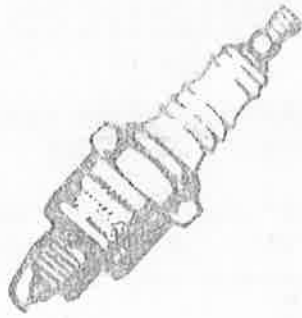


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NEWSLETTER OF THE
DEEP SOUTH REGION

A.A.C.A.



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ALABAMA BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL And ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW

BREWTON, AL - JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Independence Day Celebration

ANTIQUE CAR & AUTO SHOW

BLUEBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES, AND MORE BLUEBERRIES!!! That's what we got at the 14th Annual Blueberry Festival and Car Show in Brewton on June 18th. There was one fellow that got into the spirit to the point he had blueberries painted on top of his head!

Gathering at the Battleship that morning were 2 DeCreases, 1 Finley and Maree, 2 Kotises, 2 Neeses, 2 Paquets, 2 Whites and 2 Youens. Waterpump problems forced Ernie & Eugenia to return home but they came on later in the day. Over in Spanish Fort we picked up 2 Whightams and joining us in Bay Minette were 2 Lyles with guests. We continued on and upon arrival we had 2 Cammons waiting for us at the show site. Later in the morning there were 2 Cordells, 1 Mosley and 2 Reids came in. Visiting during the day were 2 Carters, 2 Crowduses, and 1 Grimes. This was a total of 13 cars and 27 members. If they had given a trophy for club participation I bet DSR would have won.

It was a really fun day but on the way home we got caught in a downpour causing most of us some type of problem. Even though we got separated on the way back we met at David's Catfish Cabin to eat and talk about Jim & Lajuanda Kotis winning the BEST OF SHOW in the PostWar Class.

As the saying goes "A good time was had by all!"

What could be nicer than an early morning drive in your favorite car through the quite countryside? "Where" you ask "can I do this?" If you had gone to the July 4th celebration in Leakesville, MS., you would know.

Jerry Finley organized the group going over for their first show and we all had a wonderful time!

Leaving the shopping center on Hwy 98 near the waterworks, we wound our way across the state line through the back roads into town and ran into a flurry of activity. Most of us were very fortunate to be parked at the end of a street blocked off by our friend from Old South, Frank Waites. Our sincere thanks to the Waites for sharing the shade of his canopy with us on a HOT day. We visited with lots of friends from Old South and the MBMC as well.

After the show was over we all were invited to Ila & Doyle Watkins' home for a delicious barbecue meal with all the trimmings! After fortifying ourselves with much food and drink and fellowship we headed for home remembering this is really what going to shows is all about.... having fun.

This trip had 1 Cammon, 2 Carters, 1 Benetropolis, 1 Finley, 2 Jarvises, 2 Paquets and 2 Reids.

Minutes

DEEP SOUTH REGION AACA GENERAL MEETING

The June 23, 1994 meeting of the DSR was called to order by Buddy Paquet, president, at 7:30 PM. The invocation was given by Don Dillehay. There were 52 members and three guests present.

OLD BUSINESS

The building committee report was given by Jim Henderson. Jim reported that the slab had been poured, the specs upgraded and the cost of the slab was higher than estimated. He then announced that the slab was being donated to the club by Jim and Nancy Henderson. The club members gratefully accepted the generous donation!

The secretary, Jane Bruton, reported that the insurance certificate for the property had not been received from the AACA to send to the City of Mobile as required. The certificate will be forwarded to the City of Mobile when received. The May minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter on a motion by John Reid with second by Lloyd Crowds.

The activities coordinator, Robert Moore, reported receipt of a \$200 donation from McDonald's for participation in a recent display.

John Reid reported on the club project, the Hooter's Car Show, that is being planned to raise money for the building fund. Hooter's has pledged \$1000 to cover administrative costs and Gulf Distributing will provide a large tent and other support. Two thousand flyers were printed and are being distributed. There will be a People's Choice Award (decided by purchased votes) and the committee is working on getting Rusty Wallace's vehicle for display. Twenty-five percent of the net proceeds will be given to charity. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Frank DeCrease that United Cerebral Palsy be the recipient of the 25%. The motion was seconded by Melvin Neese. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS


The June financial report was presented by the treasurer, Frances Whigham. The report was accepted as presented on a motion by Jerry Finley with a second by Lloyd Crowds.

Robert Moore, activities coordinator, announced that the July outing will be a vehicle display at the Mental Health Association in Southwest Alabama fund raiser to be held at St. Dominic's Church on July 23, 1994 at 7PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Buddy Paquet read a Press Register "letter to the editor" from Ross Sloan...The 50/50 pot was won by Floyd Jordon...the motion to adjourn came from Jerry Finley with a second from Don Dillehay. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted,



Deep South Region A.A.C.A.



Robert E. Moore
1314 Forest Hill Drive
Mobile, Alabama 36618-2036
June 30, 1994

I have not heard from anyone this month regarding any illness or other problems among our members. Hopefully, we are all puttering along on whatever number of cylinders we may have!

Mrs. Patt Paquet
Editor, The Sparkplug
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Mobile, Alabama 36619-1716

Dear Patt:

DEEP SOUTH REGION WELCOMES AMERICA'S JUNIOR MISSES

DSR's Jim and Nancy Henderson participated in a recent filming of the Junior Misses "arrival" in Mobile.

The segment was taped on July 12th and will be seen nationwide during the finals which will be televised Saturday evening at 7:00 pm. Nancy said it was one of the hottest and most humid days we have had and one of their drivers got a really bad sunburn.

It began about 11:00 am with three cars, a white '55 T-bird, a red '57 Chevy and the '29 Model A. Their son, Scott, drove the Model A and was all decked out in period clothing. The three cars were filmed at Spanish Plaza on the Church Street side. Later they used a red '57 T-bird at the Checkers drive-in downtown and the last was the aqua 64½ Mustang near the steps of the Civic Center.

According to Jim & Nancy, it takes an incredible amount of time to set up filming something of this type; even to making sure the sun is in just the right spot! However, they both enjoyed it and we are proud of their representation of our club.

Jim said they were not allowed to put the "DSR" logo decals on the cars; there was not even a sign which said "Junior Miss". All of us will know those cars though!

As chairman of the building committee, I just wanted to thank through our newsletter all of our members for their fine support in completing Phase I (of III Phases) of our building extension plan. From the committee persons Paul Bowden, Lloyd Crowder, Terry Ford, Bob Hedberg, Jim Henderson, John Reid, Ernie Youens, Ex-officio Buddy Paquet with their planning input, to the memberships input and final vote of approval, we are well on our way.

A special thanks is in order for Jim and Nancy Henderson of whom did the slab work and landscaping at a cost of \$1,800.00---they called it cost over-run and because it did not meet the club's allotted amount of \$1,400.00, they donated the entire work project and its costs! Although Jim's remarks at the June meeting were kind of tongue-in-cheek about cost over-run, we all wish to thank you for your generosity. This unexpected savings to our building fund will allow our club to move up and forward to Phase II.

Again, Deep South Region, Thanks again to all of you.

Sincerely,

Buddy & I are looking forward to having Felix, our last exchange student, visit us for two weeks in August. He is from Vienna, Austria and we haven't seen him since July 1990!

Also, Pascal, our first exchange student, and his wife are moving to Birmingham. He will begin law school the middle of August so they will be there for about 3 years.

Looks as if it will be a quiet time at our house beginning with September!

MUST SELL!! SACRIFICE!! MUST SELL!!

1994 double wide Fleetwood mobile home, 1,038 square feet, 3 bedroom, 2 bath w/ many extras. No equity, refinance \$25,000, buyer must move. 661-4009

The letter to the right appeared in the June 18 issue of our local paper. It was read at our June meeting but is printed for the benefit of those who were not there. In view of our recent Memorial and Fourth of July celebrations I felt it was more than appropriate to carry it in our newsletter.

6-09-94

Dear Editor,

The Press Register is doing a great job of recognizing our heroes of WWII, and I would like to add my appreciation.

When I studied history, I became sensitive to the idea of history, I feel certain that those brave soldiers may have been the greatest heroes of history. Perhaps Churchill said it best; "Never have so many owed so much to so few". Many a hero has died for his country, but we must not forget that the conflict of the forties had global repercussions.

Perhaps a paraphrase of Lincoln's Gettysburg address best expresses my sense of debt.

"Two score and nine years ago, the heroes of humanity brought forth on this world a new chance, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that "all men are created equal."

We are now the beneficiaries of that great struggle, testing whether any, or all of humanity can endure. We daily meet on the battlefields of this orb. We must dedicate ourselves to those, living and dead, who have honored us with their all. This we must, in all propriety, do. But in fair sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this world. The brave allied soldiers, living and dead who struggled so valiantly have honored all, far above our poor powers to add or detract.

The world may little note nor long remember what those heroes did in WWII, but hopefully it will bask in freedoms those soldiers helped secure. We must not forget what they did.

It is for us, the living to dedicate ourselves to the great task remaining before us - that from those honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave their last full measure of devotion - that we here highly resolve that those soldiers, shall not have fought in vain;

that all nations of this world shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from this earth."

The debt we owe those who fought hatred, prejudice and tyr any can never be paid. If all veterans' benefits for WWII soldiers were doubled, it wouldn't be half of what they deserve.

For those who accepted the ultimate compromise in life, killing when they did not believe in killing, we honor you at this half century juncture. Perhaps historians will someday see WWII as the most significant turn in the road of world peace. Perhaps then we can imagine pacifism to be a realistic ideal, and not merely the short-sighted imaginings of idealists who have no capacity to see life as it is and work toward making it what it should be. Only history yet unwritten will be able to truly decipher the grandeur of what you marvelous veterans of the allied forces did. Hitler had to be stopped. Hatred, prejudice, tyranny, the Holocaust had to be stopped.

Hopefully, I speak for all who appreciate the freedoms you veterans helped secure. If so, at this half century juncture there are countless millions who want to salute you, honor you, and, with as much humility as we know how to muster, say THANK YOU.

SINCERELY
AN ANONYMOUS MOBILE CITIZEN

Correction

In the June issue I profiled Jim and Lajuanna Kotis. If you recall, I listed their church affiliation as Dauphin Way Methodist but it should be DAUPHIN WAY BAPTIST. I apologize for this error.

It is good to know that our member and friend, Geary Polk, is almost "restored".

Thank you for your kindness
and your special thoughtfulness.

Thanks also for the Cards, & Prayers.

Geary Polk

The Sparkplug is non-profit and published for the information of our members and friends. DEEP SOUTH REGION meetings are held the fourth Thursday of each month in the clubhouse at 951 Forest Hill Drive and Ziegler Boulevard at 7:30 p.m. Membership in The Antique Automobile Club of America is required to be a member of this region. Annual local dues are \$15.00 and AACA national dues are \$20.00 single and \$24.00 Joint. Views expressed in the Sparkplug are not necessarily those of the Region officers or AACA.

TAKE ME OUT...HANG ME UP...DON'T MISS ANYTHING

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If some of you receive a newsletter with a mixture of colors, it is because our paper is getting to the point where that's just what we have....some of this and some of that!! (I bet you thought it was because I made a mistake, didn't you?????)

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Remember the 1967 red Camaro convertible you saw in this space last month?? If you look closely, you will see Orvill & Ann Carter sporting around town in it!!!!!!!

There will not be a "Labor Day Celebration" at the Fairgrounds this year but get ready for next year....1995 will be the 50th Anniversary and according to Gayle Reinhart, it will be bigger and better than ever!

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WHAT A BURGER CRUISE IN
 DSR MEET CLUBHOUSE 7:30 PM
 NEW CAR SHOW BAY MINETTE "SUMMER SHOWDOWN"

From Atlantic Monthly magazine.

cruise, *noun, slang.* a gathering of specialty car owners, at which vintage and customized cars are displayed for other owners and passersby to admire: "The phenomenon is called the *Cruise*, and it's the rage among mostly middle-aged men who gather in local parking lots to show off the dream cars they could never afford in their youth. Customized, polished and often sporting thousands of dollars of vintage parts, hundreds of cars go on display at *cruises*" (Washington Post).

BACKGROUND: The gerund *cruising* used in an automotive sense dates back at least to the 1950s, when teenagers drove their souped-up hot rods down the streets of their hometowns. The enthusiasm of middle-aged Baby Boomers for specialty and customized cars has recently given new life and a new meaning to the noun. the *cruise* of the nineties has several characteristics that set it apart from its predecessor: the cars are parked, not driven; no alcohol is allowed; and the *cruisers'* often expensive car stereos - some cost as much as \$70,000 - are not played. (Some *cruises*, however, do feature fifties bands and dancing.) *Cruises* can involve hundreds of vehicles admired by thousands of spectators. Some \$10 billion a year is spent on such specialty cars which are often amalgams of bodies and parts from diverse vehicles and manufacturers.

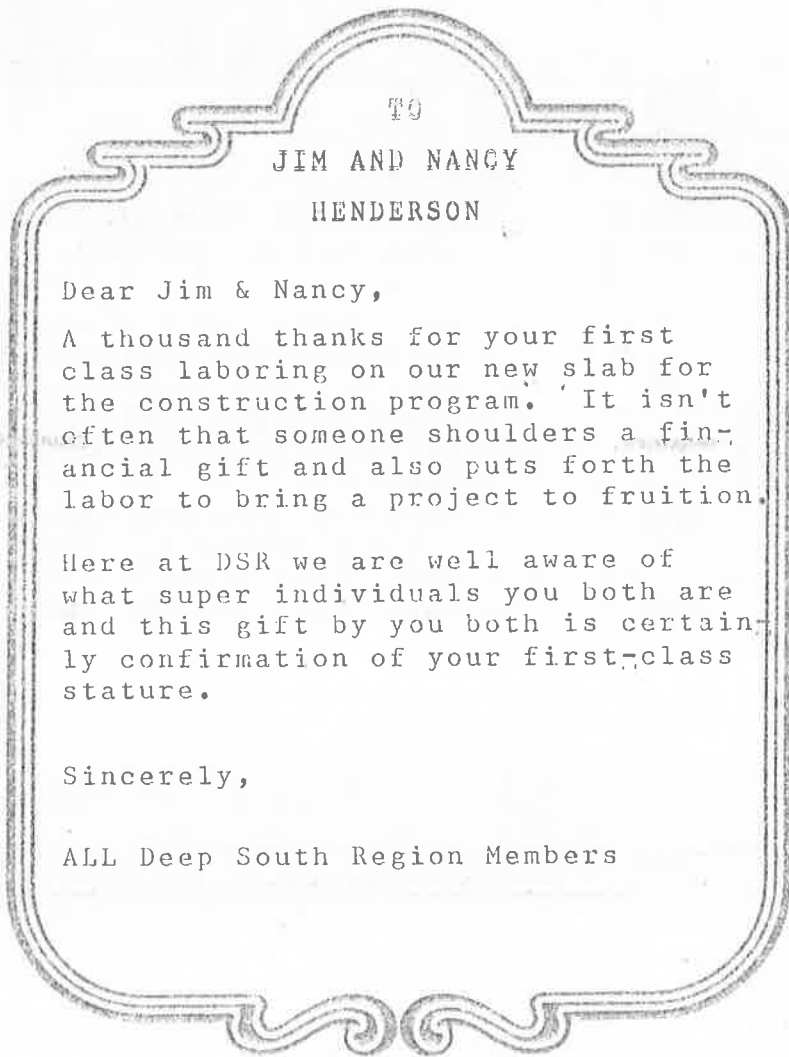
NEEDED:

1937 Chevrolet wiring diagram or shop manual for same.

FOR SALE:

Two 1930 Model A engines, condition unknown.

Contact: Carl Bailey
947-5262



AMERICANS LOVE THEIR COOKIES!

Here's a list of the top 10 cookie brands in the U.S. - (based on retail dollar sales for 52 weeks ending 2/27/94.)

- Oreo Cookies # 1 (Nabisco)
- Chips Ahoy! # 2 (Nabisco)
- Newtons # 3 (Nabisco)
- Snackwell's # 4 (Nabisco)
- Chips Deluxe # 5 (Keebler)
- Nilla Wafers # 6 (Nabisco)
- Nutter Butter # 7 (Nabisco)
- Pepperidge Farm # 8 Distinctive Collection
- Pecan Sandies # 9 (Keebler)
- Vienna Fingers #10 (Sunshine)

Source: Nabisco Biscuit Company



July 30-31 7th Annual Mississippi Coast Autorama - Biloxi, MS
Aug. 19-20 12th Annual Panhandle Cruisers Open Car Show - Pensacola, FL
Aug. 21-27 25th Annual Antique Auto Show - Edgewater Mall - Biloxi, MS
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. 1 British Car Day - Battleship Park
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
Oct. 21-23 2nd Annual Gulf Coast International Auto Show - Mobile, AL
Oct. 29 1st Annual HOOTERS OPEN CAR SHOW - MOBILE, AL



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**It's too Bad that the People who
Really Know How to Run the
Country are Busy attending
Car Shows
or
Flea Markets**