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AND THE MID-ATLANTIC TIME TRIAL SERIES

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Competitors helping Competitors

After experiencing small stones and gravel on the race tires at the **Fall Weatherly Hillclimb**, some competitors decided to start to clean all of the tires as they came to the line. By the end of the weekend, most of the drivers got into the act. This proves that the reputation of the **PHA** for a friendly place to compete is justly deserved.

PHA 50th Anniversary Banquet November 21, 2009

(see the last 3 pages for info)

PHA Business Meeting: 3PM-5PM

2009 Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association Team Championship



← **1st Place – 237 points**
Team OZ

Carl Oswald, Bill Oswald,
Bob Oswald Jr., Bob Oswald Sr.,
and Steve DeTurck

2nd Place – 226 points →
Speednation

Mike Ancas, Jeremy Deitzel,
Dan Reed, Kendrick Giambattista,
Hunter Huffman and Adrienne Vrabel



← **3rd Place – 173 points**
Time Bandits

Rich Rock, George Bowland,
Kurt Eikenberg, Rod Holtzapple,
Paul Behofist and Morgan Wilson



4th Place – 133 points →
Silver Bullets

Rick Kase, Don DeHart,
John Stinsmen, John Pitman
And Tom Knorr





**In memory of Rich Shafer,
who left us Oct 3, 2009.
You will be greatly missed.**



**Tim Murphy (Pittsburg, PA) Meets
Tim Murphy (Torrington, CT)
picture supplied by (you guessed it) Tim Murphy**

From the Timing Tent

Another year has come and gone. It just seems like last week I was setting up to time at **Spring Jefferson**. Contrary to most of the opinions around last winter, the season was a great success.

At every event, the numbers were up. Most of the regulars were back and a lot of new faces were around. These are increase in the number of entries as I have them.

**S. Jefferson +5, S. Weatherly +2,
Pagoda +23, Giant's +23,
Polish Mountain +16, Duryea +15,
F. Jefferson +7 and F. Weatherly +38.**

As usual a great many people put in their time and talents to make these events happen. Everyone sees some of these people at the events but there are many more that do a great amount behind the scenes that are never seen. So when you thank the people you do see, remember the people that you do not see.

As usual I'll be at the **PHA Banquet** on **November 21** at the **Holiday Inn** in **Grantville, Pa.** I hope to see most of you there.

Nelson



WE ARE GUESTS

At all of our events, it is important for all participants to realize that we are guests in the communities in which we run our events. Unless you are involved in the many planning meetings that precede an event, you may not completely comprehend all of the organizational decisions that are made. These decisions are not only designed to accommodate the drivers and workers but also to address the needs and concerns of the communities in which our events are conducted. All must be cautious about communicating their complaints about an event whether it is one-on-one or via the internet. If the wrong community person or persons becomes turned off by a disparaging comment, it could jeopardize the future of an event. All of our events strive to do their best in accommodating the drivers, crews, and workers, however, we don't live in a perfect world. We all must be thankful for what we have.

Tom Knorr, PHA President

CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP PLATE

If you competed in 5 or more events in 2009 you are eligible to receive a Class Championship Plate to place on your 2009 Plaque. Place designation will be from 1st to 3rd. These plates will be presented at the Banquet.

From the PHA President...

What a year... what an organization. PHA is probably the only racing organization in the country that showed a significant increase in participation... 20% more than last year. This increase can be attributed to the outstanding efforts of many people. We had more new drivers compared to recent years. The promotional events conducted by organizing regions and supporting organizations and the efforts by many at car shows has contributed to the increase in new drivers as well as volunteers. Further, the efforts from individuals to recruit new competitors has been very effective and the "hard core" PHA drivers continued their support during these difficult economic times.

Our organization accomplishes nothing without the support of many. Our membership has actually expanded its efforts to assist in the running of our events. To list all the individuals would require a separate edition of this newsletter. Thank you all!!!

Come to the **PHA Banquet on November 21** at the **Holiday Inn in Grantville** to celebrate this year's success and the **50th anniversary of PHA**. All of our events are tenuous at best; it is truly amazing that this sport has endured as long as it has.

Our **annual critique meeting** begins at **3 P.M.** at the same location and day as the banquet. Input from all is important as we review and assess the 2009 season. See you there.

Tom Knorr, PHA President

Hillclimb For Free in 2010!

Once again, **BMR** will be having a drawing. The prize is **free entry** to both **BMR Hillclimbs, Pagoda and Duryea, in 2010**. If enough tickets are sold, a second prize will be awarded. That will be free entry to one **BMR Hillclimb, your choice**. If you win and you can't make it to an event, you can sell or give your free entry to another driver. You can't save it for the following year.

The drawing will be held at **Spring Jefferson**. Tickets are **\$10 each, 3 for \$20** and will go on sale at the **PHA Banquet** and will be available from all **BMR** board members.

Rich Rock

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IS
AVAILABLE
FREE OF CHARGE
FOR YOUR
ARTICLE
AND/OR
PICTURES**



TALENT CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT

In 2009 we are celebrating the formation of the Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association by commemorating its 50th year. This milestone will be celebrated at the annual PHA Banquet on November 21, 2009, at the Holiday Inn in Grantville, PA.

We all know that we have many talented individuals who play an important role within the PHA family. Our Committee would like to ask you to join us in the celebration by agreeing to display your special talents during the evening's activities.

If you would be interested in providing entertainment and being part of our program the evening of the banquet, please let us know by completing the form below. We'll include your name in the printed program and allot time for you to "strut your stuff". So, if you sing, play an instrument, dance, juggle, do impersonations, or otherwise provide entertainment, please let us know.

We'll need a response no later than October 15, 2009. Just fill in the form below, tear it off, and send it to: Linda Young, 1007 Forge Road, Carlisle, PA 17015-4319.

See you there!!!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

How will you entertain us? _____

How much time will you require? (Time allotted will depend on how many entertainers volunteer.) _____



PENNSYLVANIA HILLCLIMB ASSOCIATION

1959 - 2009

The Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association will celebrate its 50th Anniversary this year. We are asking all friends and supporters of our sport to join us in helping to make the year end Awards Banquet a gala event. The Banquet will be held on November 21, 2009 at the Harrisburg/Hershey Holiday Inn.

Please consider supporting the event by becoming a Patron Sponsor for \$ 20. Your name or Company name will be displayed in the Banquet program and will be seen by all competitors, volunteer workers, officials and friends of our sport in attendance at the Banquet.

_____ \$ 20 Patron sponsor

In addition, should you or someone you know be interested in supporting the event on a more generous and visible scale – the following advertising options are available:

- _____ A. \$ 25 - ¼ page Business Card Ad (Enclose a copy of your business card)
- _____ B. \$ 50 – ½ page ad Please enclose copy of ad material not to exceed 3” x 4”
- _____ C. \$ 100 – Full page ad Please enclose copy of ad material not to exceed 4” x 7”
- _____ D. \$ 250 – **Associate Sponsor.**
- Full Page Ad in the Banquet program
 - Your company name displayed on the front cover of the program
 - Distribution of any suitable material provided by your company to those in attendance.
- _____ E. \$ 500 – **Primary Sponsor**
- Inside Front Cover - Full Page Ad
 - Your Company name and logo prominently displayed on the front cover of the Banquet program
 - Distribution of any suitable material provided by your company to those in attendance
 - Opportunity to address or make a presentation to those in attendance

_____ I have door prizes I would like to donate. Phone (_____)_____. Items: _____

Please indicate the type of support (above) and send proper ad material and appropriate payment to:

The Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association
c/o Lipperini
117 Parsonage St.
Pittston, Pa. 18640

Thank you for your support and we wish you a safe and happy racing season!

Carol Lipperini, Banquet Chairman
(570) 654-0560

2009 Banquet Committee:

Norma Oswald, Linda Young, Nancy Lewis, Bob “OZ” Oswald, John Pitman, Steve Lewis & Dan Lipperini

PHA Business Meeting: 3PM-5PM
Hors d'oeuvres: 5:30PM - 6:30PM
Cash Bar: 5:30PM - 11:00PM
Beer & Soda compliments of PHA
Dinner: 6:30PM - 8:00PM
Program: 8PM - 11PM



To make Hotel Reservations contact:
Holiday Inn Harrisburg Hershey Area (Grantville)
604 Station Road, Grantville, PA 17028
Phone: 717-469-1554

Please return reservation no later than November 1

Name _____

Guest's Name _____

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Make check payable to **PHA** and mail dinner reservation to
Linda Young, 1007 Forge Road, Carlisle, PA 17015-4319