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NEWSLETTER OF THE  
DEEP SOUTH REGION

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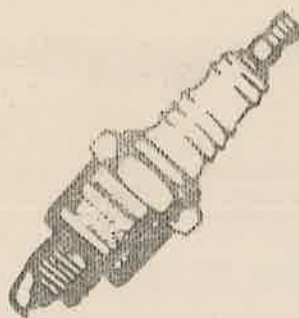


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## ICE CREAM...ICE CREAM...AND MORE ICE CREAM

The "ice cream social" at the clubhouse on Sunday, September 11th was the biggest outing we have had to date with 35 members and 4 guests. It began at 2 pm and was finished by 4 pm so you can see that we wasted no time digging into the freezers of ice cream.

Robert & Sharon did an excellent job of organizing the event. There were more treats than we could possibly eat but we tried to make sure there were no left-overs to take home.

In addition to all of the delicious ice cream, pies, cakes and cookies, fellowship was at an all time high. Along with the "regulars" there were new members as well as some we have been missing at meetings and outings lately. It was good to see so many present.

Enjoying the afternoon were 1 Bell, 2 Brelands, 2 Brutons, 2 Crowds, 2 DeCreases, 1 Demetropulos, 2 Dillehays, 2 Fontaas, 2 Francis, 2 Huats, 2 Lunsfords, 2 Moores, 1 Neese, 2 Paquets, 2 Reids, 2 Whighams, 2 Whites with daughter Joanna and 2 Youens.

Guests were former member, John Howell, and his daughter, Valinda Ellis, as well as Bill & Mickey Cox, potential new members.

Some of the members drove their antique/classic cars but what everyone was looking at and talking about was Margie DeCrease's "new" '62 VETTIE!!! It is a beauty and she loves it.

## WEST FLORIDA REGION AACA 27TH ANNUAL SHOW

The 27th annual West Florida Region AACA show was held at Seville Square in Pensacola August 26-27. It began Friday with registration and a hospitality party for the early arrivals.

The show itself began at 7:30 am Saturday when the show field opened. There were approximately 75 beautiful cars to be judged and for the spectators to enjoy.

Only one "free car wash" let competitors have an opportunity for an extra wipe-down before the judging started. The only other shower was after the judging and over quickly.

Something new in this year's show was the presentation of awards from the gazebo rather than at the traditional evening banquet. This is a nice touch to an already great show. The big oak trees make the area ideal for handing out trophies.

DSR were 1 Bailey, 1 Cammon, 2 Paquets, 2 Reids and 2 Youens all of whom brought trophies home.

Visiting during the day were 2 Crowds, 1 Grimes, 2 Lunsfords with son, Mike, and 2 Whites.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE  
WINNERS!!!!!!

# Minutes

## DEEP SOUTH REGION AACA GENERAL MEETING

The August 25, 1994, meeting of the DSR was called to order by Buddy Paquet, president, at 7:30 PM. There were 39 members and four guests present. The invocation was given by Don Dillehay.

### OLD BUSINESS

The July minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter on a motion from John Reid with a second from Lloyd Crowdus.

Robert Moore, activities coordinator, read a letter of appreciation from the Mental Health Association in Southwest Alabama for the club's participation in their recent fund raiser.

### NEW BUSINESS

Buddy Paquet asked for volunteers for the nominating committee. Members are: Brenda Reid, chair, Jane Bruton, Jerry Finley, Frank DeCrease, Ernie Youens, Raymond Cochran and Buddy Paquet. Anyone interested in being an officer next year should contact any of the committee members. The slate of officers will be presented at the October meeting.

The August financial report was accepted on a motion from George Demetropoulos with a second by John Reid.

Ed Lunsford made a motion to move \$2500 from the 1994 Car Show fund into the Building fund with the balance of the Car Show fund moved into the General fund. This would bring the balance of the 1994 Car Show fund to \$0 to close the account. The motion was seconded by Lloyd Crowdus. After a lengthy discussion, a vote was taken and the motion carried.

Robert Moore reported for the building committee that bids are now being taken for Phase II of the building project. The figures should be in for the next meeting.

Patt Paquet, editor, gave a brief report on the antique car tag legislation and a revised bill to be introduced in the next legislative session.

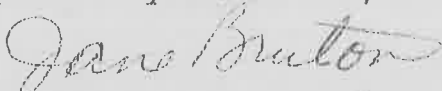
Robert Moore, activities, reported on numerous upcoming events of interest and announce that the October club outing will be at the Catfish House. Calendar of events is in the newsletter!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 50/50 Pot was won by Marge DeCrease. Several members announced vehicles which are for sale.

There being no other business or announcements, a motion to adjourn came from Ernie Youens with a second from Raymond Cochran. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,





# CHAPTER CHATTER

September is the month for DSR members to hit the road it seems. The cooler weather found **Geneva Cammon** in Cullman, AL for a family reunion, **Lloyd & Lycyle Crowdus** are in Florida , the **Dillehays** will leave on the 22nd for Tennessee, South Carolina and Virginia, **Joan Lunsford** is in Higginsville, MO for her 45th high school reunion, the **Neeses** are traveling through Iowa, Minnesota, Michigan and many points east, the **McCrorys** will leave on the 30th for a trip to North Carolina and last but not least.... the **Youens** are visiting a son in Texas and also will attend **Ernie's** 55th high school reunion!

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*Congratulations to Roger & Nancy Vines* on the birth of their first grandchild, a girl, born Sept. 16th at 12:44 am weighing in at 5 pounds, 15 ounces, 18 inches long! The mother and baby are both doing fine!

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Unfortunately, some of our members are undergoing some restorations...Floyd Jordan had surgery on Sept. 12 and as far as I know he is home and doing well, Geary Polk is home from the hospital...Gladys Edwards was admitted to Mobile Infirmarary on the 13th but hopefully is out by now...LaVerne Hopkins has had some problems due to medications...the grapevine said that Ray Harper is still having back problems.

# MEMBERS' SON SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

**Joey Gechijian**, son of DSR members **Bob & Linda Gechijian**, is the recipient of a J. L. Bedsole Scholars Foundation scholarship. This is Joey's second year in the scholarship and he is a Sophomore at Auburn.

Two of the many requirements for eligibility for the award are attending a college within the state of Alabama and as a full-time student maintaining a 2.5 or better grade point average. Last year Joey held a 3.3 GPA.

Rev. Stephen Dill, a director, said that leadership is the most important criteria used to select students. Financial assistance is only a part of the Foundation's help to their students. They also help in locating summer jobs and well as holding workshops and retreats. Joey was employed in the Emergency room at Springhill Memorial Hospital as a Technician this past summer.

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***The Family of  
Viola Howell***  
*acknowledges with grateful appreciation  
your kind expressions of sympathy*

Those of us who had the pleasure of knowing Viola Howell will remember that she wasn't one inclined to be talkative but when you got to know her, you found her to have a great sense of humor.

# September 18 - October 29

## DSR Activities

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sept 18	Sept 19	Sept 20	Sept 21	Sept 22 DSR Meet Clubhouse 7:30 pm	Sept 23	Sept 24
Sept 25	Sept 26	Sept 27	Sept 28	Sept 29	Sept 30	October 1 British Car Day- Battleship Park- Mobile, AL Grand Jubilee Charity Auto Show-Daphne, AL
October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8
HERSHEY!!!!						
October 9 HERSHEY!!!!	October 10	October 11	October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15 New Orleans Antique Auto Show
October 16	October 17	October 18	October 19	October 20	October 21	October 22
					2nd Annual Gulf Coast Int'n Auto Show- -Mobile, Al	
					Village Mall Show-Meridian, MS	
October 23 2nd Annual Gulf Coast Int'n Auto Show-Mobile, Al	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27 DSR Meet Clubhouse 7:30 pm	October 28	October 29 1st Annual Hooters Car Show- Mobile, Al





# 1st Annual Hooters Open Car Show

As we discussed at our last club meeting, we have many people offering to help. It's great to have as many people as we do that are willing to jump in and volunteer. We have and still need:

- Show Chair: John Reid
- Show Committee: Patt Paquet, Frank Decrease & John Reid
- Pre-registration: John Reid
- Registration: Lyceyle Crowds (Chairperson), Betty Jordan + two
- Parking: Robert Moore (Chair), Ed Lunsford & Al White
- Photographer: Need One
- Head Judge: Buddy Paquet, Jerry Finley (alternate)
- Writers: Shelby Bruton + one
- Talliers: Joan Lunsford, Jane Bruton, Louise Nettles + one
- Peoples Choice: Chair + Ross Sloan (PM only) & 2 or three.
- 50/50 Pot: Need Chair
- Door Prizes: Betty Neese
- Sound Man: Raymond Cochran
- Entertainment: Dawn McEnergy (clown at Camellia Classic)
- Treasurer: Francis Wigham

You can see that most of these activities are only half-day activities - either morning or afternoon. Please try to help with something.

We have the Hooter's NASCAR and a Hooter's hot air balloon coming. That should really attract attention. Please pass that word to everybody you can. We will not have the Miller car there. Both Gulf Distributing and Miller Brewing Company turned us down. Still, with the Hooters car there, we will have the perfect backdrop for photographs.

Betty Neese has volunteered to be our Door Prize chairperson. Please get your door prizes to her. If you can't deliver it until the day of the show, please call Betty (649-3038) and let her know what you have.

We also would like to have automotive related demonstrations, (like a Mcguiar's demo, auto body repair, etc.) Feel free to call any of the committee members if you have an idea for entertainment or demo's. Call if you wish to volunteer to help. Patt Paquet (661-4009), Frank DeCrease (666-9393) or John Reid (666-3761).



## From the Editor

You can see that we are making progress on the Hooters show but that we still need help.

You know how much fun it is to get a REALLY NICE door prize but at the last DSR show door prizes were somewhat slim pickin's due to members not contributing just ONE door prize each.

In view of past experience, several of the ladies took the time and energy to "scrounge" through thrift shops and recycle what they found into lovely NEW items. At this time they have created 2 beautiful Christmas door decorations, 3 gorgeous fall door wreaths and a woven apple basket! They still have enough materials on hand for at least 5 to 6 more door prizes.

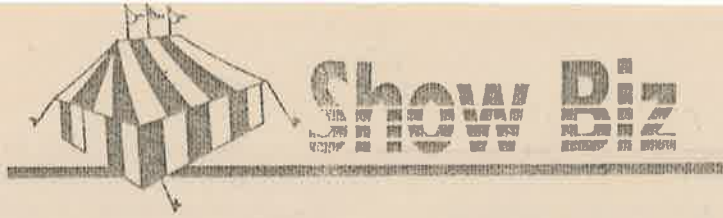
If you find that you are too busy to shop or just not inclined to look for something, why not SEND A CHECK payable to DSR marked "door prize help" so the ladies could be reimbursed for what they have spent of their own money????? So far, the total is only about \$40 for approximately 12 door prizes.

Won't you help out this time????????????? The ladies will not ask to be reimbursed from the car show funds but you can see that they are.

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BETTY CORDELL has volunteered to bake one of her delicious cakes for a door prize. There are some other of you who are also fantastic bakers also!!! How about a cake, a pie or whatever??

Look for the opening early next year of the Imperial Palace Casino on Biloxi's "Back Bay". Supposedly it will have a 1,000-room hotel, a 3,000-car parking garage 6 movie theaters and an ANTIQUE CAR COLLECTION same as they do in 'Vegas!



Sept. 23-25 17th Annual Gulf Coast Nostalgia Run - Biloxi, MS  
Sept. 24 Baton Rouge AACA Fall Tour  
Sept. 24 '55-'64 Chevy Classic Car Show - Pensacola, FL  
Oct. 1 British Car Day - Battleship Park-Mobile, AL  
Oct. 1 Grand Jubilee Charity Auto Show (Lions Club) Daphne, AL  
Oct. 5-9 HERSHEY!!!  
Oct. 9 Laurel Valley Festival - Thibodeaux, LA  
Oct. 15 New Orleans Antique Auto Show  
Oct. 20-22 Vintage Wheels Car Club's Village Mall Show - Meridian, MS  
Oct. 21-23 2ND ANNUAL GULF COAST INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW - MOBILE, AL  
Oct. 29 1st ANNUAL HOOTERS OPEN CAR SHOW - MOBILE, AL  
Nov. 5 Theodore Pecan Festival - Theodore, AL  
Nov. 6 Alcazar Run # 7 (Crippled Children) Lineville, AL  
Nov. 18-20 Moultrie, Georgia Swap Meet

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