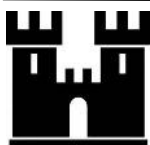


The Mudflap

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TRAACA Tour of Ft. Monroe Saturday, September 30, 2017

Join the TRAACA for a tour of historic Fort Monroe. We will depart from the McDonald's in Ocean View (9635 Duffys Lane, Norfolk) at 8:30 AM—please arrive by 8:15 AM. From there, we'll caravan to Fort Monroe. (Driving directions will be provided that morning.) The building within the fort where we will begin our tour is 20 Bernard Road, Fort Monroe, VA (Hampton).

We will have a guided tour of the fort to see many of the interesting sites and learn some of its rich history. We are to meet our tour guide at 9:15 AM. After an approximately 45-minute walking tour of the fort, we will tour the Casemate Museum on our own.

From the fort's website: "Completed in 1834 and named in honor of President James Monroe, Fort Monroe is recognized as the largest stone fort

ever built in the United States. Nicknamed 'Freedom's Fortress,' this Union-held fortification provided a safe haven for thousands of enslaved people during the Civil War. It was also the site where the Army of the Potomac landed before beginning the march toward Richmond during the Peninsula Campaign."

Following our tour of the museum we will gather for lunch in Hampton. The location for lunch is still pending, but will be communicated to members who sign up once finalized.

Please plan to join us for a tour of Fort Monroe and lunch, across the water in Hampton, VA, on Saturday, September 30, 2017. If you plan to attend, *please e-mail Wayne & Carol Milligan at carowaynmilligan@cox.net or call (757) 548-1242 by Monday, September 25th.*



TRAACA CALENDAR

Check traaca.com/calendar.htm for the latest info on upcoming events!

SEPTEMBER 2017

- 8 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 21 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 23 TRAACA Annual Meet
Military Aviation Museum
Virginia Beach, VA
- 30 TRAACA Tour of Ft. Monroe
Hampton, VA

OCTOBER 2017

- 13 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 28 TRAACA Chili Cook-Off
Dewey & Maxine Milligan's
Chesapeake, VA

NOVEMBER 2017

- 4 TRAACA Movie Night
Virginia Special Events Ctr
Portsmouth, VA
- 10 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 16 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
and Annual Silent Auction
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

DECEMBER 2017

- 6 TRAACA Holiday Lights
Norfolk Botanical Gardens
Norfolk, VA
- 8 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 10 TRAACA Holiday Brunch
Princess Anne Country Club
Virginia Beach, VA

TIDEWATER REGION
ANTIQUÉ AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA
44TH ANNUAL MEET

1969 CAMARO P-51 MUSTANG 1957 CHEVROLET

MILITARY AVIATION MUSEUM - PUNGO
SEPTEMBER 23, 2017

From the Driver's Seat

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Fall is almost here and the temperatures are cooling down. That means it's time for our Annual Meet. This year's meet is our 44th, and is being held again at the Military Aviation Museum in the Pungo section of Virginia Beach. Clean, polish, and bring your antique vehicle so the rest of us can enjoy seeing it. Even if you don't own an old car, come out and enjoy the day. Besides all the cool antique cars, trucks, and motorcycles that will be at the show, you can visit the museum and enjoy the vintage warbirds, hunt for treasure in the Swap Meet, maybe even purchase a "new" old car from the Car Corral. Additionally, this year's special display celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Chevrolet Camaro, Mercury Cougar, and Pontiac Firebird. (Next year we're thinking about featuring Pace Cars. Let me know your suggestions for next year's special display.) This will be the rare occasion—the first that I know of—where we allow newer cars on the show field. Before purists (including me) object, this display is intended to highlight the automotive evolution of these iconic cars and will be a separate display set off by itself. We also hope it will draw people unfamiliar with the AACA and introduce them to our club and the classic vehicles we lovingly preserve.

We emphasize this elsewhere in the newsletter and have pushed it at the last few monthly Dinner Meetings, but I'll mention it anyway: **we need volunteers to step up and help with our Annual Meet.** Please go to Page 14 and look at the areas where we need assistance, figure out where you can donate a few hours, and contact the appropriate Chairperson to volunteer. We can't pull off this meet without your help.

Fall also means it's time to think about renewing your membership. I know it's early, but I'm reminding you because this year we are going to adhere to our January 31st cutoff for inclusion in the club roster. Last year we waited too long for stragglers to pay their dues and ended up not being able to distribute the annual roster until late April—way too late. Annual dues are supposed to be paid by December 31st and we allow an extra month for the mail (and forgetful people like me).

This year we'll happily accept your renewal dues after January 31st, but you won't be in the roster. We need to hold to the cutoff in order to get it to you by the March dinner meeting.

It's also time to renew your AACA membership. AACA dues were increased to \$40 for 2018 (a \$5 increase). None of us like prices going up, but the club has held off increasing dues as long as it could—this is the first increase in 10 years. If you think about how the prices of almost everything else have gone up in the last 10 years, this is a reasonable increase. And if you check out dues for other national car clubs, the AACA's dues are still lower than most of them. (The Classic Car Club of America's dues are \$70. The Buick Club of America's are \$50. The Horseless Carriage Club of America's are \$45. The Vintage Chevrolet Club of America's are \$40.)

If you've been paying attention to the Sunshine Reports in the *Mud Speck* weekly e-mails and *Mudflap* monthly newsletter, you know that a number of our fellow TRAACA members and friends have been battling serious health issues, and we've had to say goodbye to a number who lost those battles. Please take a moment to say a prayer for them and reach out to members with health issues and let them know you're thinking of them. (And the rest of you stay healthy! The club has had more than its fair share of health issues this year—no more are allowed.)

I'd also like to ask you for your support. Last month, AACA President Tom Cox asked me to consider running for the AACA Board of Directors. I'm truly honored & humbled that Tom and the Board of Directors asked me to run and think I can contribute something to the club at the national level. Postpaid ballots for the election will be in your September/October issue of the *Antique Automobile* magazine. I'd appreciate your vote.

Finally, my sincere thanks to everyone who reached out to extend your sympathies to Marion and me about the death of our German Shepherd, Heidi. When we got her from the Humane Society in Edwardsville, IL, they thought she was one-year old. We were fortunate to have her for 13 years, so she was 14-years old—a long life for a German Shepherd. She was a great companion, with a sweet disposition, and took a piece of us with her, but your kindness and consideration helps ease the pain a bit.

I look forward to seeing you and your antique vehicle at our Annual Meet on Saturday, September 23rd. And remember: you can never have too much horsepower!

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

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From the Running Board

August 2017 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes

Due to the travel schedules of multiple Board Members, the August TRAACA Board Meeting was cancelled. However, each committee provided a monthly report. A summary of this information is provided below.

The next scheduled TRAACA Board Meeting is on Friday, September 8, 2017, at 6:30 PM at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

President: August Board Meeting cancelled because more than half the Board Members could not attend, which prevented a quorum, and an alternate date could not be found due to many members traveling this month.

Secretary's Report: The July 2017 Board Meeting Minutes were approved by e-mail. A summary of the minutes was printed in August *Mudflap* newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

- Charlie provided the Treasurer's report. Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities Committee:

- Saturday, August 12: Doumar's Ice Cream Run. Club is subsidizing this event and covering food and ice cream for club members. Theme is 1950's Sock Hop. Members are asked to drive their antique vehicles and dress accordingly.
- Saturday, August 19: Tides baseball game.
- Saturday, September 23: TRAACA's Annual Meet—"Wings & Wheels" Show—at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach.
- Saturday, September 30: Guided tour of Ft. Monroe, Hampton, VA.
- Saturday, October 28: TRAACA Chili Cook-Off at Maxine & Dewey Milligan's home, Chesapeake, VA.

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Membership (Jerry Adams): Status as of 31 July: 174 memberships and 307 members.

Restaurants (Marion McAlpine):

- Next Dinner Meeting is Thursday, August 17th, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Guest speaker is Jeff Locke, who will give a presentation on a private collection in Columbia, VA, which he recently appraised and will be going up for auction next spring.

Annual Meet (Tony Scarpelli):

- Planning underway and under control. Food vendors have been secured. More volunteers are still needed, and additional sponsors are still being sought. This year's meet will feature a special display celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Chevrolet Camaro, Pontiac Firebird, and Mercury Cougar. All generations of these vehicles are welcome for this special display.

Unfinished Business:

- **Proposed Name Tag Revision:** Jerry has samples and prices for the proposed name tag revision (adding "Member since") & will bring them to the next meeting.

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September Dinner Meeting

Thursday, September 21, 2017



This month's dinner meeting is at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport, 1570 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, VA. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 6:45 PM. (*Note our new earlier start time for dinner.*) Dinner will be Chicken Picata, grilled tilapia, vegetable medley, roasted potatoes, house salad, and chef's choice of dessert. Our guest speakers will be Susan & Joe Bousquet, who will discuss their 25th wedding anniversary cross-country (literally) trip from the Pacific Ocean to Atlantic Ocean on a tandem bicycle. (And they're still married!)

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



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TRAACA Doumar's Ice Cream Run

Saturday, August 12, 2017

Story by Charlie Dawson. Photos by Charlie Dawson and Bob Stein.

What a great day it turned out to be at historic Doumar's Barbecue in Norfolk, VA, for the TRAACA Ice Cream Social held on Saturday, August 12, 2017. TRAACA club members were invited to enjoy dinner and ice cream compliments of the club! We all left our houses in pouring rain, which caused most of us to leave our classic cars at home. However, by the time we arrived at Doumar's the rain had stopped and it remained dry the entire evening.

Doumar's is a 1950's-style diner with curbside service and has been around since 1904. (Doumar's claims to have invented the waffle cone at the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis, MO.) It is now a local drive-in landmark, famous for its ice cream waffle cone. The current owner, Thad Doumar, is a wonderful host and a fan of classic cars. He has been a supporter of the TRAACA for a number of years and advertises in our *Mudflap* newsletter.

Keith Colonna and I drove our 1997 and 1998 "Hot Rod" Lincolns and arrived a bit early to help Thad "rope off" a covered section in the parking lot. Bob Stein brought a TRAACA banner, which we draped across the windshield of my Cobra Lincoln Mk VIII. Just below the club banner was my poodle skirt that I had just gotten out of the cleaners. The club members that brought their classic vehicles ate outside, in the "old traditional" way, with their food brought out to them on a window tray. Thad Doumar assigned his 12-year veteran server to take charge of the outside members, and she did a wonderful job. No one eating outside had much of a wait for their meal to be brought out to their cars.

Most of the other members were spooked by the rain and came prepared to dine inside. Thad assigned two

servers to take care of the inside members and, again, they did an outstanding job. Doumar's traditional barbecue meal is huge. The famous ice cream waffle cone is also a large serving. No one left Doumar's hungry!

Keith and I popped in on Thad Doumar the day before the event to make final arrangements. We caught Thad outside making Doumar's famous waffle cones on his grandfather's 113-year old machine. Personally, I think the "open air" cone-making process is really cool and it adds to the historical atmosphere of Doumar's.

I did not take an official count but I think we had 45 TRAACA members and a couple potential new members attend and at least 14 classic cars. The event was a big success and will hopefully become an annual occasion. Our thanks to Doumar's for being such a great supporter and host of the club! [Editor's note: Thank you, Charlie and Keith, for setting up this event and to Charlie for modeling his poodle skirt!]



Thad Doumar making waffle cones on the original waffle iron



The TRAACA contingent gathers undercover at Doumar's for ice cream, barbecue, and camaraderie



Club Treasurer Charlie Dawson modeling his poodle skirt for Charlene Geib. (That's his 1996 Lincoln Mk VIII behind him.)



After the TRAACA arrived, Doumar's had to restock its ice cream



(L-R) Faye & David Curl and Ken & Barbara Talley



(L-R) Bill Blair and Scott Hancox enjoying their milkshakes



(L-R) Mickey & Toni McChesney and Debbie & Dana Meadows



(L-R) Bob Parrish, Joe & Charlene Geib, Dot Parrish, and Skip Patnode enjoying dessert and friendship at Doumar's Barbecue



(L-R) Barry Basnight, Sam Kern, and Linda & Bill Treadwell



Sandy Dawson learns more about Norfolk from Diana Etheridge

Nomad Association Annual Convention

Roanoke, Virginia

Saturday-Thursday, July 9-14, 2017

Story and photos by Charlie Dawson

The 29th Annual Chevrolet Nomad Association Convention was held in Roanoke, Virginia, this year on July 9th to the 14th (six days!). Several Nomad owners arrived a few days early, which leads into my comment: "These Nomad folks are a rare breed." I can examine every Nomad and speak to every sociable Nomader at the show in three days. I think the Nomad Convention is scheduled for a full week to give the Nomaders a "Life" which they do not have in their home towns.

Sandy and I took a leisurely Sunday drive to Roanoke (via Route 460) towing our 1957 Nomad, stopping at The Virginia Diner and a few roadside peanut stands on the way. The big event during our drive was stopping at the Tastee Freeze in Crew, Virginia. ("Big event"—heck, the Nomaders are rubbing off on me.) We arrived Sunday afternoon and got settled in at the host hotel, the Roanoke Sheraton, expecting everything to be normal (except for the Nomaders).

The hotel allowed trailer parking on site, so, I opened my trailer and started up the Nomad (which normally runs great). My Nomad started up, ran rough for 10-20 seconds, then cut off. This wasn't good and certainly not normal. I administered all my limited knowledge to the Nomad, but nothing cured the problem. It was now late Sunday evening, and check-in to verify car classification was the next day—Monday—from 10 AM -12 noon. Some of you know I have a certified "real" mechanic, Richard, that works with me in my hobby shop every Tuesday and Thursday, so I called him (he was 5 hours away) to discuss the problem, but with little result.

Early Monday morning (6 AM) I received a text from Richard saying he was leaving for Roanoke and at 6:10 AM I got another text from him saying, "Arrived, I'm in the Sheraton parking lot behind your trailer." Now, I'm a numbers guy, it takes more than 10 minutes to travel from Virginia Beach to Roanoke! This ain't normal, but Richard was in the parking lot with his tools

and every possible "electric" part needed to fix the Nomad. We pulled the Nomad out of the trailer and Richard jumped into action. While I was behind my car trailer, handing Richard tools, who drove by but Mickey McChesney, Hillary and Jack Pavlidis, and a few other TRAACA members. What a hoot—they were in Roanoke for another car event and staying at the hotel next door. Needless to say, Monday AM was an "abby-normal" morning. Within an hour, Richard changed the points, condenser, plugs, and coil. The Nomad started up, ran great, and I made the 10 AM muster to verify my Nomad's class. Sandy and I put up our canopy, pulled out our folding rockin' chairs, and "moved in." The hotel manager came out to make sure we did not have any laundry hanging out to dry.

Here are a few interesting facts about the 1955-1957 Nomads. General Motors (GM) was convinced that GIs who came back from the war wanted a "decked out," two-door station wagon with a bunch of chrome on the doors. Not correct—GM blew it. The GIs wanted "decked out" women to start families with. By 1955, the GIs had their young families and little money. (The Nomad cost more than the Corvette.) They needed a 6- or 8-door station wagon to accommodate all their "rug rats," not a 2-door wagon. So, GM only built 7,100 1957 Nomads. Half of those have ended up in the junkyard over the years, and 90% of the surviving half have been customized or street-rodded. This leaves very few unmolested Nomads, of which Sandy and I have one. Out of the 80 1955-1957 Nomads registered at the Convention, only 7 were unmolested "originals."

The judging was done by the attending Nomad members. I learned a fact a few years ago when I attended the Nomad Convention in Chattanooga, TN: if your Nomad Association membership number is greater than 95 (the original charter members) there is no way you will receive a trophy. My membership number is 4011! However, I know I received two



Some of the 80 Chevrolet Nomads gathered for the 2017 National Nomad Association Annual Convention in Roanoke, VA

Sideline note: When Sandy and I got married, I made her promise that we would never wear "matching bowling shirts" or go on a bus tour with 50 blue-haired people. OK, then, during the convention, we had on matching Nomad shirts and went on a bus tour with 43 other "Blue Hairs." (My natural blond highlights are returning.) My promise held up: they weren't bowling shirts and there were less than 50 Blue Hairs on the tour. *THE TOUR WAS GREAT!*

Semper Fi. (I've included a photo of the memorial. Please look at it and make your own call with respect to what the D-Day veterans did for our country.)

The last stop was at a local microbrewery where we were given free samples of their beer. The Blue Hairs held their own and were throwing 'em down. Good thing the brewery had several bathrooms! And the travel time back to the hotel was only 22 minutes.

1957 CHEVY COUPE 2 DOOR, 60,000 MILES
ALL ORIGINAL
2000 NUMBER 1 BEST COUNTRY
1956-1957 COUNTRY, VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

A light blue 1957 Ford station wagon is shown from a rear three-quarter view with its rear hatch open. The car features a white roof rack and chrome trim. A red car is partially visible in the background.

A woman is sitting in a lawn chair under a canopy at an outdoor event. In the background, a large banner displays the word "Nomad" in a stylized font above a Chevrolet bowtie logo. The woman is wearing a red shirt and striped pants. The setting is a grassy area with trees and a paved path in the background.

A photograph showing the interior of a 1932 Ford V8. The front passenger seat is visible, featuring a blue and tan patterned cover over a light-colored leather seat. The steering wheel is dark wood with a three-spoke design. The dashboard and center console are also visible, showing the classic Art Deco styling of the era.

Part of the D-Day Memorial in Bedford, VA

Stahls Automotive Foundation Chesterfield, MI

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

Stahls Automotive Foundation is a great automobile museum located in Chesterfield, MI, about 30 miles north of Detroit. The Stahls Automotive Foundation is a non-profit organization. Per its website, its mission is to “educate, motivate and inspire young people with a passion and appreciation for vintage vehicles and help them to understand their contribution to the development of the car industry as well as their impact on society, history and everyday life.”

The Stahls museum is generally open Tuesday afternoons and the first Saturday of each month. Admission is free. On Thursday, August 17, 2017 there was a planned evening cruise-in and special opening of the museum to coincide with the famous Woodward Dream Cruise that takes place annually in southeast Michigan. (Every year the Woodward Dream Cruise attracts thousands of antique, modified, and modern high-performance vehicles to cruise 16 miles of Woodward Avenue through nine communities. Spectators & displays line the curbs.)

It had rained much of Thursday, so the museum cancelled the cruise-in, but still opened as planned. The museum’s collection consists of a variety of items, and is manned by knowledgeable volunteer docents eager to educate visitors. We don’t know the number of vehicles in the entire collection, but there appears to be over 100 on display at any one time. (More are stored elsewhere and rotated on display.) There are brass era, pre-war, post-war, and movie cars (such as a Tucker used in the 1988 movie “*Tucker, A Man and his Dream*,” and the Great Leslie’s and Professor Fate’s cars from the 1965 movie “*The Great Race*”). The most prominent cars on display are from the 1930s

and 1940s, the obvious favorite eras of the Stahls.

The Stahls museum also has a great collection of beautifully restored, operational, automated musical instruments dating back to the late-1800s. There is a 1924 Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ, a 1924 Mills Deluxe Violino-Virtuoso, and a huge early 1920’s Mortier 97 Key Dance Organ. The music machines are absolutely beautiful and amazing to watch & listen to in action.

Throughout the museum are dozens of porcelain, steel and neon gasoline & motor oil company and automobile dealership signs from the 1920s to 1950s. If you are into old fashioned gas pumps, there are a number of them on display as well.

More than vehicles and automobilia are on display at Stahls. A 1950’s-style diner is found in one corner of the main museum, and a lunch room area—*The Hub*—with tables and chairs is available for visitors to sit and take a break. A rather unique item at the museum is Wendell the large, mechanical elephant (one of only two known to exist). Originally named “Jumbo,” he was bought in 1951 by Cunningham’s Drug Stores in Detroit, MI, and used for promotional events & to give rides to children.

This year Ted and Mary Stahl received the Spirit of the Event Award from Hemmings Motor News for their continued participation in and sponsorship of the Hemmings Great Race. The Stahls had four vehicles in this year’s race, and the race stopped at the museum for lunch on its way to Traverse City, MI.

The visit to the Stahls Automotive Foundation Museum in August was not the first time Mark & I have been there, nor will it be the last. Put it on your bucket list of things to do—you won’t be disappointed.



1886 Daimler Prototype replica



(L-R) 1899 De Dion-Bouton Tricycle and
1904 Oldsmobile Model N “French Front” Touring Runabout



1912 Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost



1913 American Scout “underslung”—1 of only 5 built in 1913



1914 Cadillac Model 30 Military Sport Roadster with Schutte body



(L-R) 1914 Rauch & Lang Electric Model J4 and 1910 Patterson



1917 Haynes Model 37 "Light Six" Roadster



1923 Wills St. Claire Model A-68 rumble-seat roadster



1928 AC Royal Roadster



1928 Renault Type JP Model 45—it cost more than a Rolls-Royce



(L-R) 1932 Chrysler CL Imperial and 1930 Packard Model 745



Marion McAlpine with Wendell the mechanical elephant



Still Collecting Stuff — *Automotive Sales Literature* By Terry Bond

I'll bet almost every one of you has a collection of automotive sales literature. Most likely you have a few pieces related to your favorite car. That's how most of us collect the stuff, and that's cool. I've tried to mix it up a bit and collect not only literature matching the various cars in our eclectic collection, but have accumulated additional pieces of early Ford material. Susan, of course, collects MG literature. (She's still trying to catch up with Richard Hall on that, however).



MG TF introductory sales literature—from late 1953

As a lover of automotive history, especially early brass age cars, I've picked up a few items from the early 1900s as well. At some point, I realized there is another theme emerging in my collection—alphabetical. I need an early catalog for cars representing every letter of the alphabet. (I have not started looking for "Q" yet, though.) I go for well-illustrated material, and literature actually showing a car on the cover is difficult to find.

Looking at the history of literature itself, these catalogs carried artist illustrations of cars inside. At some point manufacturers realized that sales literature could be made



Beautiful 1905 Acme Automobile catalog cover, artist-illustrated

more generic without depicting a vehicle. In some cases, the literature carries no specific reference to the year of the car represented, so you need to really dig to determine what year of catalog it really is. This was especially true in the teens and 20s. It was pretty logical to understand you can't sell a 1910 automobile in 1911, so why show last year's model on the cover of the booklet. Those relating to specific years are the more desirable items, especially for significant dates in the history of that vehicle. Brochures with early automobiles on them are the most prized, and are valued according to rarity and quality of the artwork.

Later, when photographic reproduction techniques improved in the printing process, it became easier to show actual photos of the cars themselves. These quality pieces from the 1940s through 1970s are hotly collected today.

People have collected literature as long as cars have been around. I know many people who hovered around showrooms picking up the latest brochures and catalogs. I also know people who visited when the new models came out to salvage the prior year's stuff out of trash bins. A lot of it got saved.

Like everything else, condition is vital; and in literature it's an absolute. Collect the best you can find or afford. Stains, rips, tears, damaged or missing pieces (even pages) all detract. I pass on even the rarest piece if it doesn't meet my condition standards. I recently had the chance to obtain some very desirable pieces from the 1908 era including Pope-Hartford, Thomas Flyer, etc. The items were in a fire and the pages were black with soot and water stained. Even at only a few dollars each, I left them where they lay.

The "type" of catalog will be a big factor in value. Large, string-bound, fold-out catalogs are called Prestige Brochures. They were not intended for the general public to carry away, rather they were dealer showroom pieces. In perfect condition, these pieces sometimes will command prices of several hundred dollars. Classic cars, custom-bodied luxury cars, or serious rarities such as Bugattis or the Mercedes 500K will be at the top of the heap. These brochures are in full color and may even have overlay pages showing cut-away drawings of engines, etc.

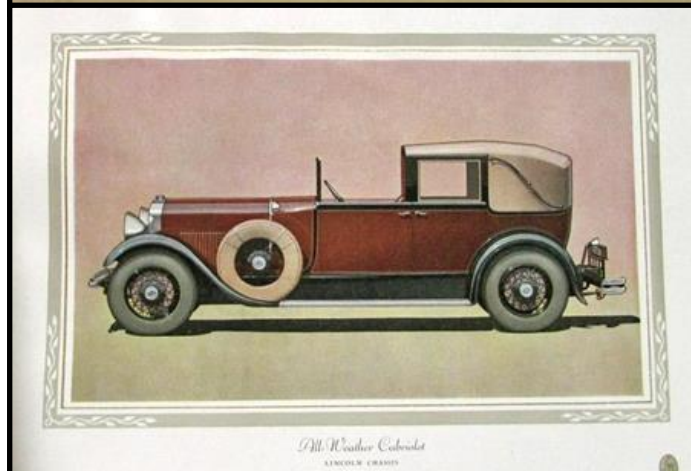
Basic brochures that were intended for hand-out to customers are more common and, of course, full color examples are best. Some of these catalogs will show the "full line" of models available,



A rare 1907 Great Smith Car catalog



A selection of sales literature for new model 1960's-1970's Oldsmobiles



The cover and an inside page from a rare LeBaron custom body catalog. This catalog shows their available body styles pictured on Duesenbergs and other high-end automobiles

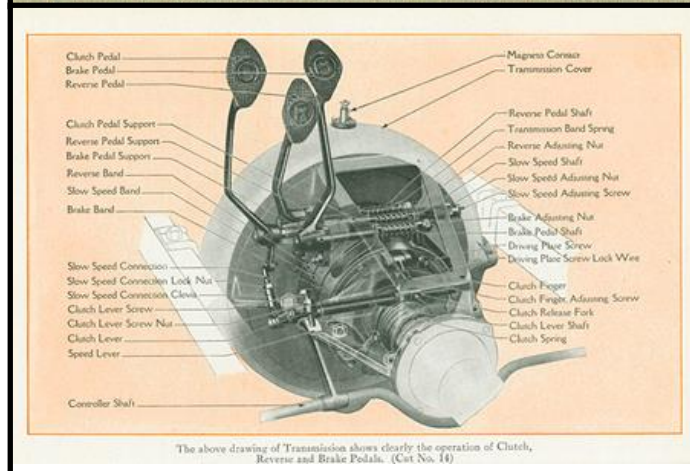
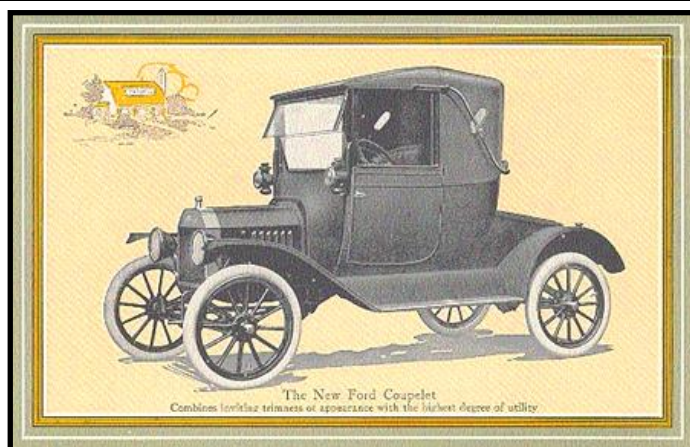
and thus are known as “full line brochures.” Still others were designed as simple fold-over mailers with minimal information in them.

Others were intended as not only a sales brochure, but were a sort of an operator’s manual, too. Ford was well known for producing these in the teens. Beware, however, as these have been widely reproduced by various clubs and museums. They are often well done and hard to detect, especially older editions with staples that have started to rust and have been handled a few times. Most early reprints were done by a company called “Polyprints” and they are marked inside the back covers.

The future of automotive literature is a big question mark at present. The information in them is becoming commonly available on the Internet. Thus, their value for the



1931 Packard brochure. The car is cut out and moves across the page as the booklet is opened.



1915 Ford Model T combination sales catalog & owner's manual. The inside page shows a cut-away drawing of the transmission and operation of the clutch, reverse, and brake pedals.

information in them is declining rapidly. The artwork and beauty of the catalog is becoming an even more important consideration in determining their value. Material for the “classics” will always be in demand—Cadillac, Packard, Peerless, Pierce, Rolls-Royce, etc. Foreign literature has been gaining strength in the market lately. Early 1900’s material is declining in value recently. Pieces for significant vehicles like the curved-dash Oldsmobile, though, will always be in demand.

Be cautious of reproductions. These have been done for years, and some are clearly identified as such and others are not. Some single-marque car clubs have even reprinted some of these pieces. Digital photography and home-based digital printing is so easy these days—beware!!

Check over your potential purchases carefully to see they have not been cut, written in, or defaced. Look for grease stains and folded over pages and corners. Satisfy yourself that the piece is the best you can afford and fits with your “theme.” “A picture is worth a thousand words,” so we’ll take a look at some great examples. I think people will always collect automotive literature, but fewer large quantities are available, so buying a large hoard is difficult. Who wants to be a dealer anyway?

Enjoy the photos, and enjoy collecting.

Terry Bond





AACA Central Fall Meet Bettendorf, IA August 17-19, 2017

Story and photos by Bob Parrish



It is not often that a National meet will have all of its activities at one location. Such was the case with the AACA's Central Fall Meet held in Bettendorf, Iowa on August 17-19, 2017. This Meet was held on the bank of the Mississippi River with trailer parking, show field, host hotel, judging school, awards banquet and even a nice dinner cruise all on the same property. And, if that wasn't enough, you could try your luck at the casino in the hotel (the Isle Casino & Hotel). We even got two tickets to the casino buffet breakfast each morning. What a nice surprise.

There were 172 vehicles registered for the meet, and the quality and variety of this group was awesome. The vehicles included one of the best restored Packards I have seen, the usual variety of muscle cars, and some very nice

Model A Fords. I saw a most unusual combination a 1946 Chrysler Town and Country pulling a 1946 Chris-Craft powerboat. This gentleman has owned this car and boat for the past 38 years.

The Quad Cities had plenty of attractions, including a trip to the home of the TV hit show "American Pickers" located in nearby LeClaire, IA. There was also a "must see" vintage truck museum nearby on I-80. The John Deere Manufacturing Company is also nearby and has a museum of farm implements and vehicles. LeClaire is also home to the Buffalo Bill Museum.

The weather was great, as were the members of the host Mississippi Valley Region. Besides Dot and me, other TRAACA members at the meet included AACA President Tom Cox, Jim & Donna Elliott, and Al & Sharon Mercer.



1946 Chrysler Town & Country convertible towing a vintage, restored 1946 Chris-Craft powerboat



1935 Packard 1204 Super 8



Dinner cruise riverboat steaming down the Mississippi River

Caught in the Headlights—TRAACA Members & Their Cars

Bob Stein and his 1986 JDM Nissan Laurel Medalist

Story and photos by Bob Stein



Bob Stein's 1986 JDM Nissan Laurel Medalist

Japanese Domestic Market, or JDM, is a designation for Japanese cars sold new only in Japan. You'd think that would just mean seeing a U.S. Nissan or Toyota with a steering wheel on the other side and Japanese instead of English on the labels. Surprise! The vehicles sold in Japan are often completely unique to their home country, as I found out with the recent purchase of a 1986 JDM Nissan Laurel Medalist.

The white, four-door, hardtop caught my eye several months ago when it appeared on eBay with a starting bid of \$5,000. I was not interested in buying it, but liked the different lines and right-hand drive. Plus, the car had only 69K miles and was all original with full paperwork (in Japanese). A few weeks later, it showed up again in my daily eBay search, this time with a starting bid of \$3,000. I got curious and checked it out further.

The Laurel Medalist is considered an "Executive" car in Japan, much like a Cadillac or Lincoln here in the United States. Both the hardtop body style and power plant, a 2.0 liter, straight 6-cylinder with an overdrive automatic, were unique to Japan. This particular car had most available options, including power steering, brakes, windows, mirrors, and automatic door locks; climate control; tilt steering wheel; deluxe AM-FM cassette radio (receiving Japanese broadcast frequencies only); automatic headlights; air purifier; and power folding mirrors. The Laurel's folding mirrors were a first for a production vehicle and required to get it into a typical Japanese alley or garage parking spot!

However, I looked at my almost-filled driveway and decided I did not need another vehicle—at least until the starting bid dropped again a few weeks later, this time to \$2,000. I e-mailed the seller and got more photos. He was located just outside of Richmond, and I was heading up that Saturday anyway for the Richmond Region's car show and swap meet. I made a side trip after the show to look at and drive the Nissan. It ran amazingly well and drove great, had cold A/C and a near-perfect interior. A recent state inspection indicated it was in good mechanical shape, and most of the general maintenance work I would do was already completed. No wheel covers and minor surface damage to the right front fender, hood, and front bumper made it look a lot rougher outside than it was. Plus, it had full documentation and receipts from new, even if I could not read any of it.

I went home that night and placed an "eSnipe" bid of \$2,166. There was already a bid in place for \$2,000, and I was sure someone else would jump on it for at least \$2,500. However, there were no other bids and I got the car for \$2,025! A friend drove up to Richmond with me on Tuesday night. I handed the seller cash, and he handed me the keys and title; he even let me use his tags. The car ran perfectly for the 100-mile trip back, quite an introduction for such an inexpensive vehicle.

In the weeks since I bought the Laurel, I have taken care of the cosmetics. A local painter perfectly resprayed the hood, front bumper, and right front fender, and I brought the rest of the

paint to a matching shine with compound, clay bar, and wax. A trip to Pick'n Pull scored a set of period-correct, Nissan factory, wheel covers, and I got a package deal of NOS grille, hood molding, and turn lights off eBay all the way from Taiwan!

Despite the work, the car remains mostly original. Even the striped floor mats have large gold labels proclaiming them to be official Laurel accessories. The only pending modification is invisible—a frequency shifter that plugs in between the radio and antenna that will enable me to listen to American broadcasts. (Yes, John Heimerl, WHRO 90.3.) Appropriate, as I have it registered for the Historic Preservation of Historic Features (HPOF) category at Hershey this year.

So that catches you up on the "What, When, Where, and How." The bigger question I get asked most often is "Why?" That is, why would I buy such an oddball? The Laurel's uniqueness is probably the biggest reason—it is quite possibly the only one in the country. So, for less than a \$3,000 total investment (so far) I have a unique, attractive luxury car that gets better than 30 MPG on the highway, provides all the creature comforts I could ask for, and gets admiring and curious looks wherever I take it. Even at Hershey, most folks will have never seen one.

I have put about 1,000 miles on Laurel in the weeks since I bought it and remain impressed with its ride and comfort. The car is just different enough that it gets attention even before other drivers realize I am sitting on the wrong—or is that the "right"—side? The personalized antique plates also bring puzzled looks: "SHINME" (pronounced "shin-may") is Japanese for "sacred white horse of the Emperor." OK, I am no emperor, but the Laurel is a white, high-end executive vehicle unique to Japan—and maybe cars can dream.



The Nissan Laurel's plush interior—no, the photo is not reversed



The Nissan's 2.0-liter, straight 6-cylinder engine

Identify that Car!

Can you identify the car below? (See the answer below the photograph.)



ANSWER: This is a 1948 Tatra T87 (on display at the Stahls Automotive Foundation in Chesterfield, MI. Tatra, a Czechoslovakian company, produced passenger cars from 1897 until 1999, with 3,036 T87s produced from 1936-1950. The aerodynamic Tatra T87 was powered by a rear-mounted, air-cooled, 2.97-liter, V-8 engine, 4-speed transmission, and reportedly achieved 20 mpg at 60 mph. It also had a fully independent suspension, "cyclops" third headlight, and aerodynamic—and vision blocking—in down the back.)

Volunteers Needed for TRAACA 2017 Annual Meet

It's that time of year again. The TRAACA's 44th Annual Meet—our annual "Wings & Wheels" car show—at the Military Aviation Museum in the Pungo area of Virginia Beach is only three weeks away on Saturday, September 23rd (rain or shine).

Our show needs your help to make it a success! You don't have to give a lot of time or muscle. The ground work has already been laid. The dash plaques, the show flyers, the trophies, etc., have been taken care of. Some help will be needed the day before the show, but most of it will be needed on the day of the show. There are numerous ways you can help. Please look at the following list of Chairpersons and give them a call and let them know that you are able to help:

- **Food Vendors (working now):** Charlie Dawson, Travis Berry;
- **Trophy & Show Sponsors (working now):** Charlie Dawson, Tony Scarpelli;
- **Program (working now):** Dot Parrish;
- **Show Field Layout (on Friday, September 22):** Jim Villers;
- **Setting up before the show (Friday and Saturday):** Tony Scarpelli, Sam Kern;
- **Registration for Classic Cars (day of show):** Jerry & Ellen Adams;
- **Registration for Mods & Rods (day of show):** John & Marie Gancel;
- **Flea Market & Car Corral (day of show):** Bill Treadwell;
- **Parking of Classic Cars (day of show):** Wes Neal;
- **Parking of Mods & Rods (day of show):** Travis Berry;
- **Classic Car Judging (day of show):** Jim Elliott;
- **Judging Administration (day of show):** Sandy Hall;
- **Clean-up after the show:** Hoping everyone will help before they go home.

Contact information for each of the Chairs is in your club roster. You can also sign up at the September Dinner Meeting on Thursday, September 21st.

IT'S TIME TO SHOW THAT GREAT TRAACA SPIRIT. PLEASE PLAN TO REGISTER A VEHICLE AND TO VOLUNTEER A LITTLE OF YOUR TIME TO HELP MAKE OUR 44th ANNUAL MEET A GREAT BIG SUCCESS!



AACA Calendar of Events

http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca_calendar.html

SEPTEMBER 2017

17-22 Glidden Tour (AACA-hosted)
Hastings, NE

OCTOBER 2017

4-7 AACA Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

FEBRUARY 2018

8-10 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

MARCH 2018

2-3 AACA Special Winter Meet/
Special Grand Nat'l Meet
San Juan, Puerto Rico

APRIL 2018

5-7 AACA SE Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

20-21 AACA Western Spring Meet
Tucson, AZ

MAY 2018

11-12 AACA Central Spring Meet
Auburn, IN

31- AACA Grand National Meet
2 Jun Greensburg, PA

SEPTEMBER 2018

12-15 AACA Central Division Tour
Texas Panhandle

OCTOBER 2018

10-13 AACA Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

21-26 Founders Tour
Metropolis, IL

NOVEMBER 2018

5-9 Sentimental Tour
Natchez, MS

FEBRUARY 2019

7-9 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

22-24 AACA Winter Meet
Ocala, FL

APRIL 2019

4-7 AACA SE Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

MAY 2019

25 AACA Grand National Meet
Auburn, IN

JUNE 2019

2-7 AACA Founders Tour
Seward, NE

SEPTEMBER 2019

19-21 AACA SE Fall Meet
Cleveland, TN



Why AACA?

By Mary Bartemeyer

AACA Vice President Publications

(Reprinted from the Spring 2017 AACA *The Rummage Box* newsletter)



Many times I am asked, “Why should I belong to the AACA?”

Perhaps this is one woman’s opinion, but here is what I have found from personal experience. I am lucky enough to have several vehicles, partly because I’m old and have never sold any of the cars I purchased new. But I didn’t realize how old I was until my first brand new car became an antique at 25 years.

Each of my vehicles has a club devoted specifically to that vehicle and I’m sure they are great clubs; however, there is not enough time in the world to do justice to each and every one. The AACA has given me the opportunity to show and drive all my vehicles. From my Dad’s 1925 Model T Ford to our 1978 Chevrolet Suburban, all have a place in AACA. At each show, you can run the gambit from the early 1900s to 1992. Not only fully restored vehicles, but also original and driver participation entries. Where else can you get all that history all in one place? There are tours that specialize in early and later cars, with something at a speed for every car.

Of course, we have a world-famous publication—“*Antique Automobile*”—with an editor, West Peterson, who pours his heart and soul into every issue. Our Library continues to grow. New collections are arriving all the time. If you need information about your auto, I’ll bet you can find it there. Along that same line is the knowledge of our club members. One local Region member wanted to buy a new vehicle, but was hesitant since he didn’t know all the ins and outs of the vehicle and what to look out for. After one phone call to a member he not only had his info, but three other members to augment his thoughts. The depth of knowledge that our members contain is undeniable, as is their willingness to help.

Last, but not least, I have made so many friends from all over the country. I have expanded my knowledge of not only my vehicles but all the vehicles of the AACA. At our last meet in Auburn where we had a joint meet with the Classic Car Club of America, not only did our member vehicles shine, those of the Classic Car Club enhanced our experience.

I guess it gets down to this—Why not AACA?



The AACA Library’s Fall Meet Yard Sale Returns

(Reprinted from the August 2017 AACA *Speedster* monthly e-newsletter)



The summer sun is so much fun, but October will be much cooler! The AACA Eastern Fall Meet week in Hershey, PA, is right around the corner, and the AACA Library Yard Sale will be returning for its fourth year. This year’s yard sale will be bigger and better than ever, offering a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to find something extra special. We will have a ton of new material for sale including several hundred pieces of prewar sales literature. Many of these are incredibly rare examples from the brass era. In addition to sales literature, there will be a wide array of shop manuals, owner’s manuals, and books—three times as many books as last year!

In previous years, the yard sale has always been held in the lower level of the library. This year, it’s going to be “IN-TENTS.” That’s right. You asked, and we listened. We’ve expanded our floor plan to include outdoor tents in addition to the traditionally used space in the lower level.

This should also provide you with some much-needed breathing room.

This year’s yard sale will be held at the Library on Tuesday, October 3, from 4 PM – 7 PM. Be sure to arrive here early! If you don’t, you might miss out on some excellent deals and some of the harder-to-find material from the likes of Packard, Pierce-Arrow, Mitchell, and more. Once they walk out the door, they’re not coming back. With your help, we are poised to make this year’s yard sale the best yet and hope to see you there!

For more information, contact Matthew Hocker at mhocker@aacaa.org or 717-534-3082.

Note: Due to the nature of this event, we will not be able to give personal previews. However, we will eventually be releasing some videos to illustrate the variety of items that will be available. Stay tuned!

AACA 2018 Membership Renewal Reminder

Your AACA membership runs for a calendar year—January 1 through December 31. Look for your first opportunity to renew your membership for 2018 in your September/October issue of the AACA’s *Antique Automobile* magazine. A renewal form will be included in the magazine. Simply fill out the form and mail it back to the AACA Headquarters with a check or credit card information. 2018 dues are \$40—the first increase in 10 years (but still less than most other national car clubs).

If you’re going to the Eastern Fall Meet in Hershey, PA, (October 4-7, 2017), you can also stop by the AACA trailer or one of the membership tents and renew your membership in person.

You can also renew online or download, print and mail the renewal form by going to the AACA website: www.aaca.org.



Register YOUR vehicle for the Tidewater Region AACA Forty-Fourth Annual Meet



**Military Aviation Museum - 1341 Princess Anne Rd - Virginia Beach, VA
8 AM to 3 PM Saturday, September 23, 2017**

Show Information:

- **Meet Chairman:** Tony Scarpelli Phone: (757) 810-1600 email: scarpp02@aol.com
- **TRAACA President:** Mark McAlpine Phone: (757) 967-0074 email: mmmcalpine05@msn.com

**PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FORM – PLEASE PRINT
Tidewater Region AACA 44th Annual Meet – September 23, 2017
REGISTER FOR THE SHOW OF YOUR CHOICE!**

Check the box for your show and mail your completed registration form and check payable to "TRAACA" to the indicated address:

☐ **PRESERVING THE PAST**
For 1992 & Older "As-Built" Stock
Vehicles, Swap Meet, and Car Corral

Jerry & Ellen Adams
3400 Commerce Street
Portsmouth, VA 23707

☐ **MODS AND RODS**
For 1992 & Older Custom or Modified
Vehicles

John and Marie Gancel
828 Trillium Place
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

VEHICLES MUST BE ON SHOW FIELD BY 11:00 AM!

Displayed vehicle must have a visible, fully charged, operational, UL-approved fire extinguisher.

VEHICLE 1 Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

AACA Class (if known): _____ AACA Award Winner (Yes/No): _____

VEHICLE 2 Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

AACA Class (if known): _____ AACA Award Winner (Yes/No): _____

First vehicle EARLY REGISTRATION (Postmarked BY September 10, 2017)

1 @ \$20.00 _____

First vehicle LATE REGISTRATION/DAY OF SHOW (NOTE: Not eligible for AACA Judging)

1 @ \$25.00 _____

Additional Vehicles—same owner (\$15 each)

_____ @ \$15.00 _____

Flea Market (Approximately 10' x30')

_____ @ \$20.00 _____

Car Corral (Single parking space for selling a car. Vehicles with For Sale signs will not be judged.)

_____ @ \$15.00 _____

Total (includes admission to the Military Aviation Museum)

\$ _____

I would like to help judge "Preserving the Past" (AACA Classes): PREFERRED CLASS _____ ANY _____

I agree that the Tidewater Region AACA, Military Aviation Museum, named sponsors, 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 meet on September 23, 2017. I further certify that I have the required Liability Damage Insurance on the listed show vehicle(s) for the state in which they're registered.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our New Members!

John & Georgia Skuro
Virginia Beach, VA
- 1931 Ford Model A coupe
- 1961 Nash Metropolitan



Recent Award Winners



AACA Central Fall Meet, Bettendorf, IA:

Jim Elliott	1982 Honda Express Moped First Junior Award
Al Mercer	1968 Ford XL Repeat Driver Participation Award

Khedive Shriners Show, Chesapeake, VA:

Tom Bottoni	1959 Cadillac Fleetwood 3rd in Class Award
Mike Brown	1970 Dodge Super Bee 3rd in Class Award
David Curl	1929 Ford Model A 3rd in Class Award
Charlie Dawson	1968 Chevy Camaro Z-28 2nd in Class Award
Matt Doscher	1965 Ford Mustang 3rd in Class Award
Jeff Locke	1974 Chevrolet Suburban 2nd in Class Award
Ken Talley	1970 Cadillac convertible 2nd in Class Award
Ken Wecht	1969 Chevy Chevelle SS 2nd in Class Award

TRAACA Awards Program

If you are a member of the TRAACA, you probably own an old car.

If you own an old car, you probably show it once in a while.

If you show your old car, you might have won an award or two along the way.

Now it becomes your job to let either Skip Patnode (the club's Awards Program Manager) or Marion & Mark McAlpine (*The Mudflap* editors) know about these awards so we can ensure you are in the running for one or more of the awards passed out every year at the club's Annual Awards Banquet in January.

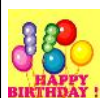
The TRAACA annual awards program recognizes club members for their participation in club activities, the restoration, preservation and maintenance of antique vehicles, and their contributions to the region through their leadership, support, and/or dedicated efforts. Information about the club's annual awards and the criteria for each can be found in the TRAACA Awards Manual posted on the club's website: www.traaca.com.



Members celebrating anniversaries in September



John & Mary Ann Blair
Thomas & Dawn Bottoni
Harold & Evelyn Eacker
Mickey & Toni McChesney
Earl & Judy McLaughlin
Dick & Joyce McIninch
C. Eugene & Bonnie Robinson
Karl & Debbie Schlenkermann
Andrew & Brittany Sitar
Jason & Lisa Sturniolo
Larry & Stella Wickham



Members celebrating birthdays in September



Ellen Adams	Patrizia Ludovici
Dawn Bottoni	Joyce McIninch
Howard Collins	Johnny Miles
Kelly Dayton	Wes Neal
Scott Dayton	Sandy Pellerin
Ken Dimitry	Bobby Perkins, II
Donna Elliott	Tom Poe
Marie Gancel	John Skuro
C.E. Gardner	Jon Sieck
Joe Gentile	Andrew Sitar
Adam Graham	Barbara Talley
Bob Hanbury	Janet Trudeau
Mollie Hunger	Bob Ward
Ivan Joslin	Bill Wilcox
Betsy Keen	Bob Woolfitt
Jeff Locke	Byron Work

Sunshine Report

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the following members:

- **Terry Bond** continues to recuperate at home from his broken leg.
- **Bob Green**, former long-time TRAACA member, had to have a leg amputated above the knee and is currently in assisted care.
- **Bob Roughton** is having serious health issues and has been moved to hospice care.

Please provide updates on the health of TRAACA members to Vickie Doscher at (757) 672-3755 or vlw78@hotmail.com.



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42st Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial



**Saturday, September 16, 2017
10:00 AM—3:00 PM**

Manassas Museum

9101 Prince William St, Manassas, VA 20111

All 1992 and older vehicles welcome!

Pre-Registration: \$15 [*Must be received by September 12th*]

Day of Show Registration (8:00—11:00 AM): \$20

Dash plaques for first 175 registered vehicles

For more info & registration forms: www.bullrunaaca.org

Or contact: Registration—Lenita Franklin at (703) 494-6709

Show Chairman—Daryll Baker at (571) 294-7853

Meet Day Info (day of show only)—Jon Battle at (703) 986-8785



**DOWN
THE
ROAD**

Other Regional and Local Events

SEPTEMBER 2017

- 9 7th Annual AOH Car Show
Virginia Beach, VA
- 9  Autumn Harvest Car Show
Chesapeake Region AACA
Manchester, MD
- 9  SE North Carolina AACA
Mount Olive Chapter
Car Show
Mount Olive, NC
- 10 Newport News Sheriff's
Office Car Show
Newport News, VA
- 16  42nd Edgar Rohr Car Show
Bull Run Region AACA
Manassas, VA
- 16 MOPAR Madness
Virginia Motorsports Park
Dinwiddie, VA
- 17 Isle of Wight County Fair
Car Show
Windsor, VA
- 21-24 Charlotte Auto Fair
Charlotte, NC
- 23 25th Annual Beachcombers
Corvette Club Car Show
Virginia Beach, VA
- 23 15th Annual Shine & Show
Before the Snow Car Show
Norfolk, VA
- 27-
1 Oct Fall Carlisle
Carlisle, PA
- 30 SE Virginia Street Rods
25th Annual Charity Show at
Daniels Performance Group
Smithfield, VA

OCTOBER 2017

- 7 Franklin Fall Festival
Car Show
Franklin, VA
- 14 Air & Auto Classic 8 Show
Military Aviation Museum
Virginia Beach, VA
- 20-22 Good Guys SE Nationals
Concord, NC
- 21 15th Annual Virginia Fall
Classic Car Show
Newport News, VA
- 21 Driver Days 20th Annual
Car Show
Driver, VA

Southeast Virginia Street Rods 25th Annual Charity Car Show

**Saturday, September 30, 2017
9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**WHERE: Daniels Performance Group
20128 IWIP Road, Smithfield, VA 23430**

Show & Shine open to all makes & models of cars, trucks, and bikes

Proceeds benefit Honor Flight and Horton Wreath Society

For registration form and more info see: www.sevastreetrods.org



15th Annual VIRGINIA FALL CLASSIC

**Saturday, October 21, 2017
9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

(Rain date is Sunday, October 22rd. Decision made by 7:00 AM Saturday.)

Open car, truck, and bike show at Newport News Park.

All makes and models welcome. Three day event—cruise-in and dinner on Friday, car show on Saturday, car cruise on Sunday.

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

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

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

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



EDITOR'S DESK

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August was a busy month for many TRAACA members. Some of us traveled, trying to get vacations in before the end of the summer. Some people went to the AACA Central Fall Meet in Bettendorf, IA. Others went to local activities such as the TRAACA August Ice Cream Run to the Doumar's Barbecue in Norfolk, VA, the Khedive 26th Annual "Fun-n-Sun" show in Chesapeake, VA, the "Wings & Wheels" Fly-in/Drive-in show in Franklin, VA, or several other local car-related activities. There was certainly a variety of things to choose from.

August was a somber month for Mark and I. We had to put down our sweet dog, Heidi. She was about 14 years old and along with Johnnie (the Sugermeyers' dog) was jokingly called the unofficial TRAACA mascot. I won't belabor this other than to say THANK YOU to everyone in the club for your kind words, cards, hugs, and support. You are the best!

We are heading into September. And yes, you know what that means: it is almost time for the TRAACA's Annual Meet—our "Wings & Wheels Show" which is being held at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach on Saturday, September 23, 2017. This year is the region's 44th annual meet.

It is also time again to ask for volunteers to help with the show. Work has been underway for several months getting the dash plaques, trophies, show registration, show flyers, portapotties, food vendors, etc., taken care of. Thankfully we have had great club members step up and take on these and other tasks for the show. If you look at Page 14 of this month's *Mudflap* (and the August *Mudflap*), you'll see the Chairpersons who have graciously offered their time for each of the show's

categories. However, these people cannot do the work by themselves. **THEY NEED YOUR HELP!**

Volunteers are needed before, during, and at the end of the show. It will not require a great deal of your time—really. The day before the show help is needed for the field set-up and some set-up in the hangars. The day of the show volunteers are needed for parking cars, manning the registration tents, helping with the vendors and car corral parking, judging, judging administration, and, of course, cleaning up after the show. See the complete list of areas on Page 14.

Other things happening in September include our monthly dinner meeting with a great pair of speakers: a couple talking about a trip across the country for their 25th wedding anniversary, on a tandem bicycle. And they did it in about 30 days. (It hurts my bottom just thinking about it!)

The TRAACA is also planning a tour of historic Ft. Monroe in Hampton, VA, on September 30th for the club's September activity. Information about this activity is found on the front cover of this month's *Mudflap*. Contact Wayne and Carol Milligan if you would like to attend.

There will be local car shows held by other clubs as well. I would like to mention the Southeast Virginia Street Rod Association (SVSRA) 25th Annual Charity Show being held on September 30, 2017, at Daniels Performance Group (owned by TRAACA member Charlie Daniels) in Smithfield, VA. Mark & I, Charlie Daniels & Chris Hunt, and Bill & Linda Treadwell are members of the SVSRA, and the show's proceeds will go to two very worthy charities benefitting local veterans—Honor Flight Historic Triangle Virginia and the Horton Wreath Society.

Let me end by saying: **PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR OUR UPCOMING ANNUAL MEET.** As I said last month, please don't be one of those people that sits on the sideline—be one of those people who helps out!

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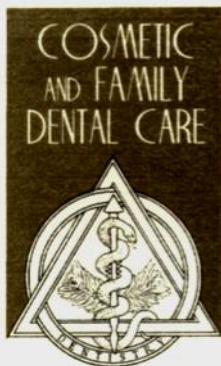
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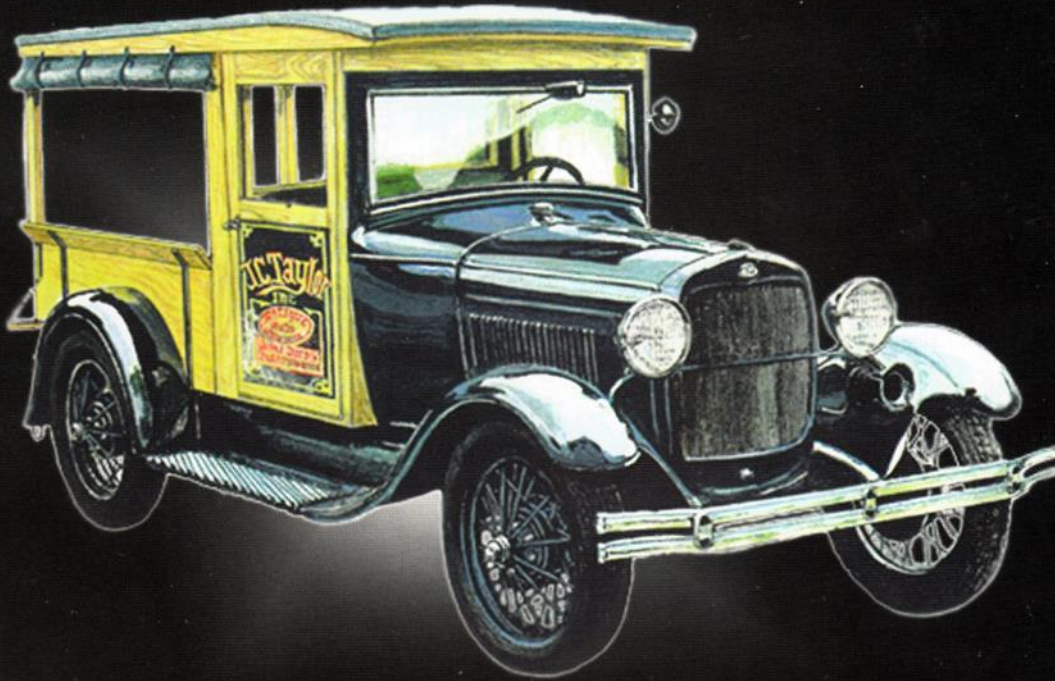
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