



# HEADLIGHTS



## South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website [www.sjraaca.com](http://www.sjraaca.com)

September, 2014

### MISS AMERICA 2015 PARADE

*By Linda McFarland*

Saturday, September 13, 2014 was a very special day for our 1963 Buick LeSabre. Our granddaughter Abby McFarland and family friend Tara Woodside drove Miss Oregon 2015 in our Buick on the Atlantic City Boardwalk for the "Show Us Your Shoes" Miss America Parade.

Rain or Shine the parade goes on and at first we didn't think we would be able to put the top down on the car, but by the time Miss Oregon was about to



get into the car, the rain began to let up and Tara and Abby scrambled to put the top down for the journey down the boardwalk.

All went as planned until the very end of the parade when the Buick decided to die. Too many accessories turned on, lights, defroster, spotlight for Miss Oregon, and only idling down the boardwalk wasn't a good combination. Miss Oregon got into Miss Pennsylvania's car and the  
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## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### SEPTEMBER

- 8 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING  
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 13 MULICA HILL CAR SHOW 9am-3pm (Rain or Shine) See page 8 for more information.
- 17 5:00-8:00 PM CRUISE NIGHT at Bobbitt Auto  
595 Salem Quinton Road, Salem, NJ
- 25 6:30 PM Friendship & Food Night Out at  
Carollos Family Restaurant, 2036 Delsea Dr.  
Franklinville, NJ

### OCTOBER

- 4 Lew Zane Harvest Day Car Show, Elmer NJ  
7 am Breakfast at Elmer Diner  
8:30 am Registration
- 6 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING  
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 20-24 AACA Founders Tour-Vineland to Clinton NJ

### NOVEMBER

- 3 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING  
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 15 American Music Theater Christmas Show



## SJRAACA OFFICERS

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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](http://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 \$22; 2X & 3X \$24  
Spring Jackets: S-XL \$38; 2X \$40 & 3X \$42  
Winter Jackets S-XL \$60; 2X & 3X \$63



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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



9-17 Bob Chalow  
9-17 Verna Locke  
9-17 Chuck Gibson  
9-20 Joyce Gibson  
9-22 Chip Hubler  
9-23 Bonnie Powell  
9-24 Dave Ross

**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 Mike Torowus and Bryan Lewis were under the weather.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

*Chuck Gibson*

Summer is winding down, the weather is cooling down, and the car enjoyment season is slowing down. I hope not! There is still lots to enjoy this year....especially Hershey in early October. And Mother Nature will hopefully provide perfect weather!

I hope that each of you have enjoyed some time with your old car or cars this summer. Don't forget to "make a list" of winter projects to the car so that you have plenty to do and leave the car in good condition for the next season. Start with a thorough cleaning of the exterior and interior. The paint will simply love being rubbed down with a soft cloth and wax. Vacuum the carpet to remove dirt and grit that will otherwise become permanently embedded and result in discoloring and excessive wear. Change the oil and filter and lubricate the suspension. While you're at it, check for any loose suspension parts. Re-pack the wheel bearings with new grease to keep them happy and help them last for a long time. If you don't have some spare mechanical parts like a fuel pump, water pump, coil, etc., the Hershey flea market or Internet sites may be a good place to begin stockpiling those parts or any other parts you may want to acquire to keep your old car in good driving condition.

Our show in conjunction with the Mullica Hill Merchants was on Saturday September 13. Valerie Wynne and her capable assistants did an excellent job of organizing the entire event and we had nearly 54 cars present. The parking lot behind the Old Mill was filled by 9 am and the satellite parking areas were then used. The rains showed up in the early afternoon and forced an early trophy presentation but I believe that the town was pleased with the nice showing of cars. Thank you Valerie!

Don't forget to "get involved in your club by volunteering to run for an office for the next 2 years. Be sure to speak with Doretta Scott. She will tell you what offices are open and explain the job descriptions. One thing that always stands out in the South Jersey Region is how helpful our members are when something needs to be accomplished. Let's keep that tradition going strong! Also the current issue of Antique Automobile magazine contains a ballot for candidates for the National Board. Please take the time to read the biographies and use your best judgment to decide on which person(s) to vote for. It seems that only 6% of the total AACA membership takes the time to vote. The ballot return mail is postage paid! If you don't take the time to vote, don't take the time to complain about how the club is being maintained!

## Meeting Highlights of the South Jersey Region

Unfortunately Ray and I were on the Sentimental Tour during the September 8th meeting, so I do not have official minutes. Please read the newsletter for all the upcoming activities.

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### MISS AMERICA 2015 PARADE (Cont'd)

And the Buick was pushed off the parade route. Tara and Abby stayed calm and waited for our son to rescue them and get the car a jump start so we could drive it home.



All in all, it was a memorable experience and the girls said they want to do it again

next year. Hopefully the weather will cooperate.

We were on the Sentimental Tour in New Hampshire/Maine all week and we left New Hampshire at 8:00 am and arrived in Atlantic City at 4:00 pm. Just in time to see the car in the parade which didn't start until 5:00 pm. Our 1955 DeSoto ran great all week and we put on over 1,500 miles by the time we arrived in Atlantic City.

Unfortunately due to the dreary weather all the way back, Ray forgot to shut off our lights when we parked by the Absecon Light House. So when we returned to our car after the parade, our DeSoto also

wouldn't start. I immediately called AAA and they said they would get to us in approximately 45 minutes because they were helping a car on the boardwalk. (Probably our Buick).



While we were waiting for AAA to arrive our son flagged down a police unit who was so gracious and came to our rescue and gave the DeSoto a jump start.

Both cars traveled back to Ocean City where we immediately put the batteries on charge.

Guess who is purchasing jumper cables for each of the antique cars in the next few days.



## South Jersey Region AACA CRUISE NIGHTS

### LAST CRUISE OF THE SEASON

**PLACE:** Bobbitt Auto

595 Salem Quinton Rd. Salem, NJ

**TIME:** 5:00 pm—8:00 pm

Hot dogs for all drivers who bring out their Antique auto.

**Sept. 17th**

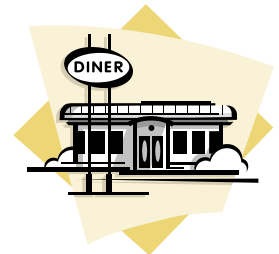
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## FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

**Thursday, Sept. 25th @**

**6:30 PM**

**Carollos Family  
Restaurant & Pizzeria**  
2036 Delsea Dr.  
Franklinville, NJ



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## OCTOBER 4, 2014 LEW ZANE HARVEST DAY CAR SHOW

**Elmer, NJ**

**No Registration Fee and  
registration opens at 8:30  
am.**

**We will be meeting at 7:00  
am for breakfast at the  
Elmer Diner.**



**If you are able to help Edna Norris with  
registration, please contact her.**







## Lookin' Up

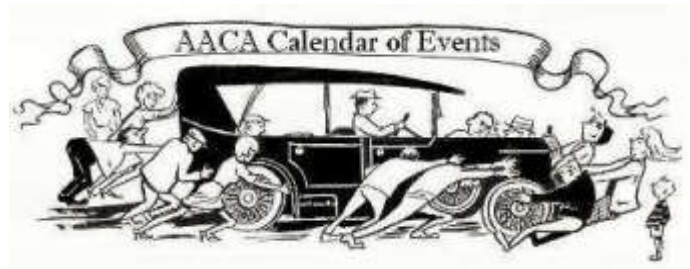
By Bernie Golias VP  
Library & Research Center

There's a lot of exciting and positive developments taking place in the Library & Research Center. The Bookmobile's restoration is moving along nicely and will be utilized as a great educational and marketing tool; updates to the website gives it a fresh look that welcomes its member guests to participate in research and a growing commitment of our Friends group.

I think most patrons would be surprised to learn how many of the services and programs they enjoy are supported by the Friends. Please share your ideas as to how we can creatively promote our Library by raising awareness and increasing membership. We are continuously growing and your help with some specific hands on work is vital.

As a reminder, research is available on and off site and as a member you have 1.5 hours (90 minutes) of free research available to you. If you can't make a personal visit you can request services on line at [www.aacalibrary.org](http://www.aacalibrary.org). If you haven't stopped by the Library's web site recently, please do so; it's lookin' up. They even have a new logo. With its ever growing inventory the Library is in need of financial support to carry out its purpose; that is to complete digitization of files, movies and miscellaneous periodicals, so they can be used by its members more efficiently. The library is looking for pre-war automotive sales literature, periodicals and quality historical memorabilia. Don't forget about our endowment and planned giving programs. These areas are vital to the continued existence and growth of the Library's future. For more information on becoming a member of the Friends of the Library and to learn more about planned giving please contact the Library at 717-534-9101.

2014 AACALibrary Spring Rummage Box



## AACALibrary CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

- **Sept. 8-12, 2014** Sentimental Tour, Maine, NH, Mass.
- **Sept. 18-20, 2014** Western Fall Meet, Montana
- **Sept. 21-26, 2014** AAA Revival Glidden Tour, OH
- **Oct. 8-11, 2014** Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA
- **October 20-24, 2014** Founders Tour, Vineland & Clinton, New Jersey.

## CLUB ELECTIONS

**Doretta Scott is heading up the Nominating Committee. All officer positions are up for reelection and 2 board member positions are open.**

### PLEASE CONTACT

**Doretta if you are interested in helping with the committee or running for a position.**



### 2014 AACALibrary FOUNDERS TOUR

**October 20-24, 2014**

**CAPE MAY to HIGH POINT, NJ**

**Registration starts August 1, 2014**

**Limited to 100 vehicles 1932-1989**

**Fill out the form with your AACALibrary magazine. Many of SJRAACA members will be attending and helping out with this tour.**

**You definitely won't want to miss a great week of touring our beautiful State.**

**If you need more information, please contact Linda McFarland at [sjraaca@gmail.com](mailto:sjraaca@gmail.com)**

## SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS



### FOR SALE 1955 Ford T-Bird -\$34,000

- Professionally restored body
- Detailed engine/trunk
- Car sand blasted and painted golden rod yellow
- Restored port hole top and new black canvas top and frame
- 4 new tires, new battery
- No rust runs and drives nice
- Continental kit available needs interior

Contact: Bill Wynne (856) 478-6103

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### FOR SALE 1970 Lincoln Mark III -\$8,900

- Nice white paint
- No rust
- Vinyl top
- New tires
- Runs good

Contact: Bill Wynne (856) 478-6103

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### FOR SALE 1976 Alfa Romeo Spider \$4,500 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 - 2 Trippe Safety Speedlights \$400

With leveler and brackets, needs chroming.

See Bob Hopely - 856-468-2178 or

nascarbob5731@hotmail.com

## SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

#### 1925 Model T

Doctor's coupe with  
(wagon-like) trailer.

Asking \$15,000

There are also many  
parts, manuals, gener-  
ating coils, starters, and  
a variety of other parts  
& tools.

Collecting since 1959.

Contact Bill Crockford

at 609-399-7168.



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### FOR SALE - 1929 Ford Model A 2 Door Sedan

- Asking \$9,500 OBO
- Nice Complete Original Car

Contact: John (856) 468-5107

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### FOR SALE - 1929 Ford Model A 170B Blindback 4 Door Sedan

- Asking \$7,500 OBO
- Nice Complete Original Car

Contact: John (856) 468-5107

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## Swigart Museum Meet & Tour August 8-10, 2014

The weekend of August 8th -10th was just perfect weather for a tour to Huntingdon Pennsylvania. Fourteen SJRAACA members met at the Pennsville Burger King to head for Pennsylvania. We were in 5 classic vehicles and 1 modern. Our breakfast stop was at the Dutchway Restaurant in Gap, PA and then we headed for Huntingdon, PA.



Once we arrived at Huntingdon, we stopped for Lunch and then went to our hotel. After we checked in, our group then ventured over to the Swigart Museum to get our meet packets and tour the Museum. We were welcomed by Pat Swigart herself and all were treated to a ice cream social. After the social we went to a local steak house for dinner.



The next morning we arrived early at the Swigart Museum for the meet. There were many cars already there and all were parked out front on the grass. We had a lovely lunch on the grounds.



## Swigart Museum Meet & Tour (Continued)

Many of us purchased raffle tickets for the various baskets and door prizes. Of course, Janet Erdner won the soup basket and several of us won door prizes.



Then it was time for the awards. Two of our group received awards for their car, Eileen & Larry Niedzialek with their Corvette and Bonnie & Gary Green and their Buick convertible.



That evening we drove out to the beautiful Raystown Lake for a dinner cruise on the Raystown Princess. Our meal was very nice and the ride along the lake was so lovely. The weather was beautiful. After the dinner cruise we drove back to our hotel.

The next morning we all left together except the Shipmans who were going to visit relatives in State College.

We couldn't have asked for a nicer weekend. Those attending were Ray & Linda McFarland, Scott & Shelley McFarland, Martin & Janet Erdner, Larry & Eileen Niedzialek, Gary & Bonnie Green, Russ & Mary Jane Shipman & Ed & Becky Counsellor.



## Repair Row, Montclair, NJ



Many towns and cities usually have an area where older or inexpensive new buildings are located that cater to industrial uses and the service trades. This circa early-1920s photo courtesy of Charles Heyer shows what appears to be one of those areas in Montclair, NJ, which is the location of at least two automobile related operations. Parked out in front of Ray's Motor Service are left to right: a 1912 to 1914 Mercer Raceabout; a Model

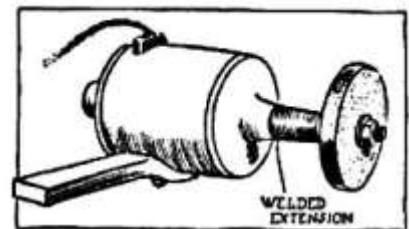
T Ford-based Speedster, and a Stutz Touring Car.

Behind the three cars is an enclosed truck with a sign on its roof advertising Auto Trunk and Baggage Racks. In front of that truck and to its right is A.P. Heyer's Welding Shop where both gas and arc welding services were offered. Like most shop operators in his line-of-work, he must have been a clever individual; one of two submissions by him at the bottom of this post are found in the November 10, 1915, *Motor World* that shows a pair of his adaptations. In *Auto Repair Shop Short Cuts* 1918 by *Motor World*, you can also see a rig Heyer used for holding crankshafts in alignment while welding them.



The image to the left fits in well with this post and is dated as being taken in 1926; it shows a weldor using an oxyacetylene torch to weld or braze a detachable cylinder head. The oxygen tank on the left is branded *Dominion* and the acetylene tank on the right is from *Prest-O-Lite*. The photo is courtesy of Oleg Nagorny from Voronezh, Russia.

One of A.P. Heyer's adaptations, tool-post grinder for a lathe shown in the November 10, 1915, *Motor World*, is illustrated to the right.



(No. 321)  
Grinder made from old electric motor

### Electric Grinder (No. 321)

Two dollars and a little labor produced the lathe grinder shown. The motor was a  $\frac{1}{4}$  horsepower taken from an old vacuum cleaner and it cost \$2. An extension was welded on to one of the bearing boxes to provide additional bearing surface and the armature shaft was lengthened to correspond. The grinding wheel was then attached to the end of the shaft and the whole was mounted on the tool post of the lathe.—A. P. Heyer, Montclair, N. J.

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