

September  
2012

Traveling in  
the Past  
and Present



**Next Meeting**  
**September 11, 2012**  
Old Auto Museum  
Dinner 6:00 pm  
General Meeting 6:45 pm

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Forums for our hobby/passion are a great thing when people participate!

There is a great Forum available to each club member for a wide range of purposes!

It is on the AACA web site where discussions occur everyday. As members of AACA and TRAACA, it is FREE to participate and easy to use.

Threads on this forum range from meets and tours, to buying and selling, to restoration projects, to judging, to memorabilia, to automotive art and even vintage clothing. Most popular makes and models of collectible vehicles have their own section (or thread) and a lot of knowledge and expertise is available on most any project or build.

I would encourage each and every club member that accesses the web to check out this perk of membership. Remember, its' free and all you have to do is use it (i.e. participate). If you can't find help or information on a particular vehicle or project here, then you are in the wrong club!

Bob Love

<http://forums.aaca.org/forum.php>

### September Birthdays

- 3 Bill Pandolfi
- 6 Lois Duley
- 19 Ed Shuler
- 23 Richard Boutin
- 26 Carmen Long
- 28 Kathy Madsen
- 28 J. C. O'Steen

**Happy Birthday!!!**



### The Sunshine Committee

If you, or another club member you know of, are having any health problems or other issues, please let us know.

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**TALLAHASSEE REGION, AACA  
MEETING MINUTES****August 14, 2012****Tallahassee Antique Car Museum (Old Location)**

Attendance was not recorded: Approximately 30 or so?

**Opening prayer:** Dan Rainey

**Welcome:** Tommy Sykes – The meeting was called to order at 6:50 pm with president Tommy Sykes presiding. Tommy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**50/50 Drawing:** Sue Aigotti

Ron Levy was the winner.

**Announcements & Reports:** Tommy Sykes

Jack Hanbury was recognized for his work with ham radios as reported in the Tallahassee Democrat.

The Pioneer Village in Blountstown, Florida was mentioned as an opportunity to see exhibits presented by the Smithsonian Museum regarding early settlers and life in the Florida central panhandle around the early days of the 20th century. Several members expressed an interest in driving over on Saturday the 18th in modern cars. The exhibit opens at 10 am Central time.

Bobby Hollingsworth announced that he knew of a 1967 Mustang convertible for sale with V8 motor, automatic transmission and light blue in color. Please call him in interested in going to check it out.

Also, Friday the 17th was bring-your-own hotdogs or sandwiches for lunch to the Quincy Gulf station.

Ray Bartell, our "Chassee" newsletter editor, always **needs articles from the Club members**. Please send your articles to him at his E-Mail - [raymondbartell@yahoo.com](mailto:raymondbartell@yahoo.com).

**Committee Reports:****Sunshine:** Glenda Schanbacher (On vacation)

**There was no sunshine report given** however:

The Sunshine committee representative was not present but various members announced that Kathy Masden had minor surgery that day and was reported to be at home recovering. Thoughts and prayers were asked for Tom Link who is battling a form of cancer. It was good to see Jack Herzog and Barbara back again after Jack's travels to Houston for treatments.

Please continue to remember Sharon Palmer and Cheryl Bartell with their struggles with serious health issues.

Please keep those members and their families in your thoughts and prayers. If you know of needs, please contact Glenda Schanbacher or Lois Duley.

**Tours:** (TBA)

**Treasurer's Report:** Norm Madsen

None listed in minutes.

**Coming Events:**

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](http://www.aaca.org). Ray B.

John Schanbacher was absent due to election day poll work but asked that we remember the breakfast gathering at Cracker Barrel on the Friday after the monthly meeting. It isn't just for guys, so ladies are welcome.

Breakfast at the Cracker Barrel – Fri. 8/17/12 at 8:30 am

Quincy Gulf Station – Friday, August 17, 2012 at Noon; This is NOT a hot dog Friday! So, bring your lunch. and enjoy the conversation.

**Old Business:** None this meeting.

**New Business:** None this meeting.

**Dinner:** Sonny's barbeque was the meal along with dessert and iced tea provided for our members.

**Program:**

The program was changed due to the scheduled speaker having to leave town to attend his mother's funeral in South Florida. Gary Edwards stepped in and interviewed one of our newer members Craig Brown about this interest in old cars. Craig related how he has owned a number of vintage Mustangs and takes pride in his 1969 "Bullet" Mustang reproduction from the Steve McQueen movie. He also owns a 1976 Yamaha motorcycle and drives a modern Mustang Cobra edition as daily transportation. He and his wife Lori enjoy kayaking and exploring. They also enjoy the company of fellow club members, especially those with 3 or more antique cars so that he "doesn't look so bad with his collection". It is always interesting to learn more about our members and how they first became interested in vintage cars.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at the Old Antique Car Museum. Dinner at 6:PM and Meeting to begin at 6:45 PM. Program is TBA. Ray B.

The club was dismissed at approximately 7:30 pm for visiting and socializing.

**These minutes were submitted by:** Bill Thompson.

*(Minutes taken by Bill Thompson in the secretary's absence.)*



### Club Event Planning

Check out our Club Activity Calendar and the Activities Page for all the latest events and shows for TRAACA members on the web at: <CTRL key + click on the following link.>

[http://traaca.org/traaca\\_news.html](http://traaca.org/traaca_news.html)

### Automotive Related Articles Are Always Needed From Our Club Member For Our "Tallahassee Chassee" Newsletter

I would like to request some original-personal car and automotive related articles submitted from our members for our newsletter. I'm sure you have some experiences you could share and maybe with pictures too. Example of subjects could be your 1st car, car you dated it, car troubles, car troubles you encounters, how to fix or replace something specific on a vehicle, cars you have owned, etc...

E.G.: For example are the many articles Craig McCollum has been submitting for our newsletters.

**NOTE: We can not re-print articles or pictures in our newsletter without first getting written permission from the original author and/or publisher.**

**ALSO**, Whenever possible, **Please submit pictures at a minimum of 150 DPI and preferably about 300 DPI or higher resolution**, for clarity of printing.

Please send articles to the newsletter editor via E-Mail at [RaymondBartell@yahoo.com](mailto:RaymondBartell@yahoo.com)

Thanks, Ray Bartell, Editor

**PS:** I was thinking of including a member items for sale or trade page. If anyone is interested and has any cars, trucks, parts, automotive or engines or other mechanical items, etc., let me know. Ray B.

**Just FYI: These Newsletters go out to over 95 persons and are also published on our TRAACA Web site at:**

<http://www.traaca.org/newsltr.htm>

### **The Next TRAACA Club Meeting is Tuesday, September 11, 2012**

Always on the 2nd Tuesday of each month  
at the Old Auto Museum location  
Dinner at 6:00 pm  
General Meeting to start at 6:45 pm

#### **Menu**

Sonny's BBQ

#### **Program**

Law Enforcement Officer to speak on Driving Safely

*And the subsequent TRAACA Club Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 9, 2012*

**Monthly Get Together Event on the Fridays Following the General TRAACA Club Meetings**  
[Next two are September 14, 2012 & October 12, 2012 at 8am]

**We Meet at the Cracker Barrel for Breakfast at 8:30 am at the I-10 and North Monroe location**

### **Meet at old Gulf Station in Quincy every Friday**

The men meet for lunch\* and talk Cars at 12 Noon.

The station is off Hwy 90, on the south side of highway 90.

- See Picture of the Hollingsworth's Gulf station on Title Page -

\* Hot Dogs are provided on the 2nd & 4th Friday of each month.

(but, bring your own lunch on all other Fridays)

### **Monthly Tallahassee Cruise-Ins**

**Sonic/Hardees on North Monroe**

1st Saturday each Month (just north of Capital Circle)

**Whataburger Drive-In on Thomasville Road**

2nd Saturday of each month — Ford & Chevy Clubs

Last Saturday of each Month — Street Rod Club

**Crawfordville Hardees**

2nd Saturday of each month — 6pm to 9pm

**Whataburger on Apalachee Parkway**

3rd Saturday of each month

### **National and Regional Events**

Check the AACA website at <http://www.aaca.org>, for all events and for full details of these and other national events.

Tallahassee Region, Antique Automobile Club of America (TRAACA) Members can also read details and lists of Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) events in the AACA "Antique Automobile" magazine.



## Junkyard Dog & Fluffy

Jerry's Auto & Industrial Electric Inc.  
317 Blountstown Highway  
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850-575-7464

### From your Reporters in the field: Ramblings and Roving's of Junkyard Dog & Fluffy

Now that Fluffy and I (Junkyd Dog) are sniffing out some old locations as (antique car hobbyist), we feel everyone in this hobby should know about some old dependable, reliable and honest service shops would be in order. We hope the above, family owned; business with four related employees may be of some help to you. Their office hours are 7:30 to 5pm Monday to Friday. We met with Jerry and his son Doug to get an overview of what they still work on. Jerry's brother Willard was out at this time but the young lady in the office and voice on the phone, when you call, is very knowledgeable on what goes on and easy to talk to. A large percentage of their work is hand carried in for large & small motors, generators, starters etc. and they still work on cars that drive up. While we were there a customer came up for a battery and charging check, which only took a few minutes. We were told that most repairs are in a 2 to 3 hour window or less. I think Doug gets most of the vehicle repairs in this hot weather, but all of them have been there.

Jerry & Anthony Sanders (brothers) started this business about 1980 in a much smaller building down from there present location and slowly moved to a larger red building they had built, to their present building at top of hill. This is the only location in Tallahassee that I have found a full size tractor (bull dozer) that did run, on top of sign pole. It still stands as a marker now and when this area was considered out of town and basically in the country. (Blountstown Highway joins Pensacola into state road #20). Before Interstate 10 and Capital Circle was two lanes and nothing was on the west side of town to speak of.

Today 32 years later Jerry's Auto & Industrial Electric is still operating. I moved to Havana to work at NCR in Tallahassee in 1990 at the end of Tharpe Street. My first visit with Jerry's was with my 1946 Ford with generator (in hand) not working and was pleased to find someone that would talk to me about fixing it and putting it back in like new condition. I used this shop for a number of years with the 22 vehicles I had in our fleet account. Years later I had a 34 Ford with regulator problems that I had converted to an alternator system. Again he pulled me out of the woods and back on the road. My personal experience has been nothing but the best with this service provider and I have not heard of anything negative from my friends to stop me from going back. If needed, we both highly recommend this business.





## What is it with '39 Plymouths?

(Submitter by Bob Brown)

Dear Editor:

In last month's Chassee, I was pictured at an early age in a strange vehicle in China. Here's more on my early years which were indelibly imprinted with 39 Plymouths.

Many of you have noted my present-day fascination with 39 Plymouths. While still in China, my folks ordered a 39 Plymouth 4-door sedan essentially identical with the one I own today. They had it shipped across the Pacific as deck cargo on a steamship that unfortunately ran aground. The ship foundered in the surf for six weeks before the deck cargo was salvaged. Our car was essentially a total loss, but not to the enterprising Chinese. My father had the car, which was essentially brand new but gutted by wind and surf, completely restored in Shanghai, at a cost of about \$600. Of course, it was left behind when my family fled the Japanese in the summer of 1941.

We came home to the wartime US and (minus my father) moved into my grandmother's house in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, where we lived until 1943. She also had a 39 Plymouth sedan that became the family car (my dad bought a 42 Dodge that he used during his wartime assignment in Washington.). So I had never ridden in much of anything but 39 Plymouths until I was five years old!

When Nan and I were dating in high school in Virginia in the mid-50s, I bought a gray 39 Plymouth business coupe for \$50 that we called "The Mouse". It was a very snug little car for two people in love! When we finally married, in 2003, I thought it would be fun to find another Mouse, but instead I happened upon a Hemmings ad for a 39 Plymouth convertible in Port Allegheny, PA. Since I had to go to Buffalo on business just then, I took an afternoon off and drove the 100 miles to see the car. I bought it on the spot. It was also done in Huntington Beige and ran pretty well, although the top was totally rags. This was the car that Nan and I had when we joined TRAACA. In 2006, I found another 39 Plymouth convertible on EBay which I bought, selling the first one to a Mopar collector in Conyers, GA. Neal Davis rebuilt the suspension, steering, motor and gear box, and brakes. Unfortunately, as some will remember, the following year I stupidly failed to seat the oil filter gasket properly after the spring oil change and managed to run the engine dry, requiring a second motor rebuild!

When Nan finally admitted to me that she had never felt safe when riding in a convertible, I knew it was time for a sedan, the first antique car sedan I've ever owned. Naturally, it had to be a 39 Plymouth! I found our current car, a black 4-door deluxe touring sedan, in an ad in the Plymouth Owners Club magazine. It had been completely restored in Detroit in 1988-91 from a Michigan barn find, and took Best In Show in a 1991 POC show in Ontario. The owner was a Plymouth employee who had the help of a lot of Plymouth and Dodge friends at Chrysler.

We think this is probably our last 39 Plymouth, but then again, who knows?? Bob and Nan Brown



### Article and Pictures Submitted by Bill Thompson

On Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August my wife Nancy and I made the trek over to Blountstown, Florida via Highway 20 to check out the Journey Stories exhibit presented by the Smithsonian. This is a professionally prepared display of printed stories, photos and graphics telling the history of Americans freedom to travel anywhere in our great country from early pioneer days to the present. The surrounding counties besides Calhoun County have contributed to this exhibit telling their own history with table displays of pictures, books, maps and artifacts.

Beginning with the Lewis and Clarke expedition to explore and map the land West of the Mississippi following the Louisiana Purchase, the first exhibit is of early American pioneers who sought land and riches while risking their lives with hostile native American Indians as they traveled West. Photographs, early maps and artwork gives the viewer an idea of their struggle.

With about a dozen other displays that show various eras of our history, the entire exhibit gives you the feeling of what others before us have gone through to build our great country today. My personal favorites were the automobile and train displays. Looking at a large photo of an early 20<sup>th</sup> century steam train unloading model T Fords in a Colorado rail yard made it seem I was standing right there watching it all unfold. The caption read "Men unload six Model T's from a box car at the railroad depot in Rifle, Colorado in 1914. Fenders, tops and other 'accessories' will be added to these new 'flivvers'." (Colorado Historical Society) Another statement at the top read: Everything in life is somewhere else, and you need a car to get there - E.B. White, American author and humorist, 1899-1985.

The train display "Accelerated Mobility" showed a photo of a huge steam locomotive and gave the history of its travels and freight loads up until about the 1940s. Passenger trains hauled thousands of Americans cross country for decades for business and pleasure but began to fade in the 1950s when the Eisenhower interstate highways allowed for automobiles to take over as our main source of transportation. The exhibit was free and very well done. In all, it was a good drive and experience. The exhibit ended August 25th..





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