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President Linda's Message

Linda Pellerin presents a President's Award to Sam Kern in recognition of his excellent work on our fall meet and other ways Sam has contributed to our club.

The season is flying by and I think all our weekends are filled with car events. In September we had an incredible day at the zoo. Charles Ryan met us at the gate and took us on our guided behind the scenes tour. It was an amazing day! I still can't get over how soft and gentle the Giraffe was, and what a tongue! Standing close to the animals I got a better perspective on how large they really are. The elephant was 9,000 lbs.! We finished off the day at the zoo with a train ride through the grounds, followed by a meal at Logan's restaurant. Recently I have received a very nice thank you note from the zoo for our donation.

The Tidewater Region is being represented today at the Virginia Beach ocean front in the Neptune Festival Parade and at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach with many of our vehicles on display for a WWI day. We also have another display taking place later this month for Military Family Day. This is a great way to support our Military and their families. October is also the month of Hershey and I don't mean chocolate. It is the car show and flea market of the year. I know many of you will be making the Trek. There is still time to sign up for the Fall Tour. Your tour guides Bob Pellerin and Dan Ciccone have been working very hard to make this tour a great one! Drive out and join in the fun!

It is with sadness we have lost one of our long time members Maggie Hall. She was the queen of the 50/50 raffle. Maggie always had a smile for everyone she met and was a great ambassador for the Tidewater Region. She will be missed by all of us.

"Arguing with a fool proves there are two."

Doris M. Smith

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YOUR DUES-R-DUE

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1958 CORVETTE A DREAM COMES TRUE

By Vito Serrone

It was 1958 – I was seventeen and all I could think about, besides girls, was the new model Corvette – that beautiful signet red color, cream tear drop and shiny chrome. As it passed me on the streets of Brooklyn, NY, I knew that someday I would own that car. Life took over, years passed, but not my dream of owning a '58 vette. After my retirement to Virginia Beach, the possibility became real.

During a visit to the Corvette Show in Carlisle, PA with my son, there it was. Of course, I bid on it; but the negotiations did not pan out. During the months that passed I was coveting that car, when I received a call from my son that he had found the very same car on the web for sale by Corvette Mike in California. This time it was meant to be. After many phone calls, negotiating back and forth, my dream car came cross county and was delivered in Oct 2007.



The styling front to rear is absolutely sleek.

It is a show car, not a driver, with a frame-up restoration and is kept in a temperature controlled garage. Modification changes that have been done: new 58 slipcovers, new trunk mat, replaced heater core, brakes, T3 headlights, generator belt, windshield wipers, hose clamps. Its' V-8 gets 270 horsepower from two 4 barrel carburetors, and is coupled to a Borg Warner T-10 four speed transmission.



My dream came true and has opened a new world of friends and activities to myself and my wife, Nina.



This car says jump in and drive me FAST!



Vito with his dream car.



EDITORIAL

By Neil Sugermeyer

If P.T. Barnum had been an old car nut, he certainly would have referred to the AACA National Meet in Hershey as “The Greatest Car Show on Earth”. Few folks who have attended it in years past would dispute the appellation, unless maybe they were buried in the mud of the old grass fields. Now, with all swap meet areas on blacktop, navigation around that portion of the show is clean and easy, although it has been estimated that if you merely walked all the aisles, you’d hoof it more than 28 miles. The car show on the final day is still on grass, but it is hard packed soil that more than likely will not be a problem if it rains.

The Hershey show is now over 50 years old, and has gradually grown to stupendous proportions since beginning in the mid 1950s. The first time I attended was in 1960, when swap meet vendors lined either side of the service road to the maintenance building behind the old stadium. Somewhere in my collection of old slides, I have a picture of this taken from the top row of seats in that stadium. There were no “color fields” that we have since become accustomed to, and the entire car show was held inside the old stadium. The airport across Hershey Park Drive was still operational, and among others, Bill Harrah used to land there in his private plane. Only a year or two later, the show spilled out onto the grass outside the stadium, and the swap meet was shifted to first, the Blue field where the roller coasters and the amusement park are now situated, and then as the swap meet increased in size, to the Red field which was added across Rt 143 where an outlet mall now is located. What was known as the White field sprang up on the airport runway across Hershey Park Drive after the airport was closed down. As I missed a number of years due to military service in the late ‘60s and early ‘70s, I’m not sure which came first – the old Red field or the White field.

As time went on, the car show abandoned the inside of the stadium, and grew to fill the parking area that now is the Red field around the old stadium. Over the years, the Chocolate field was added where it is today when the old Red field was closed for development, the Chocolate field annex was established in a part of the present Chocolate field when the old Blue field was closed to expand the amusement park, and the old Green field was added where the Giant Center is presently located.

After at least 10 years in the Green field, in 1999 development of the present Giant Center complex began by closing the Green field, and the Hershey Region was hard pressed to find space to accommodate the entire show. The car show was still held around the old stadium in the present Red field area, and the temporary solution in 2000 was to create the Yellow field running

back off Rt 39 alongside Swatera Creek. For two years, I walled in mud with other displaced vendors from the Green field, saw few customers, and along with many others, cursed the location in general. There was also an annex added to the White field on the corner of Hershey Park Drive and Rt 39.

Meanwhile, construction continued on the Giant Center, and new parking lots were added around the complex in time to accommodate the closing of the White field, the Yellow field and the White field annex. The car show was moved to the old Hershey golf course where it remains today, and the present Red field, Green field and Orange field took care of the displaced vendors. Who knows what the future will hold?

Now, an area map of the show complex will keep you from getting lost, and a list of vendors will direct you through the various fields to the ones you need to see. So far, the old golf course site for the car show on Saturday has worked well to accommodate around 1500 show cars and spectators.

Over the fifty plus years that I have gone to Hershey, a lot has changed, but the thrill remains each year as I embark on another adventure to “The Greatest Car Show on Earth”. If you have never been, it is something you will never forget once you have attended, and I’ll guarantee you’ll agree with P.T. Barnum.



Talking to friends, other vendors, and customers is half the fun at Hershey.



Debbie, Dana, and Daisy Meadows plus Bob Roughton and Marty Sugermeyer enjoyed having their lunch near the Woolfit’s Packard.





August 10 – TRAACA Board Meeting

By Scott Davies, Secretary

The board meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm at Priority Chevrolet. Members present were Linda Pellerin, President; Bob Stein, Vice-President; Scott Davies, Secretary; John Gancel, Treasurer; Board members Toni McChesney, Don Hobbs, Tony Scarpelli, Bill Wilcox and Riley Best. Also present were Marie Gancel, Bob and Dot Parrish Mickey McChesney, Sam Kern and Neil Sugermeyer.

The TRAACA Board was informed of new members Bill & Elizabeth Coburn and Roy & Marie Reichenbach (Indiana) that could not attend the meeting.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Bill Wilcox accepted Chairmanship of "Trailer" committee. Don Hobbs reported on a new 24' trailer for \$5700. Discussion followed on sizes/types of trailers suitable for the club's needs. The motion to authorize Bill Wilcox to pursue the purchase of a suitable trailer with funds not to exceed \$6000 was seconded and carried.
- Sam Kern reported on the Annual meet:
 - All committees reporting "ready"
 - Contract signed with the Airport
 - Insurance has been confirmed
 - "Good Sponsorship"
 - There will be a Special display – Race Cars
- Dot Parrish reported on upcoming events:
 - August 27th, Friday night social
 - September 4th, Norfolk Zoo – "behind the scenes" tour.
 - October 2nd, Ladies Driving Tour
 - November 13th, Chili Cook-off

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- The TRAACA Display Case at Hershey is being held for us. Richard Hall is collecting TRAACA artifacts.
- The recently held "Tech Session" was outstanding with a good turn out.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Virginia Beach Airport will be hosting a WW I event on September 25-26. Period cars are invited. Antique cars are also requested for an event on October 3rd and October 16th is Military Family Day.
- Antique cars are requested for the Old Town Portsmouth event on November 19th.
- Bob Parrish is Chairman of the Nominating Committee.
- Linda Pellerin reported that the TRAACA Christmas Party location has been cancelled. A new location needs to be identified and reserved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 pm.



ZOO TRIP

Lions, Tigers and Bears, Oh My!

By Sandy Hall

What a great day for the Zoo on Sept 4th! Hurricane Earl paid his visit the day before and cooled down the temps somewhat. One group met at Greenbrier Mall while another group left from Lake Wright. Both groups arrived at the Zoo about the same time and with our trusty guide Charles, we started the "Behind the Scenes Tour". Our first stop was to see the lions. As we were walking toward the lions, we saw a strange looking bird named the horn billed bird. No, his bill does not look like a horn so I am not sure how he got that name. Before entering their "den", we were told that whatever goes into the lion's cage belongs to the lions and we were to stay along a black wall. The lions are huge gorgeous animals. Inside was the father who weighs 370 pounds and two of his cubs. Like a puppy, you could look at the cubs' huge feet and see that they still had much growing to do. Dot had her grandchildren, Landon and Austin with her, so once we left the lion's den, we quickly counted to make sure the boys still had ten fingers. Whew, to Dot's relief, they paid attention!



From the lions, we traveled on to the elephants. Lilly was the one that was most intrigued by her "visitors". She weighs a mere 10,000 pounds. The elephants are bathed every morning and inspected for any injuries or signs of illness. What I found interesting was that they are very territorial. Our guide told us that because Lilly was the one by the fence strutting her stuff for us, the others would not come near or if one of them did, she would



most politely (or not) tell them to leave. They don't like another elephant "in their space" –sort of like your kids, if you remember.



Left: Lilly
Below: Lilly's admirers



After spending some time with Lilly, we moved to the giraffes. The area where we met the giraffes was small, so we broke into two groups, but for me this was the most fun as we were allowed to feed them sweet potatoes that had been sliced and pretty much were the size of a carrot. The front of a giraffe's mouth is just his gums; his teeth are back towards the middle of his mouth so they are not able to bite you – just gum you. If we held the sweet potato up, the giraffe would reach down, wrap his very long tongue (which is also very smooth) around it and it was gone. Barbara Talley was not in our group, but we were later told that she put a carrot on her hat and the giraffe tried to take it off the hat. For him, this was a lot of work trying to get his huge mouth to pick the carrot off the hat rather than have someone hand it to him. Barbara tried this again, but the giraffe thought it was too much work so he didn't go for it the second time around but waited until someone handed him another one.



Barbara Talley's hat trick

Because of a giraffe's height and his long digestive tract, he eats all day long. Living with the giraffes were emus, but were not thrilled we were there as they never got up to come over.

From here, we went to see the tigers. Only one female tiger was in her area. The female tiger and the three lions we had seen previously were held back in their quarters so that we might observe them. All of these animals were most excited to see us since they seemed to know that once our visit was over, they would be allowed to go outside on such a gorgeous day. Each one of them kept circling their area and heading for the door to go out. After our visit with the tigers, we passed by the bongos. I had never seen a bongo but thought they were a really beautiful animal. Others of us, on the other hand, pronounced them to be ugly! Once again, beauty is in the eye of the beholder. Before leaving, we were taken to the new home that is being built for the tigers. We were inside the exhibit, while the public was outside the fence looking in at the animals (us)! After a ride on the train which circles the perimeter of the Zoo, we left and headed to Logan's Restaurant for lunch.



Peter and Claire Catanese and Sandy Hall (middle) on the tram

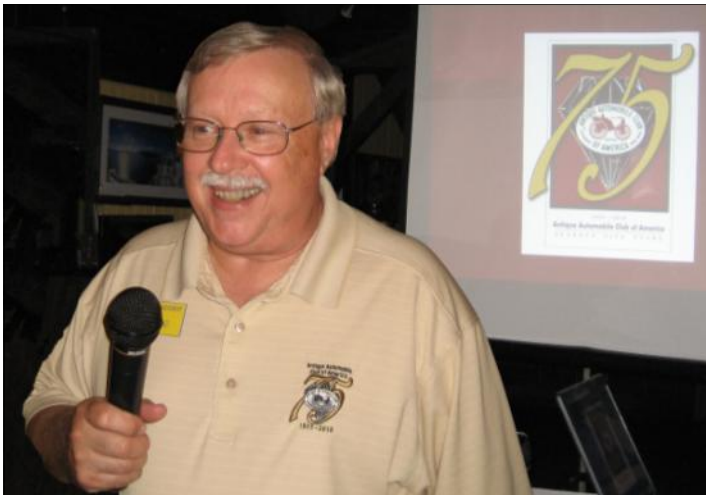
Those that were with us on our trip to the Zoo were: John & Marie Gancel; Dot Parrish & Sandy Hall with Landon and Austin Parrish; Bob & Linda Pellerin; Dan & Angie Ciccone; Tyler Gimbert; Sheila Gurnee; Sue & Roy Cunningham; Toni & Mickey McChesney, Maxine & Dewey Milligan, Barbara & Ken Talley, Bill Wilcox, Claire & Peter Catanese, Carol & Jere Avenson, Nina & Vito Serrone, Neil and Marty Suger-meyer, and Debbie & Dana Meadows.



WHAT A GREAT RIDE!

By Marty Sugermeyer

After a great dinner at Aberdeen Barn on Sept. 16th, Terry Bond, AACA President 2010, gave a spectacular presentation of many of the events he and Susan have attended during this year. The job is huge. Terry must have emails and calls downloaded directly to his brain. In spite of the many nights on the phone and fielding questions from members and officers of AACA, Terry and Susan are thoroughly enjoying this special year. They have had a chance to see and ride in many of the best cars in AACA. They are also enjoying the visits with old friends and making many new ones. Susan has kept us informed about more of the details of their travels and has for publication in the Mud Flap. In that way, they have taken the "home team" along for the ride.



Terry gave the talk and Bob Stein kept the screen filled with lots of wonderful pictures of the events the Bonds have attended..

It was also an evening of awards. Kathy Kellum brought along the People's Choice Award for Dwight Schaubach from the Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg Meet. Terry Bond presented Elaine Tarr a AACA Spark Plug Award for her work on the website for HVPR. 2010 TRAACA Meet Chairman Sam Kern recognized all the folks who contributed to the success of our 37th Annual Meet.



Dwight Schaubach receives the People's Choice Award from the Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg

NEPTUNE FESTIVAL PARADE

By Neil Sugermeyer

Sept. 25th on a clear but very warm Saturday morning, TRAACA formed up seven cars at 14th Street in Virginia Beach to take part in the annual Neptune Festival Parade. A huge enthusiastic crowd lined Atlantic Avenue to watch about 100 units including dignitaries, bands, floats, horses, and our cars go by. From TRAACA, Parade Chairman Jere Avenson, '41 Packard; Don and Julie Hobbs, '50 Ford; Mickey McChesney, '65 Chevrolet; Tony Scarpelli and Leslie McGinn; '64 Imperial, Paul Cho, '66 Corvair; Skip Patnode, '67 Alfa Romeo; and Neil and Marty Sugermeyer plus Miss Piggy, '65 Rambler participated. Also in the parade but with the Cape Henry Model A Club were Peter Catanese, David Curl, and Dick and Nancy Eberle.



Parade Chairman Jere Avenson and his '41 Packard in the lead with Mickey McChesney's '65 Chevrolet convertible followed by Neil and Marty Sugermeyer's '65 Rambler and Tony Scarpelli's '54 Imperial



Skip Patnode with his '67 Alfa Romeo, Don and Julie Hobbs '50 Ford, and Paul Cho's '66 Corvair bring up the rear.

Tony Scarpelli's fiancé, Leslie McGinn, in the '64 Imperial wins the prize for biggest smile in our group.



Biplanes and Zeppelins Show at the Virginia Beach Military Aviation Museum

By Bob Stein

On September 25, 2010, TRAACA members provided a special display of early cars for the Virginia Beach Military Aviation Museum's fly-in and demonstration show for World War 1 era aircraft. Participants included Bob and Sylvia Roughton and their 1909 Oakland touring car, Mark Grisalfi brought out his 1906 Orient Buckboard and his 1917 Metz, Ken and Charlene Roach with their 1919 Oakland, Richard and Sandy Hall with their 1922 Ford Model T, Sam Kern's 1925 Franklin, Dave and Faye Curl's 1929 Ford Model A Huckster, and Dewey Milligan's 1930 Ford.. Although it was not quite period, Dan Ciccone added a lot of 'flavor' with his 1969 Ford Good Humor Ice Cream truck. (Photos by Faye Curl)



Mark Grisalfi's 1917 Metz and 1906 Orient Buckboard.



The gang in front of Halls 1922 Model T, and Roughton's 1909 Oakland and Roach's 1919 Oakland.

Dan Ciccone provided the good humor (ice cream) in his 1969 Ford Good Humor Truck. Yum yum!



On Friday, Sept. 27th, the day before our annual meet, Larry Prinz wrote an article in the DRIVE section of the Virginian Pilot entitled NATIONAL CAR GROUP LEADER IS OUR NEIGHBOR. It was a great article about Terry Bond serving as president of AACA for 2010. It included the story about how Terry got hooked on the hobby as a teenager by hanging out with a hobbyist he met walking home from school and another story about his first antique car, a Ford Model A bought for \$75. No doubt those experiences sound familiar to a lot of you.



50TH ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS



Mickey and Toni with a memento of their 50th Anniversary made for them by Dot Parrish

Mickey and Toni McChesney were married on Sept. 10, 1960. They will continue to celebrate their 50 years together with a trip to Greece in the near future. Enjoy!



BOB PARRISH IS RUNNING FOR NATIONAL DIRECTOR

You recently received a ballot for AACA National Board of Directors with your last AACA Magazine. Over the past 14 years, we've had a chance to vote for Terry Bond as he first ran for election, then reelection to the board, finally rising to the office of AACA President. This year our own Bob Parrish is on the current ballot as one of the nominees for the Board of Directors. So, it is important that you vote for your seven choices from the list and send it in

AACA NATIONAL UPDATE

By Terry Bond

For those who have already received their issue of Antique Automobile Magazine, I'm sure you'll enjoy the great report on our 75th Anniversary celebration in Louisville.

This issue also includes the opportunity for you to elect national officers. As you can see from the impressive list of candidates, your decision will not be simple as there are many well qualified individuals who have agreed to step up to the plate and serve AACA. I do need to let everyone know that the Bio and info for one of our incumbents was inadvertently omitted from this issue of the magazine however. Hulon McCraw is currently serving as our Vice President of National Awards and his name does appear on the ballot, but additional info is not included in Antique Automobile Magazine. The omission of his info was accidental during the production process for our magazine. If anyone has questions about this, feel free to contact me at any time. I encourage everyone to participate in the future of AACA by exercising their right to vote.



HERSHEY LUNCHES

Wow, what a deal!

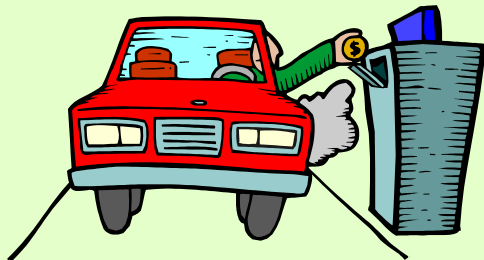
Bob and Shirley Woolfitt will provide a sandwich, soda/water, chips and a cookie for \$10 per person on Sat., October 9 on the show field at Hershey at noon at their brown 1934 Packard, Class 19C. Please RSVP by e-mail to rwoolfitt@cox.net or by phone to 757-627-6356 by Wednesday, October 6.



\$ YOUR DUES-R-DUE \$

By John Gancel, Treasurer

On December 31, 2010 all dues will be due for 2011. Your annual dues fee is still \$20/yr. You may mail payment to your Treasurer, John Gancel, or they may be paid at our Dinner Meetings or any TRAACA event I'm present at. If dues are not paid by the first of January the member will be dropped from the Membership Roster. Paying your dues on time helps the club to better plan the up-coming season of events for you.



Miles with Meggie

(the MGBGT Terry and Susan Bond travel with)

AACA 75th Anniversary Meet

Saltwater to Firewater Tour, June 27-29, 2010

Louisville, Kentucky - June 30 to July 3, 2010

Rachel Riviera has already filled you in on the great time we had on the TRAACA Saltwater to Firewater Tour, but I want to say that route 60 thru the mountains is a fun road! We had a great time going up and down hills and almost meeting each other on the hairpin curves. There were some great sights along the way, too.



Don't I look spectacular posed next to the Humpback Bridge?

The Humpback Bridge was a great backdrop for photos, as was The Homestead. I heard that the tour of the bunker at The Greenbrier was a fascinating look at a Cold War air raid shelter meant to house Congress and the Senate for several months in case of nuclear attack. Hidden in plain sight, it was used as a conference center, but was always ready if needed. We didn't have enough time for some of the other sights, but enjoyed seeing the Taylor Car Museum in Huntington, though he didn't have any MGs, and Lying Lee's Used Cars, where a poor MG Midget was hiding in the weeds.



Can't understand why Sue is so chummy with this 1906 "N" Ford. He is definitely not her type.

The Anniversary Meet itself was wonderful, though I didn't get to go on the tours – George Buick has a large back seat which they said was more comfortable. I did get a good clean-up before taking my place in the 100-years-of-cars Timeline, the only MG to represent the "Sports Car America Loved First"! Being indoors was great and I tried not to leave too many oil spots.

The trip home was not so much fun. Two days on interstates in 100 degree weather took its toll on Susan, she bailed 100 miles from home to drive the air conditioned Van and Terry took over. But I performed flawlessly!

1515 miles



Don't Terry and Sue look great here with former AACA President Pinky Randall. He was Terry's sponsor when he first became an AACA Board member.



Here is Sue with AACA Executive VP Joe Gagliano. He presented my repeat preservation plaque.

IN MEMORY OF



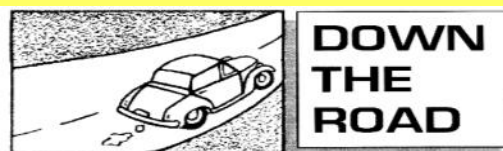
Maggie Hall

Sept. 23, 2010 our dear friend and TRAACA member, Maggie Hall passed away today. Maggie has been ill for a long time and was just recently diagnosed with cancer. Most of you know that Maggie used to be one of our best 50/50 sales people at our dinner meetings. Maggie will be missed by all. Services will be held 2 PM Saturday, 2 October at Holloman-Brown Bayside Chapel, 1457 Independence Blvd, Virginia Beach. Please keep Maggie's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Toni McChesney

Janet Ricketts

Janet was our first lady president of AACA, died Aug. 10th after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Janet was AACA President in 1999. She was an amazing person with a way of making each person she talked to feel very special. Our deepest sympathy goes to her husband John and their family.



LOCAL

- Oct. 21 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
- Oct.23 & 24 TRAACA Fall Tour to Richmond
- Oct. 30RESCHEDULED TRAACA Ladies Driving Tour to Coinjock, NC
- Nov. 13.....TRAACA Chili Cook-off
- Nov.18TRAACA Dinner Meeting (Silent Auction)
- Dec.4.....TRAACA Holiday Event at the Cavalier

REGIONAL

- Oct.30.....2010 RTR Economy Run, Richmond, VA
- Oct. 30.....Old Dominion Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Fall Tour

**DON'T FORGET
DUES
ARE DUE**



THROUGH THE WINDSHIELD

Updates from your Activities Committee

By Dot Parrish

Well, we've survived this brutally hot summer and we are now looking for some fall temperatures. It's only a couple of weeks before Hershey and that always brings some cooler weather. (Hershey is October 6-9)

October 22nd through the 24th Bob Pellerin is planning a wonderful Fall Tour to the Richmond area and has planned some great places to visit. I'm looking forward to the Ghost Walk on Friday night. Please sign up for the tour by October 8th.

Then October 30th for the Ladies Driving Tour, we will meet at Greenbrier Mall in front of Sears at 10:15 AM and leave around 10:30 or so. We will be heading to the Coinjock Marina in Coinjock, NC. Since Linda and her committee taught all of us (Ha! Ha!) to drive stick shift cars, there should be no problem getting to North Carolina. Ladies, if you don't feel comfortable driving with your spouse, we will change partners (Just for the drive down). All members and all cars are invited to come along for a nice Saturday drive with the old cars. (If you don't have an old car to drive, you are still invited to come with us.) Then we will have a nice lunch, see some fall color, and return home. Please call Dot Parrish to sign up so I will know how many reservations to call in, call me at 547-5034. Thank you!!

Mark your calendars for November 13th for our Chili Cookoff to be held at Dewey & Maxine Milligan's home. This is always a good time and good food. You don't want to miss this. Their address is 2000 Shillelagh Rd. Chesapeake, VA. You will need to sign up for this also. We need Chili, side dishes, salads and desserts. Please call me for to sign up. (Dot - 547-5034) We will meet around 12:30PM and plan to eat at 1:00 PM. Dig out all those favorite Chili recipes.

November 19th, the city of Portsmouth has requested some old cars to be placed on High Street for about 4 hours starting around 5 PM. We have been over there for this event several times and it is a lot of fun. This is the kick-off to their Holiday events. Please call Tony or Mickey McChesney if you plan to attend. 456-2806.

We will be having our Holiday party December 4th at the Cavalier Hotel (The Hunt Room) where we had it last year. Stay tuned for more details to come. We had a great time last year and the food was great!



LAST CALL FOR FALL TOUR

If you get this issue of the Mud Flap before Oct. 8, it is not too late to join the 2010 Fall Tour. The hotel is the historic Linden Row Inn in Richmond. 1-800-225-5841. Details were in the September Mud Flap and they are on the net. For more information call Bob Pellerin.



TRAACA Dinner Meeting Oct. 21st

By Viator Trudeau

We have as guest speaker Harold Cones who lectures on Cruise lines and has written several books. His topic will be "Getting there is half the fun". It is about traveling the back roads across country when there were mom and pop restaurants and hotels, before big business came along. If there is time, he is also a postcard historian and will touch on dating postcards. He has also written books on postcards. This will be a fun program, and I hope to see you there.



2010 RTR ECONOMY RUN

Join the *Richmond Triumph Register* on October 30th for its nationally recognized Economy Run covering 138 easy miles for mixed highway south of the James. Beginning at 8:30 AM and leaving at one minute intervals 50 cars of any make' model, year or configuration will leave the Sheetz fuel station at Robious Road and Huguenot Boulevard competing to see who can get back in the allotted time using the least fuel.

A "Dutch Treat" luncheon will follow the event. Awards will be announced at that time. Usually we all head home by 1:30 PM to bask in our individual glory.

Note This is not a contest of speed. Moderate, skilled economy driving is the mark of a competitive driver.

Join us; you'll have a very good time.

If you have questions and want to register call:

Pete Philips at 804 354 0721.



CHEVY FALL TOUR INVITATION

The Old Dominion Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America invites you to join us on our Fall Tour OCTOBER 30 & 31, 2010 to the Roanoke/Lynchburg area of Virginia. Call the Quality Inn directly at 5401992-5335 and ask for the "Waynesboro-Staunton AACA" rate for the night of October 30.

If you have questions or have difficulty finding a room, please contact Franklin Gage at 7 03 1 869 -8434 or f.gage@hotmail.com.



“OLD TOWN” PORTSMOUTH

Holiday Display - November 19, 2010

By Toni McChesney

Portsmouth has invited us to attend there Arts and Antiques Open House on November 19th, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. You do not have to stay until 10:00 p.m. They will park us on High Street. It's also the “kickoff” of there holiday season. Please call Toni at 456-2806 or e-mail me at toni56chev@cox.net so we can get an approximate count for the number of spaces we need to block off.



HOLIDAY EVENT

December 4th

On December 4th, we are looking for another fun evening at the Hunt Room at the Old Cavalier Hotel on the Hill. The party will start at 6:00 PM. The cost is \$20 per person with the club subsidizing the rest. Make a reservation with Dot Parrish.



In the last issue when the awards won by club members at our meet were listed Robert Hibby was not included. He won a 2nd place for his 1985 Toyota Supra in class 27p. He is a member of the Nuts & Bolts Chapter. Last year he won "Youngest Driver".

Winner Vehicle Class Award HVPR Roundup - Newport News Park Sept.4

All awards were picked by the people there

Al Becker	1930 Buick	Best Pre-War	
Ed Lail	1930 Lincoln	2 nd Place (pre-war)	
Sam Kern	1925 Franklin	3 rd Place (pre-war)	
Gordon Garnett	1971 Lincoln	3 rd Place (Post-War)	
Sam Kern	1925 Franklin	Oldest car	

14th Cadillac-LaSalle Meet at Suttle Cadillac

Newport News on Saturday Sept 11th:

Al Becker	1930 Cadillac	Cadillacs up to 1949	2 nd Plc
Viator Trudeau	1968 Eldorado	Cadillacs of the 2960s	2 nd Plc
Jeff Locke	1985 Cadillac	" " "	1980s 2 nd Plc

(Buicks, Oldsmobiles, and Pontiacs were also included with separate classes)



AACA TOURING

By Don Barlup
VP National Activities



Some clubs focus on car shows and meets; some clubs are known as touring clubs. AACA offers the best of both worlds. Let's talk about touring!

There are good tours and there are better tours, I have never been on a bad tour. AACA offers tours to satisfy all appetites. If you like brass, pre-1915 vehicles, the Reliability Tour held on even years is for you. On the odd years the Vintage Tour for cars up to 1931 may be your era. The Founders Tour welcomes vehicles from 1932 to 25 years old and is held annually. If you like 1928 to 1958 cars, AACA's newest tour the Sentimental Tour is held on even years. Then there is the grand daddy of touring, the AAA Revival Glidden Tour for vehicles built prior to 1942. AACA hosts the tour on odd years while VMCCA hosts on even numbered years. The aforementioned tours are generally five-day tours. For those of you who like a shorter tour, AACA offers three-day Divisional Tours for vehicles to 25 years of age. The Central and Eastern Divisions hold Divisional Tours on even years while the Southeastern and Western Divisions hold Divisional Tours on odd number years.

Now for the rules of Touring:

The first rule of touring is to have fun!

The second rule of touring is to create memories!

The third rule of touring is to disregard the diet!

It's great to visit all areas of our great country while touring in our cars, but all vehicles are not created equal.

There are runners and there are roadside attractions, usually seen with the hood up. Some of you are chuckling. I've probably ridden in your backseat!

Know your car or at least make sure your buddy is a good mechanic and is not driving a roadster, as their backseat may come in handy. Seriously, nothing is better than touring the back roads at a leisurely speed and seeing our great country from a different view than the 4-lane super highway. The collections and museums that I have seen in many years of AACA touring make the "American Pickers" look like novices.

"Never been on an AACA National Tour", you say! Or "How can my Region host a National Tour?"

Visit the AACA website at AACA.org and see what you are missing today or contact me for a Touring information brochure and a first hand account of how your Region or Chapter can host a tour in your area. You won't regret it. Remember, AACA Touring is not just a seven-letter word.

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THE HUMOR SECTION



Speeding Corvette

A senior citizen drove his brand-new Corvette convertible out of the dealership. Taking off down the road, he pushed it to 80 mph, enjoying the wind blowing through what little hair he had left. "Amazing," he thought as he flew down I75, pushing the pedal even more. Looking in his rear view mirror, he saw a Missouri State Trooper, blue lights flashing and siren blaring. He floored it to 100 mph, then 110, then 120.

Suddenly he thought, "What am I doing? I'm too old for this!" and pulled over to await the trooper's arrival. Pulling in behind him, the trooper got out of his vehicle and walked up to the Corvette. He looked at his watch, then said, "Sir, my shift ends in 30 minutes. Today is Friday. If you can give me a new reason for speeding--a reason I've never before heard--I'll let you go."

The old gentleman paused then said: "Three years ago, my wife ran off with a Missouri State Trooper. I thought you were bringing her back."

"Have a good day, Sir," replied the trooper.

From Mike Blythe from Members' Parade

DRIVING A MODEL "T"

The T has no gas pedal on the floor. Gas flow is controlled by the throttle lever under the steering wheel, not to be confused with the ignition spark control lever under the other side of the steering wheel. Gas and spark advance are to be constantly adjusted while driving, in order to respond to variations in engine load and speed desired. I also noted that the T has but one windshield wiper and that it is operated by hand.

I tried to imagine a 1920 "sport" driving down the street in the rain. He is operating the windshield wiper with one hand, controlling the fuel lever with the other, adjusting the spark lever with his third hand, and moving the handbrake to the proper position with his fourth hand. The fifth hand is, of course, operating the steering wheel as needed. His 6th hand rests on the knee of a Roaring 20s Flapper. My conclusion was that Henry Ford designed his Model T to be driven by insects, not people.

From Jan Peterson in the Hub and Spoke

BACK TO NATURE

When my grandson Billy and I entered our vacation cabin, we kept the lights off until we were inside to keep from attracting pesky insects. Still, a few fireflies followed us in. Noticing them before I did, Billy whispered, "It's no use, Grandpa. The mosquitoes are coming after us with flashlights."

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AIRPLANE HUMOR

From a Southwest Airlines employee: "Welcome aboard Southwest Flight 245 to Tampa. To operate your seat belt, insert the metal tab into the buckle, and pull tight. It works just like every other seat belt; and, if you don't know how to operate one, you probably shouldn't be out in public unsupervised."

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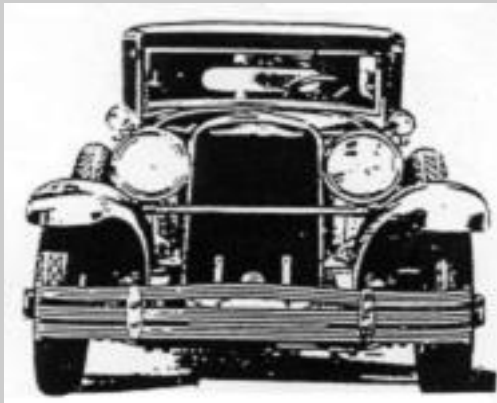
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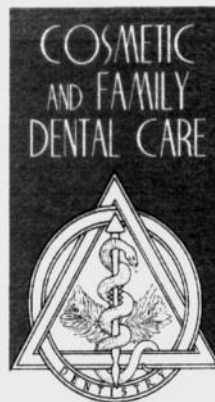
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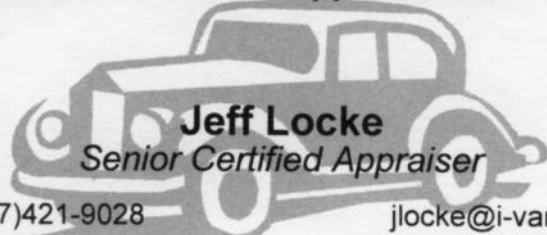
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Dues are \$20.00 from January 1 to December 31, 2011

Please fill out completely:

Name _____

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Update cars in the roster. [Be sure to include omits as well as additions.]

With additions to the cars in the roster please note the type of car and condition:

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GET ACTIVE: What activity would you like to participate in next year?

Suggestions and comments (What did you particularly enjoy this year and would like us to continue or bring back from a previous year? What do you think we can do without?)

Please complete the form, enclose your check for \$20.00 (Payable to TRAACA), and mail to: John Gancel 828 Trillium Place, Virginia Beach, VA 23464