



# The Sparkplug



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## 5th Annual Dawes Christmas Parade

On Saturday, December 10 we met at 11 am at what Jim Henderson calls the car warehouse. Paul Collier lead us to the parade sight in the 1937 Cadillac. With each driver having their own throws this was going to be a fun parade.

We needed to be at Living Word Church on Dawes Road in West Mobile at 12 noon. The parade was scheduled to start at 1 pm.

There were many people lining the streets waiting to catch the throws and to see Santa. One by one the cars left the staging field and drove down the streets. During the parade Darrin got a phone call that the Bel Air had quit running. Darrin jumped out and I took over driving the 1960 Buick Electra.

Darrin ran up to the Bel Air and figured out what was wrong. Looking up the street he saw a parts store and ran to get a new battery. Mean while County Commissioner Jerry Carl got to watch the parade go by.

Darrin fixed the car and had it back in the parade in no time. There were so many people lining the streets that we ran out of throws before the end of the parade.

The parade was fun, but showing off the old cars was the real thrill. Seeing the faces of the children and grown ups as the looked at the cars was awesome. -Charlotte



**Inside: Christmas Past 3 Ethanol Free Gas 10 Airbus 18**



The 1937 Cadillac leading the parade.



Frank Piper driving the 1957 Chevy Bel Air with County Commissioner Jerry Carl.



Mamun driving the 1957 T-Bird with Senator Rusty Glover.



Buddy Givens driving the 1976 Cadillac with Pastor Brad & Mary Sullivan.



Chris Lawson driving the 1964 1/2 Mustang with Debbie Gautreaux, the Dawes Business Connection.



Darrin Clanton driving the 1929 Model A Shay with Ashley Hines the Peacan Festival Queen.



Darrin Dahlenburg driving the 1960 Buick Electra with Coach Danny & Michele Smith.



Paul Collier driving the 1937 Cadillac with Kym Thurman the Grand Marshal of the parade.





# Stories of Christmas Past

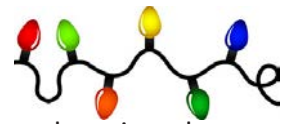


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Ask for a pony when I was about 5 years old, and still haven't received him.

Guess I haven't been very good.  
- Bobby Peterson



## Our Best Christmas Ever!

I am most happy to share this memory with you. The beautiful moment came on December 18, 1962 at approximately 11:07pm. That year had been a very unforgiving year for us. Viet Nam War was blazing and I was preparing myself for a tour in the Army. Since we did not have a child as most of you remember during those years, you were the next to be called to duty. I had a really great job at that time and decided to join the National Guard Reserve or be drafted. After joining the reserves I became

interested in the Officer Candidate School. To compound the situation, I was preparing myself for basic training when we found out we were to have a blessed event in December.

I joined the reserves and was promptly sent to Ft. Jackson, SC for six months basic training. After leaving my newly pregnant wife and job to help preserve the freedom of our country and having gone through all the unpredicted events of being pregnant and the worry of being away from home during this exciting time in a couple's life, I completed my tour of duty and was released from basic training. Our beautiful bundle of joy arrived the week before Christmas. After a brief stay in the hospital we brought Alysia Paige Fuller home on Christmas Eve. I must say this was our best Christmas ever. You can imagine how happy we were after two and a half years of marriage to welcome our Christmas present.

- Walt & Martha Fuller



My favorite Christmas was one of the years I lived in Atlanta. Paul, my mother, and children with their spouses, and then two (now numbering 9) grandchildren came to Atlanta the weekend before Christmas. My condo wouldn't sleep us all, so we housed the overflow at a nearby hotel. Celebration Day dinner was a mixture of pre-ordered foods from Happy Herman's and things that came from my kitchen. Everyone actually got along well,

and we all enjoyed seeing the two grandsons open their gifts. We never got everyone together in the same house after that. Good memories are priceless.

- Tracy Metclaf

Shortly after I turned 20 in July 1971, I joined the Houston MG Car Club and was presented with a calendar in the September newsletter including the Christmas Party to be held at the White Horse Cellar downtown. It was something like Saturday 18th December. I left it on the kitchen counter and when my Dad saw it, he asked me if I planned on attending, and I said "yes!" "Can you hold off on committing money to it?" Why, I asked, and he beseeched me to wait a minute.

He contacted Nick Nichols, he told me later, the Club's first president. He, my Mom, and I, were the only ones at home, so they said, "Don't tell anyone but Aunt Kitty is arranging tickets for this family to go to New Jersey." Aunt Kitty was our generous great aunt who emigrated from Ireland with my grandmother and their sister Molly, who moved to Providence while Kitty and Rose moved to Newark. I didn't have to wait long for word to come the tickets were written for a nonstop Eastern flight on Wednesday evening the 22nd I believe.

So here I was, having to wait 3 months, until the Big Surprise was to come out to my sibs. We were busy, building a stable for my sister's new horse, spraying for mosquitoes carrying Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis, and evacuating horses in front of Hurricane Fern. Finally we were all presented the news 2 or 3 weeks before leaving at breakfast one Saturday morning.

Here is a photo, just before. I know the secret, so I looked nonchalant as possible. L to R: Pat, myself, Kevin, Shaun and Tim. Tim is opening the





package with the tickets.

So we had 2 glorious weeks within 30 miles of New York City, one of my favorite places throughout my life. It was cloudy and cool when Tom Scardino, a printer and member of our Parish choir with Dad, drove us all out to IAH in our Ford station wagon. I had not seen the inside of an airliner since 10 years prior, and that was a Douglas DC-7B. Our ship awaiting us was a Boeing 727-060 owned also by Eastern, and her acceleration as well as climb-out, were absolutely phenomenal in comparison to the Douglas propliner. The roar of 4 big Wright R3750s was replaced with the gentle buzz of 3 Pratt & Whitney JT-8D's. This thing was unbelievably quiet at cruise, a mesmerizing symphony of sounds that put you to sleep. The 3 hour nonstop was lightning fast compared to past experience, the "night coach" landing in 4 cities, before that 12 hour journey ended in Newark the next morning.

The arrival itinerary was first at the apartment of my widowed Aunt Mary, cousin Kathy, and Aunt Kitty. We had cots all arranged in that tiny place with one bathroom and a walk-in closet size kitchen. The elevator reminded me of the one in "Thoroughly Modern Millie", with the sliding gates and the "wuuh-wa wa wuuh" when you pressed the button to go to or from the 5th floor. I thought we would all need to take tap dancing lessons somewhere on Broadway. Dang that thing was slow!

We saw my mom's eldest brother, Uncle Tom and his family, 2 months

before they moved to Florida. Tom had retired from Arco as a tank truck driver. We also went to visit my Dad's side in Freehold and Springfield, where my Aunt Blanche and Uncle Joe lived. Joe was still working as a piano tuner, and played backup with a rare C-Tenor saxophone for some of the Big Bands in the area... can't remember if it included Tommy Dorsey or Artie Shaw, may have been others, not them.

We also got up to Sparta, near Lake Saginaw, in Northern New Jersey. If you think of NJ as "which Turnpike exit?" you have not seen the real beauty of the state. I consider myself a native Houstonian but I was born in "Juuh-zee".

On New Year's Eve we went to New York on the bus. Dad didn't want a crisis with lost children in the subway system, so we stuck to the surface and took taxis. We saw the Museum of Natural History before it closed at 3 for the holiday, and Rockefeller Plaza. I bought a muffler (neck scarf) to keep Dr. Freeze away, and it cost \$10. I wanted to go into a restaurant to get a cup of coffee. It was 50 cents and I was livid at the price. Remember this was 1971.

We left Newark on the evening of the 4th. It was pretty dark, being 38 degrees north and further east into Eastern Time than Houston was at 30N and 2/3 of the way west in the Central Time zone. As the Boeing climbed out through the low stratus deck, two tall dark silhouettes poked out of lower Manhattan, each proportional to a wrapped stack of saltine crackers, and each with a flashing red light on top. Little did I know those two edifices would haunt me later, for some 15 years now, every time I see them in an older movie or TV program.

I guess 1971 was my favorite year, coming of age. I wish everyone a beautiful blessed Christmas.

- Brian

**M**y favorite Christmas was when I was 10 years old. That year I had asked for a bike and some Tonka trucks. Being the middle child of 6 kids you new you were not getting



much but I really wanted a bike and we had a great sand pile on the side of the house.

Christmas morning came and there were a ton of presents under the tree. My parents did not put any presents under the tree until we all went to bed on Christmas Eve.

Christmas morning we all waited until we were allowed to leave our rooms and head to the living room to see all the presents. My Grandfather was a photographer and he had to take photos of us seeing the presents for the first time.

We all got to open our stockings. Then we had to wait while my dad made pancakes. 6 kids and 5 adults (my Mom and Dad, aunt Kathy and Grandma and Grandpa)... a long time to wait to open all those presents.

Finally we got to tear into all those presents. I did not get the bike but I did get a few Tonka trucks. One of the best parts was that I did not get a doll that year. I guess my parents finally figured out I did not play with Barbie or dolls or anything along those line.

I played with those trucks for a long time. One of them was a Tonka Jeep. I really loved that Jeep.

The Jeep did not survive the year. We lived on a hill in a little town in Massachusetts. I would get to the top of the hill and ride that Jeep down the hill until it ran into the fence at the bottom of the rode.

I would jump off just before hitting the fence and the Jeep would ram right into the fence and bounce off it and hit the road.

Didn't take long for the Jeep to be destroyed. But I still have great memories of that Jeep.

-Charlotte





The crew getting ready to drive in the Tillman's Corner Christmas Parade. Left to Right: Clyde Smith, Lou Lartigue, Betty Lartigue, Mark Glenn, Nathan Ivy, Ashley, Cory, Sydney Breland, Frank Piper, Kerry Schmidt, Mary Schmidt, Paul Collier, Linda Grant, Scott Henderson.



A view of the cars in the parade.

## Tillman's Corner Christmas Parade

The South West Mobile County Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas Parade was held on December 3 at 10 am in Tilman's Corner. The Henderson's provided 10 cars for the parade.

It was a chilly morning and we met at the museum at 8:30 am to drive the cars to the parade route. We all were excited about throwing out candy to all the children the lined the parade route.

We left the museum and headed to the school where

staging for the parade took place. Before we knew it, it was time to start the parade.

The 1937 Caddy lead the pack of cars and the rest of the parade. There were so many people lining the streets as the parade went down Three Knotch Road and down Government before returning to the school.

Deep South Region members driving in the parade were Lou Lartigue, Frank Piper and Scott Hendrson.

- Charlotte



Scott Henderson driving the 1937 Cadillac with the Grand Marshal - City Councilman John Williams & Maureen.



Lou Lartigue driving the 1957 Chevy Bel Air with the Vice President of SWMCCC, Ruth Robinson.



Frank Piper driving the 1960 Buick Electra with the Citizen of the Year, Pete Riehm.



Kerry Schmidt driving the 1964 1/2 Ford Mustang with the Spirit Award Winner.





The cold must have been hard on the battery but was easily fixed with a push start.



Paul Collier driving the 1929 Model A Shay Alabama Pecan Festival Queen, Ashley Hines.



Sydney Breland driving the 1976 Cadillac with T.A.L.L. Leadership winners.



Clyde Smith driving the 1957 T-Bird with Tina Poiroux, Executive Director of the South West Chamber.



Marty driving his mustang convertible with County Commissioner Jerry Carl.



Nathan Ivy driving the 2007 Shelby with T.A.L.L. Leadership Winners.



Mark Glenn driving the 1953 Chevy Truck in the parade.



Nothing like a hot breakfast after a parade.

I hope everyone is enjoying the holiday season with family and friends. For me and mine this is a time of reflection and thankfulness. Another year of being together through everything life's journey can throw our way. Remembering the reason for this celebration.

I'm looking forward to 2017 for the club. We will have several new faces this year as officers. We did have several new members join that love this hobby and have been great contributors already. We can look back and see what we accomplished while having a great time of fellowship in the process. We can look forward to another great year.

I want us to remember members and their family's that are dealing with health issues in our prayers.

Extending to you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Zeno and Rheba



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

**Also, members should visit our Facebook page.**



## DSR goes out for breakfast

DSR met at Morrisons Cafe for breakfast Saturday, December 10 at 8 am. They had a buffet set up and we were back in the back room.

We had plenty of time to catch up with each other and also discussed a few business items.

Final plans were made for the up coming Airbus Plant tour on December 10.

Scott announced to the group about the two AACA National Award Winners that belong to the Henderson Collection. The 1951 Ford Victoria and the 1936 Ford Cabriolet.

DSR members present were: Walt & Martha Fuller, Scott Henderson, Mallory Hendrson, Linda Grant, Paul D, Tracy Metclaf, Kay Montgomery, John Pendergrass, Reba & Zeno Chaudron, Darrin & Charlotte Dahlenburg, Barrett Sargent, Jim & Connie Graham, Jim Henderson, Lou & Betty Lartgue.

- Charlotte

## Grand Bay Christmas Parade

The best way to cap off a cold day is to ride in a convertible in a Christmas parade. That is exactly what we did.

Meeting at the car warehouse at 5:30 pm we drove down Highway 90 to Grand Bay.

Darrin had the most excitement because he had the Fire Chief in his car. During the parade there was a house fire and the Chief directed his troops from the back of the Mustang. At the end of the parade the chief jumped onto one of the fire trucks and headed out to the fire.



Kerry Schmidt driving the 1957 Chevy Bel Air with Santa and his elf.



Scott Henderson driving County Commissioner Jerry Carl in the 1937 Cadillac.



Darrin Dahlenburg driving Fire Chief Christian in the 1964 1/2 Mustang.

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# Semmes Christmas Parade

David Ladnier drove his 1964 Ford Galaxy Convertible in the Semmes Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 10, 2016.

He had the pleasure of driving Connie Hudson, Mobile County Commissioner, Dena Pollard, Public Information Officer, Kathy Eddy, Director of Public Affairs, Mobile County Commission. Also in attendance was Loren Pollard and Joyce Ladnier.

City of Semmes Event Coordinator was Denise Dailey. It was an honor to participate in the 2016 Semmes Christmas Parade.

- David Ladnier



From left: Joyce Ladnier, Loren Pollard, Commissioner Connie Hudson, and David Ladnier



The beautiful lines on David's Galaxy created an interesting issue for the Magnets to sit on his doors. David came up with a very creative idea to solve the problem. Clips purchased from Walmart, bolts from the hardware store will hold the large magnets in place for the parade attendees to see.



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# Ethanol-free gasoline spared in latest EPA ruling, though its days may be numbered

Photo from the Erik Overbey Collection, The Doy Leale McCall Rare Book and Manuscript Library, University of South Alabama.

With its Gothic arches and flying buttresses, this St. Joseph Street Shell station lasted a little more than a decade before being replaced by a larger facility in the early '40s.



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Daniel Strohl on Nov 29, 2016

Despite worries that the Environmental Protection Agency would put an end to ethanol-free gasoline sales with its Renewable Fuels Standard ruling for 2017, the agency permitted E0 a reprieve at the same time it declared its intention to transition the entire nation's fuel supply to E10 and above.

While the EPA has no say on the exact proportions of E0, E10, E15, E85, and other ethanol-blended fuels that make up the country's fuel supply, it does set forth the total amounts of ethanol to be blended into the fuel supply, and in its final numbers for 2017, released last week, the agency increased that total amount to 19.28 billion gallons.

Part of the agency's reasoning for that total amount came from its expectation that demand for ethanol-free gasoline in the coming year would amount to just 200 million gallons, largely driven by recreational boaters. While the EPA made no direct reference to the concerns of old car enthusiasts in its ruling, it did address those concerns in its official response to public comments on its ethanol policies.

"While some vehicle or engine owners

other than owners of recreational marine engines may prefer E0, we do not believe that volumes of E0 used by such parties should be included in our determination of the applicable volume requirements for 2017 since they do not have the same particular sensitivity to gasoline blended with ethanol – with the exception of the oldest engines, essentially all vehicles and engines currently in use have been designed to be compatible with E10."

In addition, the agency rejected arguments that as much as 5.3 billion gallons of ethanol-free gasoline were used in 2015 and that demand for ethanol-free gasoline has not declined over recent years. While the EPA did evaluate scenarios that projected demand of 500 million gallons of ethanol-free gasoline for 2017 (down from its own estimate of 700 million gallons in 2015), it ultimately settled on a figure of 200 million gallons after citing a lack of hard data on how much ethanol-free gasoline has been consumed in recent years.

Boaters – through the National Marine Manufacturers Association – and motorcyclists – through the American Motorcyclists Association – have expressed concern over the last several months that the EPA would reduce the amount of ethanol-free gasoline in the nation's fuel supply to zero.

However, as the agency pointed out, the 200 million gallon figure does not necessarily limit the nation's fuel supply to 200 million gallons of ethanol-free gasoline in 2017. More could be sold based on demand as long as the nation's fuel supply balances out those sales with increased sales of E15 and higher ethanol-blended fuels.

The 200 million gallon figure compares to estimates of 275 million gallons of E85 and 728 million gallons of E15.

Regardless of the amounts of ethanol-free fuel available in 2017, the EPA noted in last week's ruling that it intends to "continue incentivizing the market to transition from E0 to E10 and other higher level ethanol blends."

That final figure of 19.28 billion gallons – which surpasses the 18.8 billion gallons that the EPA proposed earlier this year – translates to about 10.7 percent of the nation's fuel supply. Of that amount, 15 billion gallons will come from "conventional" sources – that is, from corn – thus meeting the standards set by Congress in the Renewable Fuel Standard in 2007. While the Renewable Fuel Standard stipulates total renewable fuel volumes to rise to 36 billion gallons by 2022, it does not call for conventionally sourced ethanol to rise beyond 15 billion gallons after 2017.



# Where to find ethanol free gas in the area

## Zippy Mart

5936 Three Notch Rd, Mobile

## Quick Stop

10191 Old Pascagoula Rd

## Mystik

1174 Azalea Rd, Mobile

## Greer's Old Bay Market - #28 - SHELL,

10835 Dauphin Island Pkwy, Theodore

## Easy D Inc

1300 Gulf Shores Pkwy, Gulf Shores

## Southern Bama Bait & Tackle

Behind the Pines gas station, Gulf Shores

## J&M Tackle

Orange Beach

## Rambo's Auto Services

152 S Section St, Fairhope

## Fish River Pride

10525 US-98, Fairhope

## Kaiser Auto Service Inc

402 N McKenzie St, Foley

## Palmer's One Stop

8175 US-90, Irvington

## Bebo's Springhill Market

3614 Old Shell Rd, Mobile

## Wilson's Service Center

6425 Spanish Fort Blvd, Spanish Fort

## Pure Station

14748 Us Highway 98, Magnolia

## Springs

## Pic N Go

8992 Magnolia Springs Hwy

Foley/Magnolia Springs

## Dauphin Island Marina

650 Lemoyne Dr, Dauphin Island

## Fowl River Marina Bait Shack

11799 Dauphin Island Pkwy, Theodore

## Pure Station

Corner of 193 & 188 Alabama Port/Coden

Coden

## Donna's Convenience Store

10510 Padgett Switch Rd, Irvington

## Time Saver

1700 Navco Rd, Mobile

## Big Daddy's Grill At Riverpark

16542 Ferry Rd, Fairhope

## Papa John's Gas Station and Conv. Store

8148 Spanish Fort Blvd, Spanish Fort

## Chickasaw Pride

401 N Craft Hwy, Chickasaw

## BP Station

235 W Laurel Ave Foley, Corner of Pine & Hwy 98

## Starvin Marvin

1028 Shelton Beach Rd, Saraland

## Side Track

Wilmer (Tanner Williams Rd, west of Big Creek Lake)

## Shell Merri Mart

6630 Rangeline Rd, Theodore

## Gran-Pac 2

10610 AL-188, Grand Bay

## Roadway

9141 Airport Blvd, Mobile

## Shell

7525 AL-59, Foley

## Ricken's Convenience Store

1002 AL-59, Summerdale

## Spirit

175 Schillinger Rd N, Mobile

## Elberta Grocery

25250 US-98, Elberta

## Chevron Station Lillian

33780 US-98, Lillian

## Shell

25943 State Ave Elberta

## Riverside Market

1751 Riverside Dr, Mobile

## Seven Hills Country Store

12000 Airport Blvd, Mobile

## Rand's Quick Stop

12351 Old Pascagoula Rd, Grand Bay

## Exxon

3948 Government Blvd, Mobile

## Exxon (Clarks)

29234 US-98, Daphne

## Elberta Farmers Co-Op

13320 Co Rd 83, Elberta,

## Big Country's Food Shop

25931 Co Rd 32, Elberta

## Pure Station

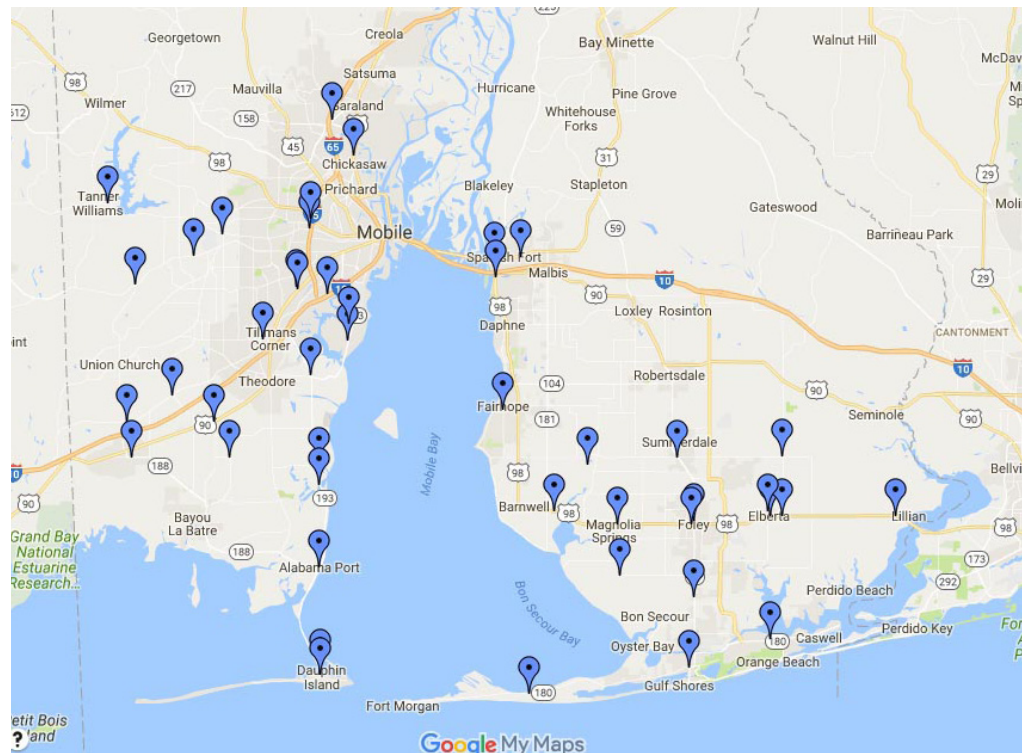
1331 S Main St, Atmore

## Mcneil Express

50 Carver Ave, Atmore

## Clark's (Mobile)

3618 Norwood Ln, Mobile



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## Letter From the Editor

As I look back at the road I traveled this past year I can just smile. The year provided so many opportunities to see our great country! Traveling to three AACA National Shows in Charlotte North Carolina, New Bern, North Carolina and Galveston, Texas I enjoyed looking out the window.

The spring roads took me to Texas to visit our grandson and of course his mother as well. Dallas was fun and we enjoyed being there.

The summer road took me from Mobile to San Rafael, California along the old Route 66 and a stop at the Grand Canyon took me to the beginning of the Great Race.

The nine day race from San Rafael to Moline, IL took me through some old camping grounds. With an overnight stop in Rapid City, SD where I raised my children. Darrin and I have many friends in the area and lots of family.

Many times we made the short trip to Huntsville to visit our number one grandson (first born) and his father.

2017 is right around the corner and I am looking forward to looking out the windshield. See you on the road this next year!

Charlotte

## 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.



1964 Plymouth Valiant V200 Station Wagon for Sale. 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 \$18,000.00 OBO



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## Annual Membership Dues are Due

### Membership Dues

The annual dues for the car club are due. The dues are \$35.00 for the regional and \$20.00 for our local: Total of \$55.00 per year.

We can handle both the national and local dues. For those who wish to mail their dues they can make the check out to DSR and mail it to:

Paul Dagenais Treasurer  
58 S. Julia Street  
Mobile, AL 36604



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## Refreshments

- January 26:
- February 23:
- March 23:
- April 27:
- May 25:
- June 22:
- July 27:
- August 24:
- September 28:
- October 26:
- November 16:

## Up Coming Events

Our next meeting is Thursday, January 26 at 7 p.m. at the club house. See you there!

## Birthdays & Anniversary

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| Martha Fuller   | January 2         |
| Paul's Dagenais | January 12, 1953  |
| Patt Paquet     | February 18, 1949 |

## Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for Buddy Paquet, Mike Barrios, Anne Givens, Robbie Lyles, 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: 1929 Dodge Delivery Van



Answers, Answers, Answers!!

By Steve Moskowitz,  
AACA Executive Director

I bet you might not know that many of the answers you seek about AACA are literally at your fingertips! We get hundreds of calls each year that could be handled quickly on your own time by visiting the AACA website. [www.aaca.org](http://www.aaca.org) has most of the information you need to operate your region or chapter.

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*On November 17, 2016 we held our annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Club house. The club provided the meat and the members brought out so many yummy foods to go with it. We had a great time just hanging out and having a meal together.*



## Minutes from the November Meeting

Zeno opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Acknowledgement of the visitors.

Thank you to everyone for the food for the Thanksgiving dinner.

Members were asked to remember Buddy and Par, Anne Given, Mike B, Lycle and the Henderson's daughter.

### Old Business:

**Fish Fry:** Thank you for all the help and all the effort put forth. Thank you to Charlie Lyles and his helpers Kieth and Clyde. Fish Fry raised \$2735.50. Due to donations and the efforts of the club members there was no cost to the club for the fish fry. Lou Lartigue suggested that we make signs for the Fish Fry for next year. We need some signs saying the date and some saying free Cruise-In and a sign at the entrance that says free admission. Next year for the fish fry we need three people to go take the health department test to be food handlers. Charlie would like for the club to come to the clubhouse next year the night before to do all the food prep. Scott sold the most tickets to the fish fry so he won the prize donated by Pep Boys.

**Repairs:** Thanks to Scott and Jim Henderson on fixing the windows. Thank you to Paul and Tracy for fixing the bathroom light.

**Treasurer:** Collecting dues of \$35 national and \$20 DSR. Paul will pay the national if you give him the money.

### New Business:

**Return Favor:** March 25 will be the Fish Fry at Baumhouer Baptist Church with a Cruise-In and Bake Sale. Our cooks came over from the church to help us and would like for us to help them with their event.

**Treasurer:** Read the report for the month of October.

Charlie Lyles motioned for approval of report as read. Bobby Peterson second the motion. Vote unanimous.

**Website:** New members need to get info to Charlotte so she can add new pages to the website representing all the members.

**DSR Entrance:** David Ladnier is going to get some reflectors for the entrance to the clubhouse. It is hard to see in the dark.

**Clean Up Day:** Club will meet on a future day to trim back the bushes and clean up the yard at the club house. We have a problem with people hiding behind the overgrowth to drink and litter.

**Committees:** We need a committee for Fish Fry, Car show and 50th Anniversary Party. Darrin Motion for committees to be formed. Connie Second the motion. All were in favor.

**New Officers:** Officers for 2017 were elected during the meeting. President: Zeno Chaudron, Vice President: Jim Graham, Secretary: Tracy Metclaf, Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, Editor: Charlotte Dahlenburg, Activities: David Ladnier, Member-at-Large: Walt Fuller, Program Chairperson: Connie Graham, Webmaster: Charlotte Dahlenburg

**50th Anniversary Car Show Committee:** Charlotte D, Connie G, Jim G, Bobby P, David L, Darrin D, Frankie P. Airbus Invite to tour the plant: December 10 2 and 3 pm tours are tentative until Jochim Hehemann gets back to Charlotte.

December 10 breakfast at Morrison's Café at 8 am as a club event. Walt motioned Tracy second All vote yes. Lou Motion to close meeting Herb second all vote yes. 50/50 won by Nancy Thoms.





# 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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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.

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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.





Views of the Dollar General Bowl Parade held in downtown Mobile.



Staging for the parade.

## Dollar General parade

The weather began to get sketchy. We were not sure we would even get the cars out to go to a parade. Rain and mist moved into the area just an hour before time to leave.

The skies cleared and we all got in our cars and headed to the parade staging at the Civic Center. There we were loaded with the throws for the parade.

We had about 2 hours to kill before the parade was to start. We hung out and took a bunch of goofy pictures.

We moved out to the street about a half hour before the parade start time. Several of the riders had not shown up yet.

At parade time three passengers of vehicles had not made it to the start so Linda, Teddy and I all jump into the back of cars and headed down the parade route throwing out the throws.

The parade was very fun!



David and Joyce Ladnier driving the Galaxy with



the 1957 Chevy Bel Air in the staging area before the parade.



Staging the cars for the parade.







John Weichman drove the 1953 Chevy Pick-Up in the parade with the Mobile Generals Football Team.



Frank Piper drove the 1964 1/2 Mustang.



Darrin Dahlenburg drove the 1960 Buick Electra with the Ohio University President Mc Davis.



Mike Walso drove the 1929 Model A Shay with Mr. Greer.



Chris Lawson drove the 1976 Cadillac with Troy Chancellor Jack Hawkins.



Scott Henderson drove the 1937 Cadillac with the Sunbelt Assoc. Comissioner Hairston



Sydney Breland drove the 1957 Chevy Bel Air with Perry Sook.



Mark Magee drove the 2007 Shelby with Don and Peggy Kelly.





## Airbus U.S. Manufacturing Facility Tour

DSR member Joachim Hehemann set up the chance for our group to tour the Airbus facility in Mobile. We all met at the gate. Morgan was our tour guide and we had the privilege of having Joachim on the tour as well. The two did an awesome job answering all our questions.

We spent a significant amount of time in the Final Assembly Line Hanger. This is where the planes are pieced together before going to the paint shop. We were told about all the aspects of putting the planes together. They

are currently putting out two planes a month and are working toward 12 plains a month at this facility.

We were allowed to peek into the Final phase in the flight Line Hanger.

Members present for the tour Mike Barrios, Zeno & Reba Chaudron, Paul Dagenais, Darrin & Charlotte Dahlenburg, Brian Daly, Walt Fuller, Ed & Ed Grimes, Jim, Scott, Travis and Mallory Henderson, David & Joyce Ladnier, Lou & Betty Lartigue, Tracy Metclaf, Bobby Peterson, Ernie Rogers

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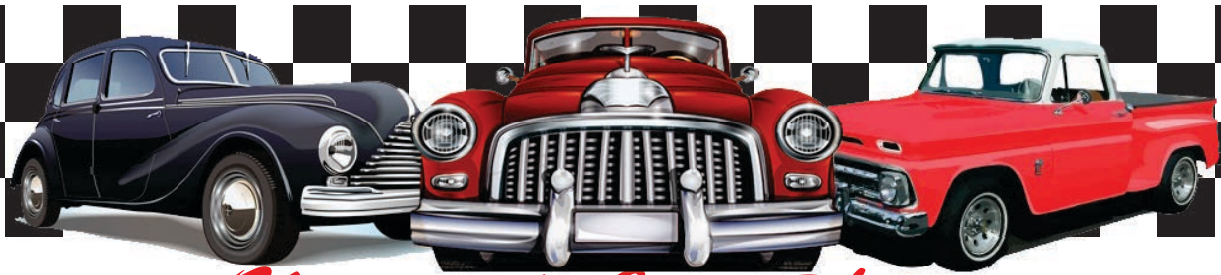
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# National Car Shows

## February 2017

- 9-11 - AACA Annual Meeting • Philadelphia, PA 23-25 - June 2017  
 AACA Winter Meet • hosted by North Central Florida Region  
 March 2017  
 23-26 - AACA Western Spring Meet • hosted by Palm Springs Region  
 4-9 - Founders Tour (1932-later) • hosted by Gettysburg Region  
 15-17 - Annual Grand National Meet • hosted by Kansas City Region

## April 2017

- 6-9 - Southeastern Spring Meet • hosted by Hornets Nest Region  
 25-28 - Western Divisional Tour (up to 1992) • hosted by Mother Lode Region  
 August 2017  
 17-19 - Central Fall Meet • hosted by Mississippi Region

## May 2017

- 11-13 - AACA Special Spring Meet • Auburn, Indiana  
 26-27 - AACA Eastern Spring Meet • hosted by Huntington Region  
 September 2017  
 17-22 - AACA Glidden Tour (AACA hosted) • hosted by Nebraska Region  
 October 2017  
 4-7 - Eastern Fall Meet • hosted by Hershey Region



# Cruise Ins

Time	Location	Address	For More Info Contact
Every Thursday	Sonic in Bay Minette	Bay Minette, AL (Feb-Nov)	
1st Monday	Light House Restarant	Bayou La Batre	Mobile Bay Mustang Club
1st Saturday	Edgewater Mall	Hwy 90, Biloxi MS	Jimbo 228-596-0664
1st Saturday	KFC 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	What-A-Burger	Airport & Snow Road	Bubba Blanton 251-610-4032
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



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