTLE HUMOR

"Mom, Dad, sit down. I have something very important to tell you" said Samantha upon her return from college after graduation. "I met a guy who lives near the college that I really like and we decided we're going to get married!"

"Oh, Samantha! I am so happy for you!" gushed her mom, giving her a big hug. "I hope you two will be really happy together! I can't wait to meet him!"

"Tell us more about him" said her dad, "does he have any money"?

"Oh Dad! Is that all you men ever think about" That was the first question he asked me about you, too!"

## DID YOU KNOW

By replacing your potato chips with grapefruit as a snack you can lose as much as 90% of what little joy you still have left in your life.

*Found on Twitter @PriapusIQ*

### **GETTING LUCKY**

At my age, getting lucky means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for. Actually, I'm not complaining coz I am a Seenager (Senior teenager). I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 60 years later:

I don't have to go to school or work.

I get an allowance every month.

I have my own pad.

I don't have a curfew.

I don't have acne.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have an ID that gets me into bars and the whisky store.

The people I hang around with are not afraid of older people.

Life is great!! I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names!!!

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### **'TIS A SHAME**

Tis a real shame nothing is built in the USA anymore. I just bought a TV and it said "Built In Antenna". I don't even know where that is!!!

*Permission by Madly Odd*

### **ANSWER TO QUIZ ON PAGE 13**



The 1915 Scripps-Booth Model C. This car also was the first with electric door latches.

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If you see a yacht at sea,  
you're in desperate need  
of a vacation.  
It is a hole in a leather sofa.

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