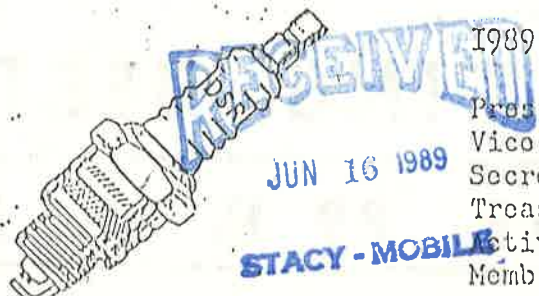


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NEWSLETTER OF THE DEEP SOUTH REGION



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MINUTES

Deep South Region, AACA
 May 25, 1989

President Bill Tunnell opened the meeting, and welcomed guest Tom Johnson, who, with his family, moved here from Houston, Texas three weeks before. Employed by Dupont, Tom and his wife Mary Ruth have two boys, ages 5 and 2. They have applied for membership in the DSR.

Gene Kelly, who exhibited a car in our show, also visited our meeting and was welcomed by the president.

The minutes of the previous meeting were amended by the DSR secretary. The following business was accidentally not recorded which took place at that meeting: "Bill Wright wrote a letter to the membership in which, while he appreciated the club's voting him honorary membership once again, he wished to be a paying member. President Bill accepted his dues and acknowledged his thoughtful letter."

Treasurer Bob Hedburg passed out the treasurer's report, which was approved as submitted.

Ernie Youens, chairman of the monogrammed shirt committee, reported on how we may order shirts with the AACA emblem and club name. He brought an order form for distribution. He suggested that club funds be used to pay for orders, as they must be made in segments of six. Members would then pay Bob. Discussion followed and Bob agreed to pay from the club treasury provided the members pay any charges in advance to the treasury. Ernie then worded his motion in that manner, which was seconded and approved.

Activities co-chairman, Dale McLaney, reported on upcoming events. It was decided by the membership that our coming visit here by the Atlanta club (June 29), will move our meeting date to that Thursday, and that money will be allotted for beverages, at the discretion of a committee to be appointed for that occasion. President Bill reminded the club that an allotment had earlier been made for needed paper good for club meetings through the year. A call was made to establish such a committee. Jeanette Lowe nominated Nell Few to head the committee, acknowledging the outstanding contribution made to the show by Nell and her committee. President Bill agreed, and asked the following people to help Nell, if she accepted the chairmanship: Peggy Moseley, Jeanette Lowe, Jeannie Hepler, and Linda Tunnell.

1989 show chairman Geary Polk reported on the show.

Sharron Fontana nominated Geary as show chairman for the 1990 show. The nomination was seconded and approved.

Ray Harper moved that we set aside \$1500 now the the 1990 show. After discussion, the motion was seconded and approved.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Brenda Rollins, Secretary

1967 Prices!

1957 FORD Skyliner Retractable Hard top. New tires, full power, Continental spare, very rare. \$350, or trade for Packard, Cadillac, Skylark, or ? Fred Kante 46 Sun Valley Way, Morris Plains, N. 07950.

1931 DELUXE Roadster, restored a few years ago, looks excellent, runs beautifully, is green, has white tires, and is a car you can depend on for a tour and still not ashamed of at a show. Priced reasonably. Harold Coker, 5100 Brainerd Rd., Chattanooga, Tenn. 1-615-622-3191.

WAGON—1929 Model "A"—excellent original wood, no rot—good running condition—complete except for rear seats. \$1,850. Henry Hinman, Jr., P.O. Box 13, North Anson, Maine 04958.



1926 FORD ROADSTER
 Restored from frame up. Channel Green Body Natural Wood Wheels, New Top, Upholstery, Paint, good Tires, side curtains, motor meter, step plates, fat rim steering wheel. \$1,575.00.

BRENT DANNEMAN
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1931 MODEL "A" Tudor: Professionally restored 1968 from ground up. Engine, transmission, rear end, all running gear completely overhauled. Exterior: Vintage Burgandy with black reveals and orange pinstripe. Interior: Black naugahyde with channeled seats. Not 100% authentic but close. Runs like it did when it was manufactured. Call me for a more detailed description of this extremely beautiful three owner automobile. \$1,995. Jim Bowers 310 W. Lee St., Enterprise, Ala. 36330 Ph. 205-347-5213.



1929 FORD 4-DOOR BRIGGS
 An original and exceptionally high quality sedan. Restored. Exterior professionally repainted Andalus Blue with black fenders. Original top, floor mats, a upholstery in near mint condition. 31,997 miles. Headlamps and radiator shell rechromed. Rebuilt motor \$1,850.



by LOU ESCHETE

The 11 annual antique auto and engine show was held May 26 yh. and 27 th. Our club was well represented with 25 to 30 members there.

The weatherman did a perfect job scheduling a beautiful weekend.

Friday we were all fed a very delicious chile supper. This was topped Saturday with a great pig roast and chicken barbeque cooked by our own Bobby Hover and Bo Parnell. They did a great job along with the many cook from the Biloxi Club.

The show was great as usual, Best of show went to Earl Gautier 39 chevrolet, Jerry Page got the hard luck trophy, Jerry had ignition problem, exhaust problems, it took him 8 hours to drive the 50 miles to the show. The auction Saturday evening was a lot of fun. Jeanne Hepler paid \$ 12. to hit hubby Dave in the face with a pie. She said it was worth every penny. Earl Gautier & Dave got into a bidding war over a hobby horse, Dave being the victor this time. Mc Weaver the auctioneer lost his pants. Some one started the bid and they went for \$ 63. Poor Mac!

All in all those who were there had a great time. The Biloxi gang really knows how to put on a super show. We at Mobile wish to thank all involved for a good time and look forward to coming back for many years to come. We think you people are the GREATEST.

From the Sunday Strollers Bulletin
by Bob Porter

the Miracle Strip Bunch...

THE DIM FUTURE OF ELECTROPLATING -

In the May issue of "Skinned Knuckles" there was a guest editorial by a Mr. Loren Knutsen about the problems facing plating shops and how this may affect antique car restoration. Mr. Knutsen has a small parts restoration business in Anacortes, Washington. He says the problems facing the plating shops are growing while the demand for their services is declining.

The foremost adversary is the environmental agencies who have been clamping down on the heavy metal industry. The discharge of the waste water is monitored. The purchase of chemicals is also monitored and plating shops are being held responsible for the disposition of these materials. License fees and permits fees keep going up, up, up.

The second and probably the most devastating condition affecting the plating shops is the drying up of their market. Mr. Knutsen says even though it seems the antique car restorer supports the plating industry, such is not the case. The commercial auto body repair shop is the largest customer, the industrial manufacturing segment is also a much larger segment than the restorer. Auto body shops are in a declining period as far as plating goes. The newer cars have little or no chrome plating, bumpers now match body color or are black rubber. Grilles and trim are plastic or polished stainless steel. Industrial platers are seeing much of their market taken over by the use of chrome plated plastic; marine hardware and sporting goods to name a few. Most of these parts are made and plated by the same shop and are rarely replated. The third enemy of the plating shop is rapidly increasing cost of doing business.

Mr. Knutsen says his best advice is to have anything you want plated done as soon as you can and make that your first priority or it may not get done at all. At least its a point to ponder.



51 Bel Air



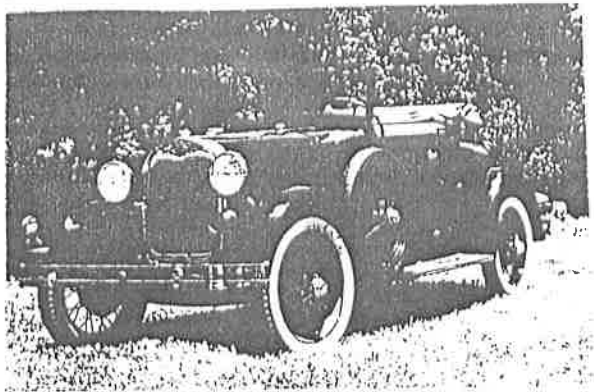
49 Deluxe Cab Chevy

Abandoned cars, abandoned graves,
I always feel like guilty for not
cleaning them up, even if they are
unknown...

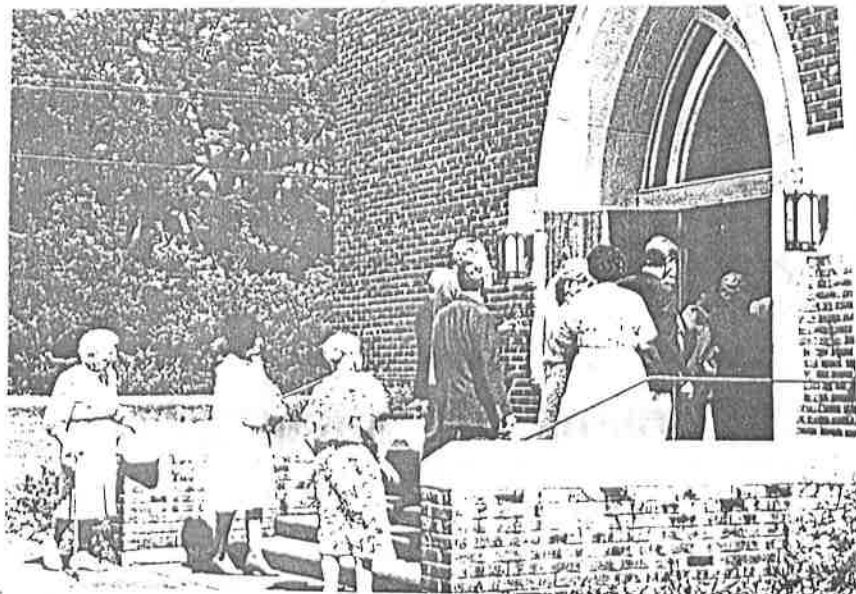
The Citronelle outing was a success. No shotgun was needed...the groom was too willing, so Mrs Marta Havens became Martha Brown and Tom became happy! We met at the Gas Co. parking lot in Saraland and formed a convoy north. The wedding was beautiful. The reception and dinner outstanding. Ernie and Euginia tied a zillion coke cans to the rear fo Tom's Ford for a noisy departure. The honeymoon to be in Florida and then to meet D.S.R. members in Arkansa at the Metropolitan Meet.

Beside the star attraction Martha and Tom we had Don Hartman 56 Chevy, Floyd and Betty Jordan Ford convertble, Cecil and Lucille Nettles 36 Chevy, Lloyd and Lycyle Crowdus 55 Met., Ernie and Euginia Youens 59 Met., James and Janet McDole 51 Chevy Hop and Leverne Hopkins 61 Met., Junie and Anne Jarvis 60 Met., Dale and Betty McLaney, Jewell Bell, Brenda Rollins, Pierre and Sharron Fontana. Now if I missed any one..give at least 10 seconds to start running before you shoot.

Pierre



Received a phone call the other day from a local used car dealer, can you tune a Model "A", The car came on a wrecker, I called my son Andre, it was love at first sight we will have a new member and one more car.



CALENDER OF EVENTS

- June 22nd Alabama sports festival, Mobile civic center meet at 6:00pm at the civic center. 30-35 cars needed.
- June 24th Floyd & Betty Jordans outing at their camp on fish river. call Floyd or Betty for Directions.
- June 29th DSR Meeting (Re-Scheduled from 22nd) we will have members from the Atlanta club visiting with us.

- July 4th Fourth of july parade, Fairhope, details at next meeting
- July 27th DSR Monthly meeting
- July 29th Biloxi auto show at the collisium, Biloxi Ms.
- July 30th DSR/OLD SOUTH Joint club outing to Dauphin Island

- August 13-20th Edgewater mall antique auto show, Biloxi Ms
- August 24th DSR Monthly meeting
- August 26th 22nd annual invitation antique auto show, Pensacola, Fla

September 1, 2, & 3rd Eric & Paula Goulds outing in Monroeville Ala

October 26th DSR Monthly Meeting

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To O.D. Dickerson and Elven Few,
 we extend our deepest sympathy in
 the loss of each one's Mother. We
 surely hate to lose our Moms. Wish
 we could always have them around.