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Dec. 27 DSR end-of-the-year party with installation of 2009 Officers—more info will follow either by E-mail, hard copy or telephone

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Jan. 17 Tentative date for David's Catfish Outing

Feb. 12-14 AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Feb. 26-28 AACA Southeastern Winter Meet—Lakeland, FL

April 2-5 AACA Southeaster Spring Meet—Charlotte, NC

April 15-19 AACA Southeastern Divisional Tour (1984 and earlier vehicles)
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May 4-9 AACA Founder's Tour (1936-1984 vehicles)
Odessa & Midland, TX

May 9 26th Annual DSR Mother's Day Car Show

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Who said you must have turkey for it to be a Thanksgiving dinner? By Patt Paquet

Most school children are taught that the first Thanksgiving was held in 1621 with the pilgrims and Indians coming together to celebrate an abundant harvest. Someone got worried about what kind of meat they would have, if any, and a-hunting he did go. The story goes that a fellow, who will remain nameless, came back to the settlement with a few birds of some size. Now I have no idea if what he had really was turkeys or not; it could have been a few really big crows or blackbirds for all I know.

This brings me to the above headline. Who decreed turkey had to be on the table for it to be a real Thanksgiving dinner? I can remember, as a young child, having had many other meats taking center place on the table. And I can also remember crying my eyes out and blubbering that I wasn't going to eat anything that I wasn't totally sure hadn't been a pet.

Therefore, to eliminate DSR members having to partake of turkey or another of the usual entrees two times in less than one week, it was proposed at the October meeting those attending the Nov. 22nd Thanksgiving Dinner would have fried catfish and any other side members chose to bring. Bowing to the few



with dietary restrictions, baked chicken was offered to satisfy this requirement.

This is the part you just have to love. Out of the 8-10 folks who ordered the chicken, there was probably only about 4-5 who stuck to the request. Most of the guys hung around outside while the cooking was going on, doing a little taste-testing here and there, sniffing up the aroma and generally salivating until they finally got into the serving line. Out of the 20 pounds of catfish on the buffet, there was less than five left when our 30 members and four guests were finished.

The chief cook just kept nodding and smiling; saying "Thank you" over and over, enjoying all of the compliments from those who *never, ever* eat catfish.

Entering the clubhouse, attendees were greeted by a very attractive setting put together by Lycyle Crowdus and Debbie Bright. Members brought platters and bowls and plates and baskets and pans of side items to accompany the two entrees. Salads, vegetables, casseroles, breads, pies, cakes, fruits...the list was almost endless. When all was said and done, there were very few leftovers but those were shared among those wishing to take something home so nothing was wasted.

After the dinner was over and some minor cleanup, our regular monthly meeting was held. (Con't on Page 5)

President Mims died Nov. 24, 2008



Our revered leader finally lost his battle with leukemia and other medical problems at about 6:30 p.m. on Monday. Lambert was only days away from having served his fourth time at the club's leader. He first accepted the nomination to steer us in the right direction starting in 2003 and continued to hold the position for a second term in 2004. A break was in order but he stepped forward again in 2006 when we were in need of a Presidential candidate. He was felled by a stroke on Halloween night of that year and spent 43 days in the hospital and then more time in rehab before attending the club's 2006 Christmas Party in December. He was one of our most faithful and loyal members.

It's impossible to keep a good man down and he agreed to take the gavel one last time for this year. He was cleaning one of his Studebakers to enter in our annual Mother's Day Show and suffered a debilitating back problem. This, in addition to other medical issues, kept him in the hospital or Coburn's Nursing & Rehab Center until his passed away.

He and his beloved wife, Reecie, were married Aug. 17, 1946 in Bay Minette, AL. They made their home in Little River, until moving to Prichard in the early 1950s to form a business with Reecie's father, Wm. B. Phillips (Phillips & Mims Feed Co.) He was a hard workingman who became a devout Christian and loved his family and his church. He served as a Deacon at Riverside Baptist Church for many years as well being a City Councilman and also Mayor of the City of Mobile.

He was instrumental in helping DSR acquire the lease on the property where our clubhouse is. It is his signature on the original document. He and Reecie joined AACA and DSR in 1992 after riding with Ernie and Eugenia Youens in one of their Model T on our annual January outing to David's Catfish Cabin. He wrote his first book, *For Christ and Country*, in 1969 and a second book entitled *Mayor on a Mission* was published just last year.

Lambert loved his antique cars and drove them at any opportunity. He also cared deeply for his fellow members and probably never said an unkind word about anyone. His place in the club will be hard to fill but no doubt he is enjoying his place in Heaven. A memorial donation to Riverside Baptist Church will be made as per his wishes.



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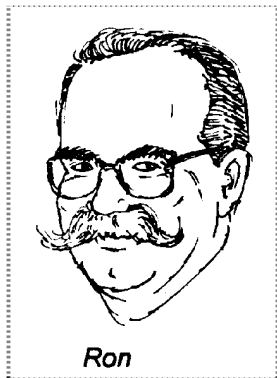
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Belated Congratulations

Long-time DSR members Floyd and Betty Jordan celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on October 16, 2008. They were married in Lucedale, MS on that date in 1948. They have three children and have been blessed with five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

National and local region mourns members deaths

By Buddy Paquet



AACA 1991 President, **Ronald (Ron) V. Barnett** died peacefully at his home in Union Grove, AL on Oct. 30, 2008. He had visited the Deep South Region on more than one occasion and endeared himself to members with his humor, down-to-earth personality and willingness to take time to

answer questions. The last time he was here at the club's invitation, Ross Sloan, who needed to get in some flying time, flew to Huntsville to pick up him and his wife, Sally, and bring them to Mobile. They spend the night with me and Patt and we drove them home the next day. It was a rainy weekend but DSR members turned out to meet the Barnetts and hear their stories about AACA and the benefits of being members of same.

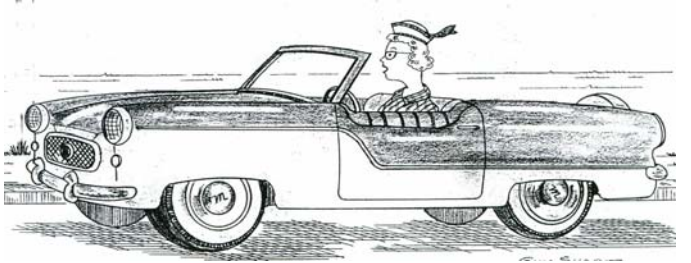
He and I enjoyed reliving our military days, although he was Army and I was Navy. Ron was the essence of what our organization is all about and it was my pleasure to have known him. I read something just recently that goes like this: "*Strange isn't it*", *George Bailey's guardian angel, Clarence, tells him, "each man's life touches so many other lives and when he isn't around, he leaves an awful hole, doesn't he?"*. This quote is from *It's a Wonderful Life*, a 1946 classic, and to me describes Ron's place in AACA perfectly.

Mrs. Eugenia (Ramey) Youens passed away Nov. 15, 2008 after a very long illness. She and husband, Ernest (Ernie) C. Youens were married Jan. 1, 1943, one day before he had to report to the military. She enjoyed being a stay-at-home-mom to their three sons as they came along. Eugenia loved to crochet, was a master seamstress and quilter as well as a superb cook. She took great pleasure in canning or freezing produce from their yearly garden.

Eugenia was her husband's helpmate in any project; from working on the DSR newsletter to handing him tools when he worked on their vintage automobile. She was game for anything, especially touring in their 1927 Model T Roadster.

She assisted him in composing the "History of the Deep South Region AACA" in 1997 which has become a model for other AACA Regions.

Drawn by DSR member Guy Short, now deceased



One thing Eugenia loved was going to the beauty salon or grocery shopping in the 1959 Met Convertible Ernie bought her. Anyone one who knew her could not help but love her and she will be missed. A donation in her memory will be sent to the Saraland United Methodist Church.



From the Editor...

This year is fast drawing to a close and now that you've asked me to continue serving in this position, I am going to get a head start on 2009 work. I am asking that one of you help me by becoming Assistant Editor in January.

It will be a very rewarding job and the pay is very good. I know there are several of you who are more than capable to assuming the task.

Once you come on board, we can work out the "who-does-whats" so that we are sharing the work in an equitable manner. I look forward to working with any one of you who wants to have some fun.

2009 Dues Notice

If you've not yet paid your membership dues for the coming year and want to continue enjoying all the benefits of being a member of AACA and DSR, please send your check to Tracy Metclaf – 58 S. Julia Street – Mobile, AL 36604. He will forward the National portion to HQ thus saving you writing two checks plus saving a stamp.

National Dues: \$35 for individual or couple

Local Dues: \$15 for individual or couple

Please note your AACA number on your check.

Springhill Baptist Church's Great Pumpkin Festival By Clyde & Janet Smith

On Sunday afternoon, October 26, members of DSR met at Jim Henderson's antique auto warehouse, picking up some cars to make the trip to the above event. Jim was unable to go with us but was generous in supplying several cars, in particular a freshly restored '52 Ford PU.

He came over to open the building and was driving his latest acquisition, a late model Shelby GT 350-H (the "H" stands for Hertz) that he had got at the AACA Eastern Fall Meet auction earlier in the month. I can tell you more about this in another story.

After admiring the Shelby, everyone got together to make a caravan to the church. Upon our arrival, we were escorted to our reserved parking area and met up with more club member friends who got there earlier. We had a very nice spot to put out our chairs near the cars and do some "crowd watching".



The church staff seemed extremely happy we had brought the cars and showed us where the complimentary food/drinks were when we felt inclined. The festival was nice – in addition to the pumpkin carving for the kids, there was remote control racing, a petting zoo, a moon walk, slides and a train ride around the property.

As a side note, I ran into a good friend who had been the production manager and dispatcher for McPhillips Mfg., one of my loyal trucking customers. It had been close to 10 years since we'd seen each other. It turned out to be a reunion of sorts when we discovered Lycyle Crowdus was a former McPhillips employee.



do a re-enactment with other lovers of "Pirates of the Caribbean". This is one of Cathy's biggest pastimes.

I am really sorry we didn't get there in time to see this in person. DSR member Cathy Goren and her friend, Carol, were headed to Mississippi to

A Day in the Park for Penelope House By Patt Paquet

Nov. 8 was the first time for this particular type of fundraiser for this most worthy cause. Penelope House is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help victims of domestic violence regain social and economical independence.

The group of volunteers putting on the benefit had squared off against the annual Christmas Jubilee put on by the Junior League of Mobile, an established motorcycle ride that ends in Baldwin County which drew over 4,000 bikers and the umpteenth Greek Fest, all of which received lots of print and TV advertising. However, there was a sizable number of folks who came out to Municipal Park to enjoy the beautiful weather, up close and personal visits with the Azalea Trail Maids, plenty of very good music by several bands and vocal groups, lots of activities for children and last but not least, the requisite food.

Oh yes, I almost forgot! There was a special appearance by the Sweet Potato Queens who handed out raffle prizes as winner were called.

Those attending, **L. Crowdus, 2 McCuskers, 2 Paquets, 2 Pendergrass, 2 Smiths and 2 Thoms** found perfect parking



places for the vintage autos we had on display and gathered round to visit while listening to the music and watching the Azalea Trail Maids attempting somersaults in their antebellum dresses. Quite a sight.

No one knew there would be food for sale so we all enjoyed the picnic lunches we brought, topped off our picnic lunches we had brought which were topped off by a wonderful cake Barbara McCusker had thoughtfully packed. Oops, no coffee to go with it. It was a very nice four hours spent with friends and hopefully, we will get to do it again next year.



As always, there are more photos on the DSR website and in the 2008 scrapbook.

DSR Thanksgiving Dinner

The business matters were taken care of in short order with the most important item being election of officers for 2009. Those serving you in the coming year are President – Steve Goren; Vice President – Walter Fuller; Secretary – Cathy Goren; Treasurer – Tracy Metclaf; Editor – Buddy Paquet; Activities – Lycle Crowdus and Frieda Dylewski; and Member-at-Large – Paul Dagenais. (There are some appointed/volunteer positions filled but if you have an area in which you would like to serve, please contact any of the above. You will be welcome.) The next item of importance was a change to our By Laws which was passed and last but not least, a change to our traditional Christmas Party, usually held the first weekend of December. It has been moved to Dec. 27th and will take place at the Deep South Antique Car Museum (Jim Henderson's place) It will be a 1:00 PM lunch. More details will follow; you will be contacted either by E-mail or telephone.

Attending to enjoy the food and fellowship were **2 Bobos, 2 Brights, L. Crowdus, 2 Corwells, D. Dillehay and guest Ruth Gunther, 2 Dylewskis, Jerry Finley and daughter, Gina Dean, 2 Fullers, C. Goren and her friend Carol Bolt, 2 Jacksons, 2 Lyles, 2 McCuskers, T. Metclaf, 2 Paquets, 2 Pendergrass, Ross Sloan and friend, Dianne Browne, 2 Smiths and 2 Thoms.** The door was locked and everyone on their way by two o'clock, it having been a very enjoyable two hours and some few minutes. When we return for the January 22, 2008 meeting (there are five Thursdays in this month), you will have the advantage of entering/exiting the building with the new motion lights to assist you, thanks to Ed and Eddie Grimes.

Your 2008 Officers hope you enjoyed a very nice Thanksgiving holiday and look forward to seeing you again at our "Year-End" party.

Member news

Folks haven't been talking a lot of what's been going on lately, but they have been moving around a good bit. **Carl Bailey** is still keeping the roads hot with his VFW volunteer work. He will be stepping down soon and will be happy to get back to the old car hobby. **Foy and Judy (Martin) Bobo** spend about 2 ½ months up in Madison, WI and are happy to be back in the South. **John and Suder Bogle** went to Georgia the week before Thanksgiving to spend time with children. **Mickey Cox** continues to be plagued with pain from Trigeminal Neuralgia for which there's been no satisfactory treatment found in Mobile. **Paul Dagenais** was in Chicago the same weekend as our Thanksgiving dinner for a conference and packed for weather in the upper 30s but arrived to find it snowing. **Garrette and Frieda Dylewski** have been busy building a 28' car trailer in their garage. **Carolyn Ebl (Mrs. Mike)** had back surgery in mid-October and is still on the "down" list. **Jerry Finley** spent Thanksgiving with his son and family in Picyune, MS. **Bob Gechijan** took a fall from a six-foot stepladder resulting in a visit from the paramedics, a concussion and a night in the hospital. **Buddy and Anne Givens** have both been under the weather again so please keep them in your prayers. **Steve Goren** was in Tuscaloosa to watch son, Trevor, play hockey while Cathy attended the Thanksgiving dinner. **Ed Grimes** and son, Eddie, went to the swap meet in Moultrie, GA the weekend before Thanksgiving. **Jim Henderson** has been notified his 1960 Thunderbird has been nominated for an AACA 2008 National Award. **Yvonne Houk** had eye surgery on Nov. 12 and we wish her well plus **Jean Jackson** had back surgery on Nov. 4 and is recuperating nicely. **Charlie and Robbie Lyles** attended their grandson's wedding earlier this month. **Bill and Leah Musgrove** enjoyed going with the Louisiana Region AACA on their annual Thanksgiving Tour. **Tracy Metclaf** spent Thanksgiving with his son and family in Houston, TX while the **Paquets** enjoyed Turkey Day with their foster son and family in Fairhope. The **Pendergrass** had their daughters in Mobile for the holiday. The **Thoms** went to Bay St. Louis to spend the day with son and family. The **Whites** are on an extended motor home trip, and the **Whitings** are still on the horse trail with daughter Margaret.

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There oughta be more weekends in October

By Dick Cashdollar

October – that month of great football games and nearly unlimited car shows and fall festivals – is just too darn short!



Dick & Bob at Faith Fellowship Car Show in Robertsdale

This October blessed us with nearly perfect week-end weather, which was converted into a string of great Saturday outings. Car Show Month for me started on Saturday, October 18th with the Faith Fellowship Church show in Robertsdale. My car show partner, Bob Gechijian, and I fired up our ‘Vettes for the leisurely 45-minute drive and joined about 110 others for a great day of cars, burn-out competition, food and fellowship.

We were both rewarded for our efforts. Bob’s practically perfect 1958 Corvette won “Best Car” trophy, while mine got a “Top 40” trophy. Car shows are always fun, but they’re even more fun when you take something home at the end of the day.

The next Saturday, October 25, was the ninth annual Past Time Cruisers “Cars for a Cause” show in Mobile, benefiting the Child Advocacy Center. Another perfect day, with nearly 100 cars showing up in the Marriott



My Model A with some old guy camped out behind it at the Past Times Cruisers Show

Hotel parking lot next to BelAir Mall. For me, it was a kind of rocky early morning start – I had gotten home at 2 a.m. from a trip to Washington DC and long meetings at FEMA. A couple of cups of strong coffee helped me get through the day though. Once again, **Bob and I** showed up with our toys – Bob’s Corvette and my 1928 Model A.

There were more DSR folks at this show, with our cars being joined by **Ed Grimes, Steve Goren** and the **Thoms**. All of us took one of the “Top 25” Awards and Ed received the “Fabulous Ford Award” for one of his Thunderbirds.

The final show was Saturday, Nov. 1 (let’s call it Oct. 31.5). Another perfect Saturday and another local show. This one, a third annual Fall Festival Show sponsored by Sunrise Baptist Church, was held in the parking lot of Baker High School football stadium. A great spot for car shows – lots of paved area, a covered picnic pavilion and the stadium restrooms were open. This was a smaller show – about 60 cars, but some really nice ones that I’ve never seen before – including a ’69 Road Runner Convertible - the first one of those I’ve ever seen. Lots of free food, tons of really nice door prizes and plenty of awards that will insure this show will continue to grow.

In spite of some really tough competition, my ‘Vette won one of the Top 30 Awards. Given the quality of cars judged, I had managed to convince myself that I was out of the running in this show, so when my name was called it was a pleasant surprise.

Three shows in three consecutive weekends, with two cars in the judging – and three for three awards. What fun.

So...what do you think...should we start a grass-roots effort to add two more weekends in October? With so many activities, four weekends just aren’t enough. Maybe we can start a national movement to adopt this eminently logical concept!



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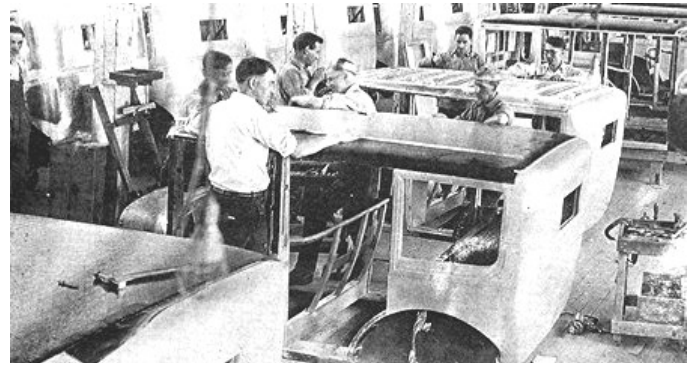
Do pumpkins really turn into coaches?

By Buddy Paquet

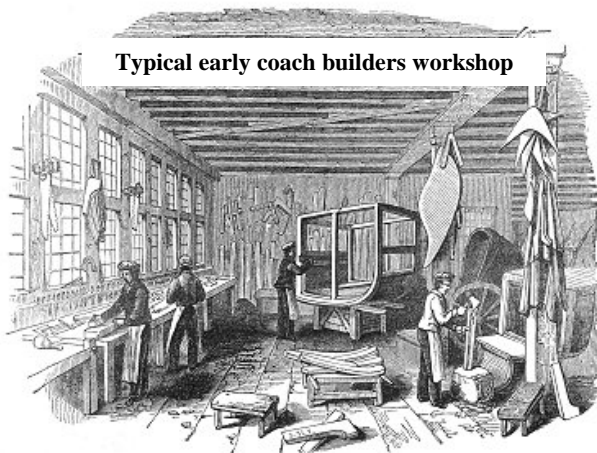
The answer to the question is “Yes” if you’re my almost five-year-old foster granddaughter, Julia. A week or so before Halloween, I asked her what would be a good thing to do with all the pumpkins this year’s harvest brought; carve them into Jack-o-Lanterns or save most of them for pumpkin pies. She assured me they would be best used to make coaches for Cinderella and other princesses.

We all know that’s a perfect example of the impossible dream but how much do you know about coachbuilders? A coachbuilder is a manufacturer of bodies for carriages and later for automobiles. The trade started in Europe back in the Seventeenth Century when doors, windows and metal suspension springs came into use. The basic construction methods that came about by

After the 1929 stock market nosedive, when mobs would throw stones at any fancy conveyance, what was left of the richer class chose to keep a lower profile and started buying off what had become known as the assembly line.



Fisher Body built all of Cadillac’s closed bodies in the 1910s



Typical early coach builders workshop

the end of that century changed little even through the middle of the Twentieth Century. Carriages consisted of strong timber frames, strengthened by iron connections, then covered by thin wooden panels and a leather roof. This was then placed on a spring suspension with wheels.

Many early vehicles were little more than horseless carriages right into the 1920s. In those early years, the wealthy who were not happy with what luxury manufacturers such as Pierce-Arrow or Packard, etc., had to offer went to a chassis motoring brand, who built this part for them. A few high-class automobile makers, Dusenbergs or American Rolls Royce, for example deferred to the preference of their client and built chassis only. When delivered, they took it to a coachbuilder requesting a personal body design be fitted. Initially, skills used to build the wooden and metal bodies of vehicles was so specialized that most manufacturers made contracts with existing coachbuilders to produce bodies for their chassis.

From the late teens to the first part of 1930s, there were at least 120 coach builders and body makers in more than a dozen states. The years of the Great Depression saw most of the custom body builders go out of business. Well-known names such as Walter Murphy, Waterhouse, Rollson and Merrimac didn’t last through the early part of the 1930s. But, due to Henry Ford continuing to build automobiles, builders such as Brunn, Judkins and Willoughby survived. Other ongoing companies such as Fleetwood, Dietrich, LeBaron and Seaman were owned by automobile builders and were no longer independent coach builders. Little did anyone know the latter part of this decade would be the finest hour for custom coach building.

The automotive industry continued to progress and some chose to design and manufacture the entire vehicle in-house. These days, most of the custom built automobiles are produced in Italy by companies like Ferrari, Piunfarina, Aston Martin and even Rolls Royce.

The pioneer coach builders who made the greatest impact on automotive body styling were the younger and more creative newcomers. The art form hung on until the late 1950s when icons like George Barris were the end of the era. Now the kit car craze has brought it full circle with literally thousands of makes and styles of custom automobiles.

So, maybe by the time my granddaughter is old enough to drive, the automotive industry will be in a mode so she can design exactly what she wants and have it built to her taste, even if it is a coach fit for her and other 16-year-old princesses.

DSR invited to participate in Mobile's Veteran's Day Parade

By Buddy Paquet

It was a sea of American flags in front of us when we pulled into the staging area for what has become one of the city's best parades. And you know Mobile does love a parade; give a reason and there will be a parade. In my humble opinion, the annual Veteran's Day is one of the most fun. I know that the club as a whole is honored to be the only local car club to be included. There were two other vintage vehicles in the parade, one belonging to a fellow who is not a

member of any club and one that is owned by a former politico. The first had the pleasure of transporting America's Junior Miss and the latter carried Gen. (Ret.) John Abizaid who was named Patriot of the Year and Col. (Ret.) Harry Moreland, 2008 Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year. In addition, there was another what is commonly referred to as "VIP" on board, a fellow who probably deserved to be on the biggest, highest, most outstanding float in the entire parade. He was getting around the area well before the start of the procession, using two artificial legs and extending an artificial arm/hand to greet those wishing him well.

We were put in the fourth lane and were the seventh unit in it to be sent out as the forming up and moving forward began. Usually, the waiting around is boring and long, but not with this parade. Not only did we chat among ourselves but literally swarms of people, civilian and military alike, converged on our cars to look and ask questions.

The parade route was approximately two miles and lined with folks both old and young, waving our flag. Many daycare centers and



Richard & Sylvia White and their 1930 Model A with flags flying



A close up of the sign on the White's car - Maloney is Svlvia's maiden name



The picture speaks for itself - 2 artificial legs, arm and hand

kindergartens had brought their youngsters to view all of the bands, various military marching representatives, floats, antique cars and walking units such as the Azalea Trail Maids and last but not least some really big military equipment. Just before DSR cars exited the parking lot and turned onto the first leg of the route, there was a fly-over of three helicopters that got the crowd excited and into the spirit of things. The mass of attendees waved their flags, shouted "Happy Veteran's Day",

and made many nice comments on the cars. I think the big pieces of equipment got the most reaction from the younger set while the older ones enjoyed the cars.

When we returned to the staging area, cars were stripped of the decorations and club members headed for the Whataburger for lunch and more talk. The weather couldn't have been better for a parade; just right temperature for us and the cars .

Participating were **J. Bogle, W. Fuller and grandsons, Jake Henderson, 2 Houks, G. Jackson with his father-in-law and granddaughter, 2 Paquets, 2 Pendergrass, 2 Smiths, 2 Thoms and 2 Whites.**

There are lots more pictures of the Veteran's Day Parade on our DSR website and will also be in our 2008 scrapbook for those who do not have internet access.

To quote the Nov. 12, 2008 Press-Register "Mobile Loves Its Veterans" and so does DSR. If you were a veteran of any war or just spent time any branch of the military, you are commended by our club and although you can't see it here, you have a salute and our grateful appreciation for all you did for us.

Deep South Region AACA General Membership Meeting Oct. 23, 2008 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Invocation was provided before the 6:00 pm supper.

Old Business: President Lambert Mims absent. The VP, Patt Paquet, presided in his absence. She noted the motion lights should be going in soon. The Secretary, Cathy Goren, was absent. The VP asked for a motion to approve minutes of the September meeting as printed in the newsletter, motion made, seconded and passed. Neither the Treasurer, T. Metclaf, nor the Editor, B. Paquet, had any old business. Webmaster Herb Thoms noted photos from the McDonald's Grand Opening and Crusin' the Coast up on the DSR website. Lycyle Crowdus, Acting Activities Chair, had signup sheets for the Nov. 11 Veterans Parade and the Dec. 20 Mobile Holiday Parade, the latter of which the club will receive a donation. The Member-at-Large, W. Fuller, had no old business.

New Business: None from the President or VP. Treasurer Tracy Metclaf noted the check for the static display for McDonalds had been received and that a typo of 20/20 appeared for the "split-the-pot" rather than 50/50 as it should be. A motion was requested to approve the financial report as presented, motion was made, seconded and passed.

Steve Goren requested members provide vintage vehicles for his church's Pumpkin Festival on Sunday (Oct. 26) afternoon. A motion was made to make this a club activity, it was seconded and passed. A signup sheet was available. P. Paquet presented a appeal from a group of volunteers conducting a fundraiser for Penelope House on Sat., Nov. 8th from 10 am – 2 pm. A motion to accept this event was made, seconded and passed. Member-at-Large, Walt Fuller, opened discussion on the possible By Laws changes to be voted on at the November meeting. He asked members read them carefully as they appear in the October newsletter and be prepared to vote at the next meeting.

Lycyle Crowdus, Chair of the club's annual Thanksgiving Dinner, noted it would be held on Saturday, Nov. 22 with the club providing the entrée(s) and members supplying side dishes. A signup sheet for members to designate what they would be providing was sent around.

The **50/50** drawing was held and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by *Frieda Dylewski, Secretary Pro Tem*



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