

# Gear Gossip



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## Closing out 2015

**Good Deeds**

Year 2015 was a time of change for the The Golden Gears Car Club of Frederick, MD. The installation of our new officers took place in April and 12 new members were welcomed to the club.

Cruise Ins and our Spring Poker run were off to a chilly start but we made up for it as our 6th Annual Home Run Show at Harry Grove Stadium was another hot success.

Our club members enjoyed time together at fun events such as the Hanover Chicken Run Show, Dynamics Automotive, Adventure Park, Road Knights Show, Heart of Maryland MVA Show, Shop with a Cop, Patty Pollatos, Trout's Restaurant, Nelson Grimes,



Charlestown Downtown Car Show, the club picnic at Mt. Tabor Park and parades in Thurmont, Middletown and Rocky Ridge.

The Golden Gears club was generously able to contribute too many charitable organizations as well as some individual families in need in the Frederick County area.

This all could not happen without the support and kind hearts of all our members.

We look forward to ushering in another successful and fun filled year together!

## December Holiday Party at the Elks

The Second annual Christmas party held at the Elks lodge, we had 42 members including guests that attended the event. There was lots of food, drinks and laughter. Our waitress, Renee did a great job taking care of us and keeping the drinks flowing.



Santa found out who was naughty or nice during our Yankee trader gift exchange there was lots of "stealing" going on and we lost count on how many times Chuck had to give up his gift. As usual, Chuck had the final pick of the night. Hope you had a winner with those Lottery tickets Chuck!



*Carolers at the Westview Toys for Tots event.*

## Westview Toys for Tots

December 12<sup>th</sup> was the last toy drive of the season. The club worked hard to collect and donate hundreds of toys and bikes for deserving children of Frederick County. Lots of smiles from the kids who got to sit on Santa & Mrs. Claus's lap during the event.



Featured on the left next to the military are the managers from Chico's and Soma's clothing stores. Eight stores in at the shopping center participated in collecting toys.



### *Memorial*

*The Golden Gears Club would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family & friends of Parker Free who passed away recently. He was a car enthusiast who came to many car events.*

Santa's Elves guarding the toys for all the good little girls and boys!



## Notes from the President

HO, HO, HO to everybody. I hope everyone had a great Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As we close 2015, I look back at what this year has been. As the new President I have come to appreciate the hard work the past officers have done over the last 10 years. I feel the club has continued to provide help to our community and the many charitable organizations which we have been able to support during 2015. The new officers have picked up where the past officers have left off and provided me with the support to serve as your

President. The members of our club have all helped to carry on the tradition which has been long associated with the name of the Golden Gears Car Club of Frederick County, MD, Inc.

I would also like to thank the 2015 Annual Club Sponsors, Home Run Car Show Sponsors, business owners, brother car clubs and the individuals who have helped with donations and support for our events this past year. Their help has made many things possible that we might not

have been able to accomplish during 2015.

Looking forward in 2016, we have already started working on scheduling our annual events as well as some possible new events. With support of our club members I hope to make 2016 another successful and enjoyable year for everyone.

**Jay**

# Valentine's Day Dance



**Save the Date: February 13, 2016**

Where: Lewistown Fire Hall

Times: Doors open at 5:30

Cost: \$40 per couple  
\$21 per person

Music: Rock N Roll Relics

Food: Turkey & Ham

B.Y.O.B.

# Letter from the Vice President

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my gear head car members! As we close out the year 2015 I would just like to personally say thanks to everyone. We had a great year of success and it would not have been possible without all the support we had. I knew going in that accepting this position of vice president would require a lot of support, and that's exactly what Jay and I got. We are still getting our feet wet and trying to keep pace with the past officers contributions of the last 10 years, this is no easy task for sure.

It's hard to point out any one particular successful event as the club had a bunch. We had a lot of laughs along the way which is what makes these shows fun to do. I must say being asked to be Santa's Elf was right down my alley at Henleyville, as I'm always up for clowning around. It was surely a highlight of the year and made for interesting comments!!!

I loved being involved in Dolly's Toys for Tots campaign as my compassion for kids at Christmas is right there with Dolly's compassion over the years. What a blessing it was when Dolly started this great campaign for our club and what a benefit it's been for needy families. Thanks Dolly as we'll do our best to move this forward in your memory.

In closing, I look forward to new things to come in 2016 and working hard as your VP. I have no problem bragging about our club and members as we are always willing to step up and make things happen. Other clubs say the same thing about our club which makes me proud to be just a small part of the gears that continue to move our club forward.

**Mike**

# Celebrations

## Birthdays

Linda McElfresh November 13th  
 Linda Hurley November 18th  
 Rosalie Wienhoff November 19th  
 Joe MacInnes November 25th  
 Glenn Wienhoff December 2nd  
 Edwin Hurley December 17th  
 Austin Hurley December 27<sup>th</sup>  
 Christine Rummel December 31st

## Anniversaries

Tom & Mary Webber November 6th  
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## Henleyville Christmas Village



"T'was the Night Before Christmas"  
 reading by Santa and his Elf



### Freezin for a Reason.

Despite temperatures in the 20's, the club turn out at the Henleyville Christmas Village was outstanding. Covered in Down jackets, hats, gloves, wool socks and long underwear The Golden Gears helped guide parents and kids through the village stopping at the many wonderful houses filled with themes of holiday splendor.

A special Thank You to Jay and Linda for hosting a wonderful dinner and a Christmas Village to remember.

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