



The Sparkplug



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82nd Annual Meeting for First Timers



The 82nd AACA Annual Meeting took place February 8-10, 2018, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Not knowing what to expect from our first attendance at Annual Meeting in Philly, Darrin and I went hoping to participate in as many the meetings, seminars, dinners and tours as possible in addition to seeing the trade show.

What we did not expect was the amount of Superbowl fans we would run into. Getting from the airport to the hotel on parade day was a trick and left us walking 10 blocks dragging our suitcase.

The first big event I attended was the First Ladies Breakfast. Tom Cox's wife Tammy, hosted a Blue Jean Breakfast with a comedian that was very funny.

I left early to attend a membership meeting. This committee had many good ideas and will be working hard to help grow the regions and chapters.

Darrin attended some of the seminars offered. Vicki and Arthur helped with decorations for the Presidents dinner. When we all finished all the things we needed to do the four of us went to enjoy some local cuisine. When in Philly do like the Phillies and enjoy a Philly cheese steak! And that is what I enjoyed at the pizza place around the corner.

The trade show area was full of interesting vendors and people to answer questions about shows and tours.

I thought it was going to be just fun to attend the Presidents Dinner and it was. But half way through dinner they began to talk about club events. Then I get this text from Vicki...next thing I new I am standing in line waiting my turn to talk to a Bazillion people about our 2018 Winter Meet.

Saturday we took the bus tour of the city. It was a rainy day so we never got off the bus. At the end of the tour we saw the Liberty Bell and made our way back to the hotel and got ready for the evening event.

The highlight for the whole event was the Awards Banquet. That was when we celebrated each other and the accomplishments that each person made. Each of the National Award winners had a special ribbon added to their name tag. It was a great trip that everybody should experience. - Charlotte



Crowds for the Superbowl Parade
Photo by Vicki Bolton

Only 10 blocks to the hotel



Tickets for everything





First Ladies Blue Jeans Breakfast



Pizza for lunch



Trade Show area



Membership Committee Meeting



Left: Vicki and Arthur enjoying the Presidents Dinner

Left Bottom: Darrin and Charlotte at the Presidents Dinner

Right: Speaking to all the Club Presidents about the 2018 Winter Meet

Below: Darrin and Charlotte at dinner





82nd annual meeting held in Philadelphia



Sally Barnett donating 100,000 dollars from the Barnett Family to the new building fund



DSR red shirts at the Annual Meeting



Vicki, Author, Darrin and Charlotte at the Award Banquet



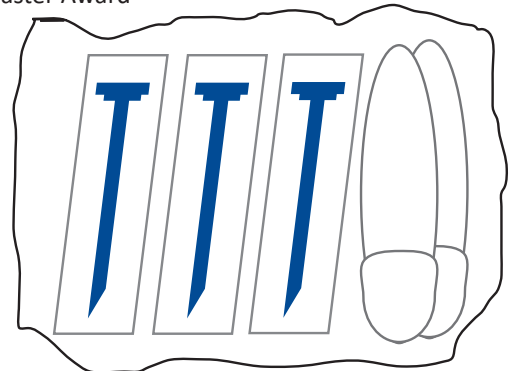
Getting the first of three awards



Master Editor Award, George R Norton Jr, Membership Award and the Master Webmaster Award

I knew I was getting a Web Master award and a Master Editor award but I really thought those awards were going to be paper certificates. I did get a beautiful glass award for each. I waited till all the auto awards were given to find out what the Service Award was. There were a few possibility that I thought about. The George R. Norton Jr, Membership Award was a thrill and not one I expected to get. First impressions and growth in an organization has been a focus for many years for me. - Charlotte

Getting the trophies home was another story. This is what they looked like in the x-ray machine. Needless to say they were all nervous to open this up and see what was inside.



Geary W. Polk

Mobile, Alabama

June 22, 1941 - Jan 30, 2018

A chapel service for Geary Polk was held at 10 am on Monday, February 5, 2018 from Mobile Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, followed by a committal service at the grave site.

Geary W. Polk passed away January 30, 2018 at the age of 76. Geary was a longtime member of the Local 653 Operating Engineers and at one time served as President before retiring. He also served his country in the U.S. Army National Guard as a Staff Sergeant with the 129th Med. Co. and after over 25 years of service with his friends Tom Ryan and Randall Wright, he retired from the Reserve in 1990. He was a devoted member and beloved friend of many at University Church of Christ. He served his Church as a master of all repairs. He was a real Mr. Fix-it and kept everything running smoothly. Whenever he was called him to help around the church he would go right over and get to work right away because he wanted to be of service, so he really never retired. For many years he was a member of the Antique Car Club of America in Mobile and at one time

owned and restore a 1931 Cadillac that was his pride and joy. His other pride and joy was his nephew, or more like a son, Darren Polk. Geary was a father to him from the time he was 5 years old until now which is over 45 years. He took such good care of Darren, he was instrumental in his miraculous recovery from epilepsy. Uncle Geary's faith in God and his strong love for his family made him a beloved son, brother

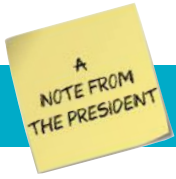


and nephew to his siblings and their families. His specialty was enriching the lives of others. If anyone needed anything, Geary made himself available to be there for them. He would drive from Alabama to California to help his sister Charlene or drive across country to deliver a car to his sister Betty. He would check-in on his sister Jane after her husband died and help her in any way he could. He made sure both his brother Charles and his sister Charlene had lovely funeral services. That was just the kind of generous, loving person he was to his family. He extended that generosity to his church family and neighbors. If he knew of a shut-in or anyone who needed help or a ride to church, he was there for them. That was his character. Geary Polk was a helper who served other above himself. It may come as a surprise but he had many varied life experiences. In his early years he drove a taxi cab in downtown Mobile. He learned to restore houses working with his Dad and brothers renovating, building or roofing houses. He raced cars with his brothers Edgar and Charles on a dirt track. At one time, he traveled to Saudi Arabia to be a Director of Transportation, Vehicle Sales and Repair bravely overcoming cultural and language barriers. Geary was also a local businessman contributing to the local economy through renovating, many rental properties throughout the years. It seems there was nothing he could not accomplish. He had a flair for succeeding in his life, being generous to others, and working for the Lord. He was preceded in death by his parents Faye Lowe Polk and Edgar Warren Polk, his brother Charles Dwain Polk and his sisters, Charlene Polk and Jane Polk Cooner. He is survived by his Aunt Lillian Lowe, brother Edgar Warren Polk Jr., Linda Polk Goodson (Danny), Karen Polk Mayhugh (Rusty), Bettye Ann Polk McGrath (Ken), Darren Polk, Debra Polk Moore (Patrick), Steven Dwain Cooner (Judy), William David Cooner, Robert Warren Cooner (Lisa), Timothy W. Cooner (Evonne), Edith Kathleen Cooner and many other nieces, nephews and relatives.



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February 2018

February, 2018 has started off at a fast pace. Here it is mid-February, and all of our members are working hard to make our AACA Winter Meet (March 22 – 24) and all other activities we have planned huge successes. Speaking of success - Congratulations for several jobs well done goes out to Charlotte: Master Editor, Webmaster, and The George R. Norton Membership Award. We are so proud of you. With families coming from all over the country to participate in our Winter Meet I am sure DSR and Mobile, AL will be remembered for a long time.

Remember Charlotte is asking for information about our members and their projects to put in our newsletters. February 14 was Valentine’s day or as I called it pass over. I was out of town and was passed over this year.

Let’s all take time to pray for the families affected by the school shooting in Florida this past week, as well as the leaders and service men and women of our country.

I hope to see everyone at our next meeting Thursday Feb. 22, 2018 for the Soup and Sandwich dinner at 6 pm at the clubhouse. Please read your newsletter and pass it on to perspective members, and bring a guest that might be interested in joining us.

Have a super deluxe day,

Best,

Bobby P

Letter from the Editor

While attending the 82nd Annual Meeting in Philadelphia I enjoyed so many new adventures. What I came away with is that youth is a number one priority of the National organization.

There were seminars you could take about youth. The awards banquet many youth scholarship awards were given out with plans to double the scholarships for next year.

As the club ages the club is investing in activities for youth. Attracting youth and younger adults builds stability in the club.

Serving on the membership committee for the next few years I will also have a focus on what we as a local club can do to educate, seek out and bond with youth. I am open for new ideas to get the very young interested in old cars and looking for young adults to teach the roots of their modern cars.

While this may be a challenge it will be very rewarding. It will be an interesting year.

-Charlotte



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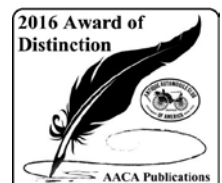
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Bobby Peterson - President

Who's someone you admire, and why? *Hugh Richards, my mentor. I learned so much from him.*

Tell me three pet peeves. *Slow Drivers, Rude People, Inconsiderate people.*

What's a typical day like for you? *Waking up at 4 am, working on some projects and coming into work late.*

Do you have any skills or talents that most people don't know about? *None that I can think of. Not very talented*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *North Carolina Mountains*

Flashback to when you were 10 years old. What do you want to be when you grow up? *Pilot, Better Pilot*

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *Sonic Sunshine*

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me...*in Sunday School and Church.*

How do you want people to remember you? *Caring person.*

Name three words that you describe you. *Kind, Personable, Slow, Compassionate*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Finish my 1057 Corvette and maybe the 1912 Metz*

Name a few of your daily habits. *Talking with friends and family, riding my bicycle, work.*

What publications do you regularly read? *Bible, Classic Motorcycle Magazines*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *Visiting Grandchildren and helping my friends*

What are some causes you care about? *USA Children's Hospital and St. Jude Hospital*

What do you do with friends in your spare time? *Fly, Motorcycle rides, riding bicycle*

What would be your personal motto? *Fast Forward Safely*



Walt Fuller Vice - President

Who's someone you admire, and why? *A team leader. They get things done.*

Tell me three pet peeves. *People that talk during meetings. People that don't take part or not team members. People that don't honor their pledge.*

What's a typical day like for you? *Get up whenever and drink my coffee then plan the day. Sometimes that is nothing and sometime it can be quite productive, I'm retired.*

Do you have any skills or talents that most people don't know about? *Yes, but if I tell you I will have to kill you.*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *As a retired soldier, I would be with my military brothers.*

Flashback to when you were 10 years old. What do you want to be when you grow up? *To be a professional baseball player.*

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *Glenlivet Scotch on the rocks and a glass of wine for my wife.*

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me...*watching Sunday Morning and then off to church.*

How do you want people to remember you? *As a devoted friend.*

What do you think are the best skills that you bring to our hobby? *The love of old cars and a mentor for many.*

Name three words that you describe you. *Fat, dumb and sassy.*

How do you think your colleagues would describe you? *Talk too much.*

What do you want to make sure you do before you die? *Leave no loose ends.*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Take a trip on a plane without having an anxiety attack.*

Name a few of your daily habits. *Watching the news and checking on friends.*

What publications do you regularly read? *Model A related magazines.*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *Sleeping*

What are some causes you care about? *Family and friend's happiness and wellbeing.*

What do you do with friends in your spare time? *Tour when I can, travel and eat.*

What would be your personal motto? *It shall be done!*



Paul Dagenais - Treasurer

What's someone you admire, and why? *Sir John A. McDonald who was the first Prime Minister of Canada.*

Tell me three pet peeves.

1. *People who talk on their phones while driving and are all over the road.*
2. *People who can't answer a direct question.*
3. *People who complain that they have a hard life and they really don't.*

What's a typical day like for you? *Being semi-retired, I am either a clinical supervisor at the USA Speech and Hearing Clinic, or I start the day at the gym then have no set routine.*

Do you have any skills or talents that most people don't know about? *I like to make stained glass panels.*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *Some place where it is not cold, there are white sand beaches and aqua colored water.*

Flashback to when you were 10 years old. What do you want to be when you grow up? *An mechanical engineer or an architect.*

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *Irish whiskey.*

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me... *cooking breakfast.*

How do you want people to remember you? *As kind and helpful.*

What do you think are the best skills that you bring to our hobby? *I'm actually working on cars, learning all sorts of skills I never thought I like learn – like welding and installing a wiring harness.*

Name three words that you describe you. *Slightly obsessive, thorough, accepting.*

How do you think your colleagues would describe you? *Quick to get things done.*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Get the DeSoto ready for the Winter meet*

Name a few of your daily habits. *Compulsively making my bed every morning after letting Nigel out into the backyard.*

What publications do you regularly read? *I roam the internet.*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *Sitting reading on the back porch.*

What are some causes you care about? *Civil rights.*

What do you do with friends in your spare time? *Depends upon the friends.*



Joyce Ladnier - Secretary

What's someone you admire, and why? *Mother Theresa. She was full of grace, very diverse in her accomplishments, helped so many people all over the world.*

What's a typical day like for you? *Each day is different; coffee first; News; have not adjusted to retirement yet.*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *Don't know.*

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *Coffee*
Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me... *At Mass, then out to eat for lunch.*

How do you want people to remember you? *Someone who loves to help others.*

What do you think are the best skills that you bring to our hobby? *Still new in the Car Club, trying to learn everyone's names!*

Name three words that you describe you. *Caring, compassionate, helpful*

How do you think your colleagues would describe you? *Dedicated.*

What do you want to make sure you do before you die? *Be a Friend to more people.*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Need to exercise and follow through.*

Name a few of your daily habits. *Mass every morning; like re-runs of Hallmark and NCIS.*

What publications do you regularly read? *Jesus Calling Devotional*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *Visiting with Family and Friends.*

What are some causes you care about? *Recycling; Advocate for Animals*

What do you do with friends in your spare time? *Visit; Talk*

What would be your personal motto? *Try to be a Friend to more people.*



Charlotte Dahlenburg - Editor

What's someone you admire, and why?

Mother Teresa, She was so selfless

Tell me three pet peeves. 1. *Empty toilet paper roll* 2. *Waiting till the last minute* 3. *being late*

What's a typical day like for you? *Up early and on the go till time to put my head on the pillow*
If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *On a mission trip*

Flashback to when you were 10 years old.

What do you want to be when you grow up?

Engineer or Computer programmer

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me...
at church

How do you want people to remember you? *Kind and understanding*

How do you think your colleagues would describe you? *Productive and bit of a pain in the rear*

What do you want to make sure you do before you die? *Go to Italy*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Get my own old car*

What publications do you regularly read? *The Bible, Hemmings Motor News and other AACA newsletters*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *Photography, quilting and cake decorating*

What are some causes you care about? *St. Jude and curing childhood cancer*



Zeno Chaudron - Program Director

Who's someone you admire, and why?

My Dad. He was one of the hardest working person I have ever been around. I worked for him and he worked for me at one time.

Tell me three pet peeves. *Boom Boxes, Cats fighting outside my window at 1 am and someone patting themselves on the back for their accomplishments.*

What's a typical day like for you? *It's never typical, I always try to prepare for the unexpected*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be? *Meridian, MS*

Flashback to when you were 10 years old. What do you want to be when you grow up? *Baseball player*

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *18oz porterhouse steak, potato and salad.*

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me...*thanking the good Lord for His belssings.*

How do you want people to remember you? *Good person with a good heart and helped people in need*

What do you think are the best skills that you bring to our hobby? *That is debatable but I have always been a car guy and love to talk to guys about their ride.*

Name three words that you describe you. *Easy going, loyal and trustworthy.*

What do you want to make sure you do before you die? *Visit my place of birth*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Put my race car back on the street as a pro street car*

What publications do you regularly read? *Engine builder*

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working? *quiet time*

What are some causes you care about? *Elders and special needs*

What do you do with friends in your spare time? *Racing, cruise-ins and car shows*

What would be your personal motto? *Don't wait to do something special because I'm not guaranteed I will be here that long*



David Ladnier - Activities Director

Tell me three pet peeves. *People pretend to know all things. People rejecting you when you disagree. You can't fix stupid people*

What's a typical day like for you? *Get up at 5 or 6. Look at things need to be done. Do as many as I can. Reschedule things not done.*

If you could be anywhere other than here, right this minute, where would you be?
Hawaii

If we went to happy hour, what would you order? *Michelob and peanuts*

Finish this sentence. On Sunday mornings, you can usually find me... *Getting breakfast and attending Mass*

How do you want people to remember you? *A fun kinda guy*

What do you think are the best skills that you bring to our hobby? *Organized, selling, active, making it fun.*

Name three words that you describe you. *Dependable, needed, involved.*

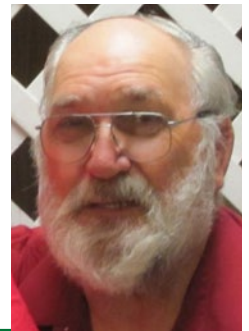
How do you think your colleagues would describe you? *Hopefully an asset to the organization.*

What's a goal you have for yourself that you want to accomplish in the next year? *Fully restore my'64.*



Charlie Lyles - Member at Large

This is Charlie's sixth time as our member at large. Charlie always handles our 50/50 at our meetings and every event Charlie is there to help our. We also get to enjoy his fish every year.



2018 Winter Meet Update

Have you registered?

Registration for this show ends on March 1

If you would like to get your car on the show field you must register your car. Driver Participation Class is designed for the car you drive to all the local shows.

If you would like to participate in any of the events you need to get registered! We have many fun events planned for the entire time of the event. Thursday you can tour the battleship and have dinner on the ship. Thursday night you can attend the ice cream Social for free at the Henderson collection.

Friday you can climb aboard the Trolley and get a history tour of Mobile. Friday night you can show off the true souther hospitality with a Mardi Gras theme dinner at the historic Battle House Hotel.

Saturday evening you can attend an AACA award banquet at the convention center.

All these events you must be registered for in order to attend. Go to aaca.org and get registered! Without a ticket you will not get in.

Have you volunteered?

Everyone has a place they can volunteer

There is a lot to do once registration closes:

Show book goes to the printer

Finally numbers will be going to all the venues

Dash plaques will be ordered

Registration packets will be printed

Goodie bags will be stuffed

Baking for hospitably room will begin

Hospitality, merchandise and registration volunteers need to be lined up

Show field prep

Golf carts rounded up for show

Silent auction items collected and dressed up

Banquet decoration collected and placed day of event

Banners need to be hung

Parking place markers built

Trophies built

2018 Winter National Meet • March 22~24, 2018 Mobile, Alabama

Hosted by the Deep South Region

Events and Activities:

Thursday, tour the USS Alabama Battleship and Ice Cream Social at the Henderson Collection. Friday, board the Mobile History Trolley for a tour of Mobile, evening Social Hour, and dine on Southern Fried Chicken at the Battle House. And Saturday, Winter Meet on the waterfront, evening Social Hour and Awards Banquet.

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Ford renews search for the punch bowl won in the race that helped kickstart the company



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Written by Daniel Strohl

We've all lost things of value to us. Class ring overboard on a fishing trip. Fifty bucks in a poker game. Air-cleaner wingnut down the carburetor. Those hardly compare to the punchbowl Henry Ford won in the race that essentially gave birth to the Ford Motor Company, which the Ford family lost more than 65 years ago. Now, once again, the company has put the call out for the prized prize.

As *Automotive News* reported this week, the recent re-emergence of the Bullitt Mustang—once considered the holy grail of missing Ford automobiles—has renewed Edsel Ford II's push to locate the unmarked cut-glass punchbowl.

"In a way, the trophy means a great deal," he said.

Henry Ford wasn't exactly an unknown quantity in 1901 when he entered the exhibition race at the Detroit Driving Club; rather, he was known as a failed carmaker. A couple years prior, after testing out his Quadricycle, he had attracted some investors (among them Detroit's mayor) and, under the name Detroit Automobile Company, built a dozen or two vehicles.

But by January of 1901, the company collapsed. Ford, then 38, moved back in with his parents and concocted a scheme to return to the automobile business that was full of wishful thinking: He'd build a racecar! And enter it in a race the Detroit Driving Club would host in October! And his success there would bring all sorts of investors knocking on his door!

The improbability of the scheme became readily apparent the day of the race. While most of the competition didn't show or didn't make it to the starting line, Alexander Winton did. Winton, who had been successfully producing automobiles since 1897, also believed in racing his cars. The organizers of the race were Winton dealers and, anticipating that Winton would handily win the \$1,000 race, had either Winton or his publicity manager choose the trophy to be granted the winner: a cut-glass punchbowl set. Reportedly, it would perfectly capture the light in a bay window of his Cleveland home.

Ford arrived atop a 26-hp 538-cu.in. twin-cylinder-powered contraption he optimistically named the Sweepstakes. And from

the start of the race, it appeared all would go as anticipated. Winton took the lead and held it. Until the seventh lap, that is, when Winton's heavier car began to misfire, allowing Ford the opportunity to pass and take the win three laps later.

While lore has it (and *Automotive News* repeated) that the \$1,000 winnings (as much as \$828,000 in today's dollars, depending on your measure) helped Ford start Ford Motor Company, the path from race to Model A isn't nearly that direct.

Rather, with some of the same backers, Ford reorganized the Detroit Automobile Company into the Henry Ford Company a month later. Immediately, Ford and his backers clashed over whether race cars were a worthy pursuit: Ford, fresh off his first (and only) race win, wanted to continue developing competition vehicles while his backers, interested in a return on their investments, pushed to jump right back into production.

Ford left the company not long after with \$900 and a promise that his backers wouldn't use his name. William Murphy, one of Ford's backers, turned to Henry Leland, and, in 1902, proceeded to reorganize the Henry Ford Company into the Cadillac Automobile Company. Ford, for his part, built a couple more race cars, the Arrow and the 999, and got coal baron Alexander Young Malcolmson to back his next venture, Ford and Malcolmson Company Fordmobile Company Ford Motor Company.

The punchbowl, in the meantime, remained with Henry and Clara Ford through Henry's death in 1947 and Clara's death in 1950. Yet, for whatever importance Ford historians now attach to the punchbowl, it went to auction through Parke-Bernet Galleries in New York a year later along with many more of the couple's possessions. According to research done in 2011, when The Henry Ford last made its big push to find it, the punchbowl sold for \$70 (about \$1,000 in today's dollars) to The Garden Shop, a New York business that has long since closed.

Researchers haven't turned up any trace of the punchbowl, and Edsel Ford II told *Automotive News* that he fears it may be gone forever. However, on the off chance it still exists, he—and many others, including The Henry Ford's Curator of Transportation, Matt Anderson, who described the punchbowl as a "holy grail artifact"—hopes it does and that it makes its way back to Dearborn.

They'll probably have to pay a little more than \$1,000 for it, though.



Henry Ford (4) about to pass Alexander Winton in the famous 1901 race. Photo courtesy Smithsonian.



The Elegance at Hershey Tickets Now Available

The Elegance at Hershey will take place on June 8-10, 2018. Tickets are now available for The Grand Ascent, VIP Charity Ride Along and The Elegance. All event proceeds benefit charities, including our very own AACA Library & Research Center.

Please visit TheEleganceAtHershey.com to purchase your tickets and to learn more about our available sponsorships and how to become a volunteer.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Melissa Rau, Executive Director, at 717-500-5191 or mrau@theeleganceathershey.com.

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2018 Western Spring Meet in Tucson, AZ

By Roy Ireland, Tucson Region,

royireland802@gmail.com

Western Region Spring Meet

Tucson, AZ

April 19-21, 2018

Registration Deadline: March 30

As a feature of the 2018 National Western Spring Meet (April 19-21), the Tucson Region is offering a private tour of the Tucson Auto Museum, also known as "Wayne's Toys," after its owner, Wayne Gould. Wayne has collected a variety of impeccably restored vehicles and automobilia from around the country and has recently opened his facility to the public. There are between 50-60 vehicles on display. Those who register to attend the tour of the museum receive admission and transportation from the headquarters hotel and back for a charge of \$15 per person. There will be a cash bar and

light snacks available at the museum.

Although the museum tour is the only scheduled event during the meet, Tucson has many nearby attractions that will make arriving early or staying over an enticing option. Among them are the historic San Xavier del Bac Spanish mission and the world-renowned Pima Air Museum, as well as Saguaro National Park and the Franklin Museum - all within a short drive from the headquarters hotel. Plan to spend an extra day or two in Tucson to enjoy some of the local sights.

Meet activity request cards were in the November-December issue of *Antique Automobile*. Note that your 2018 dues must be current in order to register for the meet. The registration deadline is March 30.

Contact the host hotel, Tucson Hilton East, at 1-800-445-8667 and mention "AACA" to receive the special \$109 group rate.



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Let's Talk "Glidden"

Don Barlup
Vice President,
National Activities

Much has been written over the years about Charles Jasper Glidden (No, he did not make paint.) and his part in establishing the first Glidden Tour in 1905. The tour covered 870 miles with 34 cars starting the tour and only 27 finishing. They toured from New York City to Bretton Woods, NH, returning during the weeks of July 11 to 22. The goal was to prove the reliability of the automobile. The original tours concluded in 1913.

After the war, in 1946, Opera Singer and collector of vintage autos, James Melton reinvigorated the Glidden tours in the Detroit, MI area with 50 cars participating in the 850 mile tour.

Seventy-two tours later the AAA Revival Glidden Tour is still the premier vintage car tour, second to none. The tour is sponsored by AAA and is held on even years by VMCCA and odd years by AACAN for pre-1942 vehicles. One of our members has been on 51 Glidden Tours.

It is an honor for an AACA Region to host the Glidden Tour. Many Regions have enjoyed hosting the Glidden. It is a tradition almost as old as AACA itself. Now that you have the history and the background, what am I leading up to???

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Call me at 717-877-4766 or email me at pullman1914@aol.com. Together, let's make it happen!

Rummage Box articles courtesy of AACA Rummage Box

Market Place

Ads in The Market Place section are free to members and will run for three months unless otherwise noted. Ads can consist of anything related to: **For Sale – Want to Buy – Looking For** Your ad(s) can run for an additional three months by Contacting Charlotte Dahlenburg.

Please submit new listings for The Market Place by the 12th of the month to: DSR36608@gmail.com



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1957 Ford Fairlane. Two-door hardtop. Cobra 460-C6. Comes with ZENO-built 312 and 3-speed OD. \$20,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-777-1840



2003 Mercury Marauder. All black. Low miles. \$15,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-777-1840





Refreshments

- March 15 -
- March 22 - 24 2018 Winter National Meet
- April 26 -
- May 24 -
- June 28
- July 26 - Soup and Sandwich Dinner
- August 23
- September 27 - Italian Dinner

Up Coming Events

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 15 at 7 pm at the club house. See you there!

Birthdays & Anniversary

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| Scott Henderson | March 8 |
| Travis Henderson | March 10 |
| Kay Montgomery | March 10 |
| Janice Sellers | March 16 |
| Charlie Lyles | March 21 |
| Leslie Sellers | March 25 |
| Jim & Connie Graham | February 25 |

Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for The Polk Family, Buddy & Patt Paquet, Foy & Judy Bobo, Buddy & Anne Givens, Bob White, Lycyle Crowdus, and D.R. Jordan.



Guess what this is? What does this go to? Email your answer to dsr36608@gmail.com.

Answer for last month: 1930 Plymouth Model 30U

DSR Activities 2018

February

24 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

March

15 - Regular Meeting at the Clubhouse

22 - 24 AACA Winter Meet Downtown Mobile

April

7 - Camellia Classic

28 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

29 Our Lady of Lourdes Lawn Party Car Display

May

19 Day Tour

26 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

June

Overnight Trip

23 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

July

28 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner and Garage Crawl

August

25 Day trip to Derailed Dinner and Train Museum in Foley

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What have you been up to?



Frank Piper took the '57 Chevy Bel Air to the grand opening of McDonald's in Creighton



Since our Car Club decided to host the 2018 AACA Winter Meet in Mobile I entered my car in the Driver Participation Class (DPC). My car is not a matching # vehicle so in the year 2000 AACA implemented a class for folks who drive their rides that are not all original. They said the vehicles have to be 90 percent period-correct and mine falls into this class. A lot of you know the car was Drag raced over 20 years. It took me several years to get it back in form. I've been doing little things on it to get it closer to factory specs for the show with the help of my wife Rheba. Whatever the outcome at the show I can always say our car was entered in a AACA National Meet. Looking forward to the show and I hope you are to. - Zeno

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AACA teams up with The Nash Car Club of America & RM Auctions for this year's Central Spring Meet



Who Do You Contact at AACA Headquarters for What?

Have you ever wondered who to contact for what when you call or email AACA Headquarters? Here is a list of the current staff and their responsibilities.

Executive Director

Steve Moskowitz

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Matthew Hocker

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Naturally, many of the staff have the capability of answering questions in each other's area as we try to cross train as much as possible. Please don't hesitate to contact us anytime for assistance.

Speedster monthly e-newsletter articles courtesy of AACA

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Registration Deadline: June 1, 2018

Meet Chair: Paula Ruby
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REWIND

WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS DOING 4 YEARS AGO from the February 2014 Sparkplug

The Olympics are over for the next four years. What are we going to talk about? Here are a couple of concerns and comments I have about the Olympics:

I'm still concerned about the skeleton competition. Bobsledding, fine. But, am I the only one who thinks the skeletons look exactly like a creeper for sliding under your car to change the oil? Having bobbed around on one and granted I was upside down, I can't imagine anyone racing down a mountain side on it. I don't care that we won the Silver in the women's competition (Damn you Great Britain), all I can think about is all the number of Traumatic Brain Injuries this type of competition must generate. Of course, have you seen the position for the luge? It's not your brains you need to worry about with the luge....

I will be happy to get the number of text messages I receive and send under control. My sister Suzie (remember her? She lives in Ottawa, Ontario. I'm beginning to think of myself as imitating Bugs Bunny doing

a take-off on Liberace talking about "his brother George") was sending me moment-by-moment updates on the various wins by the Canadian teams. I have I told you she's retired? I am happy when the Canadians win, but from a financial standpoint, I'm happier when the Americans win. She doesn't text about American wins and I could save the \$0.35 per message cost. GO TEAM USA!

I must talk about two sports. Curling and Hockey. First, the Canadian men's curling team won the Gold Medal. They are from my home town of Sault Ste Marie. I actually played curling while in high school in the same facility where they practice. I was not a good curler. I spent a lot of time flat on my back on the ice. Yes, curling is like shuffle board on ice. You want to knock the opponent's stones out of the house, preferably with a resounding whack! And the Norwegians win for the most, ah, colorful pants and the Russians win for having the most gorgeous women's team.

Ah, hockey. What can you say? It is probably one of the fastest sports. And of course, both Canadian Men's and Women's teams won Gold. I saw the end of the women's game and thought it was amazing. Those chick's are tough. And the toughest of them is Marie-Philip Poulin. Poulin is my mother's maiden name, so, I'm half Poulin. Even my English speaking cousin's claim to be Poulins once every four years. Back to reality.

After the winter ice storm, I asked if folks would send me some pictures of things they experienced.

Bobby Peterson sent this photo of an iceman that his grandson made. He looks more like Yogi Bear to me. I'd love to know how he managed to make anything with the icy stuff that we had.

NOTE: It appears that our email account might have been hacked. I changed the password so hopefully no one will be receiving any bizarre emails from our account. - Paul Dagenais

Minutes from the January Meeting

AACA Meeting, Thursday, January 25, 2018, 7:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Bobby Peterson, with Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Zeno Chaudron, outgoing president, was thanked for his seven years as president. Zeno turned over the gavel to Bobby Peterson.

OLD BUSINESS: New Vice President is Walt Fuller. A discussion was held on painting the curb of the driveway and marking it with reflective paint. Several members offered to help with this project.

SECRETARY: New Secretary is Joyce Ladnier. No Business.

NEW BUSINESS: Bobby Peterson was thanked for accepting the position of President.

Vice President: No Business.

Secretary: No Business.

Treasurer: Financial Report was read by Paul Dagonais, approved and seconded as read.

APPRECIATION EXPRESSED to Charlotte Dahlenburg, Editor, for receiving the Master Editor's Award, Webmaster award, and the Service Award by the National AACA. She and her husband, Darren, will travel to Philadelphia, PA in February to accept the awards. Motion made by Jim Henderson for the AACA Club in Mobile to give a donation of \$500.00 to Charlotte towards their travel expenses for the trip. Seconded and Approved.

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR David Ladnier: Plans are coming together for the National AACA Meet to be held in Mobile, AL March 22-24, 2018 on the Riverfront/Cooper Riverside Park downtown.

DISCUSSION of having the Club meet for breakfast: date selected of Saturday, February 17, 2018, 8:00 AM, to meet at the Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner. Charlotte D. will send out an email as a reminder to Club members.

NEW MEMBERS TO AACA are: Ryan and Jeanie Roth (1/08/18), and Bryon Waltman (1/24/18).

WELCOME to some of the members of the MUSTANG CLUB and the MAGNOLIA CRUISERS for attending our meeting; some of them will be joining our Club. One of the visitors announced about a CAR SHOW and 5 K WALK, a fund raiser and benefit for Lung Cancer called Breathe Deep Mobile, will be held on March 3, 2018 at Hank Aaron Stadium. There is a \$25.00 Entry Fee. Last year they raised \$25,000. If someone enters their car in this fundraiser/benefit Car Show, you will not have an entry fee. Everyone was invited to participate in this event.

NATIONAL WINTER MEET MARCH 22-24, 2018 DISCUSSION:

Charlotte Dahlenburg encouraged everyone to register on-line for all events. The theme for the banquet Friday night will be Mardi Gras. Everyone has until February 28 to sell ads for the booklet.

David Ladnier said the Club needs to sell 18 more pages for the Booklet.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL will be held at the Henderson Museum Thursday, March 22, from 5-7 pm.

MOTION AND SECONDED to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Respectively submitted, Joyce Ladnier





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Why join the Deep South Region (DSR) of AACA

Belonging to AACA includes: *voting privileges, exhibiting your cars in national meets, enjoying tours hosted by Region Chapters all across the United States, and competition for national annual awards and prizes, and the bi-monthly Antique Automobile Magazine.* As a DSR member, other perks include the opportunity to learn more about your antique or classic car(s) from other members; hear interesting guest speakers at special programs; find parts and dealers; socialize with other owners; complimentary subscription to our DSR newsletter *The Sparkplug*, and the opportunity to feature your vehicle(s) on our Club's website.

Howto join DSR:

- 1) Come as a guest to one of our meetings - open invitation - no further invitation necessary. We meet on the fourth Thursday every month at 7:00 pm. Generally, our meetings are held at the DSR Clubhouse at 951 Forest Hill Drive, Mobile, Alabama. Check our website for location changes.
- 2) You may join DSR by first joining the National AACA organization. You can access membership online: aaca.org and click Join/Renew Today. The annual dues are only \$40 per year. You have not checkout the AACA website, now would be a good time to learn about the national organization.
- 3) After you have joined AACA, complete the following information and bring it to one of our meetings, or you may mail it with a \$20.00 check for DSR annual dues to our Club Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, 58 South Julia Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604.

Deep South Region AACA - Mobile, Al

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Annual Membership - \$40 (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 - \$700.00 (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.



History of the Headlight

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by Tony and Michele Hamer

Whether you have a 1948 MG TC Roadster or an Italian built 1984 Ferrari 308 GTB it's quite possible that you'll experience headlight issues at some point. These can range from a burned-out bulb to a miss adjusted headlight beam that fails to illuminate the road properly.

Since the headlight has been around for so long and gone through so many changes we thought it was time to shed some light on the origin and evolution of this night driving necessity.

It isn't often that we think about the evolution of car headlights, but when we were putting together our Headlamps of the Arizona Auctions photo gallery, a light went off and we thought the subject warranted further research.

Here we'll uncover interesting tidbits of information about what the first automobile used for headlights. Then review some of the technology changes in the headlight manufacturing industry over the last hundred years or so.

The First Lantern Headlights

The oldest headlamps were fueled by acetylene or oil and were introduced in the late 1880s. Acetylene lamps were popular because the flame was resistant to wind and rain. Although electric headlights came on the scene in the 1890s the technology wasn't strong enough to unseat the acetylene type lamps.

Companies like Prest-O-Light and Corning Conophore took the basic lantern type headlight and turned it into a valuable accessory.

Prest-O-light came up with an efficient storage and delivery system for the volatile acetylene gas.

It also created an interior mounted switch that ignited the lantern. Corning Conophore experimented with methods of reflection and focusing. By 1917 a Corning headlamp could illuminate a road sign up to five-hundred feet away from the automobile.

Electric Headlamps

The first electric headlamps were introduced in 1898 on the Columbia Electric car. This company built only electric cars and offered the low powered headlamps as an optional accessory. Two factors limited the widespread use of electric headlamps in the late 1800s.

A big problem became the short life of the glowing filaments. You have to remember in the dawning of the automotive age operating conditions were far less than ideal. Headlamps mounted to the front of the vehicle had to find a way to survive this harsh Environment.

Another challenge became the difficulty of producing dynamos small enough, yet powerful enough to produce sufficient current to fuel the new filament style lamps invented by Thomas Edison in 1879.



Sealed Beam Headlamp on a Lincoln. Photo by Mark Gittelman

Headlights as Standard Equipment

Prest-O-Lite acetylene lights were offered by a number of manufacturers as standard equipment in 1904. And Peerless made electrical headlamps standard in 1908. In 1912, the innovative Cadillac division of General Motors integrated their vehicle's Delco electrical ignition and



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lighting system.

This created the first modern style automotive electrical system. In 1940, the modern sealed beam headlight technology found its way into the automotive industry.

For 17 years the government mandated the 7 inch size of the lamp and stifled innovation for this time

period.

In 1957 the law changed to allow different size and shape lights as long as they illuminated the road properly. Headlight technology was now on the path of improving and innovating once again.

From Sealed Beam to Halogen

The sealed beam units were used by all manufacturers in Europe, Japan and North America through the 1960s. Only after 50 years did a new base technology emerge.

Halogen bulbs which have become a standard again in both sealed beams and also as singular bulbs.

Halogen bulbs are still incandescent style lamps, but use a different twist to the technology. Standard bulbs use a filament surrounded by an inert gas mixture, usually nitrogen-argon. The halogen bulb uses a compact envelope surrounding a tungsten filament.

The gas filling the chamber was originally iodine, but now bromine has become the standard. This compact environment allows for a much longer filament life and brighter illumination.

Whats Next for the Headlight

Now after nearly another 50 years we have the new light-emitting diode (LED) technology. Just as innovations of the past, LED bulbs provide longer life and illumination of objects at further distances.

In fact, the dependability of these bulbs often robs the vehicle owner of the joy of replacing a headlamp bulb during an average ownership life cycle. If history repeats itself, we don't think we'll be around for when the next generation of headlight technology hits the automotive market.

Sentimental Tour
2018

A Tale of Two Cities...
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Hosted by Louisiana Region

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National Car Shows

March 2018

22-24 - Winter Meet • Mobile AL

April 2018

5-7 - Southeastern Spring Meet • hosted by Hornest Nest Region • Charlotte NC

20-12 - AACA Western Spring Meet • hosted by Tucson Region • Tucson Arizona

May 2018

11-12 - Central Spring Meet • Auburn, Indiana

31- June 2 - Annual Grand National Meet • hosted by Western PA Region • Greensburg, Pennsylvania

July 2018

11-14 - AACA Eastern Spring Meet – Chesapeake Region - Gettysburg, PA.

August 2018

20-24 - AACA Reliability Tour – GVACS & Wayne Drumlins Region - Canandaigua, NY.

September 2018

12-15 - AACA Central Division Tour • hosted by Amarillo Region • Texas Panhandle, TX

16-22 - AACA Glidden Tour – VMCCA - Twin Falls, ID.



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 | Po-Boy's Cruise In 5-8 pm | Tillman's Corner KFC, 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 5-8 pm | Airport & Snow Rd | |
| 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 | |
| 3rd Saturday | Bootleggers Pizzeria | 1913 Pass Rd, Biloxi | 228-324-6444 |
| 3rd Saturday | Orange Grove Cruiser's | Acadian Pizza on Hwy 49 Gulfport, MS | |
| 4th Saturday | Hot Wheels & Wings Cruise-In | Hooters Hwy. 98 Daphne 3-6 pm | |
| 4th Saturday | Ingalls Engineering Complex | Passacaglia, MS | Magnolia Classic Cruisers |
| 4th Saturday | 10126 Grand Bay Wilmer Rd | 10 am - 1 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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Local Car Shows

February

- 23-25 Baton Rouge, LA 40th Annual R.O.D.S. Run at Gerry Lane Cadillac / Hampton Inn in Baton Rouge, LA. Hosted by the Ramblin' Oldies of Denham Springs car club. Pre-49 only. Food & Drinks vendors, music, free swap meet. Benefits the Hospice Foundation of Baton Rouge. For more information call Lee 225-673-8562
- 24 Port City Corvette Club 8th Annual Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show at Bass Pro Shops Spanish Fort Entry \$20. Registration 8am. Judging at noon. Awards at 3 pm
- 24 Annal Orange Beach Sports Association Seafood Festival Car Show at The Wharf, Orange Beach. \$30 untie 2/16/2018 \$35 after. Vehicles must be in place at 9:30 am. Awards at 3:30 pm
- 24 Bay St. Louis, MS 5th. Annual VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 Open Car & Truck Show 208 third street Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520. Registration 8am-noon. Awards 2pm. Entry fee day of show \$25. For more information call bobby 228-493-2033 or Elaine 228-216-9571

March

- 3 10th Annual Mobile Chocolate Festival at the Grounds 10 am - 4 pm. mobilechocolatefestival.com
- 3 Breathe Deep Mobile Classic Car show \$20 preregistration \$25 day of show. Register LUNGevery.org/mobile.
- 3 Satsuma Swamp Fest 2018, Northside Cruisers & Friends for Satsuma Schools, Satsuma High School Campus, 1 Gator Circle. 8am - 3pm. Pre-Entry \$20, \$25 Day of Show, More Info Don Brooks 251-401-8610.
- 3 Bay St. Louis, MS 20th annual GNAT Nationals Open Car Show. Saturday, March 3, 2018; 8am. - 3pm. Our Lady of the Gulf, 228 South Beach Blvd, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 Charities CASA and Senior Citizens of Hancock County. Awards presented at 2pm. Pre-registration \$20 by Feb. 21, 2018 \$25 day of show. Info: Bobby 228-493-2033 or Donna 228-332-3006 Misfits Street Krewzers · P.O. Box 2101 · Bay St. Louis, MS 39521. Rain Out date March 10 at the Depot in Bay St. Louis
- 3 Brookhaven, MS Fielder's Pro Shop Go in' To Town Car Show in beautiful historic downtown Brookhaven, MS. Sponsored by Fielder's Pro Shop, Tourism council, and Advance Auto Parts. Mention show for special room rates at the Hampton Inn 601-823-3800 or Comfort Inn 601-835-0055. Pre Entry \$10 or \$15 day of show. For more info: T-Tommy - 601-

833-8620 or Brookhaven Lincoln County Chamber of Commerce 601-833-1411

- 9 Lucedale, MS 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-in at Hardees in Lucedale, corner of Old Hwy 63 & Cowart Street from 8:30am till. For more info call Mike Lachaussee 228-369-1431
- 10 Bay St. Louis, MS 2nd Saturday Cruise-In at the Harbor. 4pm - 8pm. Music - 50/50 - Prizes. Enjoy local restaurants & 2nd Sat Shopping downtown. Open to all Car/Truck/Bikes Everyone Welcome. (March thru September)
- 16-18 Pearl, MS 40th Annual Dixie Rod Run Presented by: Mississippi Street Rod Association March 16, 17, 18, 2018 Trustmark Park, Pearl, MS. Pre--74 Show Pre-registration: \$20 After March 1, 2018: \$25 For more info; call, Mike Summerlin at 601-832-8771 Or e-mail: AAAScale@aol.com
- 17 Gulfport, MS Gulf Coast MOPAR Showdown at Gulfport Dragway. MOPAR'S ONLY Gates open at 4pm for time trials & Eliminations start at 7pm. Gulfport Dragway is located I-10 exit 31. Go South on Canal Rd, cross over the railroad tracks. Go about 1 mile, turn left onto Racetrack Road and continue to Gulfport Dragway. 228 863-4408

April

- 1 Ratty Rods of the South Car Show benefiting Home of Grace for Women. Redemption Church in Saraland. 8am - 2 pm; Registration 8 am -12 noon info 251-359-4243
- 6-7 Gulfport MS 6th Gulf Coast Auto Show Open Car/Truck/Motorcycle Show & Cruise-in at the Best Western Plus 228-864-0050 & Clarion Inn 228-868-3300. Car show entry of \$20. Both Hotels are located on Hwy 49 South of I-10 exit 34. Hosted by the Coast Cruisers. Info Jimbo 228 596-0664
- 7 25th Anniversary Camellia Classic Mobile Bay Mustang Club at Bellingrath Gardens and home 8 am - 3 pm
- 7 Biloxi, MS Cruise-in at Edgewater Mall Hwy 90, Biloxi, MS 6pm - 9pm This monthly event is hosted by the Coast Cruisers, Gulf Coast MotorSports Magazine and the Merchants of Edgewater Mall. Info Jimbo 228 596-0664
- 13 Lucedale, MS 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-in at Hardees in Lucedale, corner of Old Hwy 63 & Cowart Street from 8:30am till. For more info call Mike Lachaussee 228-369-1431
- 14- 15 31st Annual Strawberry Festival Open Car show 9 am -4 pm Awards at 3 pm



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