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Welcome New Members !

Chad and Demi

Goldman, Raleigh. They own a 1941 Packard 120 Sedan.

John and Mary Gilliam,

Holly Springs. They own a 1972 Chevy Monte Carlo.

Upcoming Events

 Triangle Chapter Meeting. Oct. 16 Golden Corral, 6129 Glenwood Ave. RALEIGH.

Times: Dinner 6pm. Meeting: 7:00 pm. Program 7:30pm.

Updated Website Addresses.

Regional: www.ncregionaaca.org

Our local chapter:

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



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Triangle Chapter News Summary

Lots of car adventures have filled our summer. Take a look through the following pages to see what you might have missed.

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The Gang is all there..



In Hershey....the first night. Looks like they found another Golden Corral. Picture by Les Tryon.

October Program

Come learn about the AACA National Middle-West Meet at Oconomowoc, WI. Three Triangle Chapter members attended this show made up of 120 very special vehicles - both judged and on display. **Jim Gill** and **Dan Morton** will share their experiences and pictures. **Mike Petersen** was a Judging team leader with 268 credits. Come see the special cars of this show without having to travel farther than Raleigh NC!



But where's Mike? Mike Petersen is missing judging at Hershey for the first time in years....hmmm **By Denny Oestreich**

President's Message

October weather is perfect for short rides in our antique cars. I have enjoyed several drives on nice days this fall. Be sure to take time some afternoon for a comfortable drive on a good road and look at the leaves. Be sure to stop somewhere for one of my favorites, an ice cream cone or a light lunch with a glass of wine.

Thanks to Gary Hunter and Fred Harley for taking their cars to the Yates Mill County Park on September 18. We only had two vehicles at this event, but there many other events that drew people.

In September, I attended the Charlotte Auto Fair for the first time as a vendor. I put the cap back on my pickup truck and loaded it up with many parts I thought I could sell. I also loaded display tables, a canopy, a mattress, and blankets for a good night of camping out. Oh yes, I also took a cooler filled with ham sandwiches, water, and Diet Sprite. After \$90 of gas I drove to Charlotte. It took about 60 minutes to get set up in my \$120 space. Most of my customers must have watched American Pickers and Pawn Stars the night before because everyone wanted to bargain. I sold some parts and perhaps I broke even. The most important things I learned were: almost everyone likes to haggle; if you leave it home someone will want it; there is no way to determine what will sell; too many ham sandwiches are not fun; and you will bring a lot of parts back home. It was great to see everyone who stopped to see my "emporium".

Check your calendar for our events that should be on it. The NC Region Meet is at Spencer on October 18, 2014. Also on October 18, 2014 we have two Take-A-Part T demonstrations at Tommy Fitzgerald's event at Percy Flowers Store. We still need T-Team Members and someone to coordinate the Take-A-Part transportation for this event. Dan and Anne Russell have invited Triangle Chapter members to their home to see and name their newly restored car on October 19. Our last car event for your calendar is our Chick-Fil-A car display on November 15. Mark your calendars.

I hope to see you at our October 16 meeting. Our program will be a Power point presentation of the AACA Middle-West Meet in Oconomowoc, WI.

Regards, Denny

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Editor's Notes — Andrea Irby

Pretty fall days have made for nice driving, whether to a car show, display or fall event. There is so much to do each weekend, it is hard to choose. Add hobbies and football, and one almost doesn't know what to do.

In this issue, you will see what happened when Rita went out for a Sunday afternoon ride and what took place at Heritage Days. **PH Craig** has a story to share as well.

As I write this, many of you are at Hershey and no doubt will come back with stories, if not TALL TALES! I want <u>all the details</u> for the November issue. Our deadline for November is the first of the month.

One great story to keep you on edge is why **Mike Petersen** is missing Hershey. I thought about sharing it now, but wanted to give it the space it



deserves. Needless to say, it is pretty amazing. See you in November!

Triangle Chapter AACA Calendar

CALENDAR



OCTOBER:

October 8-11. National Fall Meet in Hershey, PA (aka The High Holy Days of Hershey).

October 11. HELP OUT A LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL

The Wakefield High School Choral Program is holding fund raiser car show at Wakefield High school. They need cars to enter and they need judges including a chief judge. If you can help, please contact **Charles Griffin at 919-455-0976.** Wakefield High School is located at 2200 Wakefield Pines Dr, Raleigh, NC 27614

October 11. Cruise to the Coast Show, North Myrtle Beach, SC. Contact Dan Cicoria at <u>dmcrlc40@aol.com.</u> Make sure to put "Cruise to the Coast" in the subject line of your email. Or call Dan at 843-390-1491.

October 12-13. Hershey Hangover III for Brass Vehicles. More Information.

October 16. Triangle Club Dinner Meeting at the Golden Corral on Glenwood Avenue in Raleigh. Dinner 6pm, Meeting 7pm and Program at 7:30.

October 18. Regional Fall Meet, NC

Transportation Museum, Spencer NC. This is a great time to compete for your Red Bird award. The Registration Flyer can be found here: <u>http://www.ncregionaaca.com/</u> region/images/pdf/14fallmeet.pdf

October 18. Percy Flowers Old Store Gathering. 4879-A Highway 42 East, Clayton, NC 27527 10am-5pm. Display your car. Great with old cars, tractors, live music, food. Fun for the whole family. Contact: Tommy Fitzgerald, 919-291-4437, email: decordf@aol.com. Demonstrations of the Take-A-Part T. T crew needed. October 19. 2pm. The Russells are having a BABY NAMING Party for their new baby: a 1930 Franklin Dietrich Speedster Drive your classic car to 8620 Territory Trail, Wake Forest. RSVP to Ann Russell at 919-764-9414 or akrussell@nc.rr.com

November:

November 15. Chick-fil –A car display. Capital Blvd. Raleigh. Jack Agayoff is coordinating.

AACA Meeting Notes - 9/18/2014

• SAVE THE DATE Our Holiday party will be held this year on Sunday Dec 7 at the Stag Club in N. Raleigh (where we have the Chili-Cook-off). New Date, New Iocation, new caterer and more Jean Soehnlein is coordinating

• Fred Harley reported that membership is at 89 families with two prospects possible soon.

• Denny reported that the NC Region had two Scholarship Awards for the 2014-2015 School year. The Institutional Award went to the Wake Tech Auto Detailing program for needed tools. This award was sponsored by our Triangle Chapter. The amount awarded was \$837 paid in two installments: \$418.50 in the fall and \$418.5 in the spring. A \$900 individual scholarship was awarded to Connor Sexton for tools need for his automotive program. The NC Region had been working to establish a Scholarship Fund for several years and recently implemented the program as part of the NC Region 60 Year anniversary agenda.

• The "Best of Show" as voted by the residents at the Sept14 show at Croasdaille Retirement home in Durham was won by Rob Van Dewoestine with his 1960 Plymouth Fury convertible. Second place was Dean Tryon's 47 Pontiac woody. Pat Gaglione organizes this every year.

• **Dan Morton** present a container of Morton's salt to help him remember that there is no "e" in his last name. It will be in a prominent place on his desk we are sure.

• Note the latest AAACA magazine for a great article by **Bob Miller on his 1939 Buick.** It was written many years ago but finally made it to the national magazine.

• The September presentation by **Dave Wulff** on the Corvette museum sink hole was postponed. A miscommunication resulted in no projector for the presentation. Dave will speak to us at our November 20 meeting.



First there was one, then another, then three and four: four model As driving around Cary, restored and unmodified. Cecil and I were out for a Sunday afternoon drive with Rita and like flies drawn to a horse barn, we followed the model As down Penny Rd. to their gathering.

There were MANY of them, and they kept coming and coming. **Mike and Helen Kinsch** were greeting them at the entrance of Montague Lake. Helen was dressed in lovely period outfit and her Model A was parked behind her greeting the others. They recognized Rita and we stopped to ask what was going on: a club meeting? A regional meet? No, it was the first afternoon of a NATIONAL meet! We asked if we could look at the cars and they invited us in!

This Model A from South Carolina says it all!



We parked

with the service and modern vehicles until a fellow came up and directed to park elsewhere. We weren't sure where he was taking us, but he put us on the field with the other cars! What an honor! As more cars entered, I could not take pictures fast enough.



"Abigail", coming in with 168,500 miles on her, brings her folks to the meet.

Chet Butcer's Model A looks pretty on the field.



They DROVE from everywhere:

Connecticut, Indiana, Texas, Illinois, New York and more. Some took two and a half days to arrive, but 83 of them made the field on Sunday. Many had names: Abigail, Eleanor, Ellie and all had stories to tell. "Abigail", a 1930 two door sedan owned by Tom and Sharon Laupp of Indiana, showed us her badge for going over 165,000 miles! There was no judging, just displaying and a great barbecue picnic.



Mike Kinsch and a friend survey the field.

Mike Kinsch and **Chet Butcher** worked for two years to put together the event, at first securing hotels and venues and later, designing activities and tours. **Dave Norris** was also there was his Model A.

There were 150 cars in all participating in the event that lasted from Sunday through Wednesday. Some took a tour to 100 years of Progress in Carthage, others visited local Raleigh museums, and still others visited private car collections. Maybe I should give up my dream of an Auburn and consider a model A for our next car.

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This Car is Not for Sale By D. G. Martin Originally in The Chapel Hill Herald September 11, 2014 reprinted with permission

"I have never sold a single one of them." Chapel Hill businessman and real estate appraiser P.H. Craig was talking about his treasured collection of old cars.

Visitors to his home are treated to a seemingly endless display of old automobiles, some fully restored, some at various stages of renewal, and others awaiting the loving attention that Craig can give an old car.

Which is his favorite? It changes from day to day, but on the day I talked to him, his attention was fixed on a World War II Jeep. "I call it the Bill Friday Jeep," he told me. "It was exactly like one that the late President Friday used when he was in the service and when he came by to see it, he got in and stayed for a long time."



P.H. Craig and the late William Friday in the World War II Jeep that Craig calls the "Friday Jeep." Photo by Steve Campbell

Friday asked Craig for a key so he could start the engine and drive the Jeep around. Craig had to explain that the Jeep's engine had not been restored and was not yet ready for driving. "I am sorry I didn't get it ready for him before he died."

Craig also treasures a 1960 Chrysler 300-F. "Chryslers are not as valuable as Chevys to collectors," Craig acknowledged, "but this one is priceless." He explained that the car had been owned by the famous racecar driver, Johnson. The car was not for racing. Junior Johnson used it to haul moonshine. That occupation was a lot more lucrative in those days than competing in the car races.

Although Fords had been the cars most bootleggers used in the early days of moonshine hauling, they required a lot of work to put them in shape to outrun the cars driven by revenuers. "But," explains Craig, "when the Chrysler letter cars came along, they were all ready to go to the races or to haul bootleg whiskey. By 1960, the bootleggers had become wiser, using more common looking sedans, and wouldn't think of hauling in a 1940 Ford any longer. The 300-F came equipped with everything standard that the bootleggers had been adding for years. They were indeed stock cars and came equipped to outrun anything on the road or the track."

Hauling illegal liquor could be backbreaking work. "At one time," according to Craig, "Junior Johnson was known to haul four trips a night every night of the week, seven nights a week, even when he was racing. It is said that is why there are so many photos of him sleeping on top of his racecar."

The Friday Jeep and the Junior Johnson Chrysler may be the cars Craig publically identifies as his favorites. But there is another car he may cherish even more because of a family connection.



P. H. Craig's 1947 Desoto. Photo by Steve Campbell

He can spit out a description of his 1947 DeSoto Custom without taking a breath:

"New motor, new gas tank, interior, paint, whitewall tires, exhaust, brakes, semiautomatic and fluid drive, turn signals, back up light, push button radio, push button starter, and heater, everything



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works, even the dash light."

After he finally took a breath, Craig explained that the DeSoto is like the family car he loved when he was growing up in Hillsborough.

If you ever get a chance to visit Craig's automobile collection, do not pass it by. But if you try to buy a car from him, here is what you will hear: "This one is not for sale."

> Heritage Days at Historic Oakview by Denny Oestreich and Andrea Irby

Perfect weather greeted car club members and visitors alike at Heritage Days at Historic Oak View park. Animals and activities delighted young and old alike. There were animals to be petted, hay rides, and many crafts from yesteryear.

Sandra, Carys, and Colin enjoy the "ponies"

Photo: Jean Soehnlein



Our club enhanced the

event by bringing nine cars and our Take A Part T to the event. It was great to visit with Dan and Monna Stamm and their Corvair, George Ashley brought his Model T, as did Ben Johnson. Not to be out done, the Model As were represented with Gary and Susan Hunter's car. Denny Oestreich and Floyd Barnes brought their 57 Chevys while Joe Parsons brought "Barney", his Golden Hawk. Andrea Irby's "Cognito" was glad to get out of storage and enjoy the weather. He went topless of course.



Dan and Monna Stamm display their Corvair

Photo: Andrea Irby Eleven members were on the Take-A-Part T team. Riley Reiner towed the Model T and Don Aiken brought a shelter and club literature. We had two very good assembly times of 7:43 and 7:00. Thanks to Les Tryon and Jean Soehnlein for keeping time.



The team puts Ugly Betty back together again.

Photo: Jean Soehnlein

But the success of the day was due to our secret weapon: our 12th man, Colin Wimmer. Colin worked the crowd, explaining things to other young car enthusiasts. One fellow about Colin's age even abandoned his fiddle to watch the Take A Part T event. He looked rather blue when he couldn't help put it together.



Colin explains the T process to his friend. Photo: Andrea Irby

Kids also enjoyed the tractors. The event seemed smaller with fewer exhibits, but that left plenty of room for kids to run and play old games, to the delight of parents who would later take them home for a good long nap. Merry and Denny



A quilt on display at Oakview Photo: Andrea Irby

participated in the quilt auction and were able to get one very nice quilt to be saved for a great grandchild far in the future. All in all It was a great fall day.



Wanted

P.H. Craig is restoring a 2nd WWII Jeep: a 1943 Willys; looking for ANY parts, motor or body that might fit my needs. Would love to buy front body of completely rusted body tub. Have you seen one of these sitting somewhere? Any tips? Also, interested in any parts for a 1952 M38 Willys. Contact: **PH Craig** at **919 967 4155** or **phc@nc.rr.com**

Storage still needed for a 1961 Sabra. Vehicle dimensions: 13' 4" long, 5' 7" wide and 5' 1" tall. If you have space, know of someone with space, or a reasonably priced storage facility, please contact **Glenn Abbey** at **919-790-9302** or gsabbey@icloud.com.

Late Addition to the Calendar: Ugly Betty Goes to Carthage!

Our increasingly popular Take A Part T has been invited to perform at 100 Years of Progress, at Ederville in Carthage NC, **November 8, 2014.** Riley will take her and will do the speaking part. We need the Take-A-Part T members

Team Members will be admitted free to this amazing collection.

Car pooling suggested. Please let Denny or Riley know if you can help. Denny Oestreich 919-846-8163 or <u>oestreichd@aol.com</u> Riley Reiner 919-554-1198 or rreiner@earthlink.net

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One of these is not like the others.....

