





Deep South Region AACA Newsletter

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And the winners are....



The Henderson's have been long standing members of our club. They have willingly given their time, talent and money over the years whenever the need arose.

Jim Henderson could be found supervising the construction of the addition to our building, cleaning the grounds or general maintenance to the clubhouse. Whenever the clubhouse needed repairs, Jim would make sure it was done.

Scott Henderson could always be found helping behind the scenes to make any event successful, whether it was a cookout, car show, parade, or even guarding a National car show all night. He was always willing to jump in and help without being asked or assigned a task.

Mallory Henderson is a true volunteer at all of our car shows, many times traveling back from Auburn just to help out. Mallory also holds the distinction of being our youngest officer.

The Henderson's enjoy all automobiles, but they especially enjoyed the hobby of collecting and preserving antique autos. The Henderson's are active in AACA at the regional and national levels, as well as the local level. Their character and personality always added to every event that they attend. Scott's zeal for life and love of cars will be greatly missed. We hope this award brings honor and warm reflections of the Henderson's contributions to the Deep South Region of the AACA.

A plaque will be presented annually at the Deep South Region Year End Party to a member that is in good standing and has given of their talent, resources and spirit throughout the year to help promote the region, AACA, and the hobby of antique cars at the local, regional, and national levels of involvement. Each year in the fall a committee appointed by the President will nominate and decide on the recipient of this award.

The 2019 recipients are Martha and Walt Fuller.



Ray Harper Restoration Award

The Ray Harper Restoration Award will be presented annually to the club member who has shown the greatest amount of restoration during the past year. Each year in the fall a committee appointed by the President will nominate and decide on the recipient of this award.

Ray Harper is one of our earliest members who played a major part in organizing our Deep South Region. He was very active in the antique automobile hobby and was well known throughout the area. He is known for his renovations and innovative ways. We feel that this annual award will help encourage our members to restore and maintain the vehicles.

A plaque will be presented annually at the Deep South Region Year End Party to a member that is in good standing and has put the most effort in restoration of vehicles in our club during the past year.

The 2019 recipient is Walt Fuller.







Paul Dagenais with his certificate of appreciation for serving as the Treasure of DSR for the year 2019

The Christmas Dinner at the Riverview Hotel was an outstanding event. The evening started with plenty of time to hangout.

Soon the food arrived and Jim Gray asked the blessing. We enjoyed a nice dinner .

After dinner we started the awards banquet. I read the many accomplishments of our club. What a fantastic club and an amazing list of event that covered every avenue to show off our cars.

There was a short game of trivia. All questions were derived from the roster that everyone receives at the beginning of every year. After the trivia I thanked each officer and committee chair for their dedications to DSR and gave each one a certificate of appreciation.

Ray Harper presented the restoration award to Walt Fuller. Paul Dagenais presented the Henderson Family Service Award to Martha and Walt Fuller.

What a fun night to celebrate the hobby we love. See you all next year at the Christmas Dinner and Awards Banquet - Charlotte



Martha Fuller with her certificate of appreciation for serving as the Refreshments Chairperson of DSR for the year 2019



David Ladnier with his certificate of appreciation for serving as the Activities Director of DSR for the year 2019



Joyce Ladnier with her certificate of appreciation for serving as the Secretary of DSR for the year 2019



Zeno Chaudron with his certificate of appreciation for serving as the Member at Large of DSR for the year 2019



Susan Bergen with her certificate of appreciation for serving as the Membership Chairperson of DSR for the year 2019





Vicki and Arthur Bolton enjoying the Christmas dinner and Awards Banquet



Enjoying time together at the Christmas Dinner Awards Banquet



Darrin and Charlotte Dahlenburg



Ray and Katherine Harper pose for a photo



Charlotte Dahlenburg and Bobby Sue Koch getting ready to draw the 50/50



Kathy and Bill Atkeison enjoy time at the dinner



Everyone had a good time getting together



Kathy and Bill Atkeison, Donna Wood and Bobby Peterson





Debbie and Craig Henry, new members and Lou Lartigue



Ray Harper and Charlotte Dahlenburg getting ready to give awards



Paul Dagenais and Martha Fuller



The group is ready for dinner



Barrett Sargent collecting candy with the help of several members



Donna Wood and Bobby Peterson



. . . Cadillac's "Car of the Future"







January 2020

We left 2019 behind us with a New Year and a new decade before us. Happy New Year to you all! I hope each of you had a great and blessed Holiday Season. As we reflect back on 2019, we stayed busy with Car shows, Cruise In's and Tours. Of course none of this would have been possible without your participation as a club to make it a great success. I want to thank all of you for your help moving Deep South Region Antique Car Club forward.

I'm personally looking forward to our club moving ahead with great expectations of plenty of activities this year. As most of you know me I've been a car guy most of my life and have loved every moment. Not just the vehicles but the people that come with them. We reflect back remembering several of our families lost loved ones last year and they will not be forgotten. Enough said, let's get geared up for a great year of fun!



Letter from the Editor

It's a new year with all of the promises that a year could hold. Resolutions are made and sometimes broken. Make this year the best it can be!

2019 was a fantastic year for me! As an editor of the Sparkplug I had the ultimate recognition bestowed on me with winning the Ann S. Eady Award for the best newsletter in AACA.

On a personal level some milestones were reached and celebrated with some very special people. Darrin and I celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary with a trip to Auburn, IN with a side trip to Chicago.

I also celebrated my 60th birthday with family from all over the U.S., and many close friends both on a cruise and at a local restaurant.

This year can only get better! Get in your car and drive, restore the one you have been dreaming about, enjoy each trip down the road and enjoy every gathering you can attend.

See you on the road,

Charlotte



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Also, members should visit our Facebook page.

2018 The Ann S. Eady Memorial Award









KEEP CALM AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

It is time to Renew your Annual Membership

Dues are \$40.00 for the regional and \$20.00 for our local: Total of \$60.00 per year.

Make the check out to DSR and mail it to: Paul Dagenais, Treasurer.

58 S. Julia Street, Mobile, AL 36604

If your name is on the following list you are current with your dues!

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Be sure to like the Deep South Region of Antique Automobile Club of America's Facebook page.



We have had several Club Members inquiring about who does the Logos on our club shirts. Joyce Young asks that you call before you come. Azalea Monograms & Design.

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Millennials and Gen Xers Best Boomers at Collecting Cars

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By Cherise Threewitt

because they just don't want to drive.

While baby boomers might be more interested in collecting classic cars like the Chevrolet Corvette, Gen Xers and millennials tend to purchase vintage trucks and SUVs like this first-generation 1971 Ford Bronco. FORD If you believe stereotypes, you might think millennials kill everything, from marriage to those massive department stores. Even American cheese. You may have even heard that those same millennials (those born between 1981

and 1996) are killing cars as we know them, mostly

But like a lot of those ideas about millennials, which have turned out to be just myths, there's new data from the classic car insurance company, Hagerty, that suggests we can add the idea that they hate cars and driving them to the fiction pile, too.

"Whether you call them stereotypes or documented trends or whatever, there is just this conventional idea that when it comes to cars, millennials aren't interested in them," says Jonathan Klinger, Hagerty's vice president of public relations. Klinger says that it's easy to draw that conclusion, based on evidence that includes the steady

decline of young people getting their driver's licenses at age 16, an increase in mass urbanization, and the popularity of ride-sharing apps. However, we may end up thanking millennials for one thing: Saving the hobby of car collecting.

Millennials vs. Baby Boomers

"We're looking at the side of the automotive industry that attracts people who are passionate about cars, and in late 2018, market activity from Gen X and millennials combined exceeded that of the baby boomers and older," Klinger says. "That was the first time that shift happened, and in the car space, in the enthusiast side of the automotive market, there has been the conventional wisdom that the hobby of car collecting was going to die with the baby boomer generation. According to our data, that is strictly no longer true."

To clarify, car collecting doesn't necessarily mean owning more than one car, but rather it's the pursuit of owning a vehicle for pleasure rather than everyday driving. Here are some of Hagerty's statistics about millennials' car collecting habits and lifestyle:

• The average value of a collector vehicle for millennials is \$21,000 (that's less than the \$30,000 average value of a collector vehicle in North America).





- The average annual insurance premium for millennials' collector cars is \$674.
- The ownership breakdown is 90 percent men and 10 percent women, though that includes cases in which the car is shared by a couple but the man's name is the primary on the policy.
- In general, domestic cars are most popular among enthusiasts, but there are exceptions.
- Millennials are more than four times as interested in Japanese cars compared to pre-boomers (those born between 1930 and 1945), which are more interested in British cars.
- Interest in German cars is consistent across generations.
- Gen X and millennials are 35 percent more likely to exhibit interest in trucks and SUVs compared to preboomers and boomers.

What Cars Millennials Are Collecting

Klinger says the growing interest in trucks and SUVs for younger collectors isn't especially surprising, considering their overall popularity in the United States, but it's one of the most distinctive shifts away from the older generation of collectors.

"The older generations' idea of a collector car would have been Corvette, Mustang, Camaro, European sports car, British sports car. The younger generations are several times more likely to seek out a first-generation Ford Bronco, which was 1969 to 1977, or a Chevrolet pickup from the '60s and '70s," Klinger says. "[There's] this idea that a truck or an SUV or something designed to go offroad is sought after as something fun to own rather than 'Oh, I need this to haul the yard waste' or 'I need this 'cause I like to go off-roading.'"

Furthermore, Klinger notes, there are distinct advantages to owning a vintage truck or SUV instead of a collector car. They're more common, generally more affordable, easier to work on, and parts are easier to find. Buying a vintage vehicle with the intent of working on it, Klinger says, aligns with general rise in "do-it-yourself" or "maker" culture. Hagerty has observed that, not only do millennials prefer different vehicles than their elders, they also use the vehicles differently. Younger collectors are more likely to drive their cars and more likely to attend driving-related events, whereas, the older generations idea of fun is

Even though the hobby can be a welcome escape from technology, Klinger concedes that younger car collectors or newcomers might not see it that way. He notes that a relatively new event called Radwood, which celebrates

taking their car to a car show and hoping to win a trophy,

historically underappreciated cars from the '80s and '90s, thrives on social media even though the purpose of the event is to reminisce about days gone by.

Why Millennials Are Collecting Now

Now that millennials' indulgence in the collector car hobby is better understood, the question remains, why now? The answer is complex, but part of the reason is Gen Xers are in the prime of their earning years, and Hagerty's research found that they collect with as much vigor as the boomers did before them. And, we can also thank the 100-million-strong millennials who are also at the cusp of collecting in huge numbers, too.

In other words, data shows that timing is now different when millennials get their driver's licenses, when they purchase their first cars, when they get married and when they purchase their first homes, Klinger says.

And now it also a great time for their renewed interest. Klinger points out there are plenty of desirable collector cars that can be purchased for less than \$10,000 or even \$5,000.

"Owning a vintage car or an enthusiast car can be a sign of success, but not excess," Klinger says.



Klinger says.



January 2020

What have you been up to?



Zeno and Rheba at the Thanksgiving Dinner



conversation

DSR Thanksgiving Dinner

As usual, the November meeting of the DSR was moved up a week to November 21st to accommodate Thanksgiving. The agenda for the meeting included two important items; the election of the 2020 officers and possibly more important, the Thanksgiving feast. Members had been asked to bring sides while the turkey and ham were excellently prepared by Rheba and Zeno Chaudron. Possibly due to prior conflicts, attendance at the meeting was lower than expected. This meant there was a ton of food for attending members who provided vegetables, salads, bread and several delicious desserts. If anyone was left hungry it was their own fault. Thank you to all who brought items to share.

After the dinner, the election of officers was held with the regular business meeting afterwords. After the regular meeting, results were announced. Congratulations to all elected officers. - Paul Dagenais



Semmes Christmas Parade

Saturday, December 9, 2019 was a wonderful day in Semmes, Alabama for their annual Christmas Parade. It was warm weather and a beautiful day. Semmes residents came out in the "hundreds" to attend the Christmas Parade. The highlight of the day was seeing so many young children full of joy and happiness in attendance. The parade ended with Santa Claus on the last float! They were thrilled to say the least. Another highlight was seeing Mike McKinley of One Meal Mobile with his Food Truck filled with "Free" Bar-B-Q ribs for everyone who wanted some. Special thanks to the Deep South Region Car Club folks with their respective antique cars that they are so proud of! - Joyce Ladnier

Mayor David Baker of Semmes in Leslie Sellers new ride





Chresal Threadgill, MCPSS Superintendent and Grand Marshall in Robert Salter's Ford Galaxie 500

Susan Bergen brings Santa to the kids during the parade





Connie Hudson, County Commissioner with David Ladnier's 1964 Ford Galaxie 500





Party at the Dahlenburg's

It was a fun night of the club just getting together and letting loose. Everybody brought their favorite wine and favorite cheese and just hung out and talked about old cars and Christmas.

What an great opportunity to see one of the largest Christmas villages along with the many Christmas Trees throughout the entire house.

We all had a great time and cannot wait for next year! See you then! - Charlotte



The club enjoys the many snack and cheeses that everyone brought



Everybody having a great time



Katherine, Paul and Tracy enjoying great conversation



Martha dresses for the season!



Rob and Susan enjoy time out with the club



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Vehicle Registrations Will Be Handled With the Customary





Lending Tree Bowl Parade

If you saw a bunch of old cars headed to downtown on January 4 you can almost expect them to be in a parade. This year Jim Henderson was asked to supply six antique cars for the Lending Tree Parade.

Darrin and I had to opportunity to join in the fun with the 1961 Cadilac. The parade is the first Mardi Gras style parade of the new decade. Jim Henderson had the privilege of transporting the Athletic Directors and the Presidents of the Louisiana Raging Cajuns and the Miami of Ohio team thru the parade to start the festivities of the Lending Tree Bowl. - Charlotte



Margo and Mark Magee with Jim Henderson's 1937 Cadilac



Jim Henderson's 1976 Cadilac



Jim Henderson's 60 Buick Electra



Travis and Haleigh Henderson with the 1957 Chevy Bel Air



Darrin and Charlotte with the 1961 Cadilac



Jim Henderson's 1937 Cadilac driven by Mark Magee



Ragin Cajun Athletic Director and his wife in the 1961 Cadilac





Refreshments

January 23 Rheba and Zeno Chadroun February 27 March 26 April 23 May 28

Up Coming Club Events

Monthly Meeting January 23, 7 pm Breakfast at Golden Corral January 25, 8:30 am

Birthdays & Anniversary

Martha Fuller January 2 Tracy Metclaf January 3 Joseph Guess January 4 Frank Piper January 10 Paul Dagenais January 12 **Ed Grimes** January 16 January 19 Jim Grav February 10 Nancy Thoms February 18, 1949

Patt Paquet Fe Anniversaries

David & Belinda Rooney January 24
Foy and Judy Bobo January 26
John & Debbie Bright January 31

Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for Barbara O'Brien, Susan Bergen, Darrin Dahlenburg, Buddy & Patt Paquet, Lycyle Crowdus, Donna Wood.



Guess what this is? What does this go to? Email your answer to dsr36608@gmail. com.

Answer for last month: 1055 Bugatti Aerolithe Electron Coupe

The By Laws

Every month we will print a section of the by laws. This is so you can review the section and bring up any discussion at our meetings to clarify or petition to change the by laws.

ARTICLE V - ELECTIONS

Section 1: The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Board prior to the September meeting. The Nominating Committee shall present candidates for office at the October meeting. At this time, other candidates for office shall be accepted from the members. Candidates for office shall be elected at the November meeting by secret ballot on which there shall be a space for write in candidates or by acclamation. No absentee ballots.

Section 2: The Nominating Committee's duties are to place the name of any member in good standing expressing a desire to be a candidate for any office of his/her choice on the ballot or slate. There may be any number of candidates for any office.

Section 3: A majority vote of the members in good standing present shall be necessary for an election. The vote shall be counted and the result reported at the meeting by a committee appointed by the President. The results shall be posted in the clubhouse. No visitors allowed during the election meeting.

Section 4: All ballots, tally sheets, etc., used in the election shall be placed in an envelope and sealed and the year of the election written on the envelope unless the vote is by acclamation. The Secretary shall hold the envelope for a period of one year, when it shall be destroyed. The sealed envelope containing the election material may be opened only upon a majority vote of members at a regular or special meeting

Sunshine Committee

Hi, all! I realized that many of you don't know how to contact me in the event that someone is in need of some sunshine. You can contact me on my cell (251) 607-9651 (please leave a message if I don't answer or send a text), or email me: jsellers@southalabama.edu.

Janice Sellers Committee Chairperson







Vintage cars for an Alternative America

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Imagine that the United States and its allies had lost World War II, that the Axis powers carved up the globe. Picture California, Oregon and Washington in the early 1960s as territories in the Japanese Pacific States.

Such is the premise of The Man in the High Castle, a popular television series on Amazon, which is based on Philip K. Dick's 1962 Hugo Award-winning novel of the same name.

For fans of dystopian fiction who also happen to be car enthusiasts, one of the first things you notice in this altered world are the cars. Although it's the early 1960s, the striking auto designs of the 1950s, as we know them, never happened. The cars in this reality are smaller than we remember and noticeably more austere than the flamboyant designs of the tailfin era, which in this setting makes sense. Because America did not win the war, there was no exuberance and unbridled optimism to be celebrated in the post-war era.

Much of the show's filming takes place in British Columbia, Canada, and Washington. Jovan Vujatovic, of 396 Movie Cars, based just outside of Vancouver, is responsible for procuring the classic cars that set the tone for the production. According to Vujatovic, "The theory we had was simple: If the Germans had won, would they let U.S. manufacturers continue building American cars? They would bring the former U.S. car manufacturing plants under Nazi control. In that scenario, the market forces would not have influenced car designs in the same way, and certainly the advanced consumer revolution of the late 1950s would never have occurred—so styles would have been more pragmatic and less fanciful. Hence the choice not to use large tailfins, or elaborate paneling and fretwork." In this world, the likes of Harley Earl would probably have been fired or relegated to designing sedate little sedans.

There are about 30 vintage vehicles used in each episode, and Vujatovic sources them from private collections all over B.C., while many of the trucks come from the B.C. Vintage Truck Museum. The end credits, however, give a specific thank you





to the Toyota USA Automobile Museum. The museum, located in Torrance, Calif., celebrates the decades-long heritage of the Toyota brand in America. Their first sales office was established in Hollywood in 1957, and the following year consumers got their first look at the Toyopet Crown and Land Cruiser. The museum displays around a dozen vehicles, starting with a 1959 Toyopet Crown Custom. The diminutive four-door sedan is reminiscent of a Nash Metropolitan.

It was Vujatovic who approached the Toyota Museum before filming began. "In very early prep for the show, I had to find early 1960s Japanese cars," he says. In Canada, this is close to impossible. "I was almost at wit's end when I Googled 'Japanese car museum.' That's how I found the Toyota USA Automobile Museum. I contacted Susan Sanborn, the director and curator, who was very supportive."

The museum shipped five vehicles to Vujatovic: a 1961 Toyopet Crown, a pair of 1965 Tiaras, a 1965 Land Cruiser FJ45 Truck and a 1967 Stout Truck, all of which are stored in a secure facility at 396's studio.

Although some of these cars were produced after the year in which the show is set, their retro styling fits well with the era. The cars in the show are small, utilitarian, and functional—quite different from what Detroit produced in real life—as if the

accounting department completely overruled the designers. And they are versatile enough to be dressed up according to the show's needs. In season one, for example, the Toyopet Crown was repurposed to appear as a taxi. In the next season, one of the Tiaras filled that role.

According to Sanborn, loaning the vintage Toyotas has been a positive experience. "We are very happy to hear that the show won several Emmys and has been renewed for a third season. Our vehicles will continue to be on location in 2017."

As for Vujatovic, he is excited about continuing to provide correct cars for a period piece like The Man in the High Castle. "I do really enjoy the challenge of it all. Some of my days are very creative in selecting cars, colors, and placements on sets. I have the best production designer to work alongside and a wonderful team of mechanics. We have tapped into some of the best car collections, met some amazing people, and get to play with some very rare cars. We are always looking for new finds, so if anyone out there has a car that would work for the show, feel free to contact me."

Michael Milne is the author of the Roadster Guide to America's Classic Car Museums & Attractions. If you have a vehicle to lend for shooting, contact Jovan Vujatovic at HighCastleCars@gmail.com





Minutes from the Thursday, November 21

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by David Rooney in Charlotte Dahlenburg's absence. Walt and Martha Fuller gave the Blessing and the group together said the Pledge of Allegiance. A Thanksgiving Covered Dish Dinner was held for all members and friends to enjoy.

In Attendance: Violet Haynes, Robie Haynes, Zeno and Rheba Chaudron, David and Joyce Ladnier, Brian Daly, David and Patricia Couling, Herb and Nancy Thoms, Belinda and David Rooney, Walt and Martha Fuller, Tracy Metclaf, Paul Dagenais, Leslie and Janice Sellers, Ray and Catherine Harper, Jim and Nancy Henderson, Mac and Kathy McNamera.

After the covered dish meal, the official meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by David Rooney. Tonight is the Vote for Officers for 2020. Martha Fuller and Committee passed out Ballots at this time.

Two things to add: A name cannot be placed in nomination after the October Meeting was held. Ray Harper's name was suggested for Member at Large, and Jim Henderson for Vice President. Mr. Henderson said do not write his name in.

The Ballot as written is as follows:

President: Zeno Chaudron; Vice President: Darrin Dahlenburg; Secretary: Joyce Ladnier; Treasurer: Paul Dagenais; Editor, Charlotte Dahlenburg; Activities: David Ladnier. Member at Large: David Rooney. Motion made that the Ballot Nominations be closed.

Walt Fuller made a motion that we accept the minutes as published in the last Newsletter. David Rooney seconded.

Paul Dagenais gave the Financial Report; Herb Thoms asked about the Car Show Expense; Mac McNamera asked about name tags; There will not be a meeting in December, we will have a Christmas Dinner downtown at the Riverview Renaissance Hotel, Sunday, December 8, 6:00 pm (in the Harbor Room); cost is \$10.00 per person. If guests come to the dinner, their cost is \$35.00 per person.

Activity Report: David Ladnier gave a schedule of upcoming parades:

Dawes Parade, Wine and Cheese Get-Together; Mustang Club Gathering, DSR Christmas Dinner Party; Semmes Parade; Dauphin Island Parade; Mardi Gras Parade. David Ladnier asked that the Semmes Parade, Dawes Parade and the Dauphin Island Parade be Club Events. Motion made and passed.

End of the Year – Time to pay your dues! See Paul Dagenais for info.

Ray Harper mentioned the Cruising the Coast info. Last month several Car Club members went to a meeting for Cruising the Coast in hopes that the Mobile Car Club might be able to participate. (This year each Club that participated received \$4700.)

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm. Respectively submitted, Joyce Ladnier

Great Race 2020 X-Cup UPDATE!!

Reprinted for the Great Race Website

The 2019 Scott Henderson AACA X-Cup Scholarship winner is Jacob Derk who will be attending Alfred State College. AACA Grant awards of \$1000 each were also presented to X-Cup Teams from Alfred State College, NY; Galax, VA; and Murfreesboro, TN.

Preliminary Entry Form is now available for X-Cup Student Teams, ONLY, and MUST be submitted by December 30, 2019.

The grants will help pay the expenses the teams incur with participating in the race, including fuel, hotels, food and vehicle transportation. The grants do not go towards entry fees, as the Great Race has provided sponsors for each of the teams and will continue to do so.

AACA is the country's leading collector car organization with more than 60,000 members worldwide and has a huge commitment to youth in general and to youth programs in the hobby. Each student from the three teams will also receive a one-year student membership in AACA.

Throughout the history of the Great Race, it has been a priority to encourage youth to participate, be it



as a participant or part of the staff. Eventually, a special class was created for young automotive enthusiasts who wanted to pilot a vintage car in the Great Race. This class would be known as the X-Cup class.

We are looking forward to seeing what team is awarded the Scott Henderson AACA X-Cup Scholarship Award. We will find out at the awards banquet in Philadelphia February 8.









AACA Library to Host Pinewood Derby at Annual Convention

The AACA Library is pleased to announce that it will be hosting a pinewood derby-style event on Friday evening during our Annual Convention in Philadelphia. The date for the 2020 Derby is Friday, February 7, immediately following the Regions & Chapters Presidents' Dinner.

You can enter a car made from a kit or made completely from scratch. As long as the cars adhere to our dimensional and weight specifications, they can race. There is no age limit (young or old) and the \$25 entrance



Speedster monthly e-newsletter articles courtesy of AACA



WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS DOING 25 YEARS AGO

from the January 1995 Sparkplug

New President Encourages More Member Involvement

Frank DeCrease, DSR's new leader hopes that more members will participate in club activities this year. He feels that any member can get only as much from the club as he/she is willing to put in.

Frank is originally from Shennadoah, Pennsylvania. He moved to Michigan at an early age. He and Margorie have been married for 36 years and have one son and one daughter, both of whom live in the Detroit area. They are the proud grandparents of 5 grandchildren ranging in age from one to twelve years of age. Prior to moving to Mobile in 1991 to become the Police Administrator of the City of Mobile Police Department, he retired from the Detroit Police Department at the rank of Lieutenant. He moved to Highland Park, Michigan where he was the Assistant Public Safety

Director. Following this he was the Chief of Police for the Ecorse, Michigan Police Department. All in all, he has served the public for Forty- plus years in law enforcement. According to Frank his proudest moment was when he received his police badge at the age of 21 after entering as a cadet when he was only 18 years old.

Along with antique automobiles, his hobbies include computers, coin collection and cooking (Ribs marinated in ginger ale are one of his specialties.) Even if not the most valuable of his coin collection, one of his favorite is a \$20 gold piece and he also has a 1899 paper dollar.

Old Business

Margie DeCrease reported on the three Angel Tree children. Toys were purchased for a three year old, a four year old and a ten year old. Donations taken amounted to \$191.00 so the members asked Margie to purchase gifts for one more child. Thank you, Margie! All other business was postponed until the next regular meeting.

Numerous awards and citations were presented to 'retiring" officers and members on the telephone committee. Presentations were also made to those members who served as officers this year.

Christmas Meeting

The annual Christmas meeting was held at Korbet's on December 9, 1994. The meeting hosted 61 members and guests. The meeting was called to order by Buddy Paquet, president, at 7:30. The invocation was given by Don Dillehey.

A special DSR Christmas cake was served after the buffet and Christmas door prizes were given to each person present.







The Gulf Coast Region AACA

will be hosting the 2020 Texas Tour next year in Brenham, Texas. The tour begins Thursday, May 14 and ends with the banquet the evening of Saturday May 16, 2020. Hotel rates at both venues are good every day beginning with check in

Wednesday, May 13 through check out on Sunday May 17, 2020.

The HOST Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express:

2685 Schulte Blvd, Brenham, Texas 77833

979-830-5331

***Ask for Block name 67th Texas Tour (Block code MCS) Rate \$130.99 per night, plus Tax/Fees

Overflow and Pet Friendly:

Motel 6 Brenham (formerly Holiday Inn and Suites) 555 Hwy 290 West, Brenham, Texas 77833

979-836-4590

**Ask for 67th Texas Tour Car Show (No code required) \$90.00 per night, plus Tax/Fees
The Tour packets for Registration will be mailed shortly after the first of the year 2020. If
you have

any questions about hotel and/or registration, please contact Sandra Johnston at 2020texastour@att.net .

We look forward to seeing you in 2020!
TOUR CHAIR – Wayne Bartlett 281-447-1476
Co-CHAIR – Jim Johnston 832-693-4008
Registrar—Sandra Johnston 713-542-9481









AACA is...Mel Carson 2019 AACA President

The Antique Automobile Club of America is: "America's Premier Resource for the Collectible Vehicle Community and America's Automotive Library and Research Center."

The purpose of the AACA is the perpetuation of the pioneer days of automobiling by furthering interest in, and preservation of antique automobiles, by promoting sportsmanship and good fellowship among all AACA members. The AACA exists to support the mutual interests of its members. It provides a comprehensive activities program that is available to all members and their families. The public is encouraged to take an interest in the organized activities, meets, and tours and become members of the AACA.

AACA membership must continuously grow to maintain a viable organization. Every AACA Director and AACA member is encouraged to constantly seek out new members for AACA. AACA must always publicly promote the organization with every method possible to maintain the position of preserving

antique automobiles.

A crucial development is the new AACA National Headquarters and AACA Library & Research Center located in Hershey, PA. This facility, when occupied in mid -2020, will provide operational space for the AACA staff, including meeting areas, a loading dock, material storage, and parking. The new Library & Research Center will have the latest technology available for a modern library to support research and restoration efforts. Additional financial support is essential to complete the Capital

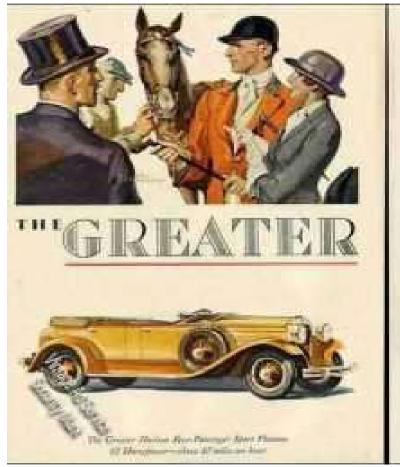
Campaign Vision for the new facility.

The AACA publishes several different types of periodicals and documents including the ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE magazine and the Rummage Box, Wheels,

Speedster. A comprehensive AACA website is also accessible for use. The AACA achieves its vision and objectives through the collective resources of its international membership. Regions and Chapters support them interests of the members on a local basis. AACA members, directors, and officers are expected to maintain the highest level of relations with the community at large.

It is the desire of the AACA to do everything possible through the directors, officers, national office, publications and the Library and Research Center to aid individuals, museums, libraries, historians, scholars and collectors dedicated to the preservation of antique automobiles *and automotive history*.

Rummage Box articles courtesy of AACA Rummage Box





What's the Latest News About Our New Building?



No news is good news, right? While we are still in a little standstill with construction stuff, we wanted to take a minute to sincerely thank all of you who have already given a monetary donation to the capital campaign. The generosity we have seen from the thousands of you already has amazed us and we are so truly, deeply moved. This AACA family of ours is definitely stepping up to the plate when the club needs them the most. We cannot say THANK YOU enough!

For those of you who are still trying to decide how much to give or if you will give at all, we ask you to do one thing... Take a minute and really think about this club. Think about the people you have met and the friends you have made because of this club. Think about the places you've traveled to and experienced because of this club. Think about the cars you've seen and admired because of this club. Think about what brings you joy in your life. Is it any of the items we've listed above - the friends, the places, the cars? Why not make a year-end, tax-deductible donation to an organization that makes you happy every day you belong to it?

Making a donation could not be easier -- just call AACA Headquarters at 717-534-1910 or visit capitalcampaign. aaca.com to donate online.

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Local Car Shows

February

- 8 Mobile Bay Cars and Coffee at the Fort 29000 Bas Pro Dr, Spanish Fort, AL 8-10am
- 29 Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Show, Bass Pro Shops, Spanish Fort, AL., 8am-4pm.
- 29 Baldwin County Cattlemen's Festival & Cruise In, Baldwin County Fairgrounds, Robertsdale, 9am-3pm
- Orange Beach Seafood Festival & Car Show, The Wharf, Orange Beach, AL. For more information, contact Jeanne at Orange Beach Parks & Recreation at 251-981-1524 or ifitz@orangebeachal.gov.
- 29 8th Annual VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 Open Car Show Bay St. Louis, MS 228-493-2033

March

- 1 Surge Church Youth Fundraiser 2900 Dawes Rd. 3rd Annual Peoples Choice
- 1 Battle In Bama is The Premiere Hot Rod, Car, Truck, and Bike Show on the Alabama Gulf Coast! The Premiere Pre-Party on a Battleship will be hosted on Friday, 05/01/20, on the USS Alabama Battleship. First 300 registered will receive tickets for this EPIC event
- 4-7 Emerald Coast Cruizen' All the Hot Rods, Classics, Trucks, Bikes, Vendors and More. Info at 662-587-9572
- 7 Swampfest Swamp Fest Arts and Crafts Show and Car Show, Satsuma High School, Satsuma, AL. 9am-2pm
- 7 The C.A.R. Shop Cruisers 9am- 2pm: 9-10am. to hang 10am we leave and head out on a cruise together as a group and enjoy lunch and fellowship together. 7745 Tara Drive in Semmes, AL.
- 7 21st Annual Gnat Nationals Open Car/Truck/Bike Show 8am-3pm Our Lady of the Gulf, 228 South Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. \$20 Registration.
- 13-15 Orange Beach Invasion, The Wharf, Orange Beach, AL. 8am- 3pm
- 14 17th Annual Azalea Festival at MGM & 3rd Annual "Help Find a Cure Car, Truck and Bike Show" from 9am- 4pm at MGM High School Hosted by the Semmes Chamber of Commerce. All proceeds from the car show goes to St. Jude Children's Hospital.
- 14 Branden Penegar Memorila Car show, Gonzales United Methodist Chruch, Cantoonment, FL 8am-Until
- 21 Wheels on the Waterfront
- 21 Gulf Coast Mustang and Mega Car Show. Downtown Owa.

- Saturday 8am-4pm. Info at Phone: (251) 923-2111, Email: info@visitowa.com, Website: visitowa.com/explore/events
- 21 Mobile Chocolate Festival 10am-3pm at the Grounds 1035 Cody Rd, Mobile
- 21 25th Annual VW Show, Edgewater Mall, Bilioxi, MS. \$25 registration
- 28 2nd Annual Camp Grace Car Show. 11081 Wanda Drive Mobile, 10am-2pm
- 28 After Dark Roast at the Fort, 29000 Bas Pro Dr, Spanish Fort, AL 6-8pm
- 28 Lillian United Methodist Church Car Show, Lillian UMC, Lillian, AL., 8am-4:pm.

April

- 4-5 Bo's Extravaganza
- 4 Rock N Roll Open Car, Jeep & Bike Show, 2446 Beach Blvd., Biloxi, MS. Info at 228-860-4103 Reg. 9am Judging 11am Registration \$30
- 2 Gulfport Auto Show Gulfport, MS 228-596-0664
- 11 MAMC 2020 Spring Cruise A leisure cruise down US 90 from Theodore, AL, to Biloxi, MS for a lunch on the beach.
- 2020 Spring Cruise, Hwy 90 Lunch Cruise Mobile, AL. to Biloxi, MS. 9:am start at Doug's Quick Mart, 5592 US-90, Theodore, AL 36582 11am end, 1775 Beach Blvd, Biloxi, MS 39531
- 7th Annual Crosspoint Cruisin' for Missions Car, Truck, and Bike Show & Family Fun Day!! Gulfport, MS, Crosspoint Church 15046 North Swan Rd. Show starts at 9:30am, Awards Presented at 2pm. 7 classes of trophies and plaques will be awarded; cars, trucks, bikes, Imports, 4x4s and rat rods. Registration fee will be \$20.
- 18 27th Camellia Classic Open Car show, Bellingrath Gardens and Home, Theodore, AL. Info at info@ mobilebaymustangclub.org
- 18 AAECM Open Car Show D'Ibervilel, MS
- 23-25 Bama Coast Cruisin, The Wharf, Orange Beach, AL Calling all car enthusiasts be part of the Best Cruisin' Event on the Alabama Gulf Coast. Visit BamaCoastCruisinfor more info
- 25 MoparFest at the Battleship Car Show and Swap Meet. Friday dinner on the Battleship with a tour. Saturday registration begins at 8am judging at 1 pm. Info at 504-512-0367.





Application for New Membership

Deep South Region AACA Mobile, Al

Ownership of a vehicle is not required for membership

National AACA Membership Number______(You must be a member of AACA to join Deep South Region)

New Member Information	on (Please Print)		
Name:			
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Applicant's Signature: _			
Date	Husband Birthday	Wife Birth	day
Anniversary			
DSR voting privileges, exhib and competition for national perks include the opportunity at special programs; find pa	MEMBERSHIP (Includes Spouce/Partner) Iting your cars in national meets, enjoying to annual awards and prizes, and the bi-monity to learn more about your antique or classifierts and dealers; socialize with other ownerity to feature your vehicle(s) on our Club's	ours hosted by Region Chapt thly Antique Automobile Maga c car(s) from other members; ers; complimentary subscript	azine. As a DSR member, other hear interesting guest speakers
	(Ages 13-25 for students only) nnual membership. Must provide student	ID	\$12.00

After you have joined AACA, complete the following information and bring it to one of our meetings, or you may mail it with a check for DSR annual dues to our Club Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, 58 South Julia Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604.

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Dues are billed annually only. There is no pro-rating of dues and back issues of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE may not always be available.

Item	Qty	Unit Price	Total
Certificate of Membership 8¼" x 11"		\$6.00	
Enamel Car Badge 41/4" x 3" Gold/Blue		\$22.00	
Bumper Sticker 41/4" x 3" — Blue with AACA Logo in Gold		\$2.00	
Package of 8 Emblem Window Decals		\$3.00	
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1963 Ford Galaxie 500Convertible 390 CID.
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Gray at 251-406-1841

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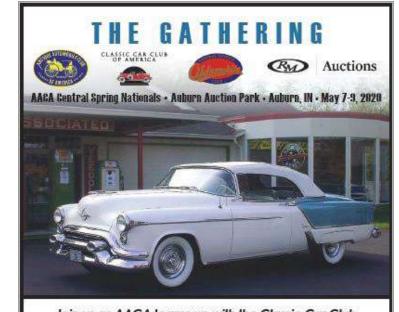
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1929 Hudson Super six. Dennis Ramey, Perkinston, Mississippi. Phone 406 546-5442



1989 Chevy Caprice good condition. Call Ernest at 251-661-7692 or Email: bhcewc@att.net



Join us as AACA teams up with the Classic Car Club of America, National Antique Oldsmobile Club & RM Auctions for this year's Central Spring Nationals!

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Chief Judge:

Norman Hutton, Normhuttonracing@gmail.com

Registration Chair:

Pat Buckley, pbuckley@aaca.org







February

6-8 - Annual Convention - Philadelphia, PA 20 -22 - Winter National - South Florida Region -Miami, FL

April

2-5 - Southeastern Spring National - Hornets Nest Region - Charlotte, NC

23-25 - Western Spring National - Phoenix & Tucson Regions - Show Low, AZ

26-May 1 - AACA Founders Tour - Phoenix & Tucson Regions - Show Low, AZ (vehicles 1936-1995)

May

7-9 - Central Spring National - AACA National Headquarters - Auburn, IN

13-16 - AACA Eastern Divisional Tour - Eastern Shore Region - Eastern Shore of Maryland

June

7-12 - AACA Sentimental Tour - Mountain State Classics Region - Potomac Highlands, VA (vehicles 1928-1958)

24-27 - Eastern Spring National - White Water Region - Daniels, WV



Time	Location	Address	For More Info Contact
Every Thursday	Sonic in Bay Minette	Bay Minette, AL (Feb-Nov)	
Every Saturday	Steak and Shake	McGowan Park, Mobile, AL	Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643
1st Saturday	Five Guys Burgers	McGowan Park, Mobile, AL	Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643
1st Saturday	Edgewater Mall	Hwy. 90, Biloxi MS	Jimbo 228-596-0664
2nd Friday	Hooters	Daphne, AL (Feb-Nov)	
2nd Friday	Downtown Cruise	Ocean Springs, MS	
2nd Saturday	What-A-Burger 5-8 pm	Cottage Hill & Snow Rd	Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643
2nd Saturday	Fairways Indoor Golf	Eastern Shore Mall, Malbis	Eastern Shore Cruisers
3rd Thursday	Sonic	Foley, Hwy. 59 (Mar-Nov)	
3rd Saturday	What-A-Burger 5-8 pm	Airport & Schillingers Rd	Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643
3rd Saturday	Beef O' Bradys	Spanish Fort, Hwy. 90	
3rd Saturday	Bay City Grill	5675 Hwy. 43 Satsuma 4-8 pm	
3rd Saturday	Orange Grove Kruiser's	Acadian Pizza on Hwy 49 Gulfport, MS	
4th Saturday	Hot Wheels & Wings Cruise-In	Hooters Hwy. 98 Daphne 3-6 pm	
4th Saturday	10126 Grand Bay Wilmer Rd	10 am - 1 pm	Grand Bay Country Cruzer
4th Saturday	What-A-Burger ThrowBack	2461 Government Bld	
4th Saturday	Stoney's BBQ 5-8 pm	Hwy. 43 , Saraland	Northside Cruisers
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