Triangle Chapter News







October 2016

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2. Editor's Notes

1. Triangle 2016 Events Calendar

- October 20 Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Raleigh Golden Corral
- October 29 Tommy Fitzgerald's fundraiser at the Percy Flowers Store. Take-A-Part T
- November 12 Chick-Fil-A Car Display, 4621 Capital Boulevard. (Rain date November 19)
- November 17 Dinner Meeting 6 pm at Golden Corral
- November 19 Triangle Fall Tour (Saturday)

December 4 - Holiday Party



Triangle Chapter at Oak View 2016

Editors: Annie Goldman and Denny Oestreich If you have trouble printing our newsletter, a PDF copy is on our Web page at:

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

This month, we have included articles on some of the fall events, displays and car shows our members have attended. In the November issue we will have several articles about Hershey 2016. There are several calendar updates; please make note. We welcome your articles and pictures of your AACA vehicle and events you attend. We especially enjoy pictures of your car project. The newsletter needs your input to Denny at OestreichD@AOL.com or Annie at: anniesss@gmail.com

Best Regards, Annie Goldman and Denny Oestreich

3. President's Random Thoughts

By Riley Reiner

October is upon us and it is my favorite time of the year. Les, Dean, Sandra and I will be leaving Wake Forest at 07:30 on Tuesday for Hershey. We will meet Fred and Sue at the motel. I am keeping my eyes on the weather and hope we have a nice week. I have a short list of needs for the huckster truck and the phaeton. Hershey is a great place to find something you didn't know you needed, but what a deal!

Historic Oak View last Saturday was well represented by Triangle Chapter with ten cars and fourteen members. The two shows of the Take Apart T were 6 minutes, 32 seconds and seven minutes, 55 seconds. Thanks for the support! I think the park had more craft booths than ever before and more things for kids to try.

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, October 29 for Tommy Fitzgerald's fundraiser at the Percy Flowers Store. We will do two shows of the Take Apart T. The meet is like a cruise-in with no registration fee and no set time to leave. I will get more details from Tommy next week at Hershey. We need assembly team members and cars to display. The drive is reasonable and the weather should be nice. The exact details will come out in a blast email.

Andrea and Cecil hosted a very well attended covered dish meal on September 25th. Cecil showed off his new garage and his Model K Lincoln roadster. He started the V-12 engine and it was so quiet. Sandra and I sat in the car while it was running and we didn't feel any vibrations. After driving a Model T and looking down over the short hood, sitting back in the deep, wide leather seat and looking out over the long hood was rather intimidating. The K is much larger than his Zephyr V-12, which I think is big. Thanks, Andrea and Cecil, for a great afternoon.

At the covered dish meal at Andrea and Cecil's home, Dan asked for ideas for programs in October and November. Don't forget to register for the NC Region meet in Spencer on October 15. Registration is due by October 8th. The meet flyer is in the last Region Newsletter. Spencer is a great place for a fall meet.

I will be trailering our '25 to the meet on the 15th if you are interested in joining me.

Time to start packing and making my parts list. I'll see you at the next dinner meeting if not before.

4. Next Triangle Chapter Events

 What: Triangle Chapter monthly meeting. When: Thursday evening, October 21, 2016.
Where: Golden Corral on Glenwood Avenue Times: Dinner starts at 6 pm; Meeting will start at 7:00 pm: Program starts at 7:30

Program Topic: DIY Auto Restoration – Tricks of the Trade

The theme for October's meeting is "DIY auto restoration – Tricks of the Trade". How many times have you come across an unrestored relic or a pile of parts abandoned by a disenchanted would-be restorer and pondered "you know, with a little love and care, I could really make something out of that". In keeping with the impending Halloween season, three of our "seasoned" members will share with us the tricks and the gremlins of taking on an auto restoration project. At our October 20th Triangle Chapter meeting, Floyd Barnes, Marv Gage, and Fred Harley, by way of illustrations and tool displays, will fill us in on the "do's" and "wish I had nots" of the restoration process. Please join us in this informative discussion. It might just influence your upcoming restoration decisions.

2. What: Triangle Chapter Southern Tour (Planned by Chad and Demi Goldman) When: Saturday November 19

Where: Meet at 4201 Global St, Raleigh, NC. (Parking Lot with plenty of room for trailer parking) The tour is going to be on the Saturday for a better turn out. Earlier start time (1-2 pm) will lead to more folks participating, without concern of it getting dark. A 30 mile route (no dirt roads this year) that will take us through the eastern part of the county. I have picked a location part way through the tour that should offer a nice location for a photo stop.



5. Triangle Chapter Meeting Minutes - 9/15/2016

By Dean Tryon

Action Items and Upcoming Events:

- 1. 9/25 Picnic at Andrea Irby and Cecil Bozarth's house from 1-4. Details in the newsletter.
- 2. 10/1 Oak View Display at their annual Heritage Days.
- 3. 10/15 Woodland terrace retirement home display.
- 4. 11/29 Charity car show sponsored by member Tommy Fitzgerald in Garner. This is an annual event, no cost, no judging, no registration plus 2 "T" shows
- 5. 12/3-4 Leith auction at the Fairgrounds
- 5/6/17 Our annual spring show will be held at the Triangle Town enter on Capital Blvd near I-540. Save the date. Details will be forthcoming. Thanks to Riley and George Ashley for arranging it.

General discussion:

- 1. Riley Reiner opened the meeting at 7:03 without his gavel and introduced a potential member Glen Andrews and Danny Fuhrman's wife Kathy at her first meeting.
- 2. Marv Gage reported (from Ohio) that membership is at 97 families. The treasury has approx..

\$7000.

- 3. The New Bern show had two "T" shows at 9 and 6 minutes on a hot 97 degree day.
- 4. The display at Atria Senior Living Community had 10 cars and was very much appreciated by the residents.
- 5. Dean mentioned a very good book ("Now I Get It") that describes all the vehicle systems in easy understandable language. It is perfect for spouses, new drivers and anyone wanting to understand some basics of your modern car. Cost is \$13.95 plus shipping on line or \$10 total from Dean.
- 6. Bob Gault sold his white truck at auction recently, a very emotional event for some of the family. No worry, he has another project vehicle already.
- 7. Annie mentioned that the special car display ("Rolling Sculpture") at the NC Museum of Art on Blue Ridge Rd should be interesting. If there is interest, we could go as a group and have a special tour set up. It runs from 10/1 to 1/15/17. Info off their web site is:

"The art deco period—from the 1920s to the 1940s—is known for blending modern decorative arts with industrial design and is today synonymous with luxury and glamour. The automobile, a rapidly evolving mechanical child of the 20th century, thus became the perfect metal canvas upon which to express the popular art deco style."

- 8. Hershey anyone going to Hershey? Several of us (Riley Reiner, Fred Harley & Dean Tryon) will have a swap meet spot again this year in the Chocolate North field spot # C4O #40-50. The easiest way to find them is to look for light post #36. Stop in for a visit and a chance to rest your legs.
- 9. Hershey Bob Gault might have trailer space going up or coming home if you have a need.
- 10. Jean Soehnlein will be selling her house next year if you know anyone that needs a great car hobby home. It is 5 acres in N Raleigh with a 3 car attached garage, separate workshop and garage wth an apartment over it.
- 11. Trailer for sale Joel Hoffman built the open trailer in 1980, and is in excellent condition. There are surge brakes, and a tilt bed. Last year, he replaced the wheel bearings, rebuilt the brake system and put on new trailer tires (trailer tires, not automotive tires. Since then, he has used it to pick up cars in New Jersey and Michigan and it has performed flawlessly. \$1200. 919-303-5635, joelhoffman11@gmail.com
- 12. The program was a presentation by Brian Manning from NC Auto Appraisal in Apex. He discussed various aspects and types of appraisals for estate values, diminished value after accidents, insurance valuations, etc. Very interesting topic of use by everyone.

6. Dues and Shirts Reminder

By Marv Gage

It is that time of year again when AACA dues are due. If you would like to have the Club submit your dues to National, Region and the Chapter, complete the attached form and return it to me with your check. I will bundle the dues and send a Club check to each organization. You will receive your new membership card directly from National. National Dues are \$35, Region Dues are \$15 and Chapter Dues are \$10. You can send me one check for \$60 and I will split up the payments. You must belong to National to be a Region and Chapter member.

We also have new supply of Club polo shirts. We have men's gray shirts without pockets in a polyester material. Riley felt these would be good for the Take Apart "T" team since they are cooler. They are \$25 in medium, large and Xlarge sizes. We have the traditional men's Navy Blue cotton and polyester blend with pockets in medium, large and xlarge for \$20. We have the same Navy Blue shirts without pockets in large and Xlarge for \$20. We also have Ladies Navy Blue in Medium and Large for \$20. I have orders for several shirts that I will deliver at the next dinner meeting. If you would like to order a shirt, contact me and let me know which shirt and size you want and I will bring them to the next dinner meeting. I can be reached at either mkgage@aol.com or <u>919-846-4708</u>.

7. Still Looking for Take A-Part Car Storage

By Riley Reiner

The chapter's Take A Part Model T needs a new home within the next year. It has been fourteen years in its current home, but now we need to plan for a move. Jean Soehnlein has had the T on her property since 2002. Jean is planning to sell the property within a year. We need to find a new home or decide to give the car away to another club.

The Triangle Chapter has become known for our T. While we have reduced the number of shows, we still make a fair amount of money for the club, which pays for hauling the car, upgrades and other club expenses. The club cannot afford a public storage facility unless we find an outstanding deal. We have the cargo container to hold the car and our club supplies. The container can be moved to a new site at club expense. Most of our members live in neighborhoods that do not have the space or have regulations against such a box. It is up to me to find a place to store the container. I don't think Sandra will agree to expand "Garage Biltmore" further.

This is an open problem that needs everyone to comment or offer ideas. Please contact me or any officer or director with your comments. We need to get started now so we will be ready when Jean gives us the word to move it. We could also sell the container if we could find indoor storage to protect the car.

8. Other Car Shows, Events & Cruise-Ins

By Annie Goldman

This summer was a little on the quiet side concerning car show participation. We hope more members will come out and show off their treasured vehicles, enjoy the friendship of old friends and make some new ones.

Here are some nearby AACA and other car show events we hope you will attend. See the NC Region Web site or your NC Region Newsletter for more details about AACA events: <u>http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/index.php/2012-02-13-00-21-14</u>. If you know of another show not listed, please email me to add them to the calendar at AnniesSS@gmail.com.

Upcoming AACA Events:

October 15 -NC Region Fall Meet, Spencer, NC

Other 2016 Chapter Events and Local Shows:

October 29 - Car show & Take-A-Part T Demo, Percy Flowers November 17 - Chick-Fil-A Car Display, 4621 Capital Boulevard, Raleigh Capital Crossing Shopping Center November 19 – Triangle Chapter Tour

Monthly Cruise-Ins - Note that many of these cruise-ins will not run year round:

1st Saturday of the MonthChar-Grille Cruise-in, 4617 Atlantic Ave, Raleigh 4pm2nd Saturday of the MonthSouthland Car Club, Pizza Hut 725 N Brightleaf Blvd, Smithfield 3pm3rd Friday of the MonthTimeless Cruisers, 1318 Mebane Oaks Rd, Mebane3rd Saturday of the MonthBoston Market, 4558-A Capital Blvd, Raleigh4th Saturday of the MonthCars n Coffee, 950 Gateway Commons, Wake Forest4th Saturday of the MonthMopar Motivators, 2108 S Main St, Wake Forest

Want to be included in the Evite sent out for various car shows, etc and aren't getting it? Send Annie (AnniesSS@gmail.com) an email from the email address you want added with a short note

9. Group Tour of NC Art Museum "Rolling Sculpture"

By Annie Goldman

I think it would be great fun to gather ourselves and take a tour of the "Rolling Sculptures Art Deco Cars from the 1930s &1940s" at the North Carolina Museum of Art. I've spoken with a representative from the Museum and they are excited to have us!



In my discussions, I had to select a day, so Sunday Nov 13 at 2pm I thought might work out well for us. (If a later date is wanted or needed, we may be able to arrange it, but with the holidays, it might be tough.)

My thought was to gather somewhere in our classics a few miles or so from the Museum could meet for lunch if we'd all like to do so and drive to the Museum together. They will block off an area of the parking lot just for us to not only keep our cars together, but security can keep an eye on them too.

We would be provided a docent for every 15 people on the tour at a cost of \$50 per docent.

The cost of the tour:

Free for Museum Members (first time visit) \$13 Youths 7-18 \$16 Seniors \$19 for adults 19+

For more information about the exhibition, please click here: http://ncartmuseum.org/blog/view/art_on_wheels_the_ncma_presents_rolling_sculpture

For us to do this, we would need to reserve the docent(s) at least 4-5 weeks before we attend, so if you are interested, please email me at AnniesSS@gmail.com or call me 919.986.0782. I would be happy to reserve the docent on my credit card, but the cost will be divided amongst each person in attendance.

I really hope you are all as excited to see this art exhibition as I am! Please let me know if you would like to join us.

10. Sandhills AACA Chapter Show September 17, 2016

By Denny Oestreich

The Sandhills AACA Chapter held their annual open car show at the Sandhills Community College Automotive School on September 17, 2016. Denny and Merry Oestreich and Annie Goldman attended. The weather and the venue were both great. Members of the Sandhills Chapter had arranged activities including a concert by the Sandhills College Swing Band and an opportunity to walk through the Horticultural Gardens maintained by the students.

There was a wide selection of over 90 cars entered with plenty of parking. The Sandhills Chapter had arranged goodie bags with many gifts donated by the local merchants and free hot dog lunch for the participants. Annie and fellow Triangle member Tony Hanjis were on the judging team for the show. The awards were presented to the recipients by Miss Moore county and by Miss Teen Moore County. This

was a successful show with many nice vehicles on display. See the links below to see more pictures.. <u>https://goo.gl/photos/ZFeCxyR5Mp9cntmm8</u> <u>http://ncregionaaca.com/region/index.php/component/content/article/88-news-general/471-2016sandpics</u>





Annie's Burb

Best of show



Mecedes Restored in Pinehurst



The Older Cars



A Red 58 Chevrolet Convertible

50's Cars

11. Triangle Fall Picnic – Sunday September 25

By Annie Goldman

Triangle Chapter members enjoyed a cool Fall afternoon at Andrea & Cecil's house in southeast Raleigh. Many members showed up with their classics and lots of food was devoured! Salads, casseroles, pork BBQ, cake, fruit and more was enjoyed by everyone.

The new garage housing "three" Lincolns was a highlight of the day as members got to see a donor car chassis and see how the car was built - at least what was left of it!

Thank you to Andrea & Cecil for opening your house and garage to us!

Click here for more photos: https://goo.gl/photos/iwoPXFam5akKPgDf9



12. Oak View Heritage Day Display

By Denny Oestreich

The Triangle Chapter brought 10 cars and the Take A Part T to support the Oak View County Park Heritage Day on October 1, 2016. We also had 14 members who participated in the two Take A Part T demonstrations and other activities. The early fall weather was great and there were many activities, especially for families and kids. There was quilt show and auction, pony rides, lawn games, a woodworking exhibit, a blacksmith, a fishing pond, animals to pet, and a 4-H project competition.

The Triangle cars were lined up in our usual place. Ben Johnson drove his "new 1931 Chevrolet" to the event. There were two Take A Part T demonstrations with the second taking longer due to familiar drive shaft to transmission alignment problem. Many pictures were taken of kids and adults in the Take A Part T. Thanks to Riley for towing the Take-A-Part T and to Ben Johnson, Jim Gill, Chad Goldman, Denny Oestreich, Rob VanDoewestine, Ted Brooks, Chet Butcher, George Ashley, and Marv Gage for displaying cars.

Two of the driven antique vehicles gave small problems at the display. First Ben Johnson's '31 Chevy seemed to have a starter problem when he arrived. It had to be parked using four Triangle pushers. Ben says it's a new vehicle to him and he is gradually getting the bugs out. Later it started and ran all the way home OK. Then Jim Gills '25 Model T had a carburetor issue when he arrived. It was also parked with

the assistance of Triangle pushers. At the end of the display Fred Hartley (AKA the T Whisperer) started it and vaulted it back onto the trailer. Once home Jim resolved the problem by swapping carbs from his Model T under restoration. When he turned the key to start the T again it started under compression, a good sign. Jim then disassembled the carburetor and repaired it. The morals of these stories are: You are never done restoring an antique car and it's always good to have a second car for parts when diagnosing a problem.



To see more of Chad Goldman's pictures from the event go https://goo.gl/photos/SHEvnkPqwG9s7S6v5

13. Buick Mechanical Brake Adjustments

By Dean Tryon

I am not an expert on brake adjustments but my recent experience on both cars was helpful, interesting and might be of interest to others. I restored a 1929-57 Buick several years ago but was never happy with the braking performance, even after installing new lining myself on the front. Understanding the basic adjustments made a significant improvement. I then applied what I learned to my 1916 D-45 with positive results also. **Bottom line – if you set them up correctly and understand the adjustments**, they work.

Basic operation

Both cars are mechanical brakes. Buick did not use hydraulic brakes until 1936 (one of the last manufacturers to do so). The early Buicks (mid-20's and older) use only rear wheel brakes, the '29 has 4 wheel mechanical brakes. Mechanical simply means there is a cable from the brake pedal to the

drums that actuate the brakes. Interesting enough, the regular service brake lining is <u>external</u> to the drum and the emergency brake is <u>internal</u>. In the photos below, the drum is attached to the wood spokes (the 16 silver bolts). A close up of the brake lining is on the right. It is a one piece of brake material going about 330 degrees around the shoe and riveted in place. The lining is the tan color just above the steel drum. The top spring mechanism is what pulls the lining to the drum.





Setting brake lining clearance:

I have a detailed procedure written up for my early Buick (teens) newsletter that we will not go into here. Suffice to say that it is important to have a uniform clearance (spec is 0.035-0.040") around the drum when installing or adjusting these brakes. I did not initially pay enough attention to this and was never happy with the performance.

Final check suggestions:

I like to do 2 final checks. The first is a mechanical check using a long wood clamp that has the capability of reversing one end (see photo). By incrementally actuating the brake pedal with the wheels off the ground, I go to each wheel and rotate it by hand to make sure they all start engaging about the same time and fully lock up at the same time.



The second test is on the road using an infrared temperature measurement tool to check brake drum temperatures. I drive it a few miles and check the drum

temperatures after a few miles of normal driving and then after some hard braking. I find (on both cars) that normal temps are running in the 100-130F range. After hard braking, they will go up to 160F. But – what is normal? <u>I have no idea.</u>

Brake temperature Discussion:

To try to answer the above question, I did some additional investigation. For comparison to these mechanical brakes, I tested two modern cars. I found that the disk brakes on my 2015 Chev Trax and 2008 Chev Suburban can easily run up to 230F (disk temp) after moderately hard braking. Longer driving and heavier braking probably will drive this temp higher. The specs on the brake material I used (from McMaster-Carr) shows a max <u>operating</u> temp of **500F**. Tests on my 1959 Buick brakes (hydraulic but large aluminum finned drum style without power assist) show similar temperatures to the older cars – 120-160F. Interesting! Has anyone ever seen any brake temperature data? I have not, but sure would be interested.

Dean G. Tryon

14. Member Car Project Updates

Jim Gill Project – Ford Model T Pickup



This is a picture of the body of Jim Gill's Model T truck. Jim has started just a few of the detailed body work tasks like, straighten, fill, weld, replace wood and add body filler, spray primer, and then paint the body. The body work details fit easily into a sentence. The time to do the work will take a lot longer sentence.

The Model T chassis and drive train are being put aside to age while the body work is done. Rumor has it that experienced scouts were out in Hershey finding a few last minute restoration parts.

Cecil Bozarth – 1936 Lincoln Zephyr Convertible Project



Cecil Bozarth told us a rarely used adage that says "You can't have too many Lincoln Zephyrs". I hardly realized this was true, but he has added two more Zephyrs making it a collection. So it must be true. We got to see all three of his Lincoln Zephyrs in the new garage during the picnic on September 25. In the first picture above you see the group deciding if the third car chassis should be prayed for or buried. (Qualification definition: If it takes a space in the garage and has four wheels, it's a car.) Cecil is harvesting parts from this chassis. In the second picture you see the new Zephyr convertible and little of his 1937 Zephyr in the background. The newest Zephyr needs some cosmetic investments. Cecil is currently doing a parts and business analysis to determine what to do first. Cecil started the big V-12 engine for us. It ran so smoothly you could hardly tell it was idling. He has also driven the new Zephyr around the neighborhood. The drive train is very good. This is a great start for a future Concours winner.

15. Triangle Chapter Contacts

If you have comments, questions, or ideas for Triangle Chapter activities, please contact us below:

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