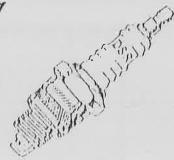
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NEWSLETTER OF THE DEEP SOUTH REGIÓN





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"OFF WE GO, INTO THE WILD BLUE YONDER"

Who could resist wanting to go flying with warm breezes and sunny skies???? That's exactly what we had for the outing Feb. 19th at the USCG Aviation Training Center. We met at the club-house and drove to the Coast Guard base where we were met by Lt. Joe Sherman, our guide for the tour.

The first helicoper we saw was a HH-65 which is a smaller one with less range but can be used for the same type of operations as the bigger HH60-J that has alonger flying range, carry a greater payload and has more lifting power. We were able to look inside as well as out, ask all the questions we wanted and generally learn everything we ever wanted to know about 'copters.

Next was a fixed wing aircraft (better known as an airplane) called the Falcon. It is primarily used for drug scouting and we were not able to get inside it due to it receiving regular maintenance that weekend.

Following this we went to the building which houses the flight simulators. Too bad that we did not get to try out our flying skills we had just learned but were very impressed at the scenarios the simulators can provide.

It was an exceptionally good outing but sadly an exceptionally poor turnout.
There were 2 Carters, 2 Crowdus, 2 Jarvis, 2 Paquets and 2 Whighams

Our thanks to John Reid for hosting us. (John...if I have gotten mixed up on my HH's HHJ's etc., my apologies!)

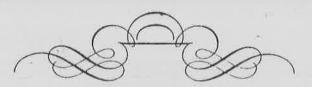


Ten members of our club were on hand Maarch 9th to display their cars in conjunction with Grocers Cancer Day sponsored by Delchamps. If you are not aware of it, they contribute 5% of their sales that day to the American Cancer Society.

The cars were located at the store on University at Cottage Hill and even though the weather was not a cooperative as everyone would have liked, we had a great time drinking coffee, talking cars and just generally helping out.

There was 1 Brown, 1 Cammon, 1 Crowdus, 1 Dillehay, 1 Jordan, 2 Paquets, 1 Whigham, 1 White and 1 Youens.





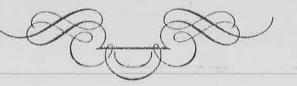
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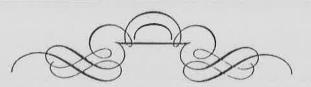
D.R. Jordan joined DSR in February having had an interest in antique cars for over 20 years. He is the President and CEO of Jordan Pile Driving which was founded in Ozark, Alabama in 1947. He is the original owner of his 1964 Impala.

OF NOTE is Jordan Pile Driving was selected as the Mobile Chamber of Commerce's 1993 Small Business Person of the Year.

MORE KUDOS for D.R. is being chosen the 1994 Small Business Person for the State of Alabama.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO DSR

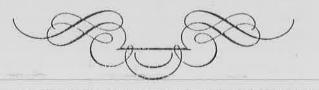




Welcome

Herbert & Betty Cordell joined DSR in February also. "Hub" has been with Jordan Pile Driving for 37 years. They have been married for 33 years and have 2 sons who live in Ozark, Alabama. They love showing the '46 Chevy Pickup and their other hobby is fishing. Betty's hobby is baking and during the holiday season she is a busy lady; she has several customers who have huge standing orders. Her speciality is a 24-layer torte.

WELCOME TO DSR!!



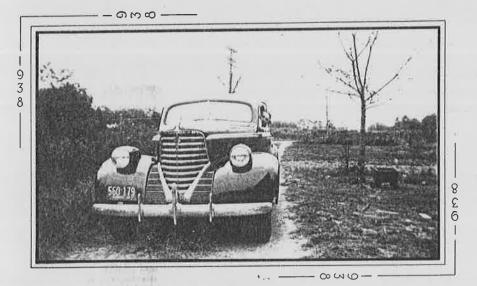
DEEP SOUTH REGION MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1994 7:30 pm IN THE CLUBHOUSE!

FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

As we live our lives here on earth, we must be aware of the following Scriptures in Romans Chapter 12, Vs. 1-2.

Verse 1: I beseech you therefore, Brethern, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, Holy, acceptable into God, which your reasonable service.

Verse 2: And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.



The license tag is 1938 Illinois but what kind of car is it? Let me hear from you!

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... here's my concern

Trouble is on the way for old car enthuiastists.

Politics, as usual, have dictated our fuel requirements without any idea of the result at the end of the line.

EPA says by 1995 fuel will be required to have OXYGENATING additives. The least expensive way to get more oxygen into gasoline is to add alcohol. It helps to cut emissions by 17%. Nice.

Adding lots of alcohol, with no regulation to say how much is enough?

Most all new cars are built with parts able tohandle a certain amount. Our old cars are not—, we shall have to replace parts that will corrode very fast.

The cheapest alcohol is methanol, made from coal or natural gas. They say NO to that; that we must use a RENEWABLE source. Guess what? Grain alcohol or ethanol is one way to help the big grain producers and their cousins in Washington will put this into law soon.

And your were worried about your valve seats and no lead gas!!

Pierre Fontana

IN MY OPINION

Remember the Alamo and Mike Mikell.

Rep. Mike Mikell of Millbrook, AL wants to keep your old cars off the roads between 7-9 am and 4-6 pm.

How about that?

I called him at his pharmacy, got lucky, and we spoke. The man is very opiniated; not open to much suggestion. I believe he is being used by some eager beaver up in Montgomery.

He has a point; they canot enforce the law as it is written. Too many antique tags are on cars used to go to work, fishing, etc.

For all this, we will have to pay regular tag prices. Or stay at home during certain hours.

When I accused him of penalizing all of us for a few guilty ones, he said "write a bill that will work and I will use it".

Let's get with it!! Find out how our neighboring states handle this. We can arrange to meet with our local representatives (SOON) or invite some of them to a club meeting.

Please call Rep. Mikell but be nice. Mike's Pharmacy (205) 285-5154. If not call 00396-69-82, tell the operator you want to speak to John Paul II. Maybe the Pope can help.

Pierre Fontana

NEWSFLASH



BY THE WAY. ... II IS TELLOW.

The picture to the left is what you will se Shelby and Jane Bruton "sporting" about in now! It is a 1965 Ford Galaxie convertible, 390 cid

Galaxie convertible, 390 cid with a 4 barrel. It has the original interior! Shelby is doing some minor repairs.

BY THE WAY ... IT IS YELLOW!!!



Legislative Update

The following is a copy of the current bill which Rep. Mike Mikell is proposing relative to the curren antique tag law.

Again, as before I must apologize for the small print but it is the only way to get it into the newsletter.

Please read it carefully and be prepared to express your thoughts saturate March 24th meeting.

Why not bring your copy of the newsletter so you have a handy reference?

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H. 695 By Mikell Ri 2/22/94 RFD Ways and Means

SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law a motor vehicle which is more than 25 years old and which is owned and operated as a collector's item may be issued an antique tag.

This bill would provide for the limited use of a vehicle for which an antique tag has been issued; provide for the increase of registration fees; and provide that an owner of an antique vehicle may elect to revalidate his or her antique tags annually so that the use of the antique vehicle would not be restricted.

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Relating to motor vehicles; to provide for the restricted use of a vehicle for which an antique tag has been issued; to raise the registration fees; to further provide for the issuance of unrestricted antique tags; and provide for the

registration fee; for this purpose to amend Section 40-12-290, Code of Alabama 1975. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA: Section 1. Section 40-12-290, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows: "\$40-12-290. (a) The owner of any motor vehicle which is more than 25 years old, and-which..is owned, and operated primarily as a collector's item, upon application to the commissioner of revenue of the state of Alabama judge of probate or other 10 county official authorized and required by law to issue 11 license plates on special application forms prescribed by the 12 commissioner Commissioner of Revenue and the payment of a 13 registration fee of \$10-00 twenty-five dollars (\$25), may register such the vehicle as an a limited-une 'antique 15 vehicle, and-procure-therefor-permanent Permanent license 16 plates or tags to shall be issued for and displayed on such 17 the vehicle in lieu of a regular motor vehicle license plates 18 or tags plate or tag. These vehicles shall not be operated on the streets or highways during the following days and hours: 20 Monday through Priday from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and Monday 21 through Thurnday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. "(b) The owner of a motor vehicle which is more than 23 25 years old, upon application to the judge of probate or 24 other county official authorized and required by law to issue 25

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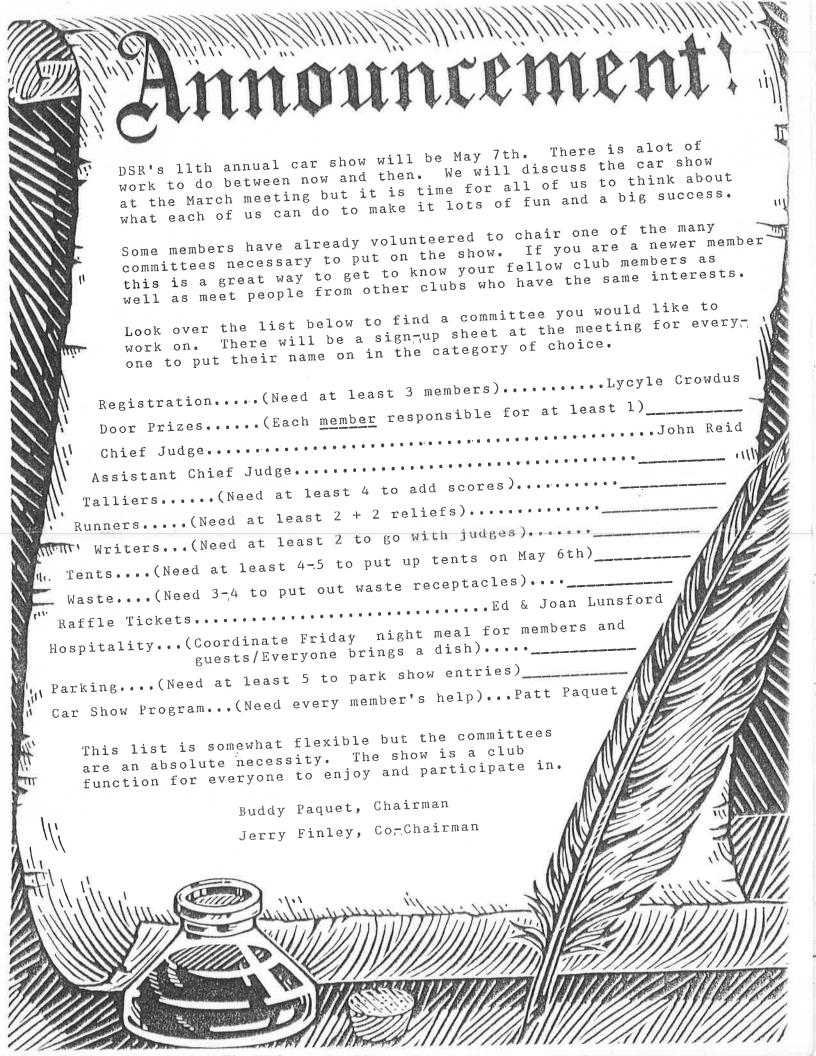
Commissioner of Revenue and the payment of a registration fee

of twenty five dollars (\$25), may register the vehicle as an unrestricted use 'antique vehicle' and procure a license plate or tag to be issued and displayed on the vehicle in lieu of a regular motor vehicle license plate or tag. An unrestricted antique tag shall be renewed annually by revalidation decals for a twenty dollar (\$20) fee, according to the staggered registration system as provided in Section 32-6-61. Section 40-12-293, does not apply to registrants of antique vehicles that choose to revalidate their Lag annually in order for the operation of their vehicles not to be restricted.

for any person to operate, on the public highways of this state, a vehicle based in this state and displaying an antique motor vehicle tag or plate not in accordance with subsections

(a) and (b) of this section. Any operator violating this section shall, upon conviction, pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100)."

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its otherwise becoming a law.



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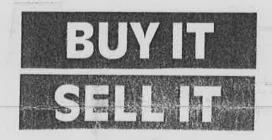
CLUB CLIPS

Geary Polk is back in the hospital in Birmingham but hopes to be home within at least the next week or so.

Our sympathy to Floyd and Jeanette Lowe. His sister-in-law who lived in Texas died recently after a long illness.

Many of you know <u>Dewitt</u>

<u>McCrary</u> who although not a member of our club is certainly a friend. We extend our condolences to Dewitt and his family on the loss of his mother last week.



WANTED:

1937 Pontia 2-door body. Lloyd Crowdus 661-8486

FOR SALE:

Restored 1951 Plymouth 4-door sedan, 6 cylinder. Floyd Jordan 649-2703

FOR SALE:

1962 Comet 4-door, V-8, air conditioning, all original.
Skip Scott 380-6836

FOR SALE:

1937 Ford Slant Back (No floorboards) with lots of extra parts and chrome. \$500.00 Call 968-6511

FOR SALE:

1947 ROCK-OLA Jukebox. Good working condition. For infor: 661-0264

DEEP SOUTH REGION AACA GENERAL MEETING

The February 24, 1994 meeting of the DSR was called to order by Buddy Paquet, president, at 7:30 PM. The invocation was given by Don Dillehay.

OLD BUSINESS

Buddy reported that the letter to the City of Mobile was sent for permission to proceed with the building project. No response has been received to date.

Members were urged to participate in the car show and to sell advertisements for the program and to sell raffle tickets.

The January minutes were approved as printed on a motion by John Reid and second by Lloyd Crowdus.

Robert Moore, activities coordinator, reported that the Mardi Gras parade was great!

Patt Paquet headed a brief discussion on the antique tag law changes that have been proposed. It was recommended that members write state legislators to protest passage of any bill to limit vehicle usage by enthusiasts.

NEW BUSINESS
New members voted on were Herbert and Betty Cordell and D. R. Jordon.

The January Treasurer's report was accepted as presented on a motion by Pierre Fontana with second by John Reid.

Patt Paquet, editor, reported that the copier maintenance contract purchase is due. The contract costs of and covers parts and maintenance. A motion was made by Anna White and seconded by Bershel Whigman to purchase the contract. The motion carried.

Robert Moore, activities, reported on numerous shows and activities coming up this Spring. On a motion by Hershel Whigham and second by Lloyd Crowdus, the March outing will be at Delchamps on March 9, 1994 to help support the fund raiser for the Cancer Society.

Patt read a letter received from Lambert Mims.

ANNOUNCEMEN'TS

Ernie Youens was the 1993 winner for an Award of Distinction from the AACA for his excellent production of the Sparkplug.

Mr. Melvin Stein has donated a 1955 model of a Lancia Aurelia B24 Spider to be used as a money making project. The group will vote next month on how the model will be offered to the membership.

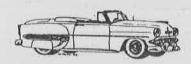
Buddy has information on the Classic Collector's Insurance Program.

The 50/50 Pot was won by JoAnn Lunsford.

Jerry Finley yawned the motion to adjourn at 8:40 with a second from Hershel Whigham. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted

Jane Brater



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Mar. 26 Apr. 9 Apr. 10-15 Apr. 23	32nd Old South Antique Car Show - Fort Conde Camellia Classic Car Show sponsored by Mobile Bay Mustang Club AACA FOUNDERS TOUR - Gainesville, GA 9th Annual Gold Cup Antique Motorcar Race - Panama City to
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May 19-21 May 27-29 June 14-19 June 18	AACA Southeastern National Spring Meet Shelbyville, TN AAECM's Point Cadet Show Biloxi, MS Petit Jean Show & Swap Meet 14th Annual Blueberry Festival & Car Show Brewton, AL
July 23-34 Aug. 27 Sept. 2-5 Oct. 5-9	30th Annual Noccalula Falls Show 27th Annual West Florida Regional AACA Show - Pensacola, FL Mustang Grand National Meet - Pensacola, FL HERSHEY!!!
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