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TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night *Tucker: The Man and His Dream* Saturday, October 22, 2016

Remember the days when you would put on your pajamas, pile into the family station wagon, and head to the local drive-in movie? Or maybe you went on a date to the drive-in theater with your honey to see a movie (nudge, nudge, wink, wink). Many of us have fond memories of going to a drive-in as a child, an adult, or both. It's time to rekindle those memories, and join your fellow TRAACA members for our October activity. TRAACA member Bob Hanbury has generously offered to host a night of free food and a movie shown on a big screen inside his Special Events Operation Center in Portsmouth, VA, on Saturday evening, October 22nd.

Bob is inviting TRAACA members to bring a guest, hoping to build our membership base. Kids and grandkids are welcome and encouraged, as there will be entertainment provided for them. There is plenty of parking available onsite. Folding chairs will be available, but you are welcome to bring your own lawn chairs.

This is sure to be a fun activity. With a movie about cars, a delicious BBQ meal,

and good friends, what more could you ask for?

So mark your calendars and come to the drive-in movie in Portsmouth on October 22nd. We'll see you at the movies!

DATE: Saturday, October 22, 2016
(*Rain or Shine—it is indoors*)
TIME: 6:00 PM Dinner
7:30 PM Movie
PLACE: Special Events Operation Ctr
2211 Elliott Ave.
Portsmouth, VA 23702

HOST: Bob Hanbury
MENU: Nixon's BBQ, hot dogs, cole slaw, potato salad, baked beans, chips, corn on the cob, ice tea, lemonade, and, of course, POPCORN during the movie

MOVIE: The 1988 film—*TUCKER: THE MAN AND HIS DREAM*—starring Jeff Bridges, which tells the story behind the Tucker automobile.

*** Please note: no alcohol is allowed on the premises (strictly enforced).*

RSVP to the Special Events Operation Center at (757) 485-1212 by Oct 19th.



From sports cars to trucks—there was something for everyone at the TRAACA's 2016 Annual Meet on Sept 24th. Read the story on Pgs 4-7.



TRAACA CALENDAR

Check local.aaca.org/tidewater for the latest info on upcoming events!

OCTOBER 2016

- 12 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 14-16 ~~TRAACA Fall Tour
Solomons Island, MD~~
Canceled
- 20 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 22 TRAACA Drive-In Movie Nite
Portsmouth, VA

NOVEMBER 2016

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 5 TRAACA Chili Cook-Off
Chesapeake, VA
- 12 ODMA Planning Meeting
Founders Inn
Virginia Beach, VA
- 17 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
and Annual Silent Auction
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

DECEMBER 2016

- 7 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 11 TRAACA Holiday Party
Princess Anne Country Club
Virginia Beach, VA

JANUARY 2017

- 3 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 21 TRAACA Annual Awards
5:00 PM (Saturday)
Banquet & Board Induction
Location: to be determined

FEBRUARY 2017

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA

From the Driver's Seat

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Each month I have closed my message with the phrase "So much to do, so little time," and September was that kind of time. Betty and I missed most of the local activities as we headed off to Colorado with our car for the 190SL Group Convention in Winter Park, Colorado. The 1,700-mile drive (actually, we trailered our car) was worth every mile. The high Rocky Mountains in September were beyond beautiful; the aspens were almost a florescent yellow while other trees complemented them with variations of green and red. Winter Park seemed the center of the universe with drives up the 12,000-foot high passes at Rocky Mountain National park and down to the old Argo gold mining and stamping facility, with a historic Georgetown steam railroad ride in between. The quaint ski resort provided a charming background for the car show that was enjoyed by many locals. We commuted to the village by gondola for shopping, the reception, and show. We drove the Glen Wood Springs Canyon, up the steep road to the Marble quarry on Marble Mountain, and experienced temperatures from 90 degrees one afternoon to snow and 18 degrees on the morning we headed home.

Opportunities like this are available from many clubs under the names of "conventions" or "tours." They can be some of the most enjoyable times spent with cars and car people.

During my absence, Tony Scarpelli greeted the hundreds of participants for our 43rd Annual Meet. From the pictures and reports, all of the volunteer hours from the many members resulted in another great success. Thanks to everyone!

Our nominating committee has announced its slate of officers and Board members for the next year: President—Mark McAlpine; Vice President—Matt Doscher, Treasurer—Charlie Dawson; Secretary—Vickie Doscher; Board Members—Jerry Adams, Wayne Milligan, Hilary Pavlidis, and Bill Treadwell. I thank each of them for volunteering to serve our club. We will be electing next year's leaders at the October dinner meeting.

Our TRAACA Fall Tour to Solomon's Island in Maryland has been rescheduled for spring. Betty & I were very much looking forward to the events planned by Bill Wilcox and Bob Woolfitt in a portion of Maryland that we have not had the opportunity to explore. So start thinking about next year's calendar and plan for the Spring Tour to the mouth of the Patuxent River in southern Calvert County of Maryland. The history and beauty of this area is unmatched.

So much to do, so little time; let's have fun; it's an old car kind of day!

Jim



The 190SL tour pauses to enjoy the scenic view from the road coming down from the quarry atop Marble Mountain in Colorado

2016 TRAACA Officers & Board

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- Vice President - Mark McAlpine: mmmcalpine05@msn.com
- Secretary - Matt Doscher
- Treasurer - Marion McAlpine
- Board - Jerry Adams
- Board - Wayne Milligan
- Board - Skip Patnode
- Board - Bill Treadwell
- President Emeritus - Wes Neal

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www.traaca.com

Call Captain's Corner

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We have changed how we contact members to obtain their RSVPs for the monthly dinner meeting. To cut down on the work load, you will now be contacted via e-mail. (Members without e-mail will continue to be contacted by phone.) Please respond to Skip Patnode's monthly e-mail by the requested date and let him know whether or not you will be attending (yes or no) and how many will be attending. **It is critical that you respond to these e-mails** so we can let the hotel know how many people will be attending & they can prepare enough food. Thank you for your cooperation!

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From the Running Board

Sept 6, 2016 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes
(final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

Officers present: Jim Villers (President), Mark McAlpine (Vice President), Marion McAlpine (Treasurer), and Matt Doscher (Secretary). Board members present: Jerry Adams, Wayne Milligan, and Bill Treadwell. Members present: Melanie Kordis, Wes Neal, Bob Stein, Linda Treadwell, and Bill Wilcox.

Quorum: Board Meeting called to order at 6:31 PM. Per Article III, Section 2 of the TRAACA By-Laws, Jim appointed Jerry Adams as interim Board Member to finish out the remainder of the year in the vacated board position. Per Article VI, Section 3 of the TRAACA By-Laws, Jim appointed the Nominating Committee for nominating officers and Board Members for next year. The Nominating Committee is Sam Kern, Wes Neal, and Bob Stein, all previous TRAACA presidents. The committee will present the slate of candidates for officers and board positions at the September dinner meeting [Thurs, 15 Sep].

Secretary's Report: The August Board Meeting Minutes were approved via e-mail.

Vice President: Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

Treasurer's Report: Marion provided a month-to-date and year-to-date report.

Activity Committee:

- Saturday, 17 Sep: Doumar's Ice Cream Social 7:00 PM.
- Friday-Sunday, 14-16 Oct: TRAACA Fall Tour of Solomons Island, MD. Bill Wilcox provided copies of the registration form & driving directions for the Fall Tour. Those attending need to plan on a 450-mile round trip and staying at the Hampton Inn (\$89/night). Registration deadline for the hotel is 26 Sep. Advertisement for the Fall Tour will be through the TRAACA website, the *Mud Speck*, and this month's dinner meeting.
- Saturday, 22 Oct: TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night, Portsmouth, VA, featuring the movie *Tucker: The Man and His Dream*.

Call Tree: Because this is primarily e-mail based, one thing to keep in mind is e-mail address verification/accuracy on the membership form and ensuring Scott Davies (Membership Roster Chairman) checks for proper e-mail addresses.

Restaurants:

- Thurs, 15 Sep: monthly dinner meeting at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Dinner meeting will concentrate on the Annual Meet organization, layout, teams, etc.

Membership: Plus 2—171 as of August 31, 2016. New

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TRAACA members are Carol Norton and Scott Dayton. Scott has a 1986 Chevrolet Corvette.

Wings & Wheels: Tony Scarpelli is holding a meeting at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport restaurant on Wednesday, 7 Sep, at 6:30 PM.

ODMA: Next deposit for the Founders Inn due next month. Initial Planning Meeting scheduled for Saturday, 12 November, followed by a second Planning Meeting in February 2017. All TRAACA members invited and encouraged to attend these Planning Meetings. The photo of the Schaubachs' Duesenberg and Buick on the back cover of this month's *Mudflap* will be used on the ODMA dash plaque. Bob Stein to work on the graphics.

Christmas Brunch: TRAACA holiday event to be held on Sunday, 11 Dec, at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach. Looking for ideas on a program. Ugly sweater contest? Tree skirt contest?

Unfinished Business:

- **Awards Manual:** Mark presented Version 3 draft to the Board. Jim desires to have this approved by the end of the year. Board members asked to review & make recommendations for edits.
- **Duryea Award Proposal:** Wording changed from "Region" member to "Tidewater Region" member. Mark asked and Jim clarified that this award recognizes TRAACA member contributions during the past calendar year, which falls in line with existing TRAACA awards. The wording "contributions over the past year" to be added to the draft. There will also be a plaque on the award to include Distinguished Contributions for elected National Presidents/Directors to include past National Presidents/Directors. The purpose behind the Duryea Award is to recognize TRAACA members who contribute to the National

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TRAACA October Dinner Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2016

This month's dinner meeting is at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport, 1570 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, VA 23502. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 7:00 PM. Dinner will be Chicken Parmesan, thin-sliced Roast Beef with gravy, house salad, roasted baby red potatoes, green beans, and chef's choice of dessert. Our guest speaker is Marc Nucup, from the Mariner's Museum, who'll give a presentation on the "golden age of pirates" in the Hampton Roads and Outer Banks area and some of their more colorful exploits.

Please remember that if you sign up for a club dinner, you are committed to paying for it whether or not you attend. Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation.



TRAACA 43rd Annual Meet

Saturday, September 24, 2016

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine, Wes Neal, Bob Stein.

It was early in the morning, Saturday, September 24th, when TRAACA and Military Aviation Museum volunteers began arriving at the museum grounds. Everyone went to their appropriate stations (Registration, Parking, Greeting, Photography, etc.) to set up before the car show vehicles began arriving. The day before Neil Sugermeyer & his team marked off the show field in preparation for the preregistered show vehicles, food vendors, and day of show registrants.

After three days of rain prior to the show, there were concerns about whether the show field would be dry enough on Saturday. Luckily, the field appeared fairly solid on Friday and, as opposed to last year when it rained the entire show day, this year the weather was cooperative and we had a warm (and humid), but dry Saturday.

A team of TRAACA volunteers works for several months ahead of time to prepare for this annual ritual known as the TRAACA Annual Meet. For the last nine years the meet has been held at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach and appropriately has been called the "Wings & Wheels Show" because participants and spectators are able to view both vintage airplanes and vintage cars.

Early on the day of the show Meet Chairman Tony Scarpelli could be seen at the entrance with the team of greeters making sure show participants got to their designated places. Sandy & Richard Hall and their team passed out packets to the preregistered vehicles and

registered the day of show cars entering AACA judging, and Marie & John Gancel and their team registered the "Mods & Rods." Wes Neal led the team parking cars on the AACA show field; Mickey McChesney and his team guided the Mods & Rods; Vickie & Matt Doscher parked the day of show attendants; and Bill Treadwell made sure the flea market & car corral participants were in place.

After all the cars were parked and registration closed, the National Anthem was sung and the show officially started. Volunteer judges gathered in the museum's Navy Hangar for a quick meeting and to receive their assignments from Chief Judge Jim Elliott. There were 123 classic show cars registered for AACA judging and another 16 that registered the day of the show for "Best of the Rest" judging. 32 vehicles received 1st Prize Awards, 18 2nd Prizes, 10 3rd Prizes, 5 Driver Participation Class Recognition Awards, 4 Historic Preservation of Original Features Recognition Awards, and 1 Special Interest Award. In addition, 33 vehicles that already had National AACA awards were not judged, but received special cloisonné recognition chips.

Sixteen "Best of" awards were presented, including "Best of Show" to Tommy Nolen (President of the Richmond Region) for his beautiful 1961 Pontiac Catalina. (See Pg. 14 for a list of the "Best of" winners and the TRAACA website for the complete list of awards.)

There were 65 vehicles registered in the "Mods & Rods"



Some of the volunteers who helped set up the show field on Friday



Bob Stein showing Hilary Pavlidis his "new" 1993 Bricklin bicycle



Chief Judge Jim Elliott giving instructions to the judging teams



Dan Short from local restoration shop & TV show "FantomWorks" presents a seminar on buying a muscle car

field. These cars were participant-judged with trophies given to the Top 20, plus 17 special recognition “Best of” awards.

A small display of classic Cadillacs were positioned at the end of the tarmac at the head of the show field. Two of these Cadillacs—Jim & Donna Elliotts’ 1903 and Jeff & Pat Lockes’ 1991 (the earliest Cadillac and the last year currently eligible for AACA judging)—can be seen on this year’s Annual Meet dash plaque.

At 1:00 PM, our own Bob Parrish (National AACA President) gave a short talk to show participants in the museum’s upstairs atrium. Bob was followed by Dan Short, from the Velocity Channel TV Show *FantomWorks*, giving a presentation on “Purchasing a Muscle Car.” Earlier, inside the Army Hangar, the TV show filmed the unveiling & presentation of a 1926 Ford Model T truck that *Fantomworks* had restored to the car’s owner. Presumably, the unveiling

will be broadcast on an upcoming episode of the show.

There were plenty of things for participants & spectators to do and see at the meet. People were able to view the various car show vehicles, peruse the Military Aviation Museum displays, check out the flea market and car corral, listen to the lectures, enjoy some good barbecue food, and even watch or purchase a flight in a vintage airplane.

Everyone who registered a vehicle for the show received an annual meet program that was prepared by Dot Parrish. The program listed all the trophy sponsors and their trophies, the events taking place for the day and information to help participants get the most out of the show.



Dennis Sobota’s 1979 Honda CX-500C motorcycle



(L-R) Bob Stein and Matt & Vickie Doscher



Travis & Kim Berry enjoying a break from the heat



Tom Bottoni & his 1959 Cadillac Fleetwood



Viator Trudeau & his 1974 Cadillac Eldorado convertible



A pair of 1970 AMC AMXs—new TRAACA member Joe Gentile’s on the left and John Heimerl’s on the right



Bob Woolfitt & his "new" 1956 Packard Four Hundred



Christian Durkin receiving his award from Tony Scarpelli



John Scott & his 1911 Maxwell AB Runabout



Bob & Jane Ward with their 1963 Chevrolet Impala SS



(L-R) Al Becker's 1929 Packard 640 Phaeton 9 and Neil Sugermeyer's 1932 Franklin Olympic convertible



Larry & Jane Cutright with their 1933 Ford coupe



An authentic George Barris Kustoms "Batmobile" promotional car



Jim Villers' son Jim with their 1950 Willys CJ-3A Jeep



(L-R) Curtis & Sheryl Cooks' 1929 Ford Model A 4-dr and Kit & Bette Lawrences' 1937 Dodge Westchester Station Wagon



Scott Davies (3rd from left) showing off his "new" 1936 Cord 810



Wes Neal's 1962 Willys Jeep Station Wagon



Harold & Evy Eacker with their 1936 Ford Deluxe coupe



Cindy Overton's 1956 Ford Thunderbird



Tom & Roe Poes' 1963 Studebaker Skylark



Wayne & Carol Milligans' 1968 Ford LTD



Mark & Marion McAlpines' 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS-396



AACA Central Spring Meet Mankato, MN July 14-16, 2016



Story by Bob Parrish. Photos by Dot Parrish.

The 2016 AACA Central Spring Meet was hosted by the Minnesota Region of the AACA on July 14-16 in North Mankato, MN, about 100 miles south of Minneapolis. There were 135 cars on the show field, which was conveniently located next to the host hotel (a Best Western). There was a good variety of vehicles at the meet, including four Century Award vehicles. One of these vehicles was a Minnesota-built car—a 1911 Luverne. I had the honor to present the owners of these vehicles with the special AACA recognition badge for Century Award vehicles, including badges to a father and son. The father had a 1908 Cadillac and the son had a 1911 Stanley Steamer.

I also had the privilege of riding in a 1928 Gardner Model 85 Roadster owned by Bob and Kim Gardner. This beautiful car was featured in the last issue of *Hemmings Classic Cars* & also in the *Wall Street Journal* last month.

There were local tours to historic New Ulm, MN, and many activities to do there including visiting the Hermann Heights Monument, hearing New Ulm’s famous 45-foot tall Glockenspiel clock tower, visiting the Minnesota Hall of Fame, having lunch at historic Turner Hall, followed by a tour of Schell Brewery, one of our nation’s oldest breweries. There also was an ice cream social on Friday.

The members of the Chapters that make up the Minnesota Region are some of the nicest and most accommodating people I have met. They have a motto that says “Experience Minnesota Nice.” I now know what that means.



The Glockenspiel clock tower in downtown New Ulm, MN



1911 Luverne



1928 Gardner Model 85 Roadster



“Bow Tie” Bob’s rental car—not a Chevy like he requested



A vintage popcorn cart in downtown New Ulm, MN

SEVA Street Rods 24th Annual Charity Show

Smithfield, VA

September 17, 2016

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

On September 17, 2016, the Southeast Virginia Street Rod (and muscle car) Association (SVSRA) held its 24th Annual Charity Car Show. For the past four years the SVSRA car show has been held at the Daniels Performance Group facility in Smithfield, VA, owned by TRAACA member Charlie Daniels.

The SVSRA annual car show is different from other local car shows in several respects. There are no trophies for the vehicles, but there are trophies for the children and adults participating in races involving tricycles and valve cover cars (valve covers converted to pinebox derby-like race cars). Every participant who registered a vehicle went home with a door prize and had an opportunity to win a raffle for a large, wheeled tool cart (donated by Beach Radiator) or a 4-camera wireless security system and a 50/50 raffle.

The best part about this charity show is that the proceeds from the show benefit one-to-two local charities every year. Since 1993 the SVSRA club has donated over \$75,000.00 to various charities in the Hampton Roads area. This year two charities will receive the proceeds from the show: the Horton Wreath Society, whose volunteers purchase & place wreaths on veterans' graves at the Suffolk Veterans Memorial Cemetery every December, and the Honor Flight of Triangle Virginia, which is a group of volunteers that transport WWII, Korean, and Vietnam veterans to visit their appropriate war memorials in Washington, DC, at no cost to the veterans.

A number of TRAACA members attended the show, either volunteering in some capacity as SVSRA members or helping raise money for the charities by registering their vehicles. Members present included Charlie Daniels, John and Lynn Heimerl, Mark and Marion McAlpine, Tom Norris and Missy Hespenshide, Bob and Rose Perkins, Andrew Sitar and Brittany White, and Bill and Linda Treadwell. Tom Norris also entertained the crowd with a great selection of music as the event's DJ. We hope to see more TRAACA members at the show next year.



Front: Linda & Bill Treadwell. Back: Mark & Marion McAlpine



John Heimerl & his supercharged 1957 Studebaker Hawk Custom



(L-R) Missy Hespenshide, John & Lynn Heimerl, and Tom Norris



Brittany White & Andrew Sitar manning their sign vendor booth



One of the "rustic" rods at the show—a 1952 Ford F-1 pickup



Still Collecting Stuff — Early Auto Ads By Terry Bond

Many years ago, my mother discovered a pile of old *National Geographic* magazines at a yard sale in the neighborhood. Mice had feasted on the majority of them, and those magazines were so common you couldn't give them away. So, she had no problem salvaging what she could. Knowing of my early fascination with antique cars, she carefully assembled an album of ads for me. It was literally one of my first automotive collectibles. I've left it completely intact and never added to it.

For some reason, perhaps my insistence on quality, I've passed on damaged magazines, leaving others to do the dirty work of cutting & salvaging ads. I've always considered ads cut from periodicals as lesser collectibles anyway, so I've had little interest in them. Besides, I already have the "collection" my mother gave me.

Until recently that is—it has been noticed lately that when searching for early automotive items, there is a wonderful selection of very inexpensive yet fantastic printed advertising available. There are dealers who specialize in them. They are flooding eBay!

I still detest the idea of cutting history, but what do you do with a fairly common periodical that is so badly damaged that it's virtually useless? Although I cringe at the thought, reality is saving even a piece of that history is important. Thus, I have become fascinated again with early ads.

There are a hundred (or more) ways to approach

the subject. You can collect them in alphabetical order—A-Z. You can restrict yourself to a certain year or range of years in the era of your choice. You can collect based on your birthday! You can collect by subject. In my case, there are a lot of ads for spark plugs. They provide a ready reference and much historic information that helps me become better educated about my collection.

There are ads for lamps, motoring clothing, tires, and all kinds of strange gadgets related to early motoring. Indeed, some of them have been used to help illustrate some of the articles I've written.

Some collectors go for unusual or historically significant ads—one of the most famous is the "Somewhere West of Laramie" ad for the Jordan automobile from *The Saturday Evening Post*. It's one of the most famous ads ever written and, for those who have studied advertising in college, you may remember its significance in the history of advertising.

An ad, which Terry found recently, for an unusual spark plug

	Stoddard-Dayton	REO	DAYTON
Price	\$1,850	\$1,850	\$1,850
Weight	2,100 lbs.	2,100 lbs.	2,100 lbs.
Speed	40 miles per hour	35 miles per hour	35 miles per hour
Range	100 miles	100 miles	100 miles
Fuel	15 gallons	15 gallons	15 gallons
Price per gallon	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
Price per mile	\$18.50	\$21.43	\$21.43
Price per hour	\$45.00	\$53.57	\$53.57
Price per day	\$1,080.00	\$1,285.71	\$1,285.71

1908 Stoddard-Dayton automobile ad

1908 Mora automobile ad

The famous "Somewhere West of Laramie" ad for the Jordan car

Another favorite of mine is one for the 1966 Pontiac GTO—it never actually showed a car. There was a picture of an empty garage in the evening, door open, and lights left on—all it said was “Somewhere, there’s a Tiger on the prowl tonight.”

Introductory ads for new cars can be another fascinating area to collect. Ads for Mustang, Corvette, Firebird, even the “New” Ford Model A can make a great wall display filled with history for you to enjoy.

Of course automotive journals themselves offer a great selection. Among my favorites is *Automobile Dealer and Repairer*. The weekly British publication *Autocar* dates back to 1896, and over the years I’ve acquired many badly damaged issues filled with ads for cars you’ve never heard of before.

Non-automotive publications offer perhaps the best quality ads existing. After all, those automotive journals were “preaching to the choir,” while magazines like *Country Life* were actually trying to entice the car buying public. Many ads appearing in non-automotive journals were individual works of art, in full color.

If you can’t stand the thought of doing your own “cutting and hacking,” you can let someone else do the dirty work and still reap the benefits by looking through boxes of ads at antique shows, flea markets, and specialty events like paper and ephemera shows. There, you’ll likely find the best of them. Prices will vary depending on age, beauty and rarity. Noted artwork by important and well-known artists might top the scale, but, still, \$25 for a wonderful piece of art, ready to frame and hang on your wall is not a bad deal. So, if you love Chevrolets, Packards, De Dion Boutons, or Dodges, you can have a field day accumulating them in any way that strikes your fancy.

Ads are cheap collectibles. Fill a binder or two, frame some and hang them in your garage, and enjoy history and art combined.

Enjoy the pictures and happy collecting!

Terry Bond

THE NEW KRIT—\$950
(With Electric Starter \$1000)



This is the beautiful new car that is creating such a big stir among motor buyers. For never before have such up-to-the-minute design, such perfect comfort and so many luxurious features been combined in a car of this price. Call or phone for demonstration.

KRIT MOTOR CAR COMPANY
Boulevard and Mt. Elliott K. R. Montgomery, Detroit, Manager Ridge 4021

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Because you are once and for all relieved of the unnecessary expense and annoyance incidental to motoring.

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Think what that means. No complicated valves, no bother, no disappointment, no delay.

Then the wonderful ease of control permitting of from ten to four miles per hour to maximum speed on high speed without change of gears is another superior and unexcelled feature, particularly when you are skidding your way through crowded city streets.

But there are many other points you should know about before you purchase a car.

See your agent or write us for catalog of valuable automobile information.

ATLAS MOTOR CAR COMPANY
Members A. M. C. M. A.
70 Birnie Ave., Springfield, Mass.

TOWN CAR, EX. H. P., \$2500.00

A sampling of some of the simple automobile ads you can collect

A Summer Day and a

CADILLAC

Model A Tonneau, \$850
Without Tonneau, \$750
Model B Touring Car, \$900
Without Tonneau, \$800

For a delightful spin in the country; for business or pleasure; for quick and pleasant transit over long distances or short, there's nothing equals a reliable automobile.

No reliable automobile is so easy to buy, to operate, or to maintain, as a Cadillac.

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Model A Tonneau (shown above) will carry four people safely and comfortably at 30 miles per hour on the level stretches, and will go up a 45 per cent. grade.

Model B Touring car is identical in accomplishment, but has larger wheels, longer wheel-base, more roomy body. Both Models are equipped with Goodrich 3-inch detachable tires.

Full appreciation of Cadillac superiority in design, construction and performance is possible only by inspection and trial.

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Powered by an advanced "Blue Flame" engine, the Corvette develops 160 horsepower from an overhead valve, six-cylinder engine. Equipped with the newest Powerglide automatic transmission. Specifications: two doors, 117 inches high, 102 inches wide, 167 inches length, 2500 pounds curb weight.

CHEVROLET
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A sample of other ads for classic American cars

SPECIALISES DEPUIS 1830
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DYNAMOS
POUR L'ÉCLAIRAGE COMPLET DES AUTOMOBILES

PHARES DUCELLIER

CATALOGUES FRANCO
SUR DEMANDE

25, Passage Dubail, 25
PARIS

Phares Ducellier automobile lights (rare & expensive today!)

Classics on the Green Car Show—New Kent, VA

Sunday, September 18, 2016

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine and Bob Stein.

Sunday, September 18th, was a warm, partly cloudy day at the New Kent Winery in New Kent, Virginia. Over 200 European cars and motorcycles participated in the 32nd annual Classics on the Green Automobile Festival. Vehicles were nestled among the grapevines and displayed throughout the beautiful New Kent winery grounds. The special display this year was of “*Trend Setting Cars in Automotive History.*” The cars in the display were felt to be some of the most influential vehicles leading other manufacturers to follow their design.

The “Trend Setting” vehicles paraded onto the field to open the show. The parade was to be led by TRAACA (and Richmond Region) members Reggie & Cindi Nash in their 1904 Rambler, but Cindi missed the bus. Bob Stein drove his 1949 MGTC “Wildflower” in the parade, and Bob & Linda Pellerin drove their 1973 Volvo 1800ES. There were many iconic cars at the show, including a 1923 Model T, a 1937 front-wheel-drive Cord, a 1932 Ford Hi-Boy Roadster (to represent the trend of customizing cars), and a 1951 four-wheel-drive Willys M38 Jeep. Entering the 1950s and 1960s the trends among the vehicles ranged from thrifty to luxurious to muscle cars. There were cars representing all of these trends from both European and American automobile manufacturers. The collection of trend setting cars included vehicles as modern as the 2000s.

Marques represented at the show included Alfa Romeo, Austin-Healy, Bentley, Jaguar, Lotus, MG, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Rolls-Royce, Triumph, Volkswagen, and Volvo. Displayed in front of the New Kent tasting room building was a collection of Nash vehicles that had just completed their “NASH-ional” tour prior to the Classics on the Green show.

Along with enjoying the cars, participants and spectators could sample wines from the New Kent, Saudé Creek, James River Cellars, and Gauthier Vineyard wineries. There were several food and merchandise vendors to peruse and great live jazz music to enjoy on the New Kent Winery patio or while strolling the beautiful winery grounds. Proceeds from the show benefitted the Richmond Fisher House (lodging for families of military veterans receiving treatment at McGuire VA hospital).

TRAACA members who entered vehicles included Sandy & Richard Hall with their 1959 MGA 1500 roadster; Cindi & Reggie Nash with their 1904 Rambler Model L Canopy Tonneau, 1940 Nash Special Cabriolet, and 1951 Nash-Healey roadster; Skip Patnode with his 1967 Alfa Romeo Duetto; Linda & Bob Pellerin with their 1973 Volvo 1800ES; and Bob Stein with his 1949 MG TC. Marion & Mark McAlpine were among the spectators drooling over the classic vehicles.

Great vehicles, delicious wine, and good friends to enjoy them with. What more could you ask for? Mark your calendars for next year’s 33rd Annual Classics on the Green car show, which is on Sunday, September 17, 2017. With or without a European vehicle, come enjoy the day.



Porsche row looks incomplete without Jim Villers there



1924 Nash Model 696



Reggie & Cindy Nashs' 1940 Nash Special Cabriolet



Bob Stein and “Wildflower”—his 1949 MG-TC



Reggie & Cindy Nashs' 1951 Nash-Healey roadster



1937 Cord 812 Supercharged Phaeton



Some of the Ferraris gathered on the green at New Kent Winery



1959 Cadillac XP-74 Cyclone tribute (reproduction) car



(L-R) Richard Hall, Bob Pellerin, Sandy Hall, and Linda Pellerin



Bob & Linda Pellerins' 1973 Volvo 1800ES sport wagon



Marion & Mark McAlpine w/Skip Patnode & his 1967 Alfa Romeo



A "mini-Rolls-Royce?"—No, it's a 1970 Triumph 2000 Mk2



AACA Youth Scholarships

Earl Mowrey, AACA VP Youth Development Prgrms
(extracted from Sep/Oct 2016 *Antique Automobile*)

The AACA has established a strong commitment to students who have demonstrated an active interest in the antique car hobby through restoration, preservation, and/or ownership of antique cars. AACA feels that the perpetuation of our hobby from one generation to the next is enhanced by awarding three types of scholarships. The amount of each award is \$1,500. In addition, privately funded scholarships are awarded as funds become available.

There are five scholarships available this year:

- **Susquehannock Region Automotive Technology Scholarship** is granted to a student enrolled in an automotive technology and/or restoration program at an accredited institution. The student must be an AACA member (regular or student).

- **AACA Young People's Award** recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to the successful operation of an AACA region or chapter, and/or has demonstrated a sustained active interest in owning, restoring or preserving antique vehicles or automobilia. The candidate, parent, or grandparent must be an AACA member in good standing for a minimum of five years, and must be nominated by the region or chapter.

- **AACA Scholarship Award** is granted to encourage individuals to further their education & stimulate interest in AACA and the history of vehicles in general. It has the same requirements as the Young People's Award, except nomination by the region/chapter is not required.

- **John & Janet Ricketts Leadership Scholarship** is available to any AACA member, child, or grandchild of an AACA member who has been in good standing for at least five years, has demonstrated active interest in the AACA through participation in its programs OR shown active interest in the hobby of antique vehicles through restoration, preservation or ownership of such vehicles.

- **Louise Bianchi Chiotti Memorial Scholarship** is based upon the same rules as the AACA Automotive Technology

Award and is awarded as funds are available. It was instituted as a way to continue to support youth in the hobby.

Be sure to get a complete copy of the requirements and application form from AACA Headquarters (or online at AACA.org/scholarships/html) as they have been summarized for this article. Applications must be received by December 1st and should be clearly marked with the name of the desired scholarship. Send the application to AACA Executive Director Steve Moskowitz at AACA Headquarters. Faxed applications will not be accepted.

Mail applications to AACA Headquarters
P.O. Box 417
Hershey, PA 17033

Application deadline: December 1, 2016

TRAACA Annual Meet "Special Awards"

Best in Show	Tommy Nolen	1961 Pontiac Catalina
Best British	Patrick Smith	1966 MGB roadster
Best Cadillac	Jim Elliott	1903 Cadillac *
Best Chevrolet	Dale Murphy	1969 Camaro
Best Classic	Al Becker	1929 Packard *
Best Corvette	Vito Serrone	1958 Corvette *
Pre-War Ford	Wally Hunt	1924 Model T
Post-War Ford	Joseph Clifton	1955 Thunderbird
Best Foreign	Patrick Smith	1966 MGB roadster
Best German	Debbie Nolen	1969 VW Beetle
Best GM	Mark & Marion	1970 Chevelle *
	McAlpine	
Best Interior	Ken Talley	1929 Buick Master *
Best Jeep	Wes Neal	1991 Jeep Wagoneer *
Best Mopar	Mark Irving	1970 Plymouth Superbird
Best Mustang	Johnny Miles	1965 Mustang
Best Orphan	Scott Davies	1936 Cord 810 *
Merritt Horne Award	Jim Elliott	1903 Cadillac *

* TRAACA Members

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AACA in one form of another. One key aspect is that each member can only receive the award once and any contribution to National counts and would qualify that member for the award. The member would be nominated by the TRAACA President and approved by the TRAACA Board. Mark motioned that we approve this award, Wayne seconded the motion, motion was approved unanimously. With this, Jim has made some progress on the actual trophy. The heart of it will be a cube of glass with the Duryea motor wagon etched in the middle. Dana Meadows is building the trophy.

New Business: Mark & Marion attended the Virginia Peninsula Car Club Council (VPCCC) meeting last week. VPCCC is hosting the annual Virginia Fall Classic (VFC) car show at Newport News Park on Saturday, 22 Oct. The VFC show has a program that is

published and in it many local car club organizations have ads describing their club/organization. VPCCC is selling ad space in the program: business card size for \$50 and quarter page for \$100. The VFC brings in a lot of cars, often averaging 400 registrants, with each registered car also receiving a program. All money raised during the VFC ultimately goes to the CHKD. Mark asked if the Board wanted to consider advertising the TRAACA and HVPR. 1 October deadline for ad submission. Motion made by Wes to provide \$100 for a quarter page ad to support HVPR and TRAACA, and we will ask Tony Scarpelli [HVPR President] if HVPR wishes to contribute half; if not TRAACA will cover the full cost and include HVPR in the ad. Motion was seconded by Matt. Motion was unanimously approved.

Other Business: NSTR

Having no other business, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

The next TRAACA Board Meeting will be Wednesday, 5 October, 6:30 PM, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

Respectfully submitted, Matt Doscher, Secretary



Bear Town Bears

AACA Southeastern Fall Meet

August 11-13, 2016



Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

“We almost made it to the front cover of the October Mudflap, but at the last minute we were replaced by some sports cars and Army truck from the ‘Wings & Wheels Show.’ We don’t mind—we’re cute & have a full page to ourselves.”

Captain Black Bear’d (interviewed at AACA 2016 Southeastern Fall Meet)

The Bear Town Bears began in New Bern, NC, in 2010 for the city’s 300th Anniversary. Originally, fifty bears were erected, and eight more bears have been added since. A Coca Cola bear is the next to be unveiled in late 2016. (A Coca Cola bear in a town known for being the home of Pepsi Cola—interesting.) If you would like more information about the Bear Town Bears see the September *Mudflap*. Enjoy the photos taken during the AACA Southeastern Fall Meet held in New Bern on August 11-13, 2016.





Touring and a Tribute to Martin Milner

By Myron Smith, AACA VP Regions—Eastern Division
(Reprinted from the Summer 2016 AACA *Rummage Box* newsletter)



Many of the television programs of the '50s and '60s were westerns. Drifters and cowboys were often the plot. Shows such as "Have Gun Will Travel," "The Lone Ranger," and my favorite western "Cheyenne" are three examples. However, one of these drifter shows set in the current time of the '60s was "Route 66," which aired from 1960-1964. It starred Martin Milner and, for most of the series, George Maharis. Two guys and a new Corvette traveling across the country working odd jobs and usually finding a problem to fix or a damsel in distress. I do not know how much the show actually influenced my young mind, but I thought enough of the show to keep the *TV Guide* magazine which featured the duo on the cover for all these years. The show's allure for this youth had a lot going for it: seeing different parts of the country (even if it was in black and white), a Corvette, a Chevrolet sponsor for much of the series, and a snappy Nelson Riddle theme which I can still hear in my head. I even had a 1/25-scale luggage rack, suit case, and bed roll on the back of my model Corvette as I traveled in my make believe world around the living room floor.

What I remember of the writings about the show from when it was aired, the filming was a grueling process with most scenes being shot on location. I also recall that in reality, Milner traveled with his family in a station wagon while the show was being filmed with his wife and 5 children. Milner was the one who remained on the series for its entire duration. For a while after Maharis left, Milner traveled alone before Glen Corbett was added as a new traveling companion near the end of the series.

Although the show was called "Route 66," the duo were rarely on the US Highway 66. The highway, nicknamed "the mother road," was the most direct route between Chicago and Los Angeles. It has been a famous road and one about which much lore still exists. Much of the road can no longer be found as it was replaced by Interstates. Tourists do travel as much as possible the original route just for nostalgia sake (where it can still be found). Many signs have been erected to advertise "Historic Route 66."

I noted with sadness last September the death of Milner, but was not aware that the show might have affected others in the same way until I read the excellent essay in "*Hemmings Classic Car*" by Jim Donnelly (December 2015). He also enjoys cars and traveling by car.

I wonder how many of us who "tour" were influenced by this TV program and are now "touring" in our antique vehicle—even if we don't have a Corvette.

Thank you Mr. Milner—a man I never met.

*Just a reminder to those judges who have attended
all of the 2016 AACA national meets so far . . .*

Remember that in order to receive perfect attendance recognition, you must attend ALL of the meets in a calendar year (January through December). This year started with the Winter Meet in Naples, FL, and ends with the Central Fall Meet in Galveston, TX. The Galveston, TX, meet is two weeks after the Hershey, PA, meet [6-8 Oct]. To get your perfect attendance board at Hershey, you must commit to attending the meet in Galveston.



AACA Calendar of Events

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OCTOBER 2016

5-8 Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

20-22 Central Fall Meet
Galveston, TX

NOVEMBER 2016

5-11 Reliability Tour (Pre-1916)
Savannah, GA

FEBRUARY 2017

9-11 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

23-25 AACA Winter Meet
Ocala, FL

MARCH 2017

23-26 Western Spring Meet
Palm Springs, CA

APRIL 2017

6-9 Southeastern Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

25-28 Western Division Tour
Sonora, CA

MAY 2017

11-13 Special Spring Meet
Auburn, IN

26-27 AACA Eastern Spring Meet
Huntington, WV

JUNE 2017

4-9 Founders Tour
Gettysburg, PA

15-17 Annual Grand National Meet
Independence, MO

AUGUST 2017

17-19 Central Fall Meet
Bettendorf, IA

SEPTEMBER 2017

17-22 Glidden Tour
Hastings, NE

OCTOBER 2017

4-7 Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

FEBRUARY 2018

8-10 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

APRIL 2018

5-7 Southeastern Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

MAY 2018

11-12 Central Spring Meet
Auburn, IN

18-20 Eastern Spring Meet
Cape Cod, MA



TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our New Members!

Don Beale
Norfolk, VA
- 1987 Mercedes-Benz 560SL

Joe Gentile
Virginia Beach, VA
- 1970 AMC AMX

Sunshine Report

Condolences are extended to the following members who recently lost love ones:

- **Jean Harris-Evans**, wife of Chris Harris-Evans, died peacefully at home on August 30th. She was 71.

Please provide updates on the health of TRAACA members to Vickie Doscher at 672-3755 or vlv78@hotmail.com.



Members celebrating anniversaries in October



Briant & Joan Capps
Kevin & Tracy Carr
Dick & Nancy Eberle
Mark & Diane Gresalfi
Ron & Sally Hartman
Mark & Marion McAlpine
Wayne & Carol Milligan
Tim & Rhonda Russell
Bill & Linda Treadwell
Viator & Janet Trudeau



Members celebrating birthdays in October



Barry Basnight	Tim Russell
Keith Colonna	Jo Ann Saiya
Holly Forester	Ken Saiya
Robert Green	Carla Anne Sobota
Mark Gresalfi	Jason Sturniolo
Nancy Hassell-Sitar	Lisa Sturniolo
Georgiann McVicker	Debra Swartz
Dewey Milligan	Radford Tillett
Keith Olson	Bill Treadwell
Ron Pack	Viator Trudeau
Skip Patnode	Ginger Watson
Lori Powell	Alma Wyatt



Recent Award Winners



Khedive Autos Shriners Car Show—Chesapeake, VA

Thomas Bottoni 1959 Cadillac Fleetwood
1st Place—Class 23

Mike Brown 1972 Ford LTD
1st Place—Class 5

Iven & Jane Godwin 1956 Oldsmobile
2nd Place—Class 23

Robert Perkins 1964 Ford Galaxie 500
2nd Place—Class 4

Dennis Sobota 1979 Honda CX500C
2nd Place—Class 34

Bob & Jane Ward 1964 Chevrolet Corvette
1st Place—Class 19

ACA Western Fall Meet—Cheyenne, WY

Jim Elliott 1978 Cadillac Eldorado
First Junior Award

Cadillac-LaSalle Club Annual Car Show—Newport New, VA

Jeff Locke 1993 Cadillac Allante
3rd Place—Cadillacs (1990-)

Hemmings 11th Annual Concours d'Elegance—Sarasota Springs, NY

Bob Pellerin 1936 Austin 10 Sherbourne
1st Place—Pre-War European



Hilary Pavlidis, Laura Jordan, and Sandy Hall. Laura presented "The Merritt Horne Award" to Jim Elliott in memory of her father



JUST MARRIED!



Congratulations to TRAACA members Andrew Sitar and Britany White who were married on Saturday, September 24th. (That seems like a valid excuse to have missed the region's annual meet.)





7th Annual Air & Auto Classic



Saturday, October 15, 2016
11:00 AM—4:00 PM
(Rain date is Saturday, October 29th)

The show is open to Foreign & Domestic, Vintage, Street Rods, Muscle Cars, Race Cars, Sports Cars, and Late Model Cars/Trucks of all makes & types. "If you're proud of it, bring it!"

WHERE: Military Aviation Museum
1341 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach, VA

Registration: \$25. "Rock Star" Registration: \$50
 Spectators: \$15 per car (includes entrance to the museum)

Dash plaques for first 150 registered vehicles

For more info & registration form see www.fsrpca.org
 Or contact George Michaels at (757) 818-4873 or registrar@fsrpca.org



14th Annual VIRGINIA FALL CLASSIC

Saturday, October 22, 2016
9:00 AM—3:00 PM

(Rain date is Sunday, October 23rd. Decision made by 7:00 AM Saturday.)

Open car, truck, and bike show at Newport News Park.
 All makes and models welcome. Three day event—cruise-in and dinner on Friday, car show on Saturday, car cruise on Sunday.

All proceeds benefit Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters

WHERE: Newport News Park
13560 Jefferson Ave, Newport News, VA

Registration: \$20 for first vehicle. \$10 for each additional vehicle registered by the same owner.

For registration form and more info see: www.vafallclassic.com



41st Annual Joy Fund Car Show

Saturday, November 12, 2016
8:00 AM—3:00 PM

Registration fee: \$20 plus 2 cans of food for Oasis Food Bank.
Proceeds benefit the Virginian Pilot's Joy Fund.

WHERE: Cavalier Ford
4021 Portsmouth Blvd, Chesapeake, VA



Other Regional and Local Events

OCTOBER 2016

- 1 Franklin Fall Festival Car Show
Franklin, VA
- 8 Classic Cruisers 4th of July Car Show Rain Date
Williamsburg, VA
- 15 Air & Auto Classic Show
Military Aviation Museum
Virginia Beach, VA
- 15 Driver Days Car Show
Driver, VA
- 15 Smithfield Ruritan Club's 15th Annual Car Show
Smithfield, VA
- 15 3rd Annual Beyond the Call of Duty Car Show
Richmond, VA
- 21-23 Old Dominion Packard Club Fall Meet
Glen Allen, VA
- 21-23 Goodguys SE Nationals
Concord, NC
- 22 14th Annual Virginia Fall Classic Show
Newport News, VA
- 29 4th Annual Restoration Reunion and Legends at the Park Car Show
Virginia Motorsports Park
Petersburg, VA

NOVEMBER 2016

- 5 1st Annual Team Shelby All Makes & Models Car Show
American D-I-Y Garage
Virginia Beach, VA
- 12 41st Annual Joy Fund Car Show
Chesapeake, VA
- 12 Shop With A Cop Car Show
Gloucester, VA

DECEMBER 2016

- 3 Toys for Tots Car Show
Daniels Performance Group
Smithfield, VA

JANUARY 2017

- 13-15 Hampton Roads International Auto Show
Virginia Beach, VA
- 14-22 North American International Auto Show
Detroit, MI



EDITOR'S DESK

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Wow, September flew by. Marion & I went to the Southeastern Virginia Street Rods' annual charity car show at Daniels Performance Group on 17 Sep, the Classics on the Green car show in Williamsburg on 18 Sep, our TRAACA annual meet at the Military Aviation Museum on 24 Sep, a couple cruise-ins, aerated our yard, and—oh, yeah—I had to go to work in order to pay for all this fun. (Other TRAACA members were even busier—going to the AACA Western Fall Meet in Cheyenne, WY, going on the Glidden, MG, and/or 190SL tours, going to other local car shows, the Charlotte Auto Fair, Fall Carlisle, etc. That doesn't even take into account personal responsibilities—for some reason family members, especially spouses & children, actually expect you to spend some time with them.) On top of all this, I was ill for almost a week suffering from “the crud.” Two weeks later, as we scrambled to finish the October *Mudflap*, Marion suffered the same illness for most of the week.

Car season is winding down, but far from over. Many TRAACA members are making the annual pilgrimage this week to Hershey, PA, for the AACA Eastern Fall Meet. Some are also going to Galveston, TX, for the final AACA meet of the year. Some are participating in the AACA Reliability Tour in November. Plus there are still many large car shows coming up locally, most notably the Virginia Fall Classic in Newport News on Saturday, 22 October.

I want to echo Jim Villers & thank everyone who contributed to making this year's Annual Meet such as success. Our club treasurer (Marion) is still computing the numbers as reports and bills continue to trickle in, but we're confident we made some money. (It looked questionable right up until the day before the

show as it rained for the entire week prior, but fortunately the sun came out on Friday and the field was in great shape on Saturday.) I don't want to overlook anyone, so I won't even try to list everyone who helped plan, organize, prepare, execute and clean-up for the meet. However, I have to recognize Tony Scarpelli for doing another great job as our Meet Chairman, Jim Elliott as Chief Judge, Sandy & Richard Hall and Marie & John Gancel for registration on both sides of the show field. To everyone else who pitched in—a big and sincere **THANK YOU** to each of you. Our annual meet takes a lot of work and could not be a success (or so much fun) without the dedicated efforts of so many members working together to make it happen.

If I have one minor disappointment with this year's annual meet, it's the low turnout of vehicles registered for the AACA side of the field. We had 123 vehicles preregistered and 16 day-of-show vehicles, so a total of 139. In 2014 we had 210 (157 preregistered vehicles & 43 day-of-show vehicles), so we had 70 fewer cars this year—a decrease of about one-third from 2014. (I'm skipping last year's dismal turnout, which was a result of the “Great Deluge” of 2015.) Of the 139 classic cars this year, about 50 were non-TRAACA members—so we missed our goal of having 100 members' cars on the show field. I know a number of factors influence participation, but it would've been nice to see more members and their cars at the meet.

I bring this up because the TRAACA is hosting the Old Dominion Meet Association annual meet on 21-22 April 2017 at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach. Besides needing another great turnout by volunteers to help with the ODMA Meet, we need members to bring their cars. This is a great opportunity to interact with our fellow AACA regions in Virginia and to showcase our hobby & cars to the local population. Please start planning now to participate in the 2017 ODMA Meet—we need you and your cars there.

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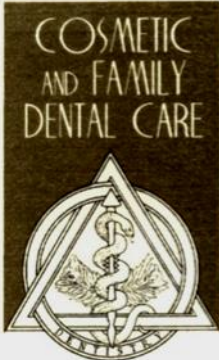
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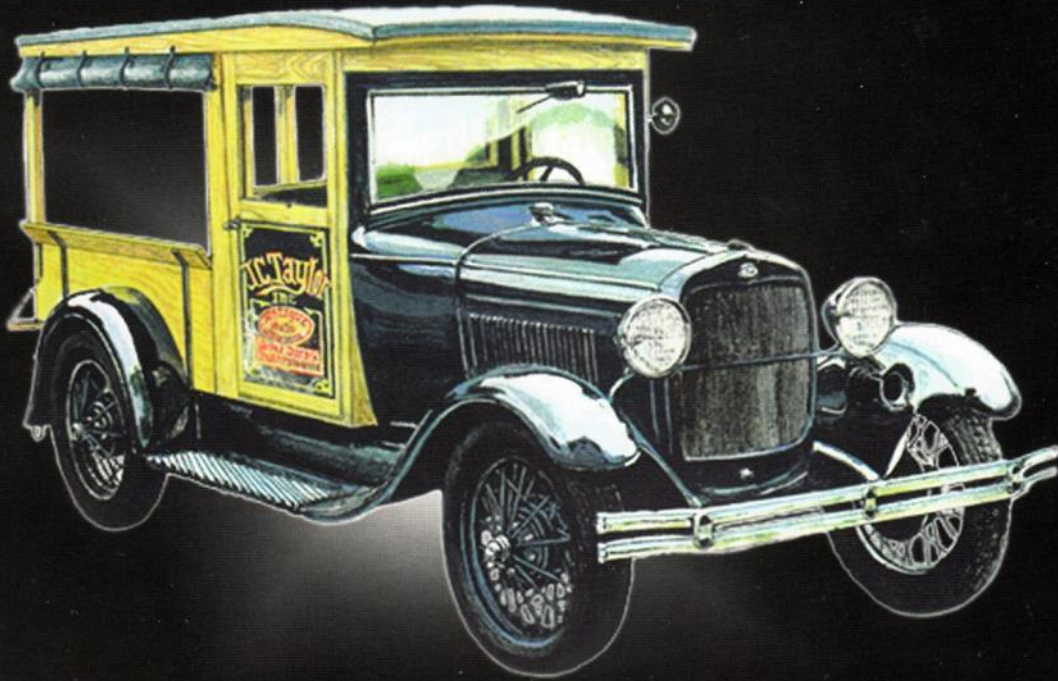
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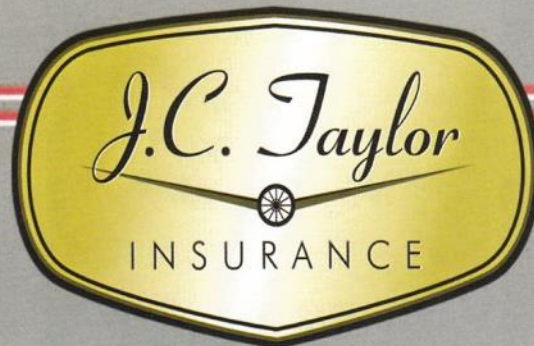
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FIRST CLASS



2016 TRAACA Annual Meet "Best in Show" Winner: Tommy Nolen (from the Richmond Region AACA) & his 1961 Pontiac Catalina