

December  
2007

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and Present



**Next Meeting**  
**December 11th, 2007**  
Old Tallahassee Car Museum  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
6:45 Meeting



*The Tallahassee Region  
Antique Automobile Club of America*



**2007 NATIONAL TOUR SUCCESSFUL**

*Dear Tallahassee Region AACA,*

*We just want to thank you all again for a great tour. It is good to learn more about the Real North Florida. Each stop was interesting, enjoyable, and informative. The lunches and the closing banquet were very nice.*

*We want to especially thank those who shared their personal collections with the tour group. And, we wish to extend our gratitude to all the "behind the scene" work that made us feel so welcome and "well looked after".*

*This is one of the tours we will keep remembering.*

*Sincerely,*

*Paul & Lodell Rogerie*

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The above letter was typical of the good reviews we received after the last event of the AACA 2007 season came to a close. Our club members are to be commended for their hard work and positive attitudes that spoke well for our efforts to entertain the tourists of AACA from all over the eastern USA. They came from as far away as Wisconsin, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Maryland and most of the states in between. We showed them great southern hospitality and a view of the areas of Florida not always shown in the tourist brochures. Three days of touring for over 200 people in 94 classic vehicles were accomplished with very few glitches and

little to no complaints.

The gathering began with a visit to our newest Tallahassee attraction - the new location for the Tallahassee Antique Auto Museum. A live swing band entertained while the tourists enjoyed an old fashioned ice cream social and a tour of one of the best collections of antique cars and memorabilia around. Over the next three days, our tourists drove approximately 310 miles, were fed lunch each day, and snacks along the way. Visits were made to the more well known stops such as Wakulla Springs, Florida Caverns and the Pebble Hill Plantation in southern Georgia. They also got to enjoy visits to the communities of Crawfordville, Marianna and Quincy. Special thanks go to our hosts in Crawfordville, the Wakulla Volunteer Fire Department. In Quincy, Bobby and Nell Hollingsworth and Wilson Hinson opened up our favorite service station for a nostalgic visit. In Cairo, GA, the tour took in another great auto-related museum and some good old southern fixing's courtesy of Mr. Chick's and owners Wayne and Rosa Ann Had-den. Along the way, they got to see much of the Florida Panhandle and southern Georgia that very few "tourists" get to visit. Throw in four days of weather that was perfect for touring even in an open car, which there were a few!

The Tallahassee Region has a lot to be proud of and we have shown that we are a nationally known club that can put on an event with the best of them. We're proud to be a member of such a great organization.

**Bob & Carol Love  
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**NOVEMBER  
BIRTHDAYS**

- 9 — Jim Ward**
- 12 — Shirley Benson**
- 14 — Bob Love**
- 19 — Larry Benson**
- 20 — Lynne Taylor**
- 22 — Janie Brock**
- 27 — Bill Brundyge**
- 29 — Ann Stallings**
- 30 — Kathy Hanbury**
- 31 — Bob Spiegel**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**TALLAHASSEE REGION, AACA  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Annual Chili Dinner & Auction**

**November 18, 2007**

**Home of Bill & Peggy O'Rourke**

There were approximately 50 (guess!) members in attendance, four guests and two new members. This was short meeting to leave time for the Dinner and Auction.

**Opening Prayer** - Norm Madsen

**Welcome Guests & New Members** - Norm Madsen greeted everyone and thanked them for attending this meeting. He welcomed guests, the Herrot's and Bartells. The new members are James and Carmen Long.

**50/50 Drawing** -

Drawing was not held this month.

**Committee Reports**

***Treasurer*** - Andy Mohny

Final results from the Tour are being developed.

***Sunshine*** - Shirley Moore & Sharon Palmer

We welcomed Richard Duncan back having been on the mend after his motorcycle accident. It was really good to see him and the progress he has made. Remember Jack Graham and Jay Motice who both have considerations. We need to keep all of our members who have considerations in our prayers and make contact with them.

***Short Tours*** - No report this month

***Long Tours*** - No report this month.

***2007 National Tour*** - Bill Thompson reported on the tour which, by all accounts, was a great success. We heard nothing but good comments as the tour progressed. During the Banquet, the National President commented that this tour was attended by more National Officers than any other tour this year. This is a very positive indication of our good reputation on the National level. We will have more to report at a later meeting.

**Announcements & Reports** - Norm Madsen

1. The meeting in December will be the Christmas Dinner which will be held at the old Antique Car Museum on December 11, 2007. It will be "Pot Luck" with meat provided by the Club. An E-Mail will be sent out with further details.

2. Norm announced that we will be soliciting nominations for Officers for 2008. The Executive Board will meet on November 26, 2007 to come up with a slate of

Officers to be voted on at the December meeting. In addition, nominations for the 2007 Member of the Year will be accepted by Gary Edwards. Results will also be announced in the December meeting.

3. Shirley Moore announced that we are all invited to the Moore's Christmas Open House on December 2, 2007 between 2:00 and 5:00.

**Old Business/New Business**

None this meeting.

**Coming Events**

1. Next Cruise-In will be on Saturday, December 1, 2007 at the Sonic on North Monroe by Hardee's.

2. See our website calendar for more events. Click on "[Club Calendar](http://www.local.aaca.org/traaca)" [www.local.aaca.org/traaca](http://www.local.aaca.org/traaca) Also, visit the National website for National AACA activities [www.aaca.org](http://www.aaca.org).

**Program** - Norm Madsen

The program was, of course, the Chili Dinner and Auction. Many good (some bad) items went across the block making a good amount of profit for the Club Treasury. Bob Love was the auctioneer.

**Next Meeting & Location**

The meeting will be held on Tuesday December 11, 2007 at the Old Museum. This is our annual Christmas Dinner & Gift Exchange beginning at 6:00.

Respectively submitted - John Schanbacher, Secretary

**Notes from the  
Editor's Desk**

Just a few things:

1. Thanks to all who helped at the Tour Registrations. It was appreciated.
2. Keep those articles and pictures coming in. I'm only an editor. I'm just supposed to put it all together.
3. Please keep in mind that I would like to get the newsletter out by the 1st of each month, so this means I need at least a week to put it all together into my format. I can take almost any formatted document or picture, but sometimes I must reformat it to fit and even edit for content. So please if you are a regular contributor or even a one-time submitter, try to have them to me by the 20th of the month.

Thanks,

*Bob Love*

TRAACA Editor and Webmaster



TRAACA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 26, 2007

Present:

John Schanbacher	Bobby Hollingsworth
Norm Madsen	Bob Love
Andy Mohney	Bill O'Rourke
Bill Thompson	

The following items were discussed and will be presented to the Club for approval at the December meeting:

1. Slate of club officers - After a detailed examination of the club roster and having contacted many nominees, the following will make up the slate for 2008 (note that the Executive Board consists of the Officers and four elected members) All have been contacted and stated their willingness to serve:

Officers

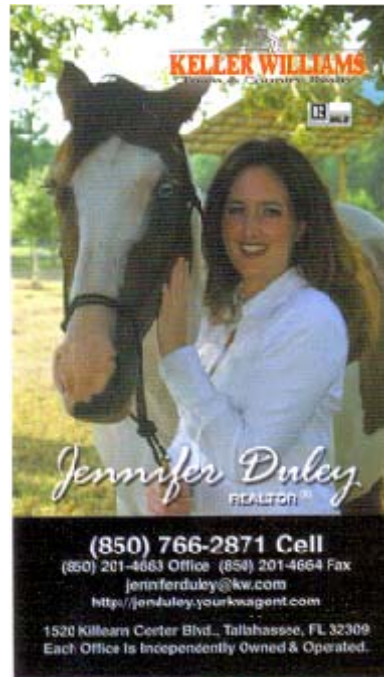
President - Norm Madsen  
Vice President - J.C. O'Steen  
Treasurer - Andy Mohney  
Secretary - John Schanbacher  
Newsletter Editor/Webmaster - Bob Love

Elected Executive Board Members

Richard Duley  
Ed Shuler  
Bobby Hollingsworth  
Bill O'Rourke

2. Nameplates - We discussed the possibility of providing name plates with magnetic fasteners instead of pins. A preliminary cost estimate will have the magnetic type at about \$7.50 (as opposed to the \$5.00 cost of the pin type). If the cost remains \$7.50 we will recommend that we provide them to new members at no cost (as before with the \$5.00 ones). If present club members want the magnetic type, we will order them and charge them the \$7.50. Everyone agreed that the magnetic ones will be superior to the pin types.
3. Vice President Duties - Due to the difficulties in planning meeting programs for one person, it was decided to form a program committee for this task. Bill Thompson agreed to be the chair for 2008. This was the duty of the Vice President.

Respectively submitted,  
John Schanbacher, secretary



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# 2007 Southeastern Regional Tour Highlights



## Sunday—The Tallahassee Antique Car Museum



The parking lot of the museum quickly filled with classic cars.



ACA's own award topper comes to life—an 1894 Duryea (it does run!)



Those with mobility problems get a personal tour from Mr. Moore.



Nothing like eating ice cream and being entertained by a swing band.

## Monday—Southern Tour



First stop - coffee and doughnuts among the pines in Crawfordville.



Out for a boat ride to see the gators and other wildlife at the Springs.



Lunch was served in the turn of the century Wakulla Springs Lodge.



Tours of other Florida Panhandle wildlife and a step back in time.



Tuesday—Western Tour



ACA tourists enjoy the sunshine at the Woodruff dam.



A tour inside the power plant at the dam.



TRAACA's own Lynne Taylor helps the tourists at the Florida Caverns.



Everyone was hoping they had some of that 24¢ gas at the Gulf Station.

Wednesday—Northern Tour



A Tallahassee tour isn't complete without a drive down a canopy road.



Under the magnolias at the Pebble Hill Plantation.



A visit to Cairo and the collection of Wayne and Rosa Ann Hadden.



The farewell banquet featured awards such as the oldest driver on tour - 92 years young - Herb Karner

2007 Southeastern Regional Tour Highlights



**Norm Madsen  
TRAACA President**

Seasons Greetings to all TRAACA Members and Friends!

RECAPS. November was a big month for the club, indeed!

After a year of planning, The Tallahassee Region hosted the AACA Southeastern Divisional Fall Tour, "Touring the Real North Florida." During this four-day event (Nov. 11-14), I had the opportunity to speak with many of the tour participants, and the feedback was all very positive (aside from a few legitimate beefs about the hotel). Due to our good planning and hard work, the Tour was a resounding success in all respects, including the wonderful sunny and cool weather. To all members who worked to make the event happen, I join the tour participants in saying, "Thank You!" A special thank you goes out to Tour Directors Bill and Nancy Thompson. Great Job, people!

Our November meeting was the annual Auction and Chili Supper, held on Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Bill and Peggy O'Rourke were the hosts this year, and their farm was just perfect for the event. Club members' old cars lined the front yard and were visible from the main road. By 1:20 we were beginning to fill our plates with a buffet of great homemade chili, salads, veggies, snacks and sweet desserts. After the wonderful meal was over, the auction fun began. Auctioneer Bobby Love skillfully conducted the sale, and many folks walked away with bargains. Randolph and Janie Brock were the big winners---I think they had to go home for the trailer to carry home their treasures. Everybody had a good time and left with smiling faces (and full tummys). The O'Rourkes were great hosts and even offered to have the auction at their place next year. Thanks, Bill and Peggy!

STRAIGHT AHEAD . . . a preview of December.

Our monthly First-Saturday Cruise-In happens on December 1<sup>st</sup>. By the time you read this, it will probably have already happened. Hope you attended and had a great time!

December's meeting will be the annual Christmas Holiday Party, on the second Tuesday of the month, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. Time and place: 6:00 p.m. at the OLD Tallahassee Antique Car Museum, in the usual room. Dinner is pot-luck. If your last name begins with the letters A-H, please bring a salad item (garden, potato, macaroni, or other). If it begins with I-O, bring a vegetable. If P-Z, bring a dessert. You may bring additional items if you wish, also. The club will provide some special tasty meats.

After dinner, we will have a brief meeting, then our gift exchange will commence. Everyone should bring a wrapped gift, purchased for about \$10 or less, labeled "Man" or "Lady" or "Either." First, we all draw numbers. Whoever drew the number "1" picks his/her gift first (then "2", etc.). When your number is called, you go up and pick a gift and unwrap it in front of the group. You may keep this gift, OR you may TAKE a gift someone has already picked and give them yours. This is tons of fun and creates many laughs and memories.

Hope to see you there!

ON A PERSONAL NOTE.....

You can find just about anything on eBay. One of the things I collect is magazine ads and photos of Packards, and there are plenty of these gems on eBay, usually for just a few bucks. Early this year, I paid \$5.00 for an 8x10 glossy black-and-white photo of a Packard. At the bottom of the photo was a round "Eastern Packard Club, Inc." logo, and the caption, "1933 Packard Seven Passenger Sedan Super Eight." I filed the picture with my other paper treasures and forgot about it. A few months later, I purchased my own 1933 Packard and remembered the picture. I looked at the picture carefully and every feature seemed to match my car. The car in the picture wore the NJ license tag, "QQ-D 6." I emailed a long-time Packard Club historian, Jim Pearsall, who told me the photo was from about 1970, and was mailed to club members with their newsletters. The serial number of my own car, he continued, is the same as the number for the car with the NJ license tag in the photo. A few days after Mr. Pearsall's email, I received in the mail a copy of a July 1982 Packard Club newsletter with a cover picture and article about my same Packard. The photo showed the same license plate as in the glossy 8x10 photo I bought on eBay. I had lucked into a 37-year-old original photograph of my car! What are the chances!!!

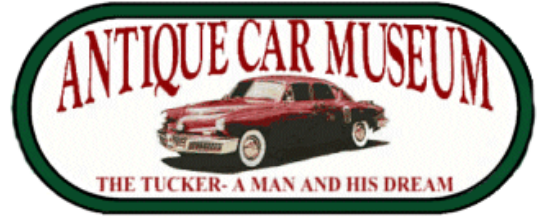
Have a great December and a wonderful holiday, my friends. I'll see you on down the road!

Norm

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### From your Reporters in the field: Ramblings and Rovings of Junkyard Dog & Fluffy

Yes, we went out of town to check on this 57 Chev. BelAir and see if it was as good as everyone said. As you can see the undercarriage was as clean as the outside and insides and was being driven. Detailing was top notch and it can be driven and enjoyed.

The Dogs

On behalf of the Tallahassee Automobile Museum, we send a sincere thank you to all the people who so graciously gave of their time to assist with the moving of the cars and collectibles. The help given to us brought about a peace of mind knowing that fellow antique and car collectors were guiding and moving the treasures of yesteryear. With volunteers such as you this project moved quickly and safely.

Many thanks,  
DeVoe and Shirley Moore



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If you live in Escambia County Florida (Pensacola area) and if you have a beautiful 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air Convertible and if the car is painted Blue and White, here is the perfect YOM (Year Of Manufacture) license plate for you. If I were rich enough I would own this plate! (That's a bunch of "if's" isn't it?). This great plate was put up for auction with a starting bid of \$40 on eBay by someone living in Marianna, Florida, closing at 1:06 PM, November 23, 2007. I really wanted this and bid \$110 (plus \$7 shipping) which was 4 times more than I paid for the '57 Florida plate I now own. I thought no one else was dumb enough to pay an outrageous sum like that. Boy! - - I was wrong! This 50 year old 1957 Florida License Plate sold for \$1,631.99!! Yes - over One-Thousand Six-Hundred Thirty-One Dollars! I am still in a state of shock. How much would I or anyone else have had to bid to win this plate? Hard to tell. The winner probably bid higher than the winning bid so the next winning bid could have been \$2000! Who knows? My only consolation is that I have a 1930 South Dakota plate with the number "1930". As 1930 is the year of my birth and I collect 1930 plates from all 48 states, that one is the star of my collection. Yes, I am aware there are now 50 states but only 48 in 1930! In 1957 there should have been a total of 67 "1957" Florida plates issued (one for each county). How many survived? I have never seen another.

BTW - current book value for a '57 Florida plate in this condition - \$15 - \$30! I wonder how much I would bid on a 1966 Florida plate with "13-1966" on it for my '66 Plymouth. ("13" of course is for Leon County on plates before 1976.) If you hear of one, let me know!

For information on collecting plates visit the Automobile License Plate Collectors Association - [www.alpca.org](http://www.alpca.org) or email Gene Densmore - [aa4us@arrl.net](mailto:aa4us@arrl.net).

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## Yesteryears Remember When?



From the archives of the Tallahassee Chassee - Official Publication of The Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America  
Compiled by Bill Thompson

### 30 Years Ago:

The annual Christmas Party of the Tallahassee Antique Auto Club was held December 8, 1977 at the Capital City Country Club. Nancy Carothers, Banquet Chairman, adorned each table with a "Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus" which she herself made, and the head table was decorated with red and white mums. Red napkins and greenery completed the setting.

After a hearty buffet, the group of 60 were entertained by the Madrigal Singers from Leon High School, under the direction of Ray Kickliter. Marj Collar made arrangements for their appearance. The outgoing Officers and Board Members were presented with Certificates of Appreciation. Committee Chairmen were recognized and thanked for a job well done this past year.

Officers were installed for the year 1978, as follows: President-Bill Thompson, Vice Presidents-Richard Boutin & Jack Graham, Secretary-Gladys Bauer, Treasurer-Ray Bauer. New Board Members are: Bob Burke, Shirley Moore, John Olson and Roger Collar. Guests and potential club members were introduced: Randolph & Janie Brock and Steve Gordon, all of Thomasville, GA.; Pleas & Carol Strickland of Tallahassee.

In lieu of a gift exchange, each member gave a contribution of \$1.00 to be presented to the Lighthouse Children's Home.

Submitted by Mrs. Gladys Bauer,  
Secretary



### 20 Years Ago:

The club's 1987 Christmas Banquet was held at the Capital City Country Club where there were 57 people in attendance. Happy hour was spent exchanging holiday greetings and watching the Christmas tree fill up with gifts. George Campbell said grace for the meal and meeting and everybody enjoyed the delicious meal of roast beef, seafood Newburg, new potatoes, green beans, rolls, tea and dessert.

Dan Rainey opened the meeting by giving special thanks to Mary Smith and Ada Alice Wells for organizing the Christmas Banquet. Dan then announced the only change in the slate of officers for the next year. Diane McCarthy has turned over the secretary duties to Carol Rainey. Thanks were given to Diane for the good job she has done as the club's secretary for the past two years. Special thanks were also given to all the other officers and the committee members for 1987.

It was a very busy year with Springtime, Perry, the Great Race and Spotlight Tallahassee. We were spread thin this past year but our club has gained more exposure through our events. Special thanks also went to Pete Kerwin and Bill Thompson for their work on the Madison Tour.

You should've heard Dan Rainey try to talk about the corsets and undergarments from the turn of the century that were at the Beggs Family Museum. Just ask him about them sometime and watch him turn red.

A collection was taken up for the Lighthouse Children's Home and \$172.50 was received. The club received a letter of thanks for your generosity.

Diane McCarthy

### 10 Years Ago:

President's Rear View Mirror  
by Ken Hart

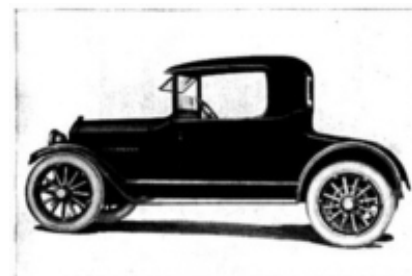
December 1997:

As my tenure as President of the Tallahassee Region AACA comes to a close, I want to thank everyone in this club who has worked hard to make the events of the past two years successful and enjoyable for everyone who participated in them. It has been my pleasure and an honor to serve as your president.

As in most things, there are some goals left to accomplish, the most significant of which is re-establishing a springtime show as the premier annual event for our club. I know may of you share this goal and I am confident that we will continue to work toward that end under new leadership.

In closing, please allow me to thank this club for awarding me the George M. Campbell memorial plaque for 1998. This was a complete surprise to me and an award I cherish a great deal. This region and its members have provided me with great friendships and allowed me to fully enjoy a hobby I love.

The basket was passed for donations to the Lighthouse Children's Home, for which the club raised \$104 that evening.





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## Calendar of Upcoming Events

### Next Meeting

**Dec. 11, 2007** 6:00 p.m. Annual Christmas Banquet and Gift Exchange  
Old Tallahassee Auto Museum Banquet Room

### Local / Area

**Dec. 8** Lawn Mower & Christmas Parade in Havana, Fl. TRAACA members are invited to be in the parade. Contact: Jack Hanbury if you plan to bring a vehicle. Staging at 10:00am. Parade starts 11:00 am sharp!

#### Monthly TRAACA Cruise-In

[Sonic & Hardees Drive-Ins on US 27N](#) just north of Capital Circle  
1st Sat

#### Monthly Cruise-Ins at the [Thomasville Road What-A-Burger Drive-In](#)

1st Sat—Mustang Club    2nd Sat—Ford & Chevy Clubs    3rd Sat—Corvette Club  
Last Sat—Street Rod Club

#### Main Street Cruise In

[Havana Smokehouse](#) (formerly Main St. Buffet)  
3rd Saturday