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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Has anyone noticed it's summertime yet? Spring went out in a hot run and summer came in right behind without any letup on the heat. I'm glad our June meeting / Auction Night was before the heatwave came.

We had a great auction in the park at the Antique Car Shelter. The membership turnout was very good, it was great to see so many people show up to bid on the wide variety of items donated to be auctioned off. Everything from tools and toys to literature and car parts. And of course, the all-time favorite baked goods.

Thank You everyone, for donating and buying. I wish I had out-bid Harry Newman by another dollar so we could have hit the \$600 mark ! But \$599 made for a very good and fun evening. A special THANK YOU to our volunteer Auctioneer Todd Bragg. He did an excellent job, as usual, getting the bidders involved and making the evening fun and profitable. He said he really enjoys doing this for us and looks forward every year to helping us out. His assistants were very helpful in getting the sold items to their new owners. We all need to find a corner somewhere to start collecting items for next year. That way we won't have to think "what was that I came across 2 months ago and said I'll donate this to next year's



JULY CLUB CALENDAR CAR(S) OF THE MONTH
Jim Colville's Patriotic Red, White, & Blue Mopars
(see story on page 3)

auction?"

Remember the July meeting will be held on the 11th at the Antique Car Shelter in Jim Barnett Park since Independence Day falls on the first Thursday.

Our next big event is the upcoming show at The Museum of the Shenandoah Valley on July 20th. This has proven to be a premier event with the Museum and this year should easily uphold that reputation. There have been several changes made this year by both the Museum and our Club that will definitely enhance the event. Dan Rowzie and his team have met several times with the Museum team to help improve and implement *[continued under PRESIDENT, page 10]*

CALENDAR

- JUL 4 - Happy Independence Day
- JUL 11 - Membership Meeting & Potluck, 7pm, Antique Car Shelter, Jim Barnett Park.
- JUL 18 - Board Meeting. Temporary change to time & location. (See page 2 for details) All members welcome.
- JUL 20 - Museum of the Shenandoah Valley Show, 10am-3pm (see page 3 and flyer, page 9)
- **JUL 22 - NOON DEADLINE for AUG NEWSLETTER**
- AUG 1 - Membership Meeting & Potluck, 7pm, Antique Car Shelter, Jim Barnett Park.
- AUG 4 - Fun Run (see page 2)
- AUG 11 - Annual Corn Roast, 1pm, Antique Car Shelter, Jim Barnett Park



July 11, 2024 - 7pm Membership Meeting & Potluck

NOTE: 2nd Thurs due to July 4 Holiday

Where: Antique Car Shelter, Jim Barnett Park
1001 E. Cork St, Winchester, VA 22601

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

Meeting Hosts: Bill & Beth Carl

This will be a "potluck" meeting at the shelter. The Club will provide the meat entrée. Please bring a "covered dish" (for example: appetizer, salad, vegetable side, dessert) to share, and your own dinner plate, tableware, tablecloth and beverage. See you there!

ROSTER UPDATES:

Please add Shane Henry to your 2024 Roster:
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New email for Paul Beam = silverg@myyahoo.com



HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS !

02	Art Bragg	24	Chet Allen
03	Joyce Carden	24	Emily Parker
05	Chip Rohr	25	Lee Georg
12	Jim Stup	26	Danny Sullivan
16	David Conrad	28	Penny Allen
18	Bill Anderson	29	Vickie Smulovitz
22	Ron Howser	31	Josie Engle





IN SYMPATHY Shenandoah Region extends its sincere condolences to Eric Kirk and family in the May 25 passing of Eric’s mother, Katie Lucrecia Kirk, 92, after a long illness. Katie was born in 1931 in Keyser, WV, graduated from Keyser High School in 1949, and while attending Fairmont Business College, met the love of her life, Paul Kirk. They married in June 1950 and moved to the community of Fountain, WV, where they built their home and enjoyed almost 68 years together until Paul passed in 2018. As a faithful member and prayer warrior of the Fountain United Brethren Church for 68 years, she held many offices as teacher, treasurer, in ladies fellowship and her joy was to sing in the choir. In addition to several clerical jobs in the private sector, Katie was a deputy assessor and poll worker for Mineral County for over 50 years. She also was a member of the Gideon International Auxiliary for 54 years and served as WV State President, Area Director, and Zone Leader. She and Paul travelled to many state conventions and over 30 international conventions. Katie is survived by her son Eric Kirk, daughter Alleise Alexander (Raymond), a sister-in-law, and many special grandchildren. Services were June 1 at Fountain United Brethren Church. Please keep Eric and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this sad time.



IN SYMPATHY Shenandoah Region extends its sincere condolences to John Black and family in the June 7 passing of John’s longtime companion, Rachael Ellen Carter, 67, after a tragic automobile accident. Rachael was born in 1956 in Winchester and her life was marked by dedication to her family, friends and faith. A devoted member of Open Door Baptist Church, Rachael’s faith was the cornerstone of her life. She worked for over 30 years at the Blue Collar Mercantile (formerly Working Man’s Store) in Winchester, earning the respect and admiration of her colleagues. Rachael never knew a stranger and was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. She enjoyed traveling, horseback riding, painting, motorcycle riding, attending car events and cooking. One of her biggest joys was spending time with her granddaughter, Emmaline, and her grandpups. Rachael is survived by her son, Mike Nail (Elizabeth); granddaughter Emmaline; sister Roxanne Shillingburg (Lewis); brothers, Ronnie Carter (Libby) and Dana Carter; her companion, John Black and his children, Tom, Kristin and Garth and their families; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Please keep John and his and Rachael’s families in your thoughts and prayers at this sad time.

Send articles, photos & ads to: shenandoahregion@gmail.com

AUG News Deadline = NOON July 22

FUN RUN - SUNDAY AUG 4

Paul Ruscito is planning a Fun Run to Dale Adams’ collection in New Market, VA. We will leave from Stephens City at 12:30 pm, take Rt. 11 to Dale’s place, have an early supper afterward at Southern Kitchen in New Market, and return to Stephens City around 6:30 pm. Paul will ask for sign-ups at the July 11 membership meeting.

LOCATION & TIME CHANGE - JULY 18 BOARD MEETING

Due to Vacation Bible School using all Church rooms, the Board will meet at Donato’s Touch of Italy, 1361 N. Frederick Pike, Winchester, at 6:30 pm for a (self-paid) meal, followed by the Board Meeting itself. If any non-Board club member wishes to have a (self-paid) meal and attend the Board meeting, please contact Paul Ruscito before July 15 so he can update the reservation. Paul’s email: p.ruscito@comcast.net or phone: (540) 624-9454



AUCTION THANKS Our June 6 Annual Auction was a great success ! Thanks to all who donated items and to all the generous bidders. A big thanks, too, to our great Auctioneer, Todd Bragg and his helpers, Uncle Art Bragg and Debbie Plank Borsi !

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Sunshine Report

Sunshine Chairs Dave & Sharon Lewis report sending:

- ♥ Sympathy cards to Eric Kirk in the loss of his mother, Katie Kirk, in May, and to John Black in the loss of his longtime companion, Rachael Carter, in June. See ‘In Sympathy’ above.
- ♥ Get-well wishes to Bob Bearer, who had a hospital stay in early June, to John Black who was hospitalized after an automobile accident June 7, and to Allen Bond, who had routine surgery and a fall at home, followed by a rehab stay in June.
- ♥ 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.



MUSEUM OF THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY
SHENANDOAH REGION, ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

MSV Antique & Modified Car Show

Saturday, July 20, 2024 • 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Our Next Big Club Event

is the MSV Car show (see banner above and flyer on page 9). The Museum had the flyers printed and they have been distributed by Club members at various local car shows/cruise-ins. **Publicity Chair Art Bragg** has delivered flyers to almost every car-related business around, and everywhere else car folks might pass by. **Show Chair Dan Rowzie** and his committee have been meeting regularly with the Museum, and all is going according to plan. **Registrar Lorie Ruscito** already has a handful of registrations. Since pre-registration isn't required, and registration is FREE, we expect a nice turnout that day - and the first 100 show cars to register get two free passes to MSV and a dash plaque (antique and modified cars must be 25 years old or older to be included).

HOWEVER, we still need YOUR help to make the show run smoothly. Club members are needed to assist with several tasks:

FIELD LAYOUT: **Chair Bob Engle** needs a few helpers on Friday planning the field layout and to put up the admin tent. He will advise of Friday timing at our July 11 meeting. If the tent is put up Saturday morning instead, he will need helpers with that early Saturday. Please be at the show field at 7:30 am Saturday to assist.

REGISTRATION: **Registrar Lorie Ruscito** needs a couple of hands giving out the show packets and taking same-day registrations on Saturday. Registration opens at 8:00 am and closes at 10:30 am. Her helpers should meet her

shortly before 8:00 am when cars start entering the field.

PARKING (show car placement): **Chair Bob Engle** will need many helpers Sat. to get the show cars parked in logical groupings. If you are helping park, please arrive by 7:30 am for instructions.

JUDGING: **Chief Judge Mark Dinsmore** will need several judges to select the winners (for example, Oldest Car, Best Antique Car, Best Modified Car, Best FOMOCO Car, Best GM Car, Best Chrysler Corp. Car, Best Orphan Car, Best Foreign Car), and possibly to help tally the Top 10 votes. Judging begins at 11:00am, so his team should meet at 10:30 am for instructions.

MEMBERSHIP TABLE: **Outreach Chair Dan Rowzie** needs volunteers to man the table in one-hour shifts.

WRAP-UP: Awards are 2:00-3:00 pm and the show ends at 3:00. Bob Engle will need help taking down the admin tent before leaving Saturday afternoon.

Please see one of the chairs below and volunteer to help on Friday or Show Day. You'll see some great cars, and have a lot of fun at the same time. This is also a chance to promote the old car hobby in our area, and perhaps encourage new members to join us. Come on out and help make this show a big success!

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Dan Rowzie Show Chair & Membership Outreach Chair
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JULY CAR(S) OF THE MONTH



Jim Colville's patriotic three: red '68 Charger, white '66 Sport Fury, and blue '67 Coronet 500

by Jim Colville

When I submitted my patriotic red, white, and blue group photo for July for the club calendar, I didn't expect that it would mean I would need to do a short write up on each of the three cars. But now it's time to admit it. My red '68 Charger RT isn't red. From the factory, it was green, with green interior, green vinyl top, and white bumble bee stripe. Anyone who knows me knows I'm not a fan of green cars. Had it still been triple green when I came across it in the early '90s, I likely would have passed on it. It wasn't.

When I first saw it, it was solid black with no vinyl top, and had a correct-looking white interior. But the first time I saw it, it was for sale at a small local Mopar show, and it was priced out of my budget. I passed on it then, but luckily for me, it came up for sale again a few months later. The

paint was shiny, the white interior looked beautiful, and when that big 440 rumbled to life, I was hooked.

A buddy who accompanied me when I went to look at the car, picked up on the seller's situation. The seller had bought the car just a few months earlier (after the show where I had seen it) but hadn't cleared the purchase with his wife. One look at the wife watching from the open front door as I examined the car, and my friend could tell she wouldn't be happy if we left without the car. We figured my \$5500 purchase price was nearly \$2000 less than he paid. It was a strong running car, and I had a blast with it for several years. Took it to Test and Tune Night at Sumerduck Dragway and ran the 1/8 mile a few times.

Enjoyed laying a pair of black stripes on the pavement in front of friends' houses while their neighbors watched the smoke billowing from the red line bias-plys. But it was clear from the start the car would need



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some restoration. The bodywork was full of mud, and after a decade or so of being parked outside, rust began to rear its ugly head. For years I collected parts.



Then a Mopar buddy, who does body work for a living, agreed to take it as a side project to do in his spare time with the plan to make it a clean "driver" rather than a show car. Now, more than ten years later, the car is ALMOST



done. Almost every exterior piece of sheet metal, including the roof skin, has been replaced.



And now, it's red, with black vinyl top, and white interior and stripe, as I would have ordered it had I bought it new.

My white '66 Sport Fury, on the other hand, is the most original car I have. The original 318 poly under the hood has been rebuilt, but the 42k mile car has the original interior and most of the paint is original. Most important, it has always been rust-free. I was looking for a big block convertible when this one fell into my lap. I couldn't pass it up. There's just not much of a story about it. It's just a clean low-mileage car that was owned by a preacher in Tennessee. I found it in Culpepper about ten years ago.

Then there's my blue '67 Coronet 500. For years after I bought my red '67 Coronet 500 convertible, I wanted a '67 Coronet 500 hardtop to go with it. But the 383 4 bbl was rarely seen in a stock '67 500. Less than 4000 '67 500 hardtops were built with the 383 4 bbl. Most of those remaining had been cloned, or at least partially cloned, into Coronet RTs. At the very least, the body side moldings were almost always missing completely. It was much easier to find an original '67 RT with a 440, than it was to find a

'67 500 with a 383. Most of the 500s were built with the 318.

My friends tired of hearing me complain that I couldn't find a decent big block '67 500 hardtop. Then, this 67,000-mile Georgia car turned up in the vendor area at Chrysler Carlisle. There it was, exactly what I was looking for. It had a solid body, and the only rust was in the corner of the door. But I wasn't ready to buy a car. I didn't bring any cash with me for a big purchase. Didn't know how I would get it home, and well, I wasn't excited about the worn dull medium blue paint color. I was ready to pass on it.

But my buddies had other plans. The car was so solid, they all decided that it was the car I needed. If I didn't buy the car, they told me to never again mention my desire for a '67 500 hardtop. Further, a threat was put forth. If I didn't buy the car, they would pay the \$4500 purchase price and park it in front of my house in spite. These helpful friends insisted that I borrow the cash from them for the weekend and buy the car. One friend even offered to tow it home behind the rollback he had brought his show car on to Carlisle. And so, I bought the car, and followed it home in my Barracuda.

The car had been sitting for a while so there was a little work involved in getting it roadworthy. A new pair of bumpers, new upholstery kit, a new set of chrome magnums and red line tires, and later a fresh paint job from Maaco, and I was in love with the car. Since the car would be sitting outside, I figured Maaco would be sufficient since minimal body work was required. That was twenty years ago. I still love the car. It'll never be a trophy winner, but it makes me

smile every time I look at it or drive it. Now I just need to get a new headliner installed.

You ever experienced the stitching on an original dried-out headliner, come apart at 60 mph on the highway with the windows open? The cloud of

foam insulation blew around inside the passenger compartment, getting in my eyes, nose, and mouth. Didn't know what had happened. Looked in the rear-view mirror so I could pull over. But the mirror was black. Took a moment to figure out the rear-view mirror was useless because the headliner was hanging down behind my head. That was a fun time.





MEMBER NEWS



[Editor: here are members' submissions received since May 20]

FROM DAVID SUNTER:
Spotted at Cars and Coffee, Great Falls, VA on May 25. A survivor !



FROM TOM PARKER:
CADILLAC/LaSALLE GRAND NAT'L

In mid-June I took a quick drive up to Gettysburg for the 2024 Cadillac and LaSalle Club Grand National Show. The show stretches from Wednesday to Saturday with an actual car show taking place both Friday and Saturday. Friday is for judging and Saturday is just for show. I attended Friday while



the judging teams were out. Here is a selection of cars seen on the show field. The front lawn had a display of several early Cadillacs and LaSalle's including this 1912 Cadillac, 1932 Cadillac Phaeton, and the interesting green 1935 LaSalle.



Not much beats the classic styling of a 1959 Cadillac and there were several on display. What would a Cadillac show be without at least one in pink?



Many of us are familiar with this 1963 wagon as a locally owned car that was restored at White Post. It has some Rockefeller family history. The 1968 ambulance was a unique sight and I



turned around to see this Corvair parked along the outskirts of the show area.



There were actually two '53 Eldorado convertibles in the show, both were very striking.

There were several rows of more modern Cadillacs.



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2024 CAR EVENT CALENDAR Tom Parker is collecting info on car events scheduled for 2024. If you know of a car event you think the members would enjoy, please email Tom at tomparkerjr@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 2024; the lists have been outstanding!

CAR EVENTS LISTING

Updated 06/20/24

Date/Time	Event	Location	Notes
July 4- 9am-3pm	Car & Truck Show	Skyline Ranch Resort, 751 Mountain Rd, Front Royal, VA	\$15 registration, raindate 7/7
July 6- 8am-3pm	Cooter's Summer Bash	4768 US Hwy 211 W, Luray, VA	\$20 registration, raindate 7/7
July 6- 10am-Dark	Watermelon Park Car Show	3322 Lockes Mill Road, Berryville, VA	\$10 registration, \$5 spectators
July 12-14	Chrysler Nationals	Carlisle, PA	
July 14- 9am-1pm	Wheels of Time 2024	Shenandoah Bible Baptist Church, 2251 Williamsport Pke, Martinsburg, WV	Free entry
July 20- 8am-3pm	Museum of the Shenandoah Valley Show	901 Amherst St, Winchester, VA	Free entry- SRAACA Event
July 21- 9am-3pm	Access Independence Show	324 Hope Dr, Winchester, VA	\$15 registration, raindate 7/28
July 26-28	Steam Show	Clarke Co. Fairgrounds, 890 W Main St, Berryville, VA	
July 27- 3-7pm	Benefit Car Show	Newtown Commons, 5165 Main St, Stephens City, VA	\$15 registration
Aug 2-4	Truck Nationals	Carlisle, PA	
Aug 3- 8am-2pm	Shawquon Ruritan Car, Truck & Tractor Show	Newtown Commons, 5165 Main St, Stephens City, VA	Free will donation, register 8am-10am
Aug 3- 9am-3pm	Mid Summer Blast Car & Truck Show	WVSD, 301 E Main St, Romney, WV	\$10 registration, rain date 8/4
Aug 3- 1pm	Frederick Co Fair Car Show	Frederick Co Fairgrounds, 250 Fairground Rd, Clear Brook, VA	\$10 registration
Aug 10- 9am-2pm	All-GM Show	Eagle Ridge MS, 42901 Waxpool Rd, Ashburn, VA	\$20 pre-registration/\$25 day of show
Aug 10- 4pm	Endless Summer Cruise-in	Endless Caverns, 1799 Endless Caverns Rd, New Market, VA	
RECURRING EVENTS			
1st Fri- 5-8pm	Cruise-in	Berkeley Springs State Park, 2 S. Washington St., Berkeley Springs, WV	May-Oct
Fri- 5-7:30pm	Cruise-in	Roy Rogers, 144 Oak Lee Dr, Ranson, WV	May-Sept
1st Sat (except July)- 4-8pm	Cruise-in	Valley Mall, 17301 Valley Mall Rd, Hagerstown, MD	7/13,8/3,9/7,10/5 (raindate 10/12)-\$5 entry
2nd Sat- 8-11am	Cars & Coffee	Callaway Classics- 8323 W Main St, Marshall	April-Oct
4th Sat- 5-8pm	Cruise-in	Mill Creek Intermediate- 8785 Winchester Ave, Bunker Hill, WV	April-Sept
1st Sun- 4-7pm	Cruise-in	O'Reilly Auto Parts, 33601 Old Valley Pike, Strasburg, VA	May-Oct
1st Sun- 4-8pm	Cruise-In	Henry's Grocery-1181 Strasburg Rd, Front Royal	May-Oct
Sun- 10am-12pm	Cars & Coffee	Daily Buzz Cafe, 114 Elizabeth Dr, Stephens City	Cars & Coffee
6/16, 7/20, 8/18, 9/22- 4-7pm	Cruise-in	Newtown Creamery, 320 Fairfax Pike, Stephens City, VA	

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CADILLAC/LaSALLE NAT'L CON'T:



In the modified section, there was this 1947 Cadillac Imperial Sedan. It was shown to be 1 of a fairly low number produced. The owner has replaced the engine with a modern STS drivetrain. It sounded good when he started it up but was odd to see such a modern engine in this car.



FROM JIM COLVILLE:

FORDS AT CARLISLE MAY 31

Van Armstrong and I went to the annual Ford show at Carlisle on Friday May 31st, as spectators. The first thing you notice at Ford Carlisle is that it's all about the Mustangs. I think it would be safe to say that 2/3 of the show field is Mustangs. Further, most of those are Fox body and newer cars. We limited our Mustang viewing to 1st and 2nd-generation Mustangs ('64-'73 model years). Even so, I managed to take over a hundred Mustang photos. For example, this '66 Mustang GT. The



white fastback coupe with the blue graphics may not look familiar to many. It's a rare (1 of 400 produced) Cobra edition. But it's not a Mustang Cobra or a Torino Cobra. It's a Falcon Cobra from Australia with a 4.9 V8, right hand drive and a body style only seen in the US in "Mad Max" movies.



Moving on through the show field, the rows of Galaxies, Cyclones and Torinos are always a must-see.



The '66 Galaxie XL convertible with a 390 under the hood was almost lost among a small row of '66 Galaxie 7-Litre models. The 7-Litre model looked like the XL but had a 428 under the hood. The '70 Mercury Cyclone Spoiler was one of several Cyclone Spoilers in the show. We learned the main way to visually distinguish a '70 Cyclone from a '71 is a difference in the side marker lights. The 429 Torino Cobra Twister was a model I hadn't seen before. It featured a large tornado style graphic on the rear quarters. It was one of only a handful built for a single dealership in Kansas City. The blue 1964 Mercury Montclair Marauder was one of two '64 Marauders in the show but was also



one of only a few '60s/'70s full size Mercurys in the show. Early Mercury Cougars are always a favorite sight at Ford Carlisle. My favorite this year was the fully loaded yellow '68 XR-7G with the 390, automatic, leather interior, sunroof and driving lights below the front bumper. Carlisle makes hoses available to those who want to wash their show cars and the owner was taking advantage of the opportunity when we first spotted this one.



More commonly seen early Fairlanes at Ford Carlisle were the pretty 1964 model sedans, wagons and hardtops like the red "Sport Coupe" model shown here. There were a few mid '69 Thunderbirds in the show, but I didn't see a single '58-'63 Thunderbird while we were there. The light blue '65 Thunderbird was a good representative for the mid-sixties Birds present.

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FORDS AT CARLISLE, CONT'D



Few Lincolns were there, but the customized '56 Premier coupe was the lone '50s Lincoln we saw. There are always several Edsels in the show, including this '58 Villager wagon. Most of the few pre-'50s cars we saw were modified. But the Model T on the show field was an exception.

It always surprises me how many Mavericks show up. Nick Dominick's Grabber is always one of the nicest. There are plenty of interesting cars to see to make it worth the trip, even for those of us not into late model Mustangs.



**FROM JIM COLVILLE:
JUNE JUBILEE CAR SHOW**

Sunday June 9th was the 36th June Jubilee car show at the Martinsburg War Memorial Park. A friend had arrived early and posted photos, showing a decent turnout. But his photos also showed that a heavy rain had moved in. We decided to wait before heading to the show from my house in Berryville, but the delay meant we got there after the gates were closed and registration ended. As a result, we parked in a spectator area and walked through the show as spectators. It was a nice show in a pretty setting with lots of shade trees. I expect that turnout might have been better had the day been sunny from the start. Among the cars in the show were two very nice VWs. One, an early '60s convertible. The other was more unique. It was a VW Brasilia developed by Volkswagen



exclusively for the Brazilian market. A '54 Ford F-350, displayed near the main gate, held a Model A on its more modern rollback chassis. A clean little Studebaker Lark and a '64 Corvair convertible were a couple I don't remember seeing at previous shows, as



well as a white '63 Falcon Ranchero, a '56 T-bird, and a blue '69 GTO. I had never been to this show before. I may very well consider entering this show next year just because I kind of liked the nicely shaded park setting.



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MUSEUM OF THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY SHENANDOAH REGION, ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

MSV Antique & Modified Car Show

Saturday, July 20, 2024 • 10 a.m.–3 p.m.



Celebrate summer and fabulous cars at the annual MSV Antique and Modified Car Show! Held on the beautiful grounds of the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley (MSV) in Winchester, Virginia, this event is coordinated by the Shenandoah Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America (SRAACA) and sponsored in part by Safford of Winchester.

The car show begins at 10 a.m. and will conclude with an awards ceremony from 2–3 p.m. Food will be available for purchase from Franklin's Smokin' Barnyard BBQ and Billy Sous food trucks. Limited trailer parking is available. No pets, please. Only service animals are permitted in the Museum gardens and galleries building.

There is no fee for registration; however, pre-registration is advised. The first 100 vehicles to register will receive a 2024 car show dash plaque and two free-admission tickets to visit the MSV (\$30 value). Vehicles in both categories—antique and modified—must be at least 25 years old. The event is rain/shine. Vehicle check-in is from 8–10:30 a.m. Award judging begins at 11 a.m.

Awards will be given for: **Oldest Car, Museum Director's Choice, People's Choice, Best Antique Car, Best Modified Car, Best FOMOCO Car, Best GM Car, Best Chrysler Corp. Car, Best Orphan Car, and Best Foreign Car.** Winners from each category must be present and will receive a commemorative plaque or trophy.

The MSV is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items, accidents, or injuries on site.



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MUSEUM OF THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY
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Antique & Modified Car Show July 20, 2024

Please fill out this registration form completely.
POSTMARK DEADLINE - JULY 12, 2024
(Please Print)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NO. (_____) _____

EMAIL _____

MAKE _____ YEAR _____
(Ford, Dodge, etc.)

MODEL _____
(car, truck, etc.)

CATEGORY (check one) Antique Modified
(entries in both categories must be at least 25 years old)

SEND THIS REGISTRATION TO:
Lorie Ruscito
123 Fair Lawn Court
Stephens City, VA 22655



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PRESIDENT: *[from page 1]*

several suggestions brought before them. Please remember that there are plenty of opportunities to help out prior to and during the show. Field setup and parking cars are 2 major areas needing help as well as registration, judging, and our newest program, Membership Outreach. This is a fantastic opportunity to talk to people about our Club, who we are and what we do. We have new business cards we can give to people with all our club contact information and there will be a table set up for information and literature. Please consider volunteering a short time at the Membership Table to help spread the word and hopefully sign up some new members. See Dan Rowzie to help with this. THANK YOU in advance for volunteering your time and effort at this well attended event. There has always been a great attraction to the car show by the general public who are there participating in the Museums Open House Day. *[See details on page 3].*

Be sure to mark your calendar for Sunday Aug. 4th for a Fun Run that Paul Ruscito has arranged to Dale Adams' Collection in New Market. We will check out his collection and on the way back stop at the SOUTHERN KITCHEN for a delicious family style supper. Their claim to fame is "the best fried chicken in Shenandoah County"!! I'm looking forward to giving it a try! *[See more info on page 2]*

Once again I want to say Thank You to everyone for making our Club the fantastic organization that it has proven to be. Without the support and help that everyone contributes we would just be another club looking to survive. And as always,

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MEMBER NEWS: [from page 8]

**FROM JIM COLVILLE:
TIGERS EAST ALPINES EAST TOUR**



On Saturday June 1st, Van Armstrong invited me to ride along on a tour with the Tigers East Alpines East car club for Sunbeam owners. The group gathered in Fredrick, Maryland with an assortment of vintage Sunbeams and other vintage and modern sports cars. Besides the Sunbeams there were an Alfa Romeo Spyder, a couple of Fiat 124 Spydres, a Marcos, a Mini Marcos, and a mid-'60s Corvette Stingray. Three Sunbeam Tigers and a '53 Sunbeam Alpine participated in the tour.

Among the modern cars in the tour were a new Corvette, a Ferrari, and an ultra-rare BMW Z8. And Van's wife's new Mini. Van's Tiger wasn't quite ready for the spirited tour of twisting and turning back roads to the tour's first stop.

We did our best to keep up with two of the Tigers and a blue Marcos. I will say it was a wild ride over mostly deserted country roads, but I'm pleased to report that no one received a "performance award" from the local constabulary. Everyone I met was friendly and I learned details about the Tigers and Alpines that I didn't know.

I knew that over the years from the '59 introduction of the '60 Sunbeam body through the end of production in '68, that there had been a number of

changes. After '63 the sharp pointed tail fins were replaced with more conventional rear quarters just in time for the introduction of the first Ford 260 V8 Tigers in '64. I knew that the corners of the doors were squared off at some point during the production of the body style. I didn't know that there was a change some time around '65 or '66 where the corners of the trunk lid and hood (sorry, boot and bonnet) were also squared off.

The first stop was at Eclectic Motor Company where a couple club members had their cars in for restoration work. One of those cars was, not surprisingly, a Sunbeam Tiger. The other was a little red Abarth that was sitting on jack stands in the shop. The shop



was small and consisted of two buildings packed with high-end classics in for restorations, repairs or new interiors. The only American car in the shop was a '53 Cadillac El Dorado. The '53 El Dorado was a unique high-end convertible introduced in the same year as Buick's Skylark and Oldsmobile's Fiesta. On the El Dorado, the convertible top and integral boot cover were a unique feature. This show car was there for a new convertible top. Apparently, there's now a premade kit for a rare car like this, and the operation of the top and boot meant a hand-crafted convertible top had to be made from scratch by the masters at Eclectic. To get it right and to make sure it was competitive on the show circuit, they had to calculate precise measurements from original factory photos. They went so far as calculating the correct meas-



urements between each stitch with nothing but photographs to work from.

Cars that were in just for interior work included a Delahaye, a mid '60s Ferrari 330, and Lamborghini Miura. In for total restorations were a '30s Bugatti that was nearly complete, a '50s AC Ace that looked to be ready to drive out, a rare '59 BMW 507 convertible that was bare metal, dismantled and almost unrecognizable except for the nearly 6' long front clip standing upright in front of the remaining shell, and a 1966 Lamborghini that was a stripped-down rolling shell. Below, the Lamborghini Miura, AC Ace, Delahaye and Bugatti.





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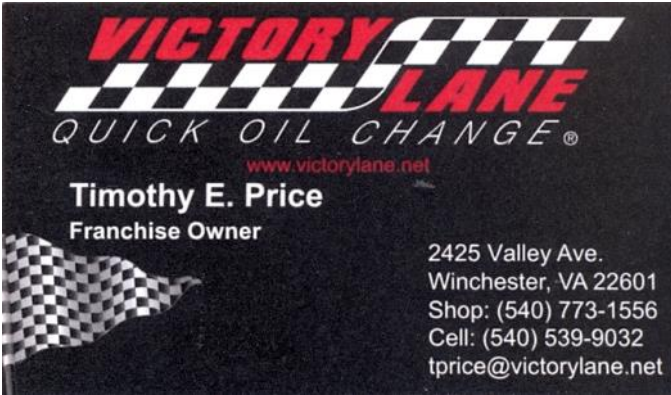
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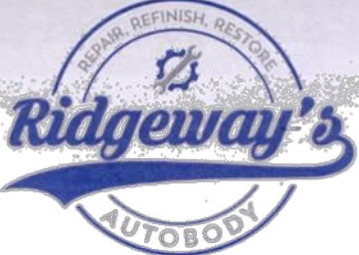
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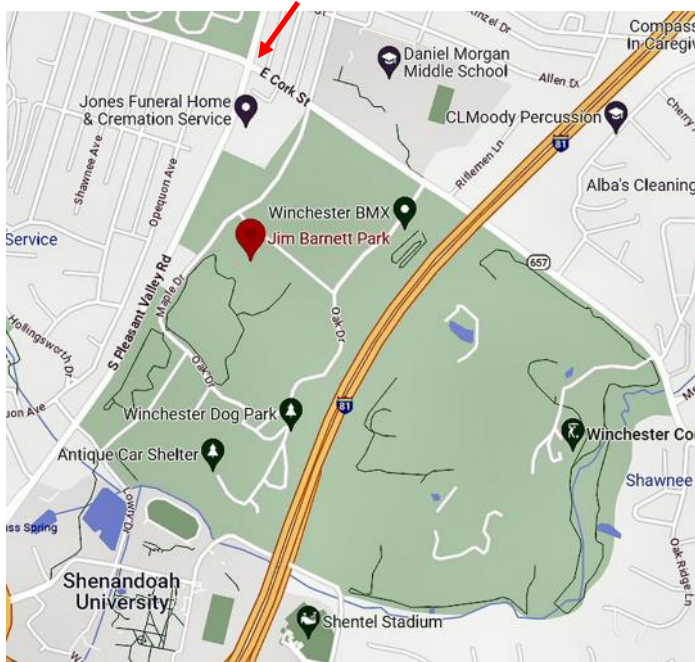
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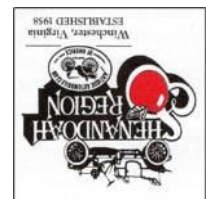
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