



# The Sparkplug



Deep South Region AACA Newsletter

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## Helping Youth go to Camp

A car show with a purpose isn't new. A car show on Father's Day isn't new. But Sunday, June 17 on Father's Day, Harvest Church in Mobile held a car show to benefit the youth and it was the first annual. All proceeds raised from the show will go to help kids go to camp this summer.

DSR voted to make the show a club event. David Ladnier went right to work on getting the word out and rounding up a few people to display their cars.

When Darrin and I arrived we were pleasantly surprised that we were car 19 and not the last to arrive. Many members of DSR were in attendance.

The 2018 Dodge Charger Scar Pack won the Peoples Choice Award and the youth group raised \$470 towards summer camp. Good Day despite the little bit of rain. - Charlotte

Top photo: Cars lined the front parking lot of Harvest Church  
Middle photo: People voted by placing money in the boxes  
Bottom: Jimmy O'Brian brought out his 1957 Ford Thunderbird.





*Robert Saulters displayed his 1994 Chevy Cavalier*



*Tracy Metclaf and Paul Dagenais brought out the 1964 Comet Convertible*



*Dick Cashdollar brought out the 1928 Model A Roadster*



*Frank Piper displayed the 1932 Chevy Pick Up*



*Zeno Chaudron brought out the 1969 Chevy Camaro Z-28 X77*



*Ed Grimes brought out the 1957 Ford Thunderbird*



*David Ladnier displayed out the 1964 Ford Galaxie 500*



*Darrin Dahlenburg brought the 1974 Buick Apollo*



The first day of summer is officially June 21 however many will agree summer started some time ago in the Deep South Region. We have had several outings since our last meeting, and there are many more planned. Our next meeting will be on June 28 at our clubhouse. Our June breakfast will be held at Golden Corral in Tillman's corner on Saturday June 30 at 8:30 am. Please plan to attend our meeting and bring a friend. We are also looking for guest speakers to share information of interest with us at our meetings.

Several local trips are planned for July. One on July 7 is to display our cars at CoastFest 2018 Beauvoir, the home of Jefferson Davis in Biloxi, MS. Check your newsletter for events to follow.

I have been watching a series entitled Cars with a Story. All of our old cars have stories they would like to tell if they could. Some we would be glad for them to tell and some we would rather them not talk about. Be thinking about the history your car has seen over the years. Also I hope everyone will be able to enjoy our Independence Day July 4 and keep our military and leaders in your prayers.

Please let Charlotte know of any interesting stories you may have to share.

Have a Super Deluxe month,

*Bobby P*

## Letter from the Editor

Everyone in our club worked very hard on the 2018 Winter Meet in March. We are going to be seeing the benefit of all the work. Hard work always pays off.

At this month's meeting you will hear about how the club plans to spend some of the profits from the meet.

Our clubhouse has been in need of minor repairs and updating. We have purchased a table and a chair that are samples of the new ones we will be purchasing.

Cleaning the club house will begin very soon. Some of the clutter has been removed. Everything will be removed from the walls and rearranged for cleaning. Air Conditioners will be serviced. Not only will the inside be spruced up, the outside will have an update and cleaning.

It is time to show off what a great club we are and how we are part of the National club. New furnishings and new surroundings always inspire members to invite guest and guest speakers.

Make sure you are at the meeting to hear all about it!

- Charlotte



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# REWIND

WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS  
DOING 25 YEARS AGO  
from the June 1993 Sparkplug

## Wedding Bells!

Jim and Nancy Henderson's daughter Stacy was married to Howie Galloway in an absolutely beautiful wedding ceremony at St. Paul's Episcopal Church with the reception at the Country Club of Mobile. Jim, as you might expect, pulled a trick on the newly weds. He had his pretty white 1955 T-Bird, top down and waiting to take the happy couple on their way! What they didn't know was that Jim substituted an old bet-up jalopy for the "55 beauty while they were at the reception, then had the video camera-men turn on all their lights into Stacy's and Howie's eyes as they ran for the get-away car, so they couldn't

see it until they opened the car's doors in obvious utter shock, looking at the ragged upholstery! THAT'S our Jim!!!!

## Golden Wedding Day!

Bert and Lois Carver had a very well done and pretty 50th wedding anniversary celebration at Pirate's Cove near Elberta, AL. Several DSR members met near the Battleship for the trip over on Sunday, May 30th at 12:30. Joining the group were Lloyd and Lycle Crowder, La Verne Hopkins, Junie and Ann Jarvis, Buddy and Patt Parquet and Ernie and Eugenea Youens. The event was put on by their children in Josephine Baptist Church reception hall

and it was filled to the brim with their many friends. Bert and Lois made a very handsome couple and they were justly proud of their children, who made most gracious hostesses. The anniversary cake was beautiful and the table was filled with delicious hors d'oeuvres.

Bert and Lois have been with the DSR on many of our outings and tours and have been very loyal to the Deep South Region, in spite of the long distance they travel to attend. (They used to live in Mobile.)

They own a very pretty 1931 Model A and Bart really drives it!!!

We all wonderful time and hope the Carvers many more happy anniversaries!

## Minutes from the Thursday, May 24 Meeting

Walt Fuller opened the meeting with prayer.

Informal Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by President Bobby Peterson.

Minutes from April Meeting were approved with corrections.

Activities - David Ladnier, Sat, June 17, 2018 - There will be a Car Show at Harvest Church on the I-65 Service near Cottage Hill Road, on Sunday, June 17, 2017 from 9 AM to 12:30 PM. Interested participants who want to bring their antique car can come at 8:00 AM. This is a fundraiser for the Harvest Church. Questions, call David at 375-4844.

Sat, July 7, 2018 - There will be a Coast Fest at Beauvoir, the Jefferson Davis Home in the Gulfport/Biloxi Mississippi Area from 10:30 AM to 2 PM. (Bobbie Sue Koch works at Beauvoir). Bring your antique car and make plans to come. More info at June meeting.

Sat, July 22, 2018, Charlotte Dahlenburg mentioned going to the Living Word Church in the Dawes area and for everyone to bring their antique car. More info and time at June meeting.

Sat, July 28, 2018, Members and friends will meet for Breakfast at Golden Corral at 8 AM. After breakfast, they will leave Mobile and drive to Vinegar Bend, MS. Buddy Givens has invited everyone in the club. More info at June Meeting.

Motion made and seconded to make the above AACA sanctioned events. Approved.

The Tour of Mobile May 19, 2018 was a big success. Several

members met and attended the Veteran's Concert at the Battleship Grounds; they drove to the Conde/Charlotte House in downtown Mobile, the Dew Drop Inn Restaurant for lunch, and Cammie's Ole Dutch Ice Cream Parlor for dessert.

TREASURER'S REPORT - The Alabama Power Company bill was \$99.45. Discussion on how to reduce the monthly bill. Several members commented that the Water Bill of \$55.43 seemed high. Walt Fuller said he will check the Rest Room before everyone leaves the building. The Building and Grounds look very good.

Walt Fuller mentioned that the tables and chairs need to be replaced. Sam's and also Walmart have a good price. (Need to be the lightweight tables) Motion made and seconded for someone to buy the lightweight tables and chairs

Charlotte Dahlenburg thanked everyone for their hard work for the Car Show in March. Her husband, Darrin, was also thanked for his tireless efforts to make this event a huge success.

Bobby Peterson commented the electrical times was not getting power. Suggestions for someone to check on this was discussed.

Welcome to new member David Reeves. David is a senior at Davidson High School, plans to attend Birmingham Southern. He has a 1965 Mercury Comet.

Motion Made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Respectively Submitted, Joyce Ladnier





## What have you been up to?



## On the Way to the Great Race

In 2013 the Great Race ended in Mobile Alabama. Two days before the race started in Milwaukee I was given the opportunity to enter the race and a big thanks to Charlie Lyles for offering up the ticket to ride! Needing a teenage navigator for the division I was given entry to I had a very short list of candidates. The list consisted of one 15 year old, my daughter Mallory. I immediately called her to let her know we had this

great opportunity and I wanted her to be my navigator. Just imagine her response!!! I wasn't prepared for her eagerness to respond with, "Ew!! Why would I wanna do that!!"

She declined my wonderful offer and I couldn't understand how anyone wouldn't want to go. In hind sight I guess a mid teen girl might not think it's GREAT Fun. So, I did some repackaging and asked how she'd like to put 7-8 States on her, been there done that list. To this she promptly responded, YES. So I advised her to start packing because we would start her vacation tomorrow morning. So with less than 20hrs to pack, pick a car, get it ready and loaded on the trailer, check out the tow vehicle and put together a support team. Mission accomplished and off we went to Minnesota.

Fast forward to 2018 and today Monday, June 18, we departed for the sixth year of Great Racing. But the preparation challenges are no less daunting than our first year. This event is year round preparation. Making repairs to the cars, testing the repairs



and driving the car for hundreds of miles just to be sure it's ready for the rigors of the Rally. Then there is packing for two plus weeks on the road. I figure we'll travel about 6000 miles this year or about 350 miles average per day. This year we are going into Canada and must have our passports. No problem - wrong. For years I've kept our passports in a safe place. This past May I moved them to my safety deposit box thinking it was a prudent idea. Mallory queried me several times about the passports to which I told her they were in my safe place. Last night the last thing on my "to pack list" was, of course, the passports. About 10 pm I was horrified to find them not in past years old safe place. Quickly I realized I had put them in a safer place that wouldn't be open till 9 a.m. Monday. So with this crushing realization our 5 am Monday departure was not to be until 10 am. But we finally hit da road!!!!!! Look out Buffalo, Team Henderson is on the way. - Scott Henderson





# Plow Days in Summerdale

Rheba and myself headed to Summerdale, AL for "Plow Days". This is an annual event put on by the SAATEC (South Alabama Antique Tractor and Engine Club) The event was held on Friday and Saturday, June 1st & 2nd at the Underwood Farm in Summerdale. Harry & Harry Jr, Bush have H & H Tractor restoration. Our shop has been doing engine machine work for Harry for several years on the old Tractors. They had over a hundred tractors on display along with Hit and Miss engines that have always fascinated me on there concept.

They had demonstrations on plowing, corn grinding and threshing through out the two day event. They were digging new Red Potatoes you could have by simply picking them up in the field. The farm had a large Pecan orchard with plenty of shade made for a great atmosphere.

From where we had to park our Truck, we took a hayride to the show site. All kinds of exhibits, food, home made ice cream, (about 15 flavors), live music and a swap meet. I was taken by the number of children there enjoying the show. If you have never been it is well worth going to. -Zeno



Rheba getting her potaots



Sebveral of the antique tractors on display at the Plow Day Festival.



## Georgia Mountain Moonshine Cruizin July 12 - 14

Georgia Mountain Moonshine Cruizin is an annual event held in Hiawasse, GA the event site is at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds on beautiful Lake Chatuge.

No Pets Allowed inside the Fairgrounds Gates  
Camping is available

" Stay right at the show site".

Enjoy three fun filled days of good ole mountain hillbilly fun. See a Pioneer village, real moonshine still in the works, mountain crafts, and plenty of hot classic cars, trucks, bikes, rat rods and more!

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





## AACA National Headquarters

*Steve Moskowitz*  
*Executive Director*

2017 flew by like a jet fighter trying to break the sound barrier! It was a busy year for the club highlighted by the signing of a contract to purchase a new building to house the club and

the library.

This was a huge decision and not made lightly but everyone is more than excited about what this building will mean to our club. You will continue to hear more about it as time goes by but please remember this project is going to need everyone's financial support.

The year also included the inaugural Zenith Award competition and it was as good as it can get. Twenty amazing restored vehicles and owners had a very memorable day. The participants, as I have noted before, were first class sportsman and the winner was a very deserving 1928 Auburn restored by Richard and Linda Harding of Ohio.

Another highlight of this past year was the first ever combined meet between the Classic Car Club of America (CCCA) and AACA. This was historical for many reasons - it was not just the club's meeting in the same location, which would have been enough alone. It was also a great collaboration from start to finish and an initiative that your club took the lead in. Given past history, it was a bold move and one that is good for the future of our hobby. It went off without a hitch and members of both clubs benefited greatly.

CCCA has their Grand Classic every other year, so in 2018 they will not be back in Auburn with us but hopefully in 2019 at our AGNM. We are however excited to host the Nash Car Club of America at the 2018 Auburn meet, which is another first! I am proud our board supports these efforts and is showing that we can bring new ideas to our membership. Look forward to even more new ground breaking items from the club in the years ahead.

Last year it was announced that the Boca Raton Concours d'Elegance in Boca Raton, Florida, was going to

honor YOUR club at their event on February 23-25, 2018!

The Boca Concours is at the world famous Boca Raton Resort and is a highly successful event benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of Broward County. AACA will have an education display of 32 cars and our 2017 Zenith Award winner in the CENTER of the show in a large circle. We will have a tent for membership as well, and Chris Ritter and I will be doing a seminar on Saturday. I am sure you have seen other concours that honored makes of cars, but another club? This is a great honor for AACA and shows that we continue to be perceived as the best of the best.

Much work was also put into some new ideas for our future. Hopefully have or will soon find out about them. They are ground breaking ideas for AACA, so they have taken a lot of time to ensure that we will be successful in those endeavors.

We look forward to a great year in 2018, a year that we need our members' support more than ever. We are providing new tools (a new region membership brochure) to help our regions/chapters grow. It is up to YOU to use them. Once again, we hope that every member tries to get us one new member in the coming year. Just one! Our best and easiest way to sign up new members is one-on-one, so please make the effort. Help us grow this great club and ensure its success for decades to come.

It is also a year that we have to implore all regions and chapters to look hard at hosting a meet or tour in 2019 or beyond. Don't stand on the sidelines and let others do all the work! Many regions and chapters tell us that they have grown their regions/ chapters during the time working on a new national event and that the club bonded even more while working on the event.

Please look hard at our events and on our website at new AACA merchandise. We have many new puzzles, a very special t-shirt, new shirts, a new front pewter license plate and many clearance items. Show your support for the club!

Most importantly be ACTIVE! Try to make a national meet or tour, consider entering the AACA judging ranks, volunteer to be a leader in your region or chapter, stay politically active on those issues that affect our hobby and don't let your car(s) languish in the garage. Get out and use them as that is the single best way to enjoy this great hobby.

Thank you all for your support and have a great year *in 2018*.

*Rummage Box articles courtesy of AACA Rummage Box*





# Your First Car: The History of Matchbox Toys

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Written by Craig Fitzgerald

Matchbox has ignited the passion of millions of car lovers around the planet. Its origins are rooted in a father's desire to please his daughter, and it's where the very name comes from.

Matchbox Toys were the product of Lesney Products, which was based in Hackney, a borough of London. The company was founded by Leslie and Rodney Smith. They weren't related, but they grew up together and served together in the Royal Navy during World War II. The company name comes from a combination of the "Les" from Leslie, and the "ney" from Rodney.

Lesney was an industrial die casting company founded in 1947 to supply castings and small parts to agricultural and automotive companies. They produced several products of their own, including a press used to press small pieces of bread into bait that anglers could easily place on a fishing hook.



The cars came along shortly after Lesney hired an engineer named Jack O'Dell. O'Dell had originally rented space in Lesney's shop, but eventually joined the company as a partner.

Soon after the company was founded, it received orders for parts for a small toy gun. Seen as a stopgap for when its industrial orders were slow, Lesney started investigating the toy market. In 1948, O'Dell designed Lesney's first toy, an Averling Barford road roller that was a direct copy of a Dinky toy, the leader in toy cars at the time.

By 1951, Rodney Smith decided to leave the company. The next major toy the Lesney produced was the Coronation Coach, in celebration of Elizabeth's coronation as Queen

of England in June of 1953. The Coronation Coach was a major success for Matchbox, selling over a million copies that summer. It led Lesney to focus almost solely on scale models from that point forward.

The name "Matchbox" and the enduring success of the toys, came from Jack O'Dell's desire to produce a toy for his daughter. It's red and green road roller was popular, but O'Dell's daughter couldn't bring it to school because she was only allowed to bring toys that could fit into a matchbox. O'Dell scaled the road roller down to fit that scale, and the name stuck.



Quickly, Lesney capitalized on its success, developing a line of 75 model vehicles all displayed and sold in a replica matchbox, the first of which was the humble road roller.

By the 1960s, Matchbox was the largest brand of toy diecast cars on the planet, churning out a million of the tiny cars per week. Most of the cars it produced in those early days were British, leading American children who scrounged change to buy these tiny cars to wonder what a Ford Zodiac, a Vauxhall Cresta or a Foden tow truck in BP livery was all about.

The key for Matchbox's success was the price. In the 1960s, toys like this Matchbox Lambretta TV175 — produced between 1961 and 1966 — were typically 39 cents. This one is from a pharmacy in Canada, with a slightly higher price tag of 47 cents, Canadian. You can see much more detailed photos of this model at "Live And Let Diecast" on Kinja.





Matchbox Vespa

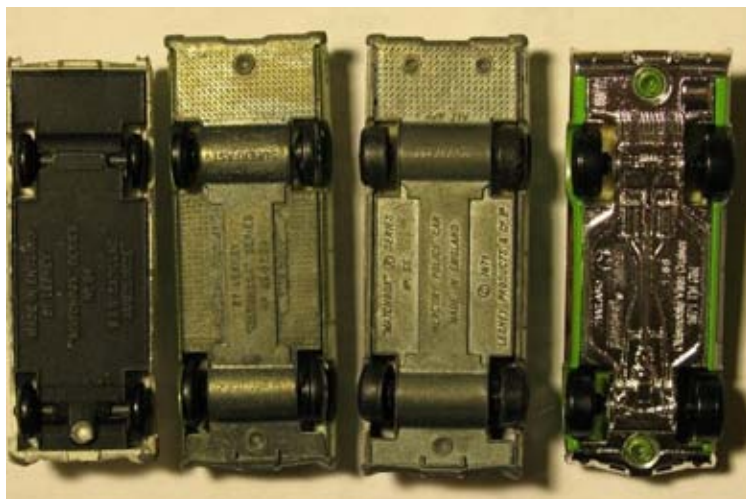
In the 1960s, Matchbox faced stiff competition from Hot Wheels and Johnny Lightning toys in the United States. It ran through some difficult times until it developed its "Superfast" line of cars in 1969, which featured low-friction wheels for the 1970 model year, along with a series of tracks.



Matchbox King Size

By the end of the 1970s, Matchbox faced financial difficulties and ended up in receivership. The company was eventually purchased by Mattel in 1997, uniting rivals Matchbox and Hot Wheels under one roof. Manufacturing ceased in England in 1985.

Over the years, though, Matchbox cars have ignited the interest of millions of children. British Pathé has an excellent two minute clip of the original Matchbox factory from 1962, showing exactly how the cars were built:



Matchbox wheels

A comparison of Matchbox wheels: (L to R) Original series wheels, first thin Superfast wheels, middle period Superfast wheels, post-1971 late Superfast wheels. Image source: Matchbox Wikia

In the late 1960s, Matchbox expanded its line to include "King Size" and "Speed Kings" models of trucks and cars in a larger scale, and then hit big with collectors with the Matchbox Models of Yesteryear, an eventual series of 66 significant historic vehicles, ending with the Coronation Coach that kicked off Lesney's greatest period of success.

**Tumblin' Tumbleweed**

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**Central Divisional Tour**  
**Sept 12-15, 2018 • Amarillo, TX**

*The Amarillo Region of AACA invites you to tour the Historic "Crown of Texas"!*

Come and join us for a FALL tour that includes the famous Boys Ranch at Tascosa, a cattle operation from birth to BBQ, one of the largest dairy operations in America and more.

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# 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



**1972 Ford F100** for sale. New 390 Long Block, New Edel Brock 4 BBI carb. New Radiator. Contact: Lisa Whetstone at 214-952-8694



**1957 Ford Fairlane.** Two-door hardtop. Cobra 460-C6. Comes with ZENO-built 312 and 3-speed OD. \$20,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-454-8947



**1980 Model A Shay.** One of only 50 with automatic transmission. Only 4500 miles. \$19,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 2251-454-8947



**1963 Ford Galaxie 500** Convertible 390 CID. Contact Jim and Michele Gray at 251-406-1841

*Not Actual Car*



**1964 Ford F100** Demonstrator. Custom cab, long wheelbase. Mercury 312 engine. Overdrive transmission. \$4,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-454-8947

**SATURDAY, JULY 7, 2018 9 AM TO 4 PM**  
**LIVE MUSIC, FOOD, SHOPPING, ANTIQUE CARS**  
**\$20 ADULT**  
**\$5 CHILDREN**  
**5-18 YEARS OF AGE**  
**INCLUDES HOUSE TOUR AND MUSEUM**



**1959 Thunderbird Project.** New interior in boxes. \$4,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-454-8947



**2003 Mercury Marauder.** All black. Low miles. \$15,000. Contact Buddy Givens at 251-454-8947

**Join DSR on this adventure on July 7**  
**Breakfast at Golden Corral at 7:30 am**  
**Arrive at Jefferson Davis Home around 10:30**  
**Tour home and grounds of Beauvoir, the**  
**Jefferson David Home and Presidential Library**  
**Lunch at a Casino**  
**See Greg, Bobby Sue and Barrett's plane**  
**Travel home or stay for a cruise-in**







## Refreshments

June 28 Rheba & Violet  
 July 26 - Soup and Sandwich Dinner  
 August 23 - Brian Daly  
 Sept. 27 - Italian Dinner Patricia & David Cowling  
 October 25 - Belinda & David Rooney  
 November - Year End Party - TBD

## Up Coming Events

Our next meeting is Thursday, June 28 at 7 pm at the club house. See you there!

## Birthdays & Anniversary

Vicki Bolton	June 22
Robbie Lyles	June 23
Don Vermillion	June 26
Steve Goren	July 10
Brian Daly	July 27
Walt & Martha Fuller	June 25, 1960
Buddy and Patt Parquet	June 30, 1969

## Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for Buddy & Patt Paquet, Foy & Judy Bobo, Buddy & Anne Givens, Bob White, Lycyle Crowdus



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

Answer for last month: 1962 from Chrysler 300 Series.

## DSR Activities 2018

### June

28 - 7:00 DSR Meeting at the Clubhouse  
 30 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

### July

7 - DSR Car Display at CoastFest 2018 Beauvoir, The Jefferson Davis Home, Bioloxi, MS  
 26 - 6:00 Soup and Sandwich Dinner with DSR Meeting following at the Clubhouse  
 28 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner and trip to Vinegar Bend

### August

23 - 7:00 DSR Meeting at the Clubhouse  
 25 - Day trip to Derailed Dinner and Train Museum in Foley

### September

27 - 6:00 Italian Dinner with DSR Meeting following at the Clubhouse  
 29 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

### October

27 - 7:00 DSR Meeting at the Clubhouse  
 29 - 8:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral in Tillman's Corner

### November

Year End Party





commercial production of the first American car.

Frank Duryea was the actual builder of the first American automobile, having to throw away many of Charles' ideas. Charles, however, spent his life trying to discredit Frank and claim himself to be the builder of the first American car.

By 1902, the Oldsmobile (Olds Motor Vehicle Company formed in 1897 in Detroit, Michigan) would come to dominate the marketplace with its large scale production line busy at work churning out 425 cars the first year for \$650 apiece.

The Henry Ford Company launched in 1901 and would change its name to Cadillac Motor Company. In 1909 General Motors would buy the Cadillac company. William Durant had formed General Motors in 1908. In 1902 - 1903 the Ford Motor Company launched in a converted factory and built its first American car, the Model A.

# The First American Car

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Arguably the first American car was built by Oliver Evans in 1805. He had received the first U. S. patent in 1789. The car that Evans built was amphibious and could travel on land by wheels or water by paddlewheels.

Other scholars say that the first American car is generally considered to be the Duryea automobile built by the Duryea Motor Wagon Company which was first demonstrated in Massachusetts in 1893 (pictured above). Frank and Charles Duryea founded the company and built a Ladies Phaeton one-cylinder gasoline engine, 4-wheel, open air car.

A second Duryea was built in 1894 and on Thanksgiving Day in 1895, Frank won the Chicago Times Herald Race traveling 54 miles with an average speed of 7.5 mph. In 1895, the Duryea Motor Wagon Company started

In 1908, the Ford Motor Company launched the Model T and in first year production sold over 10,000 cars. In 1912, the Charles Kettering electric starter was introduced (before that cars had to startup using a hand crank).

In 1913, the Ford Motor Company developed the assembly line with each worker responsible for one task. Up until this time, workers were assigned multiple tasks on building automobiles and walked around the plants to accomplish their tasks.

Under this assembly line process, the Highland Park, Michigan plant produced 300,000 cars in 1914. This allowed Ford to drop the price of the Model T for 14 years straight making this American car now affordable to the middle class.

Many years ago, in children's schoolbooks, Henry Ford was given credit for inventing the automobile. This was far from the truth. What Henry Ford did invent was the assembly line for mass producing the automobile making it affordable to Americans everywhere.





# Application for New Membership

## Deep South Region AACA

Mobile, Al

Ownership of a vehicle is not required for membership

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

### New Member Information (Please Print)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_ :

### MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

**Annual Membership** (Includes Spouse/Partner) \_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00  
DSR 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.

**Student Membership** (Ages 13-25 for students only) \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.00  
Enjoys same privileges as annual membership. Must provide student ID

**Junior Membership** (Ages up through 12 years old) \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00  
Member receives quarterly newsletter - Wheels Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ required for juniors  
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.

After you have joined AACA, complete the following information and bring it to one of our meetings, or you may mail it with a check for DSR annual dues to our Club Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, 58 South Julia Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604.

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<b>Address</b>						
<b>City</b>		<b>State/Province</b>	<b>Zip/Postal Code</b>		<b>Country</b>	
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Email Address</b>		<b>Telephone #</b>		

**Sponsor Name & AACA Membership Number or Address (Sponsorship by a current AACA member is OPTIONAL)**

**Please contact me about joining a local region**

## MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

- ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Includes Spouse/Partner)** ----- **\$40.00**   
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- FOREIGN (NON-USA) MEMBERSHIP** ----- **\$50.00**   
 Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership.
- FIRST TIME 1/2 YEAR MEMBERSHIP** ----- **\$20.00**   
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- STUDENT MEMBERSHIP (Ages 13-25 – for student ONLY)** ----- **\$12.00**   
 Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership. Applicants must include copy of student identification or proof of enrollment.
- JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP (Age up through 12 years old)** ----- **\$10.00**   
 Members receive quarterly newsletter - *WHEELS*.                      Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ required for Juniors.
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## AACA MERCHANDISE

**Dues Billed Annually**

Dues are billed annually only. There is no pro-rating of dues and back issues of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE may not always be available.

Item	Qty	Unit Price	Total
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<b>Merchandise Total</b>			
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Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. 7/17



# AACA's Junior Membership Program - New Members & Writers Wanted



Do you have children or grandchildren? If so, you might be interested in signing them up for our Junior Membership program. Membership is open to all children up to age 12, and each Junior member will receive a special membership card and a year-long subscription to AACA's quarterly children's magazine, Wheels. Each issue of Wheels is filled with interesting reads and fun-filled puzzles and games. To find out more about this program, click here.

We are very interested in publishing content from our Junior members and encourage them to send in their own stories, poems, fan art, etc. We also welcome content from adults in the hobby, as well. If you think you have a fun or interesting story to share, please contact Matthew Hocker at [mhocker@aca.org](mailto:mhocker@aca.org) or 717-534-2082.

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**2018 Hershey**

**AACA Eastern Division National Fall Meet**  
October 10 - 13, 2018

**"Driving the Dream, In 2018"**

**2018 AACA FOUNDERS TOUR**

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# JULY 13, 2018

## COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

AACA is proud to support the SEMA Action Network (SAN) in declaring July 13, 2018, as National Collector Car Appreciation Day (CCAD). It is a day to help raise awareness of the entire car hobby and its role in American society. This will be the ninth consecutive year for what has become an annual event to recognize the importance of automotive restoration and collection. Each year since 2010, this "holiday" has been marked by a U.S. Senate Resolution at the request of the SAN to honor the classics of the past and the future.

The U.S. Senate helped launch CCAD by passing Resolutions each year since 2010 at the SAN's request. The previous resolutions were sponsored by Congressional Automotive Performance and Motorsports Caucus Co-Chairs Senators Richard Burr (R-NC) and Jon Tester (D-MT). The Senators have been strong advocates for the automotive hobby in Washington, D.C., and recognize the integral role collector cars have played in fostering our nation's appreciation for the automobile's unique historical place in our history. The Caucus is an informal, non-partisan group that pays tribute to America's ever-growing love affair with the car and motorsports. As this annual event continues to grow worldwide, states, provinces, counties and cities are following suit with their

## Online Hershey Registration for Show Cars & Judges Now Open!!

Yes, you read that right - both show car registration and judge registration are now open online. In order to register online, you will need your AACA member number and pin. This information can be found on your membership card. Click here to register now. When registering a show car, don't forget to print your registration form and mail it with your check to the Hershey Region.

Please note that flea market and car corral registration is NOT currently open. In order to receive the registration materials for flea market and car corral spaces, you need to fill out the Activity Request Card that came with your May/June issue of Antique Automobile magazine.

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own recognition.

How are YOU participating? Is your Chapter or Region having an automotive-related happening during the month of July? You are invited submit its information on the official CCAD site without cost using this link.

Events can range from informal gatherings and club meetings to more organized events, such as car shows, tours, cruises and parades. The official list at this link will help auto enthusiasts nationwide find events in their local area to join in and celebrate.

Participating organizers will receive a complimentary copy of the Congressional resolution for display at each registered event.

For more information, visit the National Collector Car Appreciation Day website or contact the SAN at [san@sema.org](mailto:san@sema.org).



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# National Car Shows

## June 2018

25-29 Eastern Divisional Tour - North Central PA

## 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.

## October 2018

10-13 - Eastern Fall Meet • hosted by Hershey Region • Hershey, Pennsylvania

21-26 - Founders Tour • hosted by S. Illinois Region, Ohio Valley Chapter • Metropolis, Illinois

## November 2018

5-9 - AACA Sentimental Tour – Louisiana Region - Natchez, Mississippi-Vicksburg, MS. (Progressive Tour)

2019

February 2019

7-9 - AACA Annual Meeting - Philadelphia, PA.

22-24 - AACA Winter Meet - Kingdom of the Sun Regions - Ocala, FL.



# 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





## Local Car Shows

### July

- 4 Grandbay Watermelon Festival. 8 am - 4 pm Open Car Show. For more information call 251-865-3456
- 7 Car Display at Jefferson Davis Home in Biloxi 10:20-2 pm
- 7 Biloxi, MS Cruise-in at Edgewater Mall Hwy 90, Biloxi, MS 6pm - 9pm. Info Jimbo 228 596-0664
- 14 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)
- 21 9th Annual Baton Rouge Chapter AACA open car show. 2115 North Lobdell, Baton Rouge 8 am registration \$25 awards at 2 pm. Call Wally Waguespack 225-202-0023

### August

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- 8 Holy Name of Jesus Church 2nd Annual Car Show

### October

- 6 Biloxi, MS Cruise-in at Edgewater Mall Hwy 90, Biloxi, MS 6pm - 9pm. Info Jimbo 228 596-0664

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