

# The Mudflap

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## TRAACA Gathering 14 Nov 2020!

The 2020 pandemic has kept us apart for most of the year! Other than a few Board meetings and the Annual Meet Committee meetings earlier in the year, the Club has not officially come together since March. The Board felt this was the prudent choice to make and remains committed to following the Government's advice and direction to maintain safety.

With those guidelines in mind, the Club is hosting a lunch gathering outdoors at Lakewood Park in Norfolk, VA. With masks and appropriate spacing, or to use the phrase of 2020 – 'social distancing', we can maintain safety and still visit with each other.

Please join the Tidewater Region for an outdoor lunch at Lakewood Park on Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am ET until 2:00 pm ET. The park is located at 1612 Willow Wood Drive in Norfolk, VA. The event will take place under one of the park's shelters. The Club will provide the food including Pollard's chicken and sides which will be served by volunteers wearing gloves and masks. Members will please provide their own drinks and masks. There are a few picnic tables under the shelter but members are encouraged to bring their own chairs. Also, please be aware, the park's restrooms are closed.

To ensure we have the correct amount of food, we must have RSVPs. If you plan to attend, *please e-mail Wayne and Carol Milligan at [carowaynmilligan@cox.net](mailto:carowaynmilligan@cox.net) or call (757) 404.7937 by Thursday, November 12.*



1926 Ford Model T coupe for sale at the Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet on 6-8 October. Read more on page 4! (Photo courtesy of the Shenandoah Valley Racket T'ers)



## TRAACA CALENDAR

Check [traaca.com/calendar.htm](http://traaca.com/calendar.htm) for the latest info on upcoming events!

### NOVEMBER 2020

- 12 Board Meeting TBD
- 14-15 ~~TRAACA tour to Eastern Shore of Maryland (cancelled)~~
- 19 Dinner Meeting (Holiday Inn Convention Center Virginia Beach/Norfolk)

### DECEMBER 2020

- 10 Board Meeting TBD
- 12 Botanical Garden Holiday Lights
- 13 Holiday Brunch, Princess Anne Country Club, Virginia Beach



# President's Podium

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Hello fellow Tidewater Region AACA members. I hope all are well and safe! I would never have guessed in March, that seven months later we would still not have returned to 'normal' as a Club! To paraphrase my dad, '2020 is the year when everything happened and yet, nothing happened' – the pandemic struck and the world became sequestered.

Though we're not back to 'normal' just yet, the Club continues to move forward. I'm sure many of you are growing weary of hearing about elections; however the Club is also holding an election. Voting for the slate of candidates for the 2021 Club Officers and Board members is taking place through email and, in some cases, through the Postal Service. Admittedly, our elections are typically not as dramatic as what we're currently witnessing at the Federal, State, and local levels, but it is a fundamental part of how our Club remains healthy and active. If you have not already voted your choice for the 2021 Board, please do so.

In addition, it's time to renew both your Tidewater Region and your AACA memberships. Membership Chair Jerry Adams has begun distributing pre-filled registration forms. Please ensure your information, including the automobile information, is complete and accurate. The Club also allows you to pay your national dues through the Region in one easy transaction. Whether you owe dues or not, please remember to sign your

form and return it. Your signature indicates your continued desire to remain a member of the Tidewater Region. We know you want to remain a member, but we still need the signature just to be sure!

Following the governments' guidelines for safety, the Board will be hosting an outdoor lunch gathering at Lakewood Park in Norfolk on November 14th from 11:00 until 2:00 – see the separate article within this edition of the Mud Flap. As stated above, March was a long time ago and the Board wants to offer a venue, for those who choose to participate, to come together and visit. To ensure we have enough food and supplies, please remember to RSVP by the deadline if you will be joining us.

As noted within the Board meeting minutes, the Board voted to defer the 2020 annual awards presentation and carry over any points earned in 2020 to 2021. As you are aware, some awards are earned based on points received by participating in various Meets. Obviously there have been very few Meets this year – those who were able to participate this year will have their 2020 points added to their 2021 points. Many of the remaining awards are based on Club participation and support and, again, those opportunities were limited in 2020.

Looking further down the road - Bill Treadwell has agreed to once again host the Annual Swap Meet in 2021. Bill does a fantastic job with the Swap Meet and both the attendance and enthusiasm continue to climb! Maybe more than ever, we look forward to our Annual Swap Meet signaling the beginning of the antique car season! The Swap Meet will take place at Nansmond Suffolk Academy (the same great location as last year) on March 6, 2021. The Club will adhere to whatever the guidance for virus safety may be at that time.

Again, I hope all remain well and safe. I look forward to seeing each of you very soon!

Warmest Regards,  
 Wayne Milligan, '20 Tidewater Region  
 AACA President

## Dinner Meeting Corner

**Chief Contact: Skip Patnode**

Once resumed, members will be contacted via e-mail to obtain their RSVPs for the club's monthly dinner meeting. (Members without e-mail will be contacted by phone.) If you will be attending, please respond to Skip Patnode's e-mail by the requested date and let him know how many people will be coming. (There is no need to respond if you are not coming.) Skip will reply to you once he adds you to his attendance list. **It is critical that you respond** so we can let the hotel know how many people will be attending & they can prepare enough food. If you are not receiving Skip's e-mails or want to be taken off the list, please contact him at [skippatnode@cox.net](mailto:skippatnode@cox.net) or (757) 672-8495. Thank you for your cooperation!



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## From the Running Board

July 28, 2020 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes  
(final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

**Officer's Present:** Wayne Milligan, Tim Hund, Ellen Adams, Bill Treadwell. Board Members present: Travis Berry, Fred Cole, Dot Parrish. Club members present: Jerry Adams, Bob Parrish.

**Quorum:** Board Meeting called to order at 7:05PM.

**President:** Thanked everyone for taking time to be here. Thanked Travis for agreeing to join the Board.

**Vice President:** Seconded what Wayne said.

**Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report

**Treasurer's Report:** Shared Treasurer's Reports previously sent out in email.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Activities:** None to report

**Restaurants:** NSTR

**Membership:** As of April 26<sup>th</sup>, 190 memberships and 329 members

### Ongoing Business:

- Club tax status subcommittee update

Committee created to research this has determined it is not in TRAACA's best interest at this time to become a non-profit. Research is still being done as to what filings are necessary under the current not-for-profit status.

### New Business:

- 2020 TRAACA awards

Motion made to defer 2020 annual awards presentation and carry over points earned in 2020 to 2021. Motion made by Tim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fred, and passed.

- 2020 membership vote for Board positions

Board decided to solicit votes from members via email (and mail for those without email) since there is currently a limit in the abilities to have a vote in person with COVID restrictions still in place.

- October, November, December club gatherings

October is already cancelled. November is being researched with possibility of doing an outdoor picnic-style gathering, possibly with a Food Truck or otherwise catered. December is being researched to see if Princess Anne Country Club can accommodate the club.

- I.C. Kirkham Membership award deadline is November 1  
Jerry to provide reports to Wayne in order to apply for this award.

- Four 2021 FREE membership applications which the Region matches

If anyone has a potential member in mind, let Wayne know.

- Comment Cards at Dinner Meetings

This may be something that has to wait until 2021, but still something the Board is looking to do.

**Adjourned at 8:20pm.** Next board meeting is 7:00pm, Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, location TBD.

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## Rummage Box Editor's Note Matt Hinson

(Article reprinted with permission from the AACA  
Rummage Box Fall 2019)

Welcome to my 15th issue as Editor of the Rummage Box. I still have my 1938 Buick Century project in the garage, but have to admit that it has been sitting basically untouched for months. I have been waiting on an appointment for an experienced metal repair guy to do some door skin repair and rocker panel repair. I am happy that I am scheduled to drop the car off with him in the near future. While I am sure I would prefer to pay a skilled worker to do that work instead of trying to do it myself, the waiting has been difficult. As soon as the metal repair and paint is done, I expect to see the project coming to a conclusion fairly quickly. If you want to see more about this project, please check it out on the AACA Discussion Forum at: <https://forums.aaca.org/topic/297623-1938-buickcentury-model-61-four-door-touring-sedan-trunk-back/>. While the 1938 Buick project will hopefully be getting back on track soon, I am enjoying the slightly cooler weather here in Southeastern North Carolina. It seemed that Summer did not want to end here this year. Now that the temperatures are a bit more Fall like, I am driving my 1937 Buick Century more often. I don't seem to like cooking very much so we go out to lunch and dinner probably more often than we should. It does give me a chance to enjoy driving my 1937 Buick and engaging in conversations with others about the car, the hobby, and AACA on a regular basis. Whenever I park the Buick, people seem to be naturally attracted to it and want to talk. I typically get approached with questions about the car at almost every stop. Between lunch and dinner trips and other local trips, I get to spread the word about AACA to many people each week.



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# Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet October 5-7, Luray, VA

Story and Pictures by Terry Bond

Disappointed. Deprived. Desperate. Down. Each of those words describe the feelings many of us swap meet veterans felt without a Hershey flea market this year. The usual Pre-War Swap Meet at Luray, Virginia had been cancelled back in May, and sensing a strong sense of disappointment at the cancellation of the Hershey event, they decided to host a mid-week version to catch enthusiasts on their way to the still scheduled Hershey car show.

It was a great plan – until the Hershey event became the Gettysburg event and got pushed into November. But – the show must go on!

I left home Monday morning and ambled my way up back-country roads towards Luray. The scenery was beautiful, the roads uncrowded, and the crisp fall air provided the right atmosphere to go flea marketing. My truck was loaded with the usual but abbreviated content of goodies that would have gone to Hershey.

Far from the usual Hershey preliminary antique hunting though, there wasn't much available along the route. Shops in Gordonsville, Culpepper and a few other places along the way were either closed early in the week or had nothing exciting to offer.

I arrived at the VFW in Luray with plenty of daylight remaining and set up the awning and tables



*Unrestored 1926 Ford Model T coupe for sale*

in anticipation of a great event the following morning. The Days Inn next door was just a corn-field away. It was a pleasant evening, made more so by having dinner with Bob Richmon and Paul and Gretchen Carreras, fellow Model T folks from Richmond area.

Tuesday it was only 37 degrees and a mist covered the valley, but nearly 50 vendors were already setting up.



*Flea Market Overview*



A quick walk through the field produced some unexpected items – the focus is Model T and whatever you wanted was there, including an unrestored 1910/11 touring car.

I bought a few goodies and returned to set up. It was a great event for selling and buying. Customers were serious and sellers equally so. Trailers loaded down with parts were literally covered with enthusiastic buyers searching for bargains.



*Pickup trucks and trailers were loaded*

This was a good old fashioned swap meet-more of a clear out the barn type of event with a distinct lack of professional vendors with fancy set-ups. There were unsorted boxes of goodies to be pawed through, and bargains galore. I sold a variety of things, from literature to brass era items, even a few duplicate Model T spark plugs.

Later in the morning I took a break to go back to check on a wonderful pair of self-generating brass headlamps. Too late-they were already sold! It was actually a friend from Tennessee who bought them, so at least I know where they are!

Later in the afternoon, I spotted a fantastic brass headlamp that had not been out earlier. It was a circa 1903/4 Autolyte self-generating carbide lamp. This is the type that would have been seen on a very early



*Pair of early brass headlamps.*

car using just one single lamp out front. It was in amazing condition but with a price that was frightening! I went back to look at it later and negotiated a bit, and left them with an offer that I knew would not be nearly enough. The next day, I went back for one last look and a photograph and learned my offer was accepted! Stuff was really for sale-they did not want to carry it around risking any damage, and waiting until Hershey next year wasn't going to work. I was happy!

Every year at Hershey, one goal (aside from finding great spark plugs) is to acquire at least one spectacular piece of brass for my collection. No Hershey this year, but Luray filled the potential void nicely.



*My prize acquisition – self generating headlamp circa 1903/4.*

Over the few days, approximately 60 vendors total came and went. Some set up only for a day, others made the whole three days. Buyers declined by Wednesday PM so I packed almost everything that evening. Thursday morning just a few vendors remained, all in the process of loading. Official ending time was noon on Thursday and I was on my way home by 10AM after a few good-byes.

Vendors came from as far away as California. There were a few from Florida, New Jersey, Maryland, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, and even the Model T Club merchandise display came down from Michigan. Several vendors had well organized displays, while others had stuff just spilling out of trailers or spread on tarps on the ground. One vendor with a trailer loaded with engines, transmission parts, rear ends, front axles, wheels, and boxes of miscellaneous was looking for offers on the lot.





*A cute early 20's Model T roadster for sale.*



*Wheels for an year Model T.*

Here are a few more pictures to give you an idea of what you could find there:



I spoke with one vendor who commented this event was more like the good old days and had an old fashioned farm-auction feel to it.

The VFW kept the coffee pots going all week, and the grill had a never ending run of hamburgers, hotdogs, baked beans, and other goodies. They were ready for breakfast each day with biscuits and ham.



*This Model T Depot Hack was ready to drive away*

During the week it was great to see AACA past-presidents Tom Cox and Chuck Crane there as well.



I also had fun visiting with Natalie and Janice Weaver, both well-known Model T enthusiasts. Natalie is editor of the national Model T Ford Club of America magazine and Janice is an enthusiastic collector of automobilia. We always enjoy comparing notes about our discoveries.



See you there next May!

*Terry*







# Gilmore Car Museum—Part 5

## Hickory Corners, MI

### *Pierce-Arrow Museum*



Story and photos by Mark McAlpine

This article is the fifth in a series of at least seven articles about the Gilmore Car Museum located in Hickory Corners, MI (midway between Battle Creek and Kalamazoo, MI). This month's article highlights the Pierce-Arrow Museum, one of the six partner organization museums located on the Gilmore campus. (The other five are the Cadillac-LaSalle Club Museum, the Classic Car Club of America Museum, the H.H. Franklin Collection, the Lincoln Motor Car Heritage Museum, and the Model A Ford Museum).

The Pierce-Arrow Museum opened on the Gilmore Car Museum campus in 1999. According to the Pierce-Arrow Foundation's website, over 80,000 Pierce-Arrows were produced from 1901-1938. Only about 3,000 survive today, but that's a pretty good survival rate for a company that has been out of business for over 80 years.

According to Wikipedia and displays at the museum, Pierce-Arrow's origins can be traced to its beginnings in 1865 as Heinz, Pierce, and Munschauer, a manufacturer of household items including iceboxes and gilded birdcages. George Pierce bought out his partners in 1872, changed the company's name to the George N. Pierce Company, and in 1896 "became swept up in the nation's bicycling craze and began producing a full line of bicycles."

Pierce failed in its first attempt to produce automobiles—a steam-powered car built under license from Overman (which merged with Locomobile in 1904)—but it rebounded to introduce its first car in 1901: the Motorette, a small car with a 1-cylinder engine & 2-speed transmission (but no reverse). It introduced the 2-cylinder Arrow in 1903 and the 4-cylinder Great Arrow in 1904, when the company decided to focus on producing large luxury cars. Its cars became known at the time as one of

"the three Ps of luxury" or "three Ps of motordom"—Packard, Peerless, and Pierce-Arrow. Pierce cars won the first AAA race in 1904, the first five Glidden Tours in 1905-1909, and in 1909 U.S. President William Howard Taft ordered two Pierce-Arrows (and two White touring cars) as the first official cars of the White House.

In 1908 the company split into two: the Pierce Cycle Company and the Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Company. George's son Percy was president of the Pierce Cycle Company and established the Pierce Motorcycle Company in 1909. It built outstanding, but expensive motorcycles, and went bankrupt in 1914 after producing fewer than 500 motorcycles. The Pierce Cycle Company was sold in 1914 to the Emblem Manufacturing Company, which built Pierce bicycles until 1940.

The Pierce-Arrow Museum has artifacts & informative displays from throughout the company's history including iceboxes and bicycles from its early days, a 1912 motorcycle, and over 20 vehicles. Highlights include a 1903 Pierce Stanhope (1 of only 149 built); a 1912 4-cylinder Pierce motorcycle, a 1920 Pierce-Arrow 7-passenger touring car ("the car that started it all"—the first car in Donald Gilmore's collection, given to him as a project car by his wife Genevieve, and restored by Mr. Gilmore and his friends under a tent in his driveway); a beautiful unrestored 1931 Pierce-Arrow Series 41 enclosed-drive limousine; an unrestored 1931 Pierce-Arrow Model 41 limousine custom built for an eccentric millionaire to look like his 1913 Pierce-Arrow; and a 1937 Pierce Travel Lodge (1 of only 105 built in 1937-1938).

If the first four articles in this series didn't convince you to visit the Gilmore Car Museum, I hope this article does. It's well worth the trip—just allow yourself enough time.



*The Pierce-Arrow Museum—one of the six on-site partner museums at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI*





*(L-top & bottom) 1899 & 1905 George N. Pierce company bicycles;  
(R-top & bottom): 1935 & 1936 Pierce bicycles built by Emblem*



*1903 Pierce Stanhope—1 of 149 sold by the George N. Pierce Co.*



*1911 Pierce-Arrow Model 48-SS 7-passenger Touring Car*



*1912 Pierce 4-cylinder motorcycle*



*1916 Pierce-Arrow Model 38-C-4 Brougham*



*1917 Pierce-Arrow Model R8 5-ton motor truck*



*1920 Pierce-Arrow Waldon (Hispano-Suiza-inspired) prototype*



*1926 Pierce-Arrow Series 80 Derham Town Car*





*1928 Pierce-Arrow Series 36 limousine*



*1929 Pierce-Arrow Series 133 roadster*



*1930 Pierce-Arrow Model B Cabriolet Coupe*



*1930 Pierce-Arrow Model B Club Sedan*



*1931 Pierce-Arrow Series 41 limousine*



*1931 Pierce-Arrow Series 41 LeBaron Club Sedan*



*1931 Pierce-Arrow Series 41 limo custom built to look like a 1913*



*1932 Pierce-Arrow Model 54 8-cylinder engine*





1932 Pierce-Arrow Model 54 Convertible Sedan



1934 Pierce-Arrow Model 1240A Convertible Coupe



1937 Pierce-Arrow Model 1702 7-passenger sedan



1937 Pierce-Arrow Travel Lodge



(L-R) 1927 Pierce-Arrow Series 80 roadster and 1927 Pierce-Arrow Series 80 5-passenger sedan





## Mirror Mirror in my Pocket—Antique Pocket Mirrors

*By Terry Bond*

I think collecting small things is great! You can squeeze them into small spaces, or put several into a flat, glass covered display case and easily enjoy them. Or – you can put them in your pocket, which is what these items were intended for.

A simple small round or oval mirror to be carried in a pocket, or a ladies purse, was a handy item used to ensure no hair was out of place after a trip in an open topped automobile back in the teens or twenties. The back side of these mirrors proved also to be a great place for the local garage or auto dealership to advertise. They were often given away at trade fairs or automobile shows. You could also order them with photos of family, or even your new car printed on the back, covered with protective celluloid.



*Original advertising pocket mirror for the Patterson "30" automobile. Value approximately \$200.*

Pocket mirrors come in all sizes, but most round mirrors are around 2 1/8" in diameter. Average size on the oval shaped mirrors is around 1 7/8" x 2 7/8." Note these seem to be average sizes. I have many in my collection that are slightly larger or smaller, so mere size is not always a good indication of authenticity.

Be cautious when considering a purchase as many mirrors have been reproduced. Those with gasoline or motor oil advertising on them are especially easy to find in flea markets or on the internet.

To tell an original from a reproduction, look carefully at the edge of the celluloid covering. There should be some indication of who made the mirror.

There were dozens of companies in the teens and twenties that produced them. Commonly seen mirrors produced by Bastian Brothers, Rochester NY, L.F. Grammes, in Allentown, PA, and Whitehead and Hoag, in New York are seen most often. These companies produced a variety of advertising novelties including pins, buttons, watch-fobs, and other similar items. Whitehead and Hoag is particularly well known for the may political buttons the produced over the years.



*Original advertising pocket mirror for the Werner Supply Company, obviously a dealer also for Ford automobiles, circa 1918, value approximately \$175.*

While not all originals are marked, there are no reproductions that are.

Look also at the quality of the image. Coloring should be vivid and the quality of printing should be



*Advertising pocket mirror for a Motor Ambulance service and Funeral Director. Value approximately \$100.*





*Advertising mirror for the La Fayette automobile. Value approximately \$125.*



*Many oil companies used oval shaped advertising pocket mirrors decorated like wooden oil barrels to advertise their product. Many varieties can be found. Values range from \$50 to well over \$200 depending on brand and strength of graphics.*

crisp. The celluloid is often scratched and may even have some cracks in it. These are sure signs of age. The mirror itself may have spotting of some flaking of the mirrored background. The narrow metal binding that frames the mirror itself will have a tarnished look on originals. Reproductions will be brightly chrome plated.

Mirrors advertising specific brands of automobiles are very rare and represent the top tier in collecting automotive themed mirrors. The older they are the more valuable they – but of course condition is every-

thing. Those actually showing an early automobile will be the most valuable.

Most mirrors found are advertising for dealerships or garages and repair shops. Some specialty services like auto painting or top replacement can also be found. Those advertising brands of gasoline or motor oil are also rare and appeal to collectors of gas and oil memorabilia.

The condition of the mirror itself is often irrelevant, provided it is at least completely intact.

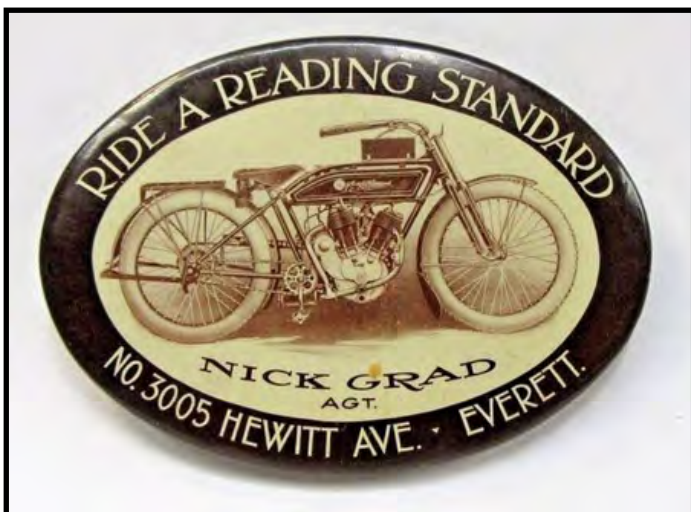


*Advertising pocket mirror for a Motor Ambulance service and Funeral Director. Value approximately \$100.*



*Advertising mirror for Yellow Taxis. This would appeal to collectors of Yellow Cam and general taxi memorabilia. Value approximately \$200.*





*This rare advertising mirror for a Reading Standard motorcycle is circa 1912 and sold not long ago for over \$400.*



*Something different is this rear-view of a Nash automobile showing the spare tire and license plate. Obviously a dealer advertising piece, it would appeal to Nash memorabilia collectors. Value is approximately \$80.*

The condition of the front however is another matter. Celluloid is delicate and subjected to heat, will often discolor and crack. This naturally impacts the image. Once moisture gets under the celluloid, damage to the image can occur, and often rusting of the metal under the image will begin to discolor it. Rust stains, cracked celluloid, or edge damage will all affect value.

These are considered cross-over collectables. We compete with advertising, and specifically advertising mirror collectors.

I had briefly mentioned reproduction mirrors, and it is worth looking at one example of a recently produced item currently available on the internet. This "Authorized Studebaker" advertising mirror is a new reproduction and could be bought for less than \$20.00. As a cute novelty, if you happen to own a Studebaker of this era you would probably be happy to own it, but as a collector's item, it has little value.



*This Socony Motor Gasoline advertising mirror is quite a bit larger than a standard sized pocket mirror – it probably wouldn't fit into your pocket. It's not terribly rare, but difficult to find in good condition, and due the popularity of the subject matter, and the strength of the graphics, it commands a strong price today. Value is approximately \$100-200 depending on overall condition.*



*Reproduction Studebaker mirror.*

Advertising mirrors can be found for many different items – from Coca-Cola to Corn-Flakes. Those





*An interesting oval mirror advertising Badger Accessories showing a spare tire mounted on a running board holder. There is some discoloration to the image but I still consider it a good bargain at \$75 due to rarity.*

with family portraits are also very common, and there were some originally produced with risqué images on them. Sometimes, there is a part of an automobile showing, but for collectors of automobilia, they are of little interest. They are also widely reproduced. Not all were intended to deceive however. Several years ago, there were a number of mirrors reproduced by a gentleman near Syracuse, New who was retired from



*Another prize in my collection is this Model T advertising mirror. It is circa 1913/14. Value would be approximately 200 .*



*Among my favorite mirrors is not really an advertising piece, it merely shows a lady motorist behind her steering wheel, ready for a journey. Value approximately \$50-74.*



*A fabulous early Marmon advertising mirror. This sold not long ago for over \$400 in an internet-based auction.*

a company that made them originally. Old images were produced as new advertising mirrors showing aerial views of the Franklin and Mora automobile factories, as well as some for different gasoline and motor oil companies in that area. They were produced for some kind of anniversary celebration in that area and left-overs were sold on the internet for \$9.00 each. Sadly, some of them have recently shown up being sold as "original. Enjoy the photos, and as always, enjoy collecting!

*Terry*



## “Saef gelandt, net verbrennt”

By Samuel Y. Kern III

“Saef gelandt, net verbrennt”  
 (“Safely landed, not burned”)



*Jenny Yeager Kern*

This is what my grandmother Jenny Yeager Kern would always say at the conclusion of every road trip, whether for shopping, family visits (very many), Sunday afternoon drives just for fun, or mini vacations (very few). I doubt she ever flew and the closest she ever got to an airplane was 2,500 feet while she was on the ground.

Jenny (1879 - 1964) loved nothing better than a good car outing: they were the high points of her life. Grammy was widowed at an early age when my grandfather, Harvey Kern, died of the Spanish Flu in 1919. My family lived with her at 237 South Main Street in Coopersburg, PA until she died, when my father became owner of the property. Jenny, never having a driver's license, relied entirely on my parents and my aunts and uncles, and even me, for transportation. One summer she accompanied us on a short vacation to Hyde Park, NY, most likely the farthest she had ever travelled from Coopersburg.

My family spoke Pennsylvania Dutch for generations. They would tell good jokes and speak it when they did not want others to understand what they were saying. Coopersburg is very-much part of the “Pennsylvania Dutch Country”.

I thank Mr. Peter K. Zacharias of The Groundhog Lodges of Pennsylvania for the correct spelling of my grandmother's words. He said Jenny's quotation is a combination of Dutchified English and German.

Pennsylvania Dutch is, for the most part, not a pure language, but most often, a compilation of many different languages. Said differently, a lot of colorful “dumb stuff.”



## Bye-Bye Old, Hello New!

(Reprinted with permission from *The Speedster* Oct 2020)

By Stacy Zimmerman

Well, it's officially moving day! Or maybe a better statement would be moving week(s)?

That's right, the new AACA National Headquarters building has been completed (for the most part) and the move has begun. There are still a few things here or there that need to be finished, cleaned up, tweaked, etc., but for the most part the new building is ready to be occupied. As you can image, moving the club office and the library research center is nothing short of a major feat.

The move involves everything from club records and office equipment to club memorabilia, National Award trophies and merchandise. There are donated cars and staff offices, not to mention a pretty hefty supply of Antique Automobile magazine back issues. Oh yeah, and don't forget about one of the largest automotive libraries that exists! The move will take staff, volunteers and some professional help days to physically move and even more time to organize the new space.

While the move will be a daunting and taxing task, we have to remember that this is such an exciting time for this club. We are starting a new chapter in the history of this great organization. We have 85 years of our story behind us with hopefully 85+ years more ahead. This new building represents our future but will also show off our past. The other buildings that have housed AACA over the years were just that... buildings. This new building feels like our true home because it was specifically designed for us and for the needs of this organization and its members. Because of that, it will allow us to be the stewards we need to be for this hobby. It will give AACA a proper place to teach future generations why this love we have for old cars is so important and why a club like ours needs to be part of tomorrow's world.

None of this would have been possible without the generosity of thousands of members. YOU are the ones who made this dream a reality and allowed this new AACA home come to fruition. This is YOUR home and you should be proud. When the building is finally open to the public, please come visit and bring your family and friends and show off what YOU made happen!

Stay tuned for a large spread with lots of photos of the new building in the January/February issue of Antique Automobile magazine.





# TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Members celebrating anniversaries in November

- John & Mary Beth Clark
- David & Faye Curl
- Bennie & Joyce Howard
- Ivan & Marjorie Joslin
- Robert "Red" & Zelda Lang
- Dewey & Maxine Milligan
- Gregg & Candice Shelton
- Ken & Barbara Talley

Members celebrating birthdays in November

- Paul Atkinson
- Laura Bayer
- Bill Blair
- Terry Bond
- Harry Boone
- Scott Davies
- Thomas "Thad" Doumar
- Lisa Dudley
- Murray Goodwin
- Sheila Gurnee
- John Heimerl
- Chris Hunt
- Pat Locke
- Mike Mason
- Peggy Mason
- Scott Miller
- Harry Park
- Bob Pellerin
- Rosemarie Poe
- Sarah Saiya
- Mark Strang
- Andrew Sturniolo
- Jason Sturniolo
- Mary Stutz
- Todd Sweigart
- Laurel Swenson
- Michael Taylor
- Brenda Warden



Other Regional and Local Events

NOVEMBER 2020

6-7 **ODMA Meet** hosted by **Roanoke Valle Region, Natural Bridge Conv. Center**

Classic Cruiser Saturday Night Cruise-ins

Coastal Community Church, 101 Village Avenue, Yorktown, VA every Saturday thru October 17. \$2.00 donation for charity. For more information go to <http://www.ccccva.com>, our Classic Cruisers Car Club Facebook page, or contact Paul James at 804-694-6065 or [pjs68camaro@yahoo.com](mailto:pjs68camaro@yahoo.com).

ATLANTIC SHORES DAILY COMMUNITY CAR PARADE

Every day at 3 pm - antique vehicles welcome to join the parade so that the residents can see some cool cars go by.

**Congrats!!!**

Members Tom and Missy Norris have tied the knot.

**Sunshine Report**

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the following members:

Mary Norment Soscia, mother of Nancy Soscia, passed away on October 13, 2020.

Wally G. Wise, long time TRAACA member with his wife Agnes, passed away on October 6, 2020.

Please provide Member Care/ Sunshine Report information on TRAACA members to Bob Stein at [posti@aol.com](mailto:posti@aol.com) or 588-6200.

Welcome to Our New Members!

None this month







# Chesapeake Region Remembers 9/11

(Reprinted with permission from *The Speedster* October 2020)

September 11, 2001 will go down in history as a day we as citizens of the United States of America will never forget.

On Sunday, October 11, seventeen members of the Chesapeake Region joined together to take a tour to the Flight 93 National Memorial in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. The Flight 93 National Memorial is the nation's memorial to the 40 passengers and crew of Flight 93 - the plane that was presumed to be headed towards the U.S Capitol Building that day. With the completion of the Memorial in 2011, people can now visit these hallowed grounds that are the final resting place for the men and women who protected the country with their selfless act.

The Flight Path Walkway and Overlook show the path of the plane and the times as it approached the crash site. The crash site is marked with a huge boulder and is surrounded by the Memorial Plaza and the Wall of Names. The latest piece that was completed in 2018 is the Tower of Voices, a 93-foot-tall musical instrument holding forty wind chimes - one for every person that perished that day on Flight 93. The U.S. Congress designated the crash site as a National Memorial in 2002.

After leaving the Memorial, region members enjoyed a nice lunch at the Eat'n Park Restaurant in Somerset. The weather cooperated until the ride home when we experienced a light rain shower. Everyone enjoyed getting together to spend the day remembering and honoring some of our many 9/11 heroes. We hope that all of you will have the opportunity to visit the Flight 93 Memorial in the near future.

What a cool idea! Don't forget to let us know if you or your region/chapter is doing something cool during the COVID-19 shutdown Email the Speedster at [szimmerman@aaca.org](mailto:szimmerman@aaca.org)



1931 Pierce-Arrow Series 42 Dual Cowl Phaeton in the Pierce-Arrow Museum at the Gilmore Car Museum in Hickory Corners, MI. Read the article about the museum on Pages 7—10.



## AACA Calendar of Events

[http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca\\_calendar.html](http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca_calendar.html)

### NOVEMBER 2020

6-7 AACA Fall Special Show  
Gettysburg, PA

### FEBRUARY 2021

11-13 AACA Annual Convention  
Philadelphia, PA

### MARCH 2021

17-20 AACA Special Dual Nationals  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

19 Special Grand Nationals  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

### APRIL 2021

8-10 AACA SE Spring Nationals  
Concord, NC

19-22 AACA SE Divisional Tour  
Central Florida

### MAY 2021

6-8 AACA Central Spring Nat'ls  
Auburn, IN

20-25 AACA Founders Tour  
Davis, WV

### JUNE 2021

2-5 Eastern Divisional Tour  
Eastern Shore Region &  
Bay County Region

17-19 AACA Eastern Spring Nat'ls  
Saratoga Springs, NY

### JULY 2021

11-16 AACA Vintage Tour  
Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA

22-24 AACA Grand Nationals  
New Ulm, MN

### AUGUST 2021

13-14 AACA Western Fall Nationals  
Loveland, CO

### SEPTEMBER 2021

9-11 Southeastern Fall Nat'ls  
Greenville, SC

12-17 Revival AAA Glidden Tour  
Saratoga Springs, NY





## EDITOR'S DESK

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November is here and the temperatures are being to fall along with the leaves beginning to change. Now is the last chance to get out and enjoy some driving while looking at the beauty of the changing of the colors. Last weekend, my brother and I drove to see our sister in Winchester, Virginia, and were able to enjoy the colors on the way up. We had hoped to drive part of Skyline Drive for the colors, but it was a light rain when we were close to Skyline Drive, so we did not spend the money to get on the drive, but drove US 522 and still enjoyed the sights. While in Winchester we did have time to get fresh apples from the local orchards. I hope that many of you get a chance to take some day trips and view the changing leaves as we did. I know that the Colonial Parkway often has great views and plenty of places to stop and enjoy the day.

This coming weekend is the Special National Show at Gettysburg, Pa. Although I am not able to make it, I am sure some of you will, and will come back with pictures and maybe a story for the Mudflap. (Hint Hint) AACA has done a wonderful job putting on an event while working within the regulations in the State of Pennsylvania.

As Wayne mentioned on page 1, TRAACA is going to have a socially distanced event at Lakewood Park in Norfolk that will allow everyone to be together again. I am sure it is much anticipated.

I hope you are enjoyed the series of stories on the Gilmore Museum that Mark McAlpine has been writing for us. As I read these articles, it has become a place to put on my list of car museums to visit in the future.

Terry always has an intriguing article about collecting and I look forward to seeing what he will write about each month. And his additional article about the pre-war swap meet in Luray was very interesting. The pre-war period is something I don't have much knowledge in, especially brass era cars, so his article is quite interesting.

Sam Kern contributed an interesting article about how his grandmother felt about traveling. I found it interesting to read, especially the reference to the Pennsylvania Dutch.

My brother Bill took some time this month to get the Packard up on his quick jack to change the oil, change the transmission fluid, and check the differential fluid. He also greased all the fitting he found under the Packard, around 21 or 22 fittings. Then he

was able to check the radiator and battery while at it. I am sure that many of you will be working on completing such projects either now or soon.

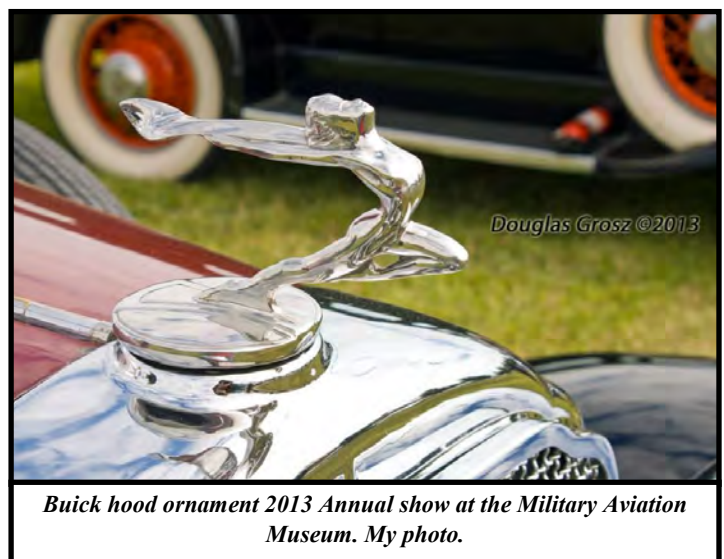
Be on the lookout for your email, or regular mail for your renewal information for TRAACA. Last year, my brother and I paid for both our TRAACA and National Memberships in the club. It is very convenient. Looking forward to the future, Bill Treadwell is still the chairman of the Spring Swap Meet so we can plan for that next year.

Enjoy the Mudflap, and have a Happy Thanksgiving as you get together with family and friends.

*Doug*

## Remember—we are still looking for 2021's co-editor!

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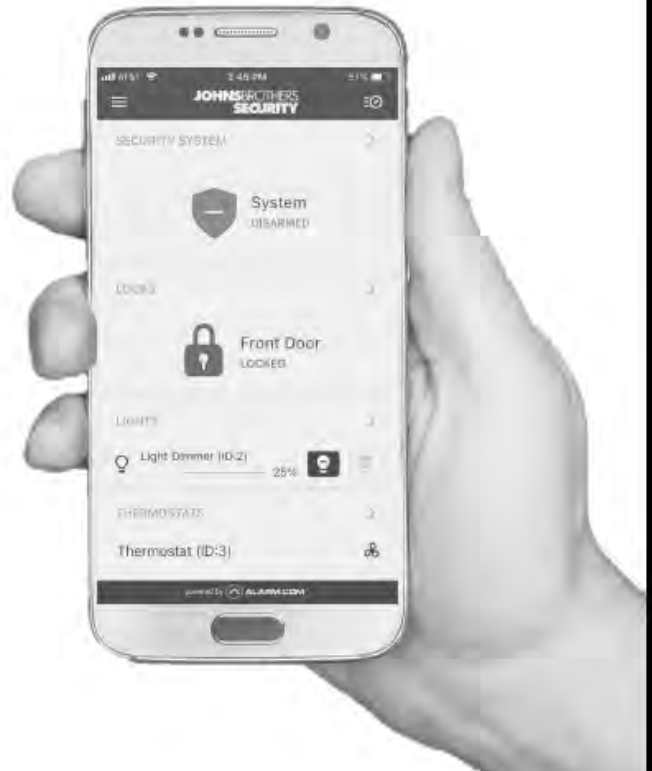
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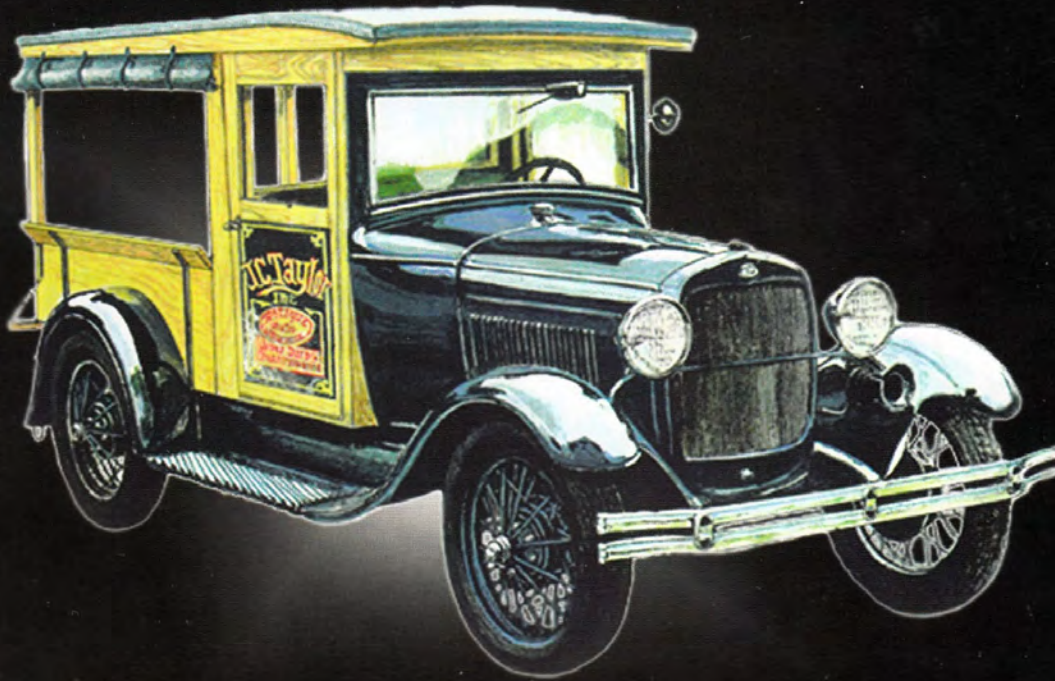


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