



Sassy Brass

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Summer Fun at Strasburg

Above: Brad and Kathy Kline with their 1908 EMF

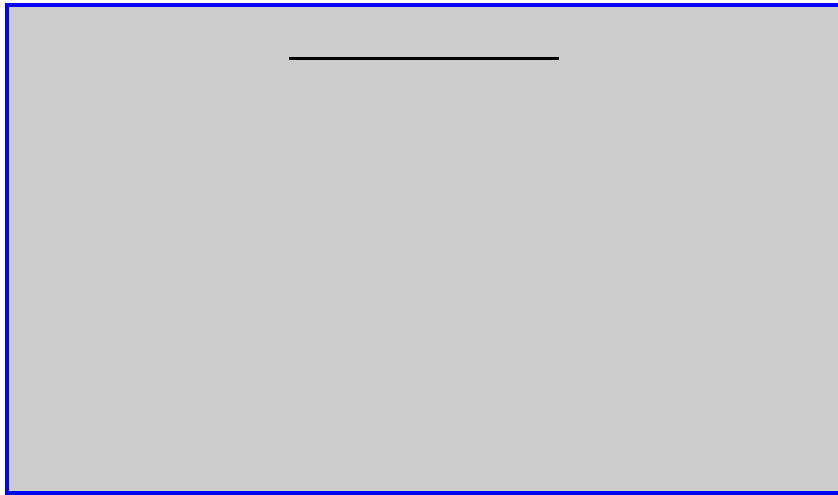
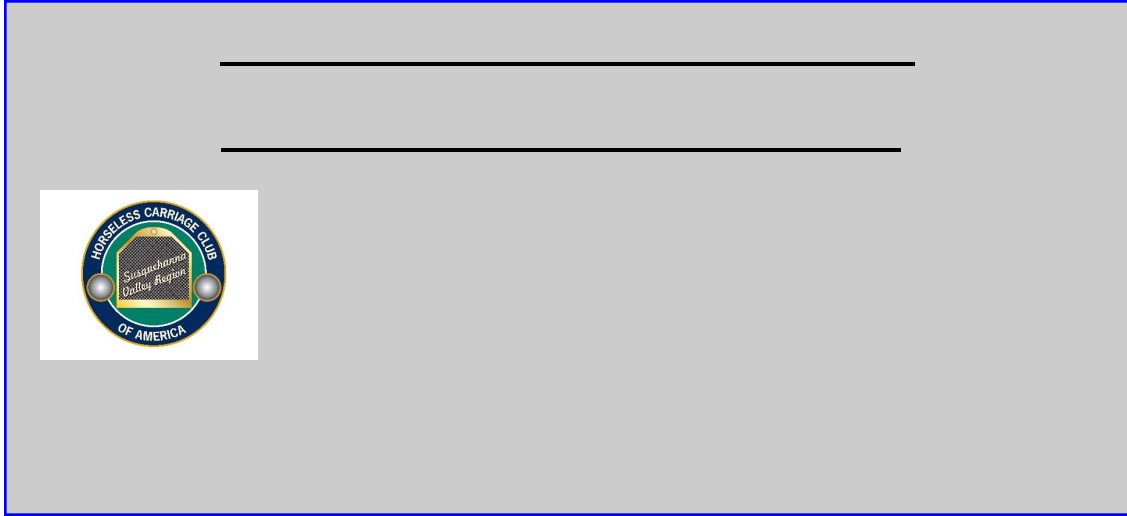
Left: Gil, Jackie and Catherine (hidden) waiting to race the train



2015 Susquehanna Valley Region HCCA Calendar

August 15, 2015: SVR Run to Rough and Tumble at
Kinzers

September 19, 2015: SVR Run to Poole Forge Days





President's Message Summer 2015

It's time again for another President's message as I review the routes for this year's Hershey Hangover. As of today, we're at 19 cars registered with drivers from as far away as Australia. This year is all new with a new host hotel in Lancaster (Heritage Hotel at Centerville Rd.) and totally new routes for Sunday and Monday. There is plenty of trailer parking at the hotel. The Hangover will surely be a very enjoyable time. Please take a look at the registration information in this issue and come join us even if you can't do both days.

A group of SVR members made the trek to Strasburg in July and a few of us even got to race the train. And just like last year, the train still won! The Railroad really enjoys hosting us and they are already discussing plans for next year. On September 19th, we are looking to take a group down to Historic Poole Forge for their annual Poole Forge Days. The buildings will be open and they have a lot of historic activities planned with great food and crafts. They will even be able to offer trailer parking for those of us that don't want to drive down on Saturday morning. Stay tuned for more details.

Clay and Gil Jr. are busy working out details for next year's Brass in Berks National Tour. I know they are finalizing hotel information and it will soon be time to gather the route masters together to figure out where the 85 cars will be going this coming year. I expect Clay will have our kick-off meeting at Hershey as usual. And while at Hershey, don't forget to visit the National HCCA tent in the Red Field. You can meet many of our national directors and enjoy the fellowship of others who enjoy driving early cars.

Now, I need to go out to the garage and adjust the brakes on Tracy's Packard!

Happy Cranking,
Jeff



HCCA NATIONAL NEWS



To: Regional Groups (RG) and Affiliated Registries (AR) Contacts and Others

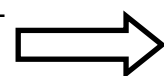
Re: 2015 Bakersfield, Publications Awards Program, Education Efforts, Tour Library, 2015 Adventure

Bakersfield HCCA HCCA extends a huge thanks to Boise Boys (Loyal Cooper and Rob Williams who generously gave up precious space in their trailers to transport the club's inventory, pop-up tent and sales stuff to and from Bakersfield Swap Meet) AND to Bill and Anne Ottemann for bringing tables and chairs and giving up their swap time to "man" the HCCA booth. Thanks to all who helped make our presence possible / Sharon ...

Hershey Flea Market, PA – As in the past, the HCCA Hershey tent will be open for members use by Noon Wed, October 7th through Friday afternoon October 9th . If any Regional Group or Affiliated Registry wants to use the HCCA tent for a local meeting or get-together, they should contact the HCCA Office to reserve the date and time wanted. Since times from past years are not guaranteed, space is reserved on a first come first serve basis.

Publication Awards Program (6/2015) – In July the chairperson of the Publications Awards committee will be sending out the information for the 2015 Awards program. Additionally some editors have expressed an interest to discuss how we can make our organization communication better. If interested contact the editor of the HCCA National News or the Publications Chairperson

Education Efforts (HCCA and HCEI) – Though the HCCA is not classified as an educational organization, it is one of our organization goals to educate the public about our historic vehicles. To help HCCA, the HCEI was created as an education organization where contributions are tax deductible – Horseless Carriage Education Institute. If you want information on the organization contact the HCCA office.





HCCA Brochure – The new HCCA brochure was approved and printed. If a Regional Group or Affiliated Registry or member wants some of the new brochures to promote their organization, they should contact the HCCA office. Sample of new Brochure was in the HCCA National News Issue 2015-02-04 #02. Digital copies of the brochure are also available.

2016 Annual Meeting and Convention – Plans are being made so that the next HCCA Annual Meeting, Convention and General Members meeting will be warm and include a week long National Tour in central Florida. Effort will be taken to not conflict with Easter and other normal touring events and flea markets around the country ...

HCCA Tour Library – In 2014 on the HCCA web site, a collection of tours and instruction guides was posted. Because of the interest in the Tour Library and the desire of members to post additional tours, the board of Directors will create a standard for the acceptance of new entries. Additionally we plan to develop a set of procedures and steps that will need to be followed to “store a new tour in the Library”.

2015 Adventure / Circumnavigating the US – On the Brass and Berks tour in PA, we met Joe and Betty Swann (HCCA members) who will be setting out on a 4 month journey (estimated 10,000 mile journey) to circumnavigate the US this summer and early Fall. They are traveling in their 1912 EMF Model 30 touring car and plan to leave PA on May 29th and get home in time for Hershey show on October 7th. To see their tentative itinerary and schedule go to bswann1912.blogspot.com/ or contact them at cell phone (717) 968-4717. Two years ago in 2012 they drove cross country in the same automobile. We all wish them a safe journey.

Share, Educate and Pass It On...

Carlton Pate / anpcop@aol.com

HCCA National Vice President
HCCA National Secretary





2015 Brass in Berks

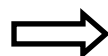
By Mike Romano

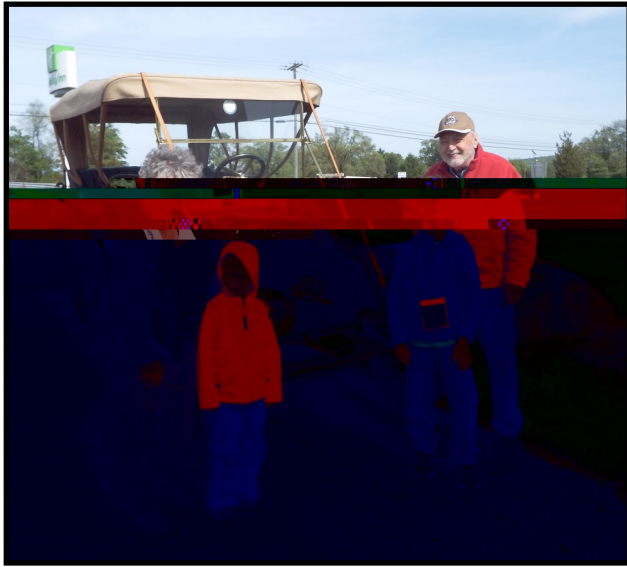


It started on Sunday May 17 with a national flea market and car display. The weather was more than cooperative with a vast variety of cars and many treasures to be found at the flea market. The Holiday Inn Morgantown provides for an excellent venue for this event. Approximately 65 cars were in attendance during the week. Later in the afternoon the participants were treated to a BBQ with entertainment of live music by our own Ed Hillbush and company. The French Creek room at the Holiday Inn was the location of our hospital-ity room.

Montessori Country Day School for our coffee stop. Rides were provided to students and staff as an extra bonus. The route allowed stops at "Antiques Row" just before Denver, PA. Weaver's Banquet Hall was our lunch stop. While enjoying a fantastic meal it started to pour outside. Many made a mad dash to raise tops and keep the rain out of the cars. Others decided it could not get any "wetter" so they sat out the storm and let nature dry the car. Ice cream could be had at Kountry Korner Drive-in. The final stop was at Pool Forge and its covered bridge. Thanks to Augie and Jack Leshner for Monday's route. (Jeff and Tracy did help!)

On Monday we traveled to the





Helen and Lee Turner with Jack & Augie



Along Wednesday's route

Tuesday took the tourers to the Chester County Airport to view restored airplanes and the chance to travel across many covered bridges. Then on to the Herr's Food Factory for a visit of the facility. An ice cream stop at September Farms was indicated on the trip home. The evening activity was a pizza party followed by Ladies Vintage Clothing Show and Tell and a Guys Pick Your Brain session. Thanks to Ed Hillbush and Bob Bruce for today's tour route.

Wednesday was a route to a coffee stop at Triple Fresh Market and Catering. The next stop was the Auburn Heights Preserve where tourers visited the steam car collection, the mansion and a wonderful lunch. There was an optional stop at Longwood Gardens. The evening consisted of a car cruise at the Shady Maple Smorgasbord. What a meal! Helen and Lee Turner authored today's run.

Our final day, Thursday, led us to St. Benedict's Picnic Grove for coffee. Then it was off to the Daniel Boone Homestead. Lunch was held at the North Picnic Area. The tour then visited the Boyertown Transportation Museum. On the way home, the Oley Turnpike Dairy Diner was the ice cream stop. Much more than ice cream is available here including a petting zoo and other attractions. A fun fill banquet was held in the Ball Room of the Holiday Inn. While preparing for their cross country tour, Betty and Joe Swan found time to organize Thursday's tour.

Many thanks to Clay Green and Gil Fitzhugh for a great tour with many attractions and things to do, providing us an opportunity to drive our cars and interact with friends old and new. When and where do we sign up for BBC 2016?



An EMF Send-off



Clay and Rene Green, Brad Kline, Jeff Beard, Gil and Jackie Fitzhugh gathered at Joe and Betty Swann's home on Sunday, May 24th for an E-M-F send-off. Joe lead the group of four E-M-F cars on an 18 mile "hillbilly" tour of York County. Some roads were best described as goat paths. We picked our way through miles of rocks and gravel in low gear. It was a beautiful ride, including back woods, water falls, and river banks. Betty provided refreshments on the porch after the run. Well wishes were offered for Joe and Betty's upcoming 10,000 mile tour of the USA.

-Gil Fitzhugh



Strasburg: Great Train Race

By Tracy Leshar

July 18th began as an overcast day. Jim and Barbara Reinhold along with grandson Jayden, Ben and Michelle Reinhold with baby in tow and the Leshar family travelled down to Strasburg to meet other SVR members for Strasburg Railroad's annual car show. The drive took us over the backroads of Fivepointville, Ephrata, and East Earl. More importantly it was relaxing and uneventful.

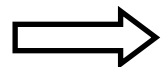
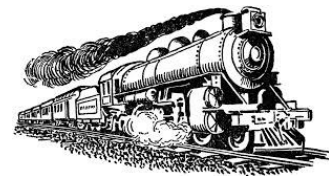
Once at Strasburg, we met up with the Fitzhugh family, Brad and Cathy Kline, and Jeff Beard. The threat of rain throughout the day kept crowds and antique cars at a smaller number than last year. However, the weather did not

prevent anyone from having a great time. I spent a few minutes speaking to Tom Marshall who brought one of his fine steamers from Auburn Heights to the show. The Hillbushes also made an appearance too.

Gil, Jackie, and their daughter Catherine along with our family opted to race the train. The Fitzhugh's EMF showed no hesitation at racing against the train and it was blast to follow them through the cornfield. It was also a treat to wave at the train passengers too. It was a pleasant day and Strasburg enjoyed having our vehicles at their show.



The Fitzhugh's EMF keeping pace with Strasburg Train Engine No. 475.





Scenes from Strasburg





Hangover Tour Hangover Tour



2015 Tour Registration Tour limited to first 35 cars to register

Driver/Owner _____

Address _____ Passenger _____

Additional Passengers _____

If you need a ride contact John McAnlis: (330)336-4511 or mcanlisjon@aol.com

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Car* Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy # _____

HCCA # _____ or AACA # _____

*All cars must have been manufactured before January 1, 1916. Due to insurance regulations the registered driver must be a member of HCCA or AACA. I, the undersigned, agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the HCCA and AACA and their regions and officers from any and all claims, costs, liabilities and attorney's fees arising from injury, actual or claimed, of any kind to property or persons resulting in my participation in this event. I have liability and property damage coverage on my tour vehicle and will maintain coverage for the duration of tour.

Signature _____

**Registration Fees: \$100.00 per car and driver _____

Additional passengers, Sunday Tour & lunch _____ X \$20 _____

Additional passengers, Monday Tour & lunch _____ X \$25 _____

Sunday Banquet _____ X \$30.00/per adult _____

_____ X \$15.00 Child under 12 _____

Entrée Choices _____ Bistro Tenderloin, _____ Pan Seared Salmon, _____ Vegetarian

Total Payment \$ _____

** Driver – includes all events including Banquet and lunch both days

Make Checks payable to: Susquehanna Valley Region - HCCA Send registration and payment to:

Jeff and Tracy Leshar, 475 West Route 897, Reinholds, PA 17569-9709

For more information: jbobladd@ptd.net or call: 717-269-5508

Registration must be postmarked by September 12th 2015

HOST HOTEL - HERITAGE HOTEL, 500 Centerville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601 (800-223-8963)

Special rates must be done by phone not by the internet or travel sites on or before 9/9/2015

Please use Booking ID: **HOR101015**



Hershey Hangover Tour IV – October 10-12, 2015

Co-sponsored by
Susquehanna Valley Region HCCA & Snappers Region SCCA

Basic Information

Headquarters

Heritage Hotel, 500 Centerville Road, Lancaster, PA 17601 (800-223-8963)

HeritageLancaster.com Special rate of \$99.00 + tax available to our group. 10/9 thru 10/12/2015- Rates held until 9/9/2015. **PLEASE USE BOOKING ID: HOR101015.** Hotel is 26 miles from Hershey Meet Fields on major roads.

No car-no problem – contact John McAnlis who will do his best to arrange rides.

Saturday October 10:

Check in after 3:00 PM - Adequate trailer parking in rear of hotel.

5:00 PM – 10:00 PM - Gather in Loxley's Bar and restaurant for tour registration, snacks, drinks and conversation and dinner on your own and at your leisure.

Motor homes \$10 per night – payable to Hotel upon arrival

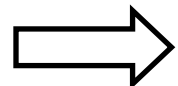
Sunday October 11: Tour through Beautiful Southern Lancaster County

7:00 AM – Gather for breakfast – Complimentary coffee and pastry in lobby or opt for hot breakfast buffet at \$8.95 per person in Loxley's restaurant.

7:30 AM Optional 10-15 minute devotional time

8:00 AM Drivers meeting at hotel front entrance

8:15 AM Leisurely drive along Conestoga and Susquehanna Rivers with scenic overlooks and a surprise coffee stop to the **Rawlinsville Hotel** (31 miles)





11:30 AM – 1:00 PM – Lunch Buffet (included) at Rawlinsville Hotel and Restaurant – come and go as you please.

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM – Beautiful drive through Amish Country to Kitchen Kettle Village in Intercourse, PA (18 miles)

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM – Shop or enjoy ice cream etc. at Kitchen Kettle Village

3:30 PM – 5:30 PM – Return to Heritage Hotel

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM – Happy Hour - Ball Room of hotel

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM – Banquet and presentations

8:30 PM – 10:30 PM- Movie – The Reivers - 1969 Steve McQueen

Monday October 12: Tour to Eastern York County

7:00 AM – Gather for breakfast – Complimentary coffee and pastry in lobby or opt for wonderful hot buffet at \$8.95 per person in Loxley's restaurant.

8:15– 9:00 AM --Tour to Joe and Betty Swann's farm and upholstery shop –Coffee Break (12 miles)

9:30 AM – 10:15 PM – Tour to Harley Davidson York (13 miles)

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM – Tour Harley Davidson Plant, 1425 Eden Road, York

11:30 AM – 1:30 PM - Travel to home of Dave and Nel Deardorff for lunch and tour collection of stationary engines (17 miles)

1:30 - 3:00 – Tour back to Heritage hotel with optional stop for ice cream at famous Haines Shoe House (12 or 21 miles) Late (3:00) checkout at hotel.





If you have any brass car adventures and announcements that you would like to share with fellow club members, send your contributions to me. I am always looking for material. Send articles and pictures to Tracy at:

edsvrhcca@gmail.com

AUGIE'S AMISH BLINKIE LIGHTS



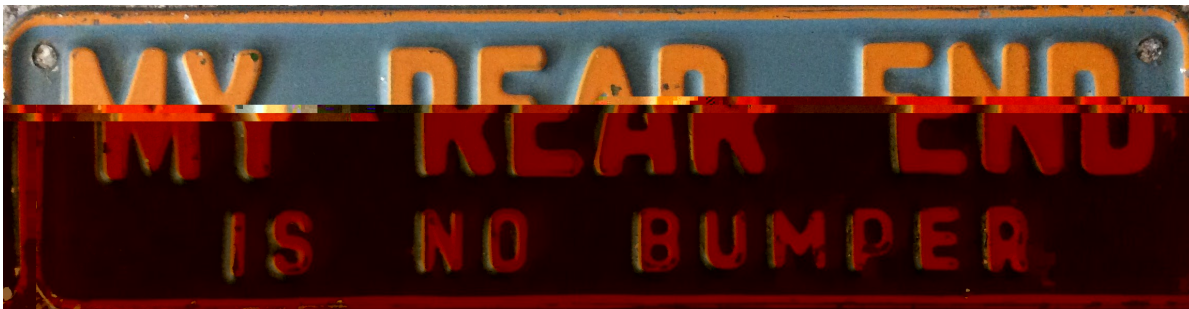
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Just for Fun...





Announcements



Philip Jamison is on Youtube with brass polishing advice

Removing Heavy Brass Tarnish Part One-
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qQI-_qmuyeU

Removing Heavy Brass Tarnish Part Two-
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-MkqJdPNDc>

Follow Joe and Betty Swann on their 2015 EMF Adventure

Their travel blog can be found at:
<http://bswann1912.blogspot.com/>



From your Editor...



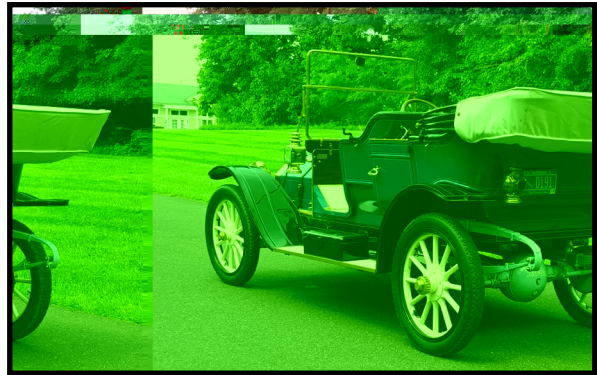
Thank you to Gil Fitzhugh, Mike Romano, and Philip Jamison for contributions to this newsletter.

-Tracy





Classifieds



1909 Pratt-Elkhart, 40HP large 117 inch wheelbase touring car, all done mechanically and cosmetically, ready to go. \$60,000 Contact: Clay Green cgreen3rd@comcast.net 215-313-2734.



1911 EMF Touring: Totally mechanically rebuilt engine and transaxle with ALL the modern improvements. Starts easy, runs great. Asking \$50,000.

Contact: Clay Green 215-313-2734

cgreen3rd@comcast.net

Next classifieds submission deadline is October 1 to be included in the next newsletter. Ads should be 25-30 words in length and can include photos. Ads maybe submitted by via email to edsvrhcca@gmail.com or mailed to Tracy Leshner—475 West Route 897, Reinholds, PA 17569.

Original Historic License Plates for Year of Manufacture Use



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Resources



This link has an index of pure gas stations for Pennsylvania and all 50 states.

<http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=PA>

Brad-Penn Oil can be purchased at Cumberland Truck Equipment Co.

Locations in Ephrata, Carlisle, Chambersburg & Nottingham