

# **The Packard** **Virginian**

The Newsletter of Packards Virginia - Spring 2013



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# Notes from the Board



## **DUES ARE DUE** A new year and a new plea for membership renewal and dues!!

The good news is that we have reduced dues to only \$5. We don't know of any other clubs whose dues are so cheap. So please renew and send your dues to Packards Virginia, P.O. Box 4012, Falls Church VA 22044. Thanks.

## **OFFICERS FOR 2013**

Director: Orin Kerr

Deputy Director and newsletter editor: Tim English

Treasurer: Hal Hermann

Membership and activities coordinator: Tom Brooks

**WELL-WISHES** – Sending our wishes for a speedy recovery to Clare Brooks as she recovers from illness that befell her during the Spring Tour with ODPC. She is at home seeking a full recovery. Get well soon, Clare!

## **PACKARDS VIRGINIA IS ON FACEBOOK!**

In the interest of spreading the word of our hobby, we now have a presence on FaceBook. If you are a FaceBook member, please “Friend” us and share the hobby. Either we are growing and recruiting new members, or we're not. That is the choice.



Our FaceBook  
“Photo”

Visit our page: <http://www.facebook.com/packards.virginia>

## **A REQUEST FROM THE EDITOR**

We are always in search of new Packard-related news, stories, and pictures! Did you make a new friend on the road? Did you get a picture? Could you share your story? Always keep your digital camera handy when you are out and about with your vehicle. This newsletter is the perfect venue to share your experience and thus build excitement within the hobby. You send it and we'll publish it!

Email your editor at [VirginiaPackards@yahoo.com](mailto:VirginiaPackards@yahoo.com).

# Upcoming Events

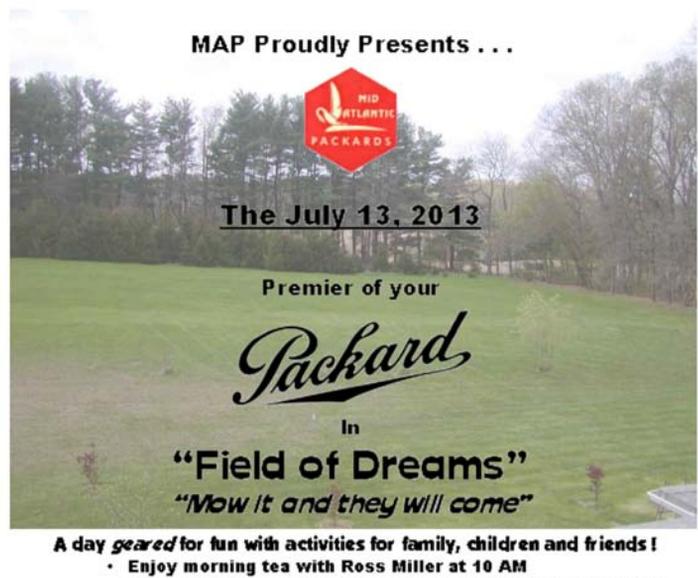


## Field of Dreams – Mow it and They will Come!

**When:** 13 JULY 2013  
Start @ 10AM

**RSVP:** 6 JULY (Please do!!)

**Start:** Speedwell Garage  
206 Dairy Road  
Parkton, Md



### NOTES for the FIELD OF DREAMS (lunch):

A hot pit beef sandwich, chips and soda or water is free for PAC members and their youthful guests (student age & younger). The pit beef sandwich is \$5 for non-PAC adult guests, and additional sandwiches (seconds). Attendees are encouraged to bring some type of additional dish, vegetables, fruit, deserts, etc. A limited quantity of hotdogs will be available for our youngest PAC youngsters.

### Ross Miller's (from points south of Mason-Dixon line):

I-83 north, exit 33 onto York Road

Right on York Road for 0.5 miles

Right onto Dairy Road for 0.2 miles to Ross's Speedwell Garage (206 Dairy Road)

### To Bill Aske's (from points south of Mason Dixon line):

I-83 north, exit 36 onto Old York Road

Left on Old York Road (east toward Bel Air) for 1.0 mile

Left on Bond Road for 0.8 miles

Left on Dunk Freeland Road for 0.2 miles

Left at first driveway (21200 marked on mailbox) and continue up driveway

**RSVP:** Bill Aske @ [packa41@msn.com](mailto:packa41@msn.com) or (410) 357-8901

# Upcoming Events



MAP Proudly Presents . . .



The July 13, 2013

Premier of your

*Packard*

In

**“Field of Dreams”**

*“Now it and they will come”*

**\$5.00/sandwich  
Guests**

**Members eat  
FREE\***

**A day geared for fun with activities for family, children and friends !**

- Enjoy morning tea with Ross Miller at 10 AM
- See Ross's latest restoration projects at Speedwell Garage
- Then, drive north about 6 miles to Bill Aske's home for***
- **Driving contests including such memorable favorites as:**
  - Blindfolded, with navigator's directions
  - Obstacle course with balloons
  - And any more we can come up with !
  - Prizes awarded for the best
- **Safe driving opportunities for your children at the wheel -**  
**“Tomorrows Packards Owners”**
- **Swimming (parental supervision required)**
- **Numerous photo opts**

**And then . . . . .**

**ENJOY A PROFESSIONALLY PREPARED ON SITE, HOT PIT BEEF SANDWICH, CHIPS AND A COLD DRINK PROVIDED BY THE ASKES IF YOU RSVP YOUR INTEREST IN THE PIT BEEF BY JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> - WE NEED TO BALANCE SUPPLY WITH DEMAND, PLEASE RSVP TO [packa41@msn.com](mailto:packa41@msn.com)**

**Support our MAP effort to build interest in the old cars  
among the next couple of generations !**

# Upcoming Events



## “Williamsport Wanderlust”

### ORPHAN CAR TOUR

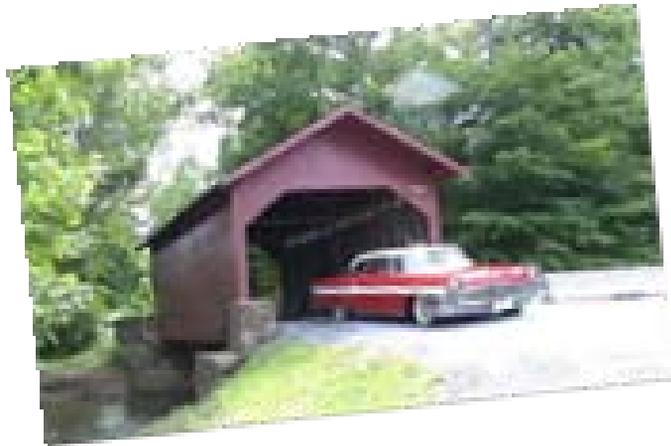
When: 8 JUNE 2013  
Start @ 10AM

Where: Williamsport, MD

For More information:

[tourdirector@orphancartour.org](mailto:tourdirector@orphancartour.org)

PH: (540) 364-1770



Registration form follows on Page 6!

## 7<sup>th</sup> Henry Joy Tour™

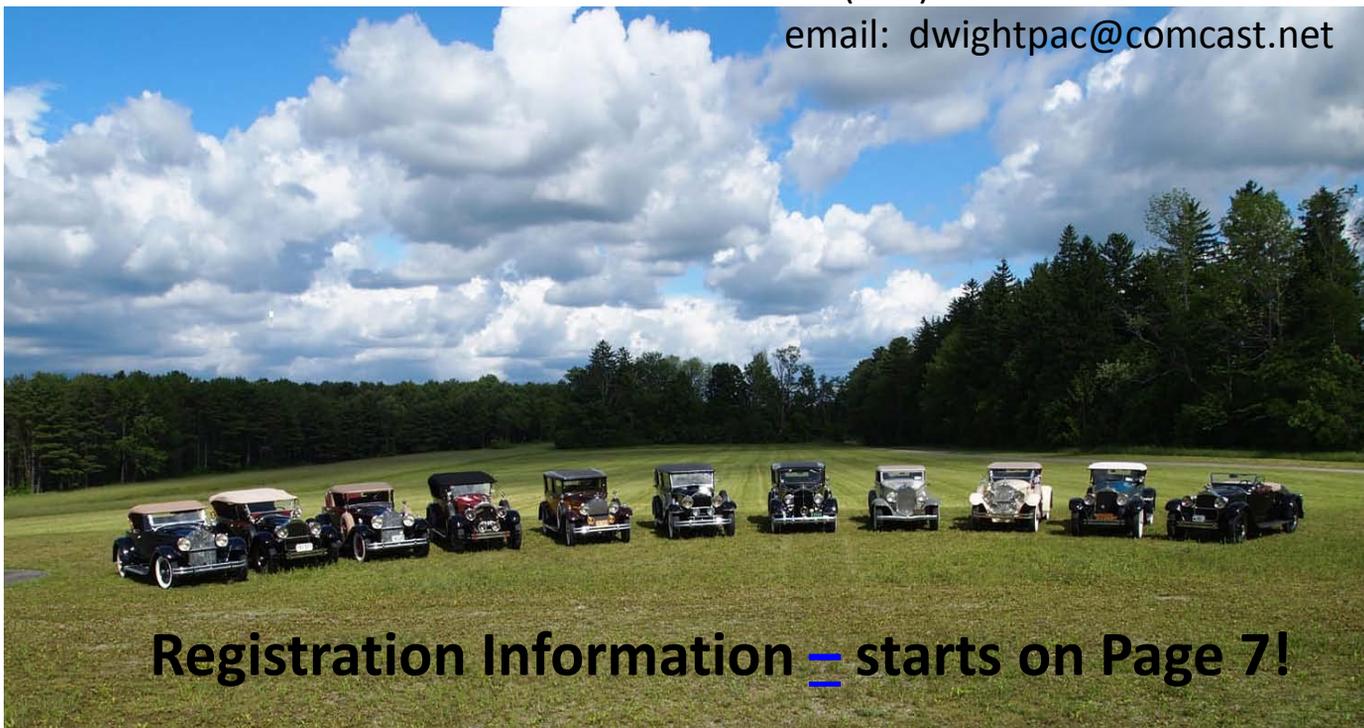
When: September 2-6, 2013

Where: Solomon's Island, MD

Contact Dwight Heinmuller

PH (410) 329-3022

email: [dwrightpac@comcast.net](mailto:dwrightpac@comcast.net)



**Registration Information — starts on Page 7!**

# Upcoming Events



24th Annual Orphan Car\* Tour

## “Williamsport Wanderlust”

Saturday, June 8, 2013 -- Williamsport, Md.

Dust off your “orphan” antique car and prepare for an outing in the country, in the company of other old car enthusiasts.

This year's afternoon adventure includes stops at **Fort Frederick State Park** (visitor center, restored 1756 fort and barracks, Civilian Conservation Corps museum), the **C & O Canal National Historic Park** (aqueduct, turning basin, warehouse with visitor center, lock, lock house, two unique bridges and trolley powerhouse), and the private **automobile collection** of D.M. Bowman. You'll also visit an operating **general store**, circa 1883, with attached antiques shop and a home furnishings shop upstairs. The route covers less than 35-40 miles.

We assemble at Byron Memorial Park, E. Potomac St. (Rte. 11), Williamsport at 12:00 noon on Saturday. Cars are then released onto the tour one at a time, and travel scenic rural and secondary roads. Drivers proceed at their own speed, following printed directions. These include questions about sights glimpsed along the way; awards are given to the most perceptive participants later in the day.

The tour ends at the Park where a buffet dinner is served. Dinner reservations must be postmarked by **May 27**. Our limit is 120, and last year we had almost that many — so reserve early! You can cancel until the 27th. (After that, we'll try to sell your ticket for you, since there's often a waiting list for tickets on Tour day!) Dinner is optional; you can take the tour only, attend the dinner only, or do both!

As always, the Tour will be held “rain or shine”. If it rains, bring an umbrella (and if necessary drive a modern car). We'll still have a great time and see some beautiful scenery, and a number of things that we'll see are inside.

For the last two years 64 cars and trucks have joined the tour. Get in on the fun! And bring your camera!

### TOUR NOTES

12:00 PM	Registration begins. Byron Memorial Park, E. Potomac St.
12:30—1:00 PM	Cars are released onto tour, one by one
5:00 PM	Assemble for dinner, Byron Memorial Park (pre-registration required)

Important: **Bring a navigator** to read driving directions! Tour will be held **RAIN** or **SHINE**. Dinner reservations must be postmarked by **May 27**. Entry fee of \$8 per car can be paid beforehand or at the Tour. (Note: you may do both the dinner and tour, or either one!)

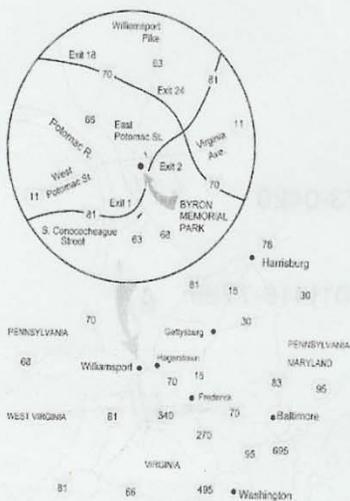
### DINNER NOTES

Buffet dinner includes choice of meat (seasoned top round or garlic & herb chicken); parsley potatoes, sautéed green beans, salad, rolls & butter, dessert (cake), iced tea, lemonade or coffee.

Reservations required (**deadline: May 27**). Your meal ticket will be given to you at the Tour. No meal refunds guaranteed after May 27, but we'll attempt to sell yours for you if you cancel before June 8.

The Tour is open to “orphan” antique cars -- vehicles at least 25 years old which were produced either by now-defunct manufacturers or the discontinued divisions of still-existing companies.

Info: (540) 364-1770 before tour;  
(703) 986-8785 on tour day only (cell)  
[www.orphancartour.org](http://www.orphancartour.org)  
[tourdiretor@orphancartour.org](mailto:tourdiretor@orphancartour.org)



The Orphan Car Tour is sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Packards (a region of The Packard Club), the Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the Hudson-Exeter-Terraplane Club, the Potomac Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club, the Potomac Ramblers chapter of the AMC Rambler Club, the DeSoto Owners Club of Maryland and the Keystone Region Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club



### RESERVATION – PLEASE POSTMARK BY MAY 27

Make checks payable to “Potomac Car Events” and mail to Harley Smith, 367 Friar Trail, Annapolis, MD 21401. Dinner reservations must be postmarked by May 27. Tickets are handed out at the Tour. Car may be registered at Tour or beforehand.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

ADULT MEALS @ \$18 (tax & tip incl.). Must pre-register . . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Bringing kids? Contact us for pricing!)

CAR REGISTRATIONS @ \$8 (you may also register at Tour) . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address (so we can send you updates) \_\_\_\_\_

Make & year of car you plan to drive on tour \_\_\_\_\_

Byron Memorial Park is located on Rte. 11 (E. Potomac St.) in Williamsport, just west of Exit 2 on Interstate 81.

# Upcoming Events



## 7<sup>th</sup> Henry Joy Tour™

### Chesapeake Bay & Tidewater

Solomons, Maryland ~ September 2-6, 2013



**Driving tours** to the Maryland Capital **Annapolis** to see the **Maryland State House\***, in continuous use since 1772 - longer than any other in the Nation; the **Governor's Mansion** and the **U.S. Naval Academy. St. Mary's City**, site of the fourth permanent settlement in British North America and the beginning of rule in Maryland by the Lords Baltimore. **Battle Creek Cyprus Swamp** features the northernmost grove of Cyprus trees in North America; and the **Calvert Marine Museum and Drum Point Lighthouse** in **Solomons, MD**, where we will be staying at the **Holiday Inn**. Also planned is a **charter cruise to Smith Island** in Chesapeake Bay, the only inhabited island in Maryland. We will have lunch, learn about island life and being a Waterman on the Bay, and enjoy their famous Smith Island Cake. Plus great meals featuring delights from the Bay, great friends and great Packards. Plus, we'll visit the home of **Dr. Samuel Mudd**.

**For more information** and to register please contact Dwight Heinmuller at (410) 329-3022 or [dwrightpac@comcast.net](mailto:dwrightpac@comcast.net)

\* it is also the only State House in the Nation that served as Capitol of the U.S., during the time when Annapolis was Capital of the U.S., in 1783 and 1784.

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# 7<sup>th</sup> Henry Joy Tour<sup>®</sup> Chesapeake Bay & Tidewater



Sponsored by Packard Automobile Classics ~ "The Packard Club"

Hosted by PAC Region Mid-Atlantic Packards ~ Solomons, MD ~ September 2-6, 2013

**Registration**

Name – please print clearly \_\_\_\_\_ Is this your 7<sup>th</sup> HJT? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile # (on Tour) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

**Print**

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Packard on Tour \_\_\_\_\_

Packard Car Insurer, Policy # & Exp. Date\* \_\_\_\_\_

**All Packards on Tour must have a UL Approved Fire Extinguisher, 1A/5BC Minimum Rating \*PAC required**

Registration fee - per person \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

**Monday, September 2** – arrival

Hospitality Suite, South Bldg., Room 353 – all week

Evening Welcome Party at Calvert Marine Museum \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

>> How many? \_\_\_\_\_ sliced roast sirloin sandwich, or \_\_\_\_\_ MD crab cake, wine & beer, salad, fresh fruit, museum fee, catering

**Tuesday, September 3** – departure time: 9:00

>> Breakfast each morning at the Holiday Inn, included in room rate

Driving tour to St. Mary's City – guided tour \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$12.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

Point Lookout Lighthouse and State Park\* - Picnic at 1:30 \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$12.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

Includes Park fee & box lunch with 3 small sandwiches in each: turkey & Swiss, roast beef, chicken; a salad, cookie & bottled water

Dinner on-your-own \*at the confluence of the Potomac River & Chesapeake Bay

**Wednesday, September 4** – departure time: 8:30

Motor Coach to Annapolis – State House, Gov. Mansion, Naval Academy \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

>> includes fee for Naval Academy Tour ~ Motorized "scooter" rental, USNA \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch on-your-own in Annapolis

Dinner on-your-own in Solomons

**Thursday, September 5** – departure time 8:30

Cruise on Chesapeake Bay to Smith Island and lunch – limited to first 80 people (boat capacity)

cruise & family style hot lunch\*, how many? \_\_\_\_\_ crab cake \_\_\_\_\_ chicken \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$65.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

OR Sotterley Plantation, box lunch & Patuxent Naval Air Station Museum \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

>> How many? \_\_\_\_\_ ham \_\_\_\_\_ turkey \_\_\_\_\_ chicken salad \_\_\_\_\_ roast beef \_\_\_\_\_ veggie wrap. Includes salad, dessert, iced tea and lemonade, and admission. Patuxent Museum is free.

Dinner on-your-own \*ham is also included with your selection (that's the way they do it)

**Friday, November 6** – departure time 9:30

Driving tour to Battle Creek Cypress Swamp & Samuel Mudd House \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 9.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch on your-own in Waldorf, MD

Evening Banquet in honor of Henry Bourne Joy – cash bar, guest speakers \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$46.00 ea. = \_\_\_\_\_

>> How many? \_\_\_\_\_ Roast Pork w/ mushroom cream sauce OR \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken w/ almond stuffing

>>> Also includes Roast Beef carving station with above choices, and special dessert

Packard Motor Car Foundation / Packard Proving Grounds Preservation contribution – tax deductible \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Henry Joy Tour enamel & gold lapel / hat pin \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 6.00 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

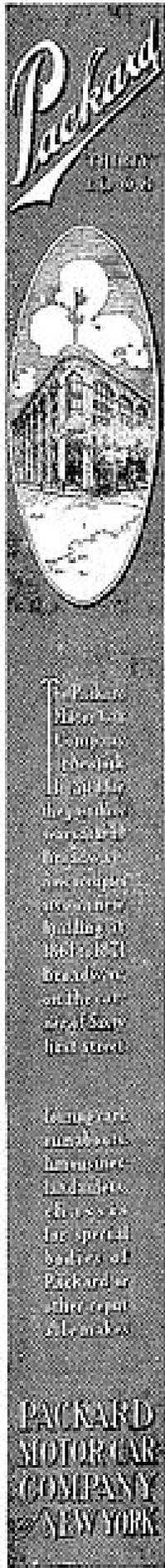
**TOTAL --- please make check to MAP \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Kindly mail so as to be received no later than August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 to Dwight Heinmuller – 16529 Dubbs Rd. – Sparks, MD 21152**

If you have any questions about the Tour, please contact

Tour Leader Dwight Heinmuller at (410) 329-3022 or dheinmuller@gmail.com

**Reservation deadline for the Holiday Inn is August 19<sup>th</sup> – special rate of \$99 + 11% tax for one or two, including breakfast for one or two, good September 1-7, inclusive. Mention "The Packard Club." 410-326-6311**



# Jump Start!

Successful kick-off to the 2013 Touring Season



The Jump Start event launched the 2013 Packards Virginia touring season at the Belle Haven Country Club in Alexandria, Virginia. The club was pleased to welcome new members, Scott Leaf of Alexandria and John & Mary Coulombe of Oakton. Mr. Leaf attended with his “new” 1933 Coupe Roadster, and the Coulombes are now the proud owners of a 1955 Clipper Constellation (aka “The Bumble Bee”).

Paul Delaney announced nominations of new officers, who were elected by acclamation:

- |               |                                     |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Orin Kerr -   | Director                            |
| Tim English - | Deputy Director / Newsletter Editor |
| Hal Hermann - | Treasurer                           |
| Tom Brooks -  | Membership and Activities Director  |

Tom Brooks provided a brief activities report. The club will visit the “Flying Circus” on September 15. Further details to follow...





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Bill Johnson provided an activities report for Mid-Atlantic Packards. Still coming is the Orphan Car Tour – Hagerstown/ Williamsport MD on June 8. (check/ Sue Johnson) Bill also announced that the Lincoln Highway Tour is following the Detroit PAC National. (check website for more info)

The brunch and meeting adjourned at approximately 1PM.



**Packard**  
 FIFTY  
 YEARS

The Packard Motor Car Company building at 100 West 42nd Street, New York City, is the site of the company's headquarters. The building was designed by the architect John H. Breen and was completed in 1927. It is a prime example of the Art Deco style and is one of the most important buildings in the city's history.

Learn more about the history of the Packard Motor Car Company and the building at 100 West 42nd Street. For more information, visit our website at [www.packard.com](http://www.packard.com).

**PACKARD**  
**MOTOR CAR**  
**COMPANY**  
 NEW YORK

**Packard**  
 FIFTY  
 YEARS  
 1904

The Packard Motor Car Company building at 1001 18th Street, Gettysburg, Pa. is the site of the annual MAP event on April 13, 1994. The building is a landmark in the town and is the site of the annual MAP event on April 13, 1994. The building is a landmark in the town and is the site of the annual MAP event on April 13, 1994.

PACKARD  
 MOTOR CAR  
 COMPANY  
 NEW YORK

# Gettysburg in the Spring

And a pre-view of the latest Gettysburg Museum



It was raining and cool on Friday, the day before our MAP event on April 13, in Gettysburg. But when we met on Saturday at the English barn, it was sunny with a bit o'chill in the air! While everybody gathered, we filled our bellies and talked about and looked at mainly Packards. Sue and Bill Johnson brought cards for us to sign for Sandy Chirco and Peter Johnson, wishing them both a rapid recovery!



## The Assembled Masses:

Don Reedy, daughter and friend  
 Craig Coulombe  
 Ross Miller  
 Suzy and Mike Manherz  
 Bill and Sue Johnson  
 Dave and Jane English

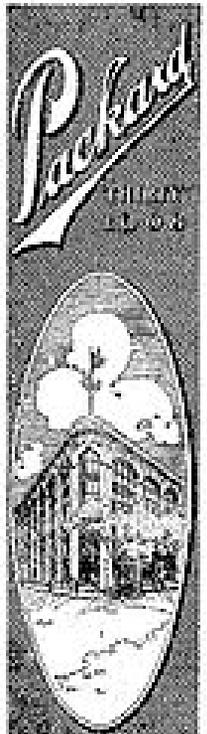
Tim English and Edith Wiseman  
 Dick and Shirlee Marrs  
 Rick Parker  
 Bill Aske  
 George and Bee Hamlin



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About 10:30, we launched our caravan of about 11 Packards, with a few modern iron in the mix. We drove over some back roads and parts of the Battlefield to reach our destination at the Lutheran Seminary on the western edge of Gettysburg. Our destination was the yet-to-be officially opened **Seminary Ridge Museum** in the **Old Dorm** of the campus where we showed our Packards at the 2010 National PAC meet. Built in 1832, the focus of the museum is the first day of the Battle of Gettysburg, where the fighting actually occurred. The Old Dorm of the Seminary has been transformed to a fine 21<sup>st</sup> Century modern museum, while retaining all of the historically significant attributes and much of the original fabric of the building. Ironically created as a place of peace, prayer, and religious education, it became a place of fighting, pain, and one of the first of many hospitals on the battlefield to care for the wounded and dying men.

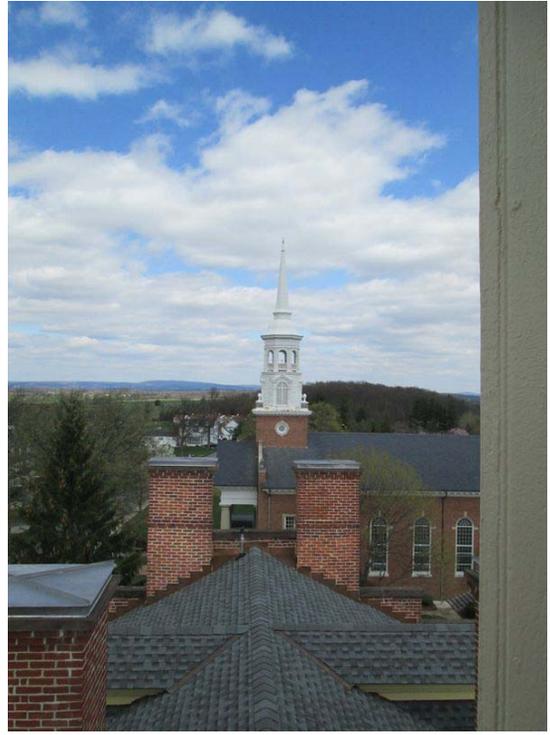


Packard Motor Car Company  
1910-1930

The Packard Motor Car Company is proud to announce that they will be displaying a collection of Packard cars at the Seminary Ridge Museum in the Old Dorm building at Gettysburg on the corner of 3rd and 1st streets.

Learn more about our latest models, luxury cars, and special features for special occasions at Packard or other great automobiles.

**PACKARD MOTOR CAR COMPANY NEW YORK**



View from Old Dorm

**Packard**  
 FIFTY  
 YEARS  
 1899-1949

The Packard Motor Car Company is proud to be one of the oldest and most respected automobile manufacturers in the world. Our headquarters building at 1000 15th Street, NW, in Washington, D.C., is a landmark in the city's history.

Our cars are known for their reliability, performance, and luxury. We have a long history of providing the finest automobiles to the world's leaders.

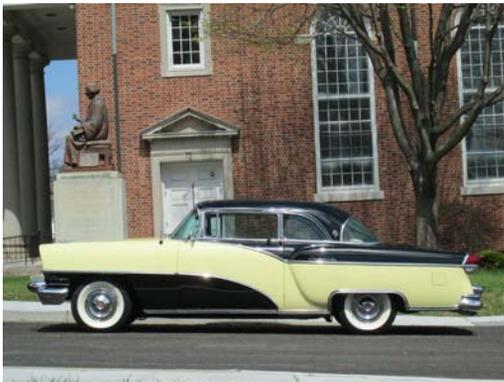
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After a wonderful tour, including a visit to the famous cupola (where General Buford saw the advancing Confederates), our group moved south into Maryland for lunch at the Carriage House Inn in Emmitsburg. Dave English thanked all for coming, Bill Johnson outlined MAP's upcoming events, especially the Swap Meet in Frederick May 10-11 and the Orphan Car Tour June 8 in Williamsport MD – details in this issue of the Hexagon! George urged all of us to join him and Bee at the PAC National Meet in Pontiac MI in July, and to continue on to Kearney NE for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lincoln Highway.



**Craig Coulombe – '55 Constellation**



**Suzy & Mike Manherz  
 '38 120 C Touring Sedan**



**A view of the battlefield from behind the wheel**

# Frederick Swap Meet

Great fun. And, how new memories are made



This year it all started early on Thursday morning at 8:15 AM. Frederick Maryland was the site of this years 18<sup>th</sup> Annual All Indoor Packard Swap Meet (18<sup>th</sup> AAIPSM).

George Hamlin was already busy, wrangling 8 foot tables, when Bill and I arrived. We decided this year to make the foot print of the vending area just a little smaller due to the absence of Sandy Chirco. Our dear friend and vendor from Tucson had just undergone surgery and the trip East was a little to much at this time. We sure missed Sandy, Rose and all the bright and shiny things they bring to us each Spring. We also missed their never ending smiles and laughter. We hope they will be able to join us again next year. So with the vending area being smaller. . . The floor plan was easy for us to set up and fill with tables and chairs. Of course we knew as soon as the vendors arrived there would be a little rearranging . . . of everything.

Bob and Chris Stoltzfus were the first to arrive with their goodies. Very shortly there after Joel Ray and wife Sue Clereman were busy putting together their extensive array of everything Packard. I was amazed at how quickly and efficiently these two couples worked. It was fun to watch the teamwork. Sort of like the "Night Before Christmas". They spoke not a word, but went straight to their work. In practically no time at all the place was beginning to take on the festive atmosphere that would prevail for the next two days. Of course Chrissy's world famous brownies had a lot to do with that!



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As the day progressed, so did the activity in the hall. More and more of our vendors had everything set up, polished and ready to go for our official Friday morning opening at 8 AM.

Thursday evening found us dining at “Dutch’s Daughter”. Our first selection of fine dining options offered each evening of the meet. This night we enjoyed the company of Jane and David English and Bill Aske. A small but laughter filled evening followed. Fine dining with fine friends.

Friday’s forecast was not the best. In fact the weather folks warned us of local heavy downpours every afternoon. So Bill and I put off bringing a Packard on Thursday. We had planned to bring “the Duchess” and “Reggie” up on Friday. . . until we heard the ominous weather report early on Friday morning. We sadly left the Packards home, safe and dry. Saturday’s forecast was even worse, so once more, we were Packardless! Of course we were rather glad we did, when all three days included rain events. Rather substantial, I might add! Navigating in today’s traffic with the Packards and rain is not a good combination.

Our illustrious President, Mr. Steve Christy arrived mid afternoon in advance of Friday nights PAC Board Meeting. Bill, Kathy and Hal Hermann and I enjoyed lunch with Steve. We spent more time laughing than eating. Back . . . just in time for a surprise!



# Frederick Swap Meet

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Friday afternoon was to be a very special, highly secretive event to which we had all been invited. Hal Hermann got everyone's attention and asked us all to join in singing "Happy Birthday" to our own Bob Stoltzfus. As we sang, in such harmony as has never been heard before. . . Vern Trego arrived from out of nowhere with the flaming cake. As the singing subsided. . . Bob made his wishes and blew out the candles. Lots of photos were being taken and all was going well. As Vern was putting the cake down on a cleared surface, someone yelled "One more picture". Vern stopped mid step and that's when IT HAPPENED.

To repeat. . . Vern stopped . . . the cake didn't and it unceremoniously splatted and plopped upside down on the floor at Bob's feet!!

I think I got the only pictures of this historic event! Vern and Bob quickly scraped the cake up and threw it away. I swear for the rest of the afternoon, Bob was seen lurking near the trash can with a tear in his eye.

Truth of the matter was. . . He was devastated that we didn't all grab forks and enjoy at least the cake part! The entire group of friends broke into laughter and this is one birthday I'll bet Bobby NEVER forgets! The stuff from which memories are made.

Friday night's dining option was "The Silver Maple Inn and Wine Bar". An absolutely elegant and charming old inn (1700's) on alternate Route 40 heading up to Braddock Heights.



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Dinner was very formal, decadent and superb. Dining with us that evening were Miles White, Bill Aske, Shirley and Dale Mease, Steve Christy and Deborah and Al. whom we had only met Friday afternoon. They are probably two of our newest PAC members from New Jersey. It's funny how quickly Packard owners find what they have in common other than just their love of vintage classics. In the case of Deb and Al. . . it's their Yorkie. They had not even signed up in their local region yet, but Mr. Bob Teller had that all taken care of by the end of the meet.

We raced back for the PAC Board Meeting, just as the evenings thunder storms crested over the mountains like angry waves. So much lightening. After the PAC Board Meeting, a late drive home to a boisterous welcome from our beloved pups made us forget just how long our day had been.

Finally, we enjoyed our last day of this years Swap Meet (18<sup>th</sup> AAIPSM). Another busy day for our vendors. Lots of friends enjoying one another's company for just a couple of more hours. Then, as if some silent, unheard alarm went off. . . the vendors began packing. As quickly as the tables were filled just two days ago, they are now empty, their treasures whisked away, waiting for the next show. It is a lot of work for the vendors, but they enjoy themselves too.

Late afternoon, the heavens open and the rain is heavy. Thank goodness most of the vendors have made it out before the storm. Bob and Chrissy, the first to arrive, are now the last to leave. We linger for just a moment more. (Finishing off Chrissy's brownies).

Our final dinner together will find us coming full circle. We return, once more, to "Monocracy Crossing", where we are warmly greeted like the old friends we are. Our hostess, Donna, is most gracious in welcoming us. Seventeen of us enjoy ourselves listening and laughing to the memorable accounts of the last three days. A final "Thank you", our goodbyes said, sealed with a hug an a kiss and the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual All Indoor Packard Swap Meet. (18<sup>th</sup>AAIPSM) is history. Thank you for being a part of it all.

Already we are planning ahead for next years 19<sup>th</sup> Annual All Indoor Packard Swap Meet AND Car Show (19<sup>th</sup>AAIPSM&CS). Plan on spending a couple of warm Spring days with us next May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Lots more coming next year. . . We promise.

Till then enjoy our Packards, stay safe, enjoy good health and friends.

# Frederick Swap Meet

Thank You



Thank you . . .

**to our vendors, friends,  
and participants.**

**We may not have gotten  
to speak with each of you  
individually, but we want you  
to know how much we  
appreciate your support.  
Two enjoyable days of nothing  
but Packard parts and  
fellowship.**

***It is because of you that we are already looking  
forward to next years  
19th Annual Swap Meet  
May 9 - 10, 2014  
Same place.***

***So until then . . . Thank you again.  
Swap Meet co chairs, PV and MAP***

**Bill and Susan Johnson**

# A Packard man.... And a good Friend

Harry Furst, Middletown PA



I am deeply saddened to bear to you the news that my very dear friend and long time Packard buddy Harry Furst passed away at 11:45AM on Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

His son Tom called me just this afternoon and related his passing.

Harry was a true gentleman, friend and the most knowledgeable Packard person I have ever known.

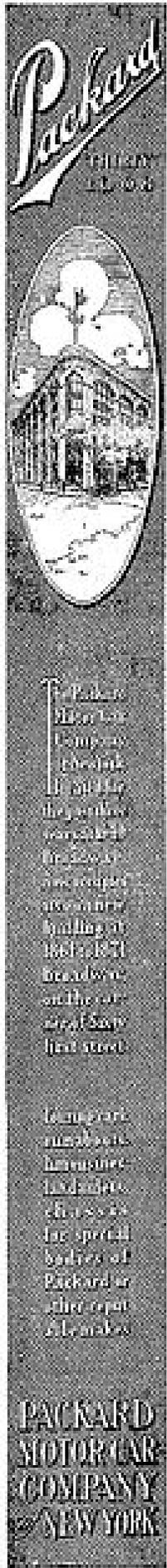
I met Harry in 1973 in suburban in Highspire, PA car wash where I had brought my 1953 Clipper that sorely needed washed. I was going to college at the time at Penn State Harrisburg and had a limited income. Harry pulled in with his 1961 Studebaker Hawk and walked over to the bay I was in and informed me "You know, you have the wrong 'bird' on that car." Harry was indeed correct, it was a Cormorant from the hood a 1950 Packard.

Harry introduced me and sponsored my membership along with my wife Joan in the Antique Automobile Club of America, AACA Hershey Region and was Chief Judge in 1978 at the AACA Hershey Fall Meet.

I have many stories about Harry and hope to write of my friend in the future in some publications.

Harry went with me in 1979 when I first looked at my 1920 Packard truck - Harry said to me "I know they made them, but never saw one in the flesh."

Harry was a WW-II veteran having served on the USS West Virginia (1943-1945) as a 'plank owner' after it been raised at Pearl Harbor from being sunk by the Japanese on December 7, 1941. Harry was a Boiler Technician (BT) who worked in a truly sweaty and humid area of the bowels of the 'Wee-Vee'





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Harry told me he often came topside looking like the 'Abominable Snowman' after mixing dry asbestos with water following boiler work. Harry also related to me once "I don't care where you were on that ship when those 16 inch guns went off - you knew damn well they were firing them!"

Harry worked at a Packard dealership in Altoona and shared with me many stories of his working there. Harry probably forgot more about Packard vehicles than I will ever learn.

Harry later served on the cruiser the USS Saint Paul during the Korean Conflict. In civilian life Harry got a job from Mr. Crawford, a somewhat crusty fellow who owned the Crawford Power Station (coal) in Middletown, PA. In the early '70's Harry transitioned to Three Mile Island in the 'Health Physics Dept.' from where he retired.

I can share many stories of Harry, but surmise it to say that he was my best friend and I will truly miss him.

They don't make 'em like Harry anymore.

Dave Lockhard  
York Springs, PA



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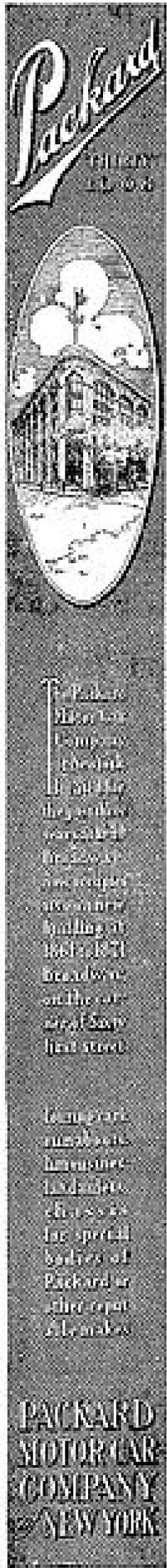
The Packard Motor Car Company building at 1111 Broadway, New York City, is a landmark of the city. It was designed by the architect John H. Breen and completed in 1911. The building is a fine example of the Beaux-Arts style and is one of the most important buildings in the city. It is located on the corner of Broadway and 11th Street.

Learn more about the history and architecture of this special building at Packard or other great landmarks.

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# Word on the Street

Miscellaneous Thoughts, Ideas, and Sightings



## PACKARD FOR SALE

1942 Packard 120 two Door Convertible with 160 trim. Black, red leather interior, tan top. Also with side mounts and over drive \$75,000 O.B.O.

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## PACKARD SIGHTINGS

From my friends in the world of Facebook, the picture at right. Taken at this year's Gold Cup event in early May, my friend wrote, "good looking lady and a sharp car"..... I thought, "That's a Packard!" And then I wondered, "did she get a name and is this person a member of the club?"

There are still Packard sightings to be had, if you keep a keen eye.



## EVENT IDEA – WANT TO JOIN THE CIRCUS?

What do you think of a visit to the Flying Circus in Bealeton, VA?

<http://www.flyingcircusairshow.com/index.htm>. It might be possible to combine a winery visit (with a visit to the Flying Circus) either the same day or as part of an overnight trip. There are many Virginia wineries now worth a visit. Here's a guide to Va wineries: <http://www.virginiawine.org/regions>

This sounds like a great idea, just who might want to investigate and lead??

# 2013 EVENT CALENDAR

## JAN



## FEB

24 Train & Old Car Day  
Fairfax, VA

## MAR

3 Packards Virginia  
Jump-Start Brunch  
8-11 Amelia Island, FL  
29-30 AACA Flea Market  
Westminster, MD

## APR

6 Keystone Packards  
Kick-off  
13 MAP Mason-District  
Dairy Tour  
24-25 Old Dominion  
Packards Spring Tour

## MAY

10-11 All-Packards Indoor  
Swap Meet  
Frederick, MD  
30 AACA Spring National  
Carlisle, PA

## JUN

1 AACA Spring National  
Carlisle, PA (Show)  
8 Orphan Car Tour  
Williamsport, MD  
14-16 Elegance at Hershey  
16 Sully Historic Site  
Father's Day Show  
23-28 PAC National Meet  
Pontiac, MI

## JUL

1-3 Lincoln Highway  
Assoc  
Heritage Tour

## AUG

4 Macungie, PA  
18 Pebble Beach, CA

## SEP

3-6 Henry Joy Tour  
Solomon's Island, MD

## OCT

9-12 HERSHEY  
13 Packard Truck Show  
York Springs, PA

## NOV

## DEC



**HAPPY**

**PACKARDING!**