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# Overdrive

## From the President:

Healey season is about over for us here in Central Indiana, but activities are still on-going, including our Annual AHCA Delegates meeting. This weekend, Jo and Jim Switzer and I attended the meeting in Charlotte, NC. The session is always a busy one with activity budgets discussed and finally agreed to and reports from each officer concerning their individual functions. Membership reports show the AHCA club is still in the decline mode, as most other car clubs are. Still, we seem to be doing well in Central Indiana, holding in the mid 60 range. Overall the budgets are still doing well with the Marque Magazine being over 1/2 the budget. Marque has also kept the price down, so, bottom line, no dues increase for 2010!

Conclave 2009 Co-Chair Bob Yule presented a wrap-up report and Conclave 2010 Chairman Bob Brown presented an update on the upcoming Galena, IL event. Ben Moore presented a proposal for 2012 Conclave to be held in Louisville, which was later accepted by the delegates.

A major discussion was Conclave 2011, which has had no club agree to step up and hold. A presentation was made for holding it in Colorado Springs at the Crown Plaza Hotel and sponsored and run by the National AHCA with a majority of the help expected from all of clubs in the AHCA. This will be discussed further in our meeting this coming Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The proposal was accepted by the delegates and we will be moving toward the tasks for that venue shortly.

**Finally, election of a new President, Gary Brierton, and new club Liaison, Gary Feldman of NE Ohio club, were approved and the meeting was adjourned.** I am always amazed at how quickly so many people can come to a majority agreement on issues put before them, in so short of a time span (as compared to our elected congress people).

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## Cathedral High School Car Show

Congratulations to Ron Francis who won the best British and people's choice awards at the First Annual Cathedral Car and Motorcycle Show. Ron, Jim Frakes and Bob Haskell drove their Healeys to Cathedral High School via Fall Creek on a beautiful but chilly day. There was a wide variety of cars – quite a few British (Healeys, Jags and MGs), old muscle cars, hot rods and some modern iron. We met a couple of ex-Healey owners, one who came up with an alternative cup holder design after reading about the one installation in the Marque.



## Next Meeting

Thursday, November 12th, 6:30 PM at Logan's Roadhouse, 4825 East 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, Indianapolis (317) 598-1347.

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#### Bluegrass AHC

<http://www.bluegrassclub.com>

#### Northern Indiana AHC

<http://web.mac.com/amalin>

#### Midwest Region AHC

<http://members.aol.com/midwestah/club/>

#### Ohio Valley AHC

<http://members.aol.com/ovaustinhealey/>

#### Indiana British Car Union

<http://www.ibcu.org>

#### Marque Matters Blog

<http://www.marquematters.blogs.com/>

#### AH Club of America

<http://www.healeyclub.org/>

## From the editor

I would like to publish the newsletter by the first of the month. One of these times. Articles or photos for the newsletter are welcome. Please get them to me by the 25<sup>th</sup> so I can include them in the next issue.

Bob

## October 2009 Meeting Minutes

By Melanie Haskell

10/24/2009 at Jim and Bev Bush's Halloween Party

Jim Frakes called the meeting to order.

The 2010 Slate of Officers was voted on and accepted  
President - Jim Frakes

Vice President - Melanie Haskell

Treasurer/Membership - Craig Rice

National Delegate - Jim Switzer

Secretary, Newsletter Editor, and Webmaster -Bob Haskell

### Future events

Jim Frakes lead a discussion about the future of SeptemberFest. The Miami Valley (Dayton) and Ohio Valley (Cincinnati) Clubs are interested in having an annual joint event with the Central Indiana Club. Ohio Valley will have the event next year and Miami Valley will have the event in 2011. We will have SeptemberFest in 2012. The host club will fund the event and keep the profits.

There are several benefits to the joint event. One goal is to increase the number of participants at the events. SE Classic is a joint event and has about 70 participants. SeptemberFest only had around 25. There will also be different venues to go to and roads along Ohio and Miami Rivers for the rallies. We will also have two years to just enjoy the event and not have to work the entire weekend. Bob pointed out that it also opens a weekend in Sept. for the other clubs. We could have the event the first weekend in October. We should plan the event around SE Classic. SE Classic moves the around. Next year it is in Florida in the spring.

Jon Monies expressed concern that there could be a problem getting a venue with that many rooms. That size venue does not exist in Southern Indiana.

Joan motioned that we have our event once every three years. The motion passed unanimously. We will need a 3 person committee each year and have a rep go to the event planning meeting.

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## ***Business Meeting Minutes cont'd***

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SeptemberFest 2009 report from Craig Rice

Over all we came out on the plus side. There are still have vests to sell. Buy vests and cook books for Christmas gifts.

Fall Delegates Meeting

The fall delegates meeting is Nov 7 & 8. Jim Switzer asked for input for the meeting. The biggest item is Conclave 2011. So far the Holiday Inn in Colorado Springs is the front runner. John May went out to investigate 2 hotels. He was there about a week. Some Colorado members will help, but the national club will do most of the planning.

There are two new officer nominees for 2010

President - Gary Brierton

VP of Club Support - Gary Feldman

December 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas party at South Harbor club house in Noblesville

The dinner entrée will be provided. Members will pitch in appetizers and desserts. We have spent around \$500 on the Christmas Party in past years. Bring canned food to donate to a food pantry.

Cathedral Car and Motorcycle Show on Oct. 17th

Ron Francis won awards for the Best British car and People's Choice

The November business meeting is at Logan's Steakhouse.

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## ***From the President:***

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The Halloween party at the Bush's house was a rousing success, on a cool but calm Saturday before Halloween. With the West end of the barn nearly out, my first thought was we were in for a very cool night. The lack of a breeze saved us from what could have been a very cold barn party. It looks like Jim and Bev are working diligently on the repairs and are making great progress towards next year's party!

We held our meeting in the barn which included elections (as shown in the minutes published) and a discussion about the agreement to join with Miami Valley and Ohio Valley to alternate the September event among the three clubs on an annual basis. Ohio Valley has agreed to take it next year and Miami Valley the next year, returning to Central Indiana in 2012. Ohio Valley came up with the name September Round-Up, a play on the names for our SeptemberFest and Miami Valley's Fall Round-Up. Jo and Jim Switzer and Jim Frakes have agreed to meet in Richmond on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> (daytime) with the other clubs delegates to discuss some guidelines for the hosting of the events and support of the event. We will publish those guidelines decided upon in the next Issue of Overdrive.

Ohio Valley has settled on a date of September 17<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup> 2010 at the Manchester Inn in Middletown Ohio for their first event. Each club will also be asked to take some part of the event in order to keep the effort from being too burdensome for one club. More on this after we meet on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Jim

## **Tech Sessions**

Contact Jim Frakes to schedule one.

Tuesday, November 17th. Working on Bruce Gilham's BJ8. Will be working on steering box disassembly, the front lower suspension issue, and general dismantling to prep for the air conditioner installation.

Location is at the DECO Associates warehouse, 7225 East 87<sup>th</sup> Street, Indianapolis. Phone at office is 842-4444.

## **Pictures from the Cathedral Car Show**



*Pictures from the Halloween Party*



**January 2009**

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**September 2009**

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**February 2009**

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**April 2009**

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**June 2009**

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**August 2009**

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**October 2009**

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**December 2009**

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January 8<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting

February 15<sup>th</sup> Daytona Party  
 February 19<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 February 22<sup>nd</sup> British Car Swap Meet  
 (Chicago)

March 12<sup>th</sup> Business MeetingApril 9<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting

May 12<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 May 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> SpringThing 2009  
 May 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> Carlisle Import Car  
 Show (Carlisle, PA)  
 May 23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Champagne British  
 Car Festival (Champaign, IL)

June 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> British Bash (Louisville)  
 June 11<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 June 21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Conclave (Kingston,  
 ON)

July 9<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 July 12<sup>th</sup> Rising Sun  
 August 13<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 August 28-30<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social

September 10<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 September 12<sup>th</sup> Lemon Creek  
 September 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> SE Classic  
 September 19<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> Indy British  
 September 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> Septemberfest

October 8<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting  
 October 24<sup>th</sup> Halloween Party

November 12<sup>th</sup> Business MeetingDecember 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party