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### Upcoming Events

- Triangle Chapter Dinner Meeting, Golden Corral, September 15.
- See page 2 and 3 for summer events.

#### **Triangle Web Site**

See the Triangle Web Site at :

http://www.ncregionaaca. com/triangle/

# **Triangle Chapter News**

# **Triangle Chapter News Summary**

- First Triangle Chapter 2011 Fall meeting is planned for Thursday evening, September 15 at Golden Corral in Cary.
- Read President Don Aikin's message. Page 2.
- See the Editor's Notes on Page 2. See if you were elected the new Triangle Chapter Newsletter Editor at a secret election.
- See car display opportunities on Page 2.
- Fred and Jean provided notes and actions from the May 19 Triangle Chapter Meeting. Page 3.
- Make plans to attend the Triangle and NC Region and Chapter fall events listed on the calendar on Page 3.
- Plan to participate in one of the Brass Nickel Tours. Page 3.
- See Triangle summer events stories on Pages 5 and 6.
- Raleigh "Classics at the Capital", story by Joe Parsons. Pages 5-6.
- Phil Gerwitz's '56 Continental story Page 7.

# **Triangle May Meeting**

The first Triangle Chapter meeting of the fall will be held Thursday evening, September 15, 2011

Venue: Golden Corral, 5707 Dillard Drive, Cary.

Times: Dinner 6-7 pm, Meeting 7-7:30 pm, Program 7:30. Program: TBD.



2011 Take-Apart T Team



'25 Model T

### **New Triangle Member**

Our most recent new member is Allan Eckhaus who rejoined the chapter on June 1st. He had been a Triangle Chapter member back in 1996. He recently purchased a 1930 Dodge from Richard Dean (A current member of the Triangle Chapter).

# **President's Message** By Don Aikin

My thanks to Denny for doing an abbreviated newsletter to kick off the Fall season.

Our first dinner meeting of the Fall (September 15<sup>th</sup>) will be at the Golden Corral in Cary on Dillard Drive. We will meet there through November, with the Christmas party at St. Michaels in December.

I am in the process of pulling together a small group to scout out possible alternative meeting places for our monthly dinner meetings beginning in January. The primary objectives will be adequate space, privacy (low noise) and accessibility from various parts of the Triangle.

As we still don't have a newsletter editor, I'll keep you posted via emails.

We still need someone to step up and take over as newsletter editor. I've approached several of our members, who for a number of reasons are unable to serve at this time. I'm sure Denny will be glad to give anyone interested some pointers in getting started. If you're not sure whether you have the required computer skills, check with Denny to see what's needed.

As of this writing, I don't know what the program will be for September's meeting, but look forward to seeing you there. (Sept. 15th).

Don

# Editor's Notes By Denny Oestreich

Phil Gerwitz and Joe Parsons provided great articles for the newsletter and we needed a newsletters to start our fall season, so I decided to publish one more newsletter. I hope you enjoy it.

The next edition of the triangle Newsletter could be edited by you. I will provide a lot of help to get you started and a number of articles. This issue turned out to be a full newsletter.

Be sure to look for the fall activities that are planned. There are many things to do.

Plan to bring a potential member to our September 15 meeting. Invite them to join us.

The Triangle Web Site is restored. Sorry for the temporary interruption.

I've been busy building my garage this summer when I should have been building my car. Merry named the garage, Garage-Mahal.

# **2011 Triangle Contacts**

### Triangle Chapter Officers

President	Don Aikin (556-2302)			
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Region News Correspondent	Riley Reiner (554-1158)			

# Car Display Opportunities

**Woodland Terrace Senior Living Center.** Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

Annual car show at Woodland Terrace Senior Living Center, 300 Kildaire Woods Drive, Cary, NC Have your car there by 10 am and it usually wraps up around 3:30 to 4:00pm. If interested get more information from Don Cooper at 919-467-9953.

#### Yates Mill Pond Car Display.

Saturday, September 17, 2011

Yates Mill County Park, Lake Wheeler Road and Penny Road, 11 am until 3 pm. Call Gary Hunter if you are interested (919-387-7202) or e-mail him at *cards642* @*aol.com*.

### Crossroads Ford Customer Appreciation Day

Saturday. September 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am till 4:00 pm . (1660 Piney Plains Road, Cary) There is no charge or entry fee. They are feeding everyone lunch and there are some great door prizes. Grand prize is four tickets to a Hurricanes game, VIP parking and dinner after the game. Plus they are giving away some big screen TVs. Plenty of games for the kids. You don't have to have a Ford to show up and check us out. Call Bob Gault at 919-329-6511.

**Universal Healthcare Car Display** 

Sunday, September 25th, 2011 520I Clarks Fork Drive Raleigh, NC 27616

Hours: 1:30PM to 3:30PM Contact: Don Aikin daiking

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# Triangle Chapter AACA Calendar

Triangle Chapter 20	011 Events	September 24	Sandhills	
September 15	Dinner Meeting		Pinehurst, NC	
	Cary Golden Corral at 6 pm	October 1	New River	
October 1	Heritage Days at Oakview		Jacksonville	
	Contact Marv Gage if you	October 15	NC Region Fall Meet,	
	want to display your vehicle.		Furnitureland, Spencer	
	919-846-4708			
October 20	Dinner Meeting	AACA National—Nearby events		
	Cary Golden Corral at 6 pm			
November 17	Dinner Meeting	Tours		
	Cary Golden Corral at 6 pm	Brass Nickel Chapter Touring Region		
December TBD	Holiday Party at St.	September 20th	Tour to Wilmington, NC	
			Wilmington members choice.	
NC Region Events		November 5th	Tour to Carthage, NC	
September 17	Southeastern		Tour of the Elder's great and	
	Mt. Olive		amazing collection.	

# **Triangle Chapter Meeting Notes**

### By Fred Harley and Jean Soehnlein

### TRIANGLE CHAPTER MEETING NOTES: May 19, 2011

- 1. New member Dave Norris joined us for the first time. Total attendance was approximately 32 members at the Cary Golden Corral.
- 2. Membership is at 95 families with the newest member Dustin Tart, a GM fan who owns a Chevy Bel Air, GTO and 442. The treasury is at \$7300 thanks to a very successful annual car show that contributed a net plus to the club of \$2765.
- Joe Parsons did a terrific job getting sponsors for the car show with contributions over \$3100, and a raffle income of \$201. We lost 4 of our sponsors from last year but gained 2 new sponsors this year. Don Aikin will finish assembling the trophies for each sponsor for Joe to deliver in the next few weeks.
- 4. Jean Soehnlein has finished and updated the 2011 Membership Guide and Directory. Copies were available for the attendees of the meeting; the rest will be mailed out next week. Thanks, Jean, for a super job.
- Lynda Miller's supply of chapter shirts has been depleted. Fred Harley will be placing an order for Triangle Chapter Shirts in various sizes. Please contact the Shirt Lady, Lynda Miller, if you need a new or replacement shirt. Sizes are S, M, L, XL, XXL The shirts are the same price as last year, \$20 each.

### **ACTIVITIES:**

- 1. Cary Golden Corral is planning a fundraiser for charity and would like cars from our club to participate. Tentative date is June 25th. More details later.
- The NC Museum of History is planning a "Celebrate NC History" Festival on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> and has requested cars to be displayed near the museum. Date is Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. Set-up by 9:45AM and ending at 4PM. Trailer Parking will be available 2 blocks from the museum.
- 3. Ice Cream Social is scheduled for July 24<sup>th</sup> at the Hartley's. Thanks, Nancy and John. Remember to bring homemade ice cream or other dessert, plus your own lawn chairs.
- 4. The date for the Watermelon Social has not been set as of this writing, but will be sometime in August, as in the past.
- 5. Pat Gaglione, chairman for a car show in Durham, has requested members to participate. Pat has supported this show for many years at Crousdale Retirement Village in Durham. Date is June 5<sup>th</sup>. Trailer parking is available.
- 6. Marci Allen talked about a Red Cross project for donating Platelets. She passed a sheet around for signing up. She will set up time for Triangle members to donate in memory of Mike Soehnlein. Blood Platelets are used for cancer patients, leukemia and a plastic anemia, heart surgeries, etc. Those who have had chemo are very much aware of the need for this donation. Mike received blood platelets many times last year during these treatments. Marci handed out information sheets about the process. Thank you, Marci.

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### Ice Cream Social By Denny Oestreich

John and Nancy Hartley sponsored the 23nd annual Ice Cream Social at their home on July 18, 2010. The event is held in the Hartley's basement/garage. This years July weather was hot with a few rain sprinkles.

Members provided more flavors of ice cream, several different types of cookies, and fruit toppings. Flavors included vanilla, strawberry, chocolate, mint chocolate chip, and peanut

butter. There was plenty of ice cream for evervone to have seconds Thanks to John and Nancy for hosting this tradi-



tional event for the Triangle Chapter. This is Triangle family tradition.

# Watermelon Feast

### **By: Riley Reiner**

Sybol and Joe Daniel held their annual Watermelon Feast at their home on weather on August 19, 2011. Attending the event this year were Dean and Les Tryon, Fred and Sue Harley, Barker Edwards, Riley and Sandra Reiner, Floyd and Peggy Barnes, Mike Kinsch, Dan Morton and David Norris. Joe and Sybol had a good assortment of food and sweet melon.

Floyd and Peggy drove their T-bird and the Reiners drove their Mustang. No visit to Joes Garage would be a completed with out an up-



dated picture of Joe's 1957 Chevy project. This year Joe has an engine test stand he has built to run the engine. Thank you.

# Golden Corral Car Display By: Denny Oestreich

The Cary Golden Corral sponsored a car show for charity in the parking lot on June 25, 2011. There were 10 Triangle Chapter members and one other car in the display. The display was an event to raise money for the Golden Corral Muscular Dystrophy charity. The spectators donated money for their



favorite car. This was a show that Fred Harley was able to drive his 1911 Buick from home. Also displaying at this event were, Gary Hunter '30 Model A, Mike Peterson 1955 Dodge,



Bob Gault 1961 Ford Pickup, Dan Fuccella '50 Willeys, Floyd Barnes '57 T-Bird, Bob Miller 39 Buick, Ben Johnson 1915 Model T, Denny Oestreich 57 Chevrolet and Bob Moncovich '63 Imperial Golden Corral manager treated us to Iced tea during the show and a free lunch. The winner by virtue of collecting the most donations was Dan Fuccella. Way to go Dan. The Golden Corral manager said he would like to do it again.



### TRIANGLE AACA MEMBERS AT "CAROLINA CLASSICS at the CAPITAL" By: Joe Parsons



The advertising copy for the show that lived up to it claims.

Carolinas Classics at the Capital features hundreds old classic cars lining the city's famed Fayetteville street. Stretching almost one-third of a mile, Fayetteville street connects North Carolina's state capital building (to the north) with the city's performing Arts Center (to the south). With its historic building and vibrant retail and dining options, Fayetteville Street is the ideal city scape for displaying the great cars and trucks of yesteryear.

Just one block west is the newly renovated Raleigh Convention Center. That's where you'll see even more cars and classic car parts vendors, all under one roof in a cool climate controlled setting. The convention Center features first-class amenities like state-ofthe-art sound and lights, digital connectivity and 12 loading docks. In all, 150,000 square feet of space will be available to exhibitors for the three-day event.

#### **Classic Block Party**

If you're part of a group of classic car fans that loves to travel, hang out together at car shows, make sure you call and reserve one f Downtown Raleigh's city blocks for this years Classics at the Capital show. That's right! In 2011 your friends at Classics at the Capital will help you host your own Block Party in downtown Raleigh. You must have ten (10) cars or more to reserve a city street, and space is limited, so reserve yours early.

# AACA at the Capital Car Show

Seven Triangle AACA members participated in this years *second* Carolina Classics at the Capital car show. Down town Fayetteville Street was a sea of parked cars all the way to the Capital with the even the side streets taking on the over-flow of show cars. Inside Raleigh's newConvention Center were more classic, customs and muscle cars plus numerous vendors. The upstairs mezzanine had cars as well as the ground floor of the center. One participant brought a prize winning 1956 Chevy hardtop all the way from Melbourne, Florida. Last year both Joe Parsons and Bob Gault participated in first year the event. This year's event included the following Triangle Chapter participants and award winners :



Bob Gault's 1961 Ford 4X 4 Pickup AWARDED a Top 50



Don Winstead's 1972 Oldsmobile 442 AWARDED THE SWEET 16 AND BEST GM



Joe Parsons' 1958 Studebaker Golden Hawk AWARDED THE SWEET 16 AND CHICK'S CHOICE



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Paul Teeter's 1950 Ford Pickup



Bob Monkovich's 1963 Chrysler Imperial



Phil Gervetz's 1956 Lincoln Continental



Floyd Barnes 1957 Chevrolet Sedan



Jack Jordan's (Newly Acquired) 1950 Ford Custom

I predict next year's show to be bigger than this years with around 700 cars. This show is so great, that I expect TV show host *Dennis Gage* to be attending within the next two years ... it's his kind of program called "My Classic Cars".

There were several car clubs attending the Fayetteville show notability the Pontiac club and a group from Little River. It would be great if we could have a large representation from our AACA car club in attendance in 2012.

It's an exciting experience with live bands playing on stage on Fayetteville Street and inside convention center vendors selling parts, memorabilia and car products. There was a restoration business from Pinehurst that brought exotic cars such as (2) Mercedes 300 SL roadsters, Aston Martin, Lola race car, various Mercedes sedans and convertibles, Ferrari, and Jaguars plus others. The Army even had a Vietnam helicopter displayed as well as the TV series Munster's cars were crowd pleasers.



Aston Martin <u>two million dollar plus car</u> \$\$\$\$\$\$\$

"As a club, we really need to think about our participation in the August 2012 "Classics at the Capital Show"".

# 1956-7 Continental Mark II By Phil Gervitz

Why the 1956-7 Continental Mark II Remains An Active Collectable"

Although just around 3000 were built, the Continental Mark II remains one of the most active Conti-



nentals sought by collectors compared to Lincolns, Cadillac, and Imperials of the same era. At any time, you can find a handful on eBay, ranging from complete derelicts from around \$6000 to fully restored examples commanding upwards of \$50,000 or more. Plus, Mark II's can be found at some of the elite car auctions like RM, and Barrett Jackson. It is estimated that about half have survived,



in part because owners early on recognized that this was going to be mileа stone car both for it price, its pedi-

gree, and cadre of famous owners. There is an active following for owners and enthusiasts. Several years ago, a forum dedicated to Mark II was created by Shelly Harris, called "Mark II Forum" at http://markiiforum.com/. Each month, there is a car of the month, "General Discussion", "Technical Discussion", "Marketplace" "Mark II's for Sale/Trade" and more. Additionally, a member of the forum, Pat Marshall, is researching the ownership of every Mark II - serial number, from the original owner to



the present. He has used a number o f sources over the y e a r s that have a I s o gathering this inform a t i o n from: the

Continental Mark II Association (run by Buddy Holiday and Jack Rosen many years ago), Lowell Domholdt, FoMoCo records, Internet Research, LCOC records, Buddy Holiday, Mark II Forum, and owner supplied information. A compilation of this work is being posted on the Mark II Forum site.

As the car celebrates it's 55th birthday this year, additional events are planned. A gathering of Mark II's is requested in Detroit on July 30, 2011 at a national LCOC event. Members who aren't registered with LCOC will be admitted on this special

dav. Also member #1. William Clay Ford, has promised to speak at the awards banauet! He last spoke about the Mark II in 1980 for the car's 25th anniver-While sary. Ford did not achieve it's intended goal for



upstaging Cadillac, Imperial or even Rolls Royce, it did create a memorable car that will last through the ages.

Famous Owners and Stars included Liz Taylor and Mike Todd, Debby Reynolds and Elvis. The car really did cost \$11,096.76 in 1956! "

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'51 Ford — Jack Johnson



'39 Plymouth - Leo Galvin



'30 Oldsmobile - Joe Daniels



'78 Datsun 280Z Larry Loftin