

The Mudflap



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TRAACA Tour of U.S. Army Transportation Museum Saturday, February 16, 2019

One of the best things about living in Tidewater is we have some of the top military installations in the world! This month, the TRAACA visits a hidden gem in coordination with the Historic Virginia Peninsula Region (HVPR).

The U. S. Army Transportation Museum, inside Fort Eustis in Newport News, has a 50,000-square-foot display building and several acres of outside displays. The museum highlights over a hundred different trucks, cars, planes, and trains used by U.S. Army engineers. Visit usarmytransportationmuseum.gov to learn more.

TRAACA/HVPR members can meet at the Mariners Museum parking lot (100 Museum Drive) in Newport News at 9 AM on Saturday, February 16th. At 9:15 we will head west on Warwick Blvd to the Fort Eustis entry gate. Because the museum is on an active military installation, civilian visitors must go to the Quonset hut behind the Visitor's Center on the right where you will be asked for photo ID, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. (Active duty and retired military members with DOD ID

may go directly to the main gate and to the museum.) All vehicles are subject to search. Members may proceed on their own and meet us at the museum (300 Washington Blvd, Newport News) between 9:45 to 10:00 AM. Our tour starts at 10 AM.

We will spend 2.5 hours there with the museum's director, Alisha Hamel. Tour guides will detail some great military machines of the past and a large collection of memorabilia. We depart the museum at 12:30 PM and travel north on Ft. Eustis Blvd to Route 17, then turn south on Route 17 to the County Grill & Smokehouse, 1215 George Washington Memorial Hwy, in Yorktown (near I-64/Route 17 intersection). Lunch will be in the restaurant's banquet room at 1 PM. We'll order from the menu.

We head home on our own at 3:00 PM. We will be near I-64, so TRAACA participants will have an easy choice of multiple routes back to the Southside.

Please RSVP to Lynn Heimerl at (757) 659-7414 or n.l.heimerl@charter.net by Friday, February 7th. We hope to see you at the museum!



CAUGHT IN THE HEADLIGHTS: Billy & Ashley Stutz (and kids Owen & Abby and pets Franklin & TJ) and their 1971 MGB. Read the article on Pg 12.



TRAACA CALENDAR

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

FEBRUARY 2019

- 13 TRAACA Board Meeting
Dawson's Accounting
Virginia Beach, VA
- 16 TRAACA Tour of U.S. Army
Transportation Museum
Ft. Eustis, VA
- 21 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Lake Wright Quality Suites
Norfolk, VA

MARCH 2019

- 3 TRAACA Theater & Dinner
"The Great American
Trailer Park Musical"
Newport News, VA
- 9 TRAACA Annual Swap Meet
Nansemond-Suffolk Academy
Suffolk, VA
- 14 TRAACA Board Meeting
Dawson's Accounting
Virginia Beach, VA
- 21 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Lake Wright Quality Suites
Norfolk, VA

APRIL 2019

- 11 TRAACA Board Meeting
Dawson's Accounting
Virginia Beach, VA
- 18 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Lake Wright Quality Suites
Norfolk, VA
- 28 Virginia International Tattoo
Norfolk, VA

MAY 2019

- 9 TRAACA Board Meeting
Dawson's Accounting
Virginia Beach, VA
- 11 TRAACA Square Car Tour
Pungo, VA
- 18 TRAACA Spring Barbecue
Dewey & Maxine Milligan's
Chesapeake, VA

Behind the Wheel

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What a nice evening we had last month at our Annual Awards Banquet and Induction Ceremony! It was great seeing such a large gathering of club members socializing and sharing each other's company. Congratulations to all the award winners, 25-year and 40-year members, and special recognition award winners! I want to extend my sincere appreciation to Mark for leading our club the past 2 years. He and his Board Member team made extraordinary accomplishments both at the local regional level and at the national level. I look forward to working with my Board and serving the membership as we progress into the new year. I am looking forward to my first trip to the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia where I have the privilege of representing all of you in the Tidewater Region.

This month is our club's 64th birthday! Happy

Birthday, TRAACA! The Tidewater Region was officially chartered as a region of the AACA on February 4, 1955. Thomas Moody, founding member of the Tidewater Region, owned a gas station on Virginia Beach Blvd in the 1950s. He and several of his "old car" friends would frequently gather at his station and talk cars. In 1955 Thomas and his friends decided to form the Tidewater Region. Sixty-four years later we find ourselves pretty much doing the same thing, talking cars and just having fun!

For those of you who may not know me very well, I retired from the U.S. Coast Guard in July 2017 after 23 years of active duty service. I enrolled in the Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) program at Tidewater Community College (TCC) and began my first semester in the fall of 2017. I have been a full-time student since my retirement. I am now in my final semester at TCC and will graduate in May with an Associate's Degree in HVAC. I just started working at Damuth Trane as an intern. It is nice to finally be in the field working again and applying my knowledge!

Until next month, I hope to see you at the February Dinner Meeting or at our February activity!

Matt



TRAACA February Dinner Meeting

Thursday, February 21, 2019



Our February Dinner Meeting is on Thursday, February 21st, at the Lake Wright Quality Suites (1521 Premium Outlets Blvd, Norfolk, VA 23502). Dinner is Chicken Marsala, Baked Tilapia with picante sauce, rice pilaf, seasoned green beans, house salad, and chef's choice of desserts. The cost of the dinner is only \$25 per member.

Social hour is from 6:00-6:45 PM, with dinner at 6:45 PM, followed by a brief business meeting. Instead of a guest speaker, there will be a video and special presentations commemorating the region's 64th anniversary.

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

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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
Jan 11, 2019, TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes
(final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

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

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

President: Welcomed the attendees and thanked everyone for coming. Thanked Charlie for hosting the meeting.

Vice President: Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

Secretary's Report:

- The December Board Meeting minutes sent & approved via email and published in the January *Mudflap*.

Treasurer's Report:

- December monthly reports reviewed. The Holiday Inn mistakenly charged us twice for the November Dinner Meeting room set up. A \$75 refund from the hotel will be issued back to the club.
- 2018 Summary Report reviewed.
- Status of AACA Donation Fund reported. After lengthy discussion, decision made that the separate AACA Donation Fund in place in 2018 would be dissolved for 2019 and that the 2019 Board would decide on how it wants to generate the 2020 annual donation to National.
- Status of 2019 *Mudflap* advertising renewals reviewed. The majority of advertisers have renewed. A half-page ad and two business card ad spaces are still available in *The Mudflap*.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2019 Activities Committee:

- Saturday, January 26: TRAACA Whale-Watching Trip. 35-37 RSVPs received. Travis was able to negotiate a group rate for us, so tickets are now \$23/person.
- Saturday, February 16: TRAACA Tour of U.S. Army Transportation Museum at Ft. Eustis, VA. Joint Activity with the Historic Virginia Peninsula Region (HVPR).

Restaurants (Marion McAlpine):

- Saturday, January 19: Annual Awards Banquet and Board Induction at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach. Social hour starts at 5 PM, dinner at 6 PM. The cash bar was negotiated down to \$75 and the microphone down to \$50.
- Thursday, February 21: February Dinner Meeting at the Lake Wright Quality Suites in Norfolk, VA. Social hour starts at 6 PM, dinner at 6:45 PM. No Guest Speaker scheduled yet. Vickie has the menu selections for the February and March dinner meetings.

Membership (Jerry Adams):

- Status as of December 31: 198 memberships/344 members.
- Status as of January 1, 2019: 170 memberships/298 members. Our renewal rate for 2019 is well ahead of where we were this time last year. Accolades to Jerry for his continued effort with the membership database. The majority of non-renewals are complimentary and military memberships handed out in 2018.

Unfinished Business:

- TRAACA 2018 Annual Awards: All trophies have been ordered and will be ready for pickup on 16 January.

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- Charlie Dawson's Offer to Donate His 1956 IH Pickup Truck to the Region: The purpose behind this initiative was to secure insurance coverage on the club's new trailer when it was not being used. The motion approved last month to accept this offer was contingent on liability coverage questions on the truck and coverage for trailer contents. Charlie confirmed with Hagerty Insurance that trailer contents are not covered and that Hagerty was not able to provide what we were looking for. Motion made by Travis to retract last month's motion and that insurance is not desired for the trailer. Motion seconded by Charlie. Motion approved.

New Business:

- TRAACA Annual Donation to AACA: Tim motioned to donate \$1,000 to the AACA Library & HQ Building Fund; motion seconded by Matt. Motion approved.
- 2019 Annual Swap Meet: Bill to start working more on this as far as publicity and advertising go, and to check with the City of Suffolk to see if a permit is required.
- Sponsoring High School Student(s) for Pennsylvania College of Technology Automotive Restoration Summer Camp: Topic brought up for attention only because the information is not out yet. Board to consider approving the \$350 fee to sponsor a prospective student to attend when more information is available.
- *Mudflap* Newsletter Printing Costs: It costs \$120 to print 28 color copies (color front and back covers), \$60 for all black & white. Motion made by Tim to save \$60 and move from color to black & white *Mudflap* newsletters; motion seconded by Scott. Motion approved.

Other Business:

- VPCCC Monthly Meeting Report: NSTR—no VPCCC meeting held in December. 2019 dues paid.
- CCCHR Monthly Meeting Report: NSTR: Skip paid 2019 dues on behalf of TRAACA. Board directed Skip be reimbursed.
- Club Officer Continuity Book: Mark has final product and will provide it to Board Members this weekend.
- Mark noted that this was his final Board Meeting as President, thanked the other members of the Board for their dedicated service to the club, and congratulated the incoming Board.

Adjourned: Having no other business, motion to adjourn made by Tim; seconded by Charlie. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM. The next Board Meeting is rescheduled for 6:30 PM, Wed, 13 February, at Dawson's Accounting in Virginia Beach.

Respectfully submitted, Vickie Doscher



TRAACA Annual Awards Banquet

Saturday, January 19, 2019

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

On January 19, 2019, there was a wedding at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach, VA. It was a rather nice day for a January wedding, with temperatures in the low 60s, and the bridal party looked beautiful. It was also a nice day for the TRAACA's 64th Annual Awards Ceremony and Board Installation. The TRAACA event is the real reason for this article. After all, this is an antique car club, so let's talk about the TRAACA event that took place at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach, VA, on January 19th.

At the TRAACA Silent Auction last November, Mark & I won the bid for a one-night stay and breakfast for 2 at the Founders Inn. We decided the Annual Award Ceremony and Board Installation would be a great time to use our prize. Chris Hunt, friend and fellow TRAACA member, was able to procure a good rate for a room, so she rode with us to the hotel and helped with setting up the decorations on the tables. Both ours and Chris's accommodations were very nice. Chris had the nicer view overlooking the fountain and lake in the back of the hotel. Instead of driving home after the banquet, it was nice to relax in one of the Founders Inn lounges.

The food was excellent, with three entrees consisting of chicken with herb citrus sauce, roast beef with demi-glaze sauce, and salmon with dill caper cream sauce accompanied by mashed sweet potatoes, salad, vegetables, rolls and butter. Dessert was decadent chocolate cake and tasty cheesecake. The club subsidized \$15.00/person for the dinner to keep the cost to the TRAACA members to \$25.00/person.

After dinner, TRAACA President and National AACA Director Mark McAlpine began presenting the annual awards, with help from previous TRAACA Presidents, who announced the 2018 award winners and shared some funny stories and a little club history. There were a lot of smiles and some surprised recipients, such as Jerry & Ellen Adams, who received the President's Award; Bob Stein, who received the Merritt Horne Participation Award; and Toni McChesney who received the Lalique Award. Jim (a National AACA Director) & Donna Elliott needed a large truck to take home their many awards which included the Century Participation Award, the Bartlett Bowl, the Beaulieu Cup, and the Overland Award. Jim Elliott was also awarded the 2018 Duryea Award. The Ivie Lister Award went to Daniel & Diana Ethridge, who were unable to attend the dinner, so it was presented to them at the TRAACA January Activity the following week. The Spark Plug Award will be presented at a later time to Bob Hanbury, who was also unable to attend the banquet dinner. Terry Bond (previous National AACA Director & 2010 AACA National President) and Bob Stein were awarded the *Mudflap* Award. Terry Bond also received a Duryea Award cube for his previous and current work with National AACA. Bill Treadwell received the Hard Luck Award. We were so happy that Dwight & Jane Schaubach were present to receive their silver 25-Year TRAACA Member name tags. Dewey & Maxine Milligan were present and were added to the list of 40-Year



The TRAACA's 2019 Board of Directors (L-R): Matt Doscher (President), Ellen Adams (Treasurer), Bill Treadwell (Secretary), Wayne Milligan (Vice President), and Board Members Travis Berry, Dot Parrish, and Charlie Dawson. Not shown: Board Member Tim Hund.

TRAACA Members. (Red & Zelda Lang also achieved 40 years of membership, but were not present.) All 40+-year members receive free TRAACA membership for reaching this milestone. A Special Recognition Award was presented to Bob Pellerin for his previous work as dinner meeting guest speaker coordinator. Mark & I purchased and presented a Special Recognition Award to Rad & Margie Tillett for "Going the Extra Mile" and traveling from Kitty Hawk to so many TRAACA events. A complete list of awards presented at the event can be found on Page 17.

Each year during this annual event, the newly elected TRAACA Board of Directors takes its oath of office. Generally, Board Members serve in their positions for two years. This year, the following members were replaced and recognized for their service to the club: Mark McAlpine—President; Vickie Doscher—Secretary; and Board Members

Jerry Adams and Scott Davies. (Scott served for one year, filling in for Hilary Pavlidis who moved after a year.)

Bob Parrish (2017 AACA National President and a National AACA Director) installed the 2019 TRAACA Officers and Board. When Bob introduced each Board member, he handed each a different kind of key, which signified the Board member's position and their new responsibilities involved on the Board. The 2019 TRAACA Board consists of Matt Doscher—President; Wayne Milligan—Vice President; Ellen Adams—Treasurer; Bill Treadwell—Secretary; and Board Members Travis Berry, Charlie Dawson, Tim Hund, and Dot Parrish.

With 70 people signed up, the event was well attended. Everyone enjoyed the evening and went home with a beautiful banquet program designed by Dot Parrish. Thank you very much, Dot!



You can tell by the delicious food that it was a TRAACA activity



Dot & Cecil Burr enjoy the camaraderie before dinner



Bob Stein presented Toni McChesney the Lalilque Award for "untiring service, contributions, selfless dedication" to the region



(L-R) Jim Villers presents Jim Elliott the TRAACA Duryea Award



(L-R) Terry Bond presents TRAACA silver name tags to Jane & Dwight Schaubach to recognize their 25 years of membership



(L-R) Outgoing TRAACA President Mark McAlpine presents the TRAACA President's Award to Jerry & Ellen Adams



TRAACA Whale-Watching Trip

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Story by Travis Berry. Photos by Bob Stein.

On Saturday January 26th, 35 of your fellow TRAACA members got together for an adventure on the high seas! We started the new year with a whale-watching cruise aboard the *Atlantic Explorer*, followed by dinner at Chix Seaside Grille and Bar. We met at the Virginia Aquarium dock, located adjacent to the Bay & Ocean Pavilion of the Virginia Aquarium in Virginia Beach, at 1:30 PM for check in, and set sail for our two-and-a-half-hour afternoon cruise at 2:00 PM.

The 2.5-hour trip took place aboard the *Atlantic Explorer*, a spacious and stable catamaran that boasts one of the most comfortable rides in Virginia Beach, and has been outfitted especially for conducting whale watching boat trips. We had spectacular views from outdoor its covered decks, and from the cushioned seats inside the heated cabin. The *Atlantic Explorer* also had a snack bar (the hot cocoa really hit the spot), ship's store, indoor educational activity space, flat screen monitors, and modern restroom facilities.

Before we even left the dock, a harbor seal was sticking its head up out of the water and observing us landlubbers! We saw bald eagles in the trees on the shore across from the boat dock. Terry Bond once again supplied us with great weather for this time of year. With sunny skies and temps around 50 degrees on shore, we departed the dock. Our excursion was led by knowledgeable educators who had been specially trained by aquarium experts. During our journey through Owls Creek to Rudee Inlet, we saw a variety of seabirds and waterfowl. Once we were through Rudee Inlet and into the Atlantic, our search for whales and wildlife began.

We travelled out into the ocean and headed north towards the Chesapeake Bay. We saw more seabirds flying about and floating in the ocean. The aquarium staff gave us insight into all the seabirds and their activities. They also instructed us to be on the lookout for "whale's blow"—the moist breath that whales spray out of their blowholes when they exhale. Once we were off Cape Henry, we encountered our first whales.

We looked like whale paparazzi as the crew maneuvered the ship around to provide everyone a chance to see the whales. The Virginia Aquarium participates in "Whale SENSE"—a program designed to protect the whales—so we were kept at a safe distance from the whales, and the program limits the time following the whales. After another whale encounter, we headed back to Rudee Inlet. By this time the temperature was starting to drop and our appetites were rising.

Once back on shore we departed the dock for dinner. We drove a short distance to Chix Seaside Grille and Bar, located on Atlantic Ave in Virginia Beach. We were met there by more club members that were unable to attend the cruise. Chix features casual beachfront dining on local seafood and American eats with a full bar and indoor-outdoor seating. The atmosphere was great, and the food was delicious.

If you were unable to attend, the Virginia Aquarium conducts its whale-watching trips through March. I highly recommend their tours—a great time is sure to be had.



(L-R) Abby Vaughan, Kim & Travis Berry brave the elements



TRAACA members gather before their 2.5-hr whale-watching excursion (not a 3-hr tour—they didn't want to join Gilligan & Mary Ann)



Joe & Genny Formato waiting for the boat to depart



Wayne & Carol Milligan were ready for the high seas



Some members wisely stayed inside until whales were spotted



Dennis & Paula Hennessey stayed warm until the whales showed



Linda Pellerin dressed for the cruise



(L-R) The Old and New Cape Henry Lighthouses



One of the 4-5 elusive humpback whales spotted by members. (Yes, it's really a whale. Sorry—this wasn't a Pacific Life Insurance ad.)



Diana & Daniel Etheridge were unable to attend the TRAACA Awards Banquet, so they received the Ivie Lister Award at Chix



Ford Model T Museum Richmond, IN



Story by Mark McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

As we travel around the country to attend AACA national shows, Marion & I like to visit automobile museums along the route or near the show. When we drove to Auburn, IN, last May to attend the AACA Central Spring Meet in Auburn, IN, our plans were to visit the RPM Collection in Fishers, IN, but as we approached Indiana we couldn't contact anyone at the museum via telephone to confirm the hours it was open, its website was inactive, and the last post on its Facebook page was in March 2018 (as I write this article, it's still the most current post), so we looked for other options. We're glad we did—we discovered the Model T Ford Club of America's Model T Museum in Richmond, IN.

Richmond is about 75 miles east of Indianapolis. It's a flashback to small-town America with beautiful old buildings, nice parks, interesting history (its Levi Coffin House was known as the Grand Central Station of the Underground Railroad and its Gennett Recording Studio is often referred to as the "Cradle of Modern Jazz" and recorded music greats like Louis Armstrong, Gene Autry, Hoagy Carmichael, Duke Ellington, and Jelly Roll Morton), and a vibrance represented by the repurposing and restoration of many old buildings. As we entered the city's Historic District, we were greeted by a Model T atop an old water tower. What a great first impression!

The Model T Museum opened in 2015. Most of its collection is housed in a large pole barn-type building. It

contains approximately 18 vehicles, but not all are Model Ts. There are also a few earlier Ford automobiles including a 1903 Model A and a 1907 Model R Runabout. There's also a 1931 Pietenpol Sky Scout airplane powered by a Model T engine mounted backwards so that the airplane's propeller replaces the engine's flywheel. Model Ts on display include roadsters, touring cars, and speedsters, and some variations that show the versatility of the Model T such as a firetruck, a Huckster wagon, an all-original 1922 Model T Snowmobile (which was used as a rural mail delivery truck in the 1920s and 1930s), and a vegetable delivery truck. The museum has a number of interesting displays including a Model T chassis and a cutaway Model T engine. It also houses the Model T Ford Club of America's Bruce McCalley Memorial Library and Research Center.

An interesting display was the 1926 Ford Model T Touring Car, nicknamed "The Silver Streak" (because it was painted silver), driven by Darlene Dorgan and 4-5 girlfriends during their summer vacations every year from 1936-1942. Their journeys from Bradford, Illinois, expanded from their initial camping trip in Wisconsin to journeys through 44 states and parts of Canada and Mexico. According to the display's information placards, the girls initially called themselves the "Bradford Model T Girls," but later called themselves the "Gypsy Coeds." The car is decorated with hand-painted slogans, autographs, and the places the girls



The Ford Model T Museum in Richmond, IN



The entrance to the museum's main display room



1931 Pietenpol Sky Scout airplane with a Model T engine



1903 Ford Model A—1 of about 1,750 made & 60 known to remain

visited. The car and the journeys are a story in themselves.

Marion & I spoke with the curator on duty—Justin Mitchell. It was great seeing a young man interested in antique cars. Justin was very knowledgeable about the cars and artifacts on display. He also explained that the museum had more vehicles stored across the street from the museum. He called the museum's director—Susan Yaeger—who was in her office in the other building and offered to show us the other vehicles. We pounced on the opportunity.

The other building was a former furniture store. It now has murals painted on the front and side of the building to look like old storefronts. Ms. Yeager explained that the plan was to make the building resemble an old Ford dealership inside and out. The renovation was almost complete when we visited and should be open to the public by now. (If it

isn't open when you visit, ask nicely and they may give you access to it.) Inside the building were another 20+ Model Ts, including a replica of the first Ford automobile—the 1896 quadricycle, a 1917 Model TT dump truck, 1922 Model T Coupe, a 1922 Model T Snowmobile, a 1923 Model T Depot Hack, a 1923 Model T truck with a replica school bus body, 1924 Model T Speedster, and a 1924 Model T Ambulance. Several Fordson tractors also were on display.

If you're ever traveling anywhere near central Indiana, we recommend detouring to Richmond to visit the Model T Museum. Even if your tastes run to a different generation of cars, the Model T Museum is worth the trip. It is an interesting collection of Model Ts and automotive history. Leave yourself some extra time to visit Richmond, too—it looks like a great little town.



1907 Ford Model R Runabout



(L-R) 1924 Ford Model T Roadster & 1926 Model T Touring Car



1909 Ford Model T Touring Car—#394 out of 15 million Model Ts



1926 Ford Model T "Gypsy Coeds Silver Streak" Touring Car



1922 Ford Model T snowmobile—original with homemade body



1915 Ford Model T Touring Car with "Mak-a-Traktor" conversion



Still Collecting Stuff— Investing in Your Future? Stock Certificates

By Terry Bond

Admittedly, investing in the stock market is a gamble; however, even if you buy something that turns out to be worthless, the stock certificate itself may eventually prove to be quite valuable.

The stock certificate is a paper document that certifies ownership of a certain number of shares of stock for a company. Stock certificates were issued as early as the later 1800s. In Europe, the first known certificates were issued in 1906 in the Netherlands. Today, electronic record certification has all but eliminated the need for printed certificates of ownership. Only a few companies continue to issue them.

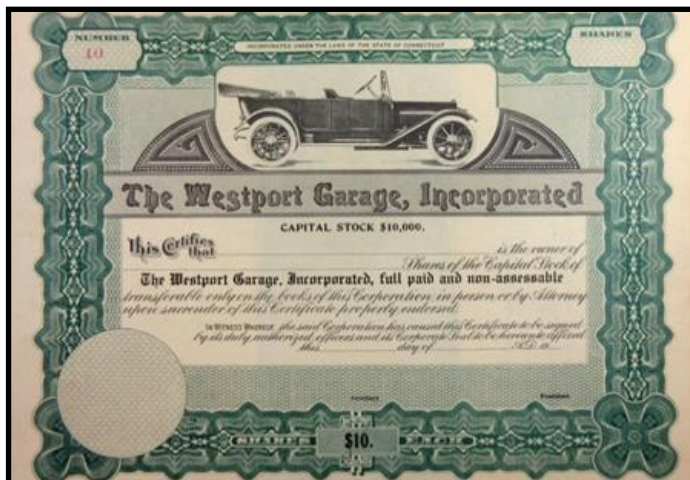
Those older stock certificates were works of art in many cases, depicting fancy company logos or illustrations of the products they produced. Railroad stock certificates depicting steaming locomotives are much sought after by collectors of railroad items. Still other certificates depicting mechanical equipment, early airplanes, steamships, or farm equipment are equally in demand among collectors.

Of course, for collectors of automotive-related artifacts, stock certificates from auto manufacturers are in high

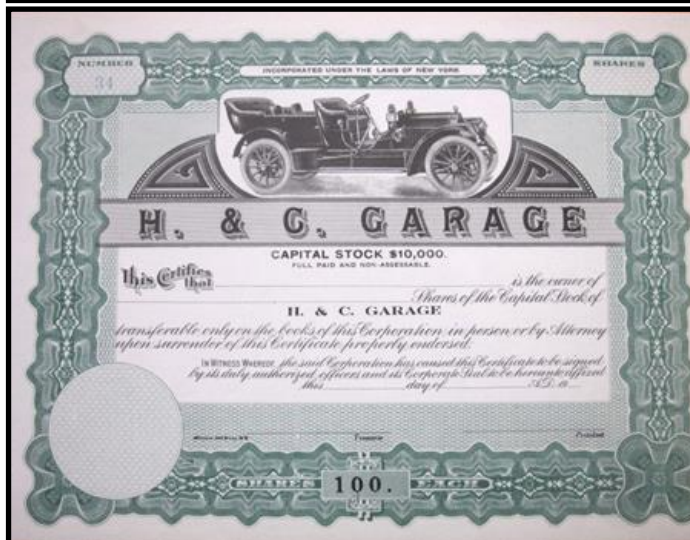
demand, especially if they contain important signatures of well-known people in the history of the automobile. You can easily understand that such items would appeal to autograph collectors as well.

There are also many automobile-related stock certificates that can be collected. There were many aftermarket accessories produced, and stock certificates for those companies can also be found with great artwork on them. Oil and gasoline companies, tire companies, even taxi services, garages, and automobile storage facilities sometimes incorporated and issued common stock with well-illustrated certificates. Many small companies simply used generic blank certificates, but those that were custom produced with great artwork are the most interesting to try and collect.

Let's look at a few examples –



Stock certificate from Westport Garage, Inc.—from the later teens, with a well-illustrated automobile on it



Another interesting garage stock certificate—H.C. Garage—with a different car on it, but using the same “generic” certificate blank



An early railroad stock certificate



Ford Motor Company certificate with Henry Ford's signature

Condition can be difficult to assess. Many stock certificates were over-stamped when redeemed or cancelled. Many were “punched” as shares were sold or dividends were paid. There can be a lot of “scribbling” on them; however, so long as the image is bold and the autographs are clear, none of that affects value. Stock certificates were intended to be folded and creased, so again, that does not normally detract seriously from the value. However, major wear from folding or unnatural folding would equate to “damage.” Water stains, residue from scotch tape, and evidence the certificate

has been glued into an album would all decrease its value significantly.

There are specialist dealers who often have a good selection of stock certificates for sale. They appear sometimes in auctions and flea markets. I also enjoy going to railroad/model train shows as there will be at least one or more vendors there who will have a binder of different railroad stock certificates for sale—and there are usually one or two automobile-related items in there as well!

Price ranges for many of the stock certificates shown here in this article run from \$75-\$200. It's not an in expensive

collectible, but if you own a Stutz, or a Tucker, or even a Model T, you need at least one nicely framed certificate on the wall of your garage!

Enjoy the photos, and happy collecting (or should I say investing).

Terry Bond



A great Dort Motor Car Company stock certificate carrying the signatures of company executives



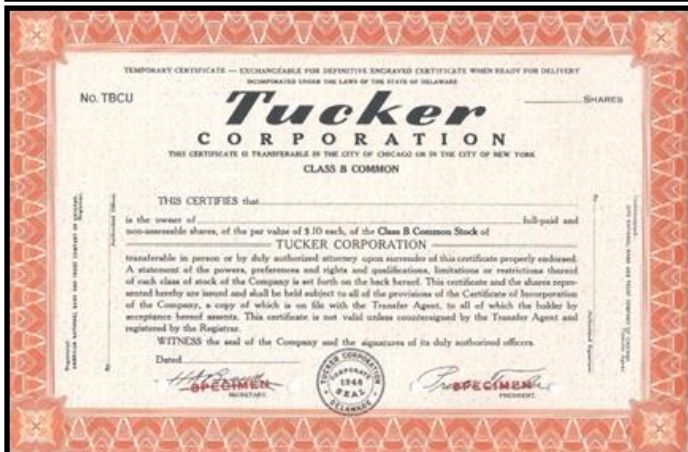
Huntley & Palmers Rolls-Royce tin from the 1920s—value \$600+



An obscure F.A.L. Automobile Company stock certificate



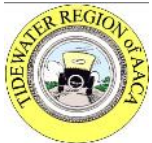
An early Packard Motor Car Company stock certificate



A Tucker Corporation certificate signed by Preston Tucker



A Hudson Motor Car Company stock certificate



Caught in the Headlights

Billy & Ashley Stutz and Their 1971 MGB

Story as told to Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.



Billy & Ashley Stutz's 1971 MGB roadster

Fellow TRAACA members Billy & Ashley Stutz have two antique cars, and they love them both. This article features the Stutzes' 1971 MGB roadster. Billy & Ashley named their 1971 MGB "the Renascor," which is Latin for born again or renewed. Billy & Ashley have owned their MGB for almost five years, having purchased it in February 2014.

When asked why an MG, Billy said he was first attracted to an MGB GT he saw on a For Sale lot (aka "Lemon Lot") on a military base when he was 16 years old. Billy's father (who also enjoys antique cars), convinced Billy the MGB GT would be too much work. Billy had always been into antique cars, but that car spurred his interest in antique British sports cars. Billy reports his original search for an antique sports car was for a Chevrolet Corvette. After seeing the cost of Corvettes and their parts, Billy expanded his search to include the MG for his first restoration project.

In February 2014, Billy located a 1971 MGB roadster for sale in Bristol, TN. The car was owned by a school teacher (not the car's original owner), who often used it for a daily driver and lent the car to students to drive their dates to the school prom. Figuring he could drive the MGB home, Billy purchased a one-way airline ticket to Bristol, TN. Billy estimates the MGB underwent some prior restoration, probably in the 1980s. Although, the condition of the MGB was not as good as Billy had hoped, it was solid and (he hoped) drivable. Billy left Bristol, TN, about 7 PM that February evening, driving the MGB back to Chesapeake, VA, without a top or a heater.

After getting the 1971 MGB home (and thawing out), Billy began the restoration process. He had help from his neighbor, who had built numerous hot rods, a fellow local MG club member, and, of course, his father. The interior was in great shape, but the body was damaged from a tree falling on the front end. Thus, the body and engine were the areas requiring the majority of the work.

In under 4 months, the MGB underwent a massive restoration, with either new or restored parts, from the front spoiler to the rear bumper. Billy replaced the front

fenders, bonnet (hood), and boot (trunk) lid. He even prepped the car before having it painted, which included Billy removing all the trim work, door handles, and lights, and sanding the body down to bare metal. After the paint job, Billy reinstalled all the removed parts. Billy & Ashley captured the restoration of their MGB in a wonderful hardcover book full of color pictures, a great keepsake!

The MGB roadster (aka tourer) was produced from 1962 to 1980. The Stutzes' 1971 MGB has a 1,798-cc, 4-cylinder engine with 95 hp. The car is equipped with a manual 4-speed transmission with electric overdrive. The top speed when new was estimated at 107 mph, reaching 0-60 mph in ~ 11 seconds.

Billy & Ashley have won several awards with their 1971 MGB roadster, including 2nd Place at the British Car Club Show in Williamsburg, VA, and trophies from the TRAACA Annual Shows. Although the Stutzes' daughter Abby reports the 1971 MGB is "loud" when going for a drive compared to their Model A, Billy & Ashley state the 1971 MGB is a fun car to drive & they're happy to own it.



The MGB's sporty interior



The MGB's 1,798-cc engine sports some appearance accessories

More Photos from the TRAACA Annual Awards Banquet — Saturday, January 19, 2019



(L-R) Richard Hall presents the Merritt Horne Participation Award to Bob Stein



Mickey McChesney (C) presents Restoration Awards to Bill Treadwell and Bob Stein



(L-R) Terry Bond receives TRAACA Duryea Award from Mark McAlpine



Nancy Soscia and Wes Neal



Pat Locke (C) presents Mudflap Awards to Terry Bond and Bob Stein



Neil & Marty Sugermeyer



Cheryl & Daniel Hawk



Sam Kern (C) presents the Bartlett Bowl to Donna & Jim Elliott



Cori & Paul Fuqua



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRAACA SWAP MEET



**Saturday, March 9, 2019
Nansemond-Suffolk Academy**

Volunteers are needed to help make this year's Swap Meet a very successful event.

You can help by volunteering a couple hours of your time—and it is easy. You do not have to get your classic vehicle out of the garage (but you may want to dig out some spare parts or automobilia to bring to the Swap Meet).

Volunteers are needed for the following:

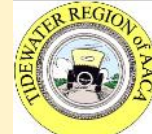
- Field Layout: Friday, March 8, late morning/early afternoon depending on the group and weather;**
- Indoor Vendor Check-In / Table Set-up: Friday 1-5 PM and/or Saturday 7 AM;**
- Outdoor Vendor Check-In / Space Assignment / Assistance: Saturday, 7 AM;**
- Bake Sale: Saturday 9 AM – 1 PM;**
- Clean-Up – Saturday, 3 PM or earlier.**

Many hands will make this whole event go quickly and be less work for all involved, so please volunteer.

Sign-up sheets will be at the February Dinner Meeting (Thursday, February 21st, at the Lake Wright Quality Suites in Norfolk) or sign up by contacting our Swap Meet Chairman, Bill Treadwell, at (757) 650-3667 or via e-mail at tbears3@verizon.net.



TRAACA 2019 Activities Calendar



<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE(S)</u>	<u>ACTIVITY & LOCATION</u>	<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE(S)</u>	<u>ACTIVITY & LOCATION</u>
JANUARY	11	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting Virginia Beach, VA	JULY	11	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	19	TRAACA Annual Awards Banquet & Board Installation Founders Inn, Virginia Beach, VA		13	TRAACA Tour of Fort Wool Hampton, VA
	26	TRAACA Whale-Watching Trip Virginia Beach, VA		18	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Cypress Point Country Club Virginia Beach, VA
FEBRUARY	13	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA	AUGUST	3	TRAACA Tour of Cavalier Hotel Tarnished Truth Distillery Virginia Beach, VA
	16	TRAACA Tour of U.S. Army Transportation Museum Ft. Eustis, VA <i>(Joint TRAACA & HVPRAACA Activity)</i>		8	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	21	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Lake Wright Quality Suites Norfolk, VA		15	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Cypress Point Country Club Virginia Beach, VA
MARCH	3	TRAACA Theater Night & Dinner <i>"The Great American Trailer Park Musical"</i> at the Peninsula Community Theater Newport News, VA	SEPTEMBER	12	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	9	TRAACA 24th Annual Swap Meet Nansemond-Suffolk Academy Suffolk, VA		14	TRAACA Ice Cream Social Doumar's Barbecue Norfolk, VA
	14	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA		19	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Cypress Point Country Club Virginia Beach, VA
	21	TRAACA <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> Dinner Meeting Lake Wright Quality Suites Norfolk, VA		28	TRAACA 46th Annual Car Show Military Aviation Museum Virginia Beach, VA
APRIL	11	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA	OCTOBER	3	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	18	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Lake Wright Quality Suites Norfolk, VA		19	TRAACA Chili Cook-Off (instead of October dinner mtg) Dewey & Maxine Milligan's Chesapeake, VA
	28	Virginia International Tattoo Norfolk, VA	NOVEMBER	9-10	TRAACA Fall Tour Petersburg, VA
MAY	9	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA		14	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	11	TRAACA <i>Square Car Tour</i> Pungo, VA	21	TRAACA Dinner Meeting and <i>Annual Silent Auction</i> Cypress Point Country Club Virginia Beach, VA	
	18	TRAACA Barbecue (instead of May dinner meeting) Dewey & Maxine Milligan's home Chesapeake, VA	DECEMBER	8	TRAACA Holiday Brunch Princess Anne Country Club Virginia Beach, VA
JUNE	TBD	Mount Pleasant Plantation & Audrain Museum Tour Surry, VA <i>(Joint TRAACA & HVPRAACA Activity)</i>		12	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA
	13	TRAACA Board Meeting Dawson's Accounting, VAB, VA		14	CBN Christmas Village Virginia Beach, VA
	20	TRAACA Dinner Meeting Lake Wright Quality Suites Norfolk, VA		14	Wreaths Across America

A round of applause to our Activities Committee for coming up with such fun and interesting activities for us to enjoy this year! Check the monthly Mudflap newsletter and weekly Mud Speck e-mails for more information on each activity.

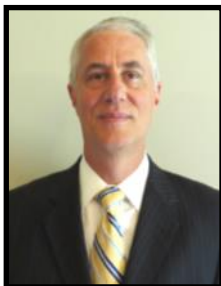


Where Are All the New Members?

By Mark McAlpine

AACA VP Regions—Central Division

(Reprinted from the Fall 2018 AACA *Rummage Box* newsletter)



A common challenge confronting almost all AACA regions and chapters is finding new members. (This isn't just an AACA problem—clubs of every size and form are confronting the same problem. Many people today, especially younger generations, don't seem to be interested in joining clubs.) I don't have an easy solution, but, as we all grapple with how to attract new members, I can offer a few suggestions:

- Use the four free 1-year new memberships provided each year to every AACA region and chapter president and the free 1-year new memberships offered to military veterans through the Military Sponsorship Program. (AACA Headquarters mailed the four free memberships in late September. If you didn't receive them, contact headquarters. You can find the Military Sponsorship Program membership applications on the AACA website—www.aaca.org—under "Military" in the "Member Info" drop-down menu at the top of the homepage. You can also request military sponsorship program applications from headquarters.) These are great tools that are under utilized—only 52% of the AACA regions and chapters used any of their four free memberships in 2018. Use yours! I also encourage you to match the free national memberships you give out with 1-year free memberships in your region or chapter. Roughly two-thirds of the people who receive a free membership renew the next year—that's a pretty good rate of return of people who bring new ideas and enthusiasm (and cars!) to our clubs.

- Talk to people you meet who are interested in old cars and educate them about the AACA. Surprisingly, there are a lot of people who love, and even own, antique vehicles who have never heard of the AACA. Even many people who have heard of the AACA think you have to own an antique vehicle to join the club or that the club is only about showing expensive "trailer queens." Educate them about our club, its Library & Research Center, and its website & online forum. (Use the trifold information brochures the AACA produced for regions & chapters to use. If you run out, contact AACA HQ and ask for more.) Inform potential new members that they don't have to own an antique vehicle to join the AACA, they just have to like old cars, trucks, and/or motorcycles. They don't have to be rich—most of our members aren't. Our national shows aren't just for concours-level, professionally restored cars—most vehicles on our show fields are restored by the owners. Also, explain about our Historic Preservation of Original Features class and Driver Participation Class. We are an all-encompassing club offering something for everyone.

- Ask people to join the club. Recruitment of new members is a personal thing. People don't usually join a club because they see an ad, flyer, or membership tent. They join because they speak with someone, find they have a common interest, and learn more about the club. Ask these new potential members to come to one of your region's/chapter's meetings or activities to meet other members and find out more about your region/chapter and the AACA. (And when they show up, make sure someone welcomes them, introduces them to other members, and talks to them. We all know how uncomfortable it can be to show up at an activity and not know anyone. If you don't welcome these new members and ensure they have fun, how likely do you think it is that they'll return and join your club?) Then ask them to join—the direct approach works. (And don't forget about those free memberships you can offer!)

Attracting new members to the AACA and our regions & chapters is a contact sport—it takes personal engagement. It won't happen because the AACA takes out ads in magazines, has membership tents at our national shows, or distributes flyers at car shows or auctions. Those efforts may attract a few new members, but the real success comes in individual personal effort. Every member—not just your region's/chapter's Membership Chairperson—is a recruiter for our national club and your region/chapter. When you talk to someone at a local car show, someone you see with an antique vehicle in a parking lot or at the gas station, or even a neighbor or friend at work who's interested in old cars, talk to them about the AACA and ask them to join our club. We have room for everyone who loves antique vehicles.



AACA Calendar of Events

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

FEBRUARY 2019

7-9 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

21-23 AACA Winter National
Ocala, FL

APRIL 2019

4-6 AACA SE Spring National
Charlotte, NC

29- AACA SE Divisional Tour
1 May Wilmington, NC

MAY 2019

30- AACA Grand National
1 Jun Auburn, IN

JUNE 2019

2-7 AACA Founders Tour
Seward, NE

26-29 Eastern Spring National
Parsippany, NJ

AUGUST 2019

4-9 AACA Vintage Tour
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

SEPTEMBER 2019

22-27 AAA Revival Glidden Tour
Charlotte, NC

OCTOBER 2019

9-12 AACA Eastern Fall National
Hershey, PA

23-26 AACA SE Fall National
Mobile, AL

NOVEMBER 2019

6-9 Western Fall National
Fallbrook, CA

FEBRUARY 2020

6-8 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

20-22 AACA Winter National
Miami, FL

APRIL 2020

2-5 AACA SE Spring National
Charlotte, NC

MAY 2020

13-16 AACA Eastern Division Tour
Eastern Shore, MD

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

JUNE 2020

7-12 AACA Sentimental Tour
Potomac Highlands, WV

JULY 2020

8-11 2020 AACA Grand National
Allentown, PA

16-18 AACA SE Fall National
Louisville, KY

The Tidewater Region AACA invites you to our



ANNUAL SWAP MEET



8 AM to 3 PM

Saturday, March 9, 2019 (Rain or Shine)

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

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 2nd

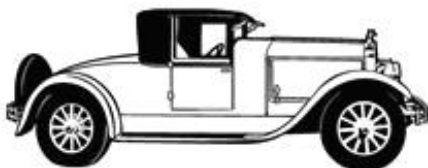
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757-673-3240

Bill Treadwell, Swap Meet Chairman
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www.traaca.com





TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our New Members!

Steve Cauffiel & Debbie Rogers
Chesapeake, VA

Jim Marriner
Chesapeake, VA



Members celebrating anniversaries in February



Curtis & Sheryl Cook
John & Marie Gancel
Dennis & Carla Anne Sobota
Billy & Ashley Stutz
Bob & Ginger Watson



Sunshine Report



Our deepest sympathies & prayers go out to the following members who recently lost loved ones:

- **Doug and William Grosz's father, Charles Grosz**, passed away in Virginia Beach on January 10th. He was 78 years old.

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the following members:

- **Robyn Burnham** had shoulder replacement surgery on January 9, is recovering well & doing physical therapy.
- **Joyce Howard** had cancer surgery in November. Her prognosis is good, but she's undergoing radiation treatment in Ocala as a precaution.

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



Bob Hanbury (holding trophy) was unable to attend the TRAACA Awards Banquet, so (L-R) Terry Bond, Marion McAlpine, and Mark McAlpine visited Bob on 30 Jan to present him the Spark Plug Award



Members celebrating birthdays in February



Thomas Allan
Sue Bond
Victoria Brown
John Gancel
Dennis Hennessey
Darlene Hooks
Joyce Howard

Tim Hund
Al Mercer
Alexander Nazaruk
Linda Pellerin
Lawrence Richway
Billy Stutz



TRAACA 2018 Annual Award Winners



- **Bartlett Bowl:** Jim & Donna Elliott
- **Beaulieu Cup:** Jim & Donna Elliott
- **Century Participation Award:** Jim & Donna Elliott (1931 Cadillac 370A V-12)
- **Duryea Award:** Jim Elliott—2018
Terry Bond—Past Recognition
- **Hard Luck Award:** Bill Treadwell
- **Ivie Lister Award:** Daniel & Diana Etheridge
- **Lalique Award:** Toni McChesney
- **Merritt Horne Participation Award:** Bob Stein
- **Mudflap Newsletter Award:** Terry Bond and Bob Stein
- **Overland Award:** Jim & Donna Elliott
- **President's Award:** Ellen & Jerry Adams
- **Restoration Award:**
 - Andy Ott (1931 Ford Model A pickup)
 - Bob Stein (1993 Bricklin EV Warrior cycle)
 - Bill Treadwell (1973 Oldsmobile Cutlass)
- **Spark Plug Award:** Bob Hanbury

25-year TRAACA Member Name Tags were presented to:

- Jeff Howie (not present)
- Scott & Cathy Miller (not present)
- Dwight & Jane Schaubach

Special Recognition Awards were presented to:

- Bob Pellerin—Dinner Meeting Speaker Coordinator
- Rad & Margie Tillet—"Going the Extra Mile" Award

Special Plaques were presented to the departing TRAACA Board Members for their service to the club:

- Jerry Adams (2016-2018)
- Scott Davies (2018)
- Vickie Doscher (2017-2018)

The following TRAACA members were recognized as recipients of AACA National Awards, which they will receive at the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA:

- Jim & Donna Elliott will receive an AACA National Award for their 1931 Cadillac 370A V-12.
- Marion & Mark McAlpine will receive an AACA Master Editor Award for the region's newsletter.
- Bob Stein will receive an AACA Master Webmaster Award (his 17th!) for the region's website.

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Other Regional and Local Events




MARCH 2019

- 7  47th Annual Cape Fear Chp. Antique Automobile Show
Wilmington, NC
- 10  Chesapeake Region AACA 46th Annual Swap Meet
West Friendship, MD
- 22-23  Sugarloaf Mtn Region AACA 49th Annual Swap Meet
Westminster, MD
- 23 York High School Car Show
Yorktown, VA




APRIL 2019

- 4-7  Charlotte Auto Fair
Hornets Nest Region AACA
Charlotte, NC
- 13 Daffodil Car & Truck Show
Gloucester, VA
- 24-28 Spring Carlisle
Carlisle, PA
- 26-28 Goodguys Rod & Custom 5th North Carolina Nationals
Raleigh, NC
- 27 Virginia Chevy Lovers Spring Dust Off Car Show
Virginia Beach, VA
- 27  Piedmont Region AACA 45th Annual Carfest
Charlottesville, VA

MAY 2019

- 4  20th Annual Williamsburg British & European Car Show
Williamsburg, VA
- 25  Twin County Region AACA 26th Annual "Memories on Main Street" Car Show
Galax, VA
- 27 Classic Cruisers Car Club Memorial Day Car Show
Yorktown, VA
- 31-2 Jun  Carlisle Ford Nationals
Carlisle, PA

JUNE 2019

- 7-8  ODMA Old Dominion Meet Hosted by HVPR AACA
Newport News, VA
- 15  NC Region Spring Meet General Greene Chapter at Richard Petty's Garage
Randleman, NC
- 21-22 Carlisle Chevrolet Nationals
Carlisle, PA
- 22  Accomack-Northampton Region AACA Auto Show
Tasley, VA



24th Annual TRAACA Swap Meet



Saturday, March 9, 2019
8 AM to 3 PM (rain or shine)

New Location:
Nansemond-Suffolk Academy
 3373 Pruden Blvd, Suffolk, VA 23434

Indoor Spaces: \$30 (\$35 after March 2)
Outdoor Spaces: \$25 (\$30 after March 2)
Preregistration Deadline: March 2, 2019

For more info contact: Registration—Jerry Adams at (757) 673-3240
 Swap Meet Chairman—Bill Treadwell at (757) 650-3667
 Or visit our club website: www.traaca.com



Virginia Chevy Lovers



15th Annual

Spring Dust Off Car Show

Saturday, April 27, 2019
 (Rain date is Sunday, April 28, 2019)
Registration: 8:30-11:30 AM / Awards at 3:00 PM
Landstown Commons Shopping Center
Virginia Beach, VA

Preregister: \$20 (mail by April 13 or use PayPal) / Day of Show: \$25
Open to all makes & models cars, trucks and motorcycles 25-yrs old & older
 See VCL website for registration form: www.virginiachevylovers.org
Proceeds benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation



EDITOR'S DESK

Marion McAlpine
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Here we are at the end of the first month of 2019. Mark has now completed his two years as TRAACA President. He no longer has to write the President's Message for *The Mudflap*, so I guess we will start taking turns writing the Editor's Note each month. I feel like Mark usually does more work on the newsletter, cutting in all the pictures and articles, so I will do this month's Editor's Note.

January was a busy month for Mark & I. We returned to Virginia after the holidays with less than a day before going with friends to see the Broadway musical *Rent*. It was, shall I say, interesting, and a bit racy, with some very talented actors. The TRAACA Awards Banquet & Board Installation was on January 19th. After six years, this was my last dinner meeting as the Restaurant Coordinator. Several things still needed to be completed, so we hit the ground running.

The TRAACA Awards Banquet and Board Installation, which took place at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach, VA, was well attended with 70 TRAACA members. There were some surprises and a lot of smiles from members that received awards that night. The food was excellent with three entrees and some other added goodies, plus the club subsidized the meal to keep the cost down for members—a pretty good deal for those who attended. Read about the banquet and enjoy the photos on Pages 4-5.

The TRAACA January activity was a whale-watching trip on January 26th followed by dinner at Chix Seafood Grille & Bar in Virginia Beach. The weather cooperated and the

activity was a success. We had a great turnout, and it was a nice way to start off the year and see our TRAACA friends. Read the story and see some photos on Pages 6-7.

Looking ahead to February, the TRAACA will join with our sister region, the HVPR AACA, for the February activity. We're off to the U.S. Army Transportation Museum on Ft. Eustis, followed by lunch at the County Grill & Smokehouse restaurant in Yorktown, VA. The activity takes place on Saturday, February 16th. We will be indoors, so, even if the weather is less than perfect, it will still be a fun day. Information can be found on the front page of this *Mudflap* and in the weekly *Mud Speck* e-mail.

There are two AACA National events you can attend in February. The Annual Meeting in Philadelphia will take place on Thursday-Saturday, February 7th-9th. If you have not been to the Annual Meeting, it is great fun. There are great seminars to attend and a wonderful banquet on Saturday where the National Award winners are announced. Fellow TRAACA members Terry Bond, Mark McAlpine, and Bob Stein will be hosting seminars in Philly. If you are going, check them out.

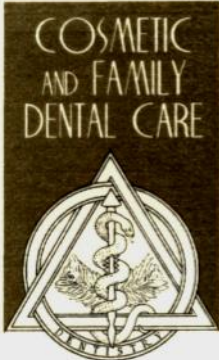
The first AACA National of the year will take place in Ocala, FL. The AACA Winter National will be Thursday-Saturday, February 21-23, 2019. Besides getting to enjoy the warmer weather in Florida, one of the activities scheduled is an Ice Cream Social and tour at National Parts Depot owner Jim Schmidt's car collection. I am really looking forward to seeing Mr. Schmidt's collection.

Mark your calendars and come out to some or all of these February events. I hope to see you there!

Marion McAlpine



Most of the TRAACA's living past presidents attended this year's Annual Awards Banquet. Standing (L-R): Bob Stein (2011-2012), Dewey Milligan (1984), Mark McAlpine (2017-2018), Linda Pellerin (2009-2010), Sam Kern (2003-2004), Bob Parrish (1999-2000), Jim Villers (2015-2016), Wes Neal (2013-2014). Seated: (L-R) Neil Sugermeier (1997-1998), Terry Bond (1993-1994), Mickey McChesney (2005-2006).



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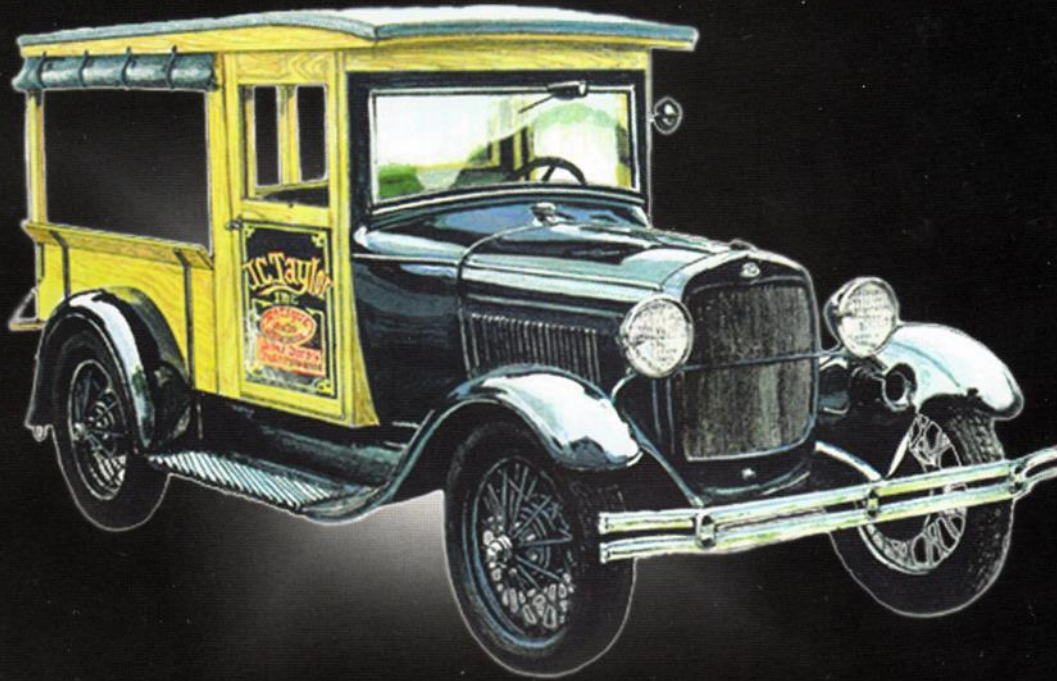
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