

January
2010



Traveling in
the Past
and Present

Next Meeting

January 12th, 2010

Old Car Museum, Tallahassee
Dinner 6:00 pm
Meeting 7:00 pm

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Our club grew and we had fun tours in 2009

January 2009

Norm Madsen, outgoing president, greeted everyone and thanked them for their attendance. He welcomed and introduced several guests and new members, *Ray & Cheryl Bartell*.

February 2009

Richard Duley greeted everyone as the new club president and welcomed *Steve McClung*, guest of Jack Hanbury and *Brian Webb*, guest of Jerry Wise. Toured to Pelham, Georgia.

March 2009

Richard welcomed *Nelson and Kathy Andrews* who joined the club that night. He introduced Marc Mitchell and his girl friend, Dani. Mark spoke about his experiences as a NASCAR truck series driver.

April 2009

Richard greeted everyone and welcomed new member *Jim Wynn*. Attorney David Frank told us about the liabilities of renting out our cars. Milltown Murals at Lake Park, Georgia. Overnight tour to Cordele for the SAM Shortline train ride to Plains, Georgia.

May 2009

Richard welcomed our guests, Vicki Holley and Mike Byers. Bob and Carolyn Grimes as well as Jay and Kathy Mottice attended the meeting after a long absence. Toured to Cairo, Georgia for the Great Southern Antique Car Rally at Davis Park.

June 2009

Richard welcomed guests, Wayne & Jerri Smith, Buddy Boyett, Jason (friend of Peter Zulinke) and John Mottice. Toured to Monticello Watermelon Festival and car show.

July 2009

Neal Davis announced a successful Soap Box Derby. Toured to Carrabelle, Florida to the Camp Gordon Johnson Museum.

August 2009

Richard welcomed guest Omer "Oak" Kenworthy who was interested in joining our club. Bill O'Rourke said the tour to Carrabelle was great even though it rained.

September 2009

Program was a discussion and demonstration by Russ Haines on proper towing techniques. Toured to Spring Creek Restaurant and "Gulf Specimen Aquarium and Marine Lab" in Panacea, Florida.

October 2009

Toured and did parade and show in Perry, Florida. The faithful trekked to Hershey, FSU homecoming parade. Craig McCollum's program on collecting vintage tools.

November 2009

Moultrie Swap Meet. Chili dinner and auction at the O'Rourke's. Havana Lawnmower parade.

December 2009

Christmas party and gift exchange.

HISTORY OF TRAACA

January 17, 1969—Tallahassee Antique Car Club Pre Organization group meeting at the Holiday Inn in Tallahassee with 21 on roster.

September 22, 1970—Organizational meeting at Tallahassee Federal on North Monroe.

October 25, 1970—Meeting with Jack Kranyik, Director of the New Florida Region Model A Restorer's Club.

November 22, 1970—Initial meeting for the organization—Capital Chapter New Florida Region Model A Restorer's Club. Pres. John Wells, V.P. Charles Smith, Sec & Treasurer Richard Boutin, dues \$5.

December 1970—25 people attend a Christmas Party at the home of Larry & Judy Barker.

Charter Members: Boutins, Cottinghams, Eikmans, Tom Moody, Randall Kendrick, Frank Rayner, Fred & Elizabeth Tyler, Bill Tyler, John & Joe Wells, Charlie Smith.

Source: Club historical records

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 26 Rosa Ann Hadden
- 30 Sharon Lyle
- 29 Shirley McCammon
- 19 Sandra Mohney
- 6 Peggy Tyson
- 22 Max Zurko

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



TALLAHASSEE REGION, AACA
MEETING MINUTES
December 08, 2009
Tallahassee Antique Car Museum (Old Location)
Annual Christmas Dinner & Gift Exchange

There were approximately 60 members in attendance and four guests.

Opening Prayer – Ed Shuler

Welcome: Richard Duley – Richard Duley greeted everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

50/50 Drawing: No 50/50 today.

Committee Reports:

Sunshine

Randolph Brock will be having surgery tomorrow. Keep him and others who have health consideration in your prayers.

Coming Events:

Dec. 11 -8:30 AM Cracker Barrel

Dec. 12 - Noon Quincy Gulf Station

Jan 21 - Car display at the Immanuel Baptist Church

See our website <http://traaca.org> for more events. Click on “Club News and Calendar” Also, visit the National website for National AACA activities www.aaca.org.

Old Business:

Membership renewals are due and several have renewed today.

New Business:

The club voted to make a donation in the amount of \$100 to our caterer. This will be at the January meeting.

Program:

The program of course, was the Annual Christmas Dinner and Gift Exchange. Many thanks to those who made the preparations and room set up.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at the Old Antique Automobile Museum beginning at 6:00 PM. The program will be on the "History of The TRAACA".

Respectfully submitted by:

John Schanbacher



Things of Interest to the Hobby

U.S. Federal Issues

Cash for Clunkers: After months of contentious debate, lawmakers enacted a \$3 billion "Cash for Clunkers" bill that paid consumers to scrap cars and trucks getting 18 miles per gallon or less in exchange for a cash voucher to buy a new car. Consumers received a \$3,500 or \$4,500 credit depending on the fuel economy improvement of the new vehicle. SEMA convinced lawmakers to exclude vehicles that were 25 years old or older from being scrapped. The provision served to safeguard vehicles that may possess unique historic or aesthetic value and are irreplaceable to hobbyists as a source of restoration parts. The program also allowed all parts, except the engine, to be recycled. During the clunkers debate, SEMA argued that a better environmental approach would have been to support vehicle repairs, installation of specialty equipment to reduce emissions and increase fuel economy, and engine recycling.

Ethanol-15: The SAN submitted comments to the EPA opposing a request to allow the ethanol content of gasoline to increase to 15% (from 10%). The SAN cited concern that the additional content could harm automobile parts of all ages, including special-interest collector and historic vehicles. A number of other organizations expressed similar concerns. Tests using ethanol concentrations of up to 20% have shown a notable increase in wear on vehicle fuel systems produced up through model-year '95, and especially for pre-'90 vehicles. Fuel pumps, tanks, seals, hoses and other rubber components are particularly subject to failures. The EPA is expected to rule on the issue in December 2009.

From National AACA

The annual meeting of AACA is February 11-13, 2010 in Philadelphia. Is anyone from TRAACA planning on going? If you know of anyone, please email bthom32312@aol.com and let me know— Editor

FACT OR FICTION?

(answers in future newsletters)

- 1. If I'm towing my antique car and there is an accident causing property damage loss or my antique is damaged, my family car insurance policy will cover it.**
- 2. Using detergent motor oil in my antique car will prolong its engine life?**
- 3. Lead additives to my antique car gasoline will prolong its engine life.**
- 4. If my antique engine is running too rich or too lean, it won't harm the engine.**
- 5. Over inflated tires are better than under inflated to prolong tire wear.**
- 6. Matching numbers on my car means all factory parts are correct and its value goes way up.**
- 7. AACA judges are allowed to open your car hood and trunk when judging it at a show.**
- 8. An owner can ask for his judging results to see how he may improve his car.**
- 9. If a judge determines that an accessory on your antique car is not correct but you can prove that it is with documentation on the spot, you will not be deducted any points.**
- 10. An over restored antique vehicle will have points deducted at a national show.**
- 11. Filling your tires with nitrogen will be beneficial by saving fuel, increase safety, longer tire life, better handling, decreased wheel corrosion and maintain proper inflation 3-4 times longer.**



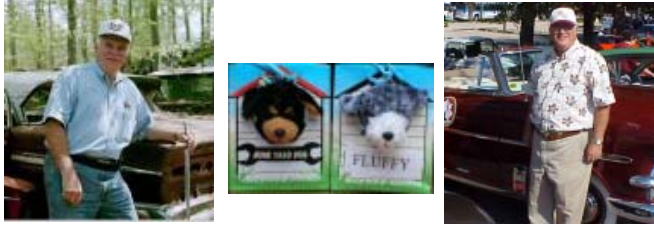
*Yesteryears
Remember When?*



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Will resume next month



From your Reporters in the field:

Ramblings and Rovings of Junkyard Dog & Fluffy

Here's a couple of photos from the garage of Don Pumphries last summer. The guys who showed up at the old Gulf station in Quincy were privileged to go out and see



Don's new garage. You know, its fun to see it at this stage because I bet it won't stay this way for very long—you know how old car guys are: collectors of stuff! See



how many club members you can identify in the pictures. Can you find Jack Herzog? Bill Brundyge?, Dan Baxter?, John Wells? Russ Haines? Junk Yard Jack? The guy with the red hat (Bill O)? (these comments by ed.)

For December, Junk Yard Dog and Fluffy kept it close this time. We went to NEAL'S PLACE and sniffed around to see what we could find. These are some of the cars that are there being restored or repaired or just stored: you will find Tom's Vegas Car and his Caddy-T Bird, the car was used in the TV show. Another is a 1947 Ford 2-door sedan that is a Street Rod under total restoration. Ed's 1950 Studebaker 2-door sedan and his 1951 Studebaker Starlight Coupe. With a little TLC these car's would be drivers. He also has a 1960's Pontiac Parade car, a 4-door convertible. A 1948 Chrysler Coupe. This a very nice car and would make somebody a great driver. A 1938 Plymouth that used to be someone's Street Rod. A 1935 Ford Coupe. A Sprite A/H. Rocky's 1940 Packard Hearse. A 1955 MG, and a 1972 Chevy, some of which are under restoration. You can also find some other cars and parts. Plus there are a number of Soap Box Derby cars being stored inside and out. Stop by and check this place out. It will be time well spent. Be sure to call Neal before going. That is about it for this time. The dog's are trying to stay warm.

As ever,

Fluffy

Notes from the Editor's Desk

One of the fun things I get to do as editor of the Chassee is editorialize, so here's some thoughts...

We have a really good club, good people who enjoy getting together, seeing new things, eating out at different restaurants and owning their antique cars. I was impressed at our Christmas banquet gift exchange at all of the good sports who willingly gave up their gift if another member exercised their option to swap their unwrapped gift for a sure thing they wanted. Then that fortunate fellow might of had to give it up to the next lucky shopper. There may have been some slightly hard feelings to give up that REALLY wanted item, but everybody had a good time and it was fun. So what if you didn't walk away with the golden egg, we all had the same opportunity to draw a good number, swap out what we had for something we wanted more, and be grateful for the experience of gift giving and receiving at Christmas. That's the fun of the whole exercise—to play the chance game of seeing where you wind up, either good or better, but everybody walked out a winner.

Bill Thompson



Collecting Vintage Tools VII, Dodge Tool Kits 1914-1928

by Craig McCollum

In my first tool article (Chassee July 2009) I talked about tool kits in general and included a picture of the tools for 1914-1928 Dodge cars/trucks. The two cylinder tire pump and the starting crank for this kit were pictured and discussed in subsequent articles. Shown here are some of these Dodge kit tools.

In the *first picture* below are 3 open end wrenches made by Moore Drop Forging Co. who also made wrenches for Ford. While modern wrenches have the sizes marked on them these have part numbers but not sizes on the wrenches. Starting on the left DB 66 Q-6164 (3/8x7/16 in), DB 20 or DB 21 Q-6165 (5/8x9/16 in) and DB 61 Q-1191 (3/4x7/8 in). Next are 2 screwdrivers, a hammer and 2 sockets. The bottom is a sparkplug socket and has an opening of 1-1/32 and 29/32 inch. The top socket has an opening of 11/32 inch and would be correct for a Dodge truck. The pliers have the McKaig Hatch Mfg. Co. logo i.e. MH. Next is an 11 inch adjustable wrench (11 auto) and then the hub wrench with a Dodge hub/grease cap. After 1928 when Chrysler bought out Dodge Brothers, Dodge tools were no longer made by Moore Drop Forging Co. and McKaig Hatch MFG. Co. as Chrysler already had contracts with Fairmount, Barcalo and Williams Mfg. Co.

The *second picture* shows more tools listed in the Dodge Tools and Equipment List . On the top are pressed wrenches. These were essentially stamped out of a flat piece of steel. The small wrench on the bottom right is an ignition wrench with two feeler gauges, one marked "distributor" and the other "sparkplug". The Delco part number is 12741 and the Dodge part number is L-4879. All of the early Dodge tools have a part number starting with the letter "L" even though the tools may not be so marked. Later tool part numbers start with "DD". Its interesting that the wrenches marked Q-6164, Q-6165 and Q-1191 are shown with Dodge part numbers L-6164, L-6165 and L-1191.

The *third picture* shows an Eagle oil can and an Alemite grease gun used in the Dodge kit. There were a number of different grease gun styles used over the years so its hard to say which is correct for which years. This Alemite gun has instructions marked on the cylinder.

A Kimball jack along with an ad dated 1919 is shown in the *last picture number 4*. This jack is thought to be included in the trunk of Dodge cars in the 1920's.





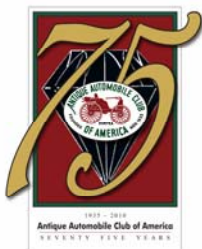
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Beef roast, black eye peas, peas & carrots, muffins,
dessert and ice tea

Program: History of TRACA

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Monthly Cruise-Ins

Sonic/Hardees on North Monroe
1st Saturday each Month (just north of Capital Circle)

What-A-Burger Drive-In on Thomasville Road
2nd Sat—Ford & Chevy Clubs
Last Sat—Street Rod Club

Helen's Silver Bullet Diner on Apalachee Parkway
3rd Sat each month

Regional Events

*Please consult the club web site calendar
for upcoming events.*

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