



Woodrow "Red" Charles (Furnitureland Chapter) 1955 1st Series Pick-up in front of a AT6 WWII era trainer airplane at the NC Region Spring Meet. Photo by Bill Cox.

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Message from the President

Jeff Oaks

It's been a great first half of the year and I can't believe summer is already here. There were a lot of events to attend, just not enough weekends to do them in. Gas prices seem to be falling as of late and we all hope this continues. The NC Region and AACA seem to be in good shape overall in spite of the dragging economy. I have been able to attend all of our NC Region events this year so far and had a really good time doing so. At the time of this writing I am getting ready to head up the coast to enjoy the Coastal Plains Chapters 44th Annual Show at the waterfront park in downtown Washington, NC.

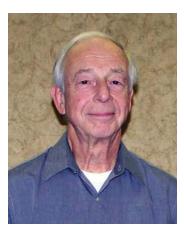
I had mentioned a while back about the fun of travelling to our chapter shows. It's like a day trip or a road trip. It is especially fun if you travel with others from your chapter. The route you travel, the vintage cars you see, the friends you meet, and the scenic locations make each trip unique within itself. Not to mention the different types of awards presented. I thought I would give a brief recap of the trips I have made so far in our Region.

Our NC Region Spring Meet was held at the Shiloh Airport in Stoneville. There were aviation events of different sorts taking place at the airfield which included vintage planes, R/C planes, and other types of displays. There were some nicely restored vintage vehicles there too! Our 2012 NC Region Board met for the first time with ideas to get us launched off for the new year. Our National President and First Lady were able to attend the Spring Meet as well. I appreciate and want to thank the members of Three Rivers Chapter for a great job in hosting this event!

Triangle Chapter in Raleigh always have a classy show at the Oak View Historic Park and this year was no exception. They continue to surprise us with the unique hand-crafted awards that they present and seem to raise the bar each year. Great show, great cars! First Capital in New Bern returned to scenic downtown with its tree lined streets, store fronts, and restaurants that remind us of yesteryear. This was also the location of the Grand National Meet hosted there a couple of years ago. There were many great looking old cars on display and a nice turnout from local enthusiasts. Further up the coast, Morehead Chapter held their annual show along with the annual Morehead City Boat Show located downtown by

VP Corner

Jack Agayoff



With the show season more than half over (numberwise), the heat has not really cranked up in most of the region. We now enter a show drought with no region events in July at all and only the General Greene show in August. Come September we will have Southeastern, Sandhills and New River. There are no national meets until Hershey on the east coast, although there are two national tours. The Grand National in Shelbyville TN and the Sentimental Tour are now over. I have heard the latter was a big success with about 150 vehicles taking part.

downtown Washington, NC. I had mentioned a while back about the fun of travelling our chapter shows. It's like a day trip or a road trip. It is pecially fun if you travel with others from your chapter. e route you travel, the vintage cars you see, the friends There are no changes to the Region schedule with our final events being the NC Region "Ghost & Legends" Tour beginning October 24th through the 27th. The tour looks like it will be a fantastic one. Information on it is in this issue.

> The Annual Region Business Meeting is coming together nicely. I think I have been able to line up some totally new topics for the seminars at the meeting. Once again, it is hoped to make this the biggest bang for the buck of the whole year.

> While traveling this summer, I hope to take in some shows away from home. If anything is unique or special, I will report on it.

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Calendar of Events 2012

Chapter **Happenings**

Listed here will be events that other chapters are having and invite all to attend.

At any AACA car show (chapter, region or national), all vehicles must have displayed a U/L approved Fire Extinguisher. Your car will not be judged if it does not meet this requirement.



NC Chapter & **Region Shows**

January	NC REGION
20-21	BUSINESS MTG
M 1 01	Burlington, NC
March 31	Cape Fear Chapter
	Wilmington
April 14	NC REGION
	SPRING MEET
	Three Rivers host
May 5	Triangle Chapter
	Raleigh
May 12	First Capital
	New Bern
May 19	Morehead Chapter
	Morehead City
June 2	San-Lee Chapter
	Sanford
June 16	Coastal Chapter
	Washington
August 4	General Greene
	Greensboro
September	Southeastern
15	Mt. Olive
September	Sandhills Chapter
29	Pinehurst
October 6	New River
	Jacksonville
October 20	NC REGION FALL
	MEET, Furniture-
	land host

AACA National Meets

February	AACA National
9-11	Business Meeting
	Philadelphia
March 15-17	Winter Meet
	Melbourne FL
April 21	SE Spring Meet
	Charlotte NC
May 17-19	Eastern Spring
	Reading PA
June 14-16	Grand National
	Dual Meet
	Shelbyville TN
October	Eastern Fall
10-13	Meet, Hershey PA
Т	ours
May 9-12	Eastern Divisonal
_	South Jersey
June 3-8	Sentimental Tour
	Shenandoah Valley

VA August 13-17 Founders Tour

August 27-31 Reliability Tour

Altoona PA

Richmond VA

TOUR - Host Old Salem Chapter Winston Salem NC

NC REGION FALL

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May 19	Alamance Region Burlington	This is a listing of National events on the East coast. See the <i>Antique</i>
April 19-22	Hornets Nest Region AutoFair, Charlotte	<i>Automobile</i> for other shows and events.
August 11	Zooland, Asheboro	
September	Hornets Nest Region	
20-23	Autofair, Charlotte	

October

24-27

Registration Forms in this issue for:

General Greene, August 4th, Greensboro Southeastern, September 15, Mt. Olive NC Region Fall Meet, Furnitureland, October 20, Spencer

Editor's Note



time! I retired in 1992 from IBM and Meet hosted by Three Rivers Chapter. stands, I have records which show have enjoyed being able to do what I Those of us that were there, without a want. Mike & I would travel in our doubt realized the effort of the Three VW Camper, take in car shows plus Rivers Chapter in hosting this event. so far this year, 45 days. By the end I even took up decorative painting. Having it at the Rockingham County of the year, it will total somewhere Then I said "yes" to a part time job in Shiloh Airport was a perfect setting. around 140 days. But nowhere that a women's clothing store after Mike The owner of the Shiloh Airport with- we have traveled to or no where we passed away. I do enjoy interfacing out a doubt went above and beyond are going to travel to, have we or will with the customers and getting a great in helping to host this event. Again, we ever forget where we came from. discount but occasionally I have had to you had to be there to appreciate the That is the NC Region of AACA. We take on more hours to help the store effort. I am sure this issue of the NC thank all of you for your support and out when an employee left. I only Region News will reflect on this event. if there is anything that we can do for want one or two days a week!! It will get better.

the other chapter shows. Lots of good that I have missed since 1995. Fourcomments about the Spring Meet at teen of those years, I served as your the Shiloh Airport. Sorry I missed it Chief Judge. Randy Stone will pick but thanks to Bill Cox for the article up the reins as Chief Judge to cover and photos. Great job!

Fall Meet and check out the Ghosts New River Chapter in Jacksonville, & Legends Tour -- that should be a NC. God willing, I will be back on the lot of fun!

Keep the feature articles coming. nior award is enjoyable (page 12&13). Board. When a member gets a 1st We can all relate to that exhausting place Red Bird, an HPOF certification time you have to wait until your name or a DPC certification, that is your 1st is called! Check it out. I want more guys/gals.

Have a great summer.

Jean Soehnlein

Judges Corner

by Herb Oakes NC Region Chief Judge



With 2012 already half way gone, I Work is interfering with my "play" would like to reflect on the NC Region

Hopefully everyone is looking for- you, don't hesitate to ask. ward to the fall meet in Spencer. Due I do plan to attend the Fall Meet in to my responsibilities at a National Semper Fi Spencer and hopefully at least one of level, this will be the first Region meet Herb the Fall Meet. Looking forward to the Don't forget to pre-register for the Spring Meet that will be hosted by the job as your Chief Judge.

I would like to reinforce the issue John Allred's article about his first Ju- of when a member receives a Judging award. Once the above receives their third award, which would be a preservation chip, they will be presented a board to display their achievements. If you are not sure where your 3rd award

those concerns.

Fran and I have been on the road



Welcome New NC Region Members!

Cape Fear Richard Hiller

First Capital Ken Rowe

Old Salem

Wade & Ann Beeson Hillus & Peggy Conrad Joe & Barbara Lunsford Chuck & Karen Meyers James & Sarah Stockton

Sandhills Jon & Pat Bowles George & Karen Taylor

Triangle Bob & Bonnie Field Marc Noel

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the waterfront and marinas. What a combination, classic cars, classy boats, and fresh seafood on the water! The San-Lee Chapter in Sanford called up a picture perfect day for early June with their annual show at the Railroad Museum in downtown Sanford. There was a variety of vehicles on display to include a few 'Vintage' vehicles that you don't see on every occasion. San-Lee is no stranger to nicely hand crafted awards either.

I am looking forward to the second half of the year as our chapter shows and fall events swing back into high gear again. Plan to attend some of these with others in your chapter. Make it a day trip and enjoy your old jalopies. Also, don't forget to mark your calendar for our NC Region Fall "Ghosts and Legends" Tour in late October hosted by Old Salem Chapter.

Have a safe summer and I look forward to seeing you on the road!

Don't forget to Preregister!

NC Region Fall Meet October 20th hosted by Furnitureland Spencer, NC Pre-register by October 13th! Registration form is in this issue!

NC Region "Ghosts & Legends" Tour October 24 - 27th hosted by Old Salem Chapter Pre-registration required -- see info on next page.



The members of the Old Salem Chapter are excited to announce that we will be hosting the AACA NC Region's "Ghosts and Legends" Tour, on Wednesday, October 24th through Saturday, October 27th, 2012. Registration check-in at the host hotel will begin on October 23rd. An optional "Early Bird" tour is available on Wednesday (24th) for those who want to take advantage of some extra attractions. They will be well worth the additional day! The Tour is open to current AACA members and original vehicles 25 years old or more, however, it is limited to the first 75 vehicles registered.

This "hub" tour is centered in Winston-Salem and will showcase special points of interest and special "inside" tours in Greensboro, Kernersville, Belews Creek, Winston-Salem, Welcome, Lexington, Pilot Mountain, Mount Airy, Dobson, and Old Salem. Travel for each day's adventure will vary, with roundtrips from less than 20 miles to approximately 110 miles via the area's secondary roads and avoiding interstate highways. See the next page for the tour itinerary.



This is a "<u>Pre-Registration</u>" tour with Registration Packets to be mailed out by July 1st. <u>To request a Registration Packet</u>, please enclose a \$5 Tour Registration fee (make check payable to "AACA Old Salem Chapter") and send your request to: Ruth Ann Ronchetti, Registration Chairman, 1025 Pine Knolls Rd., Kernersville, NC 27284. The \$5 Registration fee will be applied to the cost of the tour.

Hosted by: AACA Old Salem Chapter

"Ghosts & Legends" Tour Highlights

Host Hotel: "The Hawthorne Inn," 420 High St., Winston Salem, NC 27101.

- * Special parking with security for tour participants,
- * Space for trailers and motor homes (no hookups),
- Special group rate of \$79 per night includes breakfast. Room Reservations can be made now by calling (800) 972-3774 and asking for the "Antique Automobile Club of America" group rate. (See: <u>http://www.wakehealth.edu/hawthorne-inn/</u>)

Tuesday, October 23rd - Registration check-in opens for optional "Early Bird Tour"

Wednesday, October 24th - "Early Bird Tour," Registration check-in.

- * Jim Nagel's "Village" Car Collection in Greensboro,
- Korner's Folly, "World's Strangest House," circa 1880 in Kernersville, (<u>http://www.kornersfolly.org/</u>)
- * C.A.R.S. Restoration Shop in Belews Creek, http://www.classicautomotiverestoration.com/
- * Winston Cup Museum, (NASCAR), <u>http://www.winstoncupmuseum.com/info.html</u>
- * "Welcome Reception" at The Hawthorne Inn (with entertainment),

Thursday, October 25th

- * Legendary Race Track Bowman Gray Stadium, http://www.bowmangrayracing.com/history.html
- * See 1930's Shell Gas Station, http://www.roadsideamerica.com/story/11631
- Visit the Richard Childress Racing Complex in Welcome, Special "inside tours" (not open to the public) of Museum, Race Shop, and Engine Shop <u>http://www.rcrracing.com/about/index.cfm?cid=45941</u>
- * BBQ lunch at RCR with very special car displays,
- * Special presentation by Judy K. Childress (wife of Richard Childress).
- * Tour of "Rod Crafters" Restoration Shop in Welcome,
- * Dempsey's Place Art Gallery in Welcome (optional), http://www.dempseyessick.com/
- * Bob Timberlake Studio, Lexington, https://www.bobtimberlake.com/lexington-gallery.cfm

Friday, October 26th

- * Visit Pilot Mountain Summit, http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pilot_Mountain_(North_Carolina
- * Mount Airy (Visitor's Center, Andy Griffith Museum, Lunch, Historical Museum),
- * Historical/Walking "Ghost" Tour,
- * Dinner at "The Depot at Cody Creek," near Dobson (a delightful & unique establishment), <u>http://www.codycreek.net/index2.php#/home/</u>

Saturday, October 27th

- * Tour "Old Salem" (inside tour not open to the public), http://www.oldsalem.org/
- * Traditional Moravian Lunch in Old Salem,
- * Reynolda House & Gardens (R.J. Reynolds Estate), <u>http://www.reynoldahouse.org/index.php</u> and <u>http://www.reynoldagardens.org/visitors.html</u>
- * Closing Banquet at The Hawthorne Inn (awards, entertainment, etc.).
- Note: Sunday, October 28th -- Old Salem and Reynolda House & Gardens will honor "Ghosts & Legends" Tour admission tickets for anyone wanting to return.

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Wings & Wheels

NC Region Spring Meet

April 14th, 2012

Shiloh Airport --Stoneville, NC



By Bill Cox, NC Region Treasurer

OK, so that sounds a little weird, but imagine a funfilled day at the small town airport of Stoneville NC with a hundred or so beautiful show cars... an antique military training airplane flies in, vendors, clowns and face painters are on site and you think you've seen it all. Then, along comes the remote controlled aircraft show from the local RC club. They dazzle us with high flying acrobatics with some really big RC airplanes that have the whole crowd



watching. At the end "Peanut"... this small fellow that runs the operations of the show cranks up what was thought of as

a lawn mower sitting out there on the tarmac and he flies it all over the place!

Stoneville NC's Shiloh airport was the spot for our 2012 Spring Meet hosted by the Three Rivers Chapter and it turned out to be an awesome day. The weather cooperated

with us and the turnout was great. The board held its first meeting with the new officers in place and then the fun began for the day. We had folks from just about every chapter present... from Wilmington to Winston-Salem we covered the state. Spectators from the Stoneville – Eden area were treated to an excellent show of automobiles that spanned several decades and different manufacturers. I especially liked Red Charles' 1955 1st series pick-up and I snapped a picture when he parked it in front of the AT6 WWII era trainer airplane.

The Spring Meet officially kicked off the start of the car show season even though the Cape Fear Chapter always gets ahead of the game with their March Show in Wilmington.... They get the advantage of an early start on spring with a little milder weather than those of us farther inland. As I write this, May is almost here and just about every weekend provides an opportunity for us to get out of the house and enjoy getting together with old friends and meeting some new ones at shows, cruise-ins, tours and festivals.

Photos by Bill Cox.

Wings & Wheels cont'd.

If you missed coming to Stoneville, consider getting everything ready for one or two of the next chapter events coming up... The Triangle Chapter always has a good turnout at the Oak View Park in Raleigh and there are some great shows and beautiful venues on the coast at New Bern, Washington and Morehead City coming up soon. If you can't make it to the coast, our friends in the Alamance Region hold their show in May and there's a registration form in your March/April issue of N.C. Region News. Hopefully this great spring weather we are having continues on into summer and you can enjoy the meets in Sanford, Pinehurst and Greensboro coming up. Also, don't forget the N.C. Region Tour coming up in Winston Salem in October, sponsored by the Old Salem Chapter. Word is that a lot of effort is being put into the preparation to make this an awesome tour... so do your best to join in the fun! You don't want to miss a chance to renew old friendships and see some awesome vehicles, so clean out the cobwebs from the old ride sittin' in the barn – it doesn't have to be perfect... heck you can even bring your flying lawn mower!



Woodrow "Red" Charles with his 1955 1st series pick-up in front of a AT6 WWII era trainer airplane.



Editor's note: Catch more information on the NC Region Spring Meet in Three Rivers Chapter article on page 25.



Clowns entertaining the kids -- young and old!

NC Region Spring Meet Results!

Class	Year & Make	Owner	Award	Class	Year & Make	Owner	Award
20D	1937 Packard 115	Steve Martin	RB	HDUE	1956 Cont. Mark II	Phil Gevertz	Cert.
20D	1936 Plymouth Conv.	Thomas Long	R. Pres		1977 Buick Electra	Zachary Simons	Cert.
20E	1940 Buick Coupe	Rick Gossin	RB		1952 Ford 4 Dr. Sedan	John & Judy Cox	Cert.
20F	1941 Buick Conv. Cpe	Jerry Bodden	R. Pres		1955 Ford Thunderbird	Jack Harris	Cert.
22C	1955 Chevrolet PU	Woodrow Charles	R. Pres		1962 Chevrolet Sedan	Richard Bolick	Cert.
22C	1965 Chevy Farm Truck	Jim Newman	RB		1967 Chrysler 4 Dr.	Jeffrey Westbrook	Cert.
25B	1967 Austin Healey 3000	William Ross			1978 Ford Mustang	Johnnie & Rachel	Cert.
	MK III			111 01	II Ghia	Garner	0010.
25E	1978 Datsun 280Z	Larry Loftin	R. Pres	HPOF	1967 AMC Marlin	Elmer Woodard	Cert.
27C	1959 Dodge 2 Door	Roger Lyons	R. Pres				
27C	1959 Chev. Impala	Glenn & Faye Pope		DPC	1940 Graham	Bob Feldes	DPC
27F	1965 Ford Galaxy 500	Bill & Vickie	R. Pres	DPC	1978 Ford FIDO Ranger	Terry & Tina Hoppe	r DPC
		Webster		DPC	1963 Chevrolet 4 Dr.	David Devine	DPC
27F	1965 Ford Conv.	Paul & Ann Gover	R. Pres	DPC	1986 Toyota Cpe	David Allen	DPC
27I	1970 Olds Cutlass 2 Dr.	Larry Wright	R. Pres	DPC	1980 Chevy Truck	Eddie & Lynn	DPC
27J	1972 Pontiac Conv.	Ralph Proscia	R. Pres		Custom	Byrd	
27J	1972 Chevy Chevelle	Bill Kirkman	R. Pres	DPC	1931 Cadillac Conv.	John Burton	DPC
27J	1972 Plymouth Duster	Edward Jobe	R. Pres	DPC	1964 Barracuda Fastback	Eric Marsh	DPC
27K	1975 Cadillac Eldorado	Don Chaplin	R. Pres	DPC	1966 Ford T-Bird	Steve Eason	1st DPC
27P	1984 Chev. Camaro 1 Dr.	Brian Richeda	RB	DPC	1964 1/2 Ford Mustang	Jimmie Dalton	1st DPC
				DPC	1965 Mustang	Don Oakley	$1 \mathrm{st} \mathrm{DPC}$
30C	1981 Chevrolet Cpe	James Matthews	R. Pres				
30C	1975 Chev. Corvette	Jeff & Lorrie Oaks	RB				
31*	1957 Ford Thunderbird		RB	RB =	Redbird		
32	1956 Chevrolet	Terry Padgett	RB	R. Pre	s = Repeat Preservation	1	
33	1957 Chevrolet Conv.	Lee Mauldin	R. Pres				
33	1957 Chev. 2 Dr. Htp	Ron Walker	R. Pres	31* =	Fred Ross Award		
34A	1964 1/2 Ford Coupe	Judi Grubb	R. Pres				
34A	1965 Ford Mustang	John Carter	R. Pres	34A**	= Ray Crooke Award		
34A	1965 Ford Mustang	Carlton Johnson	R. Pres				
34A**	1964 1/2 Ford Mustang	Johnnie & Rachel	R. Pres				
		Garner					
34B	1967 Ford Mustang	Forrest Cozart	2nd				
34B	1969 Ford Mustang	Wayne Kingston	2nd				
34C	1973 Ford Mustang	Nathan Bright	2nd				
_	Mach 1						
36B	1966 Chevy Chevelle	Page Loftis	R. Pres				
36I	1970 Ford Mustang	Kenneth Payne	R. Pres				
36I	1970 Mercury Conv.	Randy Stone	2nd				

The Road to First AACA Junior

by John Allred, Cape Fear Chapter

It was slightly after daylight on Friday the 20th of April as my wife and I merged from 17S onto NC74 heading towards Charlotte and the 2012 AACA Southeastern Divisional National Spring Meet. We were going to try for our 1st Junior award and hoping we were prepared. My thoughts returned to years gone by and the reason I bought my '61 Corvette in the first place. I had owned a number of later models over the years and watched them depreciate like most anything that has wheels or floats on water. I had in my mind a Red 1961 or '62 Corvette as I considered them the last of the true, great "straight axle" models.

After finding a Corvette like I wanted, I decided to start doing car shows. One show led to another and I felt I was ready to try for the North Carolina Regional Red Bird award. Thanks to the encouragement of friends like Bennett Kennedy, Bob and Jennifer Lancaster, Jeff Oaks and Jonnie Saunders, I decided to give it a try. I was very gratified and proud to receive a Red Bird Senior Award.

The next year, Bennett Kennedy, along with Poe Butler, and I decided to try for the Old Dominion Meet Association award. This was a fun trip to Petersburg, VA with all three of us being awarded a First Place.

Many shows and trophies later I thought perhaps I should consider trying for the National First Junior award. The thought of adding a National Badge to the existing ODM and Red Bird badges had been eating at me for some time. But, wow, those National guys are serious. Did I really have a car of the quality to go up against others? I knew it would be tough but encouraged by members of the club, including my lovely wife, I decided to give it a try.

I already knew, thanks to Rob Lawrence, that correct tires are a must, along with the proper battery. But what else was I missing? It was at this year's "Back to the Beach" car show that per chance I mentioned to Dick Steinkopf that I was planning on going for my First Junior. Dick was most kind in going over my car pointing out areas that needed cleaning, correct hardware, replacing corroded and rusty parts, painting and even items like replacing the sill moldings. I made Dick aware of the disc brakes



John Allred's 1961 Corvette at the 2012 Southeastern Divisional National Meet in Charlotte, NC.

and he said to make up points in other areas to balance things out. I am greatly indebted to him for sharing his experience, knowledge and time.

So, here we are, motoring down NC74 sipping on a cup of coffee with anticipation building. Again thinking, have I done enough, what will the competition be, is the car clean enough? Dick's remarks kept bouncing around in my head, "when you think you have cleaned all you can, clean some more" and remember "authenticity, cleanliness and workmanship".

Later that morning we pulled into the parking area around 10:30, unhooked and made our way to the track and flea market. This was my first time at a Charlotte show and I was overwhelmed. A little something for everyone. Located Charlie Buis, sat down and hoisted one with him. Sure tasted good.

We arrived at the parking area around 8:00 Saturday morning, unloaded the Corvette and headed over to the show field. We were directed to our assigned spot where a pristine White 1953 and a Red 1960 Corvette were already staged. A quick look at them and I knew I was in trouble. These cars were trailer queens and, as most of you know, I drive mine as much as I can. But, upon closer inspection I realized they were going for their Senior award and no threat to me. I started the industrious task of cleaning the car. This is no easy job as I had my wife along, who, believe me, is a stickler for correctness.

Shortly after we busied ourselves with the preparation exercises, a Teal Blue 1959 Corvette pulled up and I knew from the registration sheet he was also going for his First Junior. A fresh paint job and new chrome, it was one sharp looking car. Well, at this juncture I had done all I could do. The points would fall where they would.

Bob and Jennifer Lancaster were just one row in front of us and a few cars down. We made contact and discussed how the day may go. Jennifer was a judge so she hurried off with her the task at hand. If any of you have seen Bob's 1969 Camaro, then you know you are looking at one first

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class restoration job. The car, in my opinion, is perfect.

The morning wore on as other members of the club would wander by for brief discussions. Bennett Kennedy and Ed McCormick came by and so did Jonnie Saunders and his son. Randy Stone came over and we discussed the merits of always having a woman on each judging team, just to cover the details. (This was my wife's contention and a good one I might add.)

Eventually the judging team came by and stopped at the Teal Blue '59 first. Now I started to get anxious. They must have spent an hour on his car (actually it was more like ten minutes but to me it seemed like an hour). I was next and the Chief Judge asked me to open the doors to which I readily responded. All was going well until the Chief Judge approached me and asked, "Were disc brakes an option on Corvettes in 1961"? Oh, no, I've been caught. I paused as thoughts raced thru my head. Should I plead ignorant, lie and say yes or just be honest and say no. Which would hurt me the most? After what seemed like an eternity I said, "Well I just don't recall but I really don't think so". He said the other judges didn't think so either and they would have to deduct points. My heart sank, they got me and there was not a thing I could do about it.

I waited for them to finish judging and the Chief Judge came up and thanked me for bringing my car and allowing them to judge it. He parted by saying that the disc brakes were a minor deduction and not to change them. He knew I drove the car and appreciated the need for modern brakes.

Okay, so now all I needed to do was to wait out the rest of the day until awards time at 4:00 PM. My wife and I toured the show field admiring the great cars displayed.

Around 1:00 PM I was honored by having my son, just a few weeks back from Afghanistan, his wife and our grandson come up from Lexington, SC to spend the afternoon with us. We consumed some of the fine cuisine usually found around events such as this. I had the forethought to locate the First Aide station earlier in case I needed to get my heart restarted.

We all gathered in the tent around 4:00 PM in preparation for the award ceremony. With a field of 400 cars the tent filled in a hurry. After the normal 20 minute delay the awards were presented by Herb Oakes, AACA National President. We were sitting with Bob and Jennifer Lancaster and Jennifer kept track of the car classes as the awards were presented. I noticed that my class was towards the end of the book but her and Bob's class was even further back.

Bennett Kennedy, Howard Armistead and Matt Hinson all received their awards and at last, there he was. Tom Getz waved to the crowd and thrust his First Junior Trophy in the air for all to see. We then listened to the awards for other classes. I didn't think they would ever get to class 30-A, C-1 Corvettes. But, there we were. Bob gave me the thumbs up that I was next. They called out a First Junior for the Teal Blue 1959 Corvette. How could this be? My engine compartment was much better than

his. He didn't even have any heater control knobs. Oh my God, I thought, did the disc brakes do me in? Then I heard it, "John Allred, 1961 Corvette, First Junior". I did it! A million thoughts rushed thru my head as I went to



the awards table. I shook Herb's hand and smiled at Jennifer, my wife and my son as they took pictures.

All the work and preparation, advice and assistance from others paid off. Now I can relax and enjoy the fruits of my labor.

Next Bob Lancaster went forward to receive his First Junior for his '69 Camaro. All was right with the world.

On the long drive home I turned to my wife and said, "What do you think about going for the Senior award next year"? "We'll see", she said.



John with his wife (left) and grandson (below) showing off the trophy.



CHAPTER NEWS



With the Cape Fear Chapter 2012 Car Show in the books, it's time to turn our attention toward other activities.

April started off with the Annual Azalea Parade. Wilmington, as most may know, is known for its Azalea Festival each year. The city celebrates with Garden Parties, concerts, evening Balls and of course, the parade. This year we had a number of participants displaying cars ranging from Model A Fords, Thunderbirds to a Crosley parade fire engine with wagon and even a 1949 Plymouth police car.

Attending were Art White, Don Sorensen and son, Lance Lazarus, John Raia, and Johnny Lingo, Bob Godsey and George Plarre.

The 2012 AACA Southeastern Divisional National Spring Meet in Charlotte found a number of our members both visiting as well as participants. While the weather at times seemed threatening, we managed without any rain for the majority of the show.

HPOF awards were presented to Howard Armistead for his 1983 Dodge, Matt Hinson for his 1984 Buick. An HPOF Original award went to Bennett Kennedy for his 1966 Corvette. 1st Junior awards went to Tom Getz for his 1931 Chevrolet, Bob Lancaster for his 1969 Camaro and John Allred for his 1961 Corvette.







New Bern is only a 95 mile drive from Wilmington up NC-17 where the First Capital Chapter held their 2012 AACA show on Saturday, May 12th. The show venue was downtown and the weather was great. Bob and Jennifer Lancaster along with Rob and Joan Lawrence, Bennett Kennedy, Howard Armistead, Ashby Armistead, Johnny Lingo and Jeff Oaks caravanned their antique cars with Tom Getz and George Plarre arriving later in a more modern ride.

The show ended with all participants receiving awards.

A road trip with old cars can lead to interesting situations and this one was no exception. On the return trip Johnny Lingo's 1955 Thunderbird had a tire malfunction.

Next came a jack malfunction. But, thanks to the helping hand of Bob and Jennifer Lancaster and Howard and Ashby Armistead they managed to mount a spare and Johnny eased the Bird back to Wilmington. All's well that ends well.



May 5^{th} was the Triangle Chapter AACA Car Show with Jeff Oaks attending. It was reported around 70 cars were present.

The week of May13th is National Nursing Home week with a number of our members taking their vintage cars to various Rest Homes in the area. It is quite pleasing to see some of our older generation admiring some of the cars that were so prevalent in their earlier years.

Bob Plassman, Jack Price and George Plarre displayed their cars

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at the Trinity Grove Rest Home. The in there for the Ford representation largest turn-out, despite the light was my good friend Huber Hanes and rain, was at Huntington Health & his beautiful 1955 Ford Crown Vic. Rehabilitation in Burgaw, NC. The Other than a dead battery and flat Cape Fear Chapter's oldest member, Allie Moore, resides here. He and others were thrilled to see Bubba & Ruth Grothe (1963 Chrysler Imperial), Bob Godsey (1929 Model A), Donald Sorensen (1952 MG/TD), Bob Plassman (1946 Ford), Bob & Jennifer Lancaster (1922 Model T), Tom Getz (1931 Chevrolet), Rob & Joan Lawrence (1949 Ford), George Plarre (1986 Mercedes), Howard Armistead (1955 Chevrolet), Charlie & Sheron Buis (1957 Ford Fairlane), and Gary Henderson in his pickup.





On Saturday, May 19th a few Cape Fear members met at the Food Loin parking lot in Hampstead for a trip to Morehead City Chapter AACA show. It looked like an all Corvette group at first with Jeff Oaks and his 1975 Corvette, Poe and Lessie Butler in their 1964 Corvette and John and Terry Allred in their 1961 Corvette. The

British cars were represented by Edie Cutler and her 1951 MG TD. Hanging tire on my trailer, it was a great trip to Morehead. The weather was perfect with temps in the mid-70's and a light off shore breeze with around 70 cars displayed. All members of our group won first place awards with me being fortunate and awarded the Sponsors Choice Trophy.



by Paul McGlohon

Mopar fans will like this car, which Jimmy and Ruth Stokes who live in the Greenville area are lucky to have. Jimmy and Ruth took the ownership in 1998 of a 1962 Dodge custom 880 convertible. Under the hood is a V8 361-cu.in 265hp power house. Dodge only produced 684 models that year. Jimmy feels like there maybe 5 or 10 still on the road.

Jimmy and Ruth are the second owners. He has all the data sheets for this car along with the original set of keys. The car was built in January 1962 with a sticker price of only \$3251. Jimmy averages about 500 miles on the road.

How many of you remember having to push buttons for the torqueflite to change gears, and last the wide elevated translucent speedometer which was a carryover from the 61 DeSoto. Jimmy says this car is a driver. They both also have a 1968 Plymouth Road Runner hard top 383-cu.in 335 hp under the hood. Again the second owner of the RoadRunner, he's still working on this one.

Let me not forget their 82 Chrysler convertible LeBaron. Jimmy has a 1941 Farmal model NB tractor for shows and most anything else as needed.

Now is the time to get your car duster out and clean up those cars, check the oil, fill the radiator and your tires. Members of our club are working hard getting ready for the Washington car show in June. Some of our members are making plans to travel to New Bern, Jacksonville, Raleigh and Mt Olive in the fall.

The Coastal Plains Chapter show had over 90 cars and trucks in 2011 we will do better this year. So take a week end trip down east to Washington and join our show. Get the wax ready and check your tool box for missing tools. Thanks to Jimmy and Ruth Stokes for sharing their information, both are very active members of our local chapter.....





Jimmy & Ruth's 1962 Dodge Custom 880 convertible.



First Capital

by Bob Wilson

First Capital's 23rd Annual Antique Car Show could not have happened on a finer sunny May day. Eighty Seven antique cars were on display in downtown New Bern. And the great weather brought out a large crowd to take in the show on Middle Street. Of course, the merchants also were pleased with the increased exposure. Special thanks go out to many AACA members from other NC Region chapters who provided support with numerous excellent cars. The feature car of the show was a 1935 "barn fresh" Citroen Rosalie 7u as provided by an AACA fan in Jacksonville, NC.





Our Marshall Van Winkle Automotive Technology Scholarship fund was increased by \$500 as a result of 50/50 and Patron donations during the show. The annual scholarship will be awarded next month to a high school senior enrolling in auto technology at Craven Community College for the 2012-2013 year.

On May 11th a number of our members presented their cars to an appreciative group of seniors at the Carebridge Assisted Living Community. The display of these antiques brought back fond memories of "the old days" to the retirees. They enjoyed talking, asking questions and reminiscing about the cars they owned as daily drivers. A wonderful lunch was provided by the community staff to all that attended.

During our most recent monthly meeting at the Golden Corral restaurant an employee approached the group with a request that we help in the success of a program they are sponsoring: Camp Corral. This program has been developed to provide support to the children of our brave soldiers who have been wounded or have fallen protecting our freedoms and way of life. While they were within \$300 of their goal to send another child to camp, they were about to run out of time. During the course of the dinner, chapter members pulled out their wallets and donated \$455 to the cause. No doubt the best expenditure each of us could make.

Coming up in June our chapter will be participating in the local Bridgeton River Fest. This is a fun outing which includes antique cars, arts and crafts, a sailing regatta and, for some of us, really good food. Our next roady includes two cool museum tours: Antique Cars and Engines (Jacksonville NC) and the Back In Time Museum located at the Riggs Farm in Jones County.

Editor's Note: Right-On First Capital -- digging into your pockets and coming up with \$455 to send a child to camp!!



Furnitureland

by Emily Hancock

On April 14, 2012 Furnitureland Club Members attended the NC Region Spring Meet hosted by Three Rivers Chapter. This event was held at the Rockingham Co. /Shiloh Airport in Stoneville, NC. There were 54 cars entered and here is some interesting information and photos for some of these automobiles: #1 a 1957 Chevy Belaire Black (convertible top) 265 Power Pack belonging to Lee & Nancy Mauldin. Also in this photo a 1957 Chevy Coupe, Black with White Top with Power Pack and Straight Drive, belonging to Ron Walker.



#2 A 1959 Dodge Royal Lancer, Blue and White with 361 V8 engine belonging to Roger & Paige Lyons. This beautiful automobile has, on several occasions been used as a Wedding Carriage for some special friends and family members of Paige and Roger.



#3 this "Ivory Top over Light Blue"1965 Mustang belongs to Carlton Johnson of the Furnitureland Chapter.



#4 Here's Jim & Carol Newman's 1965 Maroon Chevy Farm Truck. Jim's truck was the front cover photo for Our State magazine in October 2009. In the same photo is Red Charles 1955 Chevy Truck First Series in the always popular, Carolina Blue color. Both these guys are Furnitureland Club Members.



#5 Next, a 1967 Austin Healey "3000 Mark III" British Racing Green owned by William Ross. In the same photo is a 1978 Datsun 280 Z painted Black Pearl, a limited edition paint color. This was the first year the Japanese Company "Datsun" offered Black as a color choice—car owned by Larry Loftin.



2 door sedan in Monterey Blue owned by Rick Gossin. In the same photo, a 1941 convertible Buick Super "Sequoia Cream" color only offered on this model and on station wagons. This has leather interior and came with the Buick Fireball DynaFlash Eight also only offered on this model. This automobile owned by Jerry & Joan Bodden.



There were 17 Furnitureland Club Members present at this event: Bill & Lou Kirkman with their 1972 Orange w/ Black Stripes Chevelle SS, Carlton this event. Red Charles also entered Johnson & Jackie Bain with their Ivory top over Light Blue 1965 Mustang, Red Charles with his Carolina Mebane, NC there was the Mebane Blue 1955 Chevy Truck First Series, Lee & Nancy Mauldin with their 1957 Black Chevy Belaire, Kenneth & Elaine Payne with their Light Ivy Yellow 1970 Mustang Mach 1, Donald & Judi Grubb with their 1964 ½ Ford Mustang. These Members all receiving a First Place Repeat Preservation. Jim & Carol Newman with their 1965 Maroon Chevy Farm Truck received a First Place Red Bird. Jack Harris received an HPOF Repeat Preservation with his 1955 Ford Thunderbird. Other Club Members attending were Emily & Stanley Hancock and Larry Stamey.

The Charlotte Auto Fair held at the racetrack in Concord, NC on the weekend of April 19, 2012 was attended by three of the Furnitureland Club Members. Jack Harris was awarded an "HPOF Natl. Certification for his 1955 Ford Thunderbird. Bill Adams was awarded a "First Junior" for his 1926 Pontiac (he got his restored car on a Monday and a First Junior award the next Saturday) That was close! Carlton Johnson, Furnitureland Club Best Ford award. Also on Saturday

#6 a 1940 Buick Straight Eight, Member, helped judge this event. There were around 360 cars entered in this show. Carlton judged around 22 cars in the DPC class. Carlton says, "It was good weather, a great selection of cars and everything went well".

> A benefit for the Patrick Springs P.H. Church Women's Ministries was held at the Patrick Trophy Shop in Patrick Springs, Va. for a Car, Truck and Bike Show. Club members attending this event were Ray & Deborah Haynes taking home a Top 60 preenter award and a Top 80 award with their 1992 Chevy Corvette Lt.-1. This event was held on April 28, 2012.

> On Saturday, May 5, 2012 Jack Harris was in Downtown Kernersville, NC for the "Kernersville Spring Folly Car Classic" featuring Antique and Classic Cars & Trucks. This event was sponsored by Vestal Buick-GMC. Jack entered his 1955 Ford Thunderbird in the "55,56,57" Thunderbird Class. He took home a "First Place" award. This is the 2nd year in a row winning at his 1955 Carolina Blue Chevy Truck First Series. Also on May 5, 2012, in 24th Annual Dogwood Festival Car & Truck Show. Ray & Deborah Haynes with their 1992 Chevy Corvette Lt-1 and Donald & Judi Grubb with their 1964 ¹/₂ Ford Mustang both took home a Top 25 Peoples Choice award.

> May 12, 2012 club members were at the 19th Annual Apple City Street Rodders Classic Car & Truck Show in Taylorville, NC. Club members attending were Ray & Deborah Haynes with their 1992 Chevy Corvette Lt-1 and Donald & Judi Grubb with their 1964 ¹/₂ Ford Mustang. They both took home a Top 100 Award.

> The 7th Annual First Church of God "Run for the Sun Classic Car & Truck Show" benefit for the Youth Ministry was held in Archdale, NC on May 19, 2012. Club member's attending were Ray & Deborah Haynes with their 1992 Chevy Corvette Lt-1, winning a Best in Class award. Donald & Judi Grubb with their 1964 1/2 Ford Mustang, winning a Best in Class & Best Restored award. Charlie Hall with his 1965 Ford Falcon won Best in Class &

Furnitureland cont'd.

May 19, 2012, the Alamance Region AACA hosted its 41st Annual Antique Car Show. This event was held at the Historic Depot in Burlington, NC. The day was beautiful and afforded an excess of 100 good quality show cars for this event. Participation was heavy for the Chevrolet Brand and also a strong showing of Mustangs. The award plaques pictured the "Dentzel Carousel" where the awards were given out. Furnitureland Club Members at this event were Bill & Lou Kirkman with their 1972 Chevelle SS and Red Charles with his 1955 Chevy accredited for greatly increasing Truck First Series. These members the club's membership, scheduling both took home a beautiful 1st Place interesting educational programs, Plaque with good representation for and over the last several years, the the Furnitureland Club.

On May 26, 2012 Staley Hancock attended the 2ND Annual Spring Fling Car Show at Petty's Garage in Randleman, NC. This year's participation was very strong with registration limit of 200, which was met. As with last year, the principal participants showed the "MOPAR Brand". It appeared that the Chevy and Ford representation was probably markedly higher than last year. Richard Petty was on hand to sign autographs for the fans. It also seems the Petty Garage Restoration business is picking up steam, as there were 8-10 in process vehicles on the floor. The Petty Garage has to be the premier location for automotive modification and restoration!

Also on May 26, 2012 Performance Pontiacs of the Carolinas hosted the Farmington Dragway's All American Nostalgia Day in Farmington, NC. This was a Drag Racing and Car Show. Furnitureland Club Members attending were Ray & Deborah Haynes taking home a "Corvette Class 1989 & Later" award with their 1992 Chevy Corvette Lt-1.

Keep those vehicles cleaned, polished and ready to roll. We'll see you at the CAR SHOW!!

General Greene

by Joe Miller

I sit down to write this article with a heavy heart. I have just attended a funeral of a dear friend and one of our most dedicated chapter members, Bruce Willis.

Bruce was the "whole ball of wax". Holding almost every club office over his many years of involvement with General Greene Car Club, he was major organizer and boss of the club's annual car show. Always the day before the car show, Bruce would be marking off parking slots, helping set up tents and on the day of the show, there he would be driving the John Deere Gator around wearing that big straw hat orchestrating all details – everything had to be perfect! By his persistent promoting and selling of business sponsorships for our annual car show, the club was able to raise substantial monies that were used to edify club contributions to reputable charities. Thank you, Bruce, for a job always done superbly; you will surely be missed and never forgotten.

Our chapter will enjoy its big BBQ picnic in July with all members strutting their stuff by driving their shiny A+ perfect antique cars. Then before we know it our annual General Greene Car Show will roll around on Saturday, August 4 at the Piedmont Triad Farmers Market, Sandy Ridge Road, Greensboro, NC.

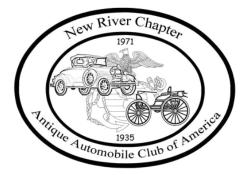
In closing, Bruce Willis was BIG in sharing our love and values for antique cars with our children, grandchildren and neighbor's children. Pictured below is my seven year old granddaughter, Cayce Ann Church, who is putting on a good face as I explain setting the spark control on my 1929 Ford Special Coupe. If the truth is known, she really wanted me to blow the AH-000-GA horn while she rode in the rumble seat.



Happy, safe driving days to everyone from the General Greene Chapter.

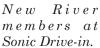


Bruce Willis, a dedicated member of General Greene, who will be greatly missed.



by Ginger Wright

Is it Saturday? Our chapter members are like 'ants' spiraling out an ant hill on our way to AACA shows and other events. Many of our members kicked off the car show season by participating in Cape Fear Chapter's AACA 40th Annual Car Show. In spite of dodging rain drops and wiping down our vehicles numerous times, we had fun. The Cape Fear Chapter has a great hospitality trailer. I am especially fond of the lemon tea cakes, one of their members makes. We were also impressed by the Hagerty's Junior Judges. All our chapter members who brought vehicles received 1st places in their divisions. Margaret and Allen Goodson's car also got Best in Show.





Member, Leonard Brownley's very unique Ampha car received its Senior been busy supporting local charities Preservation award at the SE Spring and businesses such as Jacksonville Meet in Charlotte, NC. He and a few Police Department's "Tricked Out other members will also be participat- Rides" and the New River Harley Daing in the Grand National Dual Meet vidson's car show. in Shelbyville Tn. (insert picture of him & the Ampa car)

Down town New Bern is a great loca- the details, as in detailing, if you know tion. In addition to the great old cars, what I mean. Not to mention, I don't there were lots of shops and plenty of have to fix dinner[©]. places to eat.

Our chapter members have also

The monthly Cruise-ins at local eating establishments is one my favor-We showed our support again at ite things we do. I like the informality First Capital Chapter's car show. of these events; you don't have to sweat

Until next time, 'Keep Cruise' n'...



Allen Goodson's Mustang.



Hagerty Junior judges at Cape Fear show.



New River members at First Capital car show







Are we havin' Fun Yet? We sure Are!

by Ruth Ann Ronchetti

On Saturday, March 24, a number of our OSC members went to Lexington by invitation from the Mid-Carolina Antique Drivers Region AACA to join them on an Outing to Owens Racing and The Renn Gruppe.

Upon arrival, Barry Owens, the owner of Owens Racing, greeted us along with Eric Marsh, the president of MCADR. After a few words from Barry and Eric our "tour" began with Barry leading the way into his facility.

Barry's first love has been Cor-



vairs, having over thirty onsite, some restored and others for "pieces/parts;" there were a couple of real beauties inside. There were several racecars being built which is an ongoing process for Owens Racing. Another love he has is restoring old GMC motor homes and a number of them were onsite in various stages.



Next door is the Renn Gruppe, a high end racing Porsche facility, with one-of-a-kind famous race winners. Wow ... talk about some high dollar stuff ... whew! But not only did they have Porsches in that building, there were some Corvettes and other sports cars that they were restoring, too, along with a few other race cars that were just "lookin' purty" like one of Kevin Harvick's Goodwrench cars and also one of Jeff Gordon's "Rainbow Warriors" cars. This 20K sq. ft. facility was jammed packed with interesting history!

Well, naturally, it was time to eat after all that, so we headed down the road a piece to Back Country BBQ and had a great lunch before we went on our way.

On Sunday, March 25, 18 of our OSC members went to the Barn Dinner Theater in Greensboro to see the show "Soul Sistas." "From the days of old, a style of music was formed that shook the world. It brought forth Divas with voices of pure gold. Voices that have journeyed through time gracing the airways with a foot stomping, hip shaking sound like no other. Featuring hits that span from the sultry jazz notes of Nancy Wilson to the "Ivory" Queen of Soul, Teena Marie, Aretha Franklin, and more."

But ... first ... we had to eat ... oh, yes! And eat we did! You definitely have to go there on an empty stomach because, if not, there is no way you could sample all of that wonderful food.

OK ... Showtime! The lights went down and the stage descended from the ceiling and we were rockin' for the next 90 minutes or so! Another great time at the Barn Dinner Theater!

Saturday, March 31, was Welcome's Annual Easter Parade. It was a lovely day for a parade and our club was #89 in the parade line-up, which tells you that it was a BIG parade ... lots of entries!

Welcome's Easter Parade is always a lot of fun! We had about 5-6 members from our club show up which was actually good because there were a lot of events going on that same Saturday. But for those of us that were there, it was an enjoyable afternoon.

Since we were near the end in the lineup, it took us a little longer to move to get started, but once we got onto the main parade route, Old Hwy. 52 through Welcome, there were "tons of people," as usual. It always amazes me just how many people will show up for these parades!

The only downside to driving in these parades is John's left foot having to work the clutch so much ... he welcomes a little hill where he can coast it a little bit ... but even with that ... we will continue with our smilin' and wavin' in whatever parade we can drive in! It's a happy thing to do!

On **Friday evening**, **April 6**, some of our OSC members traveled to Lexington to hear our vice president Ralph Proscia play with his band members, "**Centerline**," at **Carolina Danceland**. Before our drive there, some of us met for dinner at Mama Mia's Restaurant in Wallburg for a good Italian



meal and fellowship. After a leisurely dinner, we then loaded up and headed to Lexington.

We were greeted by Ralph (left in the pic) and his wife, Benny, and then we also saw Lib and Joe Mabe, our club chaplain, there too, that we weren't expecting to see, which was a nice surprise! After chatting with

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them and finding our seats, it was 8:00 o'clock and time for things to get rolling ... "Centerline" took to the stage! We all had a great time ... some of us even dancing more than usual! Thanx, Ralph & friends for a fun evening!

We certainly hope that everyone had a wonderful Easter and what a beautiful day it was! 24 of our Old



Salem Chapter members decided to do something different for the first time ... we all "broke bread" together at an **Easter Sunday Brunch on April** 8 at the Bayberry Bistro in the Hawthorne Inn in Winston-Salem.

When we arrived, our "hostess with the mostest," Judy Colley, greeted everyone in her usual bubbly fashion. We gathered in the lobby waiting for everyone to arrive and then Judy announced that the Hawthorne Inn had graciously agreed to take our group on a tour of their facility, visiting the areas that our "Ghosts and Legends" Tour (as host hotel) will be using in the fall, giving everyone an opportunity to "check out" the hotel.

First, we went to what is going to be our "Hospitality Room" ... this will be an area that will be available for everyone to socialize and get information during the tour ... a "hang out" place, if you will. Across the hall from that, two rooms were opened up so we could see the private room accommodations ... very, very nice. Everything was just recently remodeled and it is in tip-top shape, just beautiful.

Our next stop was the Breakfast Room. This area is VERY nice and of-



fers a complete full and HOT breakfast that is included with the room rate ... and is nicely decorated, too.

Our last stop was the Ballroom upstairs where we will have our Closing Banquet on our Saturday night of the tour. Again, very, very nice! The Hawthorne Inn is truly a "class act" and they have been most accommodating with all of our needs.

OK ... time to eat! Our tables were ready and waiting, we got our places, and then headed for the food! Oh, my, what a selection: Roast beef, ham, chicken w/sauce, flank steak, mac 'n cheese, rosemary potatoes, squash casserole, asparagus, and assorted ... yummy ... desserts ... and a few other side items that I can't remember! When we got back to our tables, James Alley said the blessing and then we dug in! Wow ... sooo good ... I think we all waddled out of there!

Oh, what fun we had on our OSC Garage Tour #2 on Saturday, April 14, and with much success ... 50+ members of our club came out to enjoy this wonderful event! We started the day at our founding member Gurney Yokeley's house/garage(s). Everyone drove their classics and parked them in the front yard for passer-bys to see and what a nice display it was!

Another one of our members, Jimmy Hailey, was kind enough to arrange snacks and drinks to be sold to help raise money for our upcoming "Ghosts and Legends" Tour. He also



donated this vintage Dale Earnhardt cooler to our club as a silent auction item, too, along with an old Sun Drop soda bottle.

After our meeting and greeting, we moved along to see what Gurney had in store for us. He had two buildings full of some beautiful old cars from the 1920's on up, most having family



history attached to them ... some that were his grandfather's, father's, and his growing up. His favorite seems to be the old Studebakers, but included in the mix are Fords, Chevrolets, and Plymouths ... wow ... what a collection ... we REALLY enjoyed seeing all of them!

After we left there, guess what? It was time to eat ... imagine that! We went "down the road apiece" to the Towne Center Diner in Wallburg and had a great lunch ... even seating us in a room by ourselves ... and with wonderful service!

Our next stop was Charlie Oliver's about 30 minutes away, so we moseyed (is that how you spell it?) on down the road through the countryside for a nice drive. What a surprise to see his collection! Wow! His mostly Corvette collection is housed in a large metal building and when you enter, it



looks like it could be a car dealership ... beautiful cars everywhere ... even on lifts! Oh, my, unbelievable! Also included in his collection are classic Chevrolets and Camaros, with a few others mixed in, and ranged from the 1950s and up. He also has one of the first 1954 Corvettes made ... and what a beauty that is!

He has one room that has his '54 Vet in that also has a brand new Corvette displayed as well and along all

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the walls are cases full off die casts, memorabilia, and all kinds of trophies that he has won over the years ... amazing!

And, also, to our surprise, his house is also encased in this building ... a really cool "man cave," very nice. This was certainly a very enjoyable and unique collection to see!

The date was set for **Saturday**, April 21, to have our first OSC Ladies Luncheon, chaired by our Judy Colley. In some of Judy's past life, she has been a caterer and a wedding planner, so she was full of ideas to make this a special first-time event. Invitations were sent out to each of



our ladies and a homemade hand lotion was created and shared by our member Bettie Moody that we appropriately called "What a Lotion!" Also, to go along with that, we were given a wonderful idea by another member, Ericia Mercer, to make paper teacups for the event, which coincidentally worked really well to put our "What a Lotion!" in for distribution to everyone, making very nice place settings.

Another special touch was having Sheila, the owner of Let's Shoppe in Kernersville, attend our luncheon, too, bringing some of her vintage jewelry with her for display and sale, if anyone was interested.



It was a beautiful day for our event and upon arrival of our 25+OSC ladies, Jo Ann Hawks handed out some very unique nametags that she made for all of us. After we were seated and before our lunch was served, Judy welcomed everyone and shared some of her ideas of what sort of things we could do as a group and asked for everyone to think about some suggestions.

Also, as a little extra something impressive display ... and we even special, our Lou Ann Eddleman wore her mother's vintage suit and grandmother's pearls along with the "prop-



er" accessories to help bring back those long ago memories of the old fashioned afternoon teas ... nice touch, Lou Ann!

Last, but certainly, not least, was our wonderful meal! The Pegg House has a wonderful menu of fine food to choose from and there wasn't any doubt that everyone enjoyed their selection. May I suggest, if some of you have never been to the Pegg House Tea Room, it is a really THE place to go to for that special occasion!

On Saturday, April 28th, our car club participated in an Alzheimer's fundraising event, "The End of Alzheimers Starts Here." This was a joint effort put on by both the Arbor Ridge and Kerner Ridge Retirement Communities in Kernersville.

The event was held at the Kerner Ridge facility on Hopkins Road. Unfortunately, it was a cloudy, chilly day, not as nice as we all would have like it, but nonetheless, "the show" went on. Our Old Salem Chapter was well represented and it made for a very



gained two more new members to our OSC. Welcome, Jim Stockton and Chuck Meyers, both Jaguar owners, to our club!

A BBQ lunch was provided to our members for bringing their cars and very much appreciated. They had a jump house set up for the kids, a country band playing (very good, by the way), wonderful homemade baked goods for sale, and a raffle for a BBQ grill.

It is very much appreciated to have our club come together at important events such as this ... THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!

Once a year, our OSC hosts a car show in conjunction with the Town of Kernersville's BIG Spring Folly Downtown Festival. Our Spring Folly Car Classic was held this year on Saturday, May 5 ... a record-breaking year for us with 167 cars registered! We collaborate this event with two main sponsors, the Kernersville Chamber of Commerce and Vestal Buick GMC.

As last year, we had a "Driving Thru the Decades" display set up again ... 22 cars this year ... starting with



Julie & Joe Huygens 1917 Touring Car and ending with the 1981 Volvo of Karen and John Fowle's.

And new this year was our judging process. In years past, it was done by

Old Salem cont'd.

the participants, but we opted not to continue with that, replacing it with our OSC members doing the judging, and was headed up by our vice president, Ralph Proscia. We were fortunate to have some outside AACA



friends to lend us a hand in this firsttime OSC judging to guide and direct our "newbies" ... a big thank you goes out to all our judges ... we couldn't have done it without you!

And ... while all of this was happening ... our little town was buzzing with all kinds of excitement in the closed downtown streets ... "tons" of vendors, food, entertainment, and children's rides.

Award time was getting close and the weather was beginning to look



threatening so some scurrying was being done to get the awards given out before too many people left. Our president, Roger Hockaday, and secretary, Hope Peddle, began handing out the awards right around 3:00 pm and none too soon. Within minutes after completing the awards, the skies opened up and it came down in buckets ... but at least it held off for us to complete the day's event!

Come Saturday, May 19, the River Landing Community in Colfax had their Annual Car Show that was well attended by our members. This is a most enjoyable place



to have a car show ... the grounds are so beautiful! Being surrounded by a golf course, our cars were parked around a pond with a fountain shooting up in the middle. The weather was absolutely wonderful and the last car count I heard was around 90 cars that attended ... it was great!

with drinks and ice cream! Of course, they had those good "Oldies" playing and even had yard games set up and vendors to buy from, too. Very nice!

Finally, Saturday, May 26, was our OSC's annual "Date Night." This is an evening where we take our with those old cars! "oldies but goodies" (cars, that is ☺) to a car hop restaurant and then to the drive-in movie ... like we used to do in "the olden days" ... remember when? This is always a lot of fun!

We started out at 5:30 pm and drove our "old" cars to the Sonic Restaurant in Reidsville and had a



leisurely '50's/'60's style meal sitting at the tables on their patio ... easier to socialize with one another. We were fortunate to have a Three Rivers Chapter couple join us for our evening, Joan and Jerry Bodden ... that was great!

After our meal, we cruised up the road for about 20 minutes to the Eden Drive-In, arriving around 7:30 pm, enabling us to still get good parking spaces so that we would all be togeth-

er. It was a good thing we did, because that place wound up being packed ... "Men in Black 3" was playing.

After we parked, it is always fun for the onlookers to come by and check



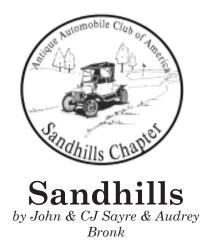
out our cars, take pictures, and talk to They treat us so well there, too, us. We put our chairs out in front of even giving us sunglasses when we our cars and had some refreshments, registered and a free hot dog lunch ready and waiting for the movie to start. What a great evening it was for a drive-in movie, could not have been better! And, the perfect place for our old cars to be!

Till next time ... keep havin' fun



San-Lee

by Benny Pokemire



Well here we are another two months since our last article and some more news from the Sandhills AACA. Finally we had a perfect day, for the races that is. Our chapter was invited back to the Stoneybrook Steeple Chase Horse races again this year. We started out with an escort of (no less than 5) the Aberdeen police while our, entourage of 16 cars, slowly cruised down the highway to the Carolina Horse Park. The park is so large and filled with vendors that it seemed as if our autos were on display even before we parked them.

We were in our usual place and circled the antiques, so they say. We are always placed in the infield, where the public has great visibility of our prides and joy. Similar to the old chuck wagon days, the grills are set up in the middle with the picnic tables and chairs around ready for the tailgating to start. I always wondered about why we call it a tail gate. Does that refer to the old horse and buggy days?

Well this year our chapter members really out did themselves. The tables were set with all sorts of gourmet salads, hor d'oeurves and desserts. Fantastic fragrances came from the grills with burgers, chicken and wieners. After the luncheon, the Bookie, alias Audrey Bronk took the bets for the five races. All in all with the weather, the cars and the company, our chapter had one of the best outings this year. Our next big event was the outing to the Red Door Café.

I know you are probably thinking, well they went to the Victorian era Blue House, then to the horse races. and now to the Red Door Café, the chapter is driving down a dark street at midnight. Not so. This café is a very quaint (meaning it's almost as old as our autos) eating place in the Village of Pinehurst. You might even say the chapter took over the central square that day with reserved parking for all our beautiful autos. We had about twenty cars for this cruise-in. Our Chapter tries to cruise-in every Thursday of each month from April to October. Not only was the food good, the company fantastic, but Fred Renner (one of our long time, highly esteemed members, who has been ill lately) came in his 1947 Triumph.

Needless to say we are looking forward to the next cruise-in. The chapter still has a full plate for the rest of the summer. Next in line is the third annual Pine Knoll Car show, and of John Deuster 1966 Corvertte course the parade on the fourth of July. I have added some photos of meet the members and their cars of Sandhills Chapter.



Fred Renner, 1947 Triumph





Hemp Weatherly 1938 Packard





by David Allen

Southeastern's club news this time is all about our club getting ready for our fall show on Saturday, September 15th. This year our show will be retuning to the beautiful campus of Mount Olive College in Mount Olive, right along Highway 117. The College has whole heartedly opened their facilities to us and seem to be looking forward to the show as much as we are. We hope many of you will join us there!

As for shows, many of our members have been on the go this spring and attending the various club shows from Charlotte to Morehead City, as well as local shows like the annual Pickle Festival in Mount Olive. I love this time of year!

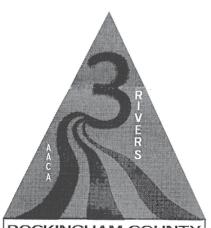
We have had a subscription to Hemmings Motor News for years and I'm sure many of you do to. I love to plow through the pages every month. The auctions are covered well in the front part of the magazine, where they pick cars of interest and interesting cars that have ben on the block. They give the stats and the amounts the cars sell for, if they did sell, and what the average price is. In the May 2012 issue (page 33), they chose a 1956 BMW Isetta 300. The restored car was auctioned and sold for \$35,750. The thing that got me about that one was the comment the writer, Mark J. McCourt made at the end of the writeup. He wrote, "sale price, right in line with its book value and quite generous for an impractical, if charming, toy."

"Impractical, if charming toy"? Do we buy, restore and collect them because they are practical? Toy? Does

he mean like poodles are sized? I never considered these vehicles toys... I sup- Manger, spruced up the Airport for pose some do. I've never heard a mem- the day events. The setting was beauber say they were at home playing with tiful, blue sky and country air added their cars. Working on them yes. Since to this day of fun. Even the sound of I punch a time clock my perspective a turkey could be heard in the early may be slanted. I know I can't afford morning hours. fully restored, 400 point show cars, so it is hard for me to think of our cars best and so were the owners. We were as play things. That doesn't mean we don't drive and enjoy ours, nothing could be further from the truth, but me thinks Hemmning has their wired crossed this time.

Until next time, Happy Motoring!

Editor's Note: Toys? They are stored in large metal boxes in shops where old/new cars are worked on. I called them toys but others call them tools!



ROCKINGHAM COUNT NORTH CAROLINA **Three Rivers**

By Paul Gover

NC Region AACA Spring Meet, April 14, 2012 at Shiloh Airport, Stoneville, NC.

Three Rivers Car Club was so very proud to host this event. There was a lot going on from antique auto and trucks to antique planes! We had radio control planes that were so big they looked like real planes from a distance. There was a lawn mower which was very unusual, not only did it mow grass but it flew!

Photo by Bill Cox of the NC Region Spring Meet at Shiloh Airport with Roger & Paige Lyons 1959 Dodge in front.

David Fields, Shiloh's Airport

The cars and trucks were at their shinning and polishing at the crack of dawn getting every speck of dust and grime removed before the judges began their job. The results of their efforts were 32 preservation trophies, 7 Red Bird awards, 5 HPOF's awarded, 3 DPC's awarded and 5 second place trophies were awarded. Thanks to all the judges for all they did to judge these beautiful cars and trucks, great job!

We would like to express our thanks to our Sponsors for there kind contributions to help support our club. Thanks to all of our Club Members who worked long hours to make this a grand and very different Spring Meet. Also would like to thank the Shiners, the Clowns and the Ladies who brought the dogs that were up for adoption from a local animal shelter in our area for their support.

This show was very different, the antique cars, trucks and planes are apart of our heritage, we at Three Rivers AACA seen it all at Shiloh Airport.



by Riley Reiner

Our chapter has continued to be busy since the last newsletter. Our show at Historic Oak View was a success with 58 cars on the show field out



of 63 registered. The day was very nice and a good crowd was there to view the cars. Everything went well until a sudden shower dropped on us around 2:00 to chase everyone under the tent. We only had about five cars leave but those that stayed didn't have as much road dirt to contend with as those that left. The reason that so many stayed, I believe, was our custom trophy with



the car's picture on a 40's billboard. Putting the picture on the trophy was quite a challenge due to the rain blowing under the tent. After twenty minutes the rain stopped and awards began. While not the largest attendance we have had, we hope everyone had a good time except for the rain.

The Take-A-Part T show in the morning was the slowest time ever at 12 minutes plus. The driveshaft to transmission seemed determined not to go together. It did get completed and ran well. The afternoon show was cancelled due to the rain.

Our final dinner meeting until September was held in May and featured a fashion show organized and modeled by Trish White and Becky Aldrich. Trish had a number of outfits on hangers from various vintages and explained the characteristics of each era. A number of Triangle members wore clothing of vintage periods including Barb VanDewoestine in her 30's era attire. It was a fun evening and everyone had a good time asking questions about original vs. reproduction attire. One thing I did learn was that many of the better fashions that have survived are those custom made by seamstresses that made good clothing for custom fit. So if you may be interested in buying something on line, most of the clothing does not go by today's sizes but by specific measurements.



Mike Petersen (Dodge) & Riley Reiner (Ford) in "costume".

Sandra wore my great aunt's raccoon coat from 1923. Sandra didn't wear it too long as it is very heavy and quite warm. You needed something like that in November going to a football game in a rumble seat in Maine! Our dinner meetings will resume in September.

Local news that I am aware of is hose. The Trian Jim and Becky Aldridge towed their to have a great to 1920 Stutz touring to the pre-race the Waynesbord activities for the Indy 500. I do know an outstanding j that Jim did several laps around the nizing the tour.

track in "The Car That Made Good in a Day". Stutz had this inscription on its radiator badge for several years after winning an early Indy 500.

George Ashley purchased a very nice 1926 Model T Tudor sedan this winter and was practicing his driving when he heard a loud bang inside the transmission. The car continued to run well. As he was changing the oil, George noticed the oil not dripping out of the drain hole correctly. George found a large piece of metal lodged in the drain hole. When you hear a loud bang in a Model T transmission and find a piece of metal in the drain hole, it is time to pull the engine and open it up. Upon disassembly we discovered four missing bridge plates between the magnets and four missing brass screws. As of this writing, all the new parts have arrived and assembly and adjustment will begin this week.

Four couples from the Triangle Chapter attended the AACA Sentimental Tour based in Staunton, VA. Dean and Les Tryon drove their 1947 Pontiac Woody wagon. Dan and Jean Fuccella drove their 1950 Willys-Overland with a freshly rebuilt engine with only 500 miles break-in. Barry and Dian Gendler drove their 1953 Oldsmobile and our Chapter President, Don Aikin and wife Dottie drove their 1936 Ford Convertible Sedan. They all had a good time and with only minor problems, the tour was very enjoyable. They experienced a couple of days of light rain but nothing to put a damper on the tour. Don and Dottie experienced a "flood" inside the '36 which filled up the floor during a moderate rain shower. Don discovered that the drain hose leading from the cowl vent had come off dropping the water straight down. It was a simple fix but a new hose will be purchased as Don's father put the hose on the car in the early '80's. I have heard that Barry Gendler lost a power steering hose on Monday but was back on the tour on Tuesday as a farm equipment company in the area created a new custom hose. The Triangle Travelers seemed to have a great time and thought that the Waynesboro-Staunton Region did an outstanding job planning and orgaTriangle cont'd.

With the heat of summer building, many Triangle members will be taking vacations or working on car projects inside the shop. The chapter shows will begin again in August and I hope to make several. San-Lee had a good show with the best weather we have ever experienced. Paige Lyons told me that the chapter had ordered the same weather for next year. Take care; enjoy some local cruise-ins or an early evening drive after the sun gets down. As that old song goes, "See you in September"!



Favorite Day Trip

Chapter Articles

As always -- great job on the articles. You all are having a lot of fun and sharing it with others via your articles which lets other members know what their chapter could be doing.

Don't forget the column I have on the Events Page. It is to let others know that they are invited to join your chapter in a certain event. Let's use it -- page 4.

Keep plugging away with your chapter members about feature articles. They are always needed.

Thanks,

Jean Soehnlein, Editor

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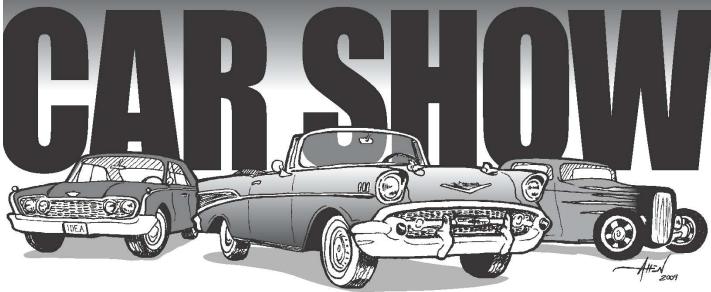
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A special area will be provided for "cars for sale." No cars for sale are allowed on the show field In compliance with AACA rules, all judged vehicles must have an approved fire extinguisher. Be it understood that the AACA, General Greene Chapter, or the Piedmont Triad Farmers Market will not be responsible for any damage, theft, or liability incurred during or as a result of this event.

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North Carolina Region Fall Meet

Hosted by Furnitureland Chapter

At the North Carolina Transportation Museum Highway 29-70-150 just off 185, Exit 79, Spencer, NC

Saturday, 20 October, 2012

Vehicles should arrive between 8:00 & 11:00 am • Judging – 11:30 am • Awards – 3:00 Lines 1-6 must be completed (Please Print) Send complete registration form

1. Name	AACA #	Region			
2. Street Address		Phone			
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4. Veh YR Body	VIN		Class		
5. Is the above vehicle a NC Region Red Bird winner □ Yes □ No					
6. Is the above vehicle a NC Region certified HPOF or DPC □ Yes □ No					
Are you willing to help judge? □ Yes □ No National Judge? □ Yes □ No # of Credits					
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Make checks payable to: <u>Furnitureland Chapter AACA</u> Mail to: <u>Chief Judge, Randy Stone, 151 Wolftrail Rd., Greensboro, NC 27406</u> For information call: <u>Jack Harris, Day- 336-887-7524</u>; <u>Evening-336-869-8158</u>

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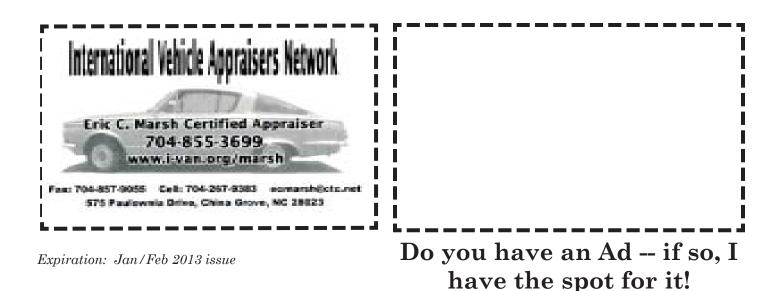
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