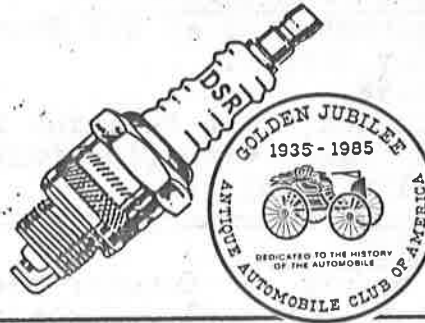


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NEWSLETTER OF THE
DEEP SOUTH REGION
A.A.C.A.



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November 1985

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Nov. 9 - DSR Rummage Sale at the club house.

Nov. 10 - Sunday Outing The Fausts hosting and leading.

Nov. 10 - 17 - Antique cars in the Bel Air Mall.

Nov. 21 - Meeting - 7:30 P.M. at the club house.
 PLEASE NOTE, as Thanksgiving falls on the 4th Thursday, the meeting will be held on the THIRD Thursday in Nov.

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 \$15.00 single and \$19.00 joint (husband & wife). Membership is required in the National A.A.C.A. if you are a regional member.

-OUR OCTOBER MEETING-

President Lloyd Crowdus opened our meeting on October 24th at 7:35 P.M. with 55 present. Acting Chaplain V. T. Hopkins gave the invocation. Visitor Bob Whiting was introduced to the membership. It was announced that Peggy Moseley's grandmother had recently died.

Hop made a suggestion that we change the by-laws to exclude reading of the minutes as the meeting's events are published in the SPARKPLUG. Lloyd said the new president in 1986 will take care of it.

Substitute secretary, Eugenia, filling in for Jeanie Dobbs, read a note of thanks to the DSR members for the quilt, from Lloyd and Lycyle.

Condie Langham told us of a new artist that will put our club emblems on our shirts or on tour banners. Discussion followed on the AACA tour banners. This will be carried over to next month's meeting.

Treasurer Katherine Harper passed our DSR monthly financial statements. A motion was made and seconded to raise dues for 1986. After much pro and con and as to how much, the membership voted by a large majority to raise dues to \$15.00 per year.

Show Chairman Ray Harper requested all members that can attend the New Orleans, Meridian, and Jackson shows. Ray then passed around one of our 1986 show plaques. Cecil announced dates of the coming shows and our club's activities, and Lloyd announced our coming car display in Bel Air Mall.

Saraland and Loxley have both requested cars for their Christmas Parades on the same day. Saraland said the DSR must furnish our own candy throws, Loxley said they will furnish them - so the membership voted to go to Loxley. Irvington requested car for their Christmas Parade on December 21st.

Lloyd announced the nominating committee had been appointed, consisting of 3 men and 3 ladies. They are Reba, Nell Few, Lucille Langham, Junie Jarvis, Ray Faust, and Bud. They meet next week at Lloyd's and Lycyle's home.

The DSR Christmas Party is set for Friday, December 13th at 7:00 P.M.

Lloyd announced our Nov. 9th Rummage Sale. He then read a letter of thanks for our participation in the Citronelle Homecoming Parade. Next he read the "sad" letter from the city of Mobile with a bill for \$300 for our club house zoning. Ernie suggested if 30 people donate \$10 we could pay it. We collected \$170 -- \$130 more needed!!

DECEMBER

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Dec. 13 - Christmas Party! To be held at the Mobilian Restaurant at the Rodeway Inn on Government Street at 7:00 P.M. Friday, Dec. 13th. Election of 1986 DSR Officers at this party.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Our October Meeting continued from page 1 --

Volunteers to serve refreshments at our November meeting were men!!! They are David Hepler and Ray Harper.

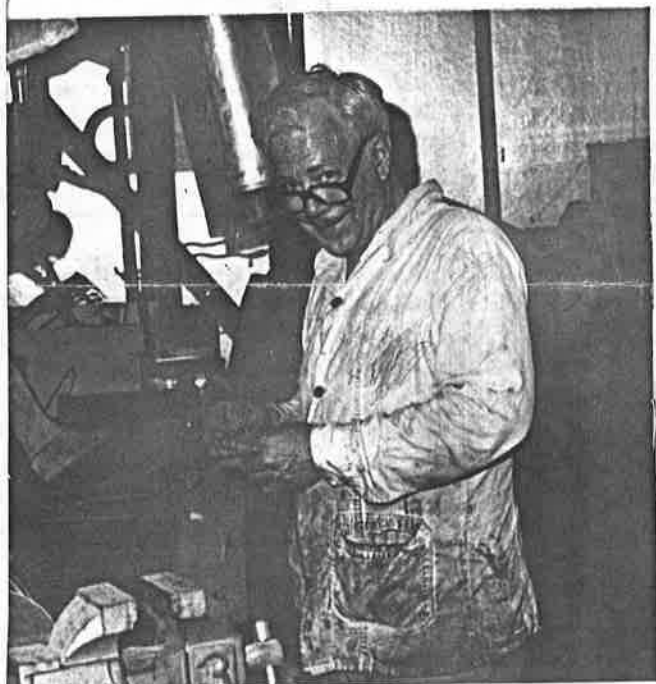
Meeting adjourned at 8:58.

Then a few of our faultless, fair feminine folks filled our fabulous famished fraternity of flat fixers with fine fulfilling, flavorful foods they had freely and faithfully furnished.

SATSUMA HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING:

On Thursday afternoon before our October meeting on the 24th, the DSR participated in the Satsuma High School Homecoming Parade. They had requested 6 cars and the DSR complied. We had cars from Brent, Crowds, Few, Hopkins, Nettles (in Hop's 2nd car), and Youens. Satsuma High School this year had six Azalea Trail Maids, the most of any high school, and each of our cars took one in the parade. It was a lively, noisy, cheering, and long parade going through both Satsuma and Saraland. (Satsuma High School is for the residents of both cities). It was a very nice parade with the antique cars in front and we moved right along -- in high gear most of the time.

Another of our DSR's civic activities well done!



This photo is NOT our mystery photo, it's later in the newsletter. This is our own DSR artist, designer, and architect, Mr. Clean himself --- Guy Short! He is at Ray Harper's and is working on his 1928 Chevrolet he and Ray are restoring. I'll bet that when he went home Barbara didn't even know him!!!!!!!

NEW ACQUISITIONS:

Bob and Lisa Hover have bought a very good original Metropolitan convertible, a 1959 model with a parts car. It is black and white with a black top. So now we have another Metropolitan in the DSR!

HELPING THE DSR!

Jerry Campbell, Nell Few's brother, was kind enough to bring his tractor and mower to the club house and cut the tall grass by the gas company's area that was too heavy for us to handle with our mowers. The DSR really does appreciate his efforts.

COMING NATIONAL EVENTS IN OUR AREA:

Did ya'll know that the National AACA Fall Meet in 1986 will be at Stone Mountain, Georgia on July 18 & 19? Then in 1987 the Spring Meet will be in Montgomery on June 5 & 6. Now these meets are getting mighty close to us and the DSR members, as much as we all like to travel, can surely make these two!

On page 77 of the current ANTIQUA AUTOMOBILE magazine the DSR's own Ray Montgomery is advertising two of his antique cars for sale. The 1955 Buick is the one he and Mary Lou drove on one of the DSR annual tours.

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM THE PREZ:

A decision is what a man makes when he can't find anyone to serve on a committee.

Lloyd's Sister, Margaret French, passed away at 10:00 A.M. on October 29th in Louisville, Kentucky. Mrs. French had been very sick and bed ridden for the past several years. She was 68 years old. Our sincere sympathy is with her husband Harold who has been very faithful in caring for her, with Lloyd, Lycle, and all of the Crowdus and French families.

Peggy Moseley's grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Nipes, recently died in Moundville, Alabama. Mrs. Nipes was 102 years old when she died. She was buried in Moundville. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to Peggy, Bud, Robert, Randy, and all of the Moseley and Nipes families on their loss.

FROM OUR ACTING CHAPLAIN - V. T. HOPKINS:

LET IT DRY!



What dangerous fires of hatred are kindled by words spoken in haste! That's why taking time to think about what we should say is so important. Restraint can bring peace to many an ugly situation, as is illustrated by this story: An old Englishman, known as Father Graham in his village, was greatly loved because of his positive influence. One day an angry young man who had just been badly insulted came to see Father Graham. He explained the situation to Father Graham, and said he was on his way to demand an apology. "My dear boy", Father Graham said, "Take a word of advice from an old man who loves peace. An insult is like mud; it will brush off much better when it is dry. Wait a bit until he and you are both cool, and the problem will be easily solved. If you go now, you will only quarrel". The young man heeded the wise advice, and soon he was able to go to the other person and resolve the issue.

How often the tongue pours fuel on a fire that would go out if left alone. Solomon said, "Do not be rash with your mouth, let your words be few".

Perhaps you have a problem with someone and have decided to "tell him off". Why not wait? It's easier to brush off mud when it is dry, it will only smear and be worse if it is wet. Pray for the one who offended you. It may dry the mud a little faster.

If something is better left unsaid, leave it there!

Copied.

"Ole Hop"

SICKNESS & ACCIDENTS OF MEMBERS:

Deward Kyser was driving his pickup on the Interstate when the steering broke and he had a very close call. Fortunately no traffic was on the highway at the time and he brought it to a stop with no serious damage.

Then on November 2nd Vera Kyser went in the hospital for tests. She got a clean bill of health and is OK. Her discomfort turned out to be adhesions from a previous operation. We are all very thankful that she and Deward are both OK.

We are all happy to have Les and Janet Yoder back home with us again! They spend their summers at their old home at Grand Rapids, Michigan, then come back home to Irvington for the winters. They brought their 1957 T-Bird with them this year and will be using it on our outings.

The leaning pine tree on the club property was cut down by the City of Mobile. We are glad to have it down and out of the way before it fell and did some possible damage.

OLE HOP SAID THE BEST PLACE TO BE DURING A HURRICANE IS IN WILMER, ALABAMA!
NOTHING GOES THROUGH THERE AT OVER 40 MPH!

NEW ORLEANS - JACKSON - MERIDIAN SHOWS:

I have very little information about these shows but I understand the DSR was represented at all three. I was unable to get the number of DSR members at the New Orleans Show, but learned that there were 9 cars and 24 of our people at the Jackson, Alabama Show, and 7 cars with 17 members at the Meridian Show. Ray Harper had a dummy dressed as an old man in his Model A rumble seat with a CB radio up the dummy's sleeve. At a distance away, Ray would talk to startled passer-bys on the CB, as if the dummy was doing the talking. It created quite a few laughs and Ray was the envy of many of other car club's members!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:

The nominating committee consisting of Nell Few as chairman, Reba Counselman, Ray Faust, Junie Jarvis, and Bud Moseley, met at the Crowdus' home on November 6th to select 2 candidates for each DSR office to be put up for election at our annual Christmas Party. The meeting began at 7:00 P.M. with Lycyle serving delicious refreshments to everyone. Then President Lloyd Crowdus opened the meeting and turned it over to committee chairman Nell Few. Nell explained the committee's duties, made several telephone calls to different members, and in the discussion that followed, the group selected the candidates. They are: for president, Ray Harper - Bud Moseley, for vice president, Elven Few - Guy Short, for secretary, Reba Counselman - Barbara Short, for treasurer, Arline Eschete - Katherine Harper, for activity coordinators, David & Jeannie Hepler - Cecil & Lucille Nettles (the Nettles later declined and requested their names be removed from the ballot), for member-at-large, Ray Faust - Don Hartman. The committee's members all agreed on the selection and adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

At our November meeting on the 21st (THE THIRD THURSDAY THIS MONTH), further nominations will be accepted from the floor and they will appear on the ballot at our Christmas Party and election of 1986 officers on Friday, December 13th.

NOVEMBER MYSTERY PHOTO NO. 1

This serious looking little cutie is one of our very active members and attends most of our club's events with her husband. She is always smiling, so imagine a smile on this little doll and see if you recognize her! She is unaware of this photo being in the SPARKPLUG.

This month we have two mystery photos as we will have none in the Dec. SPARKPLUG. Be at the meeting Thursday night, Nov. 21st and make your guess as to who these two active members are!

NOVEMBER MYSTERY PHOTO NO. 2

This young fellow is another of our very active club members and is involved, with his wife, in almost all the club's projects. He still looks very much the same so you get no clues! He, like the young lady on the left, is unaware of his photo being published in the SPARKPLUG.

THE FAUST'S OUTING:

On Sunday afternoon, November 10th, we all met at the club house at 1:00 P.M. and Tex led us to the Faust home. The members brought covered dishes and the Fausts furnished turkey and dressing. It was a feast of feasts! Everything was absolutely delicious! Laura had friends come over to help prepare things and it was done to perfection. A Thanksgiving feast in advance! Many of our members were heard raving over the turkey, dressing and gravy. The desserts, salads, vegetables, everything was done just great! And there were 42 members and guests to feed!

Then after we'd all had our fill, plus a lot more we shouldn't have eaten, Ray and Laura had arranged a scavenger hunt through the picturesque trails in the beautiful wooded area of their place. Prizes were given to Dave Hepler and Bud Moseley for being first to finish the hunt. It was very pleasant to walk through the woods after the great meal!

Then we all bid the Fausts a fond farewell and headed home to get our antiques that we intended to put in Bel Air Mall where we all met again at 6:00 P.M. The DSR was able to place 38 cars in the Mall, which was more than they had requested.

McLANEY'S OFFER TO THE DSR:

Dale and Betty McLaney have offered the DSR a storage building to put lawn equipment in. Junie Jarvis is in the process of getting a 60" lawn mower donated. The McLaney's are building a new storage building on their lot for a future antique! Betty and Dale have an 18 foot diameter, 4 foot deep above ground swimming pool with all accessories for \$600. If any of you are interested call them at 479-0823.

RUMMAGE SALE AND STATE OF THE CLUB:

The DSR rummage sale held on Saturday, November 9th was another success, netting the DSR \$530.71. With the Bel Air Mall donation this will put us "over the top" in Lloyd's commendable effort to pay off all debts and still leave the treasury in good shape for the new administration when they take office in 1986.

Lloyd has certainly made a gigantic effort to put the DSR in good shape after the tremendous job done by the membership in their excellent cooperation in getting a lot and building a club house! As in any great accomplishment, all this has not been done without some disagreement and differences of opinion. I know at times I've had mine. But true to the DSR's reputation of being the congenial, good fellowship club, the ranks were closed and as the year ends we are all eagerly looking forward to another great year in 1986!

MAYOR HUNT?

Did you know Leon Hunt was made Honorary Mayor of the City of Mobile by then Mayor Lambert Mims? If we'd known this earlier, we could have got a lot of "city favors" for the DSR from Leon! Right, Leon?

OUR PREZ SEZ:

Since this will be my last PREZ SEZ, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the club who has supported me in any way during 1985. Without your support and cooperation I would not have been able to accomplish the goals we set forth this year. Also I would like to ask your continued support for the newly elected officers for 1986.

Thank you.

Lloyd

Please be at the meeting Thursday night, Nov. 21, for the last regular meeting of 1985. The Christmas Party will be at 7:00 P.M. at the Rodeway Inn on Gov't St. on Dec. 13 and you need to pay either Barbara Short or Gloria Rothenburg. The cost is \$11.00 per person. This will be Lloyd's last meeting so please be there to hear him. Our important "end of the year" business will be discussed.

SEE YOU THERE!!!!!!

Season's Greetings



FROM THE DEEP SOUTH REGION

Our annual Christmas Party and election of officers for 1986 will be held at the Mobilian Restaurant at the Rodeway Inn on Government Street at 7:00 P.M. on December 13th, Friday. Cost is \$11.00 per person payable to Gloria Rothenburg or Barbara Short. Please let one of them know if you plan to attend. And please do come!

MENU

Entrée: Beef Tips or Ham

Potatoes
Green Beans
Zucchini
Macaroni and Cheese

Bread pudding
with Butter Sauce

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