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Director's Column by Cliff Woodbury and Howard Schaevitz

It has been a long time, but as you can see, we are finally publishing a newsletter. The last issue was issued after the Malvern Grand Classic in April 2010. There have been many changes in the interim. At that time, Regional Director Thym Smith was concluding his three-year term as Regional Director, and two other Board members had indicated a desire to also step down. See elsewhere in this issue for the current members of the DVR Board. Thym Smith hasn't quite left yet, having agreed to stay on *ex officio*, initially to guide the transition.

There has been one other very noteworthy change – Kitty Katzel has stepped down as Editor of *The Classic Driver*. A year ago at the Grand Classic in Malvern, we presented Kitty with a special award acknowledging her service to the Region. It would be impossible to overdo this, so once again, – *thank you* Kitty Katzel for your many years of service to the DVR as the Editor/Publisher of our newsletter, and in the several other ways you selflessly contributed your time and energy for our benefit.

As you are reading this, it should be clear that we have been fortunate to find a highly-qualified new Editor/Publisher for The Classic Driver in Sam Fiorani. Sam edited the newsletter for the Society of Automotive Historians and sat on their board of directors for nearly a decade.

The new Board has met many times this year and last to plan our activities. For 2011, the first event was a Pub Night at Uno Chicago Grill in Maple Shade NJ on 3 March. A total of 16 members joined in the fun for the evening. The food was good and well served as expected, and the restaurant accommodated our showing of a DVD courtesy Howard and Gail Schaevitz containing historical and technical information about Packards – no surprise there!

Next was an Open House at Pollock Restoration in Pottstown, PA on Saturday, 9 April, followed the next day by a brunch at The Desmond hotel in Malvern, PA (site of the 2010 Grand Classic) organized by the Valley Forge Region of the Cadillac and LaSalle Club. The next activity was intended to try a new concept for an informal gathering of cars and people early on Saturday morning. The idea came from Dave Hutchison, and was called "Cars and Coffee". The event was held on 30 April, at Colonial Farms at 1108 Taylorsville Road, Washington Crossing, PA 18977. A few members participated with their cars, and the event was considered a success given that it was the first and not well publicized

If you missed these activities, it's not your fault! They were on the Region's Web Calendar of Events, but were otherwise not well advertised. Our

attempts to resume at least quarterly issues of *The* Classic Driver along with maintaining the Web calendar should help to prevent that in the future. Please watch the DVR-CCCA Web site for additional details about DVR-CCCA activities as they are developed. An updated Calendar of Events also appears elsewhere in this issue of The Classic Driver. The next activity is a repeat of last year's successful Tour to Shady Maple Smorgasbord, on Saturday, 29 October. Once again, we will be treated to a tour of the back roads of Chester and Lancaster counties, this year with no dirt-road segment, however. Please arrive at the mega-Wawa on Rt. 3 just west of the intersection with Rt. 352 by 8:30 am. The Tour will depart at 9 am, is planned to require about two hours to complete. We will sit down to eat a little earlier this year, at noon. You will find a registration form elsewhere in this issue - please register and join us for a fun day of great cars and people, and, of course, a great meal!

Once again this year, we will conduct our Annual Meeting in connection with this event. The plan is to gather in a quiet corner of the restaurant, or in the parking lot (weather permitting) after the meal.

The Board has also made progress in reinstating the Region's Revenue Project, the sale of Packard (also Buick and some other makes) running board moldings. Inventory has been taken, records reviewed, and pricing established. An advertisement has been placed in the CCCA Bulletin, and in addition, for the first time, we have posted a running advertisement on eBay. This project is a significant benefit for the Region, and we are very pleased to be able to report good progress in getting it back up and running.

You will also find in this issue a membership renewal form for 2012. Please renew by 31 October 2011 in order to be included in the 2012 Directory. The Board is meeting regularly to plan activities for this rest of this season and for next year, so please consider renewing your membership if you haven't already, and joining in on these activities where you can enjoy the Classics and the company of your friends from the Region.

The most important part of this message is this: please watch the Calendar of Events on our Web site for the most up-to-date information about our activities. Our intention is to publish the Driver at least quarterly, and to include the latest on planned events in each issue. However, a lot can change between issues, so the Web Calendar is the place to look for the latest and best information.



2012 Membership Drive

Dear fellow CCCA Member,

On behalf of the DVR Board we invite you to join or renew your membership in the Delaware Valley Region. We are planning a number of social and car-related events for 2012 that you will not want to miss.

If there is someone you know who might be interested in joining the Delaware Valley Region, please copy this page and have them fill it out and mail it in.

Regional Dues remain the same for 2012: \$27 including spouse or significant other. *Most important, please provide your current e-mail address. Many Regional communications are going to be sent via e-mail this year.* Please fill this page and mail, along with your check payable to DVR-CCCA to;

Dave Hutchison, Membership Coordinator – DVR 799 Whistlestop Lane Quakertown, PA 18951

Please renew by 31 October, 2011 to be included in the 2012 Directory.

Please list year, make, and model of your Classics at the bottom (and over if necessary), so we have an accurate record. This information will also appear in the Directory, and will not be shared outside the CCCA.

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2011 Radnor Hunt Club Show





Join your fiends of the Valley Forge Region and the CCCA for our third annual run / tour to the Promised Land of Shady Maple Smorgasbord on Saturday, 29 October 2011!

Those among the living born on 29 October eat free †! The ferryman's fee for adults is \$15; that for kids (ages 4-10) is \$7.50. The tiny imps under age 4 eat free, so bring the lit-

tlest devils!

† Proof of birth is required. Must be alive to qualify. Those among the dead...looks like you're out of luck again, but you wouldn't eat much anyhow. Shady Maple Smorgasbord is located at: 129 Toddy Road; East Earl Twp, PA (717)354-8222 ext 698

The company will assemble at the Wawa on the westbound side of PA route 3 just west of PA 352 at 8:30. Those assembled will become the dearly departed by 9:00 AM sharp, following a pilgrimage to the next world as laid out by Dave Hutchison of the CCCA. (A heavenly path with no dirt roads is promised.)

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Calendar of Coming Events

Plan to attend and bring a friend [Board sponsored listed with DVR events in bold]

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October 16, 2011, **Historical Car Club of Pennsylvania Annual Fall Meet**. Delaware County Community College, Newtown Square, PA. Information and registration form:

www.historicalcarclub.org/calendar/calendaritem.aspx?id=160

October 29, 2011, **3rd Annual Tour to Shady Maple**. This will be a rerun of the very successful 2010 event, a tour through scenic back roads of Chester County, ending with a meal at The Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Covered bridges may be included on the route.

November 5, 2011, Valley Forge Region, Cadillac and LaSalle Club Dealer Show Holman Cadillac, Mount Laurel, NJ. For times and other details about this show, please go to the <u>VFR-CLC</u> Web Calendar of Events and scroll down to the date of the show. November 20, 2011. **Before We Put Them**

Away. This traditional DVR event returns this year. Meet at 8:30 am in the parking lot of the Desmond Hotel, Malvern, PA, site of our 2010 CCCA Grand Classic. A tour is being planned (depart 9 am) to an Open House at Pollock Restoration, 70 S. Franklin Street, Pottstown, PA. Classic, modern, or any other conveyance of your choosing will be fine. Finally, arrangements are being made for lunch at a nearby diner or restaurant.

November 24, 2011, **Frostbite Run.**Thanksgiving morning at Massey
House in Broomall, PA. This is an annual event of the Historical Car Club or

December 10, 2011, **Holiday Party.** At the Desmond Hotel, Malvern, PA. Details to follow.

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CCCA Members on a recent visit to a private car collection. The owner asked not to be identified, but many of you already know who's collection this is. If you weren't there, you missed a great tour from a passionate car person!