

Triangle Chapter News



December 2015

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1. Triangle Events Calendar

January 15-16 NC Region Meeting in Burlington, NC. Be sure to sign up. Link to a Registration Format at:

<http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/images/pdf/annualmeet.pdf>

January 21 – Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Raleigh Golden Corral, Raleigh

February 18 – Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Raleigh Golden Corral, Raleigh

2. Triangle Newsletters

The December newsletter is being sent to you as an Email. This is in Word Document format and you can easily print it, if you want a paper copy. If you have trouble printing it, a PDF copy is on our Web page. New and past Triangle newsletters are available on the Triangle Chapter Website at: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/triangle/>.

The NC Region and AACA National events list for your planning is at: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/>

3. Triangle President's Random Thoughts

Riley Reiner

Here we are in December and our Christmas Dinner is now history.

The dinner was very successful with fifty in attendance for a wonderful evening arranged by Jean Soehnlein. This year Karen Winstead of The Forks Catering served an outstanding meal of double roasted beef, ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, carrots, baked apples, breads and three kinds of pies. If you are hungry and did not attend, mark your calendar for next year. Bob Safrit used his membership at the Stag Club to provide the perfect venue. Thanks, Bob! Denny Oestreich ran the gift exchange game with a unique twist. He offered questions from club activities during the past year, general antique auto questions and a few rare pieces of trivia. He did the presentation as a power point presentation with pictures. It was fun and everyone went home with something good to eat. I did not know that the portholes on the sides of Buicks really had an official name. Bob Safrit, Mr. Buick, and Dean Tryon each learned something. A special thanks goes out to Les and Dean Tryon for putting together a couple of dinner plates for Don and Dottie Akin since they paid for the meal and could not attend. They also delivered the plates on their way home. Thanks!

The show at Chick-fil-A organized by Jack Agayoff was a total success on a beautiful day. We may have recruited a couple of new members. In addition to a great display, November provided an excellent tour. Chad and Demi Goldman had the best tour in many years. I cannot remember more cars on tour. I think the number of cars was around thirty. The real treat was the ice cream shop at the end of the tour just north of Angier. The flavor menu was an 8.5X11 sheet, three columns singled spaced. Sandra sometimes has trouble deciding between three flavors so I knew I was in trouble. I would encourage more tours as they are fun and build more club spirit.

The new officers and Board will be meeting in early January to plan the first half of the year. I would sincerely appreciate a call or email on some suggestions. We need to do some different things and as my son used to say, "Dad, You have to think outside the box". While that drove me up the wall, we really do have to think of some new activities.

Please consider attending the Region Business meeting in Burlington. The judging school is Friday afternoon and the meeting with breakout sessions on Saturday. Check out the November-December Region Newsletter for all the details. It is a great early winter activity and you will learn about the AACA judging system.

Sandra and I wish everyone a blessed Christmas and a healthy, happy New Year.

4. Triangle Chapter January 2016 Meeting

The Triangle Chapter January meeting:

When: Thursday evening January 21, 2015.

Where: Golden Corral on Glenwood Avenue

What: Regular meeting

Time: *Dinner starts at 6 PM; Meeting will start at 7:00 PM: Program: Starts at 7:30*

Program: By Dan Fuccella
TBA

5. Triangle Chapter Christmas Party

We had a great time at our annual Christmas party. Fifty people attended our event on December 6. This was 12 more attending than last year. Jean Soehnlein was the Christmas Party Chair again this year. Several other Holiday parties were scheduled on the same day, so the start time was moved to 6 PM which turned out to be a good time for all participants. The event was held at the Stag Club hosted by Bob Safrit. Bob had ensured the facility was well decorated and all the tables were set up for our event. Many thanks to Bob for the use of the facility.

Sue Harley, Les Tryon, and Sandra Reiner found and purchased the table favors while they were at Hershey this fall. The favors were decorated candle holders with battery powered lights at each person's place setting. Everyone was able to take a table favor home. Jean Soehnlein and Les Tryon planned the menu with the caterer. The tables and the place setting were arranged by Jean, Sue, Les, Marilee Sanderson, Riley Reiner, and Bob Safrit. Les also got the snacks for the social time.



This year our event was catered by fellow Triangle members Don and Karen Winstead. They are the owners of the Forks restaurant in Wake Forest and have a great catering service. They prepared a buffet dinner, with ham and roast beef, vegetables, potatoes, rolls and three kinds of pie for desert. Karen delivered the food and set up the buffet tables. She also served the food, bussed tables and cleaned up the buffet afterwards. Many thanks to Karen for her hard work and great service. For those of you who do

not know other triangle members, but know their cars, here is Karen's car. Stop in to see Karen and Don in Wake Forest. (See their Web site at: [http://www.forkscafeteria.com/.](http://www.forkscafeteria.com/))

Members were invited to bring two gifts. One gift was an edible gift for the gift exchange and the second was a gift for Toys for Tots. The Yankee gift exchange included a trivia game. When your name was drawn you had option of answering a trivia question or deferring to someone else to answer. The questions were varied. about antique autos, Triangle members vehicles, or the Triangle Chapter. Dan and Jean Fuccella's trivia question was, just by chance, about their own car. Another question was: "Name three Triangle members who acquired a new antique car this year." The answer



given: “ Jim Aldrich, Jim Aldrich and Jim Aldrich” was latter fact checked and found to be wrong. Jim has only acquired two cars this year. Other questions tested the knowledge of our best gearheads.

After the trivia question You could open a gift from the table or steal someone’s gift that had been already been opened. The gifts were all great and everyone went home with a treat.



After having had several gifts stolen, Jim and Andi Gill picked a gift from the table that was a very large and heavy bag of peanuts. At that point Jack Agayoff explained that peanuts are the favorite food of pink elephants and produced the Pink Elephant. They will care for the Pink Elephant until next year. The Pink elephant has been traded with the Club for 25 years. You can try you luck with the questions on our Web site at: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/triangle/images/PDF/2015party.pdf>

The second gift, brought by many, was an unwrapped toys to be donated to needy children through the Toys for Tots program. Riley Reiner will be taking the toys to the Marines, however he is concerned they may conscript him as one of “few good men” to report directly to the Commander and Chief. I am sure they will award him a deserving rank in the Marines.

Thank you, thank you for all who helped. A special thanks goes to Bob Safrit, who made it possible for us to use the Stag Club and to Jean Soehnlein for coordinating the event.



6. Chick-fil-A Car Display - Thank You

Jack Agayoff



I just want to thank everyone who participated in the Chick-fil-A display last Saturday. We had 23 club members with cars, several other club members without cars, and one boat. Eight non-club members stayed around for most of the day and another 6 or 8 cars came and went. It was a beautiful fall day with sunshine and pleasant temperatures. Two people took applications for membership and I think it's likely they will follow through. Thanks again for all those who came out. It seems like this November activity remains one of the popular events. Jack





7. Triangle Chapter November Meeting Minutes

Dean Tryon

Triangle Chapter AACA Meeting Notes – 11/19/2015

Upcoming Events:

1. 12/5 – Chapter Christmas Party at the Stag Club, Ray Rd in Raleigh. A separate e-mail with the info was sent out by Jean Soehnlein last week. If you did not receive it, let us know. The gift exchange will be as last year – something edible or drinkable plus bring a toy for the *Toys For Tots* program. The address is 8001 Ray Rd, on the west side about half way (about 1.5 mi) between Strickland north) and Lynn Rd (on the south). If you have not been there it is a bit hard to see. Look for a small temporary sign at the street and maybe a balloon or two.

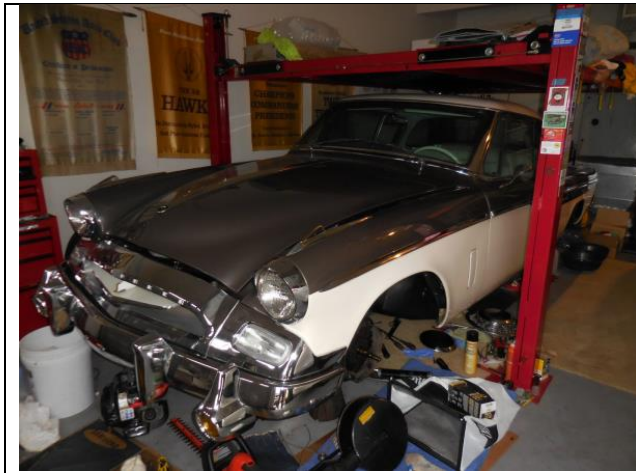
General discussion:

1. Riley Reiner opened the meeting and introduced new members Bob and Judy Simpson (69 Camero) and Horace Lawrence.
2. We still are looking for a newsletter editor. In the meantime, the editor position is being temporarily filled by Denny Oestreich and Jean Soehnlein. Using e-mail for most of the distribution saves a lot of work. If anyone is interested, they will provide lots of help.
3. Fred Harley reported that membership is up to 91 families and the treasury is in great shape at \$9,000.
4. Dues are Due. You can send a check to Fred for \$60 (\$35 National, \$15 Region and \$10 local Chapter) by the end of the year (401 Lochside Dr, Cary, NC 27518)
5. Riley thanked Demi and Chad Goldman for a great tour on Sunday 11/8. We had at least 17 cars ending at Sunny Skies Ice Cream in Angiers.
6. The Nov14 display was a success with 23 member, 8 non-members for most of the day and others that came for shorter periods of time (which is just fine). Thanks to Jack Agayoff for organizing this again and thanks to our members who came out on this cool but sunny day.
7. Jim Gill has 3 prototype trophies for next year and he passed the final selection

- around. Great job Jim. Now to get them built.
8. Bill Werner knows of a 1939 Ford 4-door sedan for sale. Call him at 919-469-8905 if interested.
 9. 2016 Officers – Nominations were made by the Nominating committee and elections held. Our slate for next year is:
 - a. President – Riley Reiner
 - b. VP – Dan Fuccella
 - c. Sec/Treas – Marv Gage
 - d. Directors – Jim Gill, Bob Fuhrman and Chad Goldman. Marv has to resign as a director (since he is now Sec/Treas) and Fred Harley will replacement him for a year.
 10. The meeting was a very unusual speaker – Scott Mason (ala The Tarheel Traveler) who is known to many of us for his interviews on WRAL TV at 5:55 PM Mon thru Thurs. Scott shared with us some of his old car related interviews along with several more of interest. This meeting was arranged thru the NC Humanities Council in Raleigh. We had about 60 people present – largest I can recall in this location.

See you at the Christmas Party.
Dean Tryon

9. Members' New Car Projects



Joe Parsons

Joe has started the detailing of his 1955 Studebaker Speedster. His first projects were to rebuild the carburetor, turn the brake drums, and detail the engine compartment. The battery box needed to be replaced with a reproduction original. A few chrome pieces need replacement. His winter plan is to paint the lower section of the body coral color to match the popularly advertised 1955 three tone model. Joe has completed 10% of the engine detailing. Joe plans to have the car ready for the 2016 show season.



Pat Allen

Pat recently purchased an excellent example of a 1953 Packard Clipper 2 Door. The car is equipped with many extras including power steering, power brakes, automatic transmission, AM radio, heater and special Packard wire wheels. The engine is a smooth running straight eight. Pat is rebuilding the carburetor and doing other detailing of the engine to prepare for the summer car show season.

10. Car Club Dues Due

Triangle Chapter Treasurer Fred Harley reminds us that it is time to start thinking about paying your 2016 dues. The fees are due on or before December 31 to continue your membership in AACA, NC Region and the Triangle Chapter. The total amount is \$60.

NATIONAL AACA: Annual Dues \$35

NORTH CAROLINA REGION AACA: Annual dues \$15

TRIANGLE CHAPTER: AACA: Annual dues \$10.

You can pay all your dues at one time to the Triangle Chapter Treasurer who will forward the payments to the NC Region and the National.

11. Who Do You Contact at the Triangle Chapter?

If you have comments, questions, or ideas about Triangle Chapter activities you can contact one of the people below.

Officers

- President Riley Reiner (919-554-1158)
- Vice President Dan Morton (919-876-3291)
- Treasurer Fred Harley (919-233-4889)
- Ex-Officio Denny Oestreich (919-846-8163)

2015 Committee Chairs

- Awards - Jim Gill (919-554-1158)
- Newsletter Editor - (Open)
- Region News Reporter - Jean Soehnlein (919-847-4832)
- Webmaster - Denny Oestreich (919-846-8163)
- Youth Coordinator - Dan Fuccella (919-349-5911)

Directors Class of 2015

- Jack Agayoff (919-846-8570)
- Pat Allen (919-556-3652)
- Marilee Sanderson (919-467-9999)

Directors Class of 2016

- George Ashley (919-846-8570)
- Grady Conner (919-696-4736)
- Marv Gage (919-846-4708)

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