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TRAACA Theater Night “Hound of the Baskervilles” Sunday, March 4, 2018

Join us Sunday afternoon, March 4th, at the historic Wells Theatre in downtown Norfolk for the TRAACA’s first activity in March. We will be attending the play *The Hound of the Baskervilles* followed by dinner at nearby Grace O’Malley’s Irish Pub & Restaurant. The club is subsidizing the tickets for the play, so the cost is only \$10.00 per ticket for TRAACA members.

The Virginia Stage Company is Virginia’s leading non-profit theatre serving over 70,000 patrons annually. According to their website, “The Wells Theatre was designed by the New York firm of E. C. Horn and Sons. The Wells was built in 1912 and served as the opulent flagship for Wells Amusement Enterprises, a string of forty vaudeville theaters owned by Jake and Otto Wells throughout the South.” The theater offers headsets, available at the box office, if you think you may have difficulty hearing the actors.

The play starts at 2 PM, so plan to be there beforehand. *The Hound of the Baskervilles* is the third of the crime novels written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle featuring the detective Sherlock Holmes. It

is set largely in England's West Country and tells the story of an attempted murder inspired by the legend of a fearsome, diabolical hound of supernatural origin. The Wells Theatre adaption includes “3 actors playing more than 20 characters in this hilarious spoof of beastly proportions. A fast-paced comedic ride filled with verbal & visual ingenuity...”

Dinner following the play will be at Grace O’Malley’s Irish Pub & Restaurant a few hundred feet from the theatre. This is a “locally-owned and family-run restaurant offering an authentic Irish pub experience reflecting the heritage and experiences of its owners.” Parking is nearby in the MacArthur Mall garage.

WHEN: 2 PM, Sunday, March 4, 2018

WHERE: Wells Theater
108 East Tazewell Street.
Norfolk, VA 23510

FOLLOWED BY: Dinner (approx 5 PM)

WHERE: Grace O’Malley’s Irish Pub
211 Granby Street
Norfolk, VA 23510

COST: \$10.00/each for TRAACA mbrs

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Caught in the Headlights: Tim Hund’s 1932 Auburn 8-100A Phaeton outside the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum. Read the story on Pg 12



TRAACA CALENDAR

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

MARCH 2018

- 2 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 4 TRAACA Dinner & Theater
“Hound of the Baskervilles”
Wells Theater, Norfolk, VA
- 10 TRAACA Annual Swap Meet
Military Aviation Museum
Virginia Beach, VA
- 15 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

APRIL 2018

- 13 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 14 Lantern Asia Display
Norfolk Botanical Garden
Norfolk, VA
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 28 ODMA Old Dominion Meet
Harrisonburg, VA

MAY 2018

- 4 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 5 TRAACA Square Car Tour
(Route to be determined)
- 19 TRAACA Barbecue
Dewey & Maxine Milligan’s
(instead of May Dinner Meeting)
Chesapeake, VA

JUNE 2018

- 15 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Friday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 16 TRAACA Antique Crawl
(Route to be determined)
- 21 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

From the Driver's Seat

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Well, 2018 is definitely going to be a year of change for me. By the time you receive this issue of *The Mudflap*, I will be officially retired and, for the first time since I was 16, unemployed. It's going to take some time to adjust (especially to the significant drop in income) and to figure out how to spend my time productively (although I think Marion is going to help me with that).

If you haven't heard already, I was surprised and honored to be asked by then-outgoing AACA President Tom Cox and incoming AACA President Chuck Crane to fill a position on the AACA Board of Directors for a member who was resigning early for personal reasons. After recovering from my shock, I quickly said yes. I look forward to serving on the AACA Board for the next two years and supporting the club and our fellow members however I can. It's going to be interesting and exciting, especially as the AACA Headquarters and Library & Research Center prepare to move into their new building. And, in case you're wondering, this doesn't impact my role and participation in the TRAACA—you're stuck with me as president until Matt Doscher moves up next January.

Marion & I traveled to Philadelphia to attend the AACA's Annual Meeting on 8-10 February. You can read more about the Annual Meeting on Pages 6-7, and Marion talks a bit about it in her Editor's Note, but the highlights for me were visiting the Simeone Museum, the talks we sat in from Keith Flickinger (curator and restorer for the Bulgari collection in Allentown, PA) and Dr. Fred Simeone (of the Simeone Collection), presenting the TRAACA's donation toward the AACA's new Headquarters and Library & Research Center building, and being sworn onto the AACA Board.

Marion & I drove to Philadelphia on Wednesday because I had to attend Board meetings on Thursday. That ended up being fortuitous because of the parade that shut down most of

Philadelphia on Thursday. At first, I thought it was in honor of the AACA's 82nd Annual Meeting in Philadelphia (they do put the club's name in lights atop the Pennsylvania Electric Company building every year), but apparently it was to welcome home the Philadelphia Eagles who had won Super Bowl LII (52) just four days before. The city basically shut down and prepared for up to two million people to attend the parade, and from the view in our room it looked like they all made it. (Ask the TRAACA members who traveled to Philadelphia on Thursday and spent up to two hours to make it the last half mile to the hotel.)

The TRAACA has several big events coming up this year, and we need your help to pull them off. First up is **our Annual Swap Meet being held on Saturday, 10 March, at the Military Aviation Museum in Pungo**. Bill Treadwell stepped up to be the Swap Meet Chairman (thank you, Bill!), but **we still need volunteers**. Please contact Bill and find out how you can help out—we only need a few hours of your time on either Friday, 9 March, or Saturday, 10 March. And while you're there, you can hunt for special treasures at bargain prices and purchase some delicious baked goods to take home (or just consume on the spot).

Our other major activity is **our Annual Meet scheduled for Saturday, 22 September, at the Military Aviation Museum**. We'll put out a call for volunteers later in the year, but **the critical thing we need right now is for someone to volunteer to serve as the Meet Chairman**. (Tony Scarpelli is taking a well-deserved rest after serving as Meet Chairman for the last five years. Thank you very much, Tony!) Our planning and preparations for the Annual Meet can't progress without a Meet Chairman. Please volunteer—it will be fun and you'll have lots of help. Contact me if you want to volunteer or have any questions.

Our Activities Committee has planned a number of fun events for the year. Next up is the comedy play "The Hound of the Baskervilles" at the Wells Theater on Sunday, 4 March, then the Lantern Asia display at the Norfolk Botanical Garden on Saturday, 14 April. The club is subsidizing both of these activities, so I hope to see a lot of you there.

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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 or (757) 672-8495. Thank you for your cooperation!

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From the Running Board
Feb 2, 2018 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes
 (final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

Officers Present: Mark McAlpine (President), Matt Doscher (Vice President), Charlie Dawson (Treasurer), and Vickie Doscher (Secretary). Board Members present: Jerry Adams, Travis Berry, Scott Davies. Members present: Ellen Adams, Marion McAlpine, and Bill Treadwell.

Quorum: Board Meeting called to order at 6:23 PM.

President: Thanked all for coming out. Welcomed Travis to the Board.

Vice President: Nothing significant to report.

Secretary's Report: The January Board Meeting minutes were sent out by e-mail and approved by the Board, and printed in the February *Mudflap*.

Treasurer's Report:

- January monthly reports reviewed.
- Calendar year 2017 Summary Report discussed.
- Mark asked members to consider cost associated with printing and mailing *The Mudflap*. Currently it costs the club \$52 a year for each member who receives it. Board does not intend to begin charging to receive a paper copy at this time, but may need to review options in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities Committee (Travis Berry, Matt Doscher, Marion McAlpine, and Wayne Milligan):

- Saturday, 24 Feb 2018: TRAACA Theater Night: "Harvey" at Smithfield Little Theatre 8 PM. Dinner will be at the Smithfield Station at 5 PM.
- Sunday, 4 Mar 2018: TRAACA Theater Night: "The Hound of the Baskervilles" at Wells Theater in Norfolk at 2 PM. Dinner after play at Grace O'Malley's Irish Pub & Restaurant.

Restaurants (Marion McAlpine):

- Thursday, 15 Feb 2018: Dinner Meeting at Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Guest Speaker: Terry Bond talking about "The Steamboat Arabia."
- Thursday, 15 Mar 2018: Dinner Meeting at Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. St. Patrick's Day meal. Guest Speaker: Tane Casserly, NOAA. Presentation about U-Boats off the Atlantic coast. Club to subsidize \$5 per member for dinner.

Membership (Jerry Adams):

- Status as of 31 Jan 2018: 15 memberships & 267 members.
- Membership Roster almost complete and ready for print.

2018 Swap Meet (Bill Treadwell):

- Only three volunteers signed up at last dinner meeting. More volunteers needed! Contact Bill if interested. Military Aviation Museum contract is complete. Insurance contract is pending. Mark to follow up on this.

Unfinished Business:

- Participation Chits were distributed at the Annual Awards Banquet to members in attendance who were awarded them at the 2017 Annual Meet, but did not receive them. Remaining chits will be distributed to TRAACA members owed them and mailed to non-members.

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- Standard Operating Procedures/List of Duties for Board members and other key club positions pending. Need to be completed before March.
- Auditor for Review of 2017 Financial Records: Paul Atkinson and Bob Hanbury have volunteered.
- TRAACA Duryea Award: 2016 Award delivered to Bob Parrish; 2017 Award will be presented to Tom Cox at AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia.
- TRAACA Annual Donation to the AACA: Original donation approved by the Board was for \$3,000 for the new HQ & Library Building. Motion made by Charlie to increase the donation to \$5,000 (including \$500 already contributed by members and \$500 from 2018 50/50 raffle); seconded by Scott. Motion passed. Charlie made a motion to create a form specific for club members to use when making special contributions to the AACA fund; seconded by Scott. Prior to voting, Vickie recommended a specific title for the donation fund. Motion amended by Charlie to create the AACA Donation Fund; seconded by Matt. Motion passed. Charlie will create a flyer for it and announce it at February Dinner Meeting. All Dinner Meeting 50/50 raffle ticket proceeds will be earmarked for this Fund.

New Business:

- 2018 Annual Meet: Chairman needed soon. Mark would like club to start focusing on obtaining sponsors by April 1, 2018. Considering another special vehicle display for this year's meet (100 Years of Chevy Trucks).
- Second Certificate of Deposit for the Club: Tabled for now.

Other Business:

- VPCCC Monthly Report: Issues with website. TRAACA 2018 dues paid.
- CCCHR Monthly Report: New officers elected.
- AACA Grand National Meet: 2022 is the next available date. 2024 is also open. Desire is still there for TRAACA to host in 2022 or 2024.

Adjourned: Having no other business, motion made to adjourn by Charlie; seconded by Matt. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM. Next Board Meeting is 6:30 on Friday, 2 March, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

Respectfully submitted, Vickie Doscher, Secretary.



TRAACA & HVPR Theater Night—“*Harvey*”

Smithfield, Virginia

Saturday, February 24, 2018

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

On February 24, 2018, the TRAACA and Historic Virginia Peninsula Region (HVPR) came together for an evening of fun in the quaint town of Smithfield, VA. A group of 43 people met for dinner at fellow TRAACA member Ron Pack’s restaurant the Smithfield Station.

It was a beautiful evening for February with temperatures in the low 60s. The group was entertained with a view of the sun setting over the Pagan River from the windows of the restaurant. There was a great 3-course menu prearranged for the group with their choice of 3 appetizers, 6 entrees, and 2 desserts, which included coffee or tea, all for one price. All of the attendees reported their food was delicious. The ladies waiting on the group were very patient, courteous, and did a wonderful job getting the meals out to the group in a timely manner. In fact, the meals came out so quickly the group had plenty of time to converse with each other before leaving for the theater.

After dinner most of the group meandered up the street to the Smithfield Little Theatre to see the play “*Harvey*.” (Some members were unable to get tickets for the sold-out performance.) The play is about an alcoholic gentleman—Elwood P. Dowd—and his friend Harvey, an imaginary six-and-a-half-foot-tall rabbit (i.e., a pooka). Elwood insists that Harvey be included in all of his sister Veta’s social gatherings. Veta tries to spare the family from

future embarrassment concerning Harvey and tries to have Elwood committed to a sanitarium. Several things transpire, including Veta being committed rather than Elwood. Elwood & Harvey have a strange and rather magical influence on people, causing Veta (after she is released from the sanitarium) to accept Elwood and Harvey just the way they are. It was a delightful play. It’s time to go back and watch the movie version of *Harvey* starring Jimmy Stewart.

The tickets for *Harvey* were a bargain at \$10.00/each, after the group discount we received and the club subsidizing an additional \$5.00 of the cost for TRAACA members. TRAACA members who attended the February activity included Margie & Mark Anthony (new members), Al Becker, Kim & Travis Berry, Susan & Terry Bond, Vickie & Matt Doscher, Jimmy Flanders, Lynn & John Heimerl, Missy Hespenshide & Tom Norris, Marion & Mark McAlpine, Debbie & Dana Meadows, Carol & Wayne Milligan, Tina & Ron Pack, Dot & Bob Parrish, Bob Stein, Marty & Neil Sugermeier, Barbara & Ken Talley, Linda & Bill Treadwell, and Shirley & Ken Wecht. (Shirley’s mother—Frances Martin—joined us for dinner.) Toni & Mickey McChesney and Leslie & Tony Scarpelli signed up, but were unable to attend. It was another fun evening shared by the TRAACA members.



Travis & Kim Berry arrive at the Smithfield Station for dinner



Bob Stein’s 1951 Studebaker Land Cruiser outside the restaurant



(L-R) Neil Sugermeier, Tom Norris, Missy Hespenshide, John & Lynn Heimerl, and Marty Sugermeier socializing before dinner



(L-R) Ken & Shirley Wecht, Shirley’s mother Francis Martin, and Jimmy Flanders enjoying dinner before the show



(Circling table L-R) Matt Doscher, Kim & Travis Berry, Dana & Debbie Meadows, Wayne & Carol Milligan, and Vickie Doscher



(L-R) Ron & Tina Pack and Linda & Bill Treadwell share dinner and good stories at dinner before the play



(L-R) Terry & Susan Bond, Al Becker, Bob Stein, and Barbara & Ken Talley relaxing after dinner and contemplating dessert



(L-R) Bob & Dot Parrish, new members Mark & Margie Anthony, and Marion McAlpine enjoying dinner (especially with Mark gone)



TRACA members and other members of the audience interacting with the cast of "Harvey" after the play. (Harvey had stepped out.)



AACA Annual Meeting Philadelphia, PA



Thursday- Saturday, February 8-10, 2018

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

The AACA's 82nd Annual Meeting was held in Philadelphia, PA, on February 8-10, 2018. This year was a special year for those members who were in Philadelphia on Thursday, February 8th, for the meeting. For those that are unaware of it, the Philadelphia Eagles football team won Super Bowl 52 on February 4th. The City of Philadelphia held a parade for the winning team on Thursday. Schools, government offices, museums, businesses, etc., shut down for the parade, and the city prepared for 2 million people to attend. The parade route could be easily seen from the windows of the Sheraton Hotel where the Annual Meeting took place. It was a wonderful experience to be there and enjoy the passion the people of Philadelphia showed for their football team. Mark & I arrived on Wednesday, as did fellow TRAACA members Tom & Tammy Cox, Jim & Donna Elliott, and Bob & Dot Parrish. The men attended AACA National Board of Directors meetings on Thursday, while we ladies helped Tammy prepare for her Friday First Lady's breakfast. We also watched the Eagle's parade.

Since Mark and I arrived in Philadelphia early in the afternoon Wednesday, we were able to stop to see the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum, which is located

near the Philadelphia airport. It is a very nice museum consisting of domestic and international race cars that span many decades. While we were at the museum, Fred Simeone, the museum's owner, and some of the cars were being filmed for an insurance ad. While at the museum, we spent some time talking to the staff as they were getting a 1916 Oakland Speedster ready for an event that weekend. The museum takes pride in keeping its vehicles in running order and driving the cars for their monthly events which are open to the public. (Look for a future article on the Simeone Museum.)

Members who drove up on Thursday had dry and cold, but clear weather. Unfortunately, the people trying to get to the hotel had various problems due to the road closures for the parade. Some people reported getting to within two blocks from the Sheraton without incident, only to wait almost two hours for the roads to open so they could get to the hotel parking garage.

On Friday morning, outgoing First Lady and fellow TRAACA member, Tammy Cox held her First Lady's breakfast. The breakfast was held in the Rooftop Ballroom on the top floor of the Sheraton. Tammy, who is often seen



A few million people crowded the streets of Philadelphia to welcome the AACA—and the Philadelphia Eagles Super Bowl LII champions

wearing blue jeans, is a big proponent on being comfortable and casual. She encouraged attendees to wear blue jeans to the breakfast. Tammy even had homemade sugar cookies, in the shape and color of blue jeans' back pockets, for each attendee. The entertainment for the breakfast was a ventriloquist and magician. The breakfast was a big hit for everyone who attended.

The AACA Annual Meeting got underway on Friday, February 8th, with seminars starting at 8:00 AM, the Trade Show and Registration opening up, and the various AACA National Committees starting to meet. There were so many great seminars to choose from that Mark and I split up at times so we could get double the information. Fellow TRAACA members Terry Bond and Bob Stein each presented well-attended seminars at the 2018 Annual Meet. On Friday, Bob Stein presented a seminar on "The Modern Collectible." The Publications Seminar was helpful to newsletter editors and the Continuing Judges Education (CJE) Instructors Seminar allowed CJE instructors to obtain their annual CJE credit. On Saturday, members could attend the Judging Team Captain School or the National Judging School. Also, Terry Bond presented his seminar on "Facebook 1910" (antique auto postcards) and, at the same time as Terry, Bob Stein presented a seminar on "Cheap Hobby Cars." I attended Terry's seminar and Mark attended Bob's. They both did an excellent job.

The final session on Saturday afternoon was the General Membership Meeting, hosted by outgoing AACA President Tom Cox, supported by incoming President Chuck Crane and the rest of the National Board of Directors. Tom recognized and thanked the outgoing Board, and the new 2018 National Board of Directors was introduced, including TRAACA

members Tom Cox, Jim Elliott, Mark McAlpine (newly appointed this year), and Bob Parrish. The meeting included an update on the progress of the new AACA Headquarters and Library & Research Center.

Terry & Susan Bond, Tom & Tammy Cox, Jim & Donna Elliott, Mark & Marion McAlpine, and Bob & Dot Parrish attended the Past Presidents' Dinner on Thursday evening in the Rooftop Ballroom. The speaker for the evening was Keith Flickinger, Curator and Chief Restorer of the Nicola Bulgari Collection in Allentown, PA. The presentation was outstanding, as was the food and company.

On Friday evening Mark & I attended the AACA Regions and Chapters Presidents' Dinner, where Mark was proud to present a check for \$5,000.00 on behalf of the TRAACA for the new AACA Headquarters and Library & Research Center. Many other regions, both large and small presented checks as well. Once the dinner had concluded, most of the group proceeded to the room next door for a very interesting presentation from Fred Simeone, founder of the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum. Fred shared his vast knowledge about the museum and car collection housed there. He was very entertaining and also very approachable.

The grand finale for the Annual Meeting was the 2017 Awards Banquet on Saturday evening. As usual the meal was excellent, and we had several friends from TRAACA and other AACA Regions receive national awards. TRAACA recipients included Scott Davies, who received the Corvette Award for his 1958 Chevrolet Corvette, and Mark and I received a Master Editor Award for the region's newsletter, *The Mudflap*.

TRAACA members who attended this year's AACA Annual Meeting included Bob Bond & Pam Hamilton-Bond,



1926 Willys-Knight on display at the Trade Show



1902 Nash Rambler Model C Replica on display at the Trade Show



(L-R) AACA President Tom Cox presents AACA Master Editor Award to Marion & Mark McAlpine for the region's newsletter



(L-R) Bob & Scott Davies receive the AACA Corvette Award for Scott's 1958 Corvette from AACA President Tom Cox



(L-R) Joyce & "Pinky" Randall receive the Louis Chevrolet Memorial Award for their 1932 Chevy from AACA President Tom Cox

Terry & Susan Bond, Bill Coburn, Tom & Tammy Cox, Scott Davies & Holly Forrester, Mark & Marion McAlpine, Dick McNinch, Wayne Milligan, Reggie & Cindi Nash, Bob & Dot Parrish, Bob & Linda Pellerin, Tony Scarpelli, Bob Stein, Neil & Marty Sugermeyer, Bill Treadwell, and Bill Wilcox. Unfortunately, a few of the TRAACA's members who regularly attend were unable to make the trek this year.

Of course, on the trip back, caravanning with the Bonds and Sugermeyers meant we stopped at a few antique shops and at *Stingray's* for dinner before reaching home. Not a lot of money was spent on antiques, but it was fun just the same. It was a great weekend—good friends, wonderful food, beautiful cars, decent weather (for Philadelphia in February), and the joy of seeing friends win awards.



(L-R) Marion McAlpine, Donna, Elliott, and Tammy Cox brave the parade crowd



Bob Bond & Pam Hamilton-Bond



Tony Scarpelli and Wayne Milligan take a break between attending seminars



Holly Forrester & Scott Davies before the AACA National Awards Banquet



1936 Cord on display at the Awards Banquet



1938 Jaguar SS100 OTS on display at the trade show



(L-R) Tom Cox receives the TRAACA's Duryea Award for 2017 from Mark McAlpine. (Tom couldn't attend our Awards Banquet.)



(L-R) Neil Sugermeyer, Marion McAlpine, and Dick McNinch

Caught in the Headlights—TRAACA Members & Their Cars

Tim Hund and his 1932 Auburn 8-100A Phaeton

Story as told to Mark & Marion McAlpine. Photos by Tim Hund.



Tim Hund with his 1932 Auburn at the 2017 AACA Hershey Meet

Tim Hund has liked classic 1920s and 1930s Auburn and Cord automobiles since he was a young boy, so it should come as no surprise to find him traveling to Chicago in 2014 to look at an Auburn “Boattail” Speedster offered for sale by a member of the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg (ACD) Club. Unfortunately, Tim and the seller were too apart on the price, but as Tim was leaving he spotted a 1932 Auburn 8-100A Phaeton in the back. The car was a stalled restoration project—the painted frame was in one place, the restored engine in another, body panels painted but not assembled. The owner said he was selling all his projects because of poor health, but wanted a “crazy price” for the Auburn, so Tim departed Chicago disappointed and empty handed.

Later that year, Tim saw the Auburn listed for sale, called the owner, and this time they came to a mutually satisfactory agreement. Coincidentally, Tim’s younger brother Pat had recently started a restoration business in Addison, IL. Tim asked Pat if he’d like to put the Auburn back together, and Pat jumped at the chance even though he specialized in Porsches and didn’t know much about Auburns. However, Pat is very detailed oriented and his knowledge of Auburns grew quickly. During the reassembly of the Auburn, Pat visited the ACD Museum in Auburn, IN, multiple times to get information. The ACD Museum had an original, unrestored 1932 Auburn 8-100A on the floor and graciously allowed Pat to measure and photograph it.

Pat’s attention to detail and craftsmanship is evident in the finished product. Tim picked up the completed Auburn in June 2016, and he and Pat took it to the ACD Club’s spring touring meet. In August Tim took the car to the AACA Southeastern Fall Meet in New Bern, NC, where it won its First Junior Award. Later that month, Tim and Pat took the Auburn back to Auburn, IN, for the ACD Festival (the ACD Club’s “Annual Reunion”). It was there that the Auburn was “certified” (after being examined for most of the day by a team of experts, with renown ACD expert and Jay Leno’s

restorer Randy Ema serving as the final authority) and received its ACD Club First Primary Award (equivalent to the AACA First Junior Award). The Auburn received its AACA Senior Award at Hershey in October 2017. In between, the Auburn received the AACA ACD Award for 2016, which was presented to Tim at the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, in February 2017. (Ask Tim to tell you the story about how he didn’t know his car won the AACA National Award because he threw out the notification letter he received thinking it was just an AACA membership renewal notice, which he’d already done.)

As you can see from the photographs, Tim’s Auburn is gorgeous. For those not familiar with Auburns, the model number tells it all. The Auburn Model 8-100A is powered by a Lycoming inline 8-cylinder engine (268 ci) putting out 100 horsepower. The 1932 Auburn 8-100A is often referred to as a “Baby Duesenberg” because it’s a luxurious automobile designed by Alan Huet Leamy, Jr., who also designed the L-29 Cord, the Auburn “Boattail” Speedster, and the front end of the Duesenberg Model J.

Tim’s 1932 Auburn is beautiful, but it didn’t sate his appeal for Auburns and Cords. He also owns a 1935 Auburn 851 Cabriolet and is currently stalking another Auburn. If he succeeds, look for another article in the future.



Tim’s Auburn at its 2016 “family reunion” in Auburn, Indiana



The Auburn’s luxurious art deco interior



Still Collecting Stuff — *Inkwells* By Terry Bond

Remember when people used to write letters? I think it was about 1968 BC (before computers). There was even a time when people used to actually dip a pen into an inkwell.

Inkwells of all shapes & sizes have been produced over the years. They were not only decorative desk pieces, but they were practical items. A well-to-do gentleman in the early 1900s would probably have an elaborately made inkwell, contained in a well-crafted holder with a place for pens. If that man owned an automobile, then the inkwell would have a motoring theme to it. Automobile dealers would have something motoring related on their desks, also, to ink purchase agreements. Inkwells were items that saw continued usage until the advent of the ballpoint pen and eventually the computer.

Inkwells can be found in many styles. There are large silver-plated inkwells depicting race cars at speed. Lift the car's hood and the glass inkwell resides underneath. Other inkwells show cars climbing a hill—lift the lid at the top to reveal the inkwell. There are endless varieties.



A great spelter inkwell with bronze finish—circa 1910. Value approximately \$400.

Most of them were mass produced, but some of them with a lot of detail had handwork involved, producing high quality items that today would command big prices from not only automobilia collectors, but art and sculpture collectors as well. There are also a few very unique handcrafted items that are indeed top of the line.

Values for inkwells can range from silly to bargain depending on how much the seller knows about the market for these items. They have become a favorite of collectors of automobile art, and every serious collector needs at least three of them. (That's a collection.) I've found inkwells in yard sales, antique shops, flea markets, auctions, and, of course, on the Internet. I was recently offered one from an antique dealer from whom I'd purchased items previously and when I win the lottery I might go for it.



A handcrafted De Dion Bouton with an inkwell under the seat—circa 1903. Value \$1,000+.

Many inkwells were made from spelter—a simple soft lead-based material that was easy to cast and could be plated with silver- or a bronze-like finish. Others were cast in bronze and either finished in a dark “patina” or plated in silver or gold. The spelter pieces can be very difficult to repair as the material melts when heat is applied (e.g., if you are attempting to resolder something). If you are trying to straighten bent pieces, you'll find spelter breaks easily. Any parts that are movable such as hoods, often have broken hinges. If all the piece needs is work on the finish, you can try replating or rebronzing it, but the best bet is to buy good pieces & leave them alone.

Glass automobile inkwells are quite scarce. The wonderful piece shown below is from my collection and has a place where a photograph can be inserted.

There are some types of inkwells that are fairly common, especially the large race car in silver plate. The price range is \$700-\$2,500 with the condition and size of the object being the determining factors. These were available in at least three different sizes. There are few variations on these, and one in particular that is actually signed by the artist. It's a rare and valuable piece.



Vintage glass car with inkwell and souvenir photo—circa 1907. Value \$150.



Early inkwell from Terry's collection with early automobile embossed on the stand holding the ink bottle

Next is a great little inkwell from my collection that has an early automobile embossed on the stand holding the ink bottle. It has a couple of bent wire brackets to hold ink pens. The image is not uncommon, but this piece is quite difficult to find. It is actually a part of a desk set that includes a letter stand, a match box holder, ash tray, and a large paper clip. It seems logical that there might be other pieces to this set, but I've not seen them in any collection. I bought mine for \$25 several years ago from an antique shop in Pennsylvania.

Below is a fabulous hand-painted automobile scene on a piece of Nippon porcelain. These objects are very delicate and hard to find in good condition. They normally sell from \$400 up depending on how "crisp" the image is.

Some collecting advice: I've come to value networking with other collectors and dealers. It helps to understand



Nippon porcelain inkwell with hand-painted early auto scene



This is a recent addition to Terry's collection. It's a very early wood automobile inkwell with silver-plated brass components and rubber tires. Opening the car's hood reveals the inkwell.

what is rare, not so rare, and perhaps reproduced. It also helps to understand where to watch for repairs and what may be incorrect in a piece that may have been repaired or modified. Knowledge is power, and the knowledge you obtain from others will prove to be an important resource. Research should be an important part of your collecting, and you should use every tool at your disposal including auction catalogs, reference books, and friendships with other people with similar interests.

Enjoy the photos of a few additional inkwells, and keep your eyes open next time you visit a flea market—you never know what you might find. Happy collecting!

Terry Bond



Bronze-plated spelter race car inkwell without a base—circa 1910. Value \$300+.



A well-known example of a large silver-plated auto inkwell

Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum Cleveland, OH

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

Looking for an antique car museum to visit in the Midwest? If so, then check out the Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum located in Cleveland, OH. The Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum of the Western Reserve Historical Society is located in the Cleveland History Center in University Circle. There are two large exhibits in the collection: “*Setting the World in Motion*” on the street-level floor and *Evolution: The Automobile in America*,” located in the lower level. There is a 1910 Duryea on display at the museum, which, according to the Crawford Museum website, was the first antique vehicle purchased by Frederick Crawford to prevent it from being “junked,” and apparently sparked his desire to save other antique cars from destruction and to start an antique car museum.

The collection on the first floor of the museum is dedicated to automobiles manufactured in Ohio. Northeast Ohio was a major player of the early automobile industry. Manufacturers such as Baker Electric, Packard, Peerless, Stearns, White, and Winton were among those located in northeast Ohio. The Crawford Museum collection contains some rather rare Ohio-manufactured automobiles like the 1902 American Gas Roundabout and the 1916 Baker, Rauch & Lang Electric dual-control, 2-door coupe. There are numerous other beautiful Ohio-manufactured vehicles on display.

On the lower level is a diverse collection of vehicles from various manufacturers from across America and even some foreign vehicles. The exhibit highlights technology and design in the automotive industry from the late 1800s to the Twenty-First Century. Some of the vehicles found on the lower level

include three stainless steel body cars and, one of the curator’s favorite vehicles, a 1939 Lincoln Zephyr.

The Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum website indicates they have over 140 antique automobiles, 21 non-car transportation artifacts (motorcycles, bicycles, and boats), 10 aircraft (from 1910 to the 1940s), and 3 carriages and sleighs. The aircraft represent the contributions of northeast Ohio to the development of aviation (remember the National Air Races held from 1929-1949 on the shores of Lake Erie).

Here’s an interesting piece of trivia from the website: in 1945, Ruth Swihart (later Ruth Franklin) was named curator of the early Crawford Museum. She continued in that role even when the current museum opened in 1963 and retired in 1971. She was one of the only female curators in any automotive museum or collection in the United States. Ruth was also the first woman on the Board of Trustees for the national Antique Automobile Club of America.

While visiting the Crawford Museum we had the opportunity to meet Larry Davis, the Crawford Collections Manager. He gave us a tour of the collections both on display and behind the scenes. Larry reported that he enjoyed talking to “car” people—those who enjoyed the cars for their beauty and history. It was a great experience and we look forward to meeting up with him again in the future.

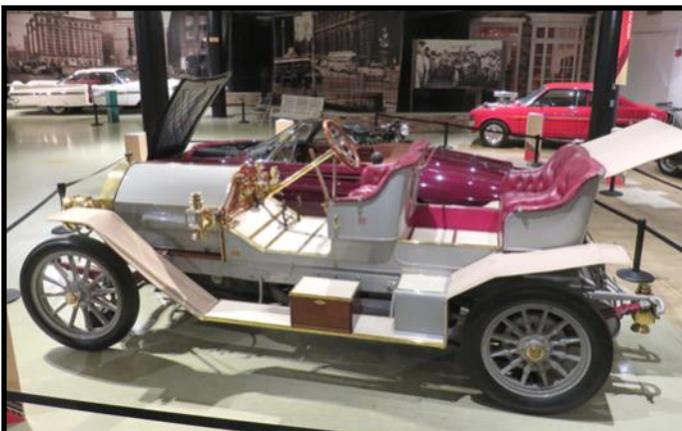
If you are ever in the Midwest and have time, stop and visit the Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum. You will not be disappointed. When you check in at the entrance desk, be sure to mention you are part of the AACA, you may get a private tour.



1910 Duryea—the car that started the Crawford Collection



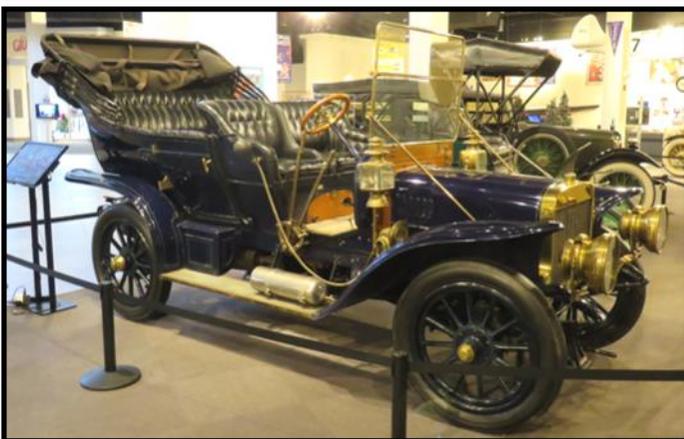
1913 ALCO Model Six Berline Limousine



1909 Simplex Model 90 Double-Roadster by Holbrook



1905 Peerless Model 9



1907 Winton Model M 5-passenger Touring Car



1913 Baker Model WB roadster electric automobile



1915 White Model 30



1929 Jordan Model G "Speedboy" Dual-Cowl Phaeton



1933 Chandler-Cleveland Model 33A Comrade roadster



1939 Lincoln Zephyr Model H-76



(L-R) Three special stainless steel cars produced by the Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. for Ford Motor Company: a 1936 Ford Tudor Deluxe, 1960 Ford Thunderbird, and a 1966 Lincoln Continental



1966 AMC Prototype AMX



Looking Forward to Our Judging Adventures in 2018

By Roger Irland
AACA Vice President Judging

(Reprinted from the January 2018 AACA *The Judge* newsletter)



I'm looking forward to 2018 and the adventures we can have with AACA meets and judging. In addition to the Annual Meeting in February, we have six meets ranging across a wide swath of the country. That should make at least one meet within a reasonable drive for most of you.

First though, you'll need to get a thorough tune-up by attending your required once-a-year Judging School. You'll find there are some important changes this year and you'll want to be prepared before you go onto the show field for the first time. Philadelphia is a good place to start the year as

you'll find a great selection of informative seminars in addition to the school learnin'.

I hope you find AACA judging to be as fun and challenging as I always have. So, why don't you spread the word and invite your friends to come and join us at a judging school? We can all share the fun (and the workload) by adding to our numbers. Also, remember that any owner may come to a school to learn how we judge their car, even if they have no intention in wearing the judge badge.

I look forward to seeing you out on the road (and the show field) this year.
Happy old car motoring!

Approved Changes for AACA 2018 Official Judging Guidelines

(Reprinted from the January 2018 AACA *The Judge* newsletter)

Section 2, Page 5B

Change starting time of AGNM [Annual Grand National Meet] from 11:00AM to 10:00AM.

Section 3—Appendix . . . Forms 3-5 Automobile, 3-6 2-Wheeler/Trike, 3-7 Race Car, and 3-9 Commercial Vehicle reflect item deduction changes for "Tires" from 5 each to 2 each and for "Lock Rings" from 1 each to 2 each.

Section 4, Page 2

Change starting time of AGNM from 11:00AM to 10:00AM.

Section 4—Page 8 & 9 . . . Class 19 . . . Specifically named vehicles recognized by the Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) are accepted into this class. Vehicles accepted into this class prior to October 6, 2017, that are not recognized as Classic vehicles by the CCCA will remain in Class 19. Please contact the AACA VP Judging if you believe your vehicle belongs in this class and is not one of the following specific vehicles (membership in the CCCA is not required):

- 19a Classic vehicles (CCCA) . . . 1915 thru 1931
- 19b Classic vehicles (CCCA) . . . 1932 thru 1933
- 19c Classic vehicles (CCCA) . . . 1934 thru 1936
- 19d Classic vehicles (CCCA) . . . 1937 thru 1939
- 19e Classic vehicles (CCCA) . . . 1940 thru 1948

The following vehicles are also accepted into this class:

Chrysler (1933 Imperial CQ, 1930-1942 Durham and LeBaron), Diana (1925-1926), Pearless V-16, Railton (8 cyl).

Section 4, Page 14 . . . Class 29 . . . removed "Lincoln" . . . 1956.

Section 4, Page 16 . . . Class 36b . . . added Westland Empire Aristocrat . . . 1958

Section 4, Page 20 . . . Class 36c . . . changed Fury w/318 cid. 290 hp. 1957 to Fury 1956-1958.

Section 4, Page 20 . . . Class 36d . . . added Ford, dual 4v . . . 1957.

Section 4, Page 21 . . . Class 36f . . . added Buick GS 350 w/315 hp . . . 1970.



AACA Calendar of Events

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

MARCH 2018

22-24 AACA Winter Meet
 Mobile, AL

APRIL 2018

5-7 AACA SE Spring Meet
 Charlotte, NC

19-21 AACA Western Spring Meet
 Tucson, AZ

MAY 2018

11-12 AACA Central Spring Meet
 Auburn, IN

31- 2 Jun AACA Grand National Meet
 Greensburg, PA

JUNE 2018

25-29 AACA Eastern Div. Tour
 Lock Haven, PA

JULY 2018

11-14 AACA Eastern Spring Meet
 Gettysburg, PA

AUGUST 2018

20-24 AACA Reliability Tour
 Geneva, NY

SEPTEMBER 2018

12-15 AACA Central Division Tour
 Texas Panhandle, TX

16-21 AAA Glidden Tour
 Twin Falls, ID

OCTOBER 2018

10-13 AACA Eastern Fall Meet
 Hershey, PA

21-26 AACA Founders Tour
 Metropolis, IL

NOVEMBER 2018

5-9 AACA 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

9-11 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



65th Old Dominion Meet



April 27-28, 2018

Lacey Spring Elementary School
8621 North Valley Pike
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22802

Registration Form

Registration deadline: April 2, 2018 postmark, no exceptions

Please print or type

Name _____ Region _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (____) _____ AACA # _____ (Required) Email _____
(Registration will be denied if AACA # is not on form)

CARS MUST BE ON SHOW FIELD BY 11:00 AM AND REMAIN UNTIL 3:00 PM

All vehicles must have a visible, fully-charged, operational, UL-approved fire extinguisher. No exceptions. Must be in a visible position—next to the left front tire is the preferred location.

All vehicles must be entered as ODMA Junior*, Senior**, Preservation*** or HPOF or Driver****

* An ODMA Junior vehicle is one that has never previously won an ODMA 1st Junior Award, regardless of any other awards it may have won.

** An ODMA Senior vehicle is one that has previously won an ODMA 1st Junior Award.

*** An ODMA Preservation vehicle is one that has previously won an ODMA Senior Award.

**** HPOF or Driver Participation Class must have been previously certified by AACA National

Vehicle 1: Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ AACA Class _____

ODMA Junior _____ ODMA Senior _____ ODMA Preservation _____ HPOF _____ Driver _____

Has this vehicle ever won an ODMA award? Yes _____ No _____ Highest Award Won _____

Vehicle 2: Make _____ Model _____ Year _____ AACA Class _____

ODMA Junior _____ ODMA Senior _____ ODMA Preservation _____ HPOF _____ Driver _____

Has this vehicle ever won an ODMA award? Yes _____ No _____ Highest Award Won _____

Judging School: Yes _____ Trailer/RV Parking: Yes _____

Number of vehicles registered:	_____	@ \$20.00	_____
Late registration after April 2, 2008 (Not judged)	_____	@ \$20.00	_____
Saturday Night Awards Banquet Tickets (non-refundable)	_____	@ \$21.00	_____
Friday evening social at the school	_____	@ \$5.00	_____

Total enclosed _____

Make checks payable to Tri-County Region AACA. Please enclose a SASE if you desire a confirmation.

Entries postmarked after April 2, 2008 will not be eligible for judging (no exceptions)

Judging Meeting at 10:00 AM in Lacey Spring Elementary Music Room

All vehicles must have current liability insurance coverage

My vehicle has state required liability insurance

Signature _____

Send this registration form and your personal check (made payable to Tri-County Region AACA) postmarked on or before April 2, 2018, to Mike Yankey, 236 Old Mill Lane, Broadway, VA 22815

The Tidewater Region AACA invites you to our

ANNUAL SWAP MEET

8 AM to 3 PM

Saturday, March 10, 2018 (Rain or Shine)

Military Aviation Museum

1341 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23457



Antique and Collectible vehicle parts, accessories, and transportation-related memorabilia

INDOOR SPACES: 10' x 10' – \$30 each before March 3rd. \$35 after March 3rd.
(ONE table and two chairs provided per space.)

OUTDOOR SPACES: 10' x 30' – \$25 each before March 3rd. \$30 after March 3rd.
(Bring your own tables and chairs.)

All registered vendors will receive two passes to the Museum.

You must purchase enough spaces for **all** your stuff including **trailers and tow vehicles**. **Tow vehicles may be parked in spectator parking.**

Collector vehicles for sale must purchase an outdoor space.



CAR CLUBS are invited to purchase a space to promote your club and special events.

INSIDE VENDOR SET-UP is available from 7 AM Saturday.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH available on site from **Back Bay Catering**.

NOTE: Access to the swap meet is free. Shoppers and non-vendor guests desiring access to the Military Aviation Museum will need to pay the normal Museum admission fee. No charge for parking. If you wish to be co-located with other vendors, please send reservations in together in advance.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.TRAACA.COM OFTEN FOR ANY IMPORTANT UPDATES

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

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 3rd

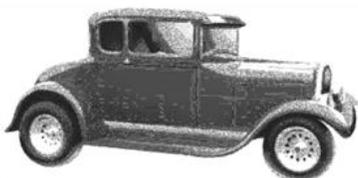
For information contact:

Neil Sugermeyer, Registration Chairman
757-761-1063

Bill Treadwell, Swap Meet Chairman
757-650-3667

Or visit our club website:

www.traaca.com





TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE



Members celebrating birthdays in March



Sheila Brickner	Cindy Overton
Liz Coburn	Jack Pavlidis
David Curl	Bobby Sellers
Nancy Eberle	Melinda Spence
Scott Hancox	Margie Tillet
Sally Hartman	Linda Treadwell
Lynn Heimerl	Shirley Wecht
Albert McVicker	Larry Wickham



Members celebrating anniversaries in March



Mike & Darlene Brown
Jon & Barbara Sieck



Recent TRAACA Award Winners



2017 AACA National Awards

(presented at AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA, on Saturday, February 10, 2018)

- Scott Davies received the AACA's Corvette Award for his 1958 Chevrolet Corvette.
- Marion & Mark McAlpine received an AACA Master Editor Award for the region's *The Mudflap* newsletter.

Boca Raton Concours d'Elegance:

- Jim & Donna Elliott 1903 Cadillac
Best Cadillac

Sunshine Report

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the following members:

- **Sandy Hall** underwent emergency surgery at the end of January and is undergoing rehabilitation at the Princess Anne Health & Rehabilitation Center in Virginia Beach.

Please provide updates on the health of TRAACA members to our Sunshine Reporter, Carol Milligan, at (757) 548-1242 or carowaynmilligan@cox.net.

TRAACA SWAP MEET BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 10th

**BAKED GOODS ARE NEEDED
FOR THE BAKE SALE TABLE
AT THE SWAP MEET**

**PLEASE BRING HOMEMADE OR
STORE-BOUGHT TREATS**

**WE WILL SEPARATE TREATS
INTO SMALLER PACKAGES.**

Annual Meet Chairman Needed!

The TRAACA's 45th Annual Meet is this fall on Saturday, September 22nd. Although that seems like a long way off, it's time for the club to start planning and coordinating the event. The first thing we need is a Meet Chairman. (After serving for five years, Tony Scarpelli is taking a well-deserved break.) We are in danger of not holding the meet if someone does not volunteer.

As important as this position is, it is not as daunting as it may seem. You'll have lots of help and experience to draw upon. The main responsibility is organizing the team of volunteers (and we have the list from last year). If you'd like to volunteer to be the 2018 Annual Meet Chairman or have any questions, please contact Club President Mark McAlpine at (757) 967-0074 or mmmc Alpine05@msn.com. Thank you very much!



TRAACA March Dinner Meeting



Thursday, March 15, 2018

Our March Dinner Meeting is on Thursday, March 15th, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Dinner is a special menu in recognition of St. Patrick's Day: Corned Beef, Irish Chicken Stew, Shepherd's Pie, fried cabbage, glazed carrots, house salad, and caramel apple turnovers. (Note: The club is subsidizing the cost of this special meal to hold the cost at the usual price of \$25 per member.)

Social hour is from 6:00-6:45 PM, with dinner at 6:45 PM, followed by a brief business meeting and a presentation by Retired Command Sergeant Major Dennis John Woods, who will talk about his 57 months of combat experience in Afghanistan and Iraq—America's longest wars—and display al-Qaeda and Taliban flags captured in Afghanistan. He invites other veterans to bring in and display similar items they may have.

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!



19th Annual
Williamsburg
British & European Car Show



Saturday, April 14, 2018
(rain or shine)
9:30 AM—3:00 PM

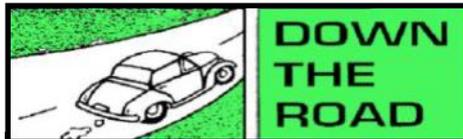
New Venue: The Shoppes at High Street
1430 High Street, Williamsburg, VA 23185

Pre-Registration: \$20 (must be received by April 7th)
Late Registration & Day of Show: \$25

This year's featured marque: Daimler

See Williamsburg British Car Club website for information & registration form:
<http://www.wmbgbrit.com>

For more info contact Roy Gavilan at (757) 637-5902 or rggavpbl@yahoo.com



- Other Regional and Local Events**
- MARCH 2018**
- 3  46th Annual Cape Fear Chp. Antique Automobile Show
Wilmington, NC
 - 10  Chesapeake Region AACA
45th Annual Swap Meet
West Friendship, MD
 - 24-25  Sugarloaf Mtn Region AACA
Indoor/Outdoor Swap Meet
Westminster, MD
- APRIL 2018**
- 5-8 Charlotte Auto Fair
Charlotte, NC
 - 14 19th Annual Williamsburg
British & European Car Show
Williamsburg, VA
 - 18-22 Spring Carlisle
Carlisle, PA
 - 21 Virginia Chevy Lovers
Spring Dust Off Car Show
Virginia Beach, VA
 - 27-29 Goodguys Rod & Custom
4th North Carolina Nationals
Raleigh, NV
 - 28  ODMA Meet hosted by
Tri-County Region AACA
Harrisonburg, VA
 - 29  Piedmont Region AACA
44th Annual Carfest
Charlottesville, VA
- MAY 2018**
- 19  Accomack-Northampton
Region AACA
Auto Show
Onley, VA
 - 26  Twin County Region AACA
25th Annual "Memories on
Main Street" Car Show
Galax, VA
 - 28 Classic Cruisers
Memorial Day Car Show
Yorktown, VA
- JUNE 2018**
- 1-3 Carlisle Ford Nationals
Carlisle, PA
 - 22-24 Carlisle Chevrolet Nationals
Carlisle, PA
- JULY 2018**
- 13 National Collector Car
Appreciation Day Car Show
Daniels Performance Group
Smithfield, VA



Virginia Chevy Lovers 

14th Annual
Spring Dust Off Car Show

Saturday, April 21, 2018
(Rain date is Saturday, April 28, 2018)
Registration: 8:30-11:30 AM / Awards at 3:00 PM

Landstown Commons Shopping Center
Virginia Beach, VA

Preregistration: \$20 (mail by 7 April) / Day of Show: \$25
Open to all makes & models cars, trucks and motorcycles 25-yr old & older

See VCL website for registration form: www.virginiachevylovers.org

Proceeds to benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

For more info contact John Herbert at (757) 421-0749 or blkpwrfrm@cox.net



TRAACA
April 2018 Activity
Lantern Asia
at the
Norfolk Botanical Garden
Saturday, April 14, 2018

We will start with dinner at the Azalea Inn at 5:00 PM
Tickets: \$10 per member (club is subsidizing \$10 each)

Deadline for reservations: Sunday, April 8th. To reserve tickets, please contact Travis Berry at travis.berry.mail@gmail.com or (757) 536-1214.



EDITOR'S DESK

Marion & Mark McAlpine

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Well, February is drawing to a close. It was a busy month in our house, probably yours, too. It's hard to believe that the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia was over 2 weeks ago. It seems like it was only a few days ago. This year was exciting for those that arrived on Thursday instead of Wednesday—the city of Philadelphia closed down on Thursday so it could host the Philadelphia Eagles football team's parade. The Eagles won the 2018 Super Bowl just four days before. There were masses of people lining the parade route, which happened to be close to the Sheraton Hotel, allowing us to view the parade from our windows. I have some great pictures if you want to see them.

The AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia is always fun to attend. The TRAACA is usually represented well, whether going to seminars, presenting seminars, attending committee meetings, attending judging schools, attending board meetings or receiving national awards; there are always several TRAACA members bustling about the hotel. This year Terry Bond and Bob Stein presented great seminars. Scott Davies received a National Award for his 1958 Corvette, and Mark & I received a Master Editor Award for the *The Mudflap*. Tom & Tammy Cox stepped down as AACA National President and First Lady, respectively. Tom Cox will continue serving on the AACA National Board in 2018 along with fellow TRAACA members Jim Elliott, Mark McAlpine (who was newly appointed), and Bob Parrish. (There is more information about the AACA Annual Meeting in the article on Pages 6-8.)

The TRAACA and its sister region the Historic Virginia Peninsula Region (HVPR) joined together on Saturday, February 24th, for dinner at fellow TRAACA member Ron

Pack's restaurant the Smithfield Station, followed by the play "Harvey" at the Smithfield Little Theatre. There were 43 members signed up for the event. The weather was great, the food was excellent, the play was entertaining, and the company of friends, as always, was terrific! (See the story on Pages 4-5.)

As we start to kick off the 2018 car season, many people look forward to some of the events that are the staples in the local Tidewater area—which leads us into the next venture for the TRAACA: the TRAACA's Annual Swap Meet scheduled for Saturday, March 10th at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach. Our Swap Meet is one of the first car events in the area each year. It is an opportunity for some people to clean out their garages, and for bargain hunters to fill up theirs. You can reserve a vendor space and sell some of those extra spare parts, tools, books, and automobilia. This year will mark more than 20 years that the TRAACA has hosted the Swap Meet.

Speaking of the Swap Meet, I am trying to round up people and items for the Bake Sale table. So, I hope you will bring items for the bake sale and, if you can spare some time, come sit with us at the table and help us sell our treats. The conversation is always fun (and the treats delicious).

For the club's March activity, the TRAACA will be going to "The Hound of the Baskervilles" play at the Wells Theater in Norfolk, followed by dinner at Grace O'Malley's Irish Pub on Sunday, March 4th. Apparently, this version of the Sherlock Holmes story is a comedy. It should be a fun time.

Finally, in March, the TRAACA Dinner Meeting will have Dennis John Woods, a U.S. Army veteran, as the guest speaker. He will be talking about his combat experiences in Iraq and Afghanistan. We will have a St. Patrick's Day-themed meal, which is being subsidized by the club. (Details on Page 17.)

I hope to see you at one of the club's activities in March!

Marion McAlpine

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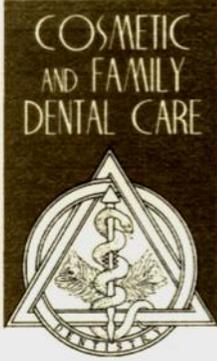
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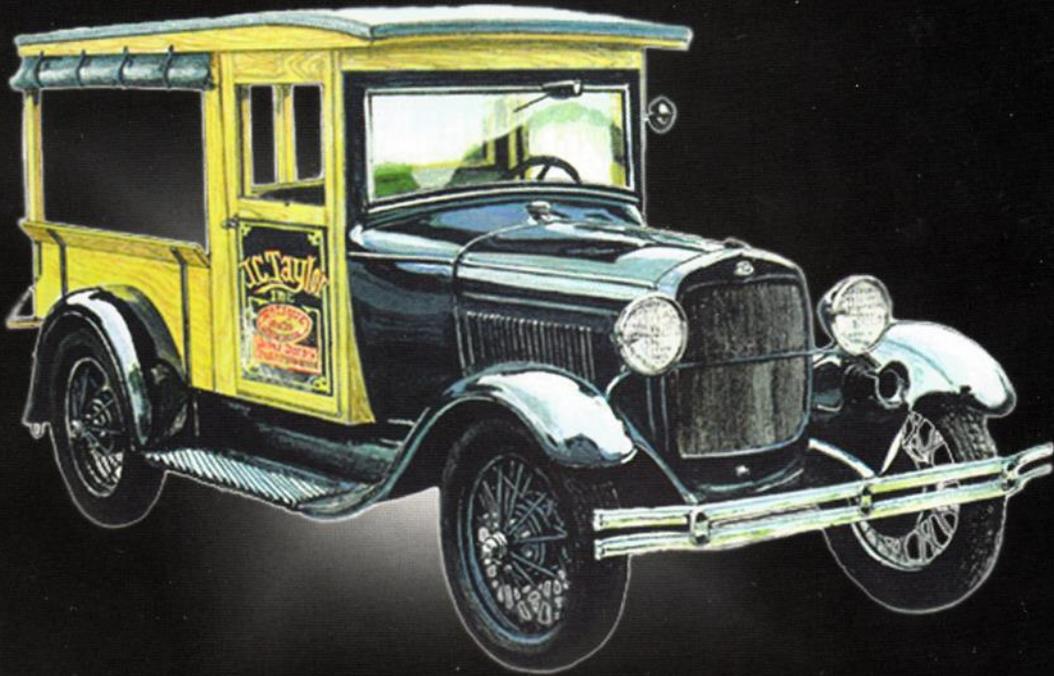
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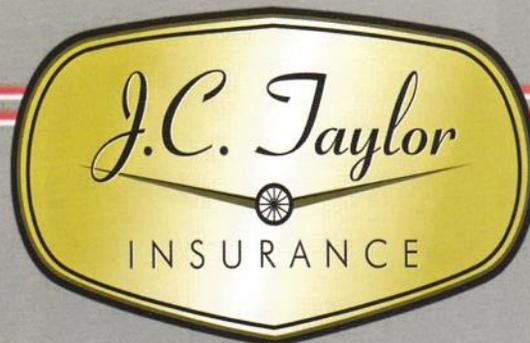
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