

# Triangle Chapter News



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## August News Summary

*(Story summaries here. See the stories in the matching sections below.)*

1. **The Next Triangle Chapter Events.** We do not meet in July or August. We have a club picnic planned for August 25, 2019. We will do a Take A-Par-T demo at the Four Oaks Car show September 7, 2019, and the Chick Fil-A display is planned for November 16, 2019. Future plans for 2019 include a club tour and a display at a senior residence will be announced.
2. **Upcoming AACA, NC Region and other events.** See the list of upcoming events. The NC Region Fall Meet at Spencer is on September 21, 2019. Be sure to sign up.
3. **Take A-Par-T.** Demonstration Team members needed. See Riley's request.
4. **President's Corner.** Read Jim Gill's comments and see the Ts and fish.
5. **Summer Picnic Details.** 32 Members can attend the picnic at Hess' on August 25.
6. **Zooland Regions Show Report.** See Mike Hess's story.
7. **What's in a Garage?** A story by Andrea Irby.
8. **Senior Residence Car Display.** Dan Fuccella takes the lead on a Senior Residence Car Display.
9. **Editors' Notes.** Want to be an editor or co-editor? Training and assistance will be provided.
10. **Triangle Chapter Contacts.**
11. **Four Oaks Car Show Flyer.** Display your car and join the Take A-Par-T. September 7, 2019

## 1. Next Triangle Chapter Events

**The Triangle Chapter Does not meet in July or August.** Many of us are on vacations with family and friends. Please send a picture of an interesting event or vehicles you see on vacation.

### EVENT #1

**What:** Triangle Chapter Summer Picnic

**When:** Sunday, September 25, 2019.

**Where:** Mike and Kimberly Hess' home at: 334 Ellis Creek Drive, Pittsboro, NC 27312

**Times:** Gather for sent up and discussions 4 P.M. Dinner at 5:30.

**Information:** See the story below in section 3 of this Newsletter. A parking Map

### EVENT #2

**What:** Take A-Par-T Demonstration

**When:** Saturday, September 7, 2019.

**Where:** Downtown Four Oaks, North Carolina

**Times:** Demonstrations at 11:30 AM and 1:30 PM

**Information:** See the story below in section 3 of this Newsletter. Contact Riley Reiner to sign up as a team member.

### **EVENT #3**

**What: Triangle Chapter September 2019 monthly meeting.**

(We do not meet in July and August)

**When:** Thursday evening, September 19, 2019.

**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: To Be announced.**

### **EVENT #4 Chick Fil-A Car Display**

**When:** Saturday, November 16, 2019.

**Where:** Chick Fil A Capital Blvd.

**Times:** Display starts at 9:30 AM

**Details:** Further information will be provided by Jack Agayoff.

## **2. Upcoming AACA, NC Region and Other Events**

### **Other AACA Chapter & NC Region Events and Local Shows:**

September 7 - Sandhills Chapter Meet - Southern Pines, NC

September 14 - Southeastern Chapter Meet - Mt. Olive, NC

September 21 - NC Region Fall Meet, Furnitureland Chapter - Spencer, NC

September 28 - New River Chapter Meet - Jacksonville, NC

October 5 - Heritage day car display at Oak View County Park, Raleigh, NC

October 9-12 - Eastern Fall Meet AACA National - Hershey, PA

October 17-19 - Charlotte Fall Autofair, Hornets Nest Region - Charlotte, NC

**See the NC Region Web site or your NC Region Newsletter for more details and event flyers.**

### **Triangle Take A-Par-T Demonstrations:**

September 7 – Four Oaks Show and Swap Meet, Four Oaks, NC. See the flyer at the end.

October 5 - Heritage Days, Historic Oak View County Park, Raleigh

## **3. Take A-Part-T Help Urgently Needed**

### **By Riley Reiner**

We still need to assemble a team to do the Take A Part T on Saturday, September 7, 2019. Only two persons have volunteered so far. We need four to six more team members.

The event will be held in Downtown Four Oaks, NC which is one exit north of I-40 on I-95 past the Smithfield Outlet exit. Their flier is at the end of this newsletter if you are interested in entering your car at the event.

Our show times are 11:30 and 1:30. Please wear your Triangle Chapter shirts, blue or gray, and your white Model-T hat. If you do not have a shirt and would like to get one, contact Marv Gage as he has a supply. He also has hats which are free for team members. We have had positive comments from the crowd when our team is in uniform. Please let me know if you are interested as soon as possible. I will send reminder emails out closer to the event.

Contact Riley Reiner to join the team at: Tel 919-554-1158, Email at [rreiner@earthlink.net](mailto:rreiner@earthlink.net)

Contact Marv Gage for hats and shirts at: 919-673-0371

Thanks,  
Riley

## 4. President's Corner

### By Jim Gill

I just returned from six weeks in the north woods of Wisconsin. Back into real city life of hustle and bustle. I had to drive twelve miles from my brother's log house to get cell phone service where I could receive text messages, but not send any. I can't imagine how many robo calls I missed, what a relief. Interesting enough, I still had numerous communications with club members. Life in the north woods definitely is a different style, groceries and restaurants are limited but generally found at most convenient /bar/gas corner establishments. The positive, crystal clear streams and lakes for fishing, trails for hiking and biking were endless and the trout stream running through the original Gill homestead provided plenty of action.

One accomplishment was reviving my brother's T Roadster that has been idle for three years. A few parts changes and adjustments and off we went to the country roads. We also spent three days sorting and labeling T parts to sell at next year's Iola Car Show. And yes, it looks like two more vehicles are going to be in the works as we also went barn and woods hunting for major parts.

The Iola Car Show had record breaking attendance with three days of hot, humid sunny weather. I managed to find some T parts, but the elusive transmission wrench is still out there somewhere. I spoke with Ryan, the painter from Counting Cars TV show. He has just as naturally carefree personality as portrayed on the show. Crazy Mike was also there with some wildly painted truck and a matching ATV. The crowds certainly were entertained with antics about painting.

On the home front club members are making arrangements for our annual club picnic and fall tour. I thank them for their efforts, now it is your time to respond. See details elsewhere in the newsletter. We also have a Take Apart T scheduled before our next meeting. Riley will be sending out a notification.

I hope you all enjoyed your summer as much as I did. Tell us about it by submitting articles to Denny for all to share. As always, keep those vehicles in running condition enjoying the ride down the road. Below are my pictures.



Model T Parts



Model A Pickup "Project?"



The Gill Trout Stream



Trout for lunch?

## 5. Triangle Chapter Summer Picnic Septemer 25, 2019

### By Mike and Kimberly Hess

The 2019 AACA Summer Picnic will be held at Michael and Kimberley Hess's home near Pittsboro on Sunday, August 25th. The address is 334 Ellis Creek Drive, Pittsboro, NC 27312. The times are 4 pm to 5 pm for socializing and swimming with the picnic/dinner starting at 5:30 pm. Parking might be a little challenging with our long driveway but there will be plenty of room. Please take a look at the attached map to get an idea for parking. If you plan to leave early, you can park in front of the garage. Parking off the side of the street will be fine but you will have a 180 yard walk to the house. Signs will be posted to help with the parking configuration. Once you arrive, just come to the front door of the house.

The Hess family is preparing a main dish and providing ice tea, water, and lemonade. In addition, we have paper plates, utensils, napkins, and cups. There will be set-ups to keep things hot and cold.

Please contact Kimberley at 916-838-1640 or email [mlhess68@yahoo.com](mailto:mlhess68@yahoo.com) with the number attending and what you are bringing.

See the parking Map below.



Parking Map of Hess's Driveway. Park anywhere along their long driveway.

## 6. Zooland Region Car Show

By Mike Hess

On Saturday, August 3, I attended the 29<sup>th</sup> annual Zooland Region AACA car show. It was held on Fayetteville Street in old downtown Asheboro, NC. A great venue for a car show. At the last minute, I decided to drive my 1967 Corvette to the show arriving late, but found myself parked just about in the middle of the show. Dan Fuccella from our club was also there with his Jeep. There were 170 vehicles parked up and down the street. The Zooland Region AACA club joined forces with the Kansas City BBQ Competition and called it "Pigs and Pedals." So not only cars to look at, but good tasting BBQ too. Like our Triangle Chapter AACA show, the show is open to AACA classes and modified vehicles. Additional awards included Pre-war Best of Show, Post-war Best of Show, Non-original Best of Show, Best Un-Restored and several more. There was also a Benefit Cruise-In sponsored by the Zooland AACA club that Friday evening at the same venue to benefit the Randolph County Honor Guard. I would not hesitate to attend this show again.



Mike Hess' Corvette



Dan Fuccella's Jeep

## 7. What's In a Garage?

### By Andrea Irby

Is it a Ford? Or, a Chevy? Maybe even both? (Ha! only when hell freezes over ). Sure there are cars, tools, grease, oil, trinkets and memorabilia, but there is something more.

My late husband Cecil taught me how special garages really are. I often wondered why in the world he would just go out there and sit. Yes, sit. For hours! Sometimes in the car. Was he trying to go back in time? I was always perplexed. Did I forget to put on deodorant? Was my dinner really that bad? Was he hoping I would get tired of waiting for him to do the dishes? No, it was his (and yours and my) special place to be. I found it hard to understand at first. Sure, restoring cars is a fascinating, interesting hobby. It involves perplexing issues, problem solving, mechanical genius, and a great sense of history and pride. But cars are just things, right? They aren't living creatures like a dog or a horse. I could understand visiting a living creature-especially a horse, but a car? Surely, cars are just things and a garage is just a place where those things are housed. Right?

Nope. Wrong. Cars may be meta, but they are not cold. They have personalities that grow on us and bind us in special ways. And Garages....well, they are sanctuaries. Yes, sanctuaries. I figured this out when I realized that what Cecil felt in his garage was what I felt every time I went to the barn. The Garage is a place where the unwanted noise stops, where the blinders go on and the outside world goes away. It is a time when all there is, is you, your car, your focus, your passion; all that you really like to do without any of the outside

stuff to bother you. It is a place where you are free. Free to be who you are without judgement or responsibility or burden. It's just you and the things you love and the things that give you peace and comfort. It was Cecil's refuge and now I am learning to enjoy its peace and calm just as he did. I even have a half busted recliner in my garage just like he has in his! I am starting to poke around and learn the tools. I can never catch up to his knowledge and I have some tough decisions ahead of me, but I can appreciate the space. I can take care of it and I can share it with anyone who doesn't have one. I can teach people how wonderful a garage really is, especially when you pull up a chair, turn on the reading lamp and just admire the cars.



Cecil's Cars



Cecil's Chair



Andrea's Garage

## 8. Car Exhibits at Senior Communities

**By Dan Fuccella**

Since the year 2002 several fellow antique auto enthusiasts have participated in car exhibits at two Cary area Independent Living / Assisted Care facilities; Glenaire and Woodland Terrace. Over the past 17 years the personal satisfaction of providing the senior members of these communities with the opportunity to relive their automotive remembrances by inspecting and riding in cars from their earlier years has generated a loyal cadre of antique car owners from car clubs around the Triangle.

The list of participants throughout these years has involved past and present Triangle Chapter members including Brian White and family with several of their cars, Riley Reiner, Fred Harley, Bob Miller, Keith Townsend, Ben Johnson, Gary Hunter, Denny Oestreich, Dan Stamm, Don Cooper, and myself.

For the past 15 years, Don Cooper, a longstanding automobile hobby contributor, with the support of the Cary Central Rotary Club has been the coordinator of these successful, semiannual events. Understandably, after so many years of great leadership, Don has decided that it is time to step down.

Recognizing the value of this tradition to the residents of these communities and the fellowship that it promotes between the members of auto clubs in our area, our Triangle Chapter of AACA has elected to take the reins from Don and continue the great work that he and his committee members have done. Toward this end, Fred Harley and I recently met with Don to receive his files and collect his wisdom of many years. At our meeting Don agreed that this would be good time to review past practices and venue selections with an eye toward further enhancing the event experience for both the car owners and the senior community residents.

To be successful, this worthwhile venture will require a collective effort of Triangle Chapter club members. If you would like to help lead this effort, are interested in displaying your vehicle(s) at events, or have questions and suggestions, kindly contact me, Dan Fuccella. We would get a reasonable idea of Chapter support as soon as possible, as we are targeting October of this year for our first senior community event. We look forward to hearing from you with your preliminary thoughts.

Thank you,



Dan Fuccella  
Vice President, Triangle Chapter AACA

## 9. Editors Notes

**By Denny Oestreich**

**Article Submissions:**

Thank you for contributing your interesting articles for our newsletter. Although we do not meet in July and August, we do publish newsletters. Tell us about an antique car you just acquired, a restoration you are doing, a car show you attended, or your first car. We especially enjoy pictures of your car projects. For July and



August send us a picture of an interesting vehicle you saw on vacation. Please send or give your pictures and articles to Denny Oestreich at [OestreichD@AOL.com](mailto:OestreichD@AOL.com)

If you would like to be the Editor or Co-editor of the Triangle Chapter News please contact Jim Gill or me. The editor's job pays \$100 per edition. It takes between 6-10 hours to collect and produce each issue. I can tell you further what is involved and I need the help.  
Denny Oestreich 919-846-8163.

### **Web Sites**

You can see ongoing updates to Triangle Activities on our Website or Facebook site. Both have many more pictures and updates of Triangle activities.

- Triangle Website: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/triangle/>
- NC Region Website: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/>
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### **Facebook Page**

Barbara Werner is now updating our Triangle Facebook page and Helen Dipietro is making updates to the NC Region Facebook page. Please have a look, "Like" the page and give them suggestions or information for the pages.

- Triangle Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NCRegionAACA/>
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## **10. Triangle Chapter Contacts**

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# Four Oaks CAR, TRUCK, MOTORCYCLE SHOW & SWAP MEET

SEPT. 7, 2019 • 8am to 3pm  
Downtown Four Oaks

Registration begins at 8AM • \$20 per entry

Show is 11AM- 3PM • Award presentation at 2PM  
Show Participants will receive a photo participation plaque

Car and Motorcycle Swap Meet Booths

(Pre-registration required- \$15 for 10x10, \$25 for 10x20)

DJ • 50/50 Raffle • Food Trucks

Model "T" Demonstration by AACA/Triangle Chapter

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Net proceeds from the 50/50 Raffle will be donated to the Four Oaks Police Department K-9 Unit fundraising