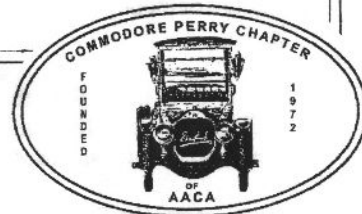




The Commodore's Log

Newsletter of the Commodore Perry Chapter AACA



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WHAT: Commodore Perry Lunch and Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, August 26
Meet at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Margaritaville Restaurant
212 Fremont Ave., Sandusky

Dick and Linda Howell have arranged for us to have lunch and a meeting at this popular spot. Following that, we will travel on to a winery and end with a visit to Toft's Dairy for ice cream!

See page 4 for more details and for Linda's directions. **Be sure to reserve with Linda by Tuesday, August 19.**

Call or text her at 419-202-4531.

We'll meet you in...

Margaritaville
Sandusky, Ohio



PREZ SEZ

It was so great to see so many of you at our picnic last week! We had a long gap between meetings. Many, many thanks to Dave and Diane Connolly for making all of the arrangements plus providing wonderful food and beverage!! The centerpieces were really nice! Dave kept calling the wrong ticket number for the winners, though. I'm sure that I was supposed to win one of them.

Very pleased to be able to report that August and September are covered for our activities. BUT – October and November are still wide open. November would be a good time for a program or a speaker. Any ideas anyone? December is spoken for to finish the year.

You still have time to register for the summer Ohio Region tour. Deadline is August 15. Canton Chapter always has some very interesting stops. I hope you will have time to participate! *[See page 7 for a message about registration]*

I think that's all I have for now. Stay safe and wishing you all good health!

--Bill



Potluck Picnic, July 31

Once again the hardy Commodore Perry members dodged raindrops at this event. But we had a good time anyway, thanks to the Connollys' planning and hard work. The sloppy joes were delicious, and the truck centerpieces were a very nice touch. The picture, top left, shows what CP members enjoy most – lots of desserts!!

Remember When...

Excerpts from the pages of a Commodore's Log of the past

From the December, 2010 edition, from the Prez Sez column by Alex Heyd



Dick Cutter (on the left) and Alex Heyd (on the right) met up with Lady Gaga while they were touring in Las Vegas. We hear she gave them a try-out as back-up singers for her next show. How did that work out, guys?

MINUTES OF THE CPC MEETING JULY 31, 2025 – COMMODORE PERRY CHAPTER AACA

President Bill Bird thanked Dave & Diane Connolly for planning the picnic lunch and called the meeting to order. Dave told us they will be less active due to Diane's health issues.

Minutes: Pete Davie moved & Ron Geil seconded the motion to approve the May minutes as published in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report: Alex reported there were no transactions. Doug Seybold moved and Dick Howell seconded the motion to accept the report.

Club calendar: Aug. 26 Linda & Dick Howell are hosts for lunch in Sandusky

Sept. 18 Churches will host

Oct. & Nov. need someone to host meeting/activity

Dec. – Bill & Janet Bird will host

Local / State / National activities- Doug reported on AACA Spring Meet in Auburn. He and Kevin Myers were recognized and received First Place awards. July Buick Club National Meet in Charolette was very hot -100 degrees- and well attended.

Ohio Region – Summer Tour- Aug. 29-31 Canton Chapter host. Still time to register- Aug. 15 deadline
Fall Tour – Oct. 24-26 Meander Chapter host

Doug shared information about interesting attractions along I-77.

Linda Howell announced Car Coddlers is looking for drivers for auction on Aug. 23 at Nelsen Warehouse in Milan. Contact her for information.

Bill adjourned the meeting.

Dave Tansey, Barb Geil, Pete Davie and Kevin Myers had the winning numbers for door prizes.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Tansey, Secretary

Commodore Perry
Tuesday, August 26th
Lunch Outing & Meeting

Save the date above to join fellow club members for lunch at **Margaritaville in Sandusky**. This long time local attraction recently reopened under new management offering something for everyone's taste buds. (You can check out the menu on line ahead of time.)

The address for our meeting spot and first stop is **212 Fremont Ave., Sandusky at 11:30 a.m.** Parking will be no problem with ample spaces. GPS will take you right to it but if you need tips in finding the place, the easiest route to take is Route 2 Bypass heading west and exit at Route 6. At the end of the ramp, turn left and proceed past the State Patrol barracks on the left and you will soon see the restaurant on the right side of the road.

Following our lunch and brief business meeting we will move on to nearby Firelands Winery for a short tour of the operations, take advantage of photo ops with the beautiful vineyards as a backdrop for a picture of your car. If you are inclined to like wine you can select 3 of your favorite blends and have the picture put on the bottles. Great Christmas gift!!!!



Be sure to check out the gift shop. Toby, our wine hostess will make sure we enjoy our stop.

Visiting the winery will allow enough time that everyone will be hungry again so our last stop will be at nearby Toft's Dairy for ice cream dessert.

Naturally we need a head count in advance so the restaurant & winery will know how many to set up for so please call/text The Howell's at **419-202-4531 by Tuesday, August 19th**.



No Reserve Auction at Nelsen's Classic Cars

This auction, held on Saturday, August 23, at Nelsen's Classic Cars, 10313 Milan Road in Sandusky will take your consignment if you're looking to sell your classic car. The auction is being presented by Freije & Freije Auctioneers beginning at 10:00 a.m. and will be at the Nelsens' storage facility across Milan Road (Rt. 250) from their business. Contact the Nelsen owners directly (instead of the auctioneers) to save money on entering your car in the auction. Call 440-315-2696. This No Reserve Auction is sure to bring in many interested buyers.

There is another reason to mark this date on your calendar. They need drivers to bring the cars in and out of the storage area, and they would like drivers who are accustomed to driving classic cars. That would be car club people! You are asked to be there about 8:00 a.m. for instructions, staging and to familiarize yourself with how the event will be conducted. If you are interested please call or text Linda Howell ASAP at 419-202-4531.



Kevin Myers has set up a Facebook page for Commodore Perry where he posts pictures and news about our club. Click on this link (or type this address into your internet search engine) and check it out!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/378736084433834>

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CONCORD RESERVE
CAR SHOW
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH
5:00 - 7:00 PM
 2116 DOVER CENTER ROAD, WESTLAKE, OHIO

Basket Raffle • Music/DJ
50/50 Drawing • Food • Trophies

Interested in featuring your car,
 contact Barb Hopkins at
440-653-8625 or
barbara.hopkins@lec.org.
 All makes/models/years are welcome.

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Want to add a car show to
 your September calendar?
 Here's a good one in
 Westlake.



AACA Events – 2025

August 12-15, 2025 – Eastern Divisional Tour – Northern Maine – hosted by Maine Region
September 7-12, 2025 – Revival AAA Glidden Tour® (Pre-1943) – Owensboro, KY
October 7-10, 2025 – Eastern Fall Meet – Hershey, PA – hosted by Hershey Region AACA
October 18-22, 2025 – Central Divisional Tour – San Antonio to Gonzales, TX – hosted by Texas DFW Region
October 23-25, 2025 – Central Fall Nationals – Galveston, TX – hosted by Gulf Coast Region AACA

Commodore Perry Chapter Calendar - 2025

August 26 – Tour to Margaritaville Restaurant and Firelands Winery, hosted by Howells
August 29-31 – Ohio Region Summer Tour in Canton area, hosted by Canton Chapter
September 18 – CP event hosted by Churches
October – Open for a CP event
October 24-26 – Ohio Region Fall Tour, Canfield area, hosted by Meander Chapter
November – Open for a CP event
December – Holiday Luncheon, hosted by the Birds

An important message from Canton Chapter:

We've been hearing people are having problems making hotel reservations. Instead of the phone number on the registration form, please call 330-492-1331. Below is a copy of the registration form if you need it.



Classic Cars & Classic Planes For Classic People

Name(s) _____

Chapter _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

♦Meet Registration **\$20**

Friday Early Bird Between 2:00 - 4:00

♦Bob Gibbs Tour of Garages in Mineral City _____ x N/C

Saturday

♦MAPS Air Museum _____ x \$10 = _____

Kids ages 6 -12 _____ x \$ 8 = _____

♦Studio Arts & Glass -Stain Glass Demo _____ x \$10 = _____

You will receive a \$5 coupon upon arrival to use in their gift shop

♦Lunch-Sandwich, Macaroni Salad, Fruit & Cookie _____ x \$13 = _____

_____Chicken Salad _____Egg Salad _____Ham & Cheese

Dietary Needs, Please specify or contact us _____

♦Private collection _____ x \$N/C

♦Canton Classic Car Museum- _____ x \$7 = _____

Kids und 10 are free

♦Banquet at the Hotel _____ x \$23 = _____

TOTAL _____

SUNDAY - Bob Gibbs garage in Beach City open from 11:00 - 2:00 _____ x \$N/C

REGISTRATION DEADLINE - August 15th

Please make checks out to
AACA CANTON CHAPTER
and mail to:
Ed & Mary Anne Sebak
908 Jennifer Trail
Talmadge, OH 44278
Mary Anne (330) 687-1249



HOST HOTEL
Comfort Suites
5345 Broadmoor Circle NW, Canton
(234) 203-1423
1 King or 2 Queens
\$119 - Mention AACA
Deadline August 15