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# NEWSLEAK

## OCTOBER MEETING

Nov 2024

### October OVAHC Meeting Minutes

Thirty members attended the monthly meeting on Saturday, October 12 at the Parrott home near Bethel, OH on a pleasant sunny afternoon. President Scott Brown called the meeting to order at 4:49 PM and thanked Janet and John for hosting and their daughter Lucy for assisting. (applause) September minutes were approved as published.

President Scott, Vice Presidents Wallace, and Historian John Parrott had no reports. Secretary Dale and Newsleak Editor Mary Ann were away. But Denny phoned Dale and he said over the phone from Myrtle Beach, "thanks to Cindy and Denny for setting up the PA and recording the meeting, and my job of secretary is available if anyone really desires it." Web Administrator Don said we are alive on the web. He will post the Wisconsin Conclave info soon. Membership Rosalee said the 2025 OVAHC membership renewal drive will begin in December. Business Manager/Delegate Jake said the AHCA delegates' meeting is November 16 & 17.

Treasurer Cindy reported that since the Duffey meeting on 9/7/24: credit for split the pot \$40. Debit for Bob Minton mailing expenses for 2024 of \$84, OVAHC Dropbox fee to Scott Brown of \$111, October bonfire host Parrott of \$200. Current balance is good. Opening tech team balance \$1712.52. Credits for selling a top trunnion kit for \$45. Closing balance is \$1757.52.

Activity Activator Skip said he is going to the Spring Grove Cemetery car show . (10/13/24) The South East Classic caravan group will meet with John Wallace after this meeting. Skip looked into a possible caravan to Branson for the May 18 -23, 2025 Conclave and figured it is about 650 miles one way. Cincinnati to Cairo, Illinois for the first night is 250. Next day is 295 more into Branson, Missouri. Use Route 42, circle around Louisville, take US 60 and so on. You can make your registrations now for the actual event. Contact Skip for any activity questions or suggestions.

Tech Director Tim reported on two sessions since the last meeting. Skip had the TT over to continue work on his white MGA. On 10/9 we went to John Parrott's home to work on the suspension for his "NEW" big Healey. Then after beers and a delicious chili lunch, we cut down and rounded up the logs for the bonfire. Contact Tim to join in, or to schedule a tech session.



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# MINUTES CONTINUED

Standing Committee: The Campbells and Wallaces, as the co-chairs, stepped forward to address the subject of the 2026 OVAHC Conclave based in Lexington, KY. Rosalee Campbell gave a report concerning the complicated planning for it and the hurdles they still faced. Along with OVAHC President Scott and Delegate/Business Manager Jake, it was decided that we will not be hosting it. If you have questions after the meeting, see one of them. Rosalee announced that OVAHC will definitely host the 2026 The Mid-America Classic as originally scheduled in the rotation. Cindy led a spontaneous round of applause for the great effort put forth by the Conclave 2026 research committee. Lauren personally thanked Rosalee for her determined leadership in the pursuit of this challenging and major endeavor. Rosalee thanked the OVAHC members for volunteering to help, and for supporting their effort to try to bring it to Lexington. (applause)

Old folks business: John Wallace said the ROMEO lunch on 10/16 will be at The Works in Loveland at 1:00 PM. Lauren said the Juliettes will meet at Maggiano's Italian in Kenwood at 12:30 PM on 10/23.

New business: Scott announced that if a member wants to put an ad into the Healey Marque, you will have to send it directly to Reid Trummel. The normal person was affected by Hurricane Helene and is not able to submit items at this time. The Healey Museum in the Netherlands needs funds. AHCA has requested donations from local clubs to the DMH Fund to be forwarded as assistance. Scott wants us to consider making a \$100 donation and will bring it up at the November meeting.

The \$80 split-the-pot was won by Lauren for \$40. The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 20 at O'Charleys near Eastgate. It is a combo ROMEO and Juliettes lunch AND short OVAHC meeting with arrival time set for 1:00 PM. You will get an email RSVP for a head count soon. The hostess is also a sports car lover, so try to drive a classic. More details to follow.



Meriwether Lewis

President Scott thanked John and Janet for hosting (applause), adjourned the meeting, and then went back to snacking and socializing. A huge roaring bonfire about dusk was lit followed by fantastic fireworks display by Tim after dark.

Immediately after adjournment, Skip captivated everyone with his famous and dramatic Meriwether Lewis portrayal decked out in the period correct wardrobe.

Submitted by Secretary Dale

# NOVEMBER MEETING

I have reserved a private dining room at no cost or food minimums with ordering off the menu at 1pm, 11/20/24 for 30 people at O'Charley's Restaurant, Eastgate. **As a courtesy, we need to let them know how many to expect so they can set up properly.** (room can handle 45 people). President Scott

Sounds like a combo ROMEO & Juliettes / meeting all in one, I Like it!

Our hostess likes sports cars, so drive one here if possible.

Sound great? Here are the details.

Wednesday, 11/20 1:00 PM to order the food, maybe 1:30 to hold a quick meeting

O'Charley's Restaurant & Bar

4531 Eastgate Blvd, Cincinnati, OH 45245

Get off of I-275 at exit # 63-A to Rt 32 East

Located near Eastgate Mall, near 275

Phone: (513) 753-6266

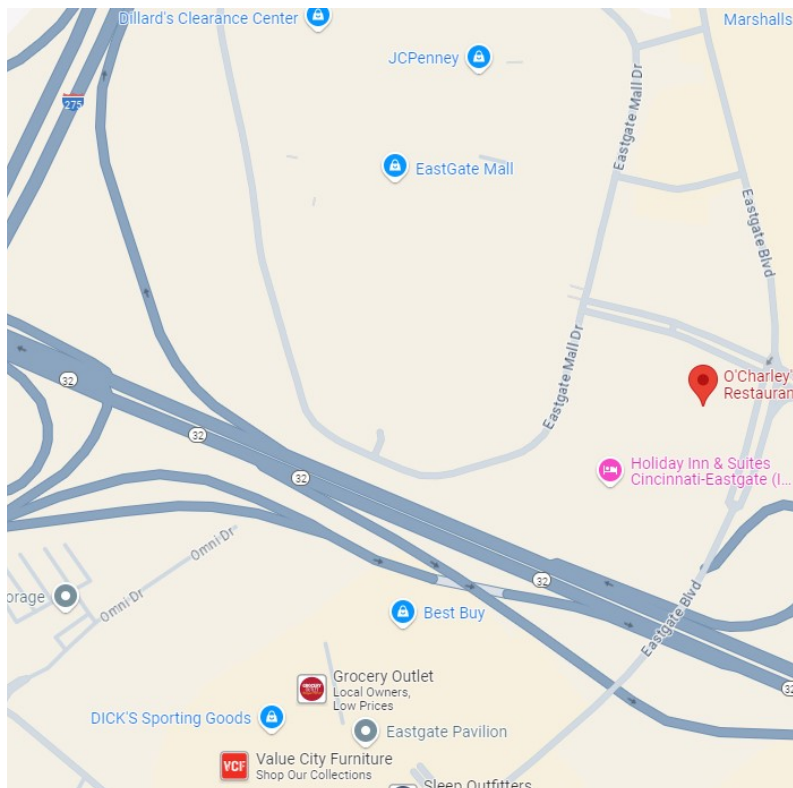
Menu: [ocharleys.com](http://ocharleys.com)

Eating at O'Charley's is about satisfaction; indulgence in comfortable selections that are prepared perfectly every single time. We serve food guests love with unique flavors undeniably traced back to our Nashville roots, making every dish uniquely O'Charley's.



**Free Pie Wednesday,  
Y'all.**

RSVP please to Scott Brown [sbrown8133@gmail.com](mailto:sbrown8133@gmail.com)



Take I275 to  
the East side  
of Cincinnati  
and get off at  
Rt. 32 going  
east. Take  
Eastgate Blvd

## CALENDAR 2024

October 31 - November 3; Southeastern  
Classic Dobson, NC

(SEC37@triadhealey.org)

November 20—Romeo & Juliettes + **meeting**

December 19—OVAHC Christmas gathering  
at Grove Park Grille no meeting just social.

## MEETINGS 2024

December 19 -Grove Park Grille for  
Christmas gathering

## MEETINGS 2025

January—No meeting

February—Jacobs

March—Wallace

April—Lindauer

May—Conclave (no  
meeting)

June—Campbell

July—Grabow

August—Wolfer

September—Cox

October—Parrott

November—Slater

December—Christmas

# JULIETTE LUNCHEON



# CAUGHT IN THE ACT



Dale and Tim prepare for the bonfire at Parrott's on 10/212. Bernie's chainsaw and Tim's expertise...Dale manning the rope just in case.

Hauling away the fire logs—going to be a big one! Part 2 of tech session at Parrotts



# TECH SESSION



10/9 members of the Ohio Valley Austin Healey Club Tech team assisted club member John and Janet Parrott with the ongoing restoration of his BT7 and also helped prepare for the upcoming bonfire meeting at their palatial estate by cutting some firewood. (see caught in the act)



Tech Team having fun working in Skips garage , end of September

# CONCLAVE 2024

## 2024 Conclave Sheboygan Wisconsin

OVAHC was well represented with Jim and Sherry Weckenbrock, Jon and Jack Andorn, Jeff Porada and Nancy Bacon, Bob Duffey, and Jake and John Jacobs in attendance.

**Saturday** September 14, Bob Duffey drove his BJ7 to Jake Jacobs house and met up with Jake and John to start the journey to Sheboygan.

Jake rode with Bob and John drove Loki (his right-hand drive Bugeye) The 2-car caravan headed to Indy via I 74 and took 35 North eventually to Muskegon and Lake Express the fast ferry to Milwaukee and a 60mille drive to Sheboygan. At the ferry we met up with Nelson Wittstock of the Cleveland club. Unfortunately, "Litte Mo" Nelson's 62 Sprite MKII that he bought from the Donald Healey Dealership in London when he was a Radio Repair airman with the USAF, decided to stay home with a head issue. The ferry was an experience in its self. It only took 2 ½ hours to cross Lake Michigan, saved a day, a hotel in both directions as well while completely avoiding Chicago. We arrived at the Blue Harbor Resort by 8 PM.

**Sunday** morning it was off to Road America (RA) to watch the Healey races, and specifically Jeff in his Yellow (Winner Circle) Square body race car. The Healey vintage races started on Friday with groups from England, Australia and the US contingent. We parked in the Healey section in the middle of the paddock. There had to be at least 50+ Healey in attendance. RA is a beautiful 4+ mile race course in what looks like a private state sized park out in the picturesque Wisconsin farm country.

After watching Jeff in the mid-afternoon race, it was time for Healey parade laps. We got 7 spirited laps. It was a great time. Nelson was my passenger in Loki. The weather was fantastic. After a very late lunch in Watkin Glen, it was back to the hotel to register, watch the Bengals lose a close one to the Chiefs and then the opening meet and greet.

**Monday** marked the start of Conclave. They had 2 rallyes organized by the Minnesota club. A gimmick rally and a Time and distant one for the die hards, like Jeff and Nancy that used a App. After hearing that it was a 3-to-4-hour rally, John and I decided to go on our own extrusion. We visited a 4<sup>th</sup> generation Cheese factory and museum out in the middle of Wisconsin. We got back in time for the 1<sup>st</sup> of 2 Teched sessions for the Gymkhana. By the end of the day, we Teched approximately 50 cars and registered 67 drivers.

**Tuesday** was Road America Day, with us administering the Gymkhana The team consisted of Jeff Porada, John Jacobs, Nancy Bacon, Bob Duffey, Jon and Jack Andorn, Nelson Wittstock (NE Ohio) & Jake Jacobs overseen by one of the Big Cheeses'- John Seaman.

The event was held on the Go Cart Track at Road America on Tuesday. Big Cheese John S. arranged for the local Fox Valley Sports Car club (their home turf) to set up the course, handle all the timing and run/control the track.

FVSC did an amazing job. We had the track for 3 hours, had 67 officially timed drivers (58 Men and 9 Fast Ladies), in 19 classes all getting 5 times runs that averaged around 70+ seconds. They were so good, we had about 20 minutes left for fun runs. We took turns driving each other's cars and giving fast rides to those fool hardy enough to put on a helmet. Jeff took 'little" Jack Andorn a couple of laps in Luki. 'little" Jack is about the size of an NFL lineman. John took Gary Feldman and Ashley Feldman in Jeff's Bugeye. All had fun.

All the OVAHC team needed to do was "herd the cats" in groups of 10 and keep the pipeline filled.

Having worked/participated in more Conclave and local Gymkhanas than I want to remember, I can say it was the best Gymkhana I had attended and been associated with. Not a sea of cones, just stay on the concrete and go like Hell..... Fun, Fun, Fun....

The Fastest Time of Day was in Eileen Wetzel's Silver Modified BN6 to BJ8. Men - Scott McQueen (63.149) and by Eileen (67.016) for the Ladies. Gary builds fast cars up there in Minnesota...

**Wednesday** was another great weather day for the car show in Elkhart Lake. They had an elaborate queuing process for the show to get all parked properly on the closed off streets. Again, knowing we would not be competitive, e skipped the queuing and arrived after all were park, being able to view and vote while leaving when we wanted to. They had in excess of 240 registrants and over 250 cars.

**Thursday** was exploring the area day. John, Bob, Nelson and I drove the 60+ miles to Oshkosh and met the Jim and Sherry Weckenbrock at the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Museum, which is a world class aviation museum. We had lunch at the Hanger. Jim drove Bob BJ7 there to test drive a Healey with a T-5. Then it was back to the hotel for the banquet.

We took home the following hardware:

- 1st in the T&D Ralley - Jeff & Nancy
- 1st Gymkhana Modified 1098/1275 Male - Jeff
- 1st Gymkhana Modified 1098/1275 Ladies - Nancy
- 1st Gymkhana Stock 1098/1275 Male - Jake by ½ second
- 2nd Gymkhana Stock 1098/1275 Male - John
- Pat Moss Award - Nancy

**Friday** it was up and on our way at 4:30AM to catch the 6 Am ferry to Muskegon.



The drive was relatively uneventful home, except John ran out of gas about 2 miles from a gas station somewhere in northern Indiana. Luckily Bob had a gallon gas can in his trunk. We got home in the midafternoon to the heat and humidity that was absent in Wisconsin all week...Jake



On the Ferry



Jeff at Road America



The OVAHC ~~Teching~~



Old Man in Luki



Nancy being the grand Competitor



Queuing up for the big picture at RA



EAA Museum @Aviation Mecca (Oshkosh WI)

# Postcards from Branson



Plan to join us in Branson and the Ozarks next May 18-23 for a week of fantastic attractions, beautiful scenery, and special Conclave events. Visit our website at: [Conclave2025Branson.com](http://Conclave2025Branson.com) for registration sign-up and other important information.



# Kurt's Fall Drive



**2024 OHIO VALLEY AHC FLOW OF FUNDS STATEMENT**

<b>BEGINNING ACCOUNT BALANCE: October 1, 2023</b>	<b>\$5,429.06</b>
<b><u>INFLOW OF FUNDS</u></b>	
AHCA/OVAHC Dues	\$1,020.00
OVAHC Local Only Dues	230.00
Multi-Club Dues	60.00
AHCA Rebates:Online Dues Payment	585.00
Split the Pot	457.50
Gymkhana #1	450.00
Gymkhana #2	390.00
<b>TOTAL INFLOW OF FUNDS</b>	<b>\$3,192.50</b>
<b><u>OUTFLOW OF FUNDS</u></b>	
Dues to National (AHCA)	\$840.00
AHCA Insurance Coverage:	
Local Only Members	55.00
AHCA Insurance: Gymkhanas (2)	544.00
2-Year Renewal: Website	677.99
Annual Renewal: Domain Names	44.98
Annual Dropbox Subscription Fee	119.88
Newsleak Mailing Expenses: 2023-2024	202.95
<b><u>EVENTS</u></b>	
Gymkhanas: 4-13-24 / 7-27-24	
Monthly Meetings (8)	600.00
Meetings:October Bonfire	200.00
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOW OF FUNDS</b>	<b>\$3,284.80</b>
<b>NET INFLOW/OUTFLOW</b>	<b>(\$92.30)</b>
<b>ENDING ACCOUNT BALANCE: September 30, 2024</b>	<b>\$5,336.76</b>

*Sunday, October 27, 2024*  
*Don't miss it! 19th Annual*

# Pancake Breakfast

*Fund-Raiser to benefit the*

## David Kreuter Memorial Scholarship Fund



*Sunday, October 27, 2024 at the*

**Shiloh United Methodist Church**  
**5261 Foley Rd. at Anderson Ferry Rd.**  
in Delhi

**9:00 am – 12:00 noon -- John Wesley Hall**

Your minimum donation of \$10 gets you delicious pancakes, French toast, waffles, baked goods, bacon, sausage, goetta, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, milk, juice.

*Don't miss the Silent Auction of gift baskets,  
children's gifts, games & activities,  
theater and sports tickets, gift certificates,  
floral items, home and auto items, holiday gifts  
and decorations, Cincinnati Reds collector items,  
custom-made cornhole set, and so much more!*

**Also: Introducing the students receiving the David Kreuter  
Memorial Scholarships for the school year 2024-2025!**

The Kreuter Memorial Fund is IRS 501(c)(3) tax exempt, ID # 47-3546325



For those of you who knew Bob Thurman, he had a major stroke and passed away this last week. Bob was well known and loved by friends that knew him from Healey get aways. He was always a happy go lucky guy that would help you with a problem with your car in a drop of a hat. Bob will be missed. He was the life of the party!