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Things you “auto” know in 2011

- May 26** DSR monthly meeting in clubhouse at 7:00 p.m.
May 28 Silverhill, AL – Oscar Johnson Memorial Library Show in the Town Park Square Hwy 1014 & Co Rd 55. D/o/S Registration \$25, multiple vehicle registration discount. Food/drink 50/50 pot drawing, lots of “Best Of” Awards. Library was ravaged in tornado earlier this year.
- June 4** Wilson’s BBQ—Sign up at April/May meetings
June 11 Display for Murphy High School Reunion – Need 6 cars between 1955-1961
Donation to club will be made.
- June 23** Monthly meeting in clubhouse – speaker tentative
- July 4** America’s Birthday
July 28 Monthly meeting in clubhouse

Check out the Deep South Region Website at <http://local.aaca.org/deepsouth/>



May 2011 news and notes from our DSR Prez

We could not have had a prettier day for our annual Mother's Day car show. We had, I thought, a good variety of vehicles participating in it. For Rheba and myself, it was such great fun to have our son and his family here from Meridian, MS along with Chris Wansley and his father who are also from Meridian.

On a positive note, I want to tell you that I had a lot of people comment on it being a very good show. Of course, being a part of the Show Planning Committee, I could see things that might have been done better and had thoughts of ways to improve next year's event. Here is a good place to say how appreciative I am of all you members who supported the show with your time, abilities and your money. I also want to thank ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, our major sponsor as well as those business who subsidized the "Best Of" awards. That said, rather than going on about other things that can wait until next month, I want to defer to all who responded to the query about their feelings on the car show. Your opinions are important and the constructive criticism is respected. *Zeno*

DSR members thoughts on the 28th annual Mother's Day Car Show 2011

In no particular order

The Thoms: It was a day of surprises for Nancy and I. First, our son Stephen and his wife, Clarise, surprised Nancy with an early Mother's Day lunch in the clubhouse. Steve, being a car buff and owner, was really awed by the many wonderful vehicles on display. Clarise also enjoyed sharing in the Henderson's crawfish. I was surprised when one of my swimming buddies showed up with his wife and grandson. They enjoyed the cars as well as the food we had. Finally, I was really surprised when the Cougar took first in class. We were pleased Trevor was home safe from Tuscaloosa and able to participate in the show.

Tim & Stacey Lawrence: We thought the show was great! Since this was our first, we don't have any real suggestions. It seemed everyone involved did a good job - the kitchen helpers kept the food and drinks well stocked. We thought everyone who came had some fun, I know we did. We are looking forward to all the other events coming up.

Kevin Crowell: Overall, I think the show went well and as with trying anything new, there were a few hiccups. However, no one complained. Seems the competitors and spectators alike enjoyed the food and the DJ. My thanks to all who worked so hard to make this year's show a success.

Tracy Metclaf: I thought the food was excellent whether or not it made money! The advertising for the show needed to be more explicit about the connection to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. More than one registrant was under the impression the total proceeds were going to JDRF and they could get a tax deduction for the registration fee. There is a serious need for people to be stationed near the entrance throughout the show to serve as information and parking guides. Previously we have had folks who did that. This reduced, if

not eliminated, drive-throughs stirring up dust and the potential for running over small children. It might be helpful to be sure everyone who volunteers for a task understands their duties. Some of us have been around for a while and know these things, our newer members may not. Guidelines for awarding trophies should be established in advance of the show. There was some confusion about the amount charged when registering more than one vehicle. It needs to be more visible on the registration forms. Overall, I think this may have been one of the most fun shows we've had in recent years. Congrats and many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make it successful.

R. Estes: Hmm...for what it worth - notes from the newbie...I keep saying this was my first participation in putting on a car show. But I did help with the NAHB show. This felt like a "real" show? I guess because it was ours and not in conjunction with another event. It was well run, positive energy and attitude and a great group to work with. WOW! What fun to see so many vehicles spanning so many makes and years (maybe the Biloxi casino show hurt us but it did not seem like much damage!!). I learned first hand what a "Rat Rod" is - interesting, but I think I'll stick with a Corvette. And, oh my gosh! The size of the trophies just kept growing until they were taller than me. Where do people put them? How come the hamburgers tasted so good? Better than when I cook them. Patt is an awesomely organized human being - keeps us all on our toes! OK - the more serious stuff - a laptop or two with Excel and a printer would have helped registration significantly and simplified calculations for the awards. And, on a side note, I would have appreciated knowing there was a marriage counselor on standby. (Grin)

Members thoughts continued

Kendall and Tracie Jordan: We were there - sorry we did not sign in if we were supposed to or something. Everything seem to work well; probably need some refinement on the food establishment; a tent over all the tables would help.

Jim Henderson: As many car shows as we have had, there was not as many cars. However, I think this was one of the best shows. Everyone seemed to enjoy it - the sponsors, competitors, members and spectators. I had comments from some folks that go to many car shows who said this one was well organized and that they enjoyed themselves. There was music with a live DJ, food, the grounds and building were clean, judging was done in a timely manner and the whole thing went off without a hitch. Everyone involved did a good job.

Dick Cashdollar: DSR/AACA puts on a fine show and awards more really nice trophies than any other competing show in the area. Yet, we never break 100 in registrations. Why? I would suggest a short survey form to each registered participant basically asking what they (the customers) did/did not like. Maybe we can get some useful info this way. I'll work with you on this if the club decides to do it. I've designed survey forms for other organizations and have reviewed/collated results. It's really pretty easy as the population is rather small. We might also add into the survey pool names from the last two or three shows and ask those who didn't return "Why?" Presentation of the results and general discussion of same would make a good meeting topic.

Bert & Jean Sells: We spent most of our time at the cookstove. Foy deserves much thanks for all he did to spearhead the "Commissary". I, of course, don't have a guess what the bottom line profit was. My only suggestion has to do with the lack of a more substantial something to handle those great hamburgers. I found it somewhat difficult to manage my oversized burger wrapped in paper. We hope we were of some help on show day.

Wayne Askew: I don't understand why there were not as many cars as are at other local shows. There were a lot of cars that were at these other shows (and nothing to do with Mopars because they were not at the other shows either). There were not a lot of 'Vettes, race cars, muscle cars or odd cars. Is there a bad attitude between clubs in Mobile? I know it is a car show and was told that was what is was only to be - but vendors make people come too. There has to be something to draw outsiders to look and mingle. Why is it that all the other shows are larger and DSR is the larger club? We should draw the most people. I think there has good to be some kind of "fundraiser" like

the church car shows do that is advertises more than the ones they have. Why are there not clubs from Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana at our show?

Ed McCusker: Early on Saturday morning, May 7th, I got in my 1931 Chevrolet and headed out for the show. Some of you know that I have a noise coming out of the clutch when the clutch pedal is depressed. When I got to Old Shell Road, I put the pedal to the metal and was flying along at 50 mph in no time. A lot of rattling but not one of the noises from the clutch could be detected. I guess I should tell you what the noise sounds like: sort of like two pieces of metal grinding together. Maybe 50 mph doesn't sound that fast, but believe me, in a '31 Chevy you are flying.

When I arrived at the club, no one told me where to park so I found the nearest tree and set up by putting out my two blue folding chairs (more on that later). I walked over to register my car and look over the various cars already on display. I did get to talk with John Bogle and his wife - they both look great. Hope I look as good as John at his age. I realized after a few minutes of conversation with John that he has owned his 1937 Ford since 1941 - a 70-year span.

Around 10:30 a.m. I went over to see Foy to find out what he wanted me to do to help at the refreshment counter. He put Bert Sells and me in charge of cooking the franks and 'burgers. Foy's got a really cool grill he pulls around behind his vehicle and once he fired it up, WE WERE IN BUSINESS! It took Bert and me a while to get a system going but once we were organized, we were "cookin". The "fixins", especially the onions that came over from Jimmy Carter country was what makes a hamburger a GREAT HAMBURGER! Plus - the prices were just right.

I promised my "sailing friend" we would go out on his 26' sailboat that afternoon so that was the reason I left just as the awards were being given out. I have a nice day and really enjoyed working with Bert and Foy. Sounds like a comedy team, doesn't it?

Now about those blue folding chairs - well in my rush to leave, I pulled away and forgot to take the chairs. It sure is a lucky think I did not bring my dog tied to the rear bumper with me to the show. Oh well, you just can't win 'em all.

Bob Gechjian: I consider myself a person of few words: AWESOME SHOW. And it was a new experience to have worked with tallying up the score sheets. And if anyone thinks you can remember who had what scores - just try doing it sometime!

Car Show Chairman Walt Fuller: The only thing I can add to what has been said is one more thank you to everyone for making the show the success it was. Even with low attendance, we had a very successful show. It really was a team effort.

Welcome to DSR's newest members

Trey, Evelyn and Blaize Chaudron

Trey says he was “born into the automotive industry” and that very well maybe true. He was an only child whose parents were car lovers from the “git-go” with no apologies. Between he and Evelyn, they’ve owned, other than their everyday drivers, a 1972 Chevy Nova racecar, and a 1986 Chevy C-10 Silverado that belonged to Trey’s paternal grandfather. And before going any further, that’s the favorite vehicle of all.

After Trey’s dad, Zeno joined DSR and shared with him all the fun things about belonging to an “old car club”, Trey decided he and Evelyn might just as well sign on. Especially in that there is no AACA club in their home area of Meridian, MS.

Trey and Evelyn had made Zeno and Rheba grandparents twice, first with Blaize who is six years of age and Calleigh Fay, a very active three-year-old. Both of the parents were educated in Mobile County; Trey followed his father at Theodore High School and Evelyn went to Semmes Mary G Montgomery HS. Trey is employed with Internal Engine Parts where he is the purchasing agent and Evelyn is in banking finance.

They have other interests other than cars which are church and drag racing, in that order.

Trey seems to have some interest in history. His great grandfather was discharged from the confederate army in Meridian, MS and the grandfather from whom he inherited the truck has the original discharge papers.

Evelyn teaches Sunday School class

and Trey is a Deacon in their Midway Baptist Church of Meridian. (He laughing says that being in charge of the church kitchen really makes him a Kitchen Deacon.)



Side Note: There are a few members who will remember our yearly trips to the Meridian car show when we left on Friday, did the car show and banquet on Saturday, found breakfast and church on Sunday before returning home. This was annual fun event for a number of years

Jim and Virginia Luckey

The guy says he started reading Hot Rod magazine way back in – hang on now, ‘cause he doesn’t really look that old – 1952. (That’s over 50 years ago.) His father owned several gas stations/garages where he worked as a kid so he’s been around cars all of his life.

This said, when asked about cars he’s owned, he says he wishes he still had the 1964 Plymouth Sport Fury 426 Wedge that he had 1965-1970. He and his wife, Virginia, own a 1991 5.0 Mustang LX that is all original but when he admits to his most favorite vehicle of all, it is the 1934 Ford Cabriolet that the presently keep in their garage.

When asked how they became aware of the local AACA club and why they decided to join, the answer was so plain and simple: He’s been coming to our annual show for some time and they wanted to be a part of a group who interests are common with theirs. A tag line



on this is that Jim was Dick Cashdollar’s son’s baseball coach and Dick had a hand in leading them to DSR.

Jim grew up in AACA land, or at least nearby – Uniontown, PA and moved with his family to Mobile when he was about 12 years old. Virginia is a native of Citronelle, from birth through high school. Jim attended Murphy (Class of ’65), USA (Class of ’69) and both he and Virginia are USA (Class of ’74). They both work in the Baldwin County Board of Education. He is a Guidance Counselor and Virginia is a homebound teacher.

They are blessed with four children, Poppy, Krikkit, Zak and Evan plus four grandsons. Other hobbies include tropical fish (new-world cichlids, reading, baseball and pets (beside the fish three min-pins – whaz that?))

When it comes to a perfect evening – a good book or a Atlanta Braves game. A perfect vacation – a trip to almost anywhere new.

WELCOME to the Luckeys – we hope you’ve found your “Old Car Home.”

Deep South Region AACA General Membership Meeting April 28, 2011

President Z. Chaudron called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with 22 members and five officers in attendance. Chaplain K. Crowell gave the invocation then led members in the Pledge of Allegiance. The President passed around a Thank You card from Member-at-Large Peter Pearce and his wife, Toni, stating she is doing well, her therapy is progressing as planned and that she is working a few days a week.

Old Business: President: None VP Walt Fuller informed the membership a planned presentation was being postponed as the recipient could not be at this month's meeting. Secretary: None Treasurer: None (Absent) Activities: None Member-at-Large: None (Absent) Webmaster: Herb Thoms noted he has made changes to the webpage that allows increasing the size of photos, giving them more detail.

New Business: President Chaudron welcomed new members, Ken and Tracie Jordan and Tim and Stacey Lawrence. VP Fuller stated the lawn care would be done for the up-coming car show. Secretary B. Wilson asked for a motion to approved the March minutes as distributed and that were printed in the April News Bulletin. Motion made, seconded and passed. Treasurer Bobby Peterson's April Financial Statement that had been handed out was approved by a motion, a second and a unanimous vote.

Activities Chairman Bobo had several requests for cars: (1) Allen Memorial Home on Monday, May 9 10:00-11:00 a.m. with preferences leaning toward early years. A motion was made, seconded and passed. (2) Murphy High School wants cars in the 1950-1960 time frame for a reunion event. This had already been approved as a club function with the stipulation a fee for the cars would be paid. (3) The Mother's Day Car Show needs more volunteers to help make it a success. A need for cooks, servers, judges, etc was listed. The Thoms will handled the Drinks Tent. A thank-you was given to all members who have provided drinks to be sold at the show. Pre-registrations as of this date is seven. (4) A sign-up sheet was passed around for those attending the Wilson's BBQ to note what they are bringing as side dishes. Also directions to their home was on the back of the March minutes. Webmaster Thoms noted that his previous remark regarding the change to pictures on the webpage might need clarification - what you see is smaller but by a double click, the picture enlarges. If you want to have your car featured on the website, talk with him after the meeting.

The 50/50 Pot totaled \$32 with Janet Smith being the lucky winner of \$16. A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed.

Submitted

Betty Wilson, Secretary



Resolution designating July 8, 2011 as "Collector Car Appreciation Day" Approved by U. S. Senate

Last month you read that this was on the calendar to be voted on. At the request of SAN, Sen. John Tester (D-MT) and Sen. Richard Burr (R-NC) introduced and the Senate approved Resolution 154 (S. Res. 154) in the United States Senate officially designating July 8, 2011 as Collector Car Appreciation Day". The Resolution states that the Senate "recognizes that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States".

The date marks the second commemoration in what will become an annual event to raise awareness of the Vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American Society. "Last year, thousands of Americans gathered at car cruises, parades and other events to celebrate our nation's automotive heritage," Said SEMA's Gov. Affairs Steve McDonald. "As we move forward, SEMA's commitment to preserving and promoting the automotive restoration industry through its projects and programs is evident in this special day."

Car clubs, individuals and all SAN members are encouraged to organize events to help celebrate the day. For a listing of CCA Day events already planned, visit www.semasan.com/collectorcarappreciationday

Continue to welcome more new DSR members

Tim and Stacey Lawrence

Tim has had a lifelong interest that has been supported by his work in the automotive repair world. Stacey's hobby is Tim so you could say she is interested in whatever he is. But it helps that she likes old cars, too. Tim's first car was a 1960 Thunderbird and they've just taken delivery on a 1960 Thunderbird – is there a pattern here?

The Lawrences came to DSR through Zeno who is an old friend and encouraged them to join. They wanted to be in a group that supports community activities based around a common interest.

They both grew up in Mobile, Tim graduated from Davidson HS in 1976 and Stacey in 1971. She went to Auburn University and graduated from USA. With his love of vehicles, Tim is the owner of Port City Foreign Car Service along with his partner, Dudley Davis. They have been in business for 30+ years.

Stacey works for the Alabama State Dept. of Education as a Regional Staff member. She has been in the education field 31 years. She is part of a team that supports Literacy Development in Region 10 – five counties with over 110 schools.

They have one son, Andrew, who is a student at the University of Montevallo. They love to fish (mostly fly fish), hunt, cook and travel. Pets are a part of their family in the way of Cash – their dog and a cat whose name is Kitty Baby.

For them, a perfect evening is sitting outside at day's end and work is done enjoying the unusual spring weather we've had.

They signed up at the April meeting and also volunteered to help in the cook

tent at our car show. Tim also agreed to provide a car for a June 11 display the club will be doing – provided their car arrived on time. **(Cont next col.)**



Towrope Etiquette By Madame Manners

* When requesting the aid of a fellow motorist, keep in mind the towrope should be provided by the tow-ee. Not having your own tow rope in a time of need is akin to “bumming” a cigarette and then asking for a light to go with it.

* The said towrope should be just that – a rope or strap of some non-metallic material that will not mark the tow-er's vehicle.

* While the tow is underway, be constantly aware of the dangers of “taillight hypnosis”, euphemistically known as “head in rectal cavity”. Rear ending your tow-er will not advance the cause of club fellowship. Although, non-participants will find much mirth in relating the story to others.

* At all costs, avoid the temptation to pass the tow-er, even on the long downhill stretches. This may appear amusing to the tow-ee but will only cause distress to the tow-er and possibly lead to “tail wagging the dog” syndrome for both parties.

* Once safely at your destination, it is poor form to request assistance of the tow-er in pushing the downed vehicle, especially up steep driveways. The tow-ee should engage the help of others for this task – maybe some lazy, but broke, teenagers.

* Madam Manners is often asked about the tow-ee wearing a paper bag over the head so as to not feel disgraced. It is best the tow-ee hold head high and take the medicine with a stiff upper lip. As for a passenger, such headgear can be proper, especially if the conveyance is a roadster.

* Expressions of gratitude is left entirely to the tow-ee. However, bear in mind, ribbing, jests and personal attacks are sometimes payment enough.

(Stolen from the SABCC newsletter Vol. 4 No. 7 – 1997)

Tim found the T-bird on E-bay and flew out to Salt Lake City to look and possibly purchase it. After some discussion back and forth, the car was a “done deal”. Arrangements were made to ship it here and they began the wait. It was a long trip for the car and the Lawrences – Salt Lake City through Colorado, Missouri, Georgia and finally arriving in Milton, FL, the destination of the shipper. Tim borrowed Zeno's trailer to pick it up and hasn't stopped driving it. It is a pretty “square” bird that is said to ride like a dream. Tim and Stacey are totally thrilled with their new “old” car.

Hi there everyone

We look forward to seeing you at our home on June 4th for a smoked pork sandwich and baked bean lunch. I know that all of you are bringing scrumptious things to go along with what we are preparing. It doesn't matter what you bring, we know it will be delicious and add to the meal.

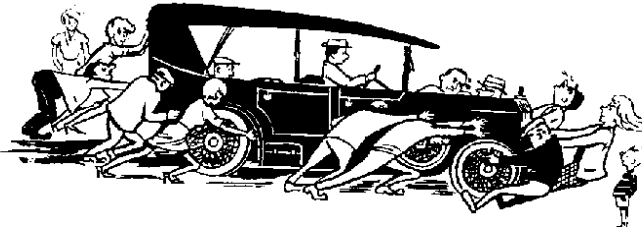
We have all kinds of animals; an emu, miniature horse and donkey, a cow and all kinds of birds. Bring your children or grandchildren to enjoy the environment. We will be in the peak of our berry season and will also have customers along with DSR members.

Be sure to bring something to put your picked blueberries in. I recommend a gallon milk jug with the top cut out to make a hole in the top but leaving the handle. The berries are free to our guests.

We need to know how many to expect by the May meeting so we can be prepared.

DIRECTIONS: From the clubhouse, go west on Zeigler Blvd. It will become Tanner Williams Road at the Coast Guard Station. Continue on west and after you cross the dam for Big Creek Lake, look for two convenience stores on the right. You will turn to the right between the two stores onto Wilmer Road. Stay on Wilmer Road for about 3 miles –until you see a caution light at Howell's Ferry Road. Turn left and go .09 mile to first black top road you see on the left. Turn on it and you will be in front of our home. Use the second driveway on the left. (Our customers use the first one.)

Jack & Betty Wilson



A recipe for all the choco-holics in our club

5-minute Chocolate Mug Cake

4 Tbsp flour	3 Tbsp milk
4 Tbsp sugar	3 Tbsp oil
2 Tbsp cocoa	3 Tbsp chocolate chips (optional)
1 egg beaten	½ Tsp vanilla flavoring
1 large Micro-safe coffee mug	

Put dry ingredients in mug and mix well. Add the beaten egg and mix thoroughly. Pour in the milk and oil and mix to combine. Add the chocolate chips (if using) and vanilla extract stirring into mixture.

Put mug in microwave and cook for 3 minutes at 1,000 watts. The cake will rise over top of mug but don't be alarmed. Allow to cool a little then tip out onto plate if desired. EAT!

This can serve two if you add a scoop of ice cream and are feeling generous.

And why is this the most dangerous cake recipe in the world? Because now we all are only Five minutes away from chocolate cake any time of the day OR night!

Second Annual Southern Bay Cruisers and Classics Car Show

By Dick Cashdollar

I am constantly amazed by the number of fine cars that seem to come out of the woodwork and congregate at the many local car shows in Southern Alabama each weekend. When you think of this phenomenon on a nationwide basis, you get a grasp of just how popular the car hobby is in our country.

This was my first experience at a car show in Grand Bay. I was somewhat nervous about this, so I actually made a trial run to the show site the weekend before the April 23rd show date to insure that I could find the site with no problems. I also double-checked my passport to insure that all appropriate visas were in place. All of these advance preparations paid off, as I found the Grand Bay Food Tiger on Saturday morning with no problems. (This sounds somewhat better than the truth...I actually went to the show on the weekend of April 16th, only to find an empty lot...I had misread the date on the Show flyer!)



This was a great spot for a car show – a pecan orchard right next to and old-fashioned Mom & Pop hamburger stand! By some strange coincidence, the hamburger stand (Sam's Super Burger) was the main sponsor of the show. You gotta give Sam

credit – that sponsorship was clearly a wise investment, as the line at the Super Burger was long all day.

In all, 67 registered cars. Pretty standard awards...Top 30, and a few specialties plus Best of Show. An outrageous purple AMC Javelin that first showed up at the Camellia Classic and wowed the crowd there took Best of Show here as well. President Zeno and I made DSR's presence felt with each of us scoring Top 30 awards.



First Annual Fitzpen Place Open Car Show

By Dick Cashdollar

Off to the wilds of Baldwin County on Saturday, April 30th, for another new car show. This one had lots of differences from the regular shows we've all been accustomed to. First of all, it was a commercial, for-profit show. That being said, there were several non-profits partnering and doing fundraising raffles – a church group and the Spanish Fort High School Cheerleader Squad.



The show site was Fitzpen Place – a kind of party place you can rent to hold meetings, catered dinners or weddings. Nice air conditioned club house hosting all of the show admin

functions and the food vendors with lots of tables and chairs – and real bathrooms, not porta-potties. The show grounds were a large open field just adjacent to the clubhouse – flat as a pool table and not a tree in sight. My new popup shade tent paid for itself in one afternoon's use! As you can imagine by mid-afternoon, many participants had migrated to the nice, cool clubhouse.

Some interesting features of this show included a number of entertainment venues such as a martial arts group, a square dancing club, a troupe of belly dancers – and a training session where the belly dancers taught a "moves" class to the assembled cheerleader squad from Spanish Fort. As you can imagine, all of these drew large crowds of car show participants as spectators. One other unique show feature – a beer and wine cash bar.



They did pretty well for a new show with 114 registered cars. Lots of little trophies: Top 40" and 15 "Bests". Decent judging as well. Nice day and lots of fun. As usual, my 'Vette got one of the Top 40 awards. All indications from the show's promoters is that they'll be back next year. So will I.