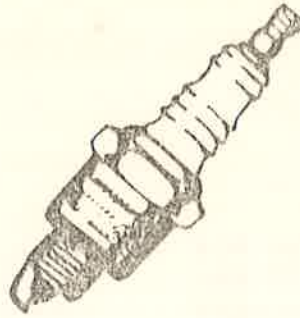


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The Deep South Region's 11th annual car show will be on May 7, 1994 and this issue will deal with all the things that have been accomplished thus far and those that yet need to be done.

The advertisers program is being printed as the Sparkplug "goes to press". We did extremely well this year with 102 ads being sold. I want to thank all of you who worked on selling ads. It is one of our biggest income sources.

The raffle tickets for the various gift certificates were distributed at the last meeting. BE SURE TO BRING YOUR MONEY TO THE MEETING to turn in to Ed & Joan Luasford. (And you can get more raffle tickets to sell!)

The deadline for the early registration bonus is April 30th. All registrations received or postmarked by that date will be eligible for the drawing. The lucky winner will be \$50.00 richer.

Marjorie DeCrease volunteered to be in charge of the hospitality party. She will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting so you can let her know the food item(s) or other necessities required that you are willing to provide. This is a fun evening for members and their guests as well as any and all entrants in the show.

Al White is in charge of parking the vehicles as they arrive on the day of the show but he will need at least four more members to assist.

Betty McLaney agreed to chair the scoring committee. This is a very important job and she needs a minimum of three other members to help. You will need to bring a calculator for tabulating the scores.

Melvin and Betty Neese are in charge of our door prizes. EACH MEMBER is responsible for at least one and you should bring them to the meeting on April 28th.

We will have a food concession on the grounds again this year. Sharon Reeves will be back with those great hamburgers, hot dogs and Polish sausages with onions and peppers that made everyone's mouth water last year.

The trophies have been completed and picked up. They are the same as last year but this year we have added a PRESTIGE AWARD. It is a gold medallion with red and white trim with an antique car in the center. It comes with a red, white and blue ribbon and is engraved on the back with "DSR" and is numbered.

Lycyle Crowds will be at the registration table along with Anna White and Francis Whigham. When things get hectic, they can use some extra help and also an occasional break during the morning.

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AZALEA CITY CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB

5TH ANNUAL BENEFIT SPRING CAR SHOW



Camellia Classic Car Show

The Azalea City Classic Chevy Club was the first to hold a show in Mobile for 1994. It was their 5th annual Benefit Show and this year they used the Mobile Festival Center. It was the day before Spring began and was it hot!

Evelyn and her club never fail to put on a great show and this was no exception. DSR had 7 trophy winners. Congratulations to all of you!

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Old South ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW



The Old South Antique Auto Show followed one week later and Kenny Smith really shined as Chairman. This group makes everyone feel welcome. However, they have had a lot of experience; this was their 32nd year! There were some beautiful cars judged and DSR carried home 12 trophies plus the BEST OF SHOW PREWAR. Ed Lunsford was visiting with his competition when his name was called but Joan was up front and happily picked up his trophy for him. GOOD FOR ALL OF YOU!!

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As most of you know, Delchamps opened a "superstore" on Airport Boulevard & McGregor Square. The 1952 International pickup inside the store loaded with soft drinks belongs to DSR's very own Jim Henderson. If you haven't been in to see the store, this is a good time to do it and see the display. We are happy to work with businesses in this manner and promote our club at the same time. THANKS, JIM!!!

The Mobile Bay Mustang Club and Bellingrath Gardens hosted the largest car show in recent Mobile history on April 9th. There were 221 cars parked on the Great Lawn inside Bellingrath Gardens. DSR had 20 members registered.

The day started early for some of us as we had to put out direction signs, erect the tent and get registration ready. By the time Bellingrath let us open the gate, we had at least a hundred cars backed up in the parking lot!

The cars came in, had their photographs made (with beautiful Azalea Trail maids alongside the car) and were parked. For the participants that's when the fun began. Along with the car show, there was plenty of entertainment to keep them busy. There was Raymond Cochran with his world renowned 50's and 60's music, a strolling guitarist, clowns, the Jolly Seniors band, a Barbershop Quartet, the Sheriff's Department Canine demonstration and the Mary G. Montgomery Viking Band.

When the photographs arrived we had a buying frenzy with a line of people 80 feet long. The photos will be excellent for having enlarged on a laser copier.

We had a few snafu's. Some were corrected on the spot and some will be corrected next year. I already have a lot of ideas to make the SECOND Annual Camellia Classic Car SHOW even better.

If anyone has suggestions or criticism (positive or negative) please let me know. We would like to improve the show and make it grow to only allow the first 400 entries.

John Reid



COOKING WITH DSR

The club has so many great cooks and nearly everyone who has had the opportunity to taste Geneva Cammons' ORANGE SLICE CAKE has asked for the recipe. So for all of you, here it is:

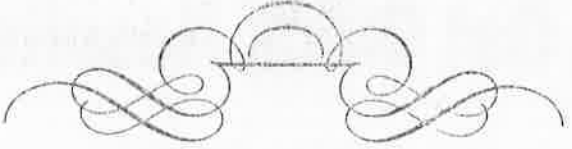
- 3½ cups flour
- 2 cups sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup butter or margarine
- 1 tsp vanilla flavoring
- ½ cup buttermilk
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 2 cups chopped pecans
- 1 8 oz can coconut
- 1 lb orange slice candy chipped
- 1 lb chopped dates
- 1 cup fresh orange juice
- 2 cups powdered sugar

Dissolve baking soda in butter, milk and have ready. Mix butter, sugar, vanilla and buttermilk. Add eggs, one at a time. Roll pecans, orange slices, dates and coconut in flour. Mix with liquids until stiff using hands to mix. Preheat oven to 250 degrees and bake for 2½ hours in tube or loaf pans. Mix powdered sugar with orange juice and pour over cake while it is hot.

GENEVA'S CHEESE BALL

- 2 8 oz packages cream cheese softened
- 1 tsp each of the following: Pimento, finely chopped bell pepper, finely chopped onion, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce
- 1½ tsp garlic salt

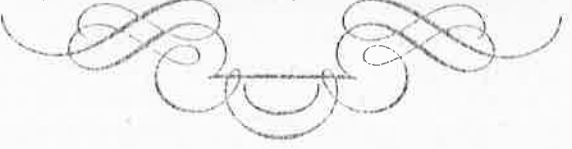
Mix all together, form into a ball and roll in finely chopped pecans. Refrigerate.



Welcome

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Bob & Linda Gechjian are our newest members joining DSR in March. Bob is originally from Massachusetts and Linda is a native Mobilian. He was stationed at Brookley in the mid 60's; met Linda and the rest is history. They have 2 sons, both of whom are in college. Bob has been a Corvette fan since the early 70's and went into business for himself in 1983. He owns Gulf Coast Corvettes on Government Street. Linda helps in the office occasionally but when you see Bob, you will see "Bud", their Lab.



KUDO'S TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS, Bob & Linda Gechjian! Their '58 Vette was used earlier this month for new promotional brochures for International Trucks. When you see a picture of the roll-back that is their car on it!

FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

The Holy Bible is full of scriptures that can guide each of us through our lives. Romans Chapter 13, Verses 1-2 are only one example.

Verse 1: Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: The powers that be are ordained of God.

Verse 2: Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: And they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

Don Dillehay

Don't ignore your brakes

If your reaction time is typical, you'll travel about 70 feet in an emergency stop from 65 mph before your foot reaches the brake pedal. With visual impairment — poor eye sight, bad lights or windshield wipers, or if you're experiencing the effects of medicine or alcohol — reaction time will be slower.

Further, if you've neglected mechanical maintenance, hitting the brake pedal may be only the beginning of your crisis. Erratic braking action can cause a bad emergency situation to become worse, as it can pull your car right into the accident — or it may not stop at all. That's the number one fear among drivers, according to one national survey.

Despite recent advancements in braking system design, including anti-lock brakes, this vital safety system is among the most neglected on our motor vehicles and a leading mechanical cause of accidents.

The chain of events that occurs in your car's braking system is, as the expression goes, as strong as its weakest link. A malfunction of any part of the system can cause brakes to be erratic or to fail completely.

Here's what happens when you apply the brake pedal:

The pressure of your foot against the pedal is transferred to the hydraulic master cylinder, where pressurized fluid is fed to individual hydraulic cylinders at the four wheels.

On disc brakes, the caliper causes friction pads to squeeze the spinning rotor (like brake calipers squeezing the rim of a bike wheel), slowing or stopping the wheel.

On drum-type brakes, a wheel cylinder receives the pressure and forces the brake shoes against the rotating drums.

Some vehicles have disc brakes or drum brakes on all four wheels; many have a combination of disc on front, drum on rear. In every case it is friction that stops the vehicle. Motion energy is converted to heat, which is dissipated by air cooling the rotors and drums.

Simple as the process may sound, it involves a complex system of parts that must function in concert. Friction and heat, combined with exposure to the elements and road contamination, lead to wear and deterioration of the braking system. Periodic inspection and service is essential.

Car Care Council offers an illustrated pamphlet on the braking system. For your free copy send a business-sized, self-addressed and stamped envelope to Car Care Council, Dept. B, One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, OH 43452.

The above is from Old Cars Weekly and permission was granted to the Sparkplug to copy by the Editor, Greg Smith. THANKS, GREG!

Ads Get Quick Results

WANTED: 1937 Pontiac 2-door body. L. Crowds 661-8486 3/94

FOR SALE: Restored 1951 Plymouth 4-door sedan, 6 cyl. F. Jordan 649-2703 3/94

FOR SALE: 1937 Ford Slant Back (no floorboards) with lots of extra parts and chrome. \$500.00 968-6511 3/94

FOR SALE: 1947 ROCK-OLA juke-box in good working condition For info: 661-0264

FOR SALE: 1950 Pontiac Silver-Streak, 8cyl, 3 speed trans. Runs good, original hubcaps & chrome; fender skirts. \$800.00 J. T. Anderson (Home) 865-2095 4/94

FOR SALE: 1966 Chevy Malibu Coupe all original; navy blue with black interior. 24,147 actual miles. For appt call 660-9623 4/94

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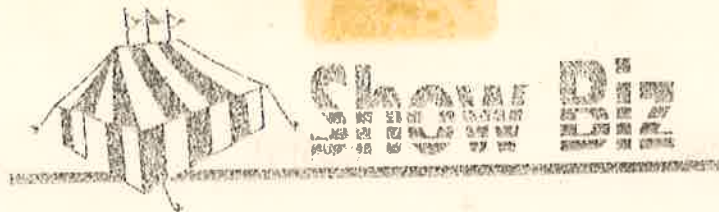


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Guess which of DSR's members is the real owner of a Greek Island??

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Gus Vergos inherited a small island in his



- Apr. 27 Pate Swap Meet - Crasson, TX
- Apr. 30 Mobile Bay Mustang Club Ford Powered Car Show - Sam's Club
- Apr. 30 Azalea City Classic Chevy Club Show - I-65 Holiday Inn
- Apr. 30 ICA Collector Car Auction & Expo - Pensacola, FL
- MAY 7 DEEP SOUTH REGION'S 11th ANNUAL CAR SHOW - CLUBHOUSE
- May 19-21 AACA Southeastern National Spring Meet - Shelbyville, TN
- May 27-29 AAECM Point Cadet Show - Biloxi, MS
- June 11 Nuthin' New Car Show - Thomasville, AL
- June 14-19 Petit Jean Show & Swap Meet
- June 18 14th Annual Blueberry Festival & Car Show - Brewton, AL
- July 2 6th Annual Independence Celebration - Leakesville, MS
- July 16 Rod Run in the Park - Pass Christian
- July 23-24 30th Annual Noccalula Falls Show
- July 30-31 7th Annual Mississippi Coast Autorama - Biloxi, MS
- Aug. 19-20 12th Annual Panhandle Cruisers Open Car Show - Pensacola, FL
- Aug. 27 27th Annual West Florida Regional AACA Show - Pensacola, FL
- Sept 2-5 Mustang Grand National Meet - Pensacola, FL
- Sept 24 '55-'56 Chevy Classic Car Show - Pensacola, FL
- Oct. 1 Grand Jubilee Charity Auto Show (Lions Club) Daphne, AL
- Oct. 5-9 HERSHEY!!!
- Oct. 15 Tentative date for New Orleans Show
- Oct. 20-22 Vintage Wheels Car Club's Village Mall Show - Meridian, MS

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Don Dillehay will have eye surgery on May 5th

NEWSFLASH! Gladys Edwards was scheduled to have surgery on her back on April 21st at 11:30 am in Mobile Infirmary.

NEWSFLASH!

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The April outing for DSR was a car clinic at the clubhouse on April 16th. Robert Moore and Pierre Fontana put together an event that has been wanted and needed for sometime now. Anyone having a problem with their vehicle was invited to come out and get help solving it. Seems Betty Neese's Model A stumped some of the "experts", though. The weather might have scared some of you off, but these 10 members were serious about their cars: 2 Cordells, 1 Fontana, 1 Moore, 2 Neeses, 1 Paquet, 1 White & 2 Youens!

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REMEMBER WHEN???

See how many of the following you can correctly identify.

- (a) What car boasted the first "see-through top"?
- (b) What car bore portholes in its side?
- (c) "Be sure with"
- (d) ".....for the tummy"
- (e) "The best to you each morning"
- (f) Who drove a Fuel Injection Special to back-to-back victories in the 1953-54 Indy 500's?
- (g) Where was the Korean Armistice signed?
- (h) These informal calf-length pants became the mid-fifties replacement for jeans with young women.
- (i) What type of knee-exposing shorts became the men's fashion hit of 1955?
- (j) What was the name of Gene Autry's horse?
- (k) What was Marilyn Monroe's real name?

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- (a) Ford Skyliner (b) Buick
- (c) Pure (Gasoline) (d) Tums
- (e) Kellogg's Corn Flakes
- (f) Bill Vukovich (g) Panmunjon
- (h) Pedal pushers (i) Bermuda shorts (j) Champion
- (k) Norma Jean Baker

The following members and families can use your thoughts, prayers, cards and telephone calls. Please remember them.

Gladys Edwards will know by the time you read this if she will or will not be having back surgery.

Tex Faust is scheduled to have surgery at Providence Hospital on April 22nd.

Junie and Ann Jarvis' son-in-law is still in Mobile Infirmary. He was admitted Easter morning in critical condition but is now improving every day.

Geary Polk is home, improving as time goes by and is now getting out and driving some.

Frank Sturges is healing well, is as active as he wants to be now. Unfortunately, he will never be able to play the piano again, tho.

If there is anyone that has been missed, I am sorry but if I do not hear from you.....

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"...AND THE RACE IS ON"

There will be four cars entering the 9th Annual Gold Cup Motor Car Race from Panama City to Apalachicola Florida on April 23rd. The Lunsfords, the Neeses, the Paquets and the Youens will leave Friday morning with all but Ernie & Eugenia trailering. We will spend Friday night in Panama City and start out bright and early on Saturday to see not who can win the race but how much fun we can have. WISH US LUCK!!

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Legislative Update

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Minutes

Update on antique tag bill

Past *Exhaust Whistles* have included news about a proposal in the state legislature to tighten up regulations concerning antique tags. Introduced by Rep. Mike Mikell (R-Mountain Brook), the main thrust of the act is to keep vehicles with antique tags off the streets during morning and evening rush hours. Those who wish to drive with an antique tag during those hours would be required to display a decal costing \$20 a year.

The impetus to change the existing law has come because so many such tags now are being used on "clunkers" instead of vehicles for which they originally were intended. And Alabama's Department of Revenue estimates it's losing up to \$2.5 million annually.

Officially Mikell's proposal is House bill #665. Alabama old car hobbyists are studying and distributing copies of the bill, but no clear consensus has developed pro or con. Some suggest they'd like things to stay as they are, but in light of the possibility of no antique tags, the Mikell proposal might be worth considering.

Ed Rouze, editor of the AACA Central Alabama *Flat Tire News*, suggests a better proposal is one which may be coming from lawmaker Gerald Dial. While current antique tags would be grandfathered, the Dial measure would permit antique tags only on cars 35 years or older.

Just before *Exhaust Whistle* press time, we contacted Common Cause lobbyist Betty Cork of Montgomery. She said the Mikell bill was reported favorably from Ways and Means March 3, but at this point "isn't going very fast." Chances are it will die, at least during this session.

If you'd like to express your views to Mikell, his phone at the House of Representatives is 205-242-7600.

The above is from the March issue of the Dixie Region's newsletter.

The March 24, 1994 meeting of the DSR was called to order by Buddy Paquet, president at 7:30 PM. The invocation was given by Don Dill-ehay. There were 48 members present.

OLD BUSINESS: Buddy reported that the plans for the clubhouse building project have been forwarded to the City of Mobile.

The January minutes were corrected to read \$195 instead of \$100 under New Business/copier maintenance contract. The corrected minutes were approved on a motion by H. Whigham with second by L. Crowdus. Patt Paquet reported that membership cards and 1994 Rosters are now available for members to pick up. Robert Moore reported that 10 cars participated in the Delchamps fund raiser for the American Cancer Society.

NEW BUSINESS: New members, Bob and Linda Gechjian, were voted on by the general membership. Francis Whigham presented the treasurer's report. The report was accepted as written on a motion by J. Finley with second by L. Crowdus. P. Paquet read a letter of complaint from Eric Gould to the general membership. After a brief discussion, the group decided that the president should respond in a letter to Mr. Gould's complaint. The motion was made by R. Moore with second by P. Paquet. R. Moore reported on many upcoming events.

DSR Car Show will be May 7th at the clubhouse. Arrangements have been made for the trophies and concession stand. The Program ads need to be in by April 1st and the raffle tickets have been distributed to club members. A brief discussion was held regarding scoring for prestige awards. Door prizes are needed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Betty Neese won the 50/50 pot. A brief discussion was held regarding the antique car tag bill being considered for the State of Alabama. The meeting was adjourned with a motion from F. De-Crease and second by J. Finley. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Butler