News and Activities from the Tidewater Region—Antique Automobile Club of America

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## TRAACA SWAP MEET

Don't Miss—Rain or Shine! Great Event!

Our annual automotive swap meet is this month, Saturday, March 7, at Nansemond-Suffolk Academy in Suffolk, on US 460 just north of US 58. Our swap meet committee is really hoping to see a lot of Tidewater members out to support this event. You could be buying, selling or just shopping for that next project.

## TRAACA SWAP MEET VOLUNTEERS.

Volunteers are needed for the Swap Meet for set-up Friday afternoon or anytime Saturday, 7 AM - 3 PM. If you know you are coming and can help, please contact Bill Treadwell, tbears3@verizon.net or (757) 650-3667 and let him know where you would like to volunteer - Set Up, Registration, Parking or Vendor assistance, indoors or outdoors.

### SWAP MEET BAKE SALE.

Bake Sale items needed for the TRAACA Swap Meet Bake Sale. Please bring items the morning of the Swap Meet, or have your spouse bring them, or have your neighbor bring them. For more information contact: Toni McChesney toni56chev@cox.net or Marion McAlpine at mkcheetah56@outlook.com.

This keystone event is a must attend! Details—page 4!

## AACA Annual Convention

## March 14 Outing at Dwight Schaubach's "shop"

Please join the Tidewater Region AACA on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 AM at Dwight Schaubach's 'shop' (Johns Brothers Security Building) at 14214 Carrollton Boulevard in Carrollton VA. We will be touring the garage area where Dwight currently has a V16 Cadillac under restoration. In addition to touring the restoration area, Dwight will have several of his automobiles on display for us to view. The Club will provide coffee and donuts. Following the tour (12:30), we will have lunch at Smithfield Station Waterfront Inn Restaurant located at 415 S Church Street, Smithfield, VA.

RSVPs are required no later than Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> to Carol Millgan. She can be contacted at <a href="mailto:carowaynmilligan@cox.net">carowaynmilligan@cox.net</a> or 757.404.7937.



Check <u>traaca.com/calendar.htm</u> for the latest info on upcoming events! <u>MARCH 2020</u>

- 07 TRAACA Annual Swap Meet Nansemond-Suffolk Acad. Suffolk, VA
- 12 TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting Virginia Beach, VA
- 14 Activity to Dwight Schaubach's shop
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting Holiday Inn—VAB/Norfolk Virginia Beach, VA

### **APRIL 2020**

- 09 TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting Virginia Beach, VA
- 16 Dinner Meeting (Holiday Inn Convention Center Virginia Beach/Norfolk)
- 18 Cape Henry Lighthouse Tour and lunch

### **MAY 2020**

- 14 TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting Virginia Beach, VA
- 16 Day Trip to Murfreesboro
- 23 Southland BBQ Luncheon at Dewey & Maxine Milligan's (In place of the dinner meeting).

## **JUNE 2020**

- 6 Square Car Tour
- 18 Dinner Meeting (Holiday Inn Convention Center Virginia Beach/Norfolk)
- 27 Doumar's

### **JULY 2020**

- 09 TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting Virginia Beach, VA
- 18 Nauticus/USS WISCONSIN

# From the President

Wayne Milligan TRAACA President <u>traacacontact@gmail.com</u> (757) 416-8993



Hello Fellow Tidewater Region AACA members. Carol and I attended the 84th AACA Annual Convention in Philadelphia PA. We drove there Thursday morning, February 6th, with Ken Talley and Bill Wilcox. The drive up was wet and overcast, but the traffic cooperated and we made it there with no issues.

The Tidewater Region is always well represented at the Convention. Several Region members sit on the National Board, including this year's National President and First Lady, Jim and Donna Elliott. In addition, several members participate on various AACA committees, present informative and entertaining seminars, earn prestigious national awards, and gather for the annual socializing opportunity. The club's history collection contains many photos of large numbers of Tidewater contingents posing in Philadelphia. Having helped coordinate activities here in Tidewater, I can only imagine the planning and coordination that must go into hosting the Annual Convention — the Team does a fantastic job year after year!

As always, there were a variety of activities to entertain everyone. However, with the purchase and renovation of the new Library and Headquarters building well underway, there were several presentations intended to educate and update the membership on the progress. Construction design, financial obligations and fundraising status, future plans, etc. were all addressed by both National leadership and individual members who are actively engaged in the efforts. The new building is an ambitious undertaking and the national memberships' support, along with Tidewater's, has been impressive.

Carol and I also attended the AACA Regions and Chapters Presidents' Dinner Friday evening. I was honored to be able to represent the Tidewater Region members and present a contribution to the Building Fund. With Tidewater so well represented amongst the National Directors and once again by the National President, standing at the podium seemed very similar to a Tidewater Region dinner meeting. In addition, fellow Tidewater member and Region President Tony Scarpelli and First Lady Leslie Scarpelli were in attendance representing the Historic Virginia Peninsula

Region. During the Convention, a member pledged to match all donations up to \$250,000.00 which doubled our Club's already generous contribution.

Sunday morning, Carol, Bill, Ken, and I made our way back to Hampton Roads. This time we traveled with clear skies and bright sun but the trip was again without issue and we were home by early afternoon. During our time together, I learned that Ken Talley is also a second generation Tidewater Region member. In the February Mud Flap, I listed Hilary and I as second generation Tidewater members – learning Ken's family history within the Club was interesting and I hope there are other second generation members that I will learn of.

In March we will host our Annual Swap Meet. Bill Treadwell has again volunteered to serve as Chairman. The Swap Meet requires volunteers – some are already contributing their time and effort in preparation for March 7. If you have not already done so, I ask you to consider volunteering an hour or two (or more if you can) to help prepare items for the baked goods sale, setting up the field, cleaning up at the end of the day, or just coming out to show your support.

Club volunteers are the lifeblood of the Tidewater Region as they are with any organization. Planning for our Annual Meet, though held in September, is also well underway. Meet Chairman Paul Fuqua, along with a small group of volunteers, is planning a fantastic event. There are many roles yet to fill and your time and support are greatly appreciated. Please contribute to the Club's success by your involvement!

Warmest Regards,

Wayne Milligan, '20 Tidewater Region AACA President

## **Dinner Meeting Corner**

**Chief Contact: Skip Patnode** 

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 to these e-mails 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 <a href="mailto:skippatnode@cox.net">skippatnode@cox.net</a> or (757) 672-8495. Thank you for your cooperation!

## From the Running Board

Feb 13, 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: Fred Cole, Charlie Dawson, Doug Grosz, Dot Parrish Club members present: Bob Parrish, Paul Fuqua

**Quorum:** Board Meeting called to order at 7:01PM.

**President:** Thanked everyone for taking time to be here and for a good start to the 1st board meeting of 2020. Stated he appreciated everyone for volunteering.

**Vice President:** Thanked everyone for coming out. Seconded what Wayne said.

### **Secretary's Report:**

NSTR

### Treasurer's Report:

- Reports were provided by Bill Treadwell
- There are still members who have not renewed that Wayne will be contacting.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Activities:**

- Saturday, February 22nd Tours of MacArthur Memorial & Moses Myers House, with lunch to follow at Freemason Abbey restaurant
- Saturday, March 7th TRAACA Annual Swap Meet at Nanesmond-Suffolk Academy
- Saturday, March 14th Planning a tour of Dwight Schaubach's building at 10am, then lunch afterwards

### **Restaurants:**

NSTR

### Membership:

• As of Jan. 25th, 170 memberships and 297 members.

### **New Business:**

- Annual Meet date, "budget", contemporary cars on North Field, program and posters, interaction with other automobile clubs
- Motion approved for up to \$5,000 of expenses to be spent on the Annual Meet (Motion made by Wayne, seconded by Tim)
- Motion approved to include "CPAC" for Clubs, Personalized and Contemporaries in participation at the Annual Meet (Motion by Wayne, seconded by Ellen)
- CPAC will be on the "North Field" housing the Mods/Rods as "Personalized" as well as Clubs & Contemporaries
- AACA cars will be on the "South Field" Only eligible AACA cars allowed
- Region Officer and Roster information to National

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AACA by March 1 – Ellen has this for action

- 2020 50/50 raffle proceeds decided to continue to use proceeds to fund the AACA Building Fund at least through the end of August as the balance needed will need to be mortgaged in September
- Discussed the suggestion to replace May dinner meeting, Thursday, May 21st with a catered picnic on Saturday, May 23rd at Dewey & Maxine Milligan's home as was done last year. The cost will be \$15/person.
- 2020 dinner meeting subsidies November dinner meeting will be subsidized by \$5/member to keep the cost at \$25/member doing a more traditional Thanksgiving meal as has been done in many years prior.
- 2020 activity subsidies none have been proposed at this time.

### **Other Business:**

• VPCCC and CCCHR Monthly Meeting Report: NSTR

**Adjourned at 8:19pm.** Next board meeting is 7:00pm Thursday, March 12th at Dawson's Accounting.

## 2020 TRAACA Officers & Board

President - Wayne Milligan: <u>traacacontact@gmail.com</u> Vice President - Tim Hund: <u>traacacontact@gmail.com</u> Secretary - Ellen Adams Treasurer - Bill Treadwell

Board - Fred Cole Board - Charlie Dawson

Board - Dot Parrish Board - Doug Grosz

President Emeritus - Matt Doscher

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## **Tidewater Region AACA**



Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 8 AM to 2 PM Nansemond-Suffolk Academy 3373 Pruden Blvd., Suffolk, VA 23434

Show is Rain or Shine - No Rain Date - No Refunds - No Parking on Grass

# Antique and collectible vehicle parts, accessories, and transportation-related memorabilia

- Outdoor spaces on pavement
- Indoor spaces w/ table
- Free admission and parking for shoppers and spectators
- Easy access off Route 58/460
- Breakfast & lunch will be available on site from food vendors



- Car clubs are invited to purchase a space to promote your club
- Pre-registered inside vendor set-up is available Friday 1-5 PM
- Day of Meet And outside vendor set-up is available Saturday at 7 AM (Must Check in first)

Special Thanks to Nansemond-Suffolk Academy

## Pre-Registration Deadline: Feb 29, 2020

Registrations MUST be postmarked on or before February 29, 2020 for pre-registration prices. Registrations postmarked after February 29, 2020 will be considered Day of Meet prices.

# Check In & Day of Meet Registration Open 7 AM to 11 AM Enter & exit via stop light on 460 - Site must be vacated by 3 PM

Check our website at WWW.TRAACA.COM often for any important updates



For Meet Information contact:

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Bill Treadwell @ 757-650-3667

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Jerry Adams @ 757-673-3240
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This event is for the sale of antique and collector vehicle parts, equipment, supplies, accessories, or related memorabilia only. It is not a general "flea market" and we do not wish to have crafts, household items, unrelated toys, clothing, equipment, supplies or services displayed. If you have any questions, ask before you arrive. Event organizers reserve the right to refuse admittance to any vendor selling, displaying or offering any items not in keeping with the theme or family-oriented nature of this activity.



## **AACA Annual Convention**

6-8 February, 2020

Story and Photos by Marty Sugermeyer. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

Neil and I started going to Philly in the mid 1980s. During those years, Pat Locke and I did a seminar on vintage clothing which meant traveling to Philly in a large vehicle. We dropped out for about a decade and began again in 1997 when Neil was President of TRAACA. We haven't missed one since.

Philly is the business meeting for AACA so, if lengthy meetings that require intense concentration are your thing, there is plenty of that. Just ask Past AACA Presidents Terry Bond (doing it for decades), Bob Parrish and Tom Cox plus our 2020 AACA President Jim Elliot, also current AACA Board Member Mark McAlpine and Marion McAlpine (on more than one AACA committee). These meetings start on Thursday so you are among the first to arrive.

Philly is not a car show but, there will be several interesting cars on display, more about one of them later.

Car friends come from all over the country so, if seeing folks you get to see only a few times a year and making new car friends is your thing, this is the place.

If learning new things about cars is something you crave, it is here. Seminars start early Friday morning. There were thirty-three on Friday (8 am to 4:25pm) and thirteen on Saturday (8am to 1:30pm). You have to choose between history of cars, judging the cars, specific makes of cars (over 2000 possibilities in the USA alone), collecting and marketing cars, restoration secrets, promoting the car hobby – even

online, getting started in the hobby, and many other car related topics. The Seminar Schedule is your guide. At 8am on Friday you could choose between Terry Bond's seminar on Automobilia for the Amateur and Bob Stein's on MGB – The New Model A. At 9:45, Bob Stein did The "New" Antique Car: Pluses and Pitfalls. At 11:30 our guys were doing three at the same time - Tom Cox (The Newest Fad in the Hobby), Terry Bond (Earliest Auto Races in France), and Mark McAlpine (National Activities: Hosting an AACA Show or Tour). Brief lunch 12:45-1:15. At 1:15, the one I got to this year – being Jay Jay's new mommie – Vintage Hats and Jewelry for the ladies. Tom's seminar (with others) on AACA's New National Headquarters and Mark's seminar for CJE Instructors were both in the 3-4:15 time slot. After the seminars on Saturday, came the AACA Annual Meeting. Jim Elliot was installed as the 2020 AACA President and Donna Elliot became the AACA First Lady.

On Thursday and Friday night, most of us dine in the hotel or at the numerous great restaurants close by such as Mace's Crossing, an antique carriage house that managed to survive the invasion of modern high rise buildings.

If partying is your thing, there are two grand occasions – the Region and Chapters Presidents Dinner (Ask Wayne and Carol Milligan about this one) on Friday night and the AACA National Awards Banquet on Saturday night. A really cool first time event, the AACA Library Friday Night Pinewood Derby, was held after the Friday nights Regions and



TRAACA President Wayne Milligan giving donation to AACA

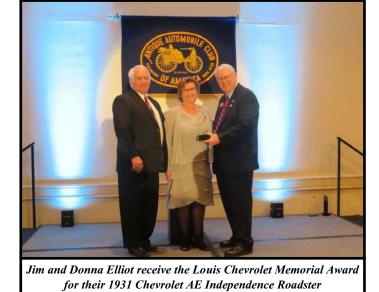


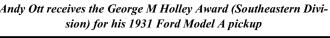










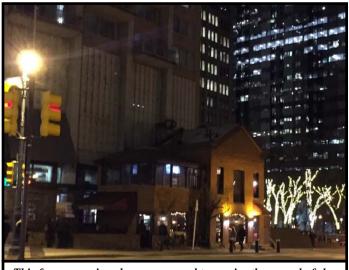


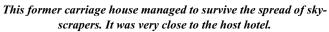














Details of the 1908 Studebaker Electric 12 Passenger Bus used to transport members of Congress.





Chapters Presidents Dinner. Marion McAlpine's got a kit from the AACA Library for \$5. Her car ran very well so ask her about this event. Also I should mention the AACA and J. C. Taylor hospitality suites near the top if the hotel where hundreds of folks finished their days relaxing and chatting.

I started Friday morning enjoying the First Lady's Breakfast held in the Horizons Rooftop Room, another opportunity to see friends from far away. The program that followed the delicious breakfast was about wedding gowns. A friend of the 2019 First Lady Shirley Carson brought a lot of her wonderful wedding gowns dating back to the early 1900s.

I almost forgot to mention the 2020 Trade Show. There were dozens of booths for professionals who do restorations, sell car parts, books about cars, the AACA store, and several by regions who are hosting AACA National Meets, Tours, or other special events TRAACA will have a booth there for our Grand National in 2022. If nothing else, you get a load of stuff like bags, pens, pads, etc. There are always a few cars on display. The three cars down the middle of the trade show were a 1976 Citi Car by Sebring (electric car with a range of 40 - 50 miles), a 1935 Desoto Airflow, and a 1908 Studebaker Electric "Carry-All". I was fascinated by the last one. The driver sat in the middle of the car with passenger seats fore and aft. This did not look like a good idea but, it made sense after reading the information sign next to the car. This car (Tommy) was one of two (Peggy) of this model made to transport people through a tunnel from the Old Senate Office Building to the Capitol. Tommy and Peggy made 225 trips a day through the 760' long tunnel carrying 2200 passengers. The driver's seat was reversed for the return trip. They were powered by six 12 volt batteries that had an 85 mile capacity. These two

vehicles were replaced by larger coaches in 1912. Tommy was displayed by the Swigart Museum. They restored it in 1954-55. Unfortunately, no rides were offered.

The Saturday night AACA Awards Banquet is always a grand event. You enter the social area through a large star to the sound of piano and violin. You select a table when you do registration or before that so you might know someone with whom you are enjoying the gourmet dinner. We sat with the Lavines who have restored cars for Bob Woolfitt and had a car they restored winning an award. Following dinner, there are several short speeches and presentation of the outgoing AACA President's plaque. The 2020 AACA President Jim Elliot introduced the 2020 National Board. After the scholarships are awarded, the Master Editor Awards concluded with our own Mark and Marion McAlpine winning their 5th MEA followed by a big round of Tidewater applause. The Master Webmaster Awards were next so we got to cheer as Bob Stein won his 20th MWA. The 16th award given was the George M Holley Award (Southeastern Division) was given to Andy Ott for his 1931 Model A Ford pickup. The 19th award was the Louis Chevrolet Memorial Award was given to Jim and Donna Elliot for their 1931 Chevrolet AE Independence Roadster. There were 61 national awards given this year, several divided into AACA regions. As you can imagine, the process has been honed to a fine edge to get it all done before midnight. Actually it is usually finishing up long before that.

The final moments come after the awards Saturday evening, and as we were saying goodbye Sunday morning before leaving to spend the trip home looking forward to Philly next February.







## Still Collecting Stuff—Cigar Box Labels

By Terry Bond

My last column mentioned cigar box labels. These are great, inexpensive works of art that can easily be stored in albums. Now that's the best of all worlds – cheap, takes up less room, and still has plenty of history and interest.



The Automobilist – circa 1901

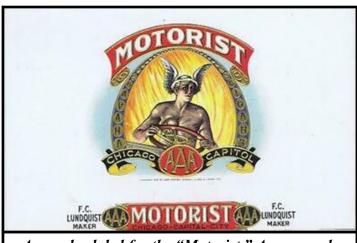
Cigar box labels have been in use since the middle of the 19th century, when the development of chromolithography made it very inexpensive to print beautiful advertising material including product labels. The popularity of cigar smoking made for an ideal opportunity to show off the lithographer's artwork.



An unbranded label, circa 1910- ready for custom printing with any company name on it

Labels were often die-cut and embossed, some being printed using 20 or more different colors to produce a fantastic and colorful work of art. With so many different brands of cigars on the market, it meant an unending variety of labels would be available.

As the popularity of the automobile increased, special branded cigars were produced with fancy labels to match.



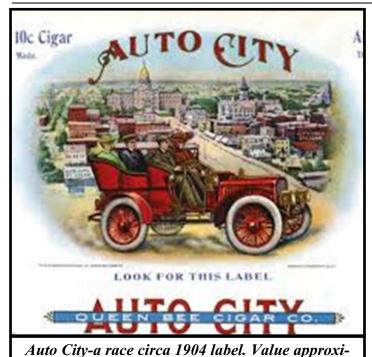
A popular label for the "Motorist." A commonly found label, circa 1910.

Many labels survive in unused condition today. There were always over-runs printed and many survived in old print shops in quantity. They are easily found on the internet as well as in antique shops, and especially at paper and advertising shows. There are dealers who specialize in old labels including those used on cigar boxes.

Among the most desirable related collectibles are very rare printers sample books. Of course they will contain labels of all types, but the few automobile images contained in them are very rare as they were samples only and may never have actually been printed for use.

Prices run the gamut from ridiculously expensive to cheap. It all depends on rarity and condition. Most however will fall in the \$25-\$75 area.





Beware however as there have been reproductions

done on these.

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Originals will have spectacular coloring and will be nicely embossed with gold leaf on the highlights. Reproductions will be flat, relatively dull in coloring and will lack the gold leaf found on originals.

Check them carefully with a magnifying glass if possible to see if the tiny dots that comprise the coloring are random on in a pattern that continues throughout the entire label. Those showing a consistent cross-hatch pattern are a sure sign that it was produced by modern processes. You also frequently see tears and damage that has been reprinted into the reproductions – damage that may have been on the original the reprint was done from.

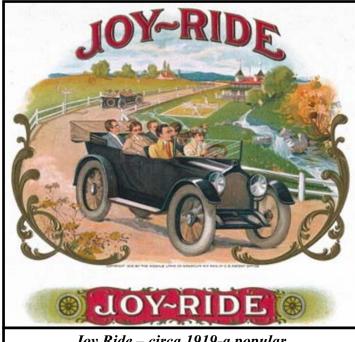
Be fussy about condition on any labels you do purchase. Reproductions I've seen are often artificially aged to make them look old, and to hide the usual signs of a modern recently printed label.

A few quick searches on the internet will help you determine which labels are rare and which are commonly available or are being reproduced.





An unbranded label, circa 1900, ready to be reprinted with the name of a cigar company. Value \$35



Joy Ride – circa 1919-a popular brand cigar, value \$45-\$75



You will see this image often, with different brand names. It is circa 1900, value is approximately \$35



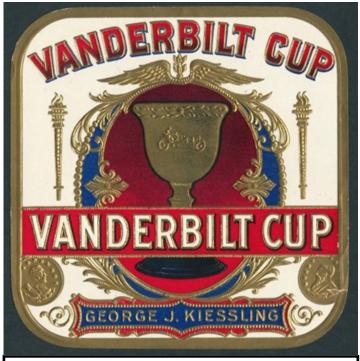
Auto Girl, circa 1907/8 – quite scarce and very desirable. Value \$75+



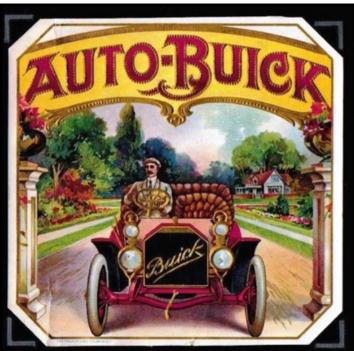
Reproduction Speed King label. Note blurred and dull colors, lack of definition, no embossing, and dull gold coloring. Value - \$0



A genuine Speed King label. The differences should be obvious! Value approximately \$45-60



Vanderbilt Cup race label, issued in honor of the famed Vanderbilt Cup Automobile Races, circa 1905. Fairly common, value approximately \$65+because of its racing theme.



Auto-Buick. Very rare label honoring the Buick automobile, circa 1905/6. Value \$100+



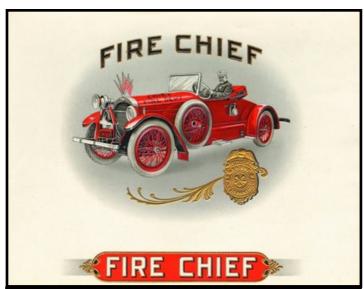


Up To Date cigar box label-fairly common, circa 1900, value is approximately \$40

If you ever visit Tampa, Florida, once the cigar capitol of the USA, you'll find them displayed in shops and restaurant, and of course in tobacco shops. Many are for sale in souvenir shops and antique malls in that area.

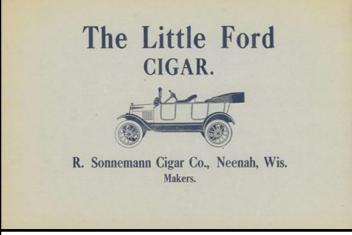
As always, enjoy the photos and happy collecting.

Terry Bond



Appealing to collectors of fire department memorability as well as automobile enthusiasts, this label will often generate a lot of excitement at auction.

Value is \$65+



As plain as the car itself, quantities of this unused label were discovered several years ago. It is still occasionally found for sale on the internet. Value approximately \$40.



Automotor – circa 1900. This label is often found in a variety of colors. Value approximately \$50



Unbranded cigar shaped car. Circa 1910, value approximately \$40



# TRAACA visits the MacArthur Memorial and Moses Myers House.

Story by Travis Berry. Photos by Doug Grosz.

the early morning cold on Saturday, February 22nd, as we visited the MacArthur Memorial and Museum of Norfolk and later that day, the Moses Myers House. We gathered outside the Visitor Center of the MacArthur Memorial trying to stay warm as we waited for the doors to open at 10:00AM. Once inside we proceeded to the theater to watch a short film on the iconic General. In addition to a small gallery, the Visitor Center also contains General MacArthur's staff car, a 1950 Chrysler Crown Imperial that chauffeured him around Tokyo before returning with him to the States afterwards. This was his personal staff car from 1950 through 1963. Inside the car you can find initials of the service members who maintained the car through the years carved into the dash. A 1945 Willys Jeep donated by Chrysler, and a 1942 Harley-Davidson WLA motorcycle are also on exhibit.

We left the Visitors Center and proceeded to the Memorial. Originally Norfolk's old City Hall and Courthouse (c. 1850), it is the now the final resting place of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur and his wife Jean. The architect was William Singleton, a Portsmouth native. He was assisted, particularly in the design of the dome by Thomas Walter. Walter was the architect who designed the dome of the U. S. Capitol Building in Washington. The city of Norfolk was chosen for his memorial because his mother, Mary Pinkney Hardy, was born and raised in the Berkley neighborhood of the city. The Memorial pays tribute to MacArthur and to those who served during World War I, World War II, and



A large contingent of TRAACA members braved early morning cold on Saturday, February 22nd, we visited the MacArthur Memorial and Museum Norfolk and later that day, the Moses Myers buse. We gathered outside the Visitor Center of the acArthur Memorial trying to stay warm as we ited for the doors to open at 10:00AM. Once the Korean War with numerous displays and artifacts. Also located on the grounds is the Jean MacArthur Research Center which contains the archives and library of the museum. Once our group was finished with the museum we gathered outside and proceeded to walk through the neighboring MacArthur Center Mall and on to the Moses Myers House.

The wonderfully preserved Moses Myers House was built in 1795 as a home for Moses and Eliza Myers. The Myers were the first Jewish residents in the Norfolk area. The historic house, which is part of the Chrysler Museum, was the first brick home built in Norfolk after the city was burned to the ground during the Revolutionary War. It is an elegant example of the late Federal period, and is deceiving in its size, as it is over 8,000 square feet. Caren Dutton was our tour guide, and she did a wonderful job informing our group of the multiple generations of the Myers family to have lived in the house until 1931. Although a couple of ghost sightings indicates a member of the Myers family might still be roaming The home was passed down through the house! several generations, including Barton Myers who would become mayor of Norfolk. Since ownership of the house never left the Myers family a majority of the furnishings are original to the home.

Following our tour of the Moses Myers House we drove over to the nearby Freemason Abbey restaurant. As usual the friendly staff did a great job accommodating us. The food was wonderful, and everyone had a nice time discussing the day's events. At the restaurant, TRAACA president Wayne Milligan presented Tim Hund with the TRAACA Century Award. The award is for his 1919 Oldsmobile, not Tim, he's not quite a hundred yet!



TRAACA member's enjoying the Meyer house guided tour











## The Recent Excursions of my 1925 Franklin 5-Passenger Sedan

Story and Photos by Samuel Kern

Over the past year my 1925 Franklin has become a popular attraction, appearing at a number of shows and displays throughout Tidewater. It's no wonder: The car works perfectly for the 100th anniversary of the Flapper Era beginning this year. It's an appropriate photo backdrop for photos that quickly becomes part of most parties.

## A few examples:

Warbirds Over the Beach, Military Aviation Museum, May 17 – 19, 2019: The Franklin has been shown at this annual event-by the stage in the Army Hangar-more than a half dozen times. It receives lots of interest, and dancers like using it as a back-drop for pictures. It goes well with WWII-era aircraft.

I appreciate the help and companionship Bill Treadwell has provided for the extensive logistics entailed in moving the car over the past 12 months. Doing this takes lots of effort.

The TRAACA Annual Meet, Military Aviation Museum, September 28, 2019: The Franklin must be

present each and every year at this August event!

I truly hope such invitations continue throughout this decade, because I genuinely enjoy the exposureand the compliments-the Franklin receives from the public. The Franklin car was a unique and well-crafted automobile, with The H.H. Franklin Company contributing much to our automotive history.



Norfolk Yacht and Country Club, January 25, 2020: A gala dressup party with a 1920s theme.



Hunter House Victorian Museum, May 04, 2019



Hampton Roads Automobile Dealers Association International Auto Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, Jan 10 – 12, 2020, by invitation



The Norfolk Women's Club, 524 Fairfax Avenue, Norfolk, New Year's Eve Celebration, December 31, 2019



## Biplanes and Brews, Military Aviation Museum, October 5 -6, 2019:

TRAACA members
Ken Talley with his 1929
Buick Master 4 Door
Sedan, David Curl with
his 1929 Model A
Huckster, Tim Hund with
his 1921 Locomobile
Type 48 and Bill
Treadwell driving my
1988 Chevy Dually
Pickup. The event
included parading the cars
(joined by the Museum's
Hucks Starter) twice each
day for the audience.

## AACA Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, Pa., October 12, 2019:

13Th Preservation Award. This is my Franklin's second visit to Hershey, the first in 1986 during my pre-trailer days when I drove the Franklin about 800 miles round trip from Virginia Beach to Hershey, all for naught: no award! I was ready to trailer the Franklin this year because Franklin showings at Hershey have been very sparse, or even non-existent, over the past several years.







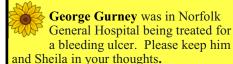


## TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

## Welcome to Our New Members!

None for February

## Sunshine Report



Dick Eberle, long time member of TRAACA and the Cape Henry Model A Club passed away February 17<sup>th</sup>. Dick and his wife Nancy were regular participants of tours and shows for both clubs, and Dick was always ready to help others with antique vehicle issues. Please keep Nancy in your thoughts.

Jeanie Downing's mother, Alice Irene White, passed away on Friday, February 7. Please keep Jeanie and Roland in your thoughts.

Ron Hartman had surgery to remove a kidney stone. Please keep him and Sally in your thoughts.

**Diane Monroe** is home following a month of rehab and is being treated with therapy and chemo for a curable type of bone cancer which is affecting her walking. She has good days and bad days and is not up to visitors at this point.

Evy Eaker has returned home following convalescence and would love to have visitors.

Bob Hanbury is currently undergoing treatment and has moved into an assisted living facility in Chesapeake.



## Members delebrating white celebrating birthdays in March



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## Other Regional and **Local Events**

### **MARCH 2020**

Chesapeake Region AACA **47th Annual Swap Meet** West Friendship, MD

27-28 Sugarloaf Mtn Region AACA 50th Annual Swap Meet

Westminster, MD **CCCHR Landstown** 

Commons Cruise In (First of the year!)

## **APRIL 2020**

- 2-5 Charlotte AutoFair Concord, NC
- Beers and Gears Car Show Alewerks, Williamsburg
- 11 **Daffodil Festival Car Show** Gloucester, VA
- 18 Williamsburg British Car Club's 20th Annual British & **European Car Show** Wlliamsburg, VA
- 22-26 Spring Carlisle Carlisle, PA
- 24-26 Goodguys Rod & Custom 6th North Carolina Nationals Raleigh, NC
  - 25 Historic Fredericksburg Region 63rd Annual Meet Fredericksburg, VA

### **MAY 2020**

15-17 Carlisle Import & **Performance Nationals** Carlisle, PA

## **Angie Ciccone**

Liz Coburn

**David Curl** 

**Nancy Eberle** 

Jan Garner

Sally Hartman

Lynn Heimerl

Sondra Jolley

Albert McVicker

**Jack Paylidis** 

**Bobby Sellers** 

**Gregg Shelton** 

## Members celebrating anniversaries in Mar

Mike & Darlene Brown **Dan & Angie Ciccone** Jon & Barbara Sieck

NOTE - If you have Member Cares/ Sunshine Report information to share with the club, please contact Bob Stein at posti@aol.com.

## 2020 TRAACA CAR SHOW

The date, time, and site for 2020 Meet are set: September 19 at the Military Aviation Museum from 8am to 3 pm. This year's theme is the Evolution of America's Corvette. We are working to assemble at least one example from each of the 67 model years of the Corvette, including the revolutionary 2020 mid-engined car. The Corvettes will form up and parade onto the show field at 11:00AM immediately after the National Anthem. Members of TRAACA who own Corvettes will be invited to be part of this exhibit before any others.

The Meet is also inviting Clubs centered on specific Marques to display their cars en masse under their Clubs' banners on the North Field at the Aviation Museum.

Our intent is to continue to educate the public on the importance of the antique and collectible cars to the development throughout the decades of private transportation. Every vehicle on the road today is the result of the design and construction of yesterday's cars and motor vehicles. One of our greatest freedoms is the freedom of unchallenged mobility which motorized vehicles provide. We celebrate that in conducting this Meet.



## AACA Calendar of

Events

http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/ aaca\_calendar.html

## **APRIL 2020**

- 2-4 AACA SE Spring Nationals Concord, NC
- 23-25 AACA Western Spring Nat'ls Show Low, AZ
- 26- AACA Founders Tour 1 May Show Low, AZ

### **MAY 2020**

- 7-9 AACA Central Spring Nat'ls Auburn, IN
- 13-16 AACA Eastern Div. Tour Eastern Shore, MD

### **JUNE 2020**

- 7-12 AACA Sentimental Tour Davis, WV
- 24-27 AACA Eastern Spring Nat'ls Beckley, WV

## **JULY 2020**

- 8-11 2020 AACA Grand Nationals Allentown, PA
- 19-24 AACA Reliability Tour Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA

### **AUGUST 2020**

20-22 AACA SE Fall Nationals Elizabeth, IN

### **SEPTEMBER 2020**

13-18 AAA Revival Glidden Tour Saratoga Springs, NY

## OCTOBER 2020

- 7-10 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals Hershey, PA
- 19-23 AACA Central Divisional Tour Broken Arrow, OK

## **FEBRUARY 2021**

11-13 AACA Annual Convention Philadelphia, PA

## **MARCH 2021**

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

### **APRIL 2021**

- 8-10 AACA SE Spring Nationals Concord, NC
- 21-24 AACA SE Divisional Tour Central Florida

## **MAY 2021**

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

## **AACA Membership Benefits**

((Reprinted from aaca.org)



- 1. Regions have a \$6,000,000 liability insurance policy at no charge
- 2. Region officers and directors have a \$1,000,000 separate insurance policy (voluntary \$110
- 3. request which TRAACA pays)
- 4. AACA members get 1½ hours of free research by the AACA Library & Research Center
- 5. AACA members are eligible for a massive judging awards program for show cars, original cars and "drivers"
- 6. AACA members are eligible for webmaster awards
- 7. AACA members are eligible for editor awards
- 8. The club has a 50 year member program
- 9. AACA has a comprehensive judging program with awards for judges
- 10. AACA has training for judges
- 11. The club has a "retired" judges Honor Society
- 12. Numerous insurance companies offer discount if national club member
- 13. AACA has a student membership
- 14. AACA has youth regions
- 15. The club lobbies on behalf of the hobby and members and works closely with organizations such as HVA and SEMASAN
- 16. The national club has a full time staff to assist members with questions, etc.
- 17. A great 100 page full color magazine!
- 18. Speedster (monthly email newsletter)
- 19. AACA has a comprehensive meet program with substantial wards for car owners
- 20. AACA has national tours
- 21. AACA provides publisher's liability insurance (for newsletters)
- 22. Members get perks at various RMSotheby's auctions
- 23. Discount with LaQuinta hotel
- 24. AACA has website with forums to help members with a variety of issues
- 25. More. . .

What does AACA ask from Regions? Fill out the Officers Reporting Form, make sure all members are members of national, send in roster and pay \$110 for the D & O Policy if they can afford it.

AACA does not demand donations to the club or Library but those who do help us to keep dues down, provide services and support to regions as needed. We get over 100,000 emails to the club each year! Thousands of phone calls from regions asking for help in a myriad of ways. The money is not wasted. Much of the money is earmarked for endowments which will help perpetuate the club.

(Reprinted for those new members, and those who aren't so new, but may have forgotten some of the many benefits of membership! - Editors)







## **EDITOR'S DESK**

Doug Grosz and Ken Packard <a href="mailto:traaca.mudflap@gmail.com">traaca.mudflap@gmail.com</a>

Well March is upon us and the car show season will be starting soon. Of course, we have the excitement of our first big event, the Swap Meet on March 7 at the Nansemond Suffolk Academy (page 1). Bill Treadwell is still looking for volunteers and you still have a chance to reserve your spot to sell. I am looking forward to going and it will be my first visit to the swap meet. I don't know that I will be buying anything, but you never know what might be worthy of buying or collecting. The very next weekend, we have our March activity to Dwight Shaubach's shop. (Page 1 advertisement) I am looking forward to seeing the work on the V16 Cadillac restoration since that was one of the first cars that I loved in the antique world as a kid. The V16 Cadillac is one of my dream cars. At the 2018 RM Auctions at Hershey, I had a chance to see some nice examples, but can't afford one yet. Someday. Then of course then next week will be our dinner meeting. This is just the beginning of the year and we are already lining up exciting events.

Thanks for the flexibility with not having a dinner meeting in February. The weather that day was quite interesting with many in the area getting a decent amount of snowfall. My brother said time to break out the chains for the tires to drive to the dinner. But at my home in Virginia Beach, the grass was barely covered and gone by the time I went to work the next day.

The MacArthur Memorial and Moses Myers House outing was a great time. I enjoyed viewing both places and learning more about the history of Norfolk at the Moses Myers House. (article on page 13.) I am proud of the donation that our club, through Wayne Milligan, was able to present to the AACA toward the new headquarters building in Philadelphia and it is exciting to know that a member of AACA is matching all donations up to \$250,000 to the headquarters building fund. I remember looking at the building during the 2018 Hershey show and will be looking forward to visiting the facility once it opens for the AACA.

My brother and I are planning our outings looking at the events both in TRACCA and at the national level trying to decide what we can participate in with the Packard, and just by being there. And well doing that, I will be watching to see what we can continue to do about the growth of our hobby in loving our cars and bringing more people into the hobby of appreciating both antique factory original cars and the car hobby in general. Hoping to see many of you at the events this month and as the year continues.

Thank you for the many kind comments I have received about the Mudflap as Ken and I continue the quality of the publication set for us by the past editors, and as we learn we hope to continue to provide quality work that all club members enjoy. Please feel free to share what you are doing with your car to further the hobby as Sam Kern has in his article on pages 15 and 16. I would love to include such articles about how we are furthering the love of this hobby to others.

## **Upcoming Event!**

Mark your calendar on May 16th for a one-day trip to the Murfreesboro, NC Pork Festival and a visit to the Jefcoat Museum of Early American History. This will be a good time to take the old cars out for a nice ride and enjoy the good food.

We took an overnight trip back in November of 2005. We had a really good time and the museum is wonderful. You have never seen so many Victrolas and washing machines! You could spend all day there and not see it all. I think there are 3 floors housed in an old school. There are probably over 17,000 items displayed.

More information will be forthcoming. The price of the Pork Festival is \$8.00 apiece. ~Dot Parrish



William Grosz looking at Cadillac V16 at RM Auctions—Hershey 2018. Doug Grosz photo.

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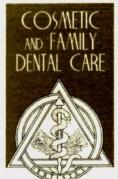




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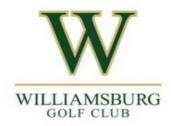
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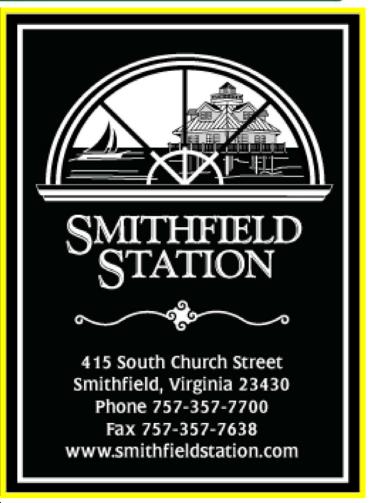
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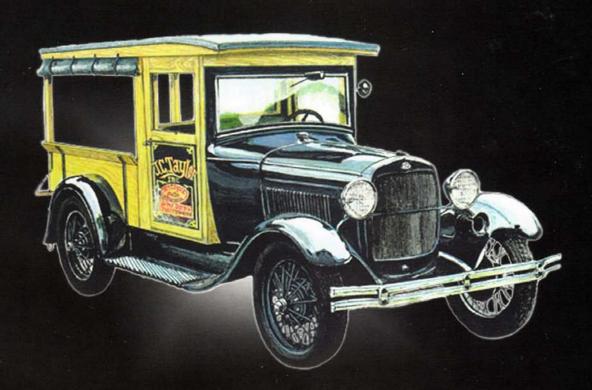
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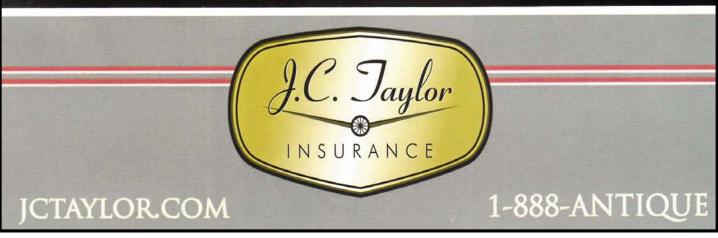
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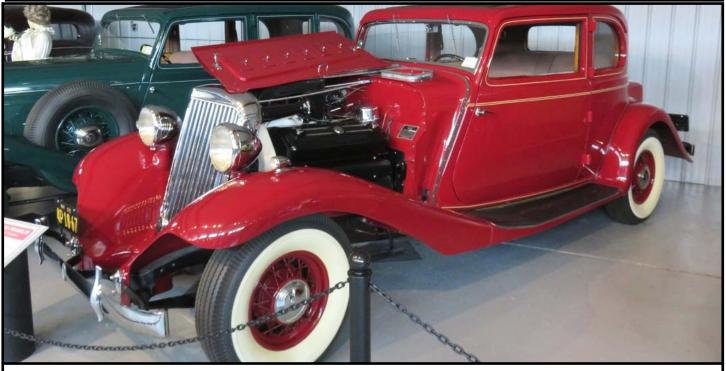




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