

# The Mudflap

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## TRAACA Square Car Tour **RESCHEDULED TO** Saturday, June 15, 2019

Due to rain on the originally scheduled date of May 11th, the TRAACA's 18th Annual Square Car Tour was rescheduled to Saturday, June 15. (This works out well because our original activity planned for June—visits to the Audrain Museum car collection in Surrey, VA, and the Mt. Pleasant Plantation in Spring Grove, VA—had to be cancelled because the museum's cars are not in place yet.) Except for the date, all details of the Square Car Tour (printed on the front page of the May *Mudflap*) remain the same.

On June 15, we will meet at 9 AM in the parking lot of the Pungo Sports Bar (1771 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach) in beautiful downtown Pungo. Breakfast burritos will be available for purchase.

Our tour will take us south, with stops at Blackwater Trading Post and Monk's

Place, both in Virginia Beach, then across the Marsh Causeway to Knotts Island, NC. On the return trip we'll stop for lunch at Pearl's Bay Villa Marina. Our tour will end at Charlie Dawson's "hobby shop" in Virginia Beach where he'll show us his collection and latest acquisitions.

Don't forget: you don't have to own a square car to participate in the tour. If you don't have a suitable square car, you may be able to hitch a ride with another club member or you are welcome to drive a newer antique vehicle—yes, you can even drive modern—but you will need to bring up the rear and try as best as you can to keep up with the old timers.

If you plan on participating in the tour, please RSVP no later than Wednesday, June 12, by contacting Charlie Dawson at (757) 620-7733 or [pungo9@rcn.com](mailto:pungo9@rcn.com).



A 1922 Packard open touring car on display at the Classic Motor Museum in St. Michaels, MD. Read the story about the museum on Page 14.



## TRAACA CALENDAR

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

### JUNE 2019

- 13 TRAACA Board Meeting  
Dawson's Accounting  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 15 TRAACA Square Car Tour  
Pungo, VA  
— Rescheduled —
- 20 TRAACA Dinner Meeting  
Lake Wright Quality Suites  
Norfolk, VA

### JULY 2019

- 11 TRAACA Board Meeting  
Dawson's Accounting  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 13 TRAACA Tour of Fort Wool  
Hampton, VA
- 18 TRAACA Dinner Meeting  
Cypress Point Country Club  
Virginia Beach, VA  
— Note new location —

### AUGUST 2019

- 3 TRAACA Tour of Cavalier  
Hotel Distillery  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 8 TRAACA Board Meeting  
Dawson's Accounting  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 15 TRAACA Dinner Meeting  
Cypress Point Country Club  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 17 TRAACA Spirit of Norfolk  
Dinner Cruise, Norfolk, VA

### SEPTEMBER 2019

- 12 TRAACA Board Meeting  
Dawson's Accounting  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 14 TRAACA Ice Cream Social  
Doumar's Barbecue  
Norfolk, VA
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting  
Cypress Point Country Club  
Virginia Beach, VA

# Behind the Wheel

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Respondez sil vous plait, or simply RSVP, is of French origin dating from the late nineteenth century. RSVP is used to indicate that the favor of a reply is requested. It shows disrespect when you show up to an event that has requested an RSVP and you did not RSVP. It is also disrespectful when you RSVP past the specified RSVP deadline.

There are many moving parts in planning a BBQ lunch, dinner meeting, dinner/awards banquet, etc. An RSVP is used to plan these events and account for how many people will be attending so that the appropriate amount of food, beverage, seating, tables, etc. can be allotted for. A deadline is commonly associated with an RSVP and it is important to pay attention to this deadline and RSVP prior to the deadline. If you discover that your plans have changed, it is ok to contact the event organizer after the RSVP deadline to see if there is any room left for you to attend. It is not ok for you to just RSVP and say you are coming after the RSVP deadline or worse yet show up unannounced. Not only is this disrespectful to the event organizer but it is also disrespectful to the host of the event and is unfair to the folks who have already RSVP'd. This continues to happen within our club, folks, and it needs to stop.

Wayne Milligan spoke about this very thing last year. Vickie Doscher explained the importance of your RSVP for our monthly dinner meetings a few months ago. The topic was again raised at a recent board meeting regarding late/same day RSVPs specific to our dinner meetings.

Some ideas brought forward were to increase the cost for those ignoring the RSVP deadline or showing up unannounced. Another idea was to have additional seating available along the perimeter of the room for those that show up unannounced or RSVP after the deadline. This would afford them the opportunity to enjoy the guest speaker but would not be entitled to dinner. Taking further measures was ultimately tabled for now. Wayne and I continue to monitor this each month and address it on a one-on-one basis as it occurs. Our last resort is to start increasing the cost for late RSVPs or showing up unannounced, turning folks away, or saying no you cannot attend. This may be what it comes down to in order to get the message across.

The ODMA is holding its 66th annual Meet on Saturday, June 8 at the Holiday Inn City Center in Newport News and is being hosted by the HVPR. This year's Meet is in a convenient location and is in our backyard so-to-speak, so there is no reason we can't have a large contingent of vehicles from our Region supporting not only the ODMA, but also our sister Region HVPR. This year's Meet affords you the opportunity to attend an accredited AACA National Judging School which will be held on Friday, June 7. Also on Friday will be a dessert bar and evening social all taking place at the hotel.

We unfortunately had to postpone our annual Square Car Tour last month due to weather. The Square Car Tour will be held on Saturday, June 15, and Charlie Dawson has a very nice driving route planned for us.

This month is our last dinner meeting at the Lake Wright Quality Suites. We will move locations in July to Cypress Point Country Club to finish out the year there with our dinner meetings.

*Matt*



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## 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 [skippatnode@cox.net](mailto:skippatnode@cox.net) or (757) 672-8495. Thank you for your cooperation!

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**From the Running Board**  
**May 9, 2019, TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes**  
 (final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

**Officers Present:** Matt Doscher, Wayne Milligan, and Ellen Adams. **Board Members Present:** Travis Berry, Charlie Dawson, and Dot Parrish. **President Emeritus** Mark McAlpine present. **Members present:** Marion McAlpine, Bob Parrish, and Jerry Adams.

**Quorum:** Board Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM.

**President’s Opening Remarks:** Thank you for coming and thanks to Charlie for hosting.

**Vice President’s Remarks:** Seconded what Matt said.

**Secretary’s Report:** Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

**Treasurer’s Report:**

- April reports were provided in advance by Bill Treadwell due to his scheduling conflict.
- Mark McAlpine inquired about the cost of *The Mudflap* in regard to being less expensive since we’re supposed to be having them printed in black & white. Matt will follow up with Jim Villers regarding this.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Activities:**

- Charlie reported on the details of the Square Car Tour scheduled for May 11; however, due to forecast weather conditions, it was decided by all to reschedule the tour to June 15.
- Wayne reported on the Mt. Pleasant Plantation and Audrain Museum collection. This event is not going to be able to occur in the foreseeable future.

**Restaurants:**

- May BBQ still proceeding as planned at the Milligan’s; RSVP due May 13.

**Membership:**

- As of April 25, we have 188 memberships/329 members.

**Unfinished Business:** NSTR.

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**New Business:**

- Acceptance of Bylaws review and input: there were various comments regarding the proposed changes, which the Board was able to agree upon. Wayne will be making the changes discussed and send out to the Board for review and final approval.

**Other Business:**

- VPCCC Monthly Meeting Report:
  - Mark & Marion reported many positive comments about our new location for the Swap Meet at Nansemond-Suffolk Academy.
  - Reminder about the registration deadline being May 25 for the ODMA Meet in Newport News on June 7-8, hosted by HVPR.
  - Charlie Daniels will be opening up his shop on Friday, July 12, for Collector Car Appreciation Day Cruise-In 5-8 PM.
- CCCHR Monthly Meeting Report: Skip has NSTR.

**Adjourned at 8:09 PM:** Motion made by Ellen and seconded by Charlie. Next Board Meeting is 6:30 PM on Thursday, June 13, at Dawson’s Accounting.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Adams



## TRAACA July Activity

### Tour of Fort Wool

### Saturday, July 13, 2019



Ahoy, shipmates! Have you ever wondered about the island you can see as you enter the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel heading west? It is named “Fort Wool,” has a very interesting history, and we’re going to tour it on Saturday, July 13th.

On July 13, 2019 we have a tour planned on the Miss Hampton II harbor cruise boat. We will visit historic Fort Wool for a 45-minute, narrated, walking tour on the island, then do a harbor tour of the Norfolk Naval Base waterfront. This is a 3-hour boat tour, and the cost is \$26.40 per person. We will meet at the Hampton Marina Center at 710 Settlers Landing Road in Hampton, VA. Park in the Hampton Marina Hotel parking garage (which is free) and take the elevator to the ground floor, where we will meet and purchase our tickets in the “Hampton Marina Center” building. We must arrive by 10:30 AM and purchase our tickets to ensure we honor our reservation. (After 10:30 AM, they open ticket sales to the public.)

Lunch is available either from the onboard snack bar or, if you wish, you can order a box lunch for \$15.00.

To participate, you must RSVP by Wednesday, July 3rd. To RSVP, order a box lunch, or ask questions, please contact Ken Talley at (757) 679-6314 or email [kenntalley@aol.com](mailto:kenntalley@aol.com). Tell him how many people will be attending the tour and, if you want box lunches, provide him your box lunch selection. See you there!



# TRAACA Annual BBQ

## Saturday, May 11, 2019

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

It was a sunny, warm day on May 18, 2019 in Hampton Roads. Temperatures were in the 80s, but thankfully the humidity was low. Dewey & Maxine Milligan welcomed TRAACA members and friends to their home in Chesapeake, VA, for the TRAACA's 2nd Annual Spring Backyard BBQ.

This year, like in 2018, the TRAACA barbeque was the TRAACA's May Activity and also substituted for the TRAACA May Dinner Meeting (although the barbeque took place at lunchtime).

The Milligan's large backyard garage was transformed into a giant indoor picnic area. There were several long tables with red and white checkered table clothes, chairs and air conditioning. It was much more comfortable than a traditional outdoor barbeque.

TRAACA President Matt Doscher welcomed members and their friends, and the food line soon formed. The food was catered by Southland Restaurant from Moyock, NC. There was fried chicken, Carolina BBQ, baked beans, green beans, cole slaw, rolls, and hush puppies. Soft drinks, water, and cookies were also available. The food was excellent and there was plenty for everyone. The TRAACA subsidized the event, so attendees only had to pay \$10.00/person.

It was a pleasant afternoon. Over 80 people signed up

for the barbeque. Having the barbeque in the afternoon allowed several members to come out that don't always make the evening dinner meetings. The dry afternoon for the event allowed many people to drive their antique vehicles. Plus, the Milligan's large treed yard provided a great deal of shade which helped to keep the vehicles cooler, too.

Most members arrived without mishap. However, old cars can be finicky. TRAACA members Billy & Ashley Stutz and their two children Abby and Owen almost did not make the event. Their 1929 Ford Model A broke down on the drive to the Milligans'. TRAACA member Jerry Adams came to the Stutzes' rescue. Jerry was on his way to the barbeque and saw Billy pull over, and, of course, stopped to help. Billy was able to get the 1929 Model A started again. The Stutzes were able to complete the journey to the Milligans' house with Jerry following to ensure they arrived safely.

***A Big Thank You to Dewey and Maxine Milligan*** for hosting the TRAACA May BBQ, to Wayne and Carol Milligan for taking care of the event details, and to those who helped set up or take down the tables, chairs, etc. Everyone had a great time, and all of us are looking forward to returning to the Milligans' for the TRAACA Annual Chili Cook-Off in the fall [Saturday, October 19].



*Dewey Milligan welcomes Ken Packard & his children Jack & Clara*



*(L-R) The "Magnificent 5" arrive: Neil Sugermeyer, Dot Burr, Marty Sugermeyer, Marion McAlpine, and Cecil Burr*



*Rhonda & Tim Russell arrive in their 1969 Chevrolet Chevelle SS*



*Paul & Cori Fuqua arrive in Cori's 1978 MG MGB*



*The Milligans' friend Rob Salada arriving in his 1924 Ford Model T touring car*



*Bob Ward arrives in his 1963 Chevrolet Impala SS*



*(L-R) Bob Stein's 1979 MG MGB, Tim & Phyllis Hund's 1965 Morgan Plus, Bill Grosz's 1947 Packard Custom Super Clipper*



*(L-R) Charlie Dawson's 1966 El Camino, Rick Seaman's 1964 Barracuda, and Len & Donna Sandloop's 1951 Bel Air*



*Jere & Carol Avenson's 1954 Packard Patrician sedan*



*Floyd Jolley brought Bob Hanbury's 1950 Willys Jeepster*



*(L-R) Scott Davies and Bob Ward by Scott's 1958 Corvette*



*(L-R) TRAACA Vice President Wayne Milligan speaking with new members Charlotte, Chip, and Benjamin Woolford*



*Ken & Barbara Talley's 1929 Buick Master 4-door sedan*



*Bob & Dot Parrish's 1958 Chevrolet Impala*



*(L-R) Bill Grosz's 1947 Packard, Bill Wilcox's modern Porsche, Bill & Linda Treadwell's 1969 Camaro, Wayne & Carol Milligan's 1968 LTD*



*Charline & Joe Geib with their 1966 Avanti Avanti II coupe*



*Susan Bond's 1974 MG MGB-GT*



*Ken Talley & Bill Grosz enjoying the aroma of BBQ food cooking*



*(L-R) Ken Talley (providing information about the club's activity for July) and TRAACA President Matt Doscher*



*As much as everyone tried to eat all the food, there was plenty of it*



# Classic Motor Museum of St. Michaels, MD

*Story and photos by Matt Doscher*



*The Classic Motor Museum in St. Michaels, Maryland*

Back in April Vickie and I took a weekend getaway to St. Michaels, Maryland, which is a quaint little maritime town situated on the picturesque Chesapeake Bay side of the Eastern Shore. St. Michaels is roughly an hour's drive southeast from Annapolis, Maryland. In addition to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, which encompasses 18 acres and features the Hooper Straight Lighthouse that was constructed in 1879, St. Michaels also has a small automobile museum in town.

The Classic Motor Museum (CMM) is an Amish-built exhibit barn boasting 4,800 square feet of useable floor space. There were 20 vehicles on display when we visited, and the CMM staff rotate the collection regularly so there is always something new to see. Some of the more noteworthy vehicles include a restored 1910 International Harvester Model A Auto Buggy High Wheeler, a 1917 Maxwell belonging to the Bassemir Brothers that was used to recreate their grandfather's cross-country journey from New Jersey to California in November 1916, and an original 1920 Buick Model K-45 which, in 1950, was the first car in the opening day parade to drive down the

Washington/Annapolis Expressway. It was also the first car to be driven over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge in 1952. Also, on display were a 1922 Packard open touring car, which was used in the HBO series "Boardwalk Empire," a 1923 Essex, a restored 1927 Cadillac series 314-A Sport Phaeton, and a 1931 American LaFrance Pumper fire engine. The museum also had a restored 1932 Ford Model B Deluxe Fordor Sedan featuring a Model B engine block with a very rare Dan Price overhead valve head (with three valves per cylinder with separate exhaust port), a 1934 Auburn featuring a supercharged Lycoming eight-cylinder engine and a Columbia dual ratio rear axle, and a 1938 Bugatti Type 57 Stelvio featuring a dual overhead cam straight-eight engine and a chassis lubrication system.

The CMM partnered with the Bay County Region of the AACA a few years ago to form its own student chapter. Last year the students embarked on an ambitious undertaking by restoring a 1938 Alvis with the assistance of Coventry Motor Works in Easton, Maryland. The CMM also hosts, from April to October, "Cars & Coffee" where folks can show off their pride and joy on the grounds of the CMM each Saturday morning.

The town of St. Michaels hosts a Concours d'Elegance each year. Last year was its Twelfth Annual Concours, and it was held on the waterfront at the Inn at Perry Cabin. Last year's Concours featured a multitude of senior award winners from other Concours d'Elegance shows across the country, including Radnor Hunt (Pennsylvania), Hilton Head Island (South Carolina), Amelia Island (Florida), and Pebble Beach (California). Our very own Dwight Schaubach had his 1929 Duesenberg Model J Convertible Coupe and his 1930 Duesenberg Model J Dual Cowl Phaeton at last year's St. Michael's Concours. This year's Thirteenth Annual Concours will be held September 29th.

Vickie and I enjoyed meeting the staff of the CMM and touring the museum. I encourage you to visit the museum if you have never been there before.



*1910 International Harvester Model A Auto Buggy*



*1917 Maxwell Model 25*

# Fifth Annual Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet

## Luray, Virginia

### May 16-18, 2019

Story and Photos by Terry Bond

For the fifth straight year, the Shenandoah Valley Racket-“T”ers Chapter of the Model T Ford Club International hosted the Mid-Atlantic Pre-Swap Meet in Luray, Virginia. This year, on May 16-18, the quiet town became a mecca for Model T Club members and buyers from as far away as Iowa, Florida, Michigan, and Tennessee.

It was a small but compact event held at a VFW club nestled in a valley just off Rt 211, west of the Shenandoah National Forest. Around 25-30 vendors came and went throughout the weekend, with some arriving just for Saturday and others setting up as early as Thursday afternoon.

Andy Ott and I had decided to go to the swap meet after his reports of previous events and looking over some of the goodies he found there. Along with nearly everyone else attending, we were staying at a Days Inn motel, almost walking distance from the swap meet.

On late-Thursday afternoon, May 17th, we met at the swap meet for some preliminary bargains. Bob Richmon from Richmond, along with Paul & Gretchen Carreras from Bumpass, met us there. After scrounging a bit of brass and a few Model T parts, we enjoyed dinner in a nearby small, family-run restaurant.

The next morning, we were there at the swap meet waiting for vendors to unpack. The crowd began to grow, and by 8 AM there were a lot of people there snagging parts as fast as vendors could drop the tailgates on their pickup trucks.

There were entire trailers loaded with complete chassis—mainly Model T’s and Model A’s. Engines, transmissions, radiators, and all kinds of parts were available, perhaps enough to put together a couple of cars.



*A trailer-load of goodies at the Mid-Atlantic Swap-Meet in Luray, VA*

There were a few vehicles for sale—a nice 1919 Model T Depot Hack, a couple of Model A Fords turned up, one immaculately restored 1931 slant windshield Model A Fordor sedan, and a completely unrestored 1930 Tudor could be purchased. A 1915 Model T touring car was driving around the field, and was on its way to the Brass in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, flea market and tour the coming week. An assembled 1912 roadster (sort of) was also tucked in a trailer for sale.



*1919 Ford Model T "Woodie" for sale at the swap meet in Luray*

We quickly came across more familiar faces from the Richmond area: Reggie Nash, Morris Cameron, and Jim Cross. Morris gave a quick tech-session on Model T Ford transmissions as he pawed through a couple of boxes of disassembled drums, shafts, gears and clutches. He bought the whole pile!



*The load of goodies Andy Ott found at the Pre-War Swap Meet*

Andy Ott made a deal on a whole box of accessory Model T Ford shock absorbers. There were at least six different examples of these strange contraptions. It'll be fun sorting it all out and figuring how they work. (Most probably don't—and probably didn't even when new.)

People were buying whole boxes of stuff—boxes of assorted exhaust whistles, unrestored lamps, rear axles, wheels, and tools. Vendors were serious about selling, and buyers were loading up!

I managed to find a nice brass lamp for my collection, a couple of NOS Model T timers, some grease seals, axle bearings, carburetor parts, and a couple of nice 1914 license plates. Apparently, I've started another collection! The only thing I don't collect—license plates! Well, I made an exception. I'm going to see how many I can find from 1914, the year of my Model T.

The trip to Luray also produced some goodies. Antique hunting again was great, and I snagged a wonderful pair of brass side lamps in an antique store I almost passed by because it looked too "ritzy."



*Terry showing one of the lamps he found to Natalie and Janice Weaver. Natalie is editor of the Model T Ford Club International's "Model T Times" newsletter, and Janice was a member of the TRAACA before she moved. Natalie and her sister Janice are both experts in handling their Model Ts on driving tours.*

On the way home I took back roads and stopped at a flea market in Orange, then an antique mall in Gordonsville, and, lastly, an outdoor "Pickers Festival" closer to Richmond that will be held again in mid-October.

So, the Pre-War Swap Meet in Luray was certainly worth the trip. Andy's truck-load of goodies was his best haul ever, and my discoveries were equally great.

The hospitality at the event was wonderful. It's small enough to be super-friendly and still offer a wonderful selection of early stuff. Most of it is Model T Ford, but if you know what you are looking for, there are goodies to be found, and at excellent prices.

The VFW treated vendors and guests to a great fried chicken dinner Friday, and, all weekend long, the VFW



*Two of the Model T shock absorbers that Andy Ott purchased*

volunteers kept the grill going cooking sausages, burgers, and hot dogs. The homemade baked goods were amazing.

We'll be back again next May for more fun in the valley finding great stuff.



*Vendors from Tennessee.*

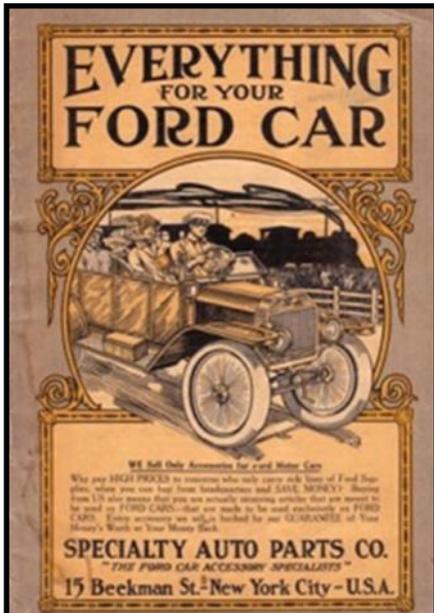


# Still Collecting Stuff— *Model T Items* By Terry Bond



One of the favorites things out in the barn is our 1914 Model T Ford, and yes, there are Model T-related things all over the place. This month I'll take you on a brief tour.

There were more accessories made for the Model T than for any other car. Over the Model T's lifetime [1908-1927], items were produced to make it go faster, stop quicker, ride smoother, steer easier, rattle less, and make it prettier. It was a pretty basic car when offered, and some considered that a blank canvas for add-ons.



*One of the many original Ford Model T accessory catalogs in Terry's collection*

I have a collection of dozens of early catalogs offering all things Model T-related. They help me date things in my collection and sometimes even to figure out what they are intended to do.

Product displays are also of interest, and I have several suitably placed in my recreated old auto parts store. I have a very rare countertop display for a "Fat Man steering wheel." It is on a Model T-shaped steering shaft. By pulling a lever,

the wheel swings up, providing more room for a portly driver to slide into the car. Once the driver is comfortably in place, the steering wheel can be swung down and locked into position.



*This display case (itself an antique) in Terry's garage is filled with aftermarket Ford Model T accessory items*



*One of Terry's prized pieces in the antique auto parts store above his garage is a rare "Fat Man" steering wheel countertop display*

Shown below is a rare oil can that was intended to fit under the front seat, alongside the gas tank, in a Brass Era Model T. A 1912 touring car is pictured on the can. These oil cans are extremely rare and today would command a price in excess of \$1,000 at auction. There are many other gas- and oil-related items around, and competition for them is strong as they cross over into other categories of collecting. It sometimes seems that we poor Model T collectors don't stand a chance!



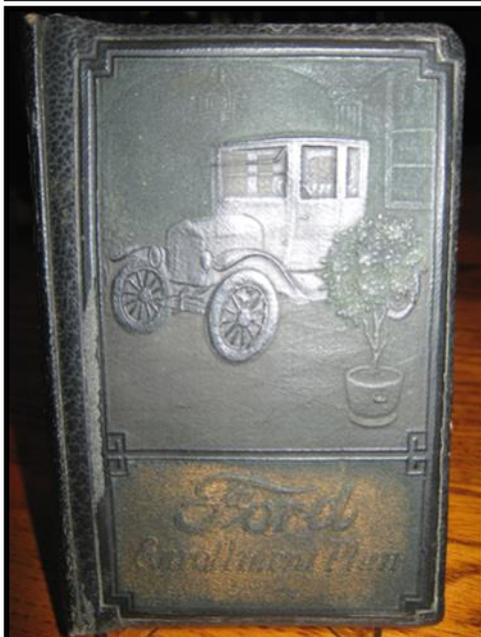
*Ford Motor Oil can designed to fit under the seat of a Model T*



*A few of the spark plugs designed specifically for the Ford Model T*

Every spark plug collector will have an assortment of aftermarket spark plugs intended for use in the Model T. There are dozens of different brands; however, not all of them met with Ford approval.

One of my favorite items is a “book” that is actually a savings bank. The first few pages are advertising for the Model T and the back pages are a ledger. The center is a metal bank with a key lock on it. You would get this book from a Ford dealer, then regularly deposit money into it, keeping track of it on the ledger. When you had enough for a new Model T, or at least a down payment, you took the book back to the dealer (or bank); they would open the bank, and you would walk away with your new Model T. These books are very difficult to find today in good condition.



*A Ford “Enrollment Plan” savings bank “book.” (You’d need a considerably larger book today to purchase a 2019 Ford.)*



*Another type of collectible bank is a small metal bank in the shape of a Model T sedan. It carries an advertisement for a Ford dealer.*

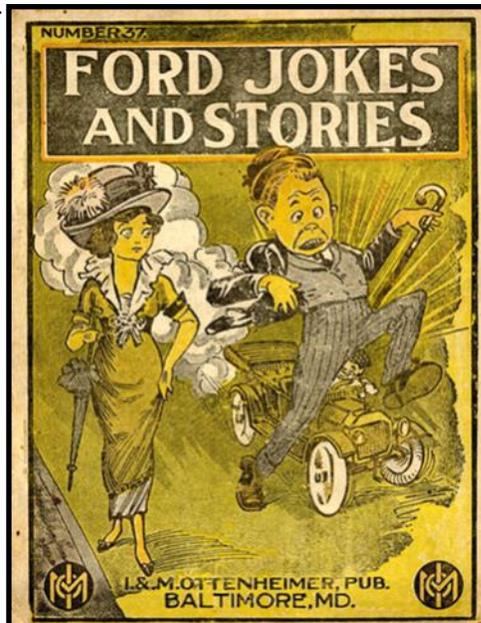
Ford humor has always been popular to collect. There is a wonderful series of cartoon-style postcards (36 total) that can be collected at reasonable prices. I have a piece of original artwork for one of the postcards. It’s the only one like it I’ve ever seen, but there must be at least 35 other varieties out there somewhere. The search is on!



*Terry’s Model T postcard original artwork. (The caption reads: “No matter what color you paint it, people can always tell it’s a Ford.” The little boy is saying “Oh, you road louse.”)*

Speaking of Ford humor, an almost endless variety of small-format joke books can be found. As I said earlier, more accessories were produced for the Model T than any other car, and the same holds true for jokes about it.

Small advertising pieces are another of my favorite areas of collecting. Pins, buttons, watch fobs, etc., all offer great



*Ford Jokes & Stories—Number 37 (from 1913)*

collecting opportunities at reasonable prices (sometimes). I have a great advertising pocket mirror, about 2½ inches in diameter, advertising the Model T. It was wonderful eBay purchase. It cost too much, but I’ve got it!

Another piece I like is a Ford Model T salesman’s lapel pin. Quite small, it is an original produced by the Guy S. Cady advertising company in Detroit. Cady was better known as one of the founders of a theater in Detroit called “The Players Club.” This was early “Broadway” in Detroit, and was a gathering point for societies elite. One of the more famous and wealthy friends was James Couzens, mayor of Detroit and an early investor in the Ford Motor Company—thus, the connection with Ford advertising. I delight in researching objects in my collection and learning all I can about them.



*An original Ford Model T salesman's lapel pin*

Another great (and rare) advertising piece for Ford is a 1914 trolley car advertising banner. It is a cardboard sign, intended to place into the curved top overhead area on early trolley cars. The same kind of advertising appeared later on buses. This advertises the Ford Weekly Purchase Plan, which was introduced in 1913. Ford made the "installment" purchase of automobiles famous, along with the \$5.00 day pay for his workers.



*A trolley car Ford Model T advertising banner from 1914*

Shown below is an original Model T-era Ford plant ID badge. Hundreds of varieties exist, and the market is filled with reproductions and outright fakes. Before investing in these, I strongly recommend research. There are numerous sources I can provide more detail on if you are interested.



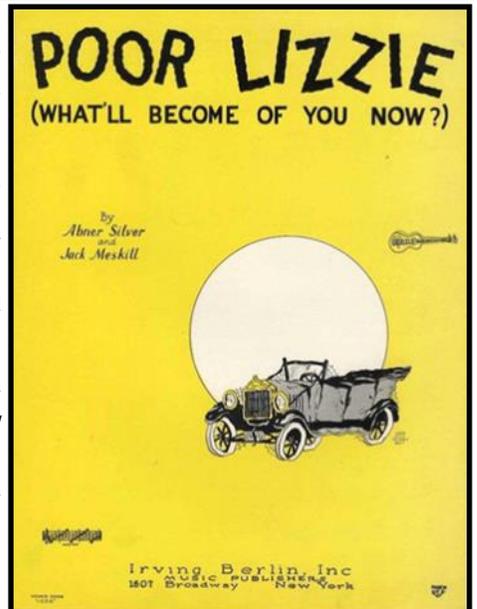
*Model T-era Ford factory worker's identification badge*

As a dedicated sheet music collector, I have quite an assortment of Model T-related pieces. None are more historically significant than a song lamenting the demise of the beloved "Flivver."

Naturally, there are pieces of early Ford literature that are collectible, and it's popular to try to collect material specific to the year of your car, if you have one. Easily found are issues of the Ford Motor Company's monthly magazine "Ford Times." Copies from the Brass Era (pre-1917) can be more difficult to find & expensive, but no serious Model T collector can consider his or her pile of stuff complete without a good run of them. Shown to the right is an interesting cover picture on the July 1913 issue—it's obviously a 4th of July-themed cover.

Whether you collect items for Ford, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Pontiac, Volkswagen, or Yugo, there are wonderful objects out there just waiting for you.

*Terry Bond*



*Sheet music for "Poor Lizzie" by Irving Berlin. (Perhaps you've heard of him?)*



*The July 1913 cover of the Ford Times*



*Terry Bond in his 1914 Ford Model T touring car*



# Has Your Car Become a Shelf?

By Myron Smith  
AACA Secretary

(Reprinted from Winter 2019 AACA Rummage Box newsletter)



Has your once promising, exciting car project now become a shelf? You know the situation, you either run into a problem you can't solve, run out of extra cash, lose the passion you once had for that car, or have just become too busy with life. The car then gets shoved back in a corner and it becomes a place for the cardboard box of Christmas decorations, floor mats, semi-worn out things that you just can't bring yourself to throw away, but don't know what to do with either. Or, sometimes it's a place to lay the parts you have found that you intend to use "someday."

Many of us have been there and, to some extent, I still am. But there is still hope. Take heart—you do not need to sell or give away your project just because it's now a shelf. Over my time of stewardship of some vehicles, I've had two vehicles recently that have actually been transformed from shelves back to vehicles. In one case, the direction I had intended for the vehicle changed. We purchased a 1959 Chevrolet Impala 4-door hardtop in 1984. My intent was to do a body-on-frame restoration. Through the years of family and house responsibilities, and other car projects, it got set aside as I collected New Old Stock Parts for it. Then one year the brakes went out and another the engine became stuck. Later, I learned the particular engine in this car is prone to seizing even when properly "stored" as mine was. It became a shelf, not for heavy things that would damage the body, but for light items I did not know what else to do with. I toyed off and on with trying to unstuck the engine, but nothing worked. Finally, time allowed me to get serious about it. I had the opportunity to trade engine work with a mechanic friend to get the engine back in running condition. After some setbacks we got the engine rebuilt. I then looked seriously at the body. All the years of being a shelf had not harmed the original paint, and it was "pretty good" considering its age. Granted some minor touch up was necessary, but my thought was there aren't that many '59 cars that can still claim to be "original." I opted to keep it "original" rather than just being another "restored" car. I have been very pleased with the results and enjoy showing it just the way Chevrolet built it.

My other example is a 1949 Studebaker pickup. My family acquired it in about 1970, in non-running condition, but just stored it. The pickup box made it suitable for collecting "things" being even better than a "shelf." Then one summer a friend was looking for something for his 90-year-old father-in-law to do. He got the truck to run. Fast forward several years later, I started to rebuild the brakes. Then I remembered why the previous owner stopped driving it. He could not get the right rear brake drum off. With the help of a better mechanic than I am, he got the drum off and the brakes were rebuilt. It is a 30,000-mile truck that had not been cherished, but not terribly abused either. My next dilemma was that it had been parked too close to where a building was being painted and had white spots all over the driver's side. The paint was good on the truck including what was under the spots, but how to get the spots off was a problem. With the help of advice from "Old Cars Weekly" questions and answers, the spots came off leaving a very presentable original pickup. It also has been a fun thing to have.

My point in all this is don't be too quick to fix something that may not need fixing and don't give up, even if you've been using it as a shelf—that stuff can easily go somewhere else.



## AACA Calendar of Events

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

### JUNE 2019

2-7 AACA Founders Tour  
Seward, NE

26-29 Eastern Spring Nationals  
Parsippany, NJ

### AUGUST 2019

4-9 AACA Vintage Tour  
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

### SEPTEMBER 2019

22-27 AAA Revival Glidden Tour  
Charlotte, NC

### OCTOBER 2019

9-12 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals  
Hershey, PA

23-26 AACA SE Fall Nationals  
Mobile, AL

### NOVEMBER 2019

6-9 Western Fall Nationals  
Fallbrook, CA

### FEBRUARY 2020

6-8 AACA Annual Convention  
Philadelphia, PA

27-29 AACA Winter Nationals  
Miami, FL

### APRIL 2020

2-5 AACA SE Spring Nationals  
Charlotte, NC

23-25 AACA Western Spring Nat'l's  
Show Low, AZ

26- AACA Founders Tour  
1 May Show Low, AZ

### MAY 2020

13-16 AACA Eastern Divisional Tour  
Eastern Shore, MD

28-30 AACA Central Spring Nat'l's  
Auburn, IN

### JUNE 2020

7-12 AACA Sentimental Tour  
Potomac Highlands, WV

24-27 AACA Eastern Spring Nat'l's  
Daniels, 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  
Louisville, KY

### SEPTEMBER 2020

13-18 AAA Revival Glidden Tour  
Saratoga Springs, NY





# Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum & Hall of Fame



Story and photos by Mark McAlpine

**“Drivers, start your engines!”** By the time you read this newsletter, this year’s Indianapolis 500 race—the 103rd running of the race—will be over, the winner crowned, milk drunk, bricks kissed, and Donna & Jim Elliott will be home from the race. This seems a fitting time to talk about the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum and share some photos of a few of the many historic race cars in the museum.

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum opened in 1956. It was originally located at the southwest corner of the Speedway’s property where the Speedway Administration building stands today. In 1976 it moved to a larger building inside the track’s oval. You have to drive through a tunnel going under the famous racetrack to get to the museum.

Marion & I visited the museum last year on our way to the 2018 AACA Central Spring Nationals in Auburn, IN. The day we visited the museum, Indy cars were roaring around the track practicing for the upcoming Indy 500 race. Although it was not the same as being there for the race, it still was cool to see and hear the powerful cars screaming by.

The museum has over 25 Indianapolis 500 winning race cars on permanent display. It also has special temporary exhibits which change out every six months or so. When Marion & I visited the museum in May 2019, the current exhibit was “The Amazing Unser,” celebrating Al Unser, Al Unser, Jr., and Bobby Unser. The exhibit was timed to coincide with the 50th anniversary of Bobby Unser’s first

Indianapolis 500 win (1968, driving an Offenhauser-powered Eagle race car). Over 25 cars associated with the Unser were on exhibit, including 8 of the 9 cars with which they won the Indy 500. (For those readers who like trivia: Al Unser won the Indy 500 four times—1970, 1971, 1978, and 1987. Al Unser, Jr., won it two times—1992 and 1994. Bobby Unser won it three times—1968, 1975, and 1981. Al Unser, A.J. Foyt, and Rick Mears are the only drivers to win the Indy 500 four times. Helio Castroneves could join that elite club if he wins this year. He won in 2001, 2002, and 2009.) The special temporary exhibit this year is “Mario Andretti: ICON,” recognizing the 50th anniversary of Mario’s only Indy 500 win. (It’s hard to believe Mario Andretti only won the Indy 500 once, isn’t it?)

Other permanent exhibits at the museum include the Borg Warner Trophy (the trophy for the Indy 500), historic programs and memorabilia from the race, a display of Firestone racing tires from the early 1900s to present (it’s interesting to see how the tires changed over the years), a gallery of raced-themed artwork, and a Indy race car you can sit in (while saying “VROOM! VROOM!” to yourself) and have a photo taken (by the museum or with your camera).

Admission to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum is \$10/person and well worth the price. The museum also offers a variety of tours of the speedway facility for \$20-\$50. Each tour also includes admission to the museum.



*The Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum and Hall of Fame*



*Designated National Historic Vehicle #11—the winner of the 1911 Indy 500—the first race—a Marmon “Wasp” driven by Ray Harroun*



*(L-R) 1914 Indy 500 winner—1913 French Delage driven by Rene Thomas and 1912 winner—1912 National driven by Joe Dawson*



*1928 Indy 500 winner—built by Harry Miller, driven by Louis Meyer*



1952 Indy 500 winner—Eddie Kuzma-built race car driven by Troy Ruttman. This was the last year a dirt track-type car would win.



1972 Indy 500 winner—McLaren M-16B driven by Mark Donahue



2011 Indy 500 winner—Honda-powered Dallara driven by Dan Wheldon, who won when J.R. Hildebrand slid into wall on the last turn



Winner of the 2016 Indy 500—twin-turbo V-6 Honda-powered Dallara driven by Indy Car rookie Alexander Rossi



(L-R) Car #12—1922 Indy 500 winner: a 1922 Duesenberg driven by Jimmy Murphy; Car #14—1953/1954 Indy 500 winner: a Kurtis Kraft roadster driven by Bill Vukovich; Car #3—1947/1948 Indy 500 winner: an Emil Diedt-built race car driven by Mauri Rose; Car #1—1939-1940 Indy 500 winner: a dual-supercharged Maserati driven by Wilbur Shaw (the first car or driver to win the Indy 500 in consecutive years)



The Historic Virginia Peninsula Region of the AACA Welcomes You to the 66th Old Dominion Meet Friday-Saturday, 7-8 June 2019



Location: The Holiday Inn City Center, 980 Omni Blvd, Newport News, VA

\*\*\* Preregistration required. Registration extended—must be postmarked by June 5, 2019. \*\*\*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AACA Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ AACA Member #: \_\_\_\_\_ (If you are not an AACA member, go to AACA.org/membership to join or join the day of show for \$40.00.)

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

All displayed vehicles must have a visible, fully-charged, operable, UL-approved fire extinguisher.

VEHICLE #1—Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

AACA Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle award sought: ODMA Junior ODMA Senior ODMA Preservation ODMA HPOF ODMA DPC DO NOT JUDGE

VEHICLE #2—Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

AACA Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle award sought: ODMA Junior ODMA Senior ODMA Preservation ODMA HPOF ODMA DPC DO NOT JUDGE

Please add any additional vehicles you wish to enter on another form and staple it to this sheet.

I would like to help judge at the ODMA Meet. PREFERRED CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ ANY CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

I AGREE that the Historic Virginia Peninsula Region AACA, Old Dominion Meet Association, Holiday Inn, named sponsors, and directors, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents of the above will not be held liable for any injury or damage incurred by the listed vehicle(s) entered in the show before, during, or after the Old Dominion Meet on June 7-8, 2019. I agree to abide by all guidelines of this show as outlined on this form and provided at the show. I further certify that I carry the required Liability Damage Insurance on the listed show vehicle(s) and my trailer(s) and tow vehicle(s) for the state in which they are registered.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Vehicles Registered: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer Parking (Trailer Length: \_\_\_\_\_): \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Night Dessert Bar tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor or Car Market \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Night Awards Banquet Buffet tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "HVPR" Total enclosed = \_\_\_\_\_

For more info, see the ODMA website (www.odma.aaca.com) or call Meet Co-Chairs—Tony Scarpelli (757) 810-1600 or Donna Elliott (757) 871-6701—or Registration Co-Chairs Richard & Sandy Hall at (757) 482-2821



# TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE



## Sunshine Report



- Condolences go out to former TRAACA member Harold Farley, whose wife **Carolyn Sue Farley** passed away on May 9 after an 8-year struggle with Alzheimer's.
- Our thoughts & prayers go out to **Skip Patnode**, who had hip replacement surgery in early May and is recuperating at home.

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



## Members celebrating birthdays in June



David Belton	Emmett Hawks
Jean Belton	Marjorie Joslin
Travis Berry	George Keen
James Briggs	Sam Kern
Cecil Burr	Bette Lawrence
Briant Capps	Mark McAlpine
Dick Chipchak	Toni McChesney
Dan Ciccone	Dick McIninch
John Clark	Cathy Miller
Mary Beth Clark	Reggie Nash
Bill Coburn	Claude Reeson
Richard Cooper	Candice Shelton
Sandy Dawson	Barbara Sieck
Roland Downing	Bob Stein
Harold Eacker	Ashley Stutz
Connie England	James Woodall
Joe Formato	

## **TRAACA April Dinner Meeting** *Thursday, June 20, 2019*

Our June Dinner Meeting is on Thursday, June 20, at the Lake Wright Quality Suites (1521 Premium Outlets Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23502). Dinner is Sirloin of Beef Bordelaise, Chicken Cordon Bleu, oven-roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, Caesar salad, and chef's choice of desserts. The cost is \$25 per member.

Social hour is from 6:00-6:45 PM, with dinner at 6:45 PM, followed by a brief business meeting. Our guest speaker is Bill Treadwell, who will give a presentation on the Bob Bahre Collection in Paris Hill, Maine, which Bill visited last July. (The collection is open to the public only one day a year to raise funds to benefit the local library.)

Please RSVP to Skip Patnode—and RSVP on time—if you are going to attend. **Having members show up without RSVPing risks us not having enough seats or food.** Also, remember that if you sign up for a club dinner, you are committed to paying for it whether or not you attend. Thank you very much for your understanding & cooperation.

## Welcome to our New Members!

- Larry & Lorraine Goughan**  
Chesapeake, VA  
- 1970 Dodge Challenger
- Henry & Myrna Robson**  
Norfolk, VA  
- 1980 Buick Regal
- William "Bill" & Mary Stutz**  
Williamsburg, VA  
- 1973 Cadillac Fleetwood Ambulance  
- 1977 Chevrolet Camaro RS
- Charles "Chip" & Charlotte Woolford**  
Norfolk, VA  
- 1972 MG MGB-GT  
- 1972 MG MGB  
- 1973 MG Midget



## Members celebrating anniversaries in June



- Mark & Margie Anthony**  
**Barry & Mary Ellen Basnight**  
**Bob Bond & Pamela Hamilton-Bond**  
**James & Phillis Carnforth**  
**Dick & Holly Chipchak**  
**Richard & Linda Cooper**  
**Charlie & Sandy Dawson**  
**Albert & Georgiann McVicker**  
**Al & Sharon Mercer**  
**Ed & Diane Monroe**  
**Reggie & Cindi Nash**  
**Bill & Felicia Saddler**  
**Ken & Sarah Saiya**  
**Sal & Jo Ann Saiya**  
**Mark & Sue Strang**  
**Neil & Marty Sugermeyer**  
**Radford & Margie Tillett**



## Recent TRAACA Award Winners



### Greenbrier Concours d'Elegance—Greenbrier, WV

Jim Elliott

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## ***OLD DOMINION MEET REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO JUNE 5***

Okay, all you procrastinators: the registration deadline for the upcoming Old Dominion Meet has been extended to Wednesday, June 5. **(They must be received by June 5.)** Please support our sister region—the HVPR—by bringing your car to the meet. The registration form is on Pg. 16!



**Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA**



**62nd Annual  
Antique Automobile Show  
Fredericksburg, VA**

**Saturday, June 1, 2019  
8:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**Preregistration: \$20 (NLT May 24)  
Registration after May 24: \$25**

*First 175 vehicles registered and on the show field receive a dash plaque*

For more info see HFRAACA website: <http://hfraaca.org/>  
or contact Meet Chairman J. Gordon Brown at (703) 725-7948



**North Carolina Region AACA  
Spring Meet**



**Hosted by the General Greene Chapter AACA**

**Saturday, June 15, 2019  
8:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**Registration: \$20 / Deadline: June 8, 2019  
(no day of show registration)**

*AACA classes only—all vehicles must have fire extinguishers*

**at Richard Petty's Garage  
311 Branson Mill Road  
Randleman, NC 27317**

For more info see [www.ncregionaaca.com/region/images/pdf/2019springmeet.pdf](http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/images/pdf/2019springmeet.pdf)  
Or contact Meet Chairman James Matthews at [JMatthews674@gmail.com](mailto:JMatthews674@gmail.com)



**Richmond Region AACA**



**50th Annual  
Car Show & Swap Meet  
St. Joseph's Villa  
Richmond, VA**

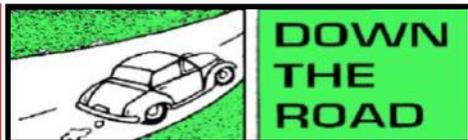
**Saturday, June 22, 2019  
8 AM—3 PM  
(rain or shine)**

**Preregistration: \$25  
(Must be preregistered by June 26th to be judged)**

**Non-Judged Cruise-In: \$10 (\$15 after June 20th)**

**Spectators: \$5 (children under 12 years old free when with adult)**

For more see RRAACA website: [www.richmondregionaaca.com/calendar.htm](http://www.richmondregionaaca.com/calendar.htm)



**Other Regional and Local Events**

- JUNE 2019**
- 1-2 Carlisle Ford Nationals  
Carlisle, PA
  - 1 Historic Fredericksburg  
AACA 62nd Annual Meet  
Fredericksburg, VA
  - 7 Moss Motorfest  
Petersburg, VA
  - 7-8 ODMA Old Dominion Meet  
Hosted by HVPR AACA  
Newport News, VA
  - 7-9 The Elegance at Hershey  
Hershey, PA
  - 15 CHKD/Walmart Car Show  
Suffolk, VA
  - 15 NC Region Spring Meet  
Gen. Greene Chapter AACA  
at Richard Petty's Garage  
Randleman, NC
  - 21-22 Carlisle Chevrolet Nationals  
Carlisle, PA
  - 22 Richmond Region AACA  
50th Annual Car Show &  
Swap Meet  
Richmond, VA
  - 22 Accomack-Northampton  
Region AACA Auto Show  
Tasley, VA
  - 23 Show & Shine to Cure  
Parkinson's Disease  
Williamsburg, VA
  - 29 Summer Sizzle Car Show  
Cavalier Ford  
Chesapeake, VA
- JULY 2019**
- 4 Classic Cruisers Car Club  
4th of July Car Show  
Williamsburg, VA
  - 12 National Collector Car  
Appreciation Day Car Show  
Daniels Performance Group  
Smithfield, VA
  - 12-14 Carlisle Chrysler Nationals  
Carlisle, PA
  - 13 Classics on Main Car Show  
Gloucester, VA
  - 31 - Mecum Car Auction  
Aug 3 Harrisburg, PA
- AUGUST 2019**
- 2-4 Carlisle Truck Nationals  
Carlisle, PA
  - 17 Khedive 28th Annual  
"Fun-N-Shine" Car Show  
Chesapeake, VA
  - 22-25 Corvettes at Carlisle



## EDITOR'S DESK

Mark McAlpine  
[traacacontact@gmail.com](mailto:traacacontact@gmail.com)

Memorial Day marks the unofficial beginning of summer. Yes, I realize many kids are still in school for another week or two. (The last day of school for most public schools in Hampton Roads is either Thursday, 13 June, or Friday, 14 June.) However, even if your children or grandchildren are still in school, I bet it's hard for them to focus in class because, in their minds, summer is ready to start and they're counting the days (if not minutes) until they graduate or are released for the summer.

I think many Americans look at Memorial Day as just another 3-day holiday to enjoy with family and friends. There's nothing wrong with that—I understand it, and enjoyed the long weekend myself (at least when I was working). However, I also think that many Americans don't really recognize or appreciate the true purpose for Memorial Day. This is pretty obvious when people wish each other "Happy Memorial Day." (I expect it's a slip of tongue for many people who either don't know the meaning of Memorial Day or just say it automatically because that's what we do on most national holidays.)

However, there's nothing "happy" about Memorial Day. It wasn't established just so we could enjoy an extra day off work or spend an extra day at the beach. It honors those men and women who gave their lives in military service of our country.

I need to backtrack a bit and offer a minor correction: there is something happy about Memorial Day. That's

seeing that many Americans do understand the significance of Memorial Day and recognize the sacrifice made by over 1.2 million Americans who died in war (including the Civil War) since the founding of our country. You see this in the thousands of parades held across the United States to commemorate Memorial Day. You see it in the flags and banners displayed in front of homes and businesses (including yours, I hope) across the country. You see it in the American Legion's red poppies worn so proudly by so many people. You see (and hear) it in the National Memorial Day Concert performed on the Capitol lawn in Washington, DC, and broadcast around the world on radio and television. You see in the patriotic displays and military fly-overs (like at the Indianapolis 500 race). And you see it in the millions of U.S. flags hand-placed at veterans' graves in cemeteries across the United States and in American cemeteries overseas (such as the Normandy American Cemetery in France). It's particularly poignant to see the ceremonies held at American Cemeteries overseas, and the loving care shown for these facilities and graves by foreign nationals, most of whom weren't alive during the conflicts that resulted in the deaths yet are grateful for and respectful of the sacrifices made by our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, Merchant Mariners, and civilians to defend not only our liberty & values, but also theirs.

As you enjoyed your Memorial Day holiday long weekend this year, I hope you took a moment to think about, and offered a prayer for, our fellow Americans who made the ultimate sacrifice so we could live free in the greatest country in world.

Mark Mc

## U.S. Army Reserve 111th Anniversary Show Ft. Eustis, Virginia

Last February, Tidewater Region (TRAACA) and Historic Virginia Peninsula Region (HVPR) AACA members participated in a joint club activity and visited the U.S. Army Transportation Museum at Fort Eustis, Virginia. The museum requested club members bring their antique vehicles for an informal display on Tuesday, April 23rd, to help celebrate the U.S. Army Reserve's 111th anniversary. Six members brought their vehicles: Keith Colonna brought his 1959 Lincoln Capri; Al Crane brought his 1965 Ford Mustang; Alfonso Ludovici his 1942 Ford GPW Jeep; Daniel Ruble his 1937 Packard; Tony Scarpelli his 1956 Chrysler New Yorker; and John Wyatt his 1940 Ford Deluxe Coupe. Alfonso and Daniel got into the spirit by wearing authentic World War II uniforms: Alfonso (an Italian Air Force Lieutenant Colonel) wore a U.S. Army Signal Corps Lieutenant Colonel's working dress uniform. Daniel (a retired U.S. Marine NCO) wore a U.S. Army Air Force "pinks and greens" uniform. Looking sharp, guys!



(L-R) Alfonso Ludovici, Keith Colonna, Daniel Ruble, Tony Scarpelli (HVPR President), John Wyatt, and Al Crane at Ft. Eustis



Alfonso Ludovici with his 1942 Ford GPW Jeep (which was left in Italy after WWII & Alfonso brought with him to the United States)



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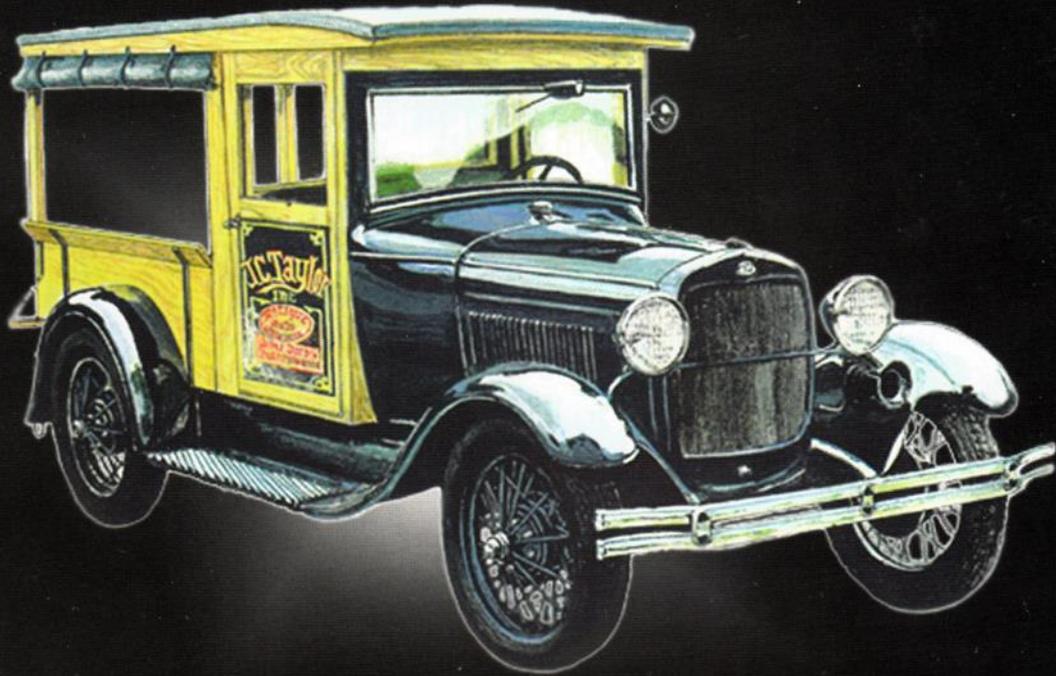
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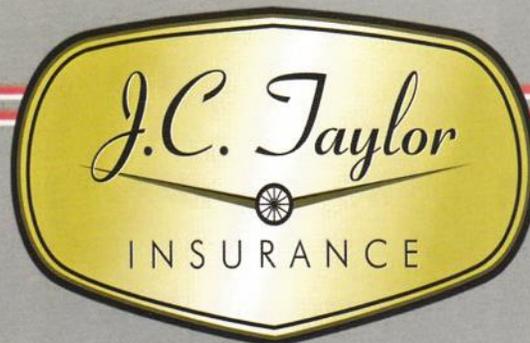
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