

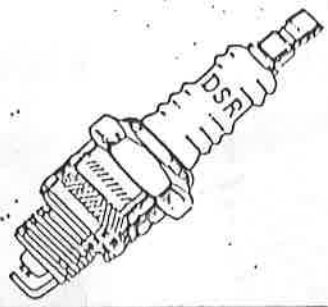
Sparkplug

NEWSLETTER OF THE
DEEP SOUTH REGION



1935

1989



1989 Club Officers: Dec 1989

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The SPARKPLUG is non-profit and published for the information of our members and friends. Deep South Region meetings are held once each month on the fourth Thursday at 7:30 P.M. at the A.A.C.A. club-house at 951 Forest Hill Drive at Zeigler Blvd. The SPARKPLUG will be mailed the weekend before each meeting. Annual dues are \$15.00. This includes wife membership if she is a National A.A.C.A. (or joint) member. National dues are \$18.00 single and \$22.00 joint (husband & wife). Membership is required in the National A.A.C.A. if you are a regional member.

EVENTS

DEC.									
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
24	25	26	27	28	29	30			

EVENTS

JAN. 1990

Club meeting

25 th

Minutes

Deep South Region, A. A. C. A.
November 17, 1989

President Bill Tunnell welcomed visitors Mike Huddle, Ron Bush, and Michael Thomas.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as submitted.

President Bill asked Ed Grimes, Sue Mason, and Eric Auyang to count votes in tonight's election of club officers for 1990. He announced that each ballot will have a voting member's name attached on a tag. To vote, one is to remove the name tag, putting the filled out ballot in one envelope to be collected, and his or her name tag in another.

The President called on Bob Hedberg, asking the membership whether there were questions on the Treasurer's Report submitted to them with the newsletter. There were none.

There was a call for Old Business and the Christmas party was discussed.

President Bill called for a discussion of the by-laws, as a copy of those with proposed changes were sent out to the membership in advance of this meeting so they might be discussed, then voted upon. After considerable discussion the following actions took place:

"Hop" Hopkins moved, regarding Article II, Section 2, that this item be altered as follows: That the Executive Board of the DSR be allowed only to make recommendations to the general membership, and that the members be allowed to vote on those recommendations. Ray Harper seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Tom Brown moved that a by-laws committee be assembled, to consist of at least three people from the general membership. The committee would be charged with collecting opinions of the membership, then meeting to make specific changes on by-laws, which they would bring before the membership for a vote. Bob Mason seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

Sue Mason moved, and George Mazzagotte seconded a motion, that those who object to specific sections of the by-laws as proposed for discussion in this meeting, be assigned to the above committee. The motion was passed, and the President asked for volunteers. Those selected among the members who volunteered are: Pierre Fontana, Nell Few, "Hop" Hopkins, Ray Harper, and Lou Eschete. Jerry Page moved that we vote on these five volunteers, and his motion was seconded by Bob Mason. The motion was passed.

Addition general discussion on the by-laws followed. Katherine Harper questioned, regarding Article IV, Section 4, why four offices must be available to sign checks, and President Bill assigned this question to the committee for discussion and a recommendation.

In a question about Article V, Section V, Elvin Few suggested that the DSR should not pay the yearly national dues of any member deemed "honorary" by the membership. The President assigned the question to the committee.

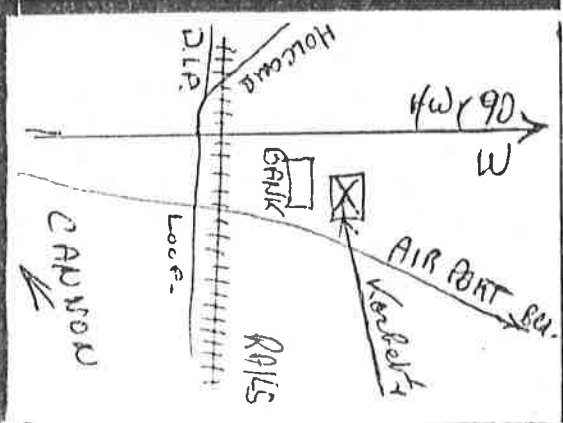
After a further general discussion by the membership, President Bill adjourned the meeting.

Brenda Rollins
Brenda Rollins, Secretary

CATAHOULA REGION NEWS....

Things are looking up, we received the first Regional Newsletter "Fun TIMES" from Editor Louis Eschete. Nov. 89, Vol. 1, No. 1. Officers as follows, Pres. Arline Eschete; VP Jeannie Hepler; Sec. Katherine Harper; Treas. Linda Page; Act. Lisa Hover; Mem. at Lg. Peggy Moseley; Board Members, Nell Few, Bobbie Parnell. Ron Barnett will be here first weekend in March to present charter. Dec. 9 th at the Page's, they will have a "JUNQUE" sale to raise money for their Club. Any inquiries should be sent to Louis Eschete 1206 Carre Dr. W. Mobile, Al. 36618

Good luck, your only way is UP.





WE THE WILLING
 ARE DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE
 FOR THE UNGRATEFUL
 WE HAVE DONE SO MUCH
 FOR SO LONG
 WITH SO LITTLE
 WE ARE NOW QUALIFIED
 TO DO ANYTHING
 WITH NOTHING

There is only one tactical
 principal which is not sub-
 ject to change. It is to use
 the means at hand to in-
 flict the maximum amount of
 wounds, death and destruc-
 tion on the enemy in the
 minimum amount of time.
 -General George S. Patton, Jr.



U.S. SPECIAL FORCES
 RECON MANUAL



ELITE UNIT TACTICAL SERIES
 RESTRICTED



NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES: Veterans Day Parade was well attended, slow, and very long due to the multitude of groups involved, radiators got a test of capability....drivers of their patience...weather fantastic, music, pretty girls leading the bands, tanks, etc...some of the members went for coffee and doughnuts, Bill Tunnell was the only one to make the evening news on Chan. 5 with his Met.

Pecan Festival; Many members walked many miles to this school and it was real important to them to participate in any small way to save the building from destruction. So many memories must be there. James McDole was one of them, telling us many anecdotes related to his youth, even a Model "T" school bus, Dale McLaney spent part of his knee pants time there. Just as a fair should be, many art exhibits, food of all types, mule pulling, horse riding, shooting gallery, rides, music groups, vocalists...etc... Old cars....Warren Rollins, 55 Olds-Bill Tunnell, 61 Met.-Tom and Martha Brown 61 Met.-Bob and Sue Masson, 80 MG-B- O.D. and Mickey Dikerson, 57 Chevy Pierre and Sharron Fontana, 57 Chevy-Howard Shaffer drove two cars at one time, 30 Chevy and 24 Ford- Lloyd and Lycyle Crowdus, 31 Ford- Jewel Bell and Tony plus the kids, Caddy- Dale McLaney, LTD-James, Janet and Joy McDole, 51 Chevy John McFearin, 39 Buick-E.B. Combs, 23 American LaFrance fire truck, built on Reo speed wagon chassis cutest small truck I have seen, tried to get him in the Club, he has a Model "T" fire truck too. I just finish counting my toes I forgot one member James Francis, "T" Bird. If we had over twenty cars I would have been in trouble..... Twinkle Toes and Janet were the only one on the evening news(5) dancing...

TILLMAN'S CORNER CHRISTMAS PARADE. Good turnout about 17 cars scattered with all the different floats and groups forming about a mile long parade. Lou made his first appearance in a Model "T". Only the first few cars had candy, so the rest of us had to listen to many small kids asking, and I personally felt pretty bad to be empty handed. I am not going back to a Christmas parade without candy, it is our CIVIC DUTY as a nonprofit organization to spread a little GOOD now and then the Club can and should purchase a few pounds of candy for such events without depending on chamber of commerce or whom so ever.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

IN REFERENCE TO NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

In this writing, I would like to address the ones who stated after the November 16th meeting, that they did not want to return, and may drop out of the club altogether.

It is easy to walk away. It takes courage, stamina, guts - or more eloquently known as, intestinal fortitude, to take a stand for what is right and worth fighting for. I believe the clubhouse, that so many of you worked so hard to get and maintain, the treasury you built up, the all-around enjoyment of playing with our old cars, the compliments we somehow still manage to receive on our club as a whole, are all worth fighting for to keep our club intact.

We all get tired and embarrassed of the bickering. It is only a small group who enjoy badgering and needling. These types of people usually get bored eventually and move on, finding other victims to torment. Pity, and try to endure them, but don't walk away and abandon something valuable to your enjoyment.

The old cars are haunting machines of our past, remembrances of our youth, and objects of fun-memory-makers. THEY deserve your support.

Sharron Fontana



TO OUR MEMBERSHIP:

Brenda and I have been invited out of State by a very dear friend who will be coaching his final, retirement football game this Friday, which will regrettably cause us to miss the DSR Christmas party.

Our friendship with this couple goes back a long way; we were there when he won a national championship, and were committed then to that retirement game in the future--which is now to be Friday.

We'd like our banquet tickets to be used. If you know of an old car enthusiast you think might be a good prospect for the DSR, or you found you can attend the party and haven't yet bought your tickets, please call Pierre and claim ours.

Warren and Brenda Rollins



FOR SALE: 1961 STUDEBAKER LARK-250 cid engine-2 speed A/T very low miles good for parts only. Art. (205) 342-7013



EDITOR'S note

In answer to Ray Harper's mention of my omission of Eric and Paula Gould material sent in, I phoned them to see what it was about.

A letter of thanks for the turnout was sent to Bill Tunell, no article was sent to the Sparkplug, so, no intended censure ever took place, I will print or mention any news sent to the Club. The Sparkplug's address is on every issue.

Question: Is it a BOYCOTT intentionally from Ray's group not to attend the Club's Christmas party.

Is it intentionally the few D.S.R. members forming the Catahoula Region choose a fund raising activity on the same date.

Conflict in activities has been a sore subject even at our own car show, starting their first activity with one, is disappointing, and again shows little respect for the member's feeling.

I sure would like more harmony in our Club, the majority of our members are tired of petty arguments, we never have time to mention cars, restoration, tips on what is turning up for sale, O.D. will have the most fantastic Motorhome around, he is converting a Greyhound bus, no less, into a luxury rolling palace, Louis Eschete talked Art out of his "T" roadster, H D Lowe is finishing an MG-Midget, one of the visiting future member, I hope, that attended our last meeting just purchased a restored mid.30's Ford roadster

Are we going to enjoy our hobby or are we going to fuss at each other at every meeting.

I pledge to try and get dates as early as possible on all major and minor activities around us, so we can plan our outings.

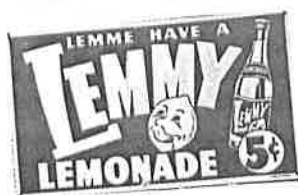
Our most important fund raising activity is the Mall, 42 cars maybe less depending on the surface available. Lloyd is working out the details now.

For other smaller activities receiving donations, I have a question, do we have a written policy, a printed pamphlet with our activity and president's phone number, some may have short time notices, a group of members that do not mind short notice that can profit the Club's treasury.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: come hungry, sixty members to divide the spoils, I have a map on first page, to Korbet's Restaurant.

As a matter of record the last time the By-Laws were written, the same member responsible for Article II section 2 is the one wanting to change them now ???????

Pierre

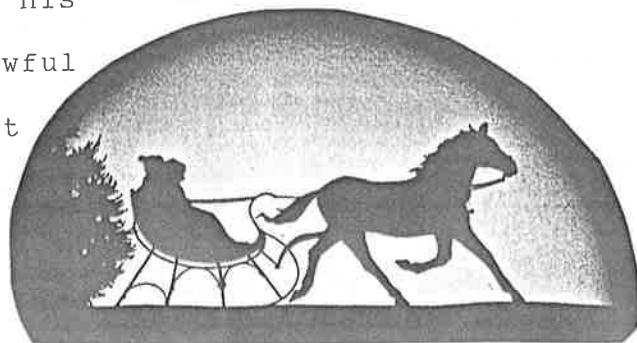


FOR EVERYONE WHO STILL HAS LIVING PARENTS ---

ON GOING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

He little knew the sorrow that was in his vacant
chair;
He never guessed they'd miss him, or he'd
surely have been there;
He couldn't see his mother or the lump that
filled her throat
Or the tears that started falling as she read his
hasty note;
And he couldn't see his father, sitting sorrowful
and numb,
Or he never would have written that he thought
he couldn't come.
He little knew the gladness that his presence
would have made,
And the joy it would have given, or he never
would have stayed.
He didn't guess the meaning of his visit
Christmas Day,
Or he never would have written that he couldn't
get away.
He couldn't see the fading of the cheeks that
once were pink
And the silver in the tresses, and he didn't stop
to think
How the years are swiftly passing, and next
Christmas it might be
There would be no home to visit and no mother
dear to see.
He didn't think about it - I'll not say he
didn't care.
He was heedless and forgetful, or he'd surely
have been there.
Are you going home for Christmas? Have you
written you'll be there?
Going home to kiss the mother and to show her
that you care?
Going home to greet the father in a way to
make him glad?
If you're not I hope there'll never come a time
you'll wish you had.
Just sit down and write a letter - it will make
their heartstrings hum
With a tune of perfect gladness - if you'll tell
them that you'll come.

Taken from a poem by Edgar A. Guest



*Never a Christmas morning,
Never the old year ends,
But someone thinks of someone,
Old days, old times, old friends.*



HE
BECAME
WHAT
WE ARE
SO
WE COULD
BECOME
WHAT
HE IS

PETTY CASH FUND

GENERAL FUND

DATE	DESCRIPTION	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT	TOTAL	AMOUNT	BALANCE
1989						
Jan 1	BALANCE FORWARD			5981		5981
Feb 22	ALICE CUBS SUPPLIES	117	4275	1712		
Mar 1	FUNDS FR. GEN. FUND			6388	10000	10000
"	"			603	9387	9387
Apr 4	DUE McLEWY-KEYS	128	1123	8264		
"	"			283	7621	7621
May 5	MICHAEL'S RESTAURANT	135	3686	3925		
"	"			6065	100-	100-
"	"			8418	1582	1582
"	"			8418	100-	100-
"	"			2241	7751	7751
"	"			810	6941	6941
"	"			836	6105	6105
Aug 25	B. JENNIFER RESTAURANT	177	945	5160		
Oct 21	B. JENNIFER RESTAURANT	184			5068	5068

CAR SHOW 1990

DATE DESCRIPTION CHECK NO. AMOUNT DEPOSIT TOTAL

June / FUNDS FR. GEN. FUND

1500-

1500-

DATE	DESCRIPTION	CHECK NO.	AMOUNT	TOTAL	AMOUNT	BALANCE
1	Don McNamee Water Ice Sys	181	919	919		919
2	" 15 A.A. FUNDING CO.	182	3721	9581		9581
3	" 16 MONTGOMERY WARD	183	2350	7231		7231
4	TYPE WRITER - SALES			6255		6255
5	OC-7 FORMATION SUPPLIES	185	719	4536		4536
6	" 12 MICHAEL'S RESTAURANT	186	1450	6370		6370
7	" 12 MICHAEL'S RESTAURANT	187	25-	4198		4198
8	" 15 A.A. FUNDING CO.	189	4198	54282		54282
9	" 15 A.A. FUNDING CO.	189	367-	19582		19582
10	" 25 BROTHERHOOD SUPPLIES	190	9342	10240		10240
11	Nov 7 DANIEL'S RESTAURANT	191	919	9321		9321
12	" 14 MOBILE WATER SERVICE	192	1509	7812		7812
13	" 14 MOBILE WATER SERVICE	193	4223	3589		3589
14	" 14 ALABAMA POWER CO.	197		120-		120-
15	" 27 DEPOSIT - DUES	(177)		54651		54651
16	" 27 XMAS PARTY DEPOSIT	(177)		53911		53911
17	" 20 HUNTS FLOWS (REIMBURSE)	178	3640		41250	41250

D.S.R. INVESTMENTS

DATE DESCRIPTION CHECK NO. AMOUNT DEPOSIT TOTAL

Aug 30 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT #6487531

4000-

D.S.R. DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:

- December 8 th.....CHRISTMAS PARTY AT KORBET'S
6.30 to 7.30 HAPPY HOUR
- December 9 th.....LOXLEY PARADE.DEPARTURE AT 8 AM
FROM BATTLESHIP.
LOXLEY BY 9 AM AT THE RETARDED CENTER.
PARADE STARTS 10 AM.
- SAME DATE AS ABOVE:.....DAUPHIN ISLAND PARADE.STARTS AT 2 PM
RODEO SITE BY 1 PM TO FORM PARADE.
- DECEMBER 16 th.....IRVINGTON PARADE.FORMATION AT O.D.'S
AT 12 NOON.DEPARTURE 1 PM.
PARADE STARTS 2 PM RACE TRACK ROAD.
- I suggest we make a decision on candy, very embarrassing to see all the kids with their hands out and nothing to put in them.
- JANUARY 25 th...1990.....MEETING AT CLUBHOUSE 7.30 PM.
BY-LAWS VOTE.

ACTIVITIES REPORTED TO OUR CLUB:

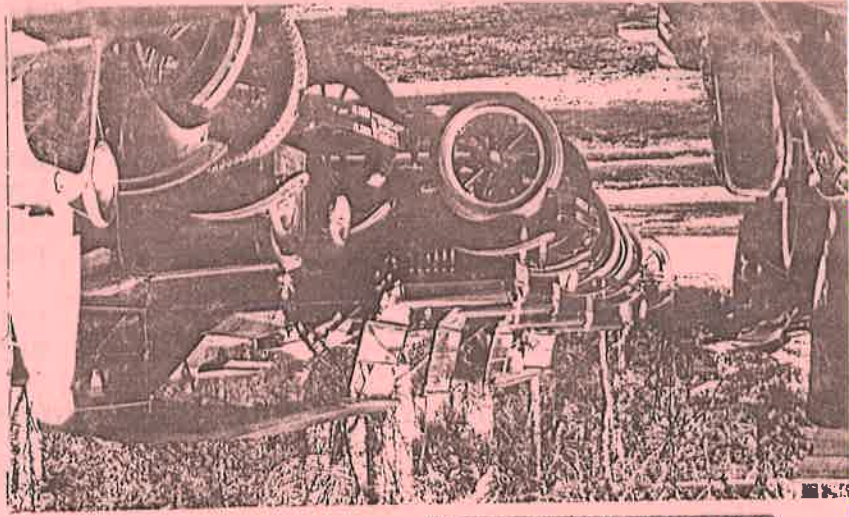
AUTOMOBILE & FLEA MARKET: SUNDAY FEB. 4 TH.
TENNESSEE STATE FAIR GROUNDS.
2ND ANNUAL.DONATION,\$2.00. SPACE 10X10 are \$15.00
NASHVILLE,FOR MORE INFO:JESSIE HARVEY (615) 893-1814

TIP: Sent to Bill Tunnell by Mrs. George Marshall,phone 344-6636
TAG collection starts 1927



PREZ SEZ: MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

REB 16 1964 AZALEA TRAIL TRANSPORTATION
CAN YOU REMEMBER WHO'S CARS.....



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STACY - MOBILE

RECEIVED
DEC 6 1988



ANSWER: I can only remember the first two, on the right Bill Wetta's 1915 Dodge, on the left Pierre's 47 Continental, we had so many "T"s, the second car on the left I think was Bill Owen Center Door (Fleetwood) rare "T".....

