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Deep South Region of AACA Newsletter

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Meetings are held at the Clubhouse on the 4th Thursday of each month. Refreshments begin at 6:00 pm, and the meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

DSR Dues are \$20, and AACA dues are \$45.

Newsletter Deadline on 25th day of each month.

DSR Events

February
14 - Work Day at the Clubhouse
1:00 pm (Rain Day - 15th)

17 - Tour of Billy Reed Collection
9:00 am - Clubhouse to Caravan
10:00 am - Tour begins

22 - DSR Monthly Meeting
6:00 pm Refreshments
7:00 pm Meeting
DSR Clubhouse, Mobile, AL

24 - Movie Night with the Dixie Wings Time to be determined.

March
28 - DSR Monthly Meeting
6:00 pm Refreshments
7:00 pm Meeting
DSR Clubhouse, Mobile, AL

30 - 14th Annual Shirley Looney Memorial Car Show

See page 3 for more details.

AACA Events

March 3 - Hamburg Swap Meet & Car Corral
Hamburg, Pennsylvania

March 9 - 58th Kyana Region AACA Giant Indoor Swap Meet
Louisville, Kentucky

March 17 - 2024 AACA Founders Tour (vehicles 1932-1999)
Acadiana Area, Louisiana

March 21 - 2024 Special Winter Nationals
Guaynabo, Puerto Rico

March 23 - Naples-Marco Region's 34th Annual Depot Show
Naples, Florida

Visit www.aaca.org for more info

This month's cover car is a 1963 Mercury Meteor S-33 belonging to David & Patricia Couling. Submit a good, distant photo of your car to be featured.

Zeno's Corner

Here it is - February already! Hope everyone is doing well. Next week, Rheba, John, Debbie and I will be heading up to Virginia for the AACA National Convention. If you have never been, you need to attend at least once. It is a very informative time, and we all have a lot of fun, too.

We are only 2 months away from the Shirley Looney show, and there is still a lot of work to be done. Try your best to attend the February meeting, so we can get everything done and make the 14th year the BEST year!

Best Regards, Zeno

Lunch at Street's - January 20

Quite a few club members braved the chilly weather to caravan to Street's Seafood Restaurant in Bay Minette, Alabama. Everyone said it was nice to have a simple get together with friends after the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Of course, delicious seafood was nice, as well!



Randy Jones & Associates presents the 14th Annual Shirley Looney Memorial Car Show

So much has been happening with the show, but the biggest change came right after the New Year. We received a call from the city letting us know that Langan Park was going to be available after all, and so we made the decision to move the show to the park, as we had wanted. This eliminates expenses for port-o-lets and crossing guards and allows us almost unlimited space for cars, booths, and spectators. You may have already seen some of the publicity we have been sending out via social media, so please, share, share, share! Below are more updates:

- ◆ Pre-registration is up to 19 cars. If you plan to display your car at the show, please get pre-registered to make things easier on our registration crew on the day of the show. Club cars will not be judged.
- ◆ Our biggest goal in the next 2 months is to bring in items for the silent auction, the door prizes, and goody bags (x 100) Please, check with the businesses you frequent to see if they will contribute something to the show.
- ◆ Sponsor Trophies - \$30 each or 4 for \$100. This is a great way for smaller businesses to become a sponsor, or trophies may be used in remembrance of someone or celebration of an event.
- ◆ We will need all hands on March 30th, but we especially need someone to handle the silent auction and the door prize giveaways.

Committees

Sunshine Committee

Do you know a member who could use a little sunshine? If you know someone who is sick, grieving or lonesome, send us an email. Kathy McNamara will send a card to let them know their friends at the DSR are thinking of them.

Refreshment Committee

If you would like to organize the dinner at our monthly meeting, contact Reba Chaudron at the club email address. Simply pick a date, and let us know what type of food you would like. We will email the



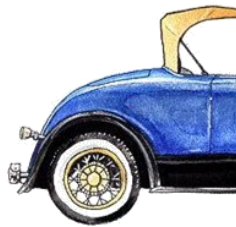
Membership Committee

Do you know someone who is interested in antique cars? Invite them to a meeting to check out the DSR, a friendly, active antique car community.



Publicity Committee

Are you good at writing, drawing, painting, or graphic design? Do you like handling social media? The publicity committee needs people with the skills to make our club look great and keep us visible to the public.



Upcoming Events

2024 Dues - If you have not paid your dues for 2024, please do so as soon as possible. The current roster has been sent to National. If you are not on the list, this month will be your last copy of *The Sparkplug* and *The Speedster*, the AACA's magazine. National dues are \$45 per year, and local dues are \$20 per year. You can write one check for \$65 to Deep South Region AACA, and Debbie will submit your national dues for you. Or you can pay your national dues online at www.aaca.org and write a check for your local dues.



February 14 - Work Day at the Clubhouse 1:00 pm Bring your gloves and yard tools. We will be sprucing up the grounds after several storms, as well as working in the clubhouse. In case of bad weather, we will meet on the 15th at 1pm.

February 17 - Tour of Billy Reed Collection - Caravan will leave the clubhouse promptly at 9am, or meet us at Billy's museum at 10am for the tour, 224 Baldwin Rd., Satsuma, AL. Call Leslie if you plan to attend, so he can get a head count - (251) 232-9434.

February 22 - DSR Monthly Meeting - Join us for dinner at 6pm, followed by our regular monthly meeting at 7 at the clubhouse.



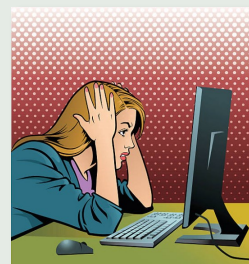
February 24 - Movie Night - Our friends at the Dixie Wings Motorcycle Club have invited us to join them for a movie night. Plans are to see *Ordinary Angels* at the AMC Theater on Schillenger Rd. The time is to be announced.

March 16 - University of South Alabama Society of Automotive Engineering Car Show - 10am-2pm on the university campus. Let's help these guys have a great show. Show up to help work and/or bring out a car. More details to come!



March 30 - 14th Annual Shirley Looney Memorial Car Show - 8am-3pm on the grounds of beautiful Langan Park. See page 2 for an update. Thank to John & Debbie Bright for putting up this giant banner, which Debbie says can be seen from the Space Station!

April 20 - Earth Day Cruise-In - In conjunction with Keep Mobile Beautiful and the Japanese Garden. More details to come.



If you've been on our website lately, then you will understand this graphic! Our website is running so slowly, that it is almost impossible to use, much less to update! Turns out that the servers at AACA, which host our website free of charge, are obsolete and overwhelmed with so many clubs now creating web sites. They are working on fixing the problem, so hopefully things will get back to normal in the next few weeks.

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Saturday, March 30, 2024

Hosted by Deep South Region AACA

Langan Park ~ 4901 Zeigler Blvd. ~ Mobile, Alabama

Open Show - Rain or Shine

Registration 8 - 11 AM - Awards - 3 PM
Goodie Bags For the First 100 Entrants

- ✦ Door Prizes
- ✦ Silent Auction
- ✦ 50/50 Drawing
- ✦ Entertainment
- ✦ Food Vendors
- ✦ Great Fun!

For more information visit deepsouth.aaca.com
or email us at deepsouthregion.aaca@gmail.com

Awards Include

- ✦ Best of Show + \$250
- ✦ Shirley's Choice
- ✦ Best Paint
- ✦ Best Interior
- ✦ Best Engine
- ✦ 1st & 2nd Place
- Class Trophies
- ✦ Sponsor's Award

PROFITS FROM THE SHIRLEY LOONEY MEMORIAL CAR SHOW BENEFIT
THE ADAM LOONEY FOUNDATION & THE DEEP SOUTH REGION AACA

RJA Randy Jones & Associates
Offering **HAGERTY**



Registration Form: Pre-register \$20 - Day of Show \$25 - Each Additional Car - \$10
CARS ♦ TRUCKS ♦ VANS ♦ JEEPS ♦ MOTORCYCLES

Name: _____

Car #1:

Address: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____

Model: _____ Modified: Yes No

Phone: _____

Car #2:

Year: _____ Make: _____

Model: _____ Modified: Yes No

Email: _____

I Am a Veteran:

List more cars on the back. Total Enclosed: _____

Please, make checks payable to: Deep South Region AACA
Remit to: Post Office Box 91581, Mobile, Alabama 36691

Pre-registration Ends March 15, 2024

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Trophy Sponsorship Form

Sponsor a trophy in honor of your loved one or advertise your business while supporting a worthy cause. All profits from the 14th Annual Shirley Looney Memorial Car Show will benefit the Adam Looney Foundation and the Deep South Region AACA. Show sponsors will be mentioned by an on-site DJ throughout the show.

Fill out the form below and return it to the following address no later than February 29, 2024.
Make checks payable to Deep South Region AACA.

Donor Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Sponsorship Levels

- \$30 - Two (2) personalized lines on award plaque.
- \$100 - Two (2) personalized lines on four (4) award plaques. Do not have to be identical.

Use the lines below to write your caption. Trophies will be printed exactly as written below.

Use one form for each trophy. Please, print clearly.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Thank you for making a contribution to the 14th Annual Shirley Looney Memorial Car Show.
All profits from this show will benefit the Adam Looney Foundation & The Deep South Region AACA.

Donor Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Item Description: _____

Value of Item: _____

I will donate 100 items for car show goody bags: _____

Delivery Method:

- I will mail the item to Deep South Region AACA, Post Office Box 91581, Mobile, AL 36691.
- I need a representative from Deep South Region AACA to pick up the item.
- I will provide a certificate by email to deepsouthregion.aaca@gmail.com.
- I need Deep South Region AACA to create a certificate for me using the following information:

Please, provide a description of the item donated, and clearly print the company information as you would like it to appear.

Signature _____ Date _____

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To become an advertiser, submit your digital file as a pdf, jpg, or png file. Checks should be made out to Deep South Region AACA and earmarked for newsletter advertising. If you have any questions, contact editor Deana Landry at deepsouthregion.aaca@gmail.com.

New Stores in Gulfport and Gulf Shores!

- TRUSS PLANT**
2423 Hwy 31 South
Bay Minette, AL
251-937-8842
- MILLWORK PLANT**
2423 Hwy 31 South
Bay Minette, AL
251-937-7400
- CONTRACTOR YARD**
25847 Friendship Rd
Daphne, AL
251-626-6993
- CONTRACTOR YARD**
8960 Warning Rd
Pensacola, FL
850-494-2534
- COAST DESIGN KITCHEN & BATH**
5253 Hwy 90 West
Mobile, AL
251-666-7920
- FULL SERVICE YARD**
5229 Hwy 90 West
Mobile, AL
251-661-8000
- FULL SERVICE YARD**
10194 Lorraine Rd
Gulfport, MS
228-897-1282
- FULL SERVICE YARD**
12250 Hwy 90 West
Grand Bay, AL
251-865-6185
- FULL SERVICE YARD**
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Gulf Shores, AL
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