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TRAACA Annual Chili Cook-Off Saturday, November 5, 2016



The temperatures are dipping, the leaves are changing color and dropping, and car season is almost over. It's that time of year again—time for the TRAACA Chili Cook-Off!

This year's Chili Cook-Off is on Saturday, November 4th. Dewey & Maxine have generously offered to host the Chili Cook-Off again at their home in Chesapeake, VA. Members are welcome to arrive beginning at 12:00 noon to socialize, and we'll begin eating at 1:00 PM.

For those of you who want to enter the chili cook-off, please bring a crockpot or large container with

enough of your special, super top secret, family recipe chili to share with your fellow TRAACA members. (The club will provide bowls and sampling cups.) Members not bringing chili are asked to bring a side dish or dessert.

Please contact Matt & Vickie Doscher at vlw78@hotmail.com or (757) 448-7048 to sign up to attend and let them know what you're bringing: chili, a side dish or dessert.

So start fall off right by joining your fellow TRAACA members at the Milligans' on Saturday, November 5th. If the weather cooperates, drive you antique vehicle and come prepared to share some delicious food and have a fun time with some good friends,
WHEN: Noon, Saturday, Nov 5th
WHERE: Dewey & Maxine Milligan
2000 Shillelagh Road
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 436-7496

SIGN UP: By Thursday, Nov 3rd, by contacting Matt & Vickie Doscher at 448-7048 or vlw78@hotmail.com.



Bob Stein's 1951 Studebaker Land Cruiser at the TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night on Saturday, October 22. Read the story on Pgs 4-5.



TRAACA CALENDAR

Check local.aaca.org/tidewater for the latest info on upcoming events!

NOVEMBER 2016

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 5 TRAACA Chili Cook-Off
Chesapeake, VA
- 12 ODMA Planning Meeting
Founders Inn
Virginia Beach, VA
- 17 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
and Annual Silent Auction
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

DECEMBER 2016

- 7 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 11 TRAACA Holiday Party
Princess Anne Country Club
Virginia Beach, VA

JANUARY 2017

- 3 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 21 TRAACA Annual Awards
5:00 PM (Saturday)
Banquet & Board Induction
Location: to be determined

FEBRUARY 2017

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 16 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA

MARCH 2017

- 7 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA
- 11 TRAACA Swap Meet
Virginia Beach, VA
(tentative date & location)
- 16 TRAACA Dinner Meeting
Holiday Inn—Norfolk, VA

From the Driver's Seat

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Our TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night was an unusual and enjoyable club event where seventy club members gathered in a Portsmouth warehouse for hot dogs, barbeque, a movie, and to watch a balloon-man make the most glorious items from colorful balloons. *Tucker* was the perfect movie, hot dogs fit the festival spirit, and the balloon creations were magical; a car with flashing lights, fanciful bugs, and, best of all, a bust of our host—Bob Hanbury—complete with his white hair. What a special time in a special place; thank you Bob Hanbury!

Hershey was another magical time that I must mention. In spite of the encouragement of many members over the years, I have avoided Hershey because of the crowds, congestion, and difficulty finding lodging. This year I took my 1950 Willys CJ-3A Jeep to Hershey, and I was blown away by the joy of the event. Access to the show field was via a road, lined with hundreds of spectators, applauding the vehicles as they drove by. On the field, over a thousand rare, unusual, beautiful, and interesting vehicles were available for inspection with their owners illuminating various features and sharing the joy of the day. Hershey is a special place, and my son and I look forward to attending next year; plan on joining us and dozens of your Tidewater friends at Hershey next year.

Your Board has been busy this year writing an "Awards Manual," describing the trophies that we present at our annual banquet in January and documenting the criteria by which they are earned. This has been a learning process for many of us as we did not fully understand the history and background of many of the trophies. We also found

occasions where we felt that the award criteria needed to be updated to reflect the realities of our current club. The draft Awards Manual is posted in the Library section of our web site; please review the manual and let us know your thoughts.

I would also like to provide a comment about our October Dinner Meeting presentation. I learned more about pirates than I have learned by watching Hollywood films or the many Discovery Channel programs. Marc Necup, the curator of the Mariners Museum, provided a detailed historical seminar on the spread and evolution of pirates from the earliest years. Marc made learning history fun.

The November Dinner Meeting is our annual Silent Auction. So begin digging through your back closet and select a few of the "good items" to bring to the auction. This is our annual opportunity to pass along a few treasures to our friends for their enjoyment.

So much to do, so little time; let's have fun; it's an old car kind of day!

Jim



Jim Villers with his 1950 Willys CJ-3A Jeep at the Hershey Meet

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

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From the Running Board
Oct 12, 2016 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes
 (final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)

Officers present: Jim Villers (President), Mark McAlpine (Vice President), Marion McAlpine (Treasurer), and Matt Doscher (Secretary). Board members present: Jerry Adams, Wayne Milligan, Skip Patnode, and Bill Treadwell. Members present: Linda Treadwell.

Quorum: Board Meeting called to order at 6:37 PM.

Secretary’s Report: The September Board Meeting Minutes were approved via e-mail.

Vice President: Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

Treasurer’s Report: Marion provided the Treasurer’s report.

Activity Committee:

- TRAACA Fall Tour previously scheduled for 14-16 Oct has been rescheduled to next year, possibly in the spring. The tour was cancelled due to low participation RSVPs and proximity to a busy calendar month.
- Saturday, 22 October: TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night at Bob Hanbury’s Special Events warehouse. RSVP by 19 Oct to the Special Events Coordinator—details in the October *Mudflap*.
- Saturday, 5 November: TRAACA Chili Cook-Off at Dewey & Maxine Milligans’ home.

Call Tree: The current process is working well. Skip is going to have his Call Tree Committee confirm with those members that get called whether or not they want to be called each month.

Restaurants:

- Thursday, 20 Oct: monthly dinner meeting at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Officer & Board Member elections. Guest speaker is from the Mariners Museum and will talk about pirate activity in the Hampton Roads area. The menu for next month [November] was asked to be changed from roast beef to something different to offer variety due to roast beef being on the menu the previous two months.

Membership: Plus 1—172 as of September 30, 2016. New TRAACA member Don Beale has a 1987 Mercedes-Benz 560SL.

Annual Meet Discussion/Lessons Learned:

- Printing costs were unusually high this year compared to the number of registered vehicles in attendance.
- The DJ’s sound system was not heard by everyone on the show field. Do we really need a sound system for future shows? Is the cost justified?
- Need to verify how many porta-potties we had based on

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- the amount paid.
- What about having a larger meet program (similar to Hershey) and selling ad space?
- A lot of meet preparation is done at the last minute. One way to improve the meet would be to form a committee early in the year vice having one or two individuals shouldering the load. Suggest maybe having in this committee a publicity chairman and a sponsor chairman.
- Based on the cost, do we need police presence for traffic at future meets? It’s not required by the city & Princess Anne Road now has a right turn lane.
- Need to lock-in and commit food vendors early in the year.
- Suggestion was made to have a large, covered seating area/tent (similar to what we had at our National Meet) and to avoid a congested and distracting Registration Tent. Not much room in the hangar since it is used and being prepped for the awards ceremony.

Disposition of Club Trailer Items: Jim will engage with Ken Talley to discuss particulars.

ODMA: Initial Planning Meeting scheduled for Sat, 12 Nov. All TRAACA members invited and encouraged to attend.

Christmas Brunch: TRAACA holiday brunch to be held on Sunday, 11 Dec, at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach. Jim Villers has confirmed the date with the Country Club staff.

Unfinished Business:

- **Awards Manual:** Newest version presented to the Board. Thanks to Mark & Jerry for their contributions to make this a better product for all. Board discussed some minor changes and an updated draft will be provided for final review.

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TRAACA November Dinner Meeting & Silent Auction
Thursday, November 17, 2016

This month’s dinner meeting is at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport, 1570 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, VA 23502. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 7:00 PM. Dinner will be turkey, glazed ham, cornbread stuffing, house salad, mashed potatoes, green beans, and chef’s choice of dessert. This is also our annual Silent Auction fund-raiser for the club, so there is no guest speaker this month. Instead, bring some treasures to donate for the auction and come ready to find some new ones to take home. (See the *Mud Speck* weekly e-mail for more details.)

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.



TRAACA Drive-In Movie Night

Saturday, October 22, 2016

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

On Saturday, October 22nd, approximately 65 TRAACA members gathered at Bob Hanbury's Special Events Operation Center in Portsmouth, VA, for a showing of the 1988 movie *Tucker: The Man and His Dream*, starring Jeff Bridges, which tells the story behind the Tucker automobile. Our host Bob Hanbury invited fellow TRAACA members to enjoy a "drive-in" movie, which was actually an indoor movie shown on a large projection screen. The movie (and dinner) was free, so we did not have to sneak people into the movie in the trunk of our cars. Actually, Bob had arranged chairs in front of a large projection screen, much like a movie theater. The movie was a big hit, not only because it involved automobiles and told a great story, but also because Jeff Bridges was a joy to watch in the role of Preston Tucker.

There was plenty of great food for everyone to enjoy, including BBQ, hot dogs, coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, chips, corn, cookies, iced tea, lemonade, and popcorn. After dinner, Bob gave a tour of the facility, explaining how he started and built up his business. It was fascinating to see the machines and techniques used to clean the equipment (tents, chairs, linens, etc.).

But wait there's more: in addition to the movie & great food, we were entertained by Ryan, an awesome balloon artist. Ryan made some amazing balloon characters,

including animals, people, bugs, and even a car with lights that flashed! Ryan was fast blowing up the balloons and made it look so easy twisting them into forms. In fact, to show us how difficult it can be, Bob offered a challenge to a few willing participants to try to blow up a balloon in sixty seconds. The prize was a free TRAACA dinner (worth \$25.00). None of the participants were able to meet the challenge—but Bob embarrassed them by easily doing it himself.

On behalf of the TRAACA members, we want to give a heartfelt "THANK YOU!" to Bob for his generosity and to his staff who gave up a Saturday night to help at the event. We all had a wonderful time and appreciate all the work they put into the movie night event.



Who does this resemble?



Host Bob Hanbury's 1950 Willys Jeepster & 2005 Chevrolet SSR



Some of the members' cars in the Special Events parking lot



Bob Hanbury (front right) leading a tour of his facility



TRAACA members attacking the food line before the movie



Marion McAlpine with her giraffe balloon



"C'mon in—no admission charge today!"



Vickie & Matt Doscher with their balloons



Abigale Adams proudly displaying her bald eagle balloon hat



Prospective new TRAACA members Jack & Jacklyn O'Lantern



John Wayne and Marilyn Monroe figurines stepping out



Marie Gancel with her new cat friend



AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey, PA October 5-8, 2016



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

Cars and chocolate, flea market and chocolate, friends and chocolate, good food and did I say chocolate? If you went to the AACA Eastern Fall Meet which was held October 5-8, 2016 in Hershey, PA, you would expect to see chocolate and you would not have been disappointed. This was the eighth time Mark & I have gone to Hershey for the AACA Eastern Fall Meet. Of course, eight years is nothing compared to many other TRAACA members who have attended national meets at Hershey for over 30-40 years.

We arrived in Hershey on Wednesday, 5 October, so we could attend the "Night at the Museum" event held at the AACA Museum. It is always pleasant to walk around the museum during the event as the crowd tends to be smaller, which is great for taking pictures of the exhibits. We picked up a couple items from the silent auction and indulged in the available food. We were a bit disappointed that, except for some great cornbread and toppings, the food was not as good as it has been the last two years.

On Thursday we went to the swap meet, only covering a portion of the vast fields, visited with a few friends, and did some shopping in Hershey's Chocolate World. As a member of the AACA Library & Research Center Committee, I & my guest (Mark) were invited to a presentation of the recently completed Kinograph digital film scanner at the AACA Library on Thursday evening. The Kinograph will allow the AACA Library to convert its collection of over 300 automotive-related 8- & 16-mm films to digital copies. The presentation was very interesting and informative. While at the library we perused its vast holdings & purchased several well-priced pieces of literature from its annual yard sale.

Friday was a busy day, starting with volunteering at the AACA Library tent. It was fun talking to people who came by the tent and informing them about some of the many benefits the library has to offer AACA members.

After our time at the library tent we hoofed it across Chocolate Field to the Green Field to volunteer at the AACA Membership tent. We stayed very busy signing up new members or renewing current memberships. We always enjoy visiting with prospective and current members. We signed up several military veterans for the AACA's free

military sponsorship program, and hopefully they'll all renew in 2018.

Next on our Friday agenda was the AACA National Judging School, followed by teaching our CJE courses. Getting out of Hershey park afterward was a nightmare because the traffic leaving the swap meet fields was routed onto one street before exiting. Thankfully meeting up with good friends for the delicious dinner buffet at the local casino made up for our traffic frustrations.

Saturday was the big show, with over 1,230 antique vehicles registered. (Of course some vehicles did not make the show, which may or may not have been due to Hurricane Matthew.) Judging began at 10:00 AM. It started raining about 11:00 AM, and continued raining until well after judging was complete. (Coincidentally, it rained on the day of the show at every AACA National Meet that Mark & I attended this year—six total.)

Our trip home was uneventful until just outside Williamsburg, VA, when a tree fell over and blocked the entire eastbound lanes of I-64 (apparently only about ten minutes before we got there), delaying our trip about 30-minutes. However, we were fortunate compared to some TRAACA members who returned home to find they didn't have power or had flooded streets, due to the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew. Luckily, everyone arrived home safely.

Mark & I had a great time at Hershey and are looking forward to attending again next year! We just need to allow more time for exploring the swap meet and local area.

This year there was another great showing of TRAACA members at Hershey, including: Bob & Pam Bond, Terry & Susan Bond, Craig Casper, Bill Coburn, Tom & Tammy Cox, Scott Davies, Matt & Vickie Doscher, Jim & Donna Elliott, Tyler Gimbert, Jeff Locke, Mark & Marion McAlpine, Mickey & Toni McChesney, Dick McIninch, Al & Sharon Mercer, Reggie Nash, Rick Overbaugh, Bob & Dot Parrish, Jack Pavlidis, Sal & Jo Ann Saiya, Tony & Leslie Scarpelli; Bob Stein, Neil & Marty Sugermeyer, Al Swenson, Bill & Linda Treadwell, Harold Via, Jim Villers, and Jim & Becky Woodall.

(See Page 17 for the list of TRAACA award winners.)



1947 Ford Sports Sedan & 1956 Chrysler Imperial convertible



Matt & Vickie Doscher receive Judging Awards from Herb Oakes



Terry Bond trying to sell more collectibles than he bought



A fleet of Ford Model Ts braving the rain on the show field



Sal & Jo Ann Saiya w/their 1936 Packard 12 Victoria convertible



(L-R) 1947 Plymouth, 1947 Chevrolet, 1947 Dodge, 1947 Buick



Now that's a pedal car!



1961 Chrysler New Yorker station wagon



AACA President Bob Parrish handing out dash plaques



AACA Director Jim Elliott (R) instructing TRAACA judges

AACA Night at the Museum Hershey, PA October 5, 2016

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

On Wednesday, October 5th, the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA held its annual “Night at the Museum” fundraising event. Each year, the Night at the Museum raises funds to help the AACA Library and Research Center, AACA Museum, and the AACA national club.

This year several guest speakers were invited to participate in “A Collector Car Conversation” roundtable-type discussion with members attending the event. TRAACA member and AACA National President Bob Parrish introduced the panel, which included: Wayne Carini from the TV show *Chasing Classic Cars*; Bill Warner, a classic car writer and photographer, sports car racer, and founder of the Amelia Island Concours d’Elegance; and Ralph Marano, well-known classic car collector and an AACA member for over 35 years.

During the evening, participants were able to view the opening of the museum’s newly redesigned Route 66 Exhibit Gallery, which includes Native American artifacts from the David Cammack Collection and authentic porcelain signs. People also could bid on the numerous items available in the Silent Auction. (We won the bid on a couple of items including a huge basket of Hershey

chocolate products.) Several artists were on site during the evening displaying, selling, and talking about their auto-related artwork.

Of course, the evening would not be complete without food (after all, it is a car club event) and entertainment. There were Route 66 theme-inspired food stations and dessert bars scattered around two floors of the museum, including a southern skillet station with pulled pork barbecue and cornbread, a cheesesteak station, chicken, eggplant, or sirloin sliders, a station cooking Yukon Gold and sweet potato French fries with a variety of gourmet toppings, plus open bars with alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Entertainment was music supplied by a harpist in the main lobby area and a jazz trio in the lower level.

If you haven’t been to an AACA Night at the Museum event before, I strongly encourage it. You get to socialize with friends, eat some delicious food, enjoy some good music, and view the museum’s exhibits with considerably fewer people crowding around them than at other times during Hershey Week, all while helping to raise funds for the AACA Museum and Library. We’ll save a seat for you next year at the TRAACA table!



Marion McAlpine, AACA Exec VP Tom Cox, AACA President & First Lady Bob & Dot Parrish enjoy the “Night at the Museum”



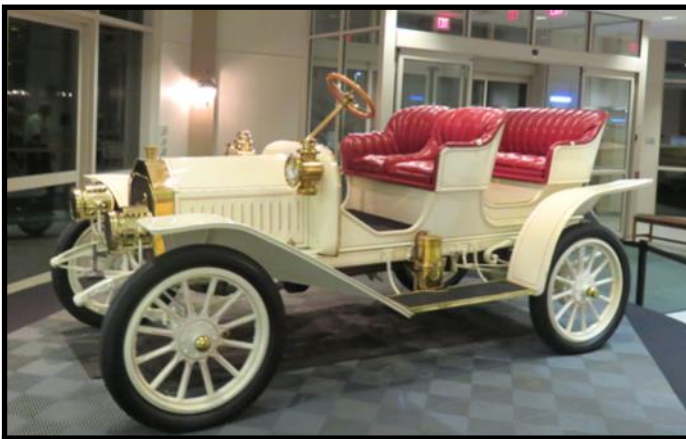
The “Jazz Me Trio” entertaining attendees



1917 Packard motorhome with 424-ci, twin-six V-12 engine



1906 Waltham Orient



1910 Buick Model 10 Surrey on display at the AACA Museum



1914 Stearns-Knight Model SK6 on display at the AACA Museum



1931 Cadillac Town Sedan on display at the AACA Museum



1948 Tucker #22 in the Cammack Gallery at the AACA Museum



1959 Chevrolet El Camino being serenaded by a harpist



Part of the AACA Museum's special Route 66 display



1922 Automotive Electric Services Corp. Redbug



1986 Zimmer Quick Silver



Still Collecting Stuff — Hershey 2016 Report By Terry Bond

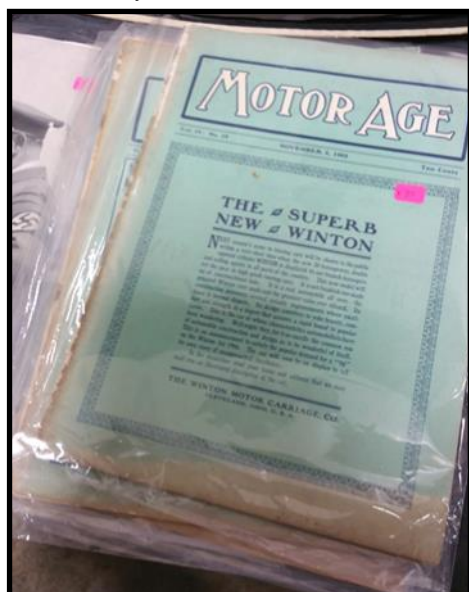
I believe last year I said something like “it just doesn’t get any better . . .” Well, the 2016 edition of the greatest show on earth set a bar that will be hard to match for years to come. The perfect weather (except for some Saturday car show drizzles) made for great treasure hunting and selling.

True to my schedule, I was near first in line for the Allentown paper and advertising show. In many ways it proved not as productive as previous years, but did produce a few treasures, such as a short run on 1903-04 Motor Age magazines, a couple of nice auto advertising pins, a bag full of great postcards, a couple early auto brochures, and one great 1915 auto accessory catalog. Toss in a couple of early photographs and a nice early German die-cut valentine, and it wasn’t a bad show at all.

I left early and headed via back roads to Adamstown to begin searching the

dozens of antique shops and malls there. Along the way, I managed to get into a couple of never-before-visited antique shops, and found one that was strangely closed on a Saturday afternoon. Peering in the window made me put a big red star on the roadmap for next year!

Once again, the Adamstown area was amazing. Cool damp weather early Sunday morning made for a weaker outdoor section, and I barely missed a nice automotive match safe (Vesta) as someone in front of me already had it in his hand. Alas, it was going into his wife’s collection and so could not be bought. Oh well, referring to “Terry’s Rules of Collecting,” I briefly cursed my bad luck and moved on. After all, luck is the residue of careful planning, so my mind was instantly back on track.



Motor Age magazines from early 1900s



Early 1900's tin advertising piece for oil

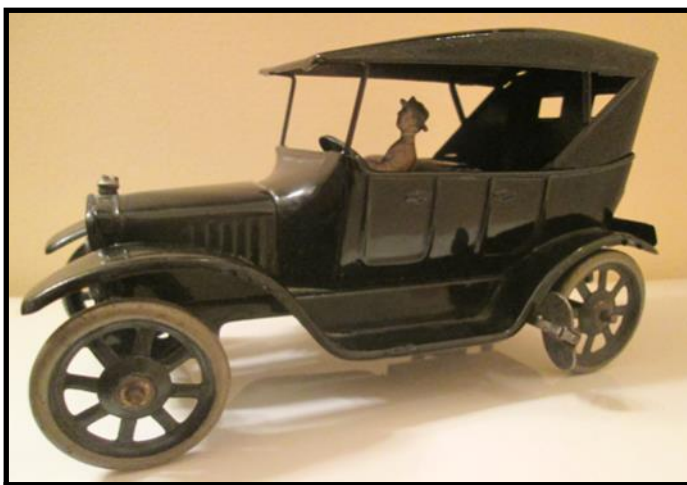
Once again, it was time to stop and visit with old friends from Wisconsin and a good friend over from Australia who would be joining me in the search for antique spark plugs the next week at Hershey.

The usual vendors did not have anything wonderful to offer,

but I did purchase an excellent and early glass candy container. (I sense a future article on these.) More early auto literature surfaced, and a wonderful small brass tail lamp for an early motorcycle was quickly exchanged for some green folding stuff and will soon reside in my showcase at home.

Adams Antique Mall produced the greatest of treasures, however. First, it was a great pair of early motoring prints in their original frames.

Next, it was time to begin a new collection! I long had thought that as a Model T guy I should be collecting early Model T toys. Afraid of prices and disgusted by the poor quality of what I was finding, I had never actually begun to assemble that collection—until now. As I was rounding a corner, there was a man placing items into his showcase. A fresh to the market, early Bing, German tin clockwork toy Model T Touring car moved quickly from his hand to mine and hardly touched the shelf! It was the finest I’ve ever seen, near mint I’d say. Best of all, the price was *RIGHT* and, with a little more negotiating on the spot, it became not only the start of my toy Model T collection, but perhaps the star piece at a bargain price. My luck had returned!



Early Bing clockwork toy Ford Model T

Another cabinet revealed a terrific ceramic beer mug with a cute automotive scene, circa 1908, and a few more trinkets rounded out that stop.

Still another mall produced a beautiful little advertising pin and tag for Searchlight lamps. Real rare turn-of-the-century stuff.

Monday was a day to scrounge, and I promptly hit the backroads again headed towards Columbia to tour the many shops there. There were good things to look at, but it was relatively dry. I did not have room for the visible gas pump seen in one shop!

My motel was comfortable and perfect—right there in Adamstown—so good food and great shopping were all close at hand.

Tuesday morning, it was off to Hershey for set-up day. Perfect weather let me get the canopy up early, tables out, and I began unpacking a few brassy things. A couple of quick sales made me want to start wandering, so I did just that. I looked at some great porcelain signs, had a long discussion with a dealer about some recent fake imports from India, and got reports in



Rare early lamp advertising tag and pin

from the nearby automobilia auction in Denver, PA, with ridiculous prices and an outrageous buyer's premium that has the collecting world near revolt. Yes, a future series of articles on porcelain and tin signs is in the works!



Two great early motoring prints

Susan arrived early Tuesday PM with Bob & Dot Parrish, and we checked into our hotel and met Mike & Murray Shears from England for our traditional dinner together, catching up on stories of Beaulieu and radiator badge collecting. Murray has perhaps the finest collection of automotive radiator badges in the world.

Wednesday I had designated as a selling day and although people were looking at the same things they had seen last year, it was a buying frenzy. I had moved at least two boxes of stuff by closing, and lamented the fact I'd not yet been out wandering much. We decided to not even unwrap our tarps on Thursday, and spent the day wandering the markets. Sue had a great start on me Wednesday, and I do love technology! She periodically sent text messages with pictures as she encountered goodies! A fabulous Royal Doulton Motorist-series plate is now in my collection as a result. Thanks again—she has a keen eye!!

Early on Thursday I found a marvelous early brass lamp. This fulfilled my goal of adding at least one great piece annually to the collection!

NOS Model T items filled my bag quickly—an unusual timer, a nice brass speedometer, gadgets, gizmos, odd accessories, even a NOS set of rear axle bearings that are not being reproduced well. Every Model T tinkerer out there says even used originals are better than repros! NOS Ford script originals are even better!

Susan was also having great luck with yard-art road signs, MG stuff, and even found fresh-brewed unsweet iced tea for a buck! More text pictures kept four eyes on all the goodies and made hunting a real thrill.

It was great to encounter so many club members in the aisles, beaming from ear to ear, and showing off their new found treasures. Al Swenson managed a few rare bits for his Morris Minor, and how can you not love this photo of Mickey gloating over his rare Oldsmobile clock!

Tremendous cars, loads of stuff, and sunshine made it the near perfect Hershey. Alas, there seemed to be one thing missing!

Although I'd found a couple of nice early prints antique hunting, the Hershey market had yet to produce that spectacular early motoring wall-hanger I usually managed to find. Until Friday!

I received a text message from a vendor I'd bought from previously—spark plugs awaited my viewing over in the red field. By 8 AM I was on their doorstep, but the booth was covered and the motor home was shut tight. Sleeping late at Hershey isn't authorized!@XXM%^!!! I wandered around a bit, waiting, when there in front of me was a tarp on the ground slowly being filled with chrome hubcaps by two young girls helping their dad unload the small trailer full of parts they'd put away the night before.

One of the girls emerged from the trailer carrying an amazing Montaut lithograph in wonderful condition. She asked her dad if he had intended to put it out for sale, and he said yes—he'd forgotten to get it out! There I was, Friday morning at Hershey, first eyes on this beautiful piece. Best of all it had a bargain price on it, and I was able to negotiate further, making it an almost give-away. Wow, what a thrill. Oh, the spark plugs were nothing fantastic, but the trip over there was wonderful.

So, we emptied, three boxes, filled two, ate too much, got sunburned, loaded our cameras, judged some fabulous cars, visited with old friends, and departed Sunday for the trip home with memories of one of the greatest Hershey Meets ever. As always, we did not want it to end, but felt we needed to get home as soon as possible to survey any hurricane damage and begin the cleanup.

I hope you enjoy the pictures, and understand why I feel that nothing tops Hershey for a crazy collector like me!

Terry Bond



Susan Bond with 1906 Montaut automotive lithograph she found



AACA Western Fall Meet Cheyenne, WY September 1-3, 2016



Story by Bob Parrish. Photos by Dot Parrish & Robert Street (of the Richmond Region).

We attended the Western Fall Meet in Cheyenne, WY, on September 1-3, the greatest distance we have traveled so far for a National Meet this year. Flying into Denver, CO, was an experience, and then driving 125 miles to Cheyenne. There is much to see there in this area of the country, and I finally had an opportunity to go "*SOMEWHERE WEST OF LARAMIE.*" [Editor's Note: This was the advertising slogan for the Jordan Playboy automobile in the mid-1920s.] Laramie is an interesting cowboy town where many outlaw legends exist.

The High Plains Region was the host region, and the members were very warm and accommodating. We spent some times with fellow TRAACA members Jim & Donna Elliott, who drove their 1978 Cadillac Eldorado 2,100 miles to compete for a First Junior, and they were not disappointed. On Friday evening the High Plains Region had a "Milk Can Dinner" which was much better than expected. Ask Dot how this dinner was prepared.

The meet was held on Saturday at the Laramie County Community College and only had 75 vehicles, a small show in comparison to Eastern Meets. Tommy & Debbie Nolen were there from the Richmond Region with a 1966

Vespa scooter and a 1964 Plymouth Sport Fury muscle car. Robert Street also was there from the Richmond Region with a 1962 Chevrolet Impala SS. There were some really nice Packards, especially a 1934 12-cylinder, which immediately reminded me of Bob Woolfitt. The car was stunning, with a badge that declared it "Best in Class - Pebble Beach." Another interesting car was a 1957 Chevrolet Corvette, which was entered in the Original HPOF class. An extremely rare 1904 Sandusky Courier was there and attracted a lot of attention. The 1974 Fascination vehicle was also there. I had seen this special vehicle in Naples, FL, earlier in the year. [See April 2016 *Mudflap.*] It is so unusual; it was good to see it out again.

We also experienced some of the Lincoln Highway that runs through Cheyenne, and you are reminded of its historical significance by the many (in their day) attractive period motels and restaurants, many of which have not changed in years.

The locals are gun shy of approaching storms since heavy rain and hail occur. A storm popped up, causing us to release the cars early, but all ended peacefully. This was another great meet.



"Milk Can" Dinner at the Cheyenne Meet



1932 Cadillac V-12 in the HPOF Class at the Cheyenne Meet



Robert Street's (Richmond Region) 1962 Chevrolet Impala SS



Tommy Nolen's (Richmond Region) 1964 Plymouth Sport Fury



AACA Western Fall Meet Cheyenne, WY *Another Perspective*



Story by Jim Elliott. Photos by Donna Elliott & Robert Street (of the Richmond Region).

Donna & I attended the Western Fall National Meet held in Cheyenne, Wyoming. If you have never attended a Western Meet, you need to add one to your schedule. The meets are smaller, so you can enjoy all of the cars and the hospitality is only surpassed by the scenery.

In addition to touring Cheyenne, many took a side trip to the Wyoming Territorial Prison in Laramie. It once was the temporary home of Butch Cassidy and now is a restored museum.

Cheyenne has large cowboy boots throughout the city that recount the history of the area and the development of the West. Over seventy trains travel through Cheyenne daily.

Donna and I travelled over 2,100 miles in our 1978 Cadillac Eldorado through St. Louis, Kansas City, and Denver to get to the meet. We visited the Steamboat Arabia Museum and toured Rocky Mountain National Park. The Eldorado received tremendous attention and proved to be an excellent source to promote the AACA.

The High Plains Region treated us to a "milk can" dinner on Friday night. Believe it or not, the entire meal was cooked in a real farm milk can. No one left hungry.

Show day on Saturday was spectacular and featured a wide variety of cars from many states. The quality of cars was so high, nearly everyone left with the award they were seeking.

It's time to start planning for next year's AACA Western Spring Meet in Palm Springs, California. We hope to see you there!



AACA President Bob Parrish presents Jim & Donna Elliott a First Junior Award for their 1978 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz



Jim & Donna Elliott with their 1978 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz



1931 Packard 840 roadster



1953 Kaiser Manhattan in the DPC Class



1970 Oldsmobile 442



The People We Meet Along the Way

By **Bob Parrish, AACA President**

(Reprinted from the Fall 2015 AACA *Rummage Box* newsletter)



In my travels this year to AACA functions I continue to meet interesting members. Some are willing to share their stories about life experiences and their cars. While in Naples, FL, I met a member that had an extensive background working at GM Styling. He was assigned to check windshield cards and give parking information to members entering the show field. I

was handing out the traditional dash plaques, where this story becomes interesting. When certain GM cars were approaching us, he would make comments to me about styling cues and why it was done that way. I found this scenario very interesting for me.

I have the original owners of show cars and listened to their stories about why the car was ordered that way and even how much they paid. Sometimes there are family vehicles that have been passed down through generations and now have been restored to pristine condition and are seeking one of AACA's most coveted awards.

There are members that tell you their reason for collecting the vehicles they own, which is also fascinating. Then, there is name recognition vehicles, such as Al

Mercer owning a 1922 Mercer and Bob Little owning three 1912 Littles (the pre-Chevrolet ones), Reggie Nash owning several Nash automobiles and then there is Robert Gardner and his 1928 Gardner. I guess if there was ever a Parrish vehicle built, I would have to have one.

One fascinating member I met in Millville, NJ, Mr. Norman Schaut, who had driven his 1910 Stanley Steamer to the show site on Friday. He offered me a ride, which I gladly accepted, being my first ride in a steam-driven car. He drove this car 45 miles to the show and 45 miles back home. He truly represents the spirit of our rich 80-year heritage. He is a very interesting gentleman, with many hobby-related stories to share. I was honored to present him with a 50-year membership pin.

Recently while touring in North Carolina, we had the opportunity to ride with participating tour members such as Charlie Steffy in a 1941 Studebaker, Richard & Judy Holmes in a 1956 Ford, and Bill & Libby Adams in their 1952 Pontiac, all willing to give a couple of hitchhikers a ride. Where else would I have met these fine people other than at an AACA activity?

The cars bring us together, but it is the people you meet along the way that makes our organization the greatest of its kind in the world.

(L-R) Charlie Steffy & AACA President Bob Parrish with Charlie's 1941 Studebaker at the 2016 AACA Sentimental Tour held June 12-17, 2016, hosted by the Hornets Nest Region and hubbed out of Salisbury, NC.



2017 AACA Board of Directors Election

The AACA Nominating Committee has nominated nine AACA members for positions on the AACA Board of Directors for 2017. You received your postage-paid official ballot with your September/October issue of the *Antique Automobile* magazine. You must vote for seven candidates (no more & no less or your ballot will be invalidated and not counted), and your ballot must be postmarked by November 15th. Don't forget to vote!



TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes—October 12, 2016

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New Business: NSTR.

Other Business:

- **Harley Earl Award:** The National Board approached us about sponsoring the Harley Earl Award. The National Board is looking to us to fund the initial purchase of the award (between \$500-\$1,000). Mark is still waiting on more information from the National Board so that it can formally be presented to the Board.
- **Check Signatures:** Currently the President and Treasurer sign club checks per Club By-Laws. This will

be changed to only one person being required to sign checks once the By-Laws are updated.

- **Awards Banquet:** when and where? First choice is Founders Inn. Marion will check on options and availability. Suggestion made to accommodate those members uncomfortable driving at night. Skip will e-mail all members via his e-mail tree, saying "traditionally we have an evening banquet—would you attend if it were held in the middle of the day?"—to get their opinions.

Having no other business, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

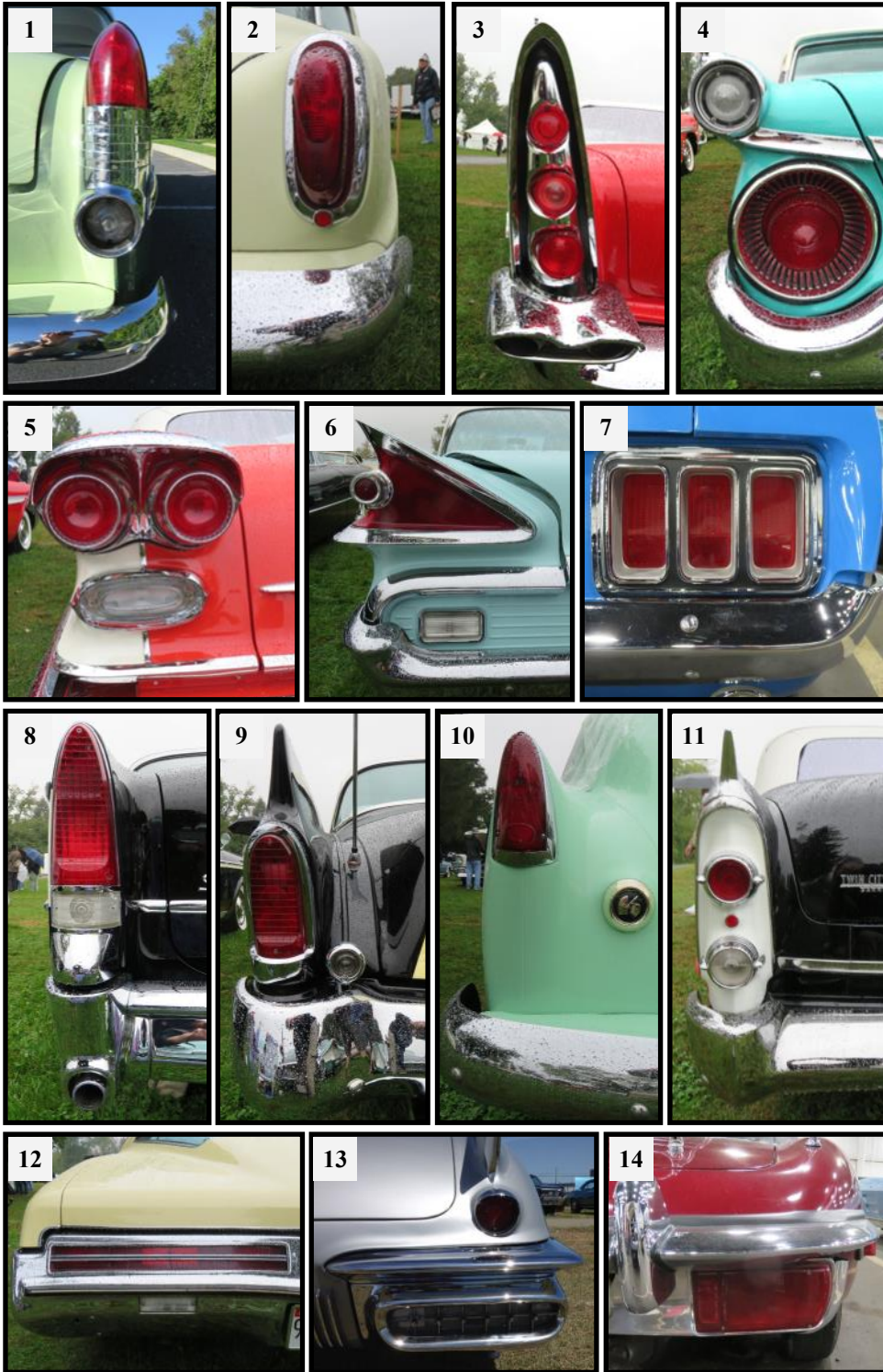
The next TRAACA Board Meeting scheduled for Tues, 1 Nov, 6:30 PM, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

Respectfully submitted, Matt Doscher, Secretary

Name That Car!

Game and photos by Mark McAlpine

Identify the year, make, and model of the automobiles below with your only clues being their taillights. (The answers are at the bottom of the page.)



ANSWERS: 1) 1955 Willys Bermuda; 2) 1951 Studebaker Commander; 3) 1958 DeSoto Firestone; 4) 1959 Ford Galaxie Club Victoria; 5) 1958 Pontiac Bonneville; 6) 1956 Mercury Monterey; 7) 1970 Ford Mustang Boss 429; 8) 1956 Studebaker President Classic; 9) 1956 Studebaker Golden Hawk; 10) 1953 Henry J Corsair; 11) 1955 Dodge Royal Lancer; 12) 1973 Buick Riviera; 13) 1958 Cadillac Eldorado; and 14) 1971 Jaguar E-type Series II.



AACA Calendar of Events

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

NOVEMBER 2016
5-11 Reliability Tour (Pre-1916)
Savannah, GA

FEBRUARY 2017
9-11 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

23-25 AACA Winter Meet
Ocala, FL

MARCH 2017
23-26 Western Spring Meet
Palm Springs, CA

APRIL 2017
6-9 Southeastern Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

25-28 Western Division Tour
Sonora, CA

MAY 2017
11-13 Special Spring Meet
Auburn, IN
26-27 AACA Eastern Spring Meet
Huntington, WV

JUNE 2017
4-9 Founders Tour (1932-later)
Gettysburg, PA
15-17 Annual Grand National Meet
Independence, MO

AUGUST 2017
17-19 Central Fall Meet
Bettendorf, IA

SEPTEMBER 2017
17-22 Glidden Tour (AACA-hosted)
Hastings, NE

OCTOBER 2017
4-7 Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

FEBRUARY 2018
8-10 AACA Annual Meeting
Philadelphia, PA

APRIL 2018
5-7 Southeastern Spring Meet
Charlotte, NC

MAY 2018
11-12 Central Spring Meet
Auburn, IN

18-20 Eastern Spring Meet
Cape Cod, MA





TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our New Members!

Michael & Denise Haag

Virginia Beach, VA

- 1960 MG MGA

- 1969 Porsche 912 Targa

- 1973 Chevrolet Corvette

- 1979 MG MGB

Thomas Murphy

Newport News, VA

- 1969 Ford Mustang Mach 1

- 1981 Chevrolet K-5 Blazer



Members celebrating anniversaries in November



John & Mary Beth Clark

David & Faye Curl

Bennie & Joyce Howard

Ivan & Marjorie Joslin

Dewey & Maxine Milligan

Robert & Rose Perkins

Ken & Barbara Talley



Recent Award Winners



AACA Eastern Fall Meet—Hershey, PA

Matt Doscher 1991 Mercury Grand Marquis
HPOF Award

Jim Elliott 1982 Chevrolet Corvette
Repeat Preservation Award

Reggie Nash 1904 Rambler L
Repeat Preservation Award

Sal Saiya 1936 Packard 1407
Senior Award

Harold Via, Jr. 1931 Ford Model A
HPOF Award

Jim Villers 1950 Willys Jeep
Senior Award

Larry Wickham 1935 Ford pickup
First Preservation Award

Judges Awards presented at AACA Hershey Meet

Matt Doscher 10 Judging Credits

Vickie Doscher 10 Judging Credits

Jim Elliott 125 Judging Credits



Members celebrating birthdays in November



Paul Atkinson

Pat Locke

Bill Blair

Scott Miller

Robert Bohannon

Carol Norton

Terry Bond

Keith Olson

Scott Davies

Bob Pellerin

Lisa Dudley

Rosemarie Poe

Murray Goodwin

Sarah Saiya

Sheila Gurnee

Mark Strang

John Heimerl

Jason Sturniolo

Chris Hunt

Laurel Swenson

Sunshine Report

- **Betty Villers** is scheduled to have knee replacement surgery on Friday, November 4th. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Please provide updates on the health of TRAACA members to Vickie Doscher at 672-3755 or vlvw78@hotmail.com.

2017 TRAACA Officers and Board of Directors

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** These members are new to the Board of Directors and are replacing outgoing members Marion McAlpine and Skip Patnode. Julie Hobbs resigned earlier in the year. The Board and all club members thank each of them for their dedicated and selfless service to our club.*

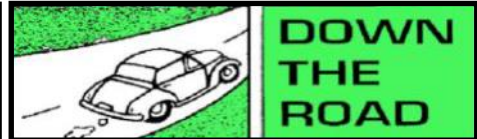
Nomination and Election Process:

TRAACA President Jim Villers appointed a nominating committee of three past TRAACA presidents—Sam Kern, Wes Neal, and Bob Stein—who presented a list of candidates for the 2017 Board of Directors to the current Board at the September 6th Board Meeting. The Board approved the list of candidates and it was presented to the membership at the club's dinner meeting on Thursday, September 15th. The list was presented again at the Thursday, October 20th, dinner meeting and members were given the opportunity to nominate other candidates. Because no other nominations were made from the floor, the candidates would normally be considered elected. However, due to an oversight, the candidate list was not published in *The Mudflap*, as required, until this month. Therefore, one more call for nominations will be made at the club dinner meeting on Thursday, November 17th. The 2016 board will be inducted at the club's Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 21, 2017.

HVPR-TRAACA Tour to Vintage Dealership in Matthews, VA

Sunday, November 6, 2016

The Historic Virginia Peninsula Region has invited TRAACA members to join them this Sunday, November 6, 2016, on a run to Matthews, VA, to visit a vintage Ford car dealership and workshop owned by Mr. Bobby Diggs. The group will meet at 10:30 AM at the McDonald's at the corner of Ft. Eustis Blvd & Route 17 in York County. They'll depart at 10:45 AM and proceed on Route 17 over the Coleman Bridge for lunch at Richardson's Café—a 1950's drug store & soda shop converted to a restaurant—in Matthews. (Remember to bring an EZ Pass or \$2 cash for the bridge toll!) The group will depart at 1:15 PM for Mr. Diggs' workshop. It is located across the street from a NAPA Auto Parts store at 8371 Buckley Hall Rd, Hudgins, VA. Please let Donna Elliott know if you plan on attending (so she can make reservations for lunch) by e-mailing her at delliott222@cox.net by Friday, November 4th.



Other Regional and Local Events

NOVEMBER 2016

- 5 1st Annual Team Shelby All Makes & Models Car Show
American D-I-Y Garage
Virginia Beach, VA
- 12 41st Annual Joy Fund Car Show
Chesapeake, VA
- 12 Shop With A Cop Car Show
Gloucester, VA
- 19-20 Coastal Virginia Auto Show
VAB Convention Center
Virginia Beach, VA

DECEMBER 2016

- 3 Toys for Tots Car Show
Smithfield Truck & Auto Ctr
Smithfield, VA
- Note change in location —*

JANUARY 2017

- 13-15 Hampton Roads International Auto Show
Virginia Beach, VA
- 14-22 North American International Auto Show
Detroit, MI

There are slim pickings for car shows over the next three months. Take advantage of the time to work on your vehicles & get them ready for the 2017 AACA & ODMA Meets!



16th Annual Toys for Tots Car Show



**Saturday, December 3, 2016
9:00 AM—3:00 PM (rain of shine)**

**SMITHFIELD TRUCK & AUTO CENTER
928 South Church Street, Smithfield, VA 23430**
(Note new location this year!)

**Registration: \$30 plus one unwrapped toy per vehicle.
Free admission for spectators.
Registration: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM**

Spectators encouraged to bring new toys to donate or make a cash donation.

Door prizes, children's games, DJ, vendors, and great food.

Santa is scheduled to arrive at 12:00 PM via Nightingale helicopter!

For additional info contact Elizabeth Moose of Toys for Tots
at (757) 880-7191 or e-mail her at CallTheMoose-Team@gmail.com.



Middle Peninsula Classic Cruisers
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Shop With a Cop Car Show



**Saturday, November 12, 2016
from 10:00 AM—3:00 PM**
(Rain Date: Saturday, November 19th)

6920 Main Street Center, Gloucester, VA

All makes & models welcome!
\$15 Preregistration / \$20 day of show

**Registration: 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Awards: 3:00 PM**

For more info: www.mpccofgloucester.org

MUSTANG CLUB OF TIDEWATER
Joy Fund Show
November 12th, 2016

**Cavalier Ford
Chesapeake Square**
4021 Portsmouth Blvd
Chesapeake, VA

**Saturday, November 12, 2016
from 9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

Registration Fee: \$20 plus two cans of food
For more info: www.mustangcluboftidewater.com



EDITOR'S DESK

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The 2016 car season is almost over. Yes, there are a few small local car shows and cruise-ins remaining, but the major car shows are over. However, we still have four TRAACA activities ahead, starting with our annual Chili Cook-Off this Saturday, November 5th, at Dewey & Maxine Milligans' home in Chesapeake. I'm already beginning to salivate.

Next, is our annual Silent Auction at our November Dinner Meeting on Thursday, November 17th. This is always fun because you never know what you're going to find (or take home). Please look around your garage & house and bring some items to donate. We'll also be electing our 2017 Board of Directors at the meeting, so please join us and enjoy an early Thanksgiving meal with your fellow TRAACA members.

On Sunday, December 11th, we're having Holiday Brunch at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach (in lieu of the monthly dinner meeting). The club subsidizes the cost, so it's a great deal. We hope to see everyone there as we kick-off the holiday season by enjoying good food with good friends.

Next up is our Annual Awards Banquet & Board Induction on Saturday, January 21, 2017. We haven't finalized the location yet, but I assure you the food will be great. If you need more motivation to attend other than possibly receiving an award, this is another activity that is subsidized by the club, so the price will be right. We're trying to decide if holding the banquet earlier in the day will help encourage participation. You should have received an e-mail from Skip Patnode by the time you read this newsletter (or will receive soon afterward) asking if you prefer to hold the banquet beginning with social hour at 5:00 PM & dinner at 6:00 PM (as done in past years) or beginning earlier in

the afternoon so members don't have to drive home in the dark. Please let us know which you prefer.

Then, before you know it, many of us will make the trek to Philadelphia for the AACA Annual Meeting on February 9-11. If you haven't attended an Annual Meeting before, I strongly encourage you to do so this year. The seminars are great, the vendor displays are interesting & offer some great deals, and you get to catch up with friends from around the country whom you haven't seen for a while. Plus this year we recognize Bob & Dot Parrish as they step down from leadership of the AACA and Tom & Tammy Cox as they step up to President & First Lady.

ODMA 2017 Annual Meet Planning Meeting

Saturday, November 12, 2016

The TRAACA is hosting the 2017 Old Dominion Meet Association (ODMA) annual meet at the Founders Inn in Virginia Beach on Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, 2017. We are holding a planning meeting for the meet at the Founders Inn (5641 Indian River Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23464) on Saturday, November 12th. All TRAACA members are invited and encouraged to attend—we need your suggestions. Lunch begins at noon (you can do the lunch buffet or order off the menu) and the meeting will begin at 12:30 PM. After the meeting we'll tour the facility to see the planned show field, trailer parking, registration area, and one of the hotel rooms. Please come to the meeting—April will be here before we know it, and we need your input.

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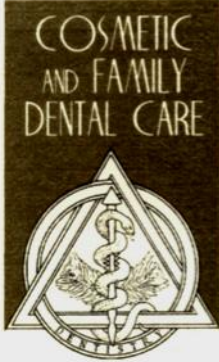
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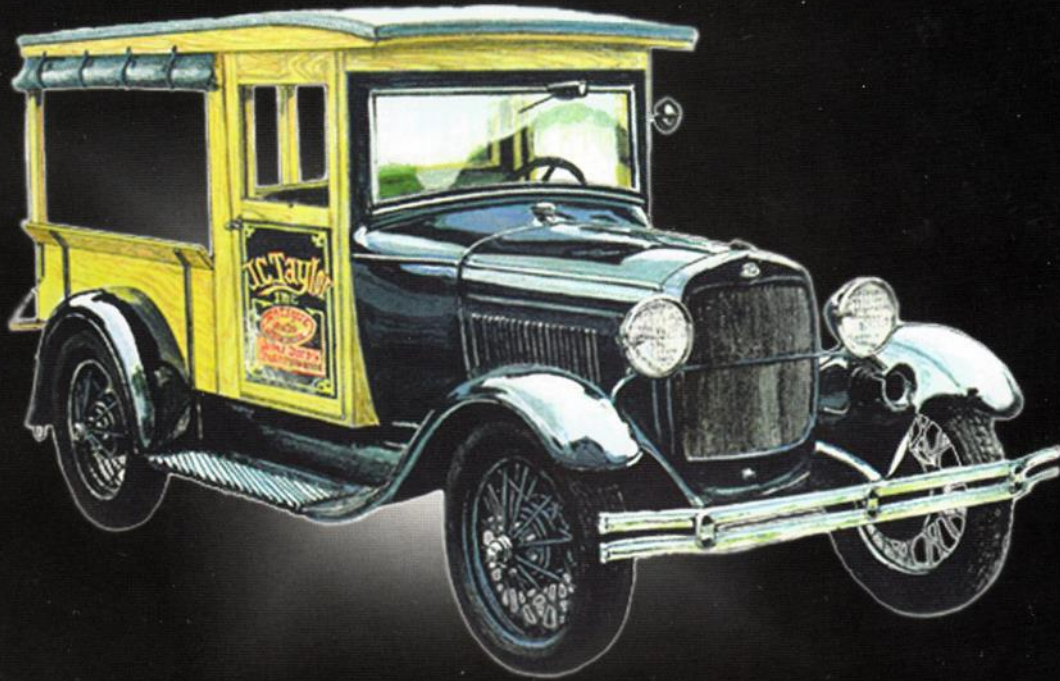
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TRAACA members at the Drive-In Movie Night hosted by fellow member Bob Hanbury on Saturday, October 22, 2016