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Linda Pellerin receives her Past President's pin from Bob Stein.

# PRESIDENT BOB'S MESSAGE Robert's Ramblings

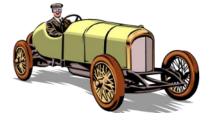
Homm. My very own column. What to call it? Presidential Pontification? Bob's Blatherings? How about Stein's Lines? I suspect our trusty editors will prevail and it will end up 'President Bob's Message'. In any case, this is the first of what is supposed to be two years of monthly notes.

As Terry Bond noted in his comments during the Installation Ceremony, the Tidewater Region is the best in AACA, and it is my privilege and honor to represent the amazing membership that has made the TRAACA such a vibrant and respected organization. However, I am following in footsteps so big even my 14EEE feet tremble at the task. Linda Pellerin has done a fantastic job the past two years, and only her promise to help me out as President Emeritus kept me from moving to Australia.

Like anyone coming into a new responsibility, I have ideas for change. Nothing too drastic, other than requiring all members to own an MG! (Insert evil laugh here). Not really. Some of the things I want to focus on are making the club less work and more fun, reduce the costs of participating in events, and most importantly, to get input from all of you out there on the direction you want Tidewater Region to move over the next couple of years. Look for more information on this elsewhere in this month's Mud Flap.

Thank you all for putting your faith in me – I will work to justify your trust!

Bob Stein



# Announcements

The TRAACA Member Survey will be on it's way to you soon.

TRAACA Swap Meet March 5, 2011 Got car parts you don't need? Got autombilia you want to sell? Call Neil Sugermeyer to reserve a space or to help out. 757-486-5456

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# JAN/FEB EDITORIAL By Neil Sugermeyer We are off on a new year of adventure and fun with TRAACA, and we can look back at a fantastic year just com-

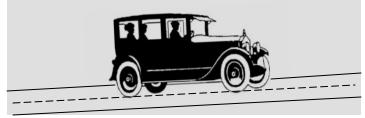
pleted. With our own President Terry Bond and First Lady Susan at the helm of AACA, and Linda Pellerin leading the Tidewater Region, it has been a year to remember the things we have done as members of this great organization. Many of us took part in AACA's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events throughout the past year, and have thoroughly enjoyed all that was planned, both nationally and locally. One cannot say enough to thank the many people who took part in making these successful activities happen.

Our new president Bob Stein and his leadership team are taking a hard look at what the membership wants to do in the future, and will shortly be soliciting inputs and ideas from all of us. Please take a few minutes to reply to the questions and send your answers back. Our Region holds a strong, positive reputation throughout AACA, and will continue to build upon that firm foundation. Our incoming National President, Joe Gagliano, can be counted upon to continue where Terry has been so motivated to lead us, and Bob Stein will do the same for TRAACA in the coming year.

While I have been working on the 2011 roster, I note that the Region has welcomed about 15 new members and their families. To them I say jump in with both feet, or perhaps better stated, all four wheels. We want to get to know you, see your vehicles, and have you participate in as many ways as you see fit. It's a great group of folks you have joined, and you can get the most from your membership by your participation with them and the activities that have been planned for our enjoyment.

To the 25 or so members who have forgotten to pay this years' membership dues, please do so NOW! The Mud Flap you are reading at this very moment has been stamped in big red letters as your final reminder. We don't want to lose any member, but this will be your last Mud Flap unless your dues, both local and National, are paid. So, please, take care of this before you read another word!

Finally, spring is right around the corner. Get ready for another great year with our antique cars and friends in the hobby. And as Terry has said on many occasions, long live AACA – may it never run out of gas.



# THE COVER

By Marty Sugermeyer t our Awards and Installation Banquet on January 22, we recognized the achievements of our members and began the New Year with our 2011 officers and board members. Outgoing officers, board members, and heads of committees were recognized for their contributions to TRAACA. After a very successful two year term as president, Linda Pellerin will become the President Emeritus as Bob Stein takes over the office of president. We look forward to two very good years with Bob as our leader. Wes Neal (not pictured on cover) is our incoming vice president. Scott Davies will continue to serve as secretary. Jim Villers is our new treasurer. Board members include Tony Scarpelli, Barbara Talley, Toni McChesney, and Bob Roughton.

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## Oct. 12, 2010-TRAACA Board Meeting

By Scott Davies, Secretary The board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at Priority Chevrolet. Members present were Linda Pellerin, President; Bob Stein, Vice-President; Scott Davies, Secretary; John Gancel, Treasurer; Board members Toni McChesney and Bill Wilcox. Also present were Marie Gancel, Bob and Dot Parrish, Mickey McChesney and Frank Lagana.

New members Tim and Rhonda Russell were welcomed and introduced to the TRAACA Board.

The September minutes were approved as corrected. John Gancel gave the Treasurer's report and it was submitted for audit. Toni McChesney gave the "Sunshine" report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Upcoming Activities:** 

o 16 October, Military Day at the Virginia Beach Airport & Museum.

- O 30 October, Ladies Driving Tour to Coinjock Marina
- o 13 November, Chili Cook-off
- o 19 November, Portsmouth display on High Street
- o 4 December, Holiday Party at Cavalier Hotel

Reminder that the November dinner meeting is the Silent Auction.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Display case Richard Hall took everything to Hersey to be setup by the museum staff.
- New club trailer was purchased delivery date is 25 Octo-

ber. Ken Talley has parking area ready. The trailer will need to be sealed inside (bare plywood) and racks and shelves installed.

• Old trailer has been sold for the same amount we paid to offset the cost of the new trailer.

• DMV documents are in order for transfer to the new trailer.

#### NEW BUSINESS

• The TRAACA webpage needs to have the wording corrected for the Monthly Dinner Meetings – Reservations are required.

• A survey will be sent to the membership for desired activities, suggestions, etc.

• Motion was made and seconded to confirm the date for the next TRAACA Annual Meet, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the Military Aviation Museum as recommended by 2010 show committee.

• Bill Wilcox advised that Pete Catanese provided food vendor information for the Annual Meet if outside vendors are desired. They would pay a flat fee to provide concessions.

• Linda Pellerin read a Thank You note from the Norfolk Zoo acknowledging the participant donations at the Zoo event. Bob Parrish announced the TCC Auto Tech School was having a show Friday, 15 October and requested "old" cars. Due to the late notice, an email will be sent to the membership.

There being no further business,t he meeting was adjourned at 6:44pm.

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# Nov. 9, 2010 – TRAACA Board Meeting

By Scott Davies, Secretary

The board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm at Priority Chevrolet. Members present were Linda Pellerin, President; Bob Stein, Vice-President; Scott Davies, Secretary; John Gancel, Treasurer; Riley Best, Past President; Board members Toni McChesney Don Hobbs, Tony Scarpelli and Bill Wilcox. Also present were Marie Gancel, Bob and Dot Parrish, Mickey McChesney, Frank Lagana, Ken and Barbara Talley and Wes Neal.

New member Tyler Brown was welcomed and introduced to the TRAACA Board.

The October minutes were approved as read. John Gancel gave the Treasurer's report and it was submitted for audit. Toni McChesney gave the "Sunshine" report.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- o 18 November, Dinner Meeting is the annual Silent Auction
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- 4 December, Holiday Party at Cavalier Hotel

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• The National Meet Planning Committee will meet on 17 November at Pellerin's office.

• The new club trailer has been delivered! Volunteers are needed to finish the inside of the trailer, paint/varnish, install racks and shelves, etc. Will announce at dinner meeting. The gravel has been delivered to Ken Talley's for the parking area

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

• Neil Sugermeyer has started planning for the Flea Market for March.

• The TRAACA donation for presentation at the Annual AACA Meeting was discussed by the board. A motion to donate \$1000 was made, seconded and carried.

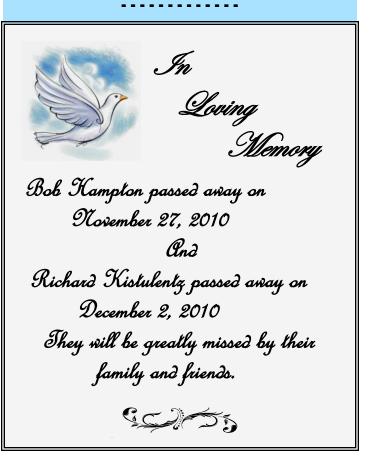
• Funds to offset the President's expenses for the Annual AACA Meeting and the fact that the costs have increased was discussed. A motion to allocate \$500 for the President's expenses was made, seconded and carried.

• Bill Wilcox volunteered to handle the DMV paperwork for the new trailer.

• The board discussed insurance for the new trailer. Bill Wilcox will investigate options and present his findings to the board.

• A GREAT time was had by all on the Ladies Driving Tour. The Lynchburg ODMA Meet was announced by Barbara Talley. The meet will be held 5-7 May 2011. A Battleground tour will be included and the host hotel has been recently remodeled.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.





# TRAACA Holiday Party

Article and photos by Bob Stein O n December 4, 2010 , seventy-six members of the TRAACA gathered in the Hunt Room of the Cavalier Hotel

on the Hill in Virginia Beach for our 2010 Holiday Party. Partygoers were met by Bob "The Hat" Pellerin for a envelope containing a special team playing card.

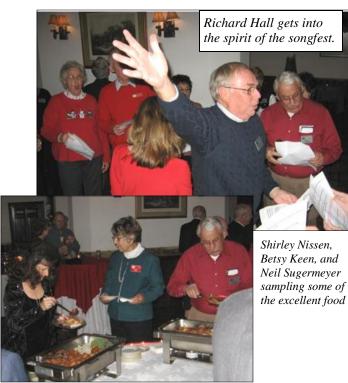
Bob Pellerin greets Marty and Neil Suger-

meyer and gives them

their team cards.



Teams were determined by a symbol on the back of the cards, and team members combined their playing cards for the best hand. The winner was a straight flush. Other activities included sing-alongs and contests for the best Seasonal clothing, Ho-Hos, and solo singing. There was even snow outside, an unusual occurrence for this area.



Our two songbirds, Jeanie Downing and Debbie Meadows gave us a lovely rendition of White Christmas.





Alan Ives and Bob Roughton may have been giving Tyler Gimbert advice on which deserts to pick.

Linda Pellerin and Sandy Hall (center) had the guys organized for the best Holiday tie contest.



Below: Which team had the winning hand? Nobody remembers, but we all had fun with the game.



# TRAACA 2011 AWARDS AND INSTALLATION BANQUET

By Bob Stein

This year's Installation and Awards Banquet on January 22<sup>nd</sup> surprised us all with record attendance. Instead of the normal 60 or so, 90 TRAACA members, families and friends showed up to honor those who have excelled in the hobby or service to the club, and to herald in the new Board of Directors. Held at the Aberdeen Barn with an upscale menu that included Prime Rib, Grouper, New York Strip Steak, and Chicken Florentine, the event was the first on our calendar this year. Featuring table art in the form of gold-painted car parts donated by Tony Scarpelli, Dot Parrish's usual classy programs, and our region banner freshly restored and improved by Paul Cho, you knew it was going to be a great event when you walked in the door.

After an invocation by Dick Pensyl and a sing-along of God Bless America led by the amazing Jeanie Downing, we settled into one of our most common and popular activities - eating.

Bob Parrish served as emcee for the evening, taking time to note his attempts to emulate last year's tuxedo-wearing Sam Kern. Alas, storage in the attic had shrunk the tuxedo just

enough that it wasn't quite usable, so he found something else that did fit - his safety orange Saltwater to Firewater sweatshirt. That kicked off a recap of the 2010 activities, starting with our 'Pumpkin Patch' at the AACA National Meeting last Feb-



Bob Parrish did an excellent job as MC.

ruary, and hitting high points of the year.

Then it was on to distributing the awards, trophies, and presentations that covered not one, but two 6-foot tables. National AACA President Terry and First Lady Susan Bond took home the lion's share due to their taking the time and trouble to participate in AACA national events with their 1912 Triumph motorcycle. Many of our most prestigious awards are based on points accumulated when you show a vehicle and help expose the public to our old cars.

• CENTURY AWARD - Dwight and Jane Schaubach - 1910 Alliance Roadster

- CENTURY PARTICIPATION: Bob Roughton 1909 IHC Auto Wagon
- HOLMES OVERLAND AWARD: Terry Bond
- DINNER MEETING AWARD: Neil Sugermeyer

RESTORATION AWARD: Riley Best - 1903 Cadillac

Riley Best's recieved the 2011 TRAACA Restoration Trophy for his 1903 Cadillac Riley will also receive an award at Philly in February.



• MUDFLAP AWARD: Sue Bond



Sue Bond (center) was presented the Mud Flap Award by Neil and Marty Sugermeyer for her great articles about "Meggie's" travels to the national shows and tours last year.

- BARTLETT BOWL: Bob Pellerin
- MERRITT HORNE PARTICIPATION: Angle Ciccone and Bob Pellerin



Angie Ciccone and Bob Pellerin (center right) received the Merritt Horne Participation Trophy presented by Richard and Sandy Hall.

SPARKPLUG AWARD: Holly Forrester



Holly Forrester is definitely a spark plug in TRAACA. Terry Bond presented her with the award he donated. Terry started the award to recognize people who work hard for TRAACA, often without much recognition.

- IVIE LISTER AWARD: Sue and Terry Bond
- LALIQUE AWARD: Dewey Milligan

The Lalique Award is given to one member for their cumulative contributions to TRAACA over the years. The member is selected by vote from former Lalique Award winners. This year Dewey Milligan was honored with the award.



- BEAULIEU CUP: Terry Bond
- 25-YEAR NAMETAGS : Harold &Carolyn Farley, Andy Ott, Bill &Karen Wilcox
- 50-YEAR NAMETAG: Harold Via
- PAST PRESIDENT NAMETAG: Linda Pellerin

We were then privileged to have Terry Bond perform the installation of officers again this year. He took time to provide us with an overview of what National is doing and his positive assessment of the state of the old car hobby. He noted that he and Susan had traveled all over the country to AACA events large and small, and said that he could now say with some authority that our region continues to be one of the best in the organization. The installation ceremony made use of the TRAACA puzzle, with each member fitting a piece as they were called up to be presented to the club. One piece of the puzzle as missing incoming vice-president Wes Neal had set up and purchased reservations for the Barrett-Jackson Auto Auction in Scottsdale, AZ long before he was nominated for the Board. The Barrett-Jackson event combines one of the world's biggest collections of antique and classic cars for sale combined with warm weather, so there were probably more than a few of us wishing we were there with him!

## 2010 Call Tree Team

By Marie Gancel

Thanks to these folks for being part of the Call Tree Team. They really help to keep Tidewater rolling.

Sylvia/ Bob Roughton 13 yrs						
Toni McChesney		1/2 yrs	Retired in May			
Frank Waldner 10 yrs						
Viator Trudeau 8 yrs						
Linda Pavlides	8 y	rs				
Scott Davis 7	yrs					
Sandy Graham	6 y	rs Retii	red in December			
Carol Avenson 3 yrs						
Becky Woodall	3 y	rs				
Betty Stevens 1	1/2 y	rs Retir	ed in August			
Jane Cutright 1	1/2 y	/rs				
Barbara Talley 1 yr						
Debbie Meadows 7 months						
Alan Ives 6 months						
Rhonda Russell 1 month						
Marie Gancel 6 yrs plus Call Tree Chair.						



#### TRAACA DISPLAY CASE at the AACA MUSEUM

T RAACA is now one of the regions to have a display cabinet at the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA. We can be very

proud of our display, as it reflects the fun and accomplishments of TRAACA for over half a century. Richard and Sandy Hall and Neil and Marty Sugermeyer, collected trophies, mementos, and photos to put into the case. Two of our retired trophies, many meet plaques, several Mud Flap covers, and even a Saltwater to Firewater sweatshirt are part of the display. Don't miss it when you visit the museum.





# **Pellerin's Austin Featured**

**B** ob and Linda Pellerin's 1938 Standard Flying Ten was featured on the cover of the December 2010 issue of British Marque. The author of the article, Goeff Wheatley, was drawn to the car because it was just like the one owned by his father. That car carried his family into the English countryside for picnics when he was a boy. He spotted the car at the Concours de Elegance at Hilton Head, SC and had not seen such a beautifully restored version of the car in over fifty years



# **TRAACA Membership Survey**

#### By Bob Stein

In any large group there is usually a core membership that does most of the work. And since this core does most of the work, they also end up making a lot of the decisions that affect the entire group. Tidewater Region is a good example of this – we are fortunate to have a faithful few who constantly donate their time and effort to keep the Tidewater Region a vibrant and active organization.

However, the down sides are that we don't benefit from the full knowledge and experience that our members offer, and more importantly, the majority of membership doesn't take an active roll in the Region's operation and future planning. The Tidewater Region exists to serve everyone in the club, and this year the Board wants to make sure that each of you has the opportunity to make your ideas and preferences known.

Each household in the TRAACA will get a mailing in February that includes a two-page Membership Survey for the primary member and one for the spouse, plus a self-addressed and stamped envelope. The Membership Survey is set up to take less than 5 minutes of your time, and the SASE ensures your responses remain anonymous. We want your input on dinner meetings, meets, tours, special events, and other activities so that we can make sure that TRAACA follows the path that the majority wants us to take.

Some of you, maybe a lot of you, may pitch the surveys in the trash. Please don't. This Survey is an opportunity to get your ideas and opinions expressed to the Board. Every survey will be personally read by the TRAACA President, and a summary of results will be provided back to the board and the membership as a whole.

Give us five minutes and we'll do our best to give you the club you want.



# >>>>> PARADES <<<<<

By Jere Avenson, Parade Chairman I 'm in receipt of the registration form for the 127th consecutive Memorial Day Parade in Portsmouth. It's the oldest continuous running parade in the country. Parade is Monday the 30th of May and it's a "rain or shine" event. We assemble starting at 9:30 at IC Norcom High School and kick off at 11:00 AM. The path is north up High Street to Crawford Street and we disband at Crawford and Columbia. They'll only allow us to have "not more than" I register for so, I'll need a pretty accurate count. I'll submit the count of cars by the end of April so even if there's work in progress on your car, please let me know and we'll include you in the count.

We're invited, and unless TRAACA has something else we've committed to do the parade, so I'm filling it out for TRAACA to participate. This year (as in past years) I'd appreciate a boost from the President to get our attendance up. May is one of the best months to drive our cars in the parade. Portsmouth has enthusiastic crowds, the parade moves along well, it's cool and usually there's a breeze off of the river.



These 1939 to 1947 job rated Dodge trucks sent by John and Lynn Heimerl really fit the Winter of 2011. (Photo by David Olsen)



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Meggie has a new map to show more trips. Even with smaller lines, the line to Missouri covers the line to Blacksburg. Glad all those miles were safe travels!

# Miles with Meggie

(the MGBGT Terry and Susan Bond travel with)

AACA Southeastern Fall Meet, Blacksburg, Virginia August 12-14, 2010, Roanoke Valley Region AACA

The Virginia Tech campus is beautiful! Our hotel, The Inn at Virginia Tech, was right in the middle of all those granite buildings. We arrived on Thursday, had dinner in a noisy pizza joint downtown with Don and Carol Barlup, Hulon McCraw, and Herb and Fran Oakes, and followed up with ice cream at Ben and Jerry's.

Friday was full of meetings for the AACA board members, but we took the bus to Roanoke to explore the museums. The O. Winston Link Museum is in the former passenger depot and had opened since our last visit to the area. Mr. Link took spectacular photos of steam trains when they were still plentiful on the rails. Also displayed were his equipment and railroad relics. Everyone has seen the picture of the steam train passing the drive-in movie with an airplane on the screen, and we found out how he made it work. The locomotives in the Virginia Museum of Transportation are awesome, even when parked. There were also rail cars, 4-wheel vehicles, a huge model train layout, and a model circus layout in the former rail freight shed. An air travel exhibit was still closed after a storm knocked it out.

Virginia Museum of Transportation



hundred other cars, to the Starlite drive-in movie theater where we enjoyed drive-in food, wandered around looking at cars, and watched "Thunder Road". Well, most of it. I don't like unhappy endings and I could see what was coming.



Folks sat on the grass or in lawn chairs in front of their cars.

Show time on Saturday got off to a slow start with a rain shower – we were glad the show field had been moved from grass to a parking lot – but the cars and chamois' came out and later the sun almost did. Terry said it was just a free car wash. Lots of my relatives were on the field, including the 1933 MG of Lindsay Coleman. I'm in love! Also, there was a 1937 Morris, only 2 years newer than my garage mate, and an alphabet of MGs. We had plenty of time to look at cars and my friend, the 1912 Triumph, collected another preservation award.



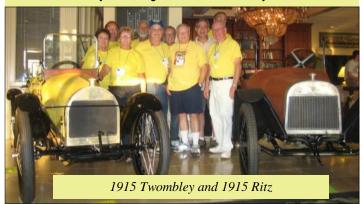
The awards banquet was unique. There usually isn't entertainment, but ventriloquist Steve Brogan had been well-coached and used his 4 dummies to pick on Hulon, Herb and a few others. Then he recruited a new "dummy", Steve Moskowitz. Sure wish someone had recorded that, it was hilarious. If you want to see why our faces hurt from laughing so much, go to stevebroganco.com and watch the video clip.

We antique-shopped our way home, as usual, home before dark.

Special Divisional Tour, Big Tour for Little Budgets Ohio & Pennsylvania, Aug. 25-28 Shenango Valley Region AACA Cool tour number ->



We landed in Cleveland this time and picked up our rental car. As usual, we turned down all the upgrades, only to see the lady roll her eyes and sigh as she went back for the keys – for a Crown Victoria. Not quite sure how we rated this land yacht, we had a nice trip to West Middlesex PA and the Radisson Hotel. And our second surprise, our room. It was 2 stacked rooms with a sitting area down and the bedroom up, complete with a huge tub which we never had time to use. Oh well. The opening pizza party in the hotel was great, and we spent a lot of time in the hall looking at one of 6 surviving Twombley cars, and the only surviving Ritz, both owned by Ed Grace. The



1915 Twombley is like a bicycle built for 2, the passenger sits behind the driver. The 1915 Ritz, "The Miniature Car for Everyone", was a not-quite-finished-restoring cycle car. We have more info if you are interested.

While walking around the tour cars (including one MG) outside, we bumped into Bud Lilly whom we had met in Topeka last year, where Susan got to ride in the sidecar of his award winning 1917 Harley. He had a Dodge Challenger and a 1954 Kaiser Darrin in the car park, which we were drooling over. Unbelievably, he offered to let us drive either one on the tour. Duh! There were only 435 of the fiberglass bodied Kaiser Darrin sports cars



made, and the chance to drive one couldn't be passed up.

A very chilly Thursday morning found us in the fleece jackets Bud and Ellen Lilly had thoughtfully left in the boot in the Kaiser, greatly appreciated because only half of the top was up. That's the way they drove it, so we did, too. And several of the local club members said they drive it everywhere, it's definitely not a trailer queen. Our first stop was Drake's Well in Titusville PA, the first commercially successful oil well. We saw a steam engine which powered many of the wells, connected to them with Rube Goldberg-esque chains and wires. Newer oil rigs, buildings and a transportation exhibit with wagons and trucks were all explored. When we got back to the car park there was a crowd around the Kaiser, the first of many.

After a very nice lunch at Cross Creek Resort, we headed to Franklin PA for the afternoon. The Franklin Antique Mall, in the

old armory, included a Wild West Museum and Terry could have spent all day in that place. But we dragged him out and walked around town, stopping in St. John's Episcopal Church to see the wonderful Tiffany windows. The Buzzard's Breath Touring Region held its meeting that evening in a local Italian restaurant, after which we visited a local drive in for ice cream.

Friday morning was also a chilly ride to the New Galilee Fire Department which served us a full breakfast, including lots of coffee and tea for thawing out. After a stop at the Hummel Gift Shop, we visited the Dick Best Collection, a magnificent assortment of trucks of all sizes, everything from pickups to tractor trailers, which were all displayed in his garages. There was also gas pumps, signs and memorabilia to keep us occupied for a

long time. But rumbling tummies demanded lunch so we ate at the Dutch House Restaurant before heading to the Don Snyder Collection and Snyder's An-



tique Auto Parts. Race cars galore – 7 Thunderbolts in one place, including the first one and the last one! And antique cars in the other building, including a rare early Model T sedan. We had beautiful weather for the picnic at Buhl Park, where all the cars were lined up and we got lots of pics and conversation.

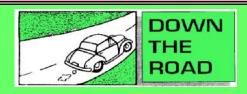
Saturday we ventured in to Ohio to visit the newly renovated National Packard Museum and see all things Packard. The first car we saw was the 10<sup>th</sup> Packard built and is one of only 2 model "B"s known to exist. All exhibits were excellent, tho the main hall was set up for a wedding reception so the cars were a bit hard to see. Charlanne Farms in Southington OH is a working farm and meat packing operation. It also hosts owner Charles Plott's eclectic collection. Arranged by type in a huge warehouse was everything from railroad spikes to tractors. Lots of them! Everything used on a farm or railroad, in a house or business, almost anything you could think of was there. Picnic tables were along the main aisle and we filled our plates with BBQ and sweet corn that was picked that morning and cooked in huge kettles over a wood fire just outside. Pleasantly stuffed, we headed for Sharon OH to visit the world's largest shoe store and Daffin's, the world's largest candy store.

We parked and covered the Kaiser for the last time, taking the land yacht to Brentford House in Hubbard OH for the farewell banquet. After an excellent meal and entertainment, Terry was called to the mic – and all the lights went out. He made a few cracks about paying the electric bill and just kept talking, with everyone listening because there were no distractions. Won't forget that banquet for a while! The whole tour was great, from the comprehensive and precise tour book to driving a really neat sports car. Shenango Valley did a great job! 1552 miles

# Happy Valentine's Day

It's that time of year again when you're wondering how to make Monday, February 14th special for your husband, wife, parents, children, boss, co-workers or friends. Why not send a Singing Valentine??? My quartet, "Feelin' Groovy", will travel throughout Virginia Beach, Norfolk, Chesapeake and Portsmouth to wherever that person will be. We go to businesses, schools, restaurants, hospitals, homes, you name it, we'll go there! For \$50 we'll deliver two love songs, a card, a giant Hershey's kiss, a keepsake photo and...lot's of FUN! Just call Debbie Meadows at 460-0270.





#### LOCAL

**February 8** - TRAACA Board Meeting (Priority Chevrolet) **February 17** – TRAACA Monthly Dinner Meeting (Aberdeen Barn)

### March 5 - TRAACA Swap Meet at Hickory

March 8 - TRAACA Board Meeting (Priority Chevrolet) March 17 – TRAACA Monthly Dinner Meeting (Aberdeen Barn) April 21 – TRAACA Monthly Dinner Meeting (Aberdeen Barn) May 5-7 - Old Dominion Meet - Lynchburg, VA

August 26 - Friday Night Social (TBD)

August 27 – TRAACA Annual Meet (Virginia Beach Airport)

## REGIONAL

March 26 – Northern Neck Indoor Cars and Parts Swap Meet, Hughlet Tavern – Rices Hotel, 73 Monument PI. Heathsville, VA. Spaces call Bob Ward 804-462-3225 or email: wsevila@msn.com

April 7-10 - Southeastern Spring Meet - Charlotte May 5-7 - Old Dominion Meet - Lynchburg, VA

#### NATIONAL

March 4-5 - AACA Southeastern Winter Meet (FL) March 10-12 - AACA Special Meet - Puerto Rico April 17-22 – AACA Founders Tour (FL) May 1-4 - AACA Southeaster Divisional Tour (NC) May 19-21 - AACA Eastern Spring Meet (VT) July 24-29 – AACA Special Vintage Tour (PA) August 11-13 - AACA Southeastern Fall Meet (TN) September 18-23 - AACA Glidden Tour (MD)

Planning ahead will get you to the best meets and tours.

For more events visit aaca.org or aaca.org/tidewater.



TRAACA members will be leaving Tidewater on February 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> to head toward the Antique Automobile Club of America –th Annual Meeting. If you've never been to Philly, ask our members who attend this year about it. Does partying for three or four days with several hundred folks who love antique cars sound like fun? If so, you'll want to come to the TRAACA February Dinner Meeting to hear about Philly.

# February Dinner Meeting AACA and TRAACA in 2011

T his month's dinner meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup> should be of interest to all of our members, providing reports on the 2011 National Membership Meeting in Philadelphia, as well as a look at what the future holds for AACA National and Tidewater Region.

Terry Bond will provide as recap of AACA National Board activities, with individual reports from TRAACA members who attended on seminars and events. This will be followed by a review of the TRAACA Activities Calendar for 2011 and a short overview on the TRAACA Membership Survey project that will be kicking off in Early February.

Plan to attend – it's you chance to find out what's going on in your club!

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# **February Antique Run**

T idewater Region activities will get an earlier kick-off than usual this year. On Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, we'll be having an easy run to Williamsburg to explore the Williamsburg Antique Mall. The day will start off with a lazy 10:30 AM departure from the Sears Parking lot at Greenbrier Mall. We will take I-64 to I-664, and roll through the Monitor-Merrimack tunnel, then take I-64 up to Jefferson Boulevard and the Cracker Barrel Country Store and Restaurant at 12357 Hornsby Lane in Newport News, VA. The use of antique vehicles is encouraged. We'll keep the speeds appropriate for the oldest/most 'reserved' vehicle that comes along. With multiple lanes, we can safely roll at the minimum 45 to 50 mph. Peninsula members can rendezvous with us at Cracker Barrel about 11:20 AM. There is plenty of parking, and with winter drops in tourists, we shouldn't have any trouble getting seated. We are planning an hour for lunch, but can adjust longer or shorter as required.

We'll leave Cracker barrel and take a jog over to Route 60 for the remainder of the run to Williamsburg. Route 60 provides a relaxed pace and better scenery on the way to the Williamsburg Antique Mall, located at 500 Lightfoot Road in Williamsburg. This 45,000 square-foot facility has more than 300 vendors, and provides maps on request. We expect to arrive by 1 PM. The Mall is open until 6 PM, and participants can browse as long as they like, or wander over to the world-famous Pottery just 3 minutes away. Departure is on your own, so you can stay late or head home to beat the setting sun.

The Antique Run promises to be a pleasant kick-off for 2011 Activities. Hope you can come join us!

# TRAACA ANNUAL SWAP MEET

By Neil Sugermeyer

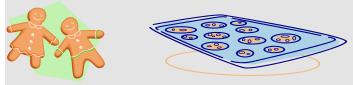
O nce again, it is nearing time for the annual TRAACA Swap Meet, which is the starter event for our 2011 automotive activities. It will be held on 5 March at the Hickory Ruritan building on South Battlefield Blvd, Route 168. Set up time for vendors begins about 6:45AM, and opens to the public around 8AM. It's a laid back event, intended to get your unwanted, unused, unnecessary automobile related stuff out of your garage and into someone else's.

This year, we have asked the Ruritan Club to handle the food so car people will be free to either park cars, sell, buy or just wander around looking and have a good time. As we did last year, TRAACA will have a bake sale table indoors to tempt your palate.

We do need club members willing to help make the Swap Meet successful. A few of us are needed Friday to set up the tables inside, and mark off spaces outside. More help is needed on show day to assist with vendor and public parking. If you can help for a couple of hours, please call Neil Sugermeyer to volunteer before he calls you. It does take some effort in this area to make the event a success. Terry Bond has promised to control the weather, which even with his necessary absence last year, he was able to do to perfection.

There is a Swap Meet registration form in this issue of the Mud Flap. Inside spaces are limited to first come, first served, and are only \$25.00 preregistered, or if any are left, \$30.00 day of show. Tables and chairs are provided indoors. Outside spaces are \$20.00 preregistered, or \$25.00 day of show. Outside vendors should bring your own tables and chairs. Please restrict the items you bring for sale to things automotive. Yard sale items should be left at home.

# **BAKE SALE at the SWAP MEET**



By Linda Pellerin

The bake sale was a big hit last year at our annual flea market, it even paid the rent for the facility. Please one and all contribute bake goods again this year. Drop offs can be made the day of the flea market by 9:00am or at my house the day before. I also need some help manning the table. Please contact Linda Pellerin to sign up. See you there with cookies in hand!

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# ODMA Meet 2011

By Sandy Hall and Kathy Kellam

From R.E. Lee to U.S. Grant, Head-Quarters, Army of Northern Virginia April 9, 1865.

General: I received your letter of this date containing the terms of the surrender of the army of Northern Virginia, as proposed by you. As they are substantially the same as those expressed in your letter of the 8th instant, they are accepted. I will proceed to designate the proper officers to carry the stipulations into effect.

What happened afterward was the surrender that started the unification of the country.

http://www.mycivilwar.com/battles/650409b.htm

If you wish to see where history was made, plan on attending the Old Dominion Meet this year in Lynchburg, Virginia, May 5-7, 2011. The Meet will be held at The Kirkley Hotel in Lynchburg on Saturday, May 6. On Friday, May 5, there will be a tour of Appomattox and surrounding area. While at the Surrender Site, one of the Park's civil war interpreters will be our guide. In the afternoon, there will be a drive to Courtland Field in Appomattox and display the cars across from the Appomattox County Court. There are several antique shops as well as the Old Appomattox Jail, a doll house museum and the old railroad station which currently serves as the Appomattox Welcome Center.

Rooms are \$89.00 per night. The Kirkley Hotel and Conference Center is located at 2900 Candlers Mountain Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502. The Hotel phone number is 434-237-6333. Be sure to tell them you will be there for the ODMA car show. The hotel is an older hotel but has been under renovation for a year. They showed us the guest rooms and both Barbara Talley and I were pleased with the renovations. I think Lynchburg region has also signed this hotel for its 2013 AACA show.

Hope to see you in Lynchburg in May.



# Send in your Car Show Results

By Bob Parrish

When you go to a car show, whether it be a local show or National, please send in your results to either the Mud Flap editor (Marty and Neil Sugermeyer) or Bob Parrish at 547-5034 or E-mail Bowtiebobp@aol.com so we can post the results for awards at the annual banquet. This is the only way we know that you have been to a show and scored points. Following are points for the 2010 season.

Bob & Linda Pellerin 68 Points Terry & Sue Bond 55 Points William Williams 39 Points Jim & Donna Elliott 32 Points Bob & Dot Parrish 31 points Tony Scarpelli 30 Points Jody & Lisa Dudley 30 Points Dwight Schaubach 29 Points Don & Bonita Whitlow24 Points Al & Sharon Mercer 24 Points Kit & Bette Lawrence 19 Points Richard & Sandy Hall 19 points Bob Stein 18 Points Jere & Carol Avenson17 points Neil Sugermeyer 16 Points Peter Catanese 15 Points Sam & Karyl Kern 15 Points Mickey McChesney 15 Points Jeff & Pat Locke 15 Points Ken & Barbara Tallev 14 Points Bob&Sylvia Roughton14Ppoints Bob & Shirley Woolfitt 13 Points Jim Cason 13 Points Rick Overbaugh 13 Points Al & Laurel Swenson 12 Points Riley Best 12 Points Clay & Cheryl Drnec 11 Points Dick&Joyce McIninch 11 Points Marty & Pat Weber 11 Points Matthew Gresalfi 9 Points Jeff Howie 9 Points Alan & Margie Ives 9 Points Ed & Ginny Lail 9 Points Al & Laurice Becker 8 Points Don & Julie Hobbs 8 Points Skip Patnode 7 Points Viator&Janet Trudeau 7 Points Wyann&Connie Kaiser 6 Points

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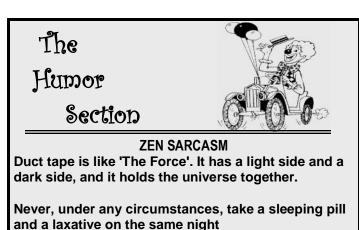
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AWARD

Riley Best 1903 Cadillac Best in Show

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