



*From the Parade to the Order of Butterfly Maidens Ball, David Ladnier took care of Janet Rich Pittman in style in his Galaxy.*



## Mardi Gras in Style

David Ladnier drove his 1964 Ford Galaxy 500 Convertible in the Order of the Butterfly Maidens parade on Saturday, February 18, 2017.

He had the pleasure of driving the emblem, Madame Butterfly, Janet Rich Pittman. The group currently holds its ball at the Fort Whiting Armory. David picked up his passengers at the fort and drove her and her guests to the parade route. For the next hour and a half they drove the parade route through the streets of Mobile tossing out the much desired throws.

David has driven many parades now. Each parade is a learning experience. Driving in a parade is hard on a car and you learn to improvise in each condition.

- Charlotte

# History of Early Cars

*Reprinted with permission from Smithsonian Science and Technology*  
**Who made the first cars?**

Beginning in the 1770s, many people tried to make cars that would run on steam. Some early steam cars worked well, and some did not. Some were fire pumpers that moved by themselves, and others were small locomotives with road wheels. Beginning in the 1880s, inventors tried very hard to make cars that would run well enough to use every day. These experimental cars ran on steam, gasoline, or electricity. By the 1890s, Europeans were buying and driving cars made by Benz, Daimler, Panhard, and others, and Americans were buying and driving cars made by Duryea, Haynes, Winton, and others. By 1905 gasoline cars were more popular than steam or electric cars because they were easier to use and could travel further without adding fuel. By 1910 gasoline cars became larger and more powerful, and some had folding tops to keep drivers and passengers out of the rain.

## **How did the first cars work?**

A steam car burned fuel that heated water in a boiler. This process made steam that expanded and pushed pistons, which turned a crankshaft. An electric car had a battery that powered a small electric motor, which turned a drive shaft. A gasoline car ignited fuel that caused a small explosion inside each cylinder. This explosion pushed the piston and turned a crankshaft connected to the wheels by a chain or drive shaft.

## **Who drove the first cars?**

In 1900 wealthy people bought cars for pleasure, comfort, and status. Many doctors bought small, affordable cars because they were more dependable than horses and easier to keep ready. Rural Americans liked cars because they could cover long distances without depending on trains. They carried produce to market, went to stores and movies in town, and even used their cars to plow fields. Families in towns



*Ford Model T built near the end of the Model-T era, this Model-T roadster came off the assembly line in 1926. Courtesy of the National Museum of American History*

and cities liked cars because they were handy for errands, going to the train station, visiting relatives, going to church, and going on drives in the country. A family's house with a car in the driveway has been a common sight since about 1910. Young people liked cars because they could go to movies, restaurants, and other fun places instead of staying at home with their parents.

## **Why do so many people use cars?**

Cars are fast, comfortable, nice looking, and fun to drive. They can go almost anywhere, and they are always ready for use. In many ways, driving is easier than walking, biking, or riding in a train, bus, or airplane. But owning a car is a big responsibility. It takes a lot of money to buy one and keep it running, and drivers must be trained, licensed, and always alert to avoid mistakes and accidents. It takes a lot of space to park cars, and too many cars cause congestion on roads and in parking lots. Some car owners have returned to walking, biking, or riding a train or bus when it's more practical or convenient. For most Americans, cars are a favorite way to travel, but there will always be a need for other types of transportation.

## **What was different about the Ford Model T?**

The Ford Model T, made between 1908

and 1927, cost less than other cars, but it was sturdy and practical. It ran well on dirt roads and fields because it could twist as it rolled over bumps. The Model T looked like an expensive car but actually was very simply equipped. From 1915 to 1925, it only came in black because black paint dried faster than other colors, making it possible to build and sell more Model Ts. For all of these reasons, more Model Ts were sold than any other type of car at the time -- a total of just over 15 million. Farmers, factory workers, school teachers, and many other Americans changed from horses or trains to cars when they bought Model Ts.

## **Why do most cars today run on gasoline?**

The gasoline engine has been reliable, practical, and fairly efficient since about 1900. It is easier to control than a steam engine and less likely to burn or explode. A gasoline car can go much further on a tank of gasoline than an electric car can go between battery charges. Gasoline engines have been improved by the use of computers, fuel injectors, and other devices. But growing concern about chemicals that gasoline engines release into the air (i.e., pollution) have led to new interest in clean, electric cars and cars that run on natural gas, a vapor that is different from gasoline.

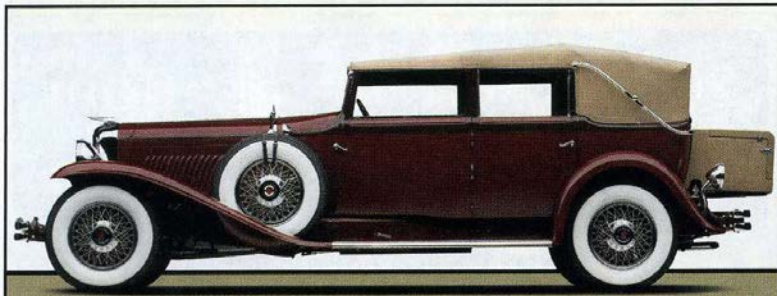
We are in over half way of February and that normally means two things, Mardi Gras in Mobile and the Deep South Region Antique Car Clubs Annual Chili and Soup Supper.

When?

Thursday the 23 starting at 6:00 pm at the club house with our monthly meeting at 7:00 pm. You have a special invitation to be there.

It's advisable to come with a appetite. Hope to see you there.

Best,  
*Zeno*



## THE TRIPLE-THREAT MEET

### Central Spring Meet

• May 11-13, 2017 •

### Auction Park, Auburn, IN

**Meet Chairman:** Steve Moskowitz, [aaca1@aaca.org](mailto:aaca1@aaca.org)  
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AACA teams up with CCCA and Auctions America for this historic meet



#### DSR Officers for 2017

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[Deepsouth.aaca.com](http://Deepsouth.aaca.com)

Also, members should visit  
our Facebook page.



# AACA and CCCA announce first-ever joint meeting

Written by Daniel Strohl, Courtesy of Hemmings Motor News at [www.hemmings.com/blog/](http://www.hemmings.com/blog/)

Sixty-five years. The Antique Automobile Club of America and the Classic Car Club of America have co-existed for long enough to reach retirement age themselves and yet the two most prominent clubs for car collectors in the United States have never held a joint meeting. At least, not until May, when the two clubs will get together for the first time.

“This was way overdue, and it makes sense,” Steve Moskowitz, the executive director of the AACA, said of the meeting. “In the end, we’re not in a competition - we’re all here to do what we can to promote the hobby.”

Moskowitz said he hatched the plan after a number of members of both clubs approached him with the idea, so he called up Jay Quail, his counterpart at the CCCA, to plan such an event.

While both clubs are non-marque specific and thus encompass broad swaths of the collector car hobby, each has its own specific focus. The AACA,



1947 Chrysler Town and Country sedan. Photo courtesy Classic Car Club of America.

founded in 1936, allows any vehicle 25 years old or older (including trucks and motorcycles) to exhibit at its shows. The CCCA, on the other hand, recognizes a specific list of “distinctive” cars built from 1915 to 1948, which it deems Full Classics. It was dissatisfaction on the part of a group of AACA members that led to the formation of the CCCA in 1952.

Moskowitz said he believes a sort of tunnel vision on the part of both clubs’ leadership that prevented them from organizing any sort of joint activity until now. “We don’t need to be parochial,” he said. “Especially now because the hobby has its own challenges.”

Though he said the AACA hasn’t seen any decline in event attendance, “we are looking at the long-range graying of the hobby, and nothing is guaranteed unless we stay attuned to what is going on.”

The AACA has already conducted joint tours with the Horseless Carriage Club of America and partnered with the Veteran Motor Car Club of America to conduct the Glidden Tour. Moskowitz said the club is also open to working with other car clubs on tours and meets.

Cooperating with other clubs such as the CCCA does not imply that the AACA seeks any sort of merger with those clubs, Moskowitz said. “It’s just an opportunity,” he said. “We’ll see some economy of scale if we already have a facility lined up.”

The joint AACA/CCCA meet is scheduled for May 11 to 13 at the Auburn Auction Park in Auburn, Indiana. For more information, visit [AACA.org](http://AACA.org) or [ClassicCarClub.org](http://ClassicCarClub.org).

**AACA Southeastern National Spring Meet**  
**April 8, 2017 at Charlotte AutoFair**  
Hosted by Hornets Nest Region, AACA  
Meet Email: [aacaclt@windstream.net](mailto:aacaclt@windstream.net)

AACA Spring Meet  
Information Region Office  
704-841-1396  
Anytime



Host Hotel  
**Embassy Suites Hotel**  
5400 John Q. Hammons Drive N.W.  
Concord, NC 28027  
Phone Direct: 704-455-8200  
(Located one mile from Speedway)  
Ask for “Antique Auto Club Rate”

**Hornets Nest Region**  
Antique Automobile Club of America  
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Charlotte, NC 28270



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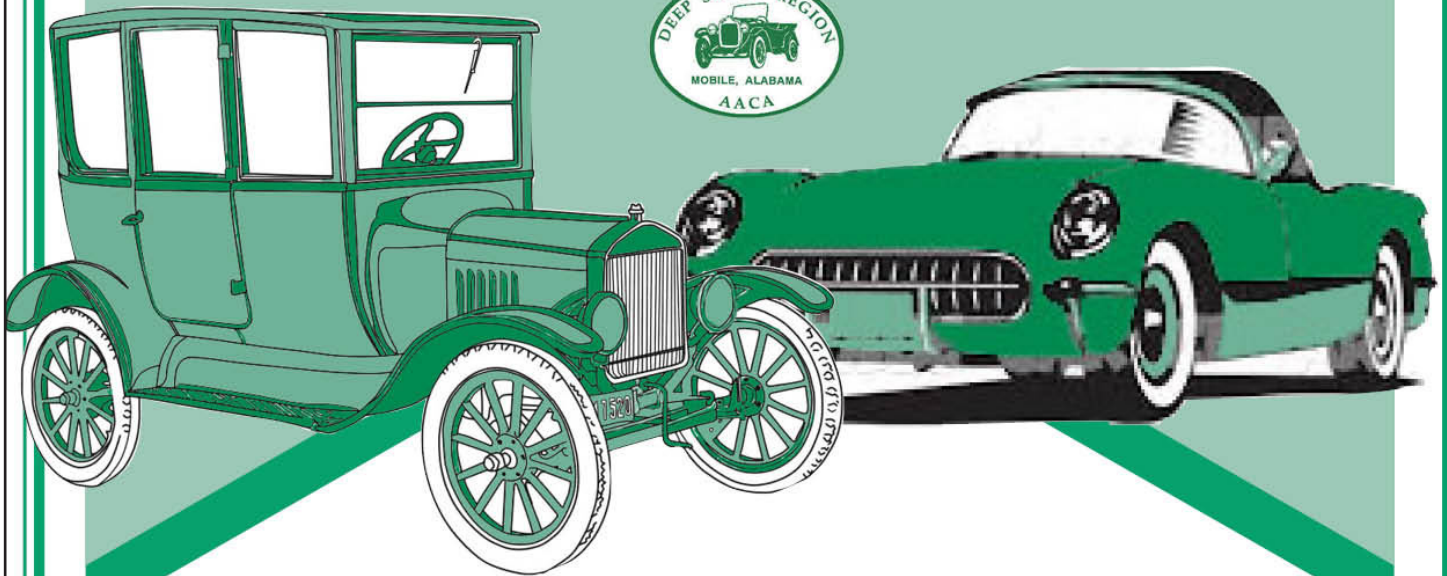
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April 6-9, 2017



AACA Deep South Region 2017  
**50th Anniversary**  
**Car Show**

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(Pre-registration must be received by May 8, 2017 checks payable to DSR Car Club, and mail to Tracy Metclaf, 58 Julia Street, Mobile, AL 36604. For information call Charlotte Dahlenburg (256) 783-2261 - or visit our website [deepsouth.aaca.com](http://deepsouth.aaca.com) Entrants release DSR, AACA, and anyone else connected with this show and it's sponsors, from any and all known or unknown damages, losses, claims and/or judgements from cause whatsoever, that may be suffered by any entrant to his/her person or property.

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# REWIND

WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS DOING 25 YEARS AGO  
from the March 1992 Sparkplug

## Improving the DSR Property!

On Saturday, February 22, Bill Whiting and Lloyd Crowdus took the AACA sign down that was in front of the club house to have a new one made. Bill has agreed to get a new one made probably out of marine plywood. He said he'd put fiber glass around the edges.

Then on March 3, Vice President Buddy Parquet, who is in charge of building and grounds, met at the club house with Lloyd and Lycle Crowdus, Ernie and Eugenia Youens, and for a while with

Hershel and Frances Whigham. We cleared the grounds of rubbish, sprayed the club house with insect repellent, sprayed around the outside with weed killer, and repaired the front flood lights.

Buddy replaced the quartz light that lights up the front of the club house building. Bill is still in the process of getting the AACA sign replaced. Some that have seen it say it is beautifully done! All this is to improve the club's image and to prepare for our May 9 DSR Show. Buddy says we still need to

improve the looks of our building by painting or with new siding. The DSR is moving forward and future looks great! We want the DSR property to look super to our show visitors!!

On the night of March 3 the DSR executive board met and Buddy said we need a WORK DAY with all members that can, please attend. The board agreed on April 11 as the day with April 25 if we don't finish or if it rains. So plan on coming April 11 and let's finish making the club house look great!

## AACA Eastern Spring Meet

May 26-27, 2017 • Huntington, WV

Hosted by the Huntington Region AACA

### Meet Chairman

Jim Lackey  
110 Deer Run Road  
Huntington, WV 25704  
304-429-1180  
jhlackey@aol.com

### Registration Chairman

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1403 High Place Lane  
Blue Ridge, VA 24064  
540-819-5850  
pinball1403@gmail.com

### Chief Judge

Herb Oakes  
102 Converse Drive  
Jacksonville, NC 28546  
910-358-2491  
hoakes@gibralter.net

### Host Hotel

Pullman Plaza Hotel  
1001 3rd Ave  
Huntington, WV 25701  
304-691-5413  
Mention AACA for discount  
room rate of \$108

### Registration Deadline:

April 28, 2017

1926 Chandler  
Comrade Roadster  
Owned by:  
John W. Chandler



## ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB

2017 of AMERICA

### Grand National Meet


### Kansas City Region AACA

June 14 - 17

### Save the Date!

- Three Different Tours
- Ladies Luncheon and Fashion Show
- Inaugural Zenith Award Presentation
- Host Hotel - Hilton Garden Inn - 816-350-3000
- Grand National Chairman, Jim Streeby 816-729-8513
- Registration Chair, Trish Lee 816-868-8034
- Register Early! Limited Space Available

Silverstein Event Center  
19000 East Valley View Parkway  
Independence, Missouri 64055






## Letter From the Editor

It is that time of year again. We are headed into the car show season. We are celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the our car club this year and one of our biggest events will be the car show on May 13. We have started planning our own car show for May 13.

Every event takes a lot of manpower. This club has always stepped up to the plate and donated time, talents and resources to make each event a memorable event.

This Thursday we will be passing around the sign up sheet for the cars show. Please consider the different jobs on the list. Your talent may not be selling drinks or selling trophy sponsorships but I can guarantee that one job on the list will be right up your alley.

We are also looking at other events for the year that would celebrate 50 years. If you have a few ideas let David Ladnier know about them.

Charlotte

**Touring Historic Gold Country  
2017 AACA Western Divisional Tour**

**Sonora, California  
April 25-27, 2017**

The Mother Lode region AACA invites you to tour the historic Gold Country of Central California

Join us for a journey through Historic Gold Rush towns, local wineries, and Big Trees State Park

All antique vehicles 25 years old or older are welcome

Tour Chairman - Duane Bennett danmarcia@att.net (209) 532-7090  
Registrar - Pam Smith pamela24@comcast.net (209) 586-9586

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The Hotel at Black Oak Casino Resort  
19398 Tuolumne Road North  
Tuolumne, CA 95379  
Telephone # (877) 747-8777 or (209) 928-9300

## Market Place

Ads in The Market Place are free to members and run for three months, unless removal is requested earlier.

Ads can be anything from *For Sale* to *Looking For* and *Wanted to Buy*. If you want your ad to continue for an additional three months, please notify Charlotte Dahlenburg.

**Please submit new listings for The Market Place by the 12 of the month to:**

DSR36608@gmail.com or Charlotte Dahlenburg,  
3155 Dog River Road, Theodore, AL 36582



1999 Camaro Z28 Street/Road Course Car for Sale. \$9,500. Contact Ernie Rogers at 251-345-1254.



1929 Model A Ford for sale. All original recent service, modern points, four blade cooling fan, leak less water pump Contact: Phillip Grice 251-656-2304 \$18,000 OBO.



20 foot Open Car Hauling Trailer - Original MSRP - \$8,500 Purchased in March 2010 - new. Current Condition - Excellent (used only 5 times. Empty weight - 1,400 lbs. Carrying capacity - 10,000 lbs. Current asking price - \$7,000.00 OBO Dean Forbes. 713-465-3603.

# LOOKING

I'm looking for a studebaker! Contact Ernie Rogers at 251-345-1254.





## Refreshments

- February 23 - Chili, Chowder, Crockpot Dinner
- March 23 - Zeno and Rheba Chaudron
- April 27 - David and Joyce Ladnier
- May 25 - Charlotte and Darrin Dahlenburg
- June 29 - Martha Fuller and Judy Bobo
- July 27 - Soup and Sandwich Dinner
- August 31 - Janice and Leslie Sellers
- September 28 - Italian Dinner
- October 26 - Scott Henderson
- November 16 - Thanksgiving Dinner
- December 14 - TBA

## Up Coming Events

Our next meeting is Thursday, February 23 at 6 p.m. for dinner and meeting to start at 7 pm at the club house. See you there!

## Birthdays & Anniversary

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| Scott Henderson  | March 8  |
| Travis Henderson | March 10 |
| Janice Sellers   | March 16 |
| Leslie Sellers   | March 25 |

## Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for Buddy Paquet, Anne Givens, Carl Bailey, and Bob White.



**Guess what this is? What does this go to? Email your answer to [dsr36608@gmail.com](mailto:dsr36608@gmail.com).**

Answer for last month:  
1966 Pontiac GTO  
Paul Dagenais is our winner this month



## Do You Need a New Judging Challenge?

By: Jim Elliott

Vice-President, Judging Administration

Are you ready for a new challenge? Do you feel that you have reached your peak in field judging?

To me, field judging is second only to exhibiting a show car in terms of reward. I always enjoy seeing different automobiles and marvel at the perfect restorations seen at our national meets. But, if you dread having to judge the chassis, judging administration may be an alternative worth considering. The "admin team" is a dedicated group that is responsible for the accurate transcription of the field judging results. This, in turn, provides the basis for properly presenting the correct earned award for each of the show cars exhibited.

Qualifying for the admin team is similar to qualifying as a field judge. You must attend judging school, complete the apprentice program and attend the Judging Administration CJE class. Members of the admin team receive the same judging credits and judging incentives as a field judge.

Admin team members can alternate between field judging and the admin office at different meets. This allows you to experience both sides of judging.

The admin team is always accepting new members. If you would like to give it a try, simply indicate "admin" in place of a class choice when you register to judge. It's a choice that could lead you to a whole new judging experience.





# Minutes from the January Meeting

## Deep South Region Meeting Minutes January 26, 2017

The January 26, 2017 Meeting of the AACA Deep South Region was called to order by President Zeno Chaudron followed by prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Webmaster, Charlotte Dahlenburg, informed the members that each could create an individual webpage on The Deep South Region website site.

Vice President, Jim Graham, requested recommendation for club meeting speakers.

Treasurer, Paul Dagenais, presented the monthly Financial Report, and requested a motion to approve the report as presented. Walt Fuller made the motion which was seconded by Connie Graham. The motion passed unanimously.

David Ladnier, Activities Chairperson, presented the possibility of providing cars for the annual Blessing of the Fleet in Bayou LaBatre on May 6, 2017. He will provide further information at the next meeting so the members can consider a motion for DSR participation at the event. David also presented a list of requests for cars for various Mardi Gras activities in case anyone might be interested

in individual participation in any of the events.

David also presented for members' consideration, an opportunity to participate in the Baumhauer Road Baptist Church fish fry on March 25, 2017 from 9:30 -3:00. Members of this church prepared, cooked and help to serve all food for the DSR fish fry in October, 2016. A motion by Charlotte Dahlenburg and seconded by Jim Graham that participation in the Baumhauer Road Baptist Church Fish Fry be approved as an official club function was unanimously approved by the members.

David Ladnier also presented information that cars be shown at the Our Lady of Lourdes lawn party on April 30, 2017.

Charlotte Dahlenburg discussed the upcoming AACA National Meet to be held in Ocala. Florida.

The Deep South Region Fiftieth Anniversary Car Show will be held at the Clubhouse on May 13, 2017 from 9:00-2:00. The committee is working on plans and will present opportunities for participation at the February meeting.

Motion to adjourn made by Scott Henderson and seconded by Brian Daly was approved unanimously. Respectfully submitted,  
Tracy Metclaf, Secretary

**Mobile Chocolate Festival.com**

**9th Annual**

**March 4th**

at

**The Grounds**

Proceeds to benefit Penelope House

**10am - 4pm**

**Admission is free for children 13 & under**  
**General admission \$3.00 in advance, \$5.00 day of the event**

**Featuring:**

- Vendors with Samples and products
- Children's Area
- Mobile Fixture Demonstration Area
- Chocolate Challenge
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- Chocolate Martini Tasting
- Cupcake Booth
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# The Sparkplug



## Why join the Deep South Region of AACA?

Belonging to AACA includes voting privileges, exhibit cars in national meets, tours hosted by Region/Chapters all across the U.S., and compete for national prizes and annual awards. Membership includes a the bi-monthly Antique Automobile magazine. Also learn more about your antique or classic car from other members, guest speakers, and programs, find parts and dealers, and socialize with other owners, our monthly newsletter and the opportunity to have your vehicle/s featured on our web site.

## How do I Join?

1. Come as a guest to one of our meetings (no further invitation is necessary). Meetings are held the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Normally held at the Deep South Regions' clubhouse at 951 Forest Hill Drive Mobile, Alabama. Check Website for changes.
2. You may join any time by joining the National AACA organization. Go to [aaca.org](http://aaca.org) and click on Join/Renew Today for only \$35/year. If you have not previously checked out the AACA web site, now would be a good time to learn about the national organization.
3. Once you have joined AACA, complete the following and bring it to one of our meetings or mail with \$20.00 for local dues to Paul Dagenais, Treasurer, 58 S. Julia Street, Mobile, AL 36604.

## Deep South Region AACA - Mobile, AL

National AACA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(You must be a member of AACA to join Deep South Region)

Dues for Deep South Region are \$20.00 for singles or couples for the calendar year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Note that General and junior Memberships in the AACA are open to all individuals who have a genuine interest in the antique automobile hobby. Ownership of an automobile is not a prerequisite of membership.

Annual Membership - \$35 (includes spouse if applicable) Members receive bi-monthly issue of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE magazine. Members are eligible to join an AACA region and/or chapter. Members can exhibit vehicles & compete for national prizes and annual awards. Members receive unlimited free admission to the AACA Museum. Members receive limited free research by the AACA Library & Research Center staff.

Life Membership - \$600.00 (includes spouse if applicable). Life members enjoy the same privileges as the annual membership.

Student Membership - \$12 Open to STUDENTS ages 13-25. Verification of student enrollment is requested. Enjoys same privileges as the annual membership.

Junior Membership - \$10 Any child up to 12 years old may join, whether or not parents are members of AACA. Junior members will receive one Membership Card, one Membership Badge, and a Newsletter four times a year, February, May, August, and November. Special activities are encouraged for Juniors at National (and local) Meets. An educational program is planned to acquaint Juniors of AACA history, its structure and mission, and a general overview of vehicles and their workings, plus a basic understanding of the judging system, all at a level they should find interesting and entertaining.



# CAMELLIA CLASSIC 2017



## Mobile Bay Mustang Club

24th Annual OPEN Car Show  
Bellingrath Gardens and Home  
April 1, 2017 (Rain or Shine)

Gates Open @ 8:00 am  
Gates Close @ 11:00 am  
Registration: 8:00 - 11:00  
Judging: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Award Presentation: 2:30 pm

This Year's Charity of Choice

- Feeding The Gulf Coast  
Can Good Donations Encouraged
- Alabama Children's Autism
- Free T- Shirts / Dash Plaques for 1<sup>st</sup>  
100 Pre-Registered Entries
- Food & Entertainment
- Door Prizes
- NO PETS ALLOWED INSIDE GARDENS
- No Smoking Allowed Inside Gardens

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies awarded to all classes, 10 Honorable Mention Awards, Special Awards for Best of Show, Best Paint, Best Restoration, Best Vintage Original, Children's Choice and Sponsor awards.

Pre-Register at: [www.mobilebaymustangclub.org](http://www.mobilebaymustangclub.org)

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Chairman  
John Nikodym  
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Registration  
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# AACA Awards Programs

Gathered from [www.aaca.org](http://www.aaca.org) website

## National Awards

The AACA has established a comprehensive awards program to recognize outstanding achievement, superior contribution to the AACA and the hobby, participation in special events and restoration excellence. The program includes three categories of awards: National Awards, National Meet Competition Awards, and Region/Chapter Newsletter Contest Awards.

**National Awards** are presented to selected recipients based on criteria established by the Board of Directors. The awards are divided into two general groups. Some are presented for outstanding vehicles entered in AACA National Activities and others are presented for specific achievements of individuals or organizations. The trophies for these awards have been donated to the AACA and many of them memorialize specific individuals for their contribution to the automotive industry or to the



*Various trophy's and awards available from AACA.*

Antique Automobile hobby. The original trophies are displayed at the AACA National Headquarters and recipients receive an engraved crystal award commemorating the award during the Awards Banquet at the AACA Annual Meeting.

**National Meet Awards** are presented at each National Meet and Annual Grand National Meet. AACA vehicle classifications and Junior and Senior Award categories were adopted starting with the Spring Meet at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, on June 14, 1952. The Preservation Award category was adopted starting with the Spring Meet at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on June 16, 1979. Annual Grand National Meet awards were adopted starting with the first AGNM in Clarks Summit, PA, on July 26, 1980. These awards recognize restoration excellence and specially designed trophies and plaques are presented to the winners at the meet awards banquet.

Plaques that identify National First Place winners Junior, Senior Award winners, Grand National First Prize winners, Senior Grand National Award winners and National Award winners are given to the recipients. These plaques are permanently mounted on the vehicle to clearly identify it as an award winner.

**Awards for Region or Chapter** newsletters are based on participation in the Region/Chapter Newsletter Contest. The AACA Publications Committee selects recipients and the awards are presented at the Annual Meeting.

Trophies and awards for National Tours are provided at the discretion of the Tour Director and Chairman. Touring people are generally more interested in touring than in receiving awards; therefore the

## 2017 AACA Western National Spring Meet

March 23 – 25 • Palm Springs, CA  
Hosted by Palm Springs Region AACA

### Events and Activities

Thursday: Meet & Greet & Private Garage Open House  
Friday: Tour the World Famous Palm Springs Air Museum  
Saturday: Car Show, Evening Social Hour, Awards Banquet

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| <b>Host Hotel</b><br>Quality Inn<br>1269 E. Palm Canyon Dr.<br>Palm Springs, CA 92264<br>760-323-2775 | <b>Meet Registrar</b><br>Kent Robbins<br>816-695-7408<br>kentcars@aol.com   |
| Mention "AACA"<br>\$119 + tax per night<br>Reserve by Feb 23!   | <b>Meet Chairman</b><br>Frank Wenzel<br>760-774-3377<br>carbuffps@yahoo.com |

Information & Registration:  
**[palmsspringsregionaaca.com](http://palmsspringsregionaaca.com)**  
Registration Deadline: February 23!

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criteria and selection of recipients is less formal than for the annual and National Meet awards.

### AACA Mileage Award Program (MAP)

The Mileage Award Program has been established to recognize AACA members who drive an AACA-approved vehicle throughout the calendar year. Participation is voluntary and tracking mileage is the owner's responsibility; although subject to review. It is intended that all activity and mileage will be governed by the vehicle's owner.

Any time a vehicle is driven - anywhere for any reason - the mileage counts towards the award level. Miles where the vehicle is towed (emergency or non-emergency) do not count towards the total driving miles.

### Scholarships

AACA offers five scholarships per calendar year: recipient may only receive any AACA Scholarship once.

**Susquehannock Region Automotive Technology**

**Scholarship** (formerly known as the AACA Student Scholarship) - cash award to a student currently enrolled in an institution of higher learning leading up to a degree in antique automotive technology and or restoration.

**AACA Young People's Award** - a cash award to an AACA member, child or grandchild of an active AACA member in good standing for at least five years, who has been accepted into an accredited institution of higher learning or is now enrolled in such institution, i.e. a four-year college leading to a bachelors degree or a two-year vocational education program leading to a degree. Applicant must be nominated by a Region or Chapter of AACA and must be no more than 25 years old.

**AACA Scholarship** - a cash award to any AACA member, child or grandchild of an active AACA member in good standing for at least five years, who has been accepted to an accredited institution of higher learning or is now enrolled in such institution, i.e. a four-year college leading to a bachelors degree or a two-year vocational education program leading

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to a diploma. Applicant must be no more than 25 years old.

**Louise Bianchi Chiotti Memorial Scholarship Award** - Louise (Bianchi) Chiotti was born on June 11, 1914 in San Jose California. The Family's first automobile was a 1926 Dodge Sedan. Her two younger brothers purchased a 1939 Studebaker and took delivery in January 1939. They wanted to give it to Louise's son, Dave in 1956. His mother thought it too big of a car for a fifteen year old in San Francisco and talked him into buying a 1930 Model "A" Ford Coupe. In 1959 the little Ford was a bit slow, so Dave purchased a 1959 Ford convertible. As Dave sat on the running board of the Ford waiting for the new owner to arrive his mom came and sat next to him. "You really don't want to sell it do you?" she asked. "NO I don't was my reply." "Then don't." Mom said. Dave and Marilyn Chiotti still own the Model "A"; it is a Senior and First Place Grand National Award Winner. The 1939 Studebaker came to the Chiottis after spending 40 years under a walnut tree. It is now a Senior and First Place Grand National Award

Winner. The 1926 Dodge was cut into a truck for ranch use in the 1940's. Dave brought it home in 1976 and built a Woodie. In 2000 they donated it to Luther Burbank Home & Gardens in Santa Rosa. After Dave and Marilyn's uncle's passing they acquired their 1968 Cadillac El Dorado. It now lives in the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA. This \$1500 scholarship is based upon the same rules as the AACA Automotive Technology Award and is awarded as funds are available. It was instituted and funded by Dave and Marilyn Chiotti as a way to honor Louise and a way to continue to support youth in the hobby.

**AACA John & Janet Ricketts Leadership Scholarship** - a cash award to any AACA member, child or grandchild of an active AACA member in good standing for a least 5 years, who has been accepted to an institute of higher learning or is now enrolled in such institution. The award is granted by the family of John and Janet Ricketts in recognition of their love of AACA and their belief in service to the club. It is also in recognition of our first female National President, Janet Ricketts in 1999.

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# National Car Shows

## February 2017

23-25 - AACA Winter Meet • hosted by North Central Florida Region • Ocala, Florida

## March 2017

23-26 - AACA Western Spring Meet • hosted by Palm Springs Region • Palm Springs, CA

## April 2017

6-9 - Southeastern Spring Meet • hosted by Hornets Nest Region • Charlotte, NC

25-28 - Western Divisional Tour (up to 1992) • hosted by Mother Lode Region • Sonoma, CA

## May 2017

11-13 - AACA Special Spring Meet • Auburn, Indiana • hosted by AACA National

26-27 - AACA Eastern Spring Meet • hosted by Huntington Region • Huntington, WV

## June 2017

4-9 - Founders Tour (1932-later) • hosted by Gettysburg Region • Gettysburg, PA

15-17- Annual Grand National Meet • hosted by Kansas City Region • Independence, MO

## August 2017

17-19 - Central Fall Meet • hosted by Mississippi Region • Bettendorf, IA

## September 2017

17-22 - AACA Glidden Tour (AACA hosted) • hosted by Nebraska Region • Hastings, NE

## October 2017

4-7 - Eastern Fall Meet • hosted by Hershey Region • Hershey, PA



# Cruise Ins

| Time           | Location                    | Address                                | For More Info Contact      |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Every Thursday | Sonic in Bay Minette        | Bay Minette, AL (Feb-Nov)              |                            |
| 1st Saturday   | Edgewater Mall              | Hwy 90, Biloxi MS                      | Jimbo 228-596-0664         |
| 1st Saturday   | 5 Guys In Tilman's Corner   | Tillman's Square, Hwy 90               | Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643 |
| 2nd Friday     | Hooters                     | Daphne, AL (Feb-Nov)                   |                            |
| 2nd Friday     | Downtown Cruise             | Ocean Springs, MS                      |                            |
| 2nd Saturday   | Dillard's                   | Eastern Shore Mall, Malbis (Jan - Nov) | Eastern Shore Cruisers     |
| 3rd Thursday   | Sonic                       | Foley, Hwy 59 (Mar-Nov)                |                            |
| 3rd Saturday   | Beef O' Bradys              | Spanish Fort, Hwy 90                   |                            |
| 3rd Saturday   | Bay City Grill              | 5675 Hwy 43 Satsuma                    | 4-8 pm                     |
| 4th Saturday   | Ingalls Engineering Complex | Pascagoula, MS                         | Magnolia Classic Cruisers  |
| 4th Saturday   | 10126 Grand Bay Wilmer Rd   | 10 am - 2 pm                           | Grand Bay Country Cruiser  |
| 4th Saturday   | Stoney's BBQ 5-8 pm         | Hwy 43, Saraland                       | Northside Cruisers         |
| Last Saturday  | Sonic - Hwy 59 South        | Robertsdale, AL (Mar-Oct)              | 251-747-2022               |





## Local Car Shows

**Feb 24-26**

**R.O.D.S. Run Ramblin' Oldies of Denham Springs** \$30  
Gerry Lane Cadillac/Hampton Inn, 11271 Reiger Rd.,  
Baton Rouge, LA.

**Feb 25**

**VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 Car & Truck Show** \$25 8 am -  
2 pm. VFW, 208 Third Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

**Mar 4**

**Going to Town Car Show** \$15 8 am - 3 pm. Downtown  
Magee, Railroad Street, Magee MS.

**Mar 4**

**Mike Bruno's Northshore Harley-Davidson Car Show**  
\$25. 791 W I-10 Service Road, Slidell, LA.

**Mar 4**

**Swamp Stomp Boneyard Kreepers Car Club** 8 am  
Larose Civic Center, 307 E 5th Street, Larose, LA 70373

**Mar 5**

**Cars and Coffee** 8 am - 11 am. Baja Beach, 1785 Beach  
Blvd, Biloxi, MS

**Mar 8-11**

**Emerald Coast Cruizin' Spring Event** Panama City, FL  
[www.emeraldcoastcruizin.com/](http://www.emeraldcoastcruizin.com/)

**Mar 11**

**A Day at Henderson's Car Show** MS Coast Mustang  
Club \$25 8 am - 3 pm. Henderson Ford, 105 US 90,  
Waveland, MS 39576.

**Mar 11**

**William F. Green Veteran Home Car Show** Gear  
Jammers Car Club \$25 9 am - 3 pm. 300 Faulkner Dr,  
Bay Minette, AL 36507.

**Mar 17-19**

**Dixie Rod Run** MS Street Rod Association \$25.  
Trustmark Park, 110 Bass Pro Drive, Pearl, MS 39208

**Mar 18**

**Fraternal Order of Eagles #4535 1st Annual Car Show**  
\$20 8am-3pm, Corner of Ginger & Automall Pkwy,  
D'Iberville 228-280-8300

**Mar 18**

**Pine Hill Festival** \$20 9 am - 3 pm Downtown Wiggins,  
MS

**Mar 17-18**

**Brittanys Project Car Show**, Tractor, Motorcycle, Rat  
Rod \$30. Hwy 323, Oaklawn, Franklin, LA.

**Mar 17-19**

**Orange Beach Invasion** The Wharf Orange Beach, AL

[www.orangebeachinvasion.com](http://www.orangebeachinvasion.com)

**Mar 17-19**

**Wild Wheels Car Show** Superdome, New Orleans  
[www.wildwheelscarshows.com/](http://www.wildwheelscarshows.com/)

**Mar 18**

**MS Gulf Coast VW Show** \$25 9 am - 3 pm. Edgewater  
Mall, Hwy 90, Biloxi, MS rain or shine.

**Mar 24-26**

**Annual Gulf Coast Mustang and National Mustang Club  
of America and All Ford Show** Pensacola Interstate  
Fairgrounds, 6655 Mobile Hwy, Pensacola, FL [www.gulfcoastmustangclub.org/2017show.html](http://www.gulfcoastmustangclub.org/2017show.html)

**Mar 24-26**

**Spring Turkey Run** Daytona, FL [www.TurkeyRun.com](http://www.TurkeyRun.com)

**Mar 25**

**Pascagoula Service Center Car/Truck/Rat Rod Show** \$25  
8am-3pm, Pascagoula Service Center, 2453 Amonett  
Street, Pascagoula, MS

**Mar 25**

**Gnat Nationals Misfits** \$25 8 am - 3 pm. Our Lady of  
the Gulf Church, 228 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis.

**Mar 25**

**Forest County Fire Rodeo Car Show** 8 am \$25.  
Forest County Multi-Purpose Center, 962 Sullivan Dr,  
Hattiesburg, MS 39401.

**Mar 25**

**Loose Caboose Festival and Car show** Newton, MS 8  
am - 2 pm.

**Mar 31-Apr 1**

**Gulf Coast Auto Show Coast Cruizers** \$20. Best  
Western Plus, 9475 US 49, Gulfport, MS 39503

**Apr 1**

**Camellia Classic Open Car Show** Mobile Bay Mustang  
Club 9am - 3 pm. Bellingrath Gardens, 12401 Bellingrath  
Gardens Rd., Theodore, AL 36582.

**Apr 1-2**

**Picayune Street Fair Craft Show** Boulevard Cruisers  
9am-3pm, Downtown Picayune, MS

**Apr 7-8**

**C10 Round-Up All Chevy trucks!** Friday 4pm-8pm  
Saturday 9am-5:30pm, Harrison County Fairgrounds,  
County Farm Rd., Gulfport, MS

**Apr 8 Seabee Days Car Show** 9am-4pm (Contact MWR at  
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