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Road Angels Tailpipes

Monthly Newsletter of Who, What, Where & When

From the Prez

As always, welcome to this month's issue of the Tailpipes.

Congratulations are in order for several members. Nate Power at Gasket Goons won best Model A. Also , Nate won Best Survivor at Engines for Emma. Mike Wexler won an award at the Rich's Landscaping show at the Stone Depot. Wally Stronski won a Top 40 at the Lansdale Catholic Car Show. And finally, Steve Goscinsky won best '64 with his1964 GTO at the Flemington, NJ Car Show. GREAT JOB and Congratulations all!

We have a Cruise Night scheduled for October 10, 4:00 -7:00 PM at the Dublin Volunteer Fire House Property. This will be our last Cruise for 2025. As usual, we will have a DJ, Club Members selling 50/50 tickets and the Fire Company will once again be selling hot dogs, hamburgers, steak sandwiches, etc. Mark your calendars. We look forward to seeing you there.

Under the leadership of Jim Serafine, the Club is hosting a Swap Meet on November 15 at the Dublin Volunteer Fire House. Mark your calendars.

The Club agreed to bring a canned food good to our meetings each month to be donated to the Food Larder at the New Britain Baptist Church. This month, we collected 103 pounds of food with a goal of 1,500 lbs. collected for the year. THANK YOU Road Angels!

Thank you for your continued interest in the Road Angels of Doylestown and, of course, your support as we strive to support local non-profit organizations.



4 types of hearing protection any shop should have Kyle Smith 01 September 2023

Modern repair technology has come a really long way. We as humans have the ability to restore function to so many broken or damaged things. It's amazing, but we should also understand what cannot be repaired. The one major example that people often forget is the human ear. Our hearing is a delicate thing that once gone is typically gone forever.

Hearing protection, like most personal safety items in the shop, comes in various levels of protection. Having to use the same piece of equipment for every situation could cause you to use none at all due to the annoyance of stopping to find the right hearing device. That search can sometimes take longer than the project you need hearing protection for. Short jobs are just as damaging as big jobs though. Tinnitus and hearing loss do not care about your timeline.

There are a couple of terms we need to define before we are able to compare and understand what makes one solution

better than another for certain tasks.

The first is decibel and how we measure sound. Sounds pressure waves traveling through air bump up against our eardrums which vibrate against three bones—the malleus, incus, and stapes—which comprise our inner ear. Those vibrations are interpreted by our brains. Parts of that system can get damaged by too much or constant pressure that comes from loud noise. Just 70 decibels for an extended period of time can be damaging. For reference that is roughly equivalent to a vacuum cleaner running six feet away.

The second term to know is NRR or Noise Reduction Rating. This is the metric through which the efficacy of hearing protection is judged. The higher the NRR the lower the transfer of sound through the hearing protection to the ear drum. When shopping for hearing protection this number should be easy to find and high is better for most situations but depending on the job you might not need the highest form of protection. In fact, having the four types of hearing protection listed below ought to cover most home garage needs.

Active noise-canceling headphones

Active noise cancellation is technically not hearing protection but in the right situation, it sure feels like it. Active noise cancellation does not insulate our ears from the surrounding noise. Instead, there is a microphone that picks up the surrounding noise and then produces the opposite sound waves via the speakers in the headphones to neutralize the surrounding noise to the wearer's ears.

Custom molded earplugs.

The next step in your hearing protection journey is to go see an audiologist. A professional has access to tools and information I don't. This is why I will tell you about my favorite thing my audiologist did for me: stuffed my ears full of foam. They took a mold of my ears and then used it to create reusable and extremely comfortable in-ear hearing protection specific to my ears. The NRR on most custom-molded ear plugs like these are in the 30-32 range but without interfering with taking a helmet or glasses on and off. They are low profile and comfortable for long-duration wearing. A middle-ground option before full custom molded ear plugs is reusable triple-flange plugs.

Over-ear muffs

The old standard. Rather than trying to fit the sound blocking inside your ear, muffs create a barrier on the outside. These can be found in various levels of NRR and most importantly can be found in a multitude of sizes including some designs specifically for youth. For a quick job or if having something inside your ear canal for a long duration is uncomfortable, these are the solutions. The easy on and off nature along with durability makes it obvious why these have been the gold standard for a long time. Like all the other options here, fit is important. ensure that the band over the top is adjusted properly to have the muffs sit over your ears and that the seal around the edge has good contact with your head.

Upcoming Car Events

October 4, 2025 Modifiers Car Show

8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Automotive Training Center 900 Johnsville Blvd., Warminster, PA Saturday, October 11, 2025 East Penn Modifiers 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Quakertown Farmers Market 201Station Rd. Quakertown, PA

November 1, 2025 New Britain Borough Car Show

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM Lenape Valley Church 321 West Butler Ave., New Britain, PA November 2, 2025 Riegelsville Fall Roll Out 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE!

J U L Y 26, 2026

"Road Angels Car Show"

Location...

Dublin Vol. Fire Company, Dublin PA

Want to volunteer for Show Setup on July 25? Or Help on Day of Show? Call Al Tursi at 267-893-9796 or email altursi@gmail.com

Become a Road Angel

Benefits of Joining THE Road Angels Club

- Our Club is a great way to connect with like-minded enthusiasts
- Our Club helps charities on a group level; sponsorships
- Your social life will improve immeasurably through group events and socials
- You'll have an incentive to look after your car
- Community involvements
- Going to other car shows as a Club, with friends / families
- You will be part of our Annual "Run with The Angels" Car Show

So much more: camaraderie; family socials; road trips!!

For more info please contact our President, Al Tursi, at <u>altursi@gmail.com</u> or 267-893-9796

"We will be looking forward to meeting you!"



Road Angels Member John Hocker's 1972 Oldsmobile 442

Road Angels Member Rich Kaiser's 1973 Cuda 340 Six Pack





Annette Bickley - September 9 Chris Spuler - September 9 Jim Serafine - September 12 Dawn Frank - September 14 Leslie Rickenbach – September 23 Bob Frank - September 28

Lynne Towle -October 1 Vivian Bell - October 23 Steve Goscinsky – October 28 John Perry - October 29 Terry Kimmey – October 30



Bill & Cindy Robinson - September 7 Chris & Annette Spuler - September 26

Brad & Christine Sanders - October 1 Terry & Trish Kimmey - October 8 Greg & Carolyn Palermo - October 14 Butch & Annette Bickley - October 16 Tom & Judy Wholf - October 20

Mark Your Calendars

~ 2025 Cruise Nights ~

The Road Angels had a very successful Cruise Night season for 2024 sponsored by the Dublin Volunteer Fire Company. Thank you Dublin Volunteer Fire Company. The following are dates for the Cruise Nights in 2025 all located at the Dublin Volunteer Fire Company, 194 N. Main St., Dublin, PA:

April 11 - 4:00 - 7:00 PM - Rained out May 9 - 5:00 - 8:00 PM - Rained out June 13 - 5:00 - 8:00 PM - 76 Cars August 8 - 5:00 - 8:00 PM - 78 cars September 12 - 4:00 - 7:00 PM - 83 cars October 10 - 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Be sure to put us on your calendar. Food, as always, will be provided by the Dublin Volunteer Fire Company. We look forward to seeing you there.

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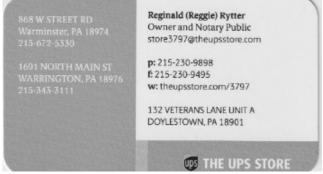










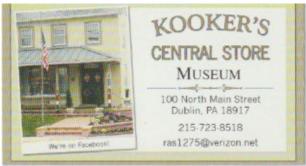


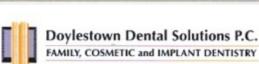
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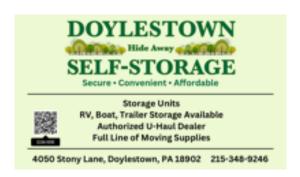








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