

# Triangle Chapter News



April 2016

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## 1. Triangle Events Calendar

**April 21 - Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Golden Corral, Raleigh**

**May 7 – Triangle Chapter Car Display – Oak View Historic Park, Raleigh, NC. See the Flyer attached or at:**

<http://ncregionaaca.com/triangle/images/PDF/2016%20flyer%20p5.pdf>

**May 19 - Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Golden Corral, Raleigh (Last Meeting before September)**

**May 21 – Cary Car Show (Wheels on Academy (Take-A Part T))**

**September 15 - Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Golden Corral, Raleigh**

**October 3 – Historic Oak View Park Heritage Day Display and Take-A Part T demonstration.**

## 2. Triangle Newsletters & Webpages

Editor: Denny Oestreich

If you have trouble printing the newsletter, a PDF copy is on our Web page at:  
<http://www.ncregionaaca.com/triangle/>.

The NC Region and AACA National events list for your planning is at:  
<http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/>

For your enjoyment here is the April 2016 edition of the Triangle Chapter newsletter. If you see corrections or additions please let me know. Thanks to Anne Goldman for her article and pictures from the AACA Winter Meet in Naples, FL. Thanks also to Anne and to Chad Goldman for pictures from the NC Region Cruise-in. I am nearly thawed out from the Charlotte meet this year. For the next issue I especially need articles about members' cars with pictures. If you have an article for the next newsletter about your car or a recent event you attended please let me know or just send it. You may also call me to tell me the story and I will take pictures. Be sure to register for the NC Region meet in Goldsboro.

Best Regards. Denny Oestreich 919-846-8163

### 3. Triangle President's Random Thoughts

Riley Reiner

The touring and show season is alive and well. I hope you have had an opportunity to get your car out of storage and on the road. Sandra, our seven year old grandson, Colin, and I just returned from a three day trip to Strasburg, PA. to pick up the steering gear and four new brake drums for the phaeton. Yes, I am serious about getting it running and on the road this season. Weather was clear and cool and the Amish were busy in the fields with plowing and planting. We also made a trip to ride the Strasburg Steam Railroad and visited the Pennsylvania Railroad Museum. We had a great time but were tired upon arriving home at 11:00 Thursday evening.

Our next Chapter dinner meeting will be Thursday, April 21. Annie Goldman has arranged for the folks who host the Raleigh Auto Auction for antique cars to talk to us about what happens behind the scenes and what you must do to sell or buy a car. This should be very interesting for all including all of the wives. We need a good response from you.

Our meet is coming up sooner than you think. It will be at Historic Oak View on Saturday, May 7. Please invite your friends that may not be members. The registration is only \$5 with a plaque for the first 100 cars, two trophies, a food truck, shortened day and a fun time. We are trying to find a new venue for next year.

We will be doing four shows of the Take Apart T this year. We need assembly crews and someone to be the team leader and tow truck for the Wheels on Academy Street. As usual, I will be out of town in Wilmington for a family event that day. Here are the dates so please check your calendar and let me know when you can help. New trainees are always welcome and training is offered. You get a hat from the chapter but we ask you to purchase a chapter shirt to look professional. The take Apart T dates are May 7, May 21(Cary), June 11(Wake Forest), and October 1 (Oak View).

Yes, the Spring Tour is still being planned. More information will be sent out when the date is set. It will be in northern Wake and Franklin counties.

Please consider attending the Region Spring Meet in Goldsboro on April 30. Remember, you must pre-register by April 15. Just think April 15 will be a date that will live in infamy so get busy and register.

Please let me know if you have any ideas for an activity, tour or something completely new.

See you at the next meeting

## 4. Triangle Chapter April 21, 2016 Meeting

Dan Fuccella

The Triangle Chapter January meeting:

**When:** Thursday evening April, 21 2016.

**Where:** Golden Corral on Glenwood Avenue

**What:** Regular meeting

**Time:** *Dinner starts at 6 PM; Meeting will start at 7:00 PM: Program: Starts at 7:30*

**Program:** Topic: Automobile Auctions: What you want to know

Ever think about selling one of your beauties at an automobile auction? How about getting the urge to seek out your dream vehicle at such an event? If you are like me, you haven't a clue how to proceed with either option. Well, Kevin Mills, Fixed Operations, AutoPark Imports is coming to our rescue! Kevin will be joining us at our April 21<sup>st</sup> Triangle Chapter dinner meeting with a presentation familiarizing us with the process of buying and selling a vehicle at an auto auction. He will be relaying interesting situations and will draw on his personal experiences to answer our specific questions. Please plan on attending this informative and entertaining presentation and build the knowledge and confidence needed to successfully participate in the auction process.

## 5. 2016 Local Car Show Spring Season

The 2016 car show season is here and you probably have a number of car shows on the calendar already. You have many choices depending on your goals for this year. Here are some nearby AACA and other car show events you should plan to attend. See the NC Region Web site or you NC Region Newsletter for more details about AACA events:

<http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/index.php/2012-02-13-00-21-14>

### Upcoming AACA Events

April 30, 2016 NC Region Spring Meet, Goldsboro, NC  
May 7, 2016 Triangle Chapter Meet, Oak View Historic Park, Raleigh, NC  
May 14, 2016 First Capital Chapter Meet, New Bern, NC  
May 21, 2016 Morehead City Chapter, Morehead City, NC  
May 21, 2016 Alamance Chapter Meet, Burlington, NC  
June 4, 2016 San Lee Chapter meet Sanford, NC  
August 11-13 SE AACA National Fall Meet, New Bern, NC

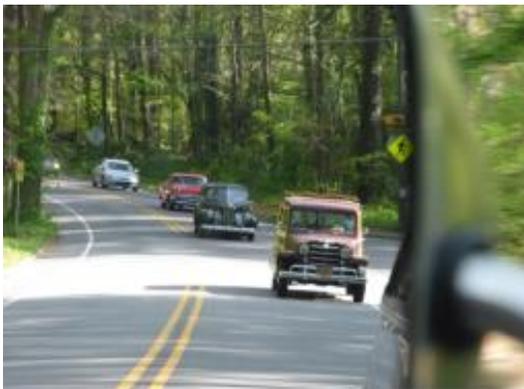
### Other 2016 local Shows:

April 23 Pinehurst Concours d'Elegance  
May 21 Cary's 5th Annual Car Show. Downtown Cary 9 a.m. - 2 p.m  
May 28 Piedmont Classic Chevy Club memorial Day show. Lake Wheeler  
June 11 Wake Forest Car Show

## 6. NC Region Cruise-in Hillsborough, NC April 16, 2016

Denny Oestreich

The second annual NC Region Cruise-in was held on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Hillsborough, N.C. There was a good turnout of 25 antique cars as well as some modern cars with about 40 people participating. Thanks to Bill Cox, NC Region Vice President for organizing the event.



There were 10 Triangle members in eight vehicles who attended the event. A group of four of us met at the Golden Corral and caravanned to the Shops at Daniel Boone in Hillsborough. Annie Goldman led the way in her 1989 Suburban. Others in the caravan were Dan Fuccella, 1950 Jeep, Chad and Demi Goldman 1941 Packard, and Denny Oestreich in a 1957 Chevrolet. We made great time over the lesser traveled roads through the Research Triangle Park, Durham and into Hillsborough on business Hwy 70. Riley and Sandra Reiner, 1968 Mustang and Jean Soehnlein, 1989 Mercedes came from the Wake Forest Area. Also attending were Jack Agayoff who drove his new model Thunderbird and Ron Seiffert who brought his Porsche 912.

Daniel Boone Village and Shops area was started by Jim Freeland in 1918. Mr. Freeland's granddaughter, Nahale Kalfas, spoke to us about how her grandfather established and built the Daniel Boone Village. At one time the entertainment village included a full-size train and

actors, a live zoo that featured real bison, a wax museum, a mega slide that you climbed to go down on burlap bags, an ice skating rink and an amphitheater. Stars like Jerry Lee Lewis and Loretta Lynn performed at amphitheater. She also stayed to answer questions and to show us some of his eclectic collection including automobiles, carriages, and farm implements.



There was a choice of activities for the day. Many of us explored the grounds and wandered through the many antique shops. There were not many car parts but we still looked them all over. Lunch could be found at one of the several restaurants around the village or even downtown. The weather was great for lunch outside.

After lunch several of us went on a tour of the Historic Occoneechee Speedway. The track is located east of Hillsborough and is on the North Carolina Mountain to Sea Trail. The track was established in 1948 by NASCAR founder Bill France. It was used until the last race in 1968. The abandoned track is now a park complex maintained by the Historic Speedway Group whose volunteers manage the track. The speedway complex is now a park used for multiple purposes including an annual car show. The track has not been used for racing for 48 years and the pine forest has reclaimed the land. We got to walk the .9 mile track and even got to see the Eno river that runs nearby. If you listened carefully it seemed that you could imagine the sounds of Richard Petty and Junior Johnson rounding the third turn and heading down the home stretch.

After the tour of Occoneechee the Triangle group headed off in different directions for the drive home. It was a great day for cruising.

Here are some interesting links and great pictures with more about the Crusie-in, Hillsborough and Occoneechee Speedway:

1. More about James Freeland and Danial Boone Village.  
[http://www.newsfororange.com/opinion/article\\_1c9e60e8-142f-11e4-9381-001a4bcf887a.html](http://www.newsfororange.com/opinion/article_1c9e60e8-142f-11e4-9381-001a4bcf887a.html)
2. Pictures by Anne Goldman  
<https://plus.google.com/u/0/+AnnieG454/posts/6teeLNUzAya?pid=6274262776928570290&oid=113779893943540492580>
3. Pictures by Chad and Demi Goldman  
<https://plus.google.com/+ChadGoldman/posts/UmfLXBSyH54>
4. More about the Occoneechee Speedway  
<http://www.historicspeedwaygroup.org/>

## 7. Triangle Chapter Meeting Minutes – March 17, 2016

Dean Tryon

### **Action Items and Upcoming Events:**

1. Members Guide - Jean Soehnlein has printed the annual Member's Guide for 2016 with cell phone added (if you supplied them). If you have updates, send them to Marv Gage ([Mkgage@aol.com](mailto:Mkgage@aol.com)). Members picked up their copies and those of nearby friends. They will be brought to the next meeting before mailing the rest.
2. April 2 – Show at Streets of Southpoint, Durham. Open to all clubs. Is a benefit for Habitat for Humanity. Details and the flyer were sent by e-mail to all members on 3/18.
3. April 16 - A cruise to Hillsborough is coming up. See the details in section 6 of the Jan-Feb and in the March newsletters.
4. May 7 - Our spring show will be low key, free display from 10 am to 2 pm with one "T" show.
5. If any member has ideas for added PR for our events, let Riley know.

### **General discussion:**

1. Riley Reiner opened the meeting and introduced guest Harold Moore.
  2. Marv Gage reported that membership is at 89 families and the treasury is in great shape at \$7,900.
  3. Riley reported that the 3/5 Wilmington show had good chapter attendance.
  4. In 2017, we are considering doing the NC Region Spring Meet but at a new location that is under consideration.
  5. Fred Harley related his battle with Cary squirrels who on 3 occasions, have done over \$2000 worth of damage in the last 2 years. They apparently like his wiring, gas lines and gas tank.
  6. The program was a presentation by Marv Gage on the history of the Franklin Automobile Co. Some of the highlights include:
    - a. The Franklin Automobile Co was started in 1899 by John Wilkinson who teamed up with H.H. Franklin and started building 4 cylinder cars in 1902.
    - b. All had a wood frame (for low weight and ride quality), aluminum bodies and air cooled engines.
    - c. In 1904, a Franklin completed a transcontinental run in 33 days (breaking the old record of 66 days).
    - d. In 1904 they brought out a 6 cylinder. In 1906 they brought out a larger 6 cylinder capable of 50 MPH at a cost of \$4000. Another cross country run was done in 15 days
    - e. In 1913, an electric starter was introduced (following Cadillac's in 1912).
    - f. Franklin continued with high end cars thru the 1920's but the stock market crash in 1929 was a turning point.
    - g. An attempt to offer lower priced cars was done by using a REO chassis and body with a Franklin engine. They were sold as Olympics from 1933-34.
    - h. 1934 was the last year of manufacturing.
    - i. In 2011, the Franklin Club opened their own museum at the Gilmore museum in Hickory Corners, MI (near Kalamazoo). (Marv was president of the National Franklin Club for 2 years during the planning of this project.)
    - j. If you have not been to Gilmore – it should be high on your bucket list. Great museum with many building and many car clubs participating.
- Dean Tryon

## 8. Southeastern Spring Meet – Charlotte, NC April 9, 2016

Denny Oestreich

Did you ever go to a car show where the participants are bundled up like they were at a late fall football game? That was way it was in on Saturday April 9, 2016 at the Lowe's Motor Speedway where AACA Southeastern Spring meet was hosted by Hornet's Nest Region. The temperature was very cool and the wind was cruel. The show field had been moved to the paved lot at the front of the Speedway. Because of the open area of the parking lots, cool temperature, and high winds the participants were sitting in their cars or in one of the tents provided.



seemed like some were missing.

The show field had 275 vehicles registered. It



The Triangle Chapter was represented by three entries and several judges. Annie and Joel Goldman entered their 1989 Chevrolet Suburban for HPOF class and were awarded repeat HPOF certification. Jack Agayoff entered a 1954 Mercury Sun Valley and received his senior Award. Warren Daniels entered his 1956 Pontiac Safari and received a First Junior award. Triangle members who were there to judge at this event were Bob Safrit, Mike Petersen and Riley Reiner.

Joel Goldman took many great pictures of the event pictures you see at:



<https://plus.google.com/u/0/+AnnieG454/posts/hXZfBRQrfTV?pid=6271929115576253938&oid=113779893943540492580>

## 9. AACA Winter Meet - Naples FL March 5, 2016

Anne Goldman



Joel and I made our way to Naples Florida for some sun, cars and also family time!

We left early on Wednesday morning and had a very nice, uneventful ride down I-95 until we reached sunny Stuart FL for the first leg of our trip. We enjoyed a day with Joel's parents, grandmother and also his Aunt and Uncle before crossing West across the state to Naples where we spent another fine evening with cousins, whom neither of us had met before! To say we enjoyed ourselves is an understatement.

Friday afternoon, Joel and I checked in, got our car show packet, attended the AACA Round Table Discussion and then Judge's School. I love the first big show of the season because you not only get to meet the new officers in Headquarters, but you get to see friends who you might not have seen for months! I even met some members from the AACA Forum, so I can now put a face to their (screen) name.



All the prior week, there was a 90% chance of rain on Saturday so we were prepared with umbrellas and ponchos, although we really didn't need it. There was a slight drizzle during Judge's Breakfast Saturday morning but nothing that scared too many people away (I believe most of the entrants showed up as there weren't many empty parking spaces on the show field). After doing a CJE on "Exteriors", I was able to clean the Burb up a little bit before joining my judging team to examine some beautiful Corvettes in Classes 30-C 30-D 30-E. I had a great team - as always - and any questions I had were answered thoroughly and professionally. We had some fun, learned a bit about each other, while doing our job, and enjoyed the time together.

As the day went on, the weather report started to turn sour as the winds picked up and a storm cell was building in the Gulf of Mexico. At about 1pm, members of the Naples-Marco Polo Region were urging everyone to pack up their things and put the

cars away as the storm was heading our way, and it wasn't looking good! Joel and I were spending some time walking around, viewing the incredible vehicles and had to step up our game before they all left! I think our favorites were the Auburn and the 1974 Fascination which was the first recipient of the AACA Zenith award.

We headed back to the Burb, packed up our things and decided to see the Beach of Naples, so we headed further West, found an incredible parking spot at the steps to the beach and enjoyed the sun, wind and watched some people with huge kites attached to surfboards sailing around the beach, some boats and birds... and also the storm line moving in. As that cloud line moved closer, the beach started to empty, the wind picked up even more speed, and the palm trees were nearly sideways! The storm lasted all of 10 minutes, and it cleared out and the humidity increased too.

We had one last dinner with family before going back to the show grounds for the awards ceremony. Officers were introduced, the local Chapter was introduced and thanked and for each person that won an award, their vehicle's photo was put up on two projection screens, so you could see exactly which vehicle won! Joel and I loved this idea because it was easier for us to relate to the winner.

I received my Repeat Original HPOF award. The Burb was originally certified as HPOF in Hershey, 2014 and has received it's repeat at all other shows since. I also won a door prize consisting of Trader Joe's products which were delicious!

The next morning, we headed back home. This time, it was a much longer ride North (it took us only 10 hours to drive South to Stuart FL) heading home at about 14 hours. All in all, we traveled 1,751 miles round trip! This by far, is the longest ride we have taken in the Burb.... but I hope to beat that in the coming years as there are MANY AACA events in the western part of the country that we would love to attend... so stay tuned!

To see more of Joel and Annie's pictures you can go to:  
<https://plus.google.com/u/0/photos/+AnnieG454/albums/6265416037330068129>



## 10. Who Do You Contact at the Triangle Chapter?

If you have comments questions, or ideas about Triangle Chapter activities you can contact

one of the people below.

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