



HEADLIGHTS



South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website www.sjraaca.com

May, 2016



Saturday, May 21st is Show Day

Don't miss out on a great day.

Friday, May 20th at 6:00 PM is your chance to "Drive the Track" with your **REGISTERED** vehicle.

Everything will take place at the New Jersey Motorsports Park, Millville, NJ
SORRY - NO REGISTRATIONS DAY OF SHOW
FREE - COME TO THE SHOW - FREE

There is no entrance fee to the Motorsports Park to come and see the show.

Raffle Baskets are needed for our Hospitality Room at the National Meet.

Baked goods are also welcome for our Hospitality Room.

**Please have all goodies to the Hampton Inn
by 10 am on Thursday, May 19th.**



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CLUB MEMBERSHIP

- **SJRAACA dues are \$10 per year (due by Jan 1st).**
- **Must be a member of AACA National.**
- Meetings are at Woodstown Borough Hall at 7 p.m. the 1st Monday of every month except **September then it is the following Monday.** Call any board member for meeting cancellation notices during weather emergency.
- **CLUB WEBSITE: www.SJRAACA.com**
There is always more to see on our Website.

CLUB JACKETS OR SHIRTS??

Placing a shirt & jackets order soon.
The cost is on the members. See Linda
Golf Shirts: S-XL (Pricing upon request)
Spring Jackets: S-XL \$42; 2X \$44 & 3X \$46
Winter Jackets S-XL \$70

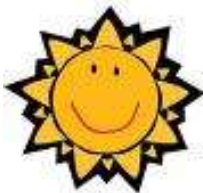


HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



May 12 - Jane Kinsey
May 18 - Bonnie Green
May 21 - Ray McFarland
May 24 - Gary Green
May 29 - Elaine Faunce
May 30 - Les Sutton

BIRTHDAYS NEEDED! If you haven't been to a meeting lately and never gave me your birthday, then I don't have it. E-mail or mail your birthday to me so I can make sure it's in the newsletter.



SUNSHINE

Becky Counsellor reported that a fruit basket was given to Bob Harris for his recent hospital stay. A sympathy card will be sent to the family of Gloria Orzechowski and the family of John Meyer, past AACA president.

YOUR CAR STORY IS NEEDED. EMAIL OR MAIL YOUR SPECIAL STORY ABOUT YOUR CAR.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dave Birchmire



With warm weather finally here, The car show and cruise season is in full swing. This month we have The Cardinal Village show on the 14th and the Bobbitt Auto cruise on the 18th. We will be attending the Glassboro Memorial Day Parade again this year on the 30th. Meet at the P&B dinner in Glassboro at 8:30 am for breakfast.

Thanks to Chuck Gibson for organizing another tour to Atlantic City to tour Lucy the Elephant and the fabulous pipe organ in Boardwalk Hall. It was a good time had by all on a very rainy day.

We are turning the corner on our A.A.C.A. National Meet. Our committee has been working very hard for the past two years. Chuck Gibson is our Meet Chairman and Linda McFarland is in charge of Registration. I will be the Chief Judge for this event. We will have 415 vehicles on the show field on Saturday and over two hundred attending the Award's Banquet that evening. As with the swap meet that we run every spring we will need EVERYONE'S help to make this a success. I am positive that South Jersey Region will come through as always with flying colors.

Until next month, HAPPY MOTORING !!!

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Linda McFarland



Well, here we are, almost ready for our National Meet. A lot of members have put in a lot of time and effort to make this a great Meet. We hope you have registered your car. We have a total of 415 cars registered for the Meet.

We are looking forward to seeing all the beautiful antique vehicles on the show field at the Motorsports Park. We are just hoping for great weather.

I hope you will be able to help us out with parking on the day of show on Saturday, May 21st. Come early by 7:00 am if you plan to help. The show will end at 3:00 PM and our banquet is set to begin at 5:30 PM.

We had around 47 cars show up for our first Cruise night at Bobbitt Auto. It was a beautiful night, very warm and it sure was nice seeing everyone out for a wonderful evening.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Meet on May 21st.

Linda McFarland

South Jersey Region Events & Activities

AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS



MAY

- 1 8:00 AM**
BOARDWALK HALL TOUR
- 2 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING**
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 12 7:00 PM National Meet Meeting**
At Hitchners Furniture, Rt 49 Salem, NJ
We will be stuffing the registration packets.
- 14 10 am-2 pm CARDINAL VILLAGE CAR SHOW**
Free Lunch served to all who register their car.
Registration is free
455 Hurffville Cross Keys Rd., Sewell, NJ
- 18 5-8 PM CRUISE NIGHT AT**
BOBBITT AUTO
- 19-21 EASTERN DIVISION**
NATIONAL SPRING MEET
NJ Motorsports Park
- 30 GLASSBORO MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**
Meeting at PB Diner at 8:30 am prior to parade
500 Delsea Drive (Rt. 47) Glassboro, NJ



JUNE

- 6 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING**
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 15 5-8 PM CRUISE NIGHT AT**
BOBBITT AUTO
- 25 4-8 PM KOUNTRY KITCHEN CRUISE**
373 Harding Hwy, US Rt. 40
Pittsgrove, NJ 08318

Listed below are some upcoming National tours and meets you may be interested in attending:

- **April 7-10, 2016** Southeastern Spring Meet, Hornets Nest Region, Charlotte, North Carolina
- **May 5-7, 2016** Special Spring Meet, Auburn Indiana
- **May 19-21, 2016** Eastern Spring Meet, South Jersey Region, Vineland, New Jersey
- **June 2-4, 2016** Annual Grand National Meet, Susquehannock Region, Williamsport, Penna.
- **June 10-12, 2016** The Elegance at Hershey & Grand Ascent Hillclimb, Hershey, Pennsylvania
- **June 12-17, 2016** Sentimental Tour (1928-1958) Hornets Nest Region, Salisbury, North Carolina
- **July 14-16, 2016** Central Spring Meet, Minnesota Region, Mankato, Minnesota
- **July 17-21, 2016** Founders Tour (Post-'31) Allegheny Mountain Region, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania
- **July 31-August 3, 2016** Eastern Divisional Tour, Richmond Region, Richmond, VA
- **August 11-13, 2016** Southeastern Fall Meet, Fall Capital Chapter, NC Region, New Bern, North Carolina
- **September 1-3, 2016** Western Fall Meet, High Plains Region, Cheyenne, Wyoming
- **September 11-16, 2016** AAA Revival Glidden Tour (pre-1943) VMCCA hosted, North Conway, N.H.
- **October 5-8, 2016** Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey Region, Hershey, Pennsylvania
- **October 20-22, 2016** Central Fall Meet, Gulf Coast Region, Galveston, Texas
- **November 5-11, 2016** Reliability Tour (Pre-1916) Savannah Region, Savannah, GA
- **February 9-11, 2017** AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia

Always check out our Website
SJRAACA.COM
For up to date information on
all our activities.



NEW MEMBER

Welcome to Fran Mitchell of
Cedarville, NJ

Fran owns a '57 Chevy Belair and a '74 Chevy
Malibu





BOBBITT CRUISE NIGHTS

3rd Wednesdays 5:00-8:00 pm

Bobbitt Auto

595 Salem Quinton Road, Salem, NJ

April 20th July 20th

May 18th August 17th

June 15th Sept. 21st

Saturday, October 15—3:00-6:00 pm

Toys for Tots Cruise

Music by our own DJ Ed Counsellor

Come on out and enjoy the music
& see old friends.

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South Jersey Region AACA

CRUISE NIGHT

June 25th - 4-8 PM

September 24th - 3-7 PM

KOUNTRY KITCHEN

373 Harding Hwy, US Rt. 40

Pittsgrove, NJ 08318

Great Music & Food

Buffet Dinner Available \$12.99

20% Discount to those

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Saturday, May 14th

10 am to 2 pm

CARDINAL VILLAGE

CAR SHOW

No Registration fee

Free Lunch to all who bring their
classic or antique automobile

455 Hurffville Crosskeys Road

Sewell, NJ

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Monday, May 30th

GLASSBORO

MEMORIAL DAY



PARADE

Meeting at PB Diner

at 8:30 for breakfast

500 Delsea Drive (Rt. 47),

Glassboro, NJ

**Have a story about your
Special car?
How about writing something
for our newsletter?
Send it to Linda McFarland
sjraaca@gmail.com**



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Designing our 50th
Anniversary Theme
For our Invitations &
Cookbook

THIS IS A CONTEST.

ALL IDEAS WILL BE CONSIDERED

Save the Date—Sunday, August 28th

50th Anniversary Banquet at the
Buena Vista Country Club

SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS



FOR SALE 1976 Alfa Romeo Spider \$4,000 OBO

- 78,000 Original miles
- 5 speed, fuel injected
- New water pump, new radiator
- New fan shroud, new shocks
- New convertible top with separate hard top
- Runs well - Extremely fun to drive

Contact: Ray McFarland 609-202-3906

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FOR SALE 1961 Ford Thunderbird

- Been sitting in garage for 35 years
- Needs Work
- Not Running
- Car located in Wenonah, NJ
- Look at it and make him an offer

Contact Chic - 856-468-6031

LET US HELP YOU SELL YOUR CAR AND/OR PARTS.

**Contact Linda McFarland with your items for sale.
sjraaca@gmail.com**



SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS



4 COOPER TRENDSETTER SE TIRES FOR SALE.

P205 70R 15
Brand New—No miles.
\$75 EACH or Best Offer
Contact Ed 856-362-0001



FOR SALE 1957 Chevy Bel Air Convertible \$90,000

- * Red w/white top
- * Garage kept
- * Fender skirts
- * Undercarriage detailed
- * 83,500 miles (Condition 2)
- * Power Steering & Brakes
- * Power Glide transmission—dual exhaust
- * Interior Red & Silver
- * Continental kit
- * Calif made car/rust free
- * Wide white wall tires
- * Spinner wheel caps
- * 283 V8-4 barrel
- * Original AM Radio

Contact: Dave 1-717-464-9394

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FOR SALE 1979 El Camino "Conquista" \$9,800

- 305 V8 4-Barrel Carb. 42,000 original miles
- Auto Trans, Power Brakes, Power Steering
- 4 new tires, FM Radio w/cassette player
- New heavy duty battery, new starter
- Oil change & filter, new spark plugs
- Heated & Air Condition since new (2nd owner)
- Remote mirrors, Tilt wheel

For more information contact Jeff Williams 856-589-6165

Leno Car Show Broadens Hobby Interest

By John E. Saylor, Jr., Gettysburg Region AACA



Photo by Walker

Gettysburg is about as far removed from the television and entertainment industries as Yugos are from Duesenbergs. We reached collector Jay Leno, hard at work at his California garage, to get a glimpse into the world of TV production, especially as it applies to his new show, Jay Leno's Garage, on CNBC.

Gas Buggy Gazette: Jay, what would you say the general theme of the show is? For people who haven't seen it, how would you describe it?

Jay Leno: The general theme is, "anything that rolls, explodes, and makes noise." That's pretty much it. You know, I get tired of these shows where everybody throws tools at one another and they pretend to have arguments, and they restore a car in a week. It's hysterical to me, because people say to me, "Can you restore my uncle's Mustang? His birthday is in two weeks!" "No, I can't do that." "But I've seen it on TV!" So you wind up having these conversations.

Gazette: Your interest is broad: You have the antique cars, the exotics, the motorcycles, the customs. Who decides the subjects you cover each week?

Leno: Well, we always try to find a different topic. Sometimes it's designers, sometimes it's drivers, sometimes it's rivalries—A. J. Foyt versus Mario Andretti, whoever it might be. So we always try to have some tenuous theme that ties the show together.

Gazette: I think you've had eight episodes so far—
Leno: Yes. Most car shows are a half hour, which is really only 22 minutes, so we try to make it an hour to make it a little more interesting.

Gazette: You get more content.

Leno: Exactly.

Gazette: It really seems like it's an ambitious production, because you have several segments you're doing every hour. You're going to a lot of different places—

Leno: We try to keep it moving. It's like the spinning plates on the [Ed] Sullivan show: You want to keep people from getting distracted. We like to include the segment for the wives: "See how much this car will be worth in five years. See, your husband did the right thing!" That makes it kind of fun.

Gazette: With all the action, it's not like Jay Leno sitting by the fireplace and chatting about the history of Haynes-Apperson.

Jay Leno stands with his own 1965 Ford Mustang Shelby GT 350 (left), and a new 2015 Mustang Shelby GT350R for comparison.

The show's content, which includes antiques, modifieds, and vehicles of every imaginable type, exudes its host's enthusiasm, and gives viewers a wider appreciation for others who occupy different facets of the hobby.

Leno: No, we try to avoid that!

Gazette: Here in Pennsylvania, we're not anywhere near the entertainment industry. Can you tell us briefly how the show is made, with the writers, etc.?

Leno: There are really no writers. It's a real low budget show. We just go out with a camera and I call on people I've known over the years, like Mario Andretti, and you get them to come in. Like for the low-rider segment, there are a lot of low-rider clubs around Los Angeles—we contacted a few of them: "Would you guys bring your cars?" And when people realize you're not going to make fun of them, they really come on board. Most car guys want to promote the hobby and promote the cars, so it's actually good—people really step up and bring the cars and hang around for hours while we do the shoots, and they're really great. People in the hobby want to see more young people get involved in the hobby.

We always feature different segments. You can't always feature old gray-haired white guys! We have had a few female drag racers and some African-American car clubs, a Latino car club. You try to show that automobiles are something that crosses all spectrums, all economic [classes]. One day we'll do Pebble Beach, and that's all the millionaires and the billionaires; the other days we'll do some little events like "The Blessing of the Cars," where primarily Latino groups and families come out and have barbecues and show their cars off. We cover all spectrums.

Gazette: Are you doing something like five hours of tape for a 40-minute broadcast?

Leno [laughs, and explains to the naïve Gettysburg editor]: It doesn't work that way. Most television is an hour per minute of broadcast. You're doing well if it's an hour per minute. For example, we shot the episode up at Fort Hood. It takes you three hours to get there—well, that's on the clock. You're on an army base, then you go through security—that's another hour for all the crew, and everybody gets searched. Then you start shooting. So if you can get a minute on the air for every hour you shoot, you're doing pretty well.

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Interview: Leno TV Show (Continued)

Gazette: That's an insight that we would have no idea of—

Leno: Then you go back and edit it all, and that's hours and hours. You shoot tons of material, and you try to get the best tape you can.

Gazette: What demographic are you especially trying to reach? The coveted 18- to 35-year-old male viewer?

Leno: No, you're not going to get that, necessarily. You just try to cover a broad spectrum. We try to keep it interesting. You know I do Jay Leno's Garage on the web; that's a little more technical. But for this show, since it's a mainstream TV audience, we just try to make it interesting for people. The best compliment I've gotten is when wives say, "I enjoy watching it with my husband. I actually like the show!" It's not another two guys yelling at each other with tattoos, trying to put a Chevy engine in a '55—

Well-known film director Francis Ford Coppola and Jay Leno



prepare to take Coppola's 1948 Tucker for a drive. Leno said this has been one of his favorite segments so far.

Gazette: So I assume the 80- to 100-year-old demographic is out—

Leno: You know, I've always been rather egalitarian. I'm a comedian. If people laugh at a joke, they laugh at a joke. I really don't care what age they are. When I did *The Tonight Show*, they would always push you and try and get the younger rock bands and things, and that's fine; but to me, entertainment is entertainment. If something is interesting, it's interesting. When I watch a Ken Burns documentary, I'm not particularly interested in the Civil War, but he does it so well, that I watched all 20 hours of that, because I thought it was fascinating. If you make a subject interesting to people—the real trick is not to make it appeal [exclusively] to car guys—it's to make it appeal to non-car people. Because there aren't enough car guys to make any TV show a hit, so you've got to make it so people who aren't real enthusiasts say, "That was interesting, I had no idea—"

Gazette: And it is. The A.A.C.A. has about 60,000 people. If every A.A.C.A. member watched, that wouldn't be enough to sell it.

Leno [laughs in agreement]: Yeah!

Gazette: Now, what's your favorite segment so far?

Leno [ponders]: Oh, gosh--

Gazette: We have to put you on the spot for something—

Leno: One I thought was fascinating was Francis Ford Coppola, because I was a huge fan of his films, he's Italian like me, he doesn't do any TV, and he agreed to do our show. He's named after Henry Ford. Did you know that?

Gazette: I didn't know that, no.

Leno: He's a car guy. Francis Ford Coppola was born in Detroit. His father played in the orchestra for Henry Ford. Henry Ford had the Henry Ford Radio Hour. In the old Italian tradition, Francis Ford Coppola's father named his son after his employer. I thought that was sort of interesting.

Gazette: Yes. It's a good thing his father didn't work for Maytag.

Leno [ponders amateur editor's attempt at a joke]: He'd be Francis Maytag Coppola—yeah—

Gazette: Now, do you think we'll see a show focused on steam cars? You mentioned the White [in one episode].

Leno: We've had the steam cars on. That's another topic, "Anything But Gasoline," showing cars that run on hydrogen, cars that run on electricity, cars that run on steam, cars that run on coal gas or wood. That's the idea: Try to find interesting things that people will find entertaining.

Gazette: Just so people don't think you've retired, can you tell us how many comedy shows you did last year [2015]? We want to correct any misapprehension.

Leno: I do about 210 dates a year.

Gazette: When will the next episodes [of Jay Leno's Garage] be broadcast?

Leno: We did the first eight [in 2015]. Now we're filming [for 2016]. We'll probably do 3 or 4 months of filming. We'll probably start [broadcasting] the middle of April, something like that. May, possibly.

Gazette: Are they going to be broadcast the same date and time [on CNBC for 2016]?

Leno: I think so. We're going to do twelve episodes this year instead of eight. The show was a big hit. It's the biggest original programming show they've ever had on CNBC, which is kind of cool, because it's a car show and it's not necessarily a general-interest [program]. It seems to be doing well, and it seems to be growing. People seem to like it....

We have a segment coming up called "Love Stories," where people that had a car their whole life, [like] guys that bought a GTO when they came back from Vietnam, those kinds of stories are fun too.

Gazette: Definitely! Well, that should be it for the actual interview—

Leno: Thanks for taking the time. I appreciate it.

2016 AACA Spring Rummage Box

Jay Leno's Garage is scheduled to begin airing on CNBC starting on June 15th at 10 pm.

Meeting Highlights of the South Jersey Region Monday, May 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Birchmire at 7:05 PM. All stood for the flag salute.

Dave noted that we recently lost former member Gloria Orzechowski and also John Meyer, AACA past president. A moment of silence was observed in honor of those who passed.

There were no new members or guests present.

Leon Erdner read the Secretary minutes and Edna Norris read the Treasurers' report. Both were approved and bills were approved for payment.

Sunshine: Becky Counsellor noted that a fruit basket was brought to Bob Harris who was recently hospitalized. Sympathy cards will be sent to the families of Gloria Orzechowski and John Meyer.

Correspondence: Leon read a thank you note from Bob Harris.

Dave noted that we had close to 50 cars at the first Bobbitt Cruise last month. This month the Bobbitt Cruise will be on May 18th.

Janet Erdner reported on the 50th Anniversary plans and said that things will be forming up as soon as the Meet is over.

Dave thanked Gary Green for going above and beyond his duties as Swap Meet Chair. Gary then reported on the Swap Meet results and earnings. A date for the Swap Meet Worker Dinner will be decided and we will let everyone know as soon as a place and date is set.

Chuck reported that 18 folks attended the Boardwalk Hall Tour on Saturday. It was a rainy day but everyone had a great time.

Chuck also noted that May 14th is the Cardinal Village Car Show from 10 am to 2 pm. There is no registration fee and everyone who brings out their car will get a free lunch.

The Glassboro Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday May 30th and we will be meeting at 8:30 am at the PB Diner in Glassboro for breakfast prior to the parade.

Chuck then spoke regarding the National Meet taking place on May 19 to May 21. He noted that we need a lot of help with parking trailers on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and we will also need a lot of help with parking the show cars early on Saturday morning.

Everyone who plans to help on Thursday should meet at the Hampton Inn Thursday, May 19th at 8:30 am in the Hospitality Room.

We will be meeting at Hitchners Furniture on Thursday, May 12th to stuff registration packets.

Several men will also be meeting on Friday, May 13th at the Motorsports Park to map out parking areas.

Sue Birchmire also reminded everyone about the needs for the Hospitality Room, i.e. raffle baskets and baked goods. Please be sure to have your baskets and baked goods to the Hampton Inn Hospitality Room by 10:00 am on Thursday, May 19th.

New Business - Dave noted that October 1st has been set for the Elmer Day Car Show. We are looking for a new person to help run this show which we have been doing for the Lew Zane family for many years.

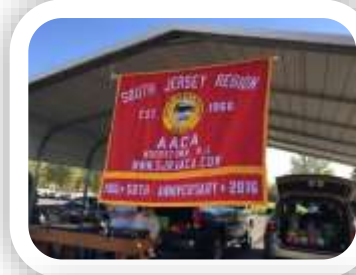
Friendship and Food night out for May has been cancelled due to the National Meet. We will resume in June.

A motion was made and approved to bring back the Member Jar. A jar was always on the table for those who forget their club badge and a 25 cent fee was placed in the jar.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:05 pm.

APRIL 20, 2016 BOBBITT CRUISE NIGHT

We had a beautiful evening for our first Bobbitt Cruise Night of the season. Around 47 automobiles turned out for the Cruise. The weather was beautiful and so were the cars. The music was wonderful as we got to see old friends and make new friends. Our next Bobbitt Cruise is on May 18th from 5-8:00 PM.



Sunday, May 1, 2017 BOARDWALK HALL TOUR

Sunday, May 1st was a rainy day but that didn't dampen the spirits of 18 members & friends of South Jersey Region. We started the day off with a great breakfast at the Malaga Diner. Then we traveled to Margate and a visit with Lucy the Elephant.



Inside Lucy's Belly

We had a wonderful time visiting Lucy and all who purchased tickets received a free ticket for a future visit. This was because we were unable to climb up into Lucy's howdah on her back because of the rain. It was definitely a very educational visit.



Parked outside at Lucy



Did you know that back in the 30's & 40's you could rent bathing suits for 50 cents, towels 25 cents and a locker key was 35 cents. Interesting!!

After visiting Lucy we traveled into Atlantic City and Boardwalk Hall. We were escorted up to the main arena where we could view the massive structure which can seat as many as 14,770 people and houses the worlds largest pipe organ with 33,114 pipes. Our own Chuck Gibson is presently one of the people who has been painstakingly restoring this massive pipe organ. Nathan



Jack standing beside some large pipes of the organ.



Paul Kinsey playing the big organ



Bryson who is also working on the organ restoration, took us around the back areas of the huge organ pipes and explained how the instrument was built and how it works. We also were treated to a short concert by Nathan. Then our own Paul Kinsey, who also brought his music along, played for us. Paul was thrilled to be able to play this beautiful instrument and serenaded us with what else but the "Miss America" theme song. Our grandson Jack wanted to try his hand and entertained us with "Hot Cross Buns".

After our tour through Boardwalk we all went a few

blocks away and had dinner at Angelina's Italian Restaurant. Thank you Chuck Gibson for organizing this great tour. It was definitely a wonderful day for everyone.



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SOUTH JERSEY REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY



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