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Kat Fink trying to follow the line from one side to the other.



Michael Lozier trying to find a knob with his eyes closed.



Jim Fink testing his fears of the floor falling out.

Our members testing to see if they could become a pilot!

Kay Stowe passed with flying colors turning wooden pegs!

PSYCHOLOGY TAKES FLIGHT

Do you have what it takes to become a pilot, bombardier, or navigator in World War II? You will need to pass a series of tests developed by psychologists. The first set will decide if you will be selected as an aviation cadet in the U.S. Army Air Forces and the second set will determine your position on the aircrew. Your participation will also contribute to ongoing research that will improve the safety of the planes we fly and (with any luck) lead to an Allied victory.



Doc Charlie Wilson examining Gary Smith

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President: Denny Robish 330-697-6202

Vice Pres: Jen Hartzler

Secretary: Sue Bussard 330-687-7386 Treasurer: Bill Lytle 330-682-3249

Trustee: Vicki Hughes (2025 start of 3 year term)

COMMITTEES

Activities Chair: Joe Gagliano 330-806-6084 Historian: Sue Westhafer 330-364-5632



January

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Happy Birthday

- 1/01 Maggie Wilson
- 1/08 Barbara Bowsher
- 1/10 Ed Sebak
- Danielle Bernard 1/11
- 1/14 Bill Lytle
- Nancy Marteney 1/15
- 1/16 Bill Peters
- 1/22 Betsy Fink
- 1/30 Hallie Hawthorne
- 1/31 Pat McArtor

Happy Anniversary

Nobody!

Thanks to Craig Bernard for the chuckle!



ROBISHS

By Denny Robish Canton Chapter President

Here we are at the end of another year! And quite a year it has been. There has been good and bad as always. I believe there were more good than bad.

Good news - We went on our first in a long time. weekender tour with AACA. It turned out to be a great time. We had a number of great monthly tours and meetings. Our Summer hosting of Ohio Region was a success.

Bad news - We lost a number of club members this year. Bobbie Simmons, Al Bussard, and Bob Browning. May they rest in peace with the Lord. Unfortunately, the weather for the Zoar Car Show was not very good and the turnout was not what we wanted, but we did make a couple of bucks. And when the road sign says "Pavement ends" believe it! The Detroit trip spent about a mile on an area that tanks would have trouble negotiating.

2026 should be another great year for Canton Chapter. We have a new President in Jen Hartzler and a new Vice President in Rich Fink. The Treasurer and Secretary remain the same with Bill Lytle and Sue Bussard. Cindy will remain as Newsletter editor for 2026. I will be the second Vice President of Ohio Region in 2026.

Please help Jen this coming year as she takes over the duties of President. One of the ways you can help is by taking a month and planning an activity. If you need any help or tips on what or how please contact either Joe Gagliano or myself, we are more than willing to help.

At this time, I would like to thank each of you for the support that you have given me for the past 6 years. I couldn't have done it without all of you. You made my job easier by your participation. Thank You

So, for right now, Cindy & I would like to wish each of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving, and remember don't eat too much turkey and stuffing or you won't have room for pie and ice cream!!

Some people go to therapy. The rest of us walk into the garage, stare at the car for an hour, tighten a bolt that didn't need it, and somehow feel better about life.

NOVEMBER TOUR

By Cindy Robish

What an interesting museum....the Center for the History of Psychology! We learned some things about our members today. We learned who has reflexes as good as Babe Ruth and who doesn't! We learned some people could follow instructions better than others. If they tell you to hit a button corresponding to the color of the word and not the word itself, some people just couldn't do that! Who could put blocks together just from a picture of the end result. And who could walk across a bridge with a fake drop-off and not freak out! Who can follow a maze of lines that just go from one side to another on a wall and not get lost. But we must reach out and compliment Kay Stowe for passing a test on how many pegs she could turn in just a few seconds! I heard the guide tell her she could be a pilot!

There were many interactive exhibits on memory, intelligence, and personality. It was fun both doing these tests and just as much fun watching others!

You could spend hours in this museum and not see it all. As a matter of fact as we were leaving I heard someone mention we never made it off the main floor and our tour guide told us at the beginning there was a post card exhibit on another floor. So I guess we'll have to go back another time!

After having fun and learning things, some of us silly people actually went to Handel's for ice cream. Yep, we got ice cream and stood outside in the chilly, windy weather and visited some more.

A big thank you goes out to the Wilsons for putting together a fun and interesting day.



LEFT: Mark Lammlein told me the picture he was sitting in front of is actually his baby picture!

RIGHT: Yep! You can't keep Canton Chapter members away from ice cream, no matter how chilly it is outside!



MAPS

SOME SAD NEWS

A fire destroyed a Vietnam-era medical tent at the MAPS Museum at the edge of the Akron-Canton Airport on November 4th. At around 11:15 p.m., the department received a call reporting the fire. The Akron-Canton Airport Tower notified the department that it had detected a fire and activated its crash rescue team, according to the fire department.

The crash rescue team was able to put out the fire before the Green Fire Department arrived to help finish the work.

The fire took place on the airfield side of the perimeter fence adjacent to the main hangar that belongs to the MAPS Museum. In the midst of the flames, everything in the Vietnam-era tent that was on display was destroyed, Green FD said.

Minor damage happened to the main MAPS hangar.

"We are saddened by the incident and appreciate the coordinated response among all agencies involved. Airport operations were not

impacted," Akron-Canton Airport said in a statement to News 5.

NOVEMBER MINUTES

By Cindy Robish for Sue Bussard

Denny asked everyone to stand to start the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. He then thanked Charlie & Maggie Wilson for hosting the November Tour.

At the start of the meeting, Bob Gibbs reported that he had the oldest car in the parking lot, his 2004 PT Cruiser!

A correction was made to the Secretary's Report. Rich Fink's name was report as RicK. Kat Fink motioned to accept the corrected Minutes, seconded by Rich (or as Kat told us, he is sometimes called Rat Fink!). Everyone approved the Minutes.

Treasurer Bill Lytle gave the Treasurer's Report. Bill reported the October beginning and ending balances, along with income and expenses. He also reported a refund from Ohio Region for the money given for the website. Jen Hartzler and Joe Gagliano motioned to accept the report, and everyone approved.

SICK BAY: Sue Westhafer has been having some health problems for a few months.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Our next meeting will be at La Pizzeria on Saturday, December 6th. Denny asked if we wanted to do a gift exchange again. It was decided that a wrapped \$5 gift would be fine.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Denny explained that Canton Chapter needs to come up with an Ohio Region 2nd Vice President. He, Joe Gagliano, Vicki Hughes and Phil Westhafer are the only ones eligible. Everyone declined the opportunity, so Denny said it looked like it would be him. Which means he can't be Canton Chapter President for the next 3 years. Jen Hartzler graciously accepted the nomination to be President, which means a Vice President is needed. Rich Fink graciously accepted that position. Kat Fink will be "Controller", which means she will be in training with Bill Lytle to take over in 2027 the position of Treasurer. So, 2026 officer nominations are:

President – Jen Hartzler

Vice President – Rich Fink

Treasurer – Bill Lytle will continue and will be training Kat Fink

Secretary – Sue Bussard will continue

Trustee – Vicki Hughes still has one more term

Ohio Region 2nd Vice President – Denny Robish

Mary Gagliano made a motion to accept this slate of officers, Jim Fink seconded. Voted on and approved. Joe Gagliano needs volunteers to fill in the calendar for 2026. Right now, all months are open. Mary Gagliano is trying to have a speaker come in and talk about recycling. Rich & Kat Fink are thinking about a picnic this summer and Lytles are tentatively planning a tour of a muscle car collection and a wood wheel maker demonstration possibly in September. PLEASE help Joe out and schedule a tour/meeting.

Pat Lytle and Kay Stowe motioned to adjourn the meeting. Everyone agreed and dug into eating their lunches! After filling our tummies, we ventured on to the Center for the History of Psychology.

SUNSHINE

• Sue Westhafer is still battling some health problems. Please keep her and Phil in your prayers.

FROM THE EDITOR

By Cindy Robish

Gossip about our members:

- ⇒ Congratulations to Bill Lytle for earning 300 judging points while at Hershey this year!
- ⇒ After our Progressive Meal Tour in October, I learned something that I think you need to hear about. Seems Joe Gagliano ran out of gas when taking his car back to the garage. OH WAIT! Joe said that better not appear in the newsletter, so pretend you didn't see this!
- ⇒ We learned at our November meeting from Kat Fink that sometimes her husband is actually called Rat Fink instead of Rich.

Ok, enough gossip and picking on our members. Because I truly believe we have some amazing members that have worked hard to keep us going over the years. I know some of you have given me great articles for the newsletter and I really appreciate it. PLEASE keep the news, jokes and interesting facts coming. Guys, tell me what you are working on. Gals, tell me what you are doing while the guys are playing...oops....working in the garage.

I'll tell you what is happening at the Robish household. Denny has been working on cleaning up and fixing up the garage. As some of you saw at the progressive dinner, he worked hard to get the Amoco gas station put together. And he's been working on cars! Imagine that!!! While he's been at the garage, I've been busy working on crochet projects for the holidays and cleaning books for our local library sale.

But now I'd like to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas. I hope you get to spend time with family and friends and remember how thankful you are for the things that are happening in your life. Because I know I'm thankful for the wonderful family and friends I have. And you are all a part of that!





AACA Ohio Region Annual Membership Renewal for new year

Dear Ohio Region Member,

Your annual \$20 renewal dues for Ohio Region membership should be mailed by end of the year to Ohio Region Treasurer address listed below:

Linda A. Sneary, AACA Ohio Region Treasurer 1191 Garrison Road Ashtabula, OH 44004

Please be sure to clearly **identify** your payment with your **name**, **chapter**, and **National** membership **number** on your check or simply complete & return the bottom portion of this form with your payment. If you have any questions, please contact me at the following email: lindaasneary@netscape.net or text to 440-796-3861.

As a reminder, you must also be current with your annual National AACA membership dues in order to be eligible for continued membership in your local AACA Chapter and the Ohio Region AACA.

Exceptions to annual Ohio Region dues: Paid Lifetime Ohio Region Memberships (\$0 due for new year).

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Thank you & happy travels	5,			
Linda				
Please enclose with your pa	ayment (and/or mark o	n your check) the fol	lowing for annual dues:	
Member's First & Last Nar	ne (both Husband & W	ife, where applicable	e) and National AACA #:	
&		Chapter	AACA Nat'l #	:
Please advise any changes	to address, home/cell p	hone, or email if dif	ferent from prior year:	

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



CANTON CHAPTER 2025

Please contact Tour Director Joe Gagliano 330-806-6084 or gagliaj@aol.com

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

CANTON CHAPTER 2026

There is **NOTHING SCHEDULED** yet.

PLEASE contact Joe and help him fill in the calendar with fun things to do.

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WE HEED YOUR HELP !!!



Sorry guys.

Ladies....do you know anyone that does this?



NATIONAL 2026

February 5-7, 2026 – Annual Convention/ National Awards – Westfields Marriott Washington Dulles, Chantilly, VA – 717-534-1910

March 19-21, 2026 – Special Nationals – Guaynabo, Puerto Rico – hosted by Puerto Rico Region

March 26-28, 2026 – Winter Nationals – Cartersville, GA – hosted by Lake Allatoona Region

April 9-11, 2026 – Southeastern Spring Nationals – Charlotte, NC – hosted by Hornets Nest Region

April 23-25, 2026 – Annual Grand Nationals/ Western Spring Nationals – Las Vegas, NV – hosted by Las Vegas Region

May 28-30, 2026 – Eastern Spring Nationals – Indiana, PA – hosted by Shannock Valley Region

June 11-13, 2026 – Southeastern Fall Nationals – Oak Ridge, TN – hosted by Volunteer Region

June 15-19, 2026 – Sentimental Tour – Mechanicsburg, PA – hosted by Pontiac-Oakland Worldwide Region

July 23-25, 2026 – Central Spring Nationals – Green Bay, WI

August 19-22, 2026 – Annual Grand Nationals / Zenith Awards – Allentown, PA – 717-534-1910

September 9-14, 2026 – Founders Tour (1932-2001) – Williamsburg, VA – hosted by Historic VA Peninsula Region

September 20-26, 2026 – Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943) – Dover, DE

October 6-9, 2026 – Eastern Fall Nationals – Hershey, PA – hosted by Hershey Region

NEXT MEETING

DATE: Saturday, Dec. 6

TIME: 12:30 please don't arrive before 12:00

PLACE: La Pizzaria Restaurant - 3656 Dressler Rd NW, Canton

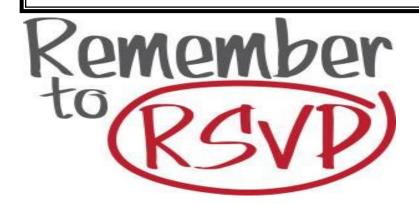
HOST: Denny & Cindy Robish

DIRECTIONS: FROM 77—Take Exit 107A Fulton Road and go WEST. Go a little over a mile and turn slight left onto Hills and Dales Road. Less than a mile turn Right onto Dressler Rd. Destination will be on the right.

There will be a limited lunch menu of stromboli, Village salad (with nuts, fresh fruit, cranberries, feta cheese), Dino burger, sausage & peppers, or lasagna. You will order off the menu once you get there.

If you'd like to participate in a gift exchange, bring a small wrapped gift. We set a limit of \$5. You can bring something you found at the store or something you have around your house. Make it something fun! We'll play some games after lunch and a meeting.





Sorry you don't have much time.
Please do it today!

RESERVATION FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 28TH NEXT MEETING

Member's name	#	@ \$21 each = \$
Guest name	-	

NOTICE: If you have paid for a reservation and do not attend and have not cancelled before the deadline, you will not be reimbursed if the club is charged for your meal.

Everyone is welcome to come unannounced for the meeting/tour BUT the absence of making reservations for the meal will require payment & being seated last.

All reservations should be made through our treasurer, with checks made payable to Canton Chapter, AACA

and sent to: Bill Lytle E-mail: orrlytle@aol.com

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