



HEADLIGHTS



South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website www.sjraaca.com

September, 2016

2016 Eastern Divisional Tour

Ashland, VA

The McFarlands and Greens started out on Saturday, July 30th for Ashland, Virginia. But not until we had a few glitches worked out.

Ray and Linda had planned to take their 1963 Buick on the tour and had it all loaded up and ready to go when it decided to die while dropping off their grand dog at the kennel in Alloway, just about 5 miles from their home. Luckily our friends from the kennel drove Ray home for the truck and trailer and Ray picked up Ed Counsellor on the way to help with the car. In the meantime we phoned Gary & Bonnie to say we had car trouble and they were going to wait on us before leaving.

Ed thought it could be the coil and had a spare he tried on the Buick, but it was not the coil. So we went to plan 'B'. We left the car at Ed's house since he said he would work on it while we were gone (what a friend!), and we loaded all our gear into the truck and went home to get 'Ole Faithful' our 1955 DeSoto.

The DeSoto started right up, loaded up our gear and we called Bonnie & Gary to meet us at the Quinton Diner for brunch.

Gary & Bonnie were taking their 1965 Buick Convertible. So our trip to Ashland Virginia began.



We decided to travel Rt. 301 South, avoiding the interstate. All was going well, but Bonnie kept saying that their Buick was making a tweeting sound that only she heard on her side of the car.

We arrived in Ashland Virginia Saturday evening and registered at the host hotel. The Richmond Region had a well stocked Hospitality Room with every imaginable food item you could want.

Traveling to the Virginia War Memorial was just as impressive as the Memorial itself. Our route took us through Richmond along Monument Avenue, past enormous statues at every intersection, of famous people in Richmond's history, i.e. Ambrose Powell Hill, Jr. (Fort A.P. Hill); Arthur Ashe, Jr. (Tennis great); Matthew Fontaine Maury (Naval Officer, father of oceanography); Thomas Jonathan Jackson ("Stonewall Jackson"); Jefferson Finis Davis; Robert Edward Lee; James Ewell Brown "Jeb" Stuart (resigned from the U.S. Army to join the confederacy, famous for being the "Eyes and Ears" of the confederate army).

The Virginia War Memorial pays homage to all wars from WWII to the Persian Gulf War. Names of Virginia's fallen are all inscribed on its walls.

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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 **4th of July & 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



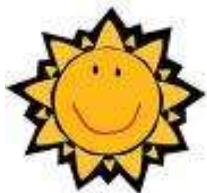
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

September Birthdays

9-3 Fran Shore
9-17 Bob Chalow
9-17 Chuck Gibson
9-20 Joyce Gibson
9-22 Chip Hubler
9-23 Bonnie Powell
9-24 Ian Green



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 Martin Erdner had knee replacement surgery and Edna Norris had heart surgery. Just notified that Larry Niedzialek also had heart surgery.

Send Larry a card 418 Fork Bridge Rd., Pittsgrove, NJ 08318

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



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dave Birchmire



With the fall season approaching the weather is cooling off for an enjoyable time to bring our antique cars out for the last hurrah. We have a lot of activities planned so let's enjoy the last few months of fun with our pride and joys.

This year we have two board positions open and all our officers are up for election. Our nominating committee consists of Bill Powell, Bonnie Green and Ed Counsellor. If you interested in any one of these positions please contact any of the above. I will not be seeking a second term as your President. It has been an honor and a privilege to have served our club for the last two years.

Our 50th Anniversary Banquet was very well organized and attended. A big thank-you goes out to Janet Erdner and her committee. What a wonderful time we all had socializing and reminiscing about past events and members. Also a thank-you goes out to DJ Ed Counsellor for playing good music for all of us to enjoy.

Our fall overnight tour will be held at Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport Pa. on Nov. 3rd and 4th. We will be touring their facility along with a few other museums in the area. We will be staying at the Holiday Inn Express in Williamsport on Thursday night. Please contact me for hotel information. They will provide a lunch for us on Friday at no cost to our members. Looking forward to a Big South Jersey Region turn out.

We will be having our last Board of Directors meeting of the year on September 26th at 7:00 pm at Hitchners Furniture.

Happy Motoring!

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Hello again. I am writing this early as we will not be at the September meeting since we will be in New Hampshire on the Glidden Tour. I will be sure to report on this tour when I get back. We are expecting around 176 cars on this tour.

It's been an exciting month with our 50th Anniversary Banquet behind us. Hope you like the photos from the banquet. A great big thank you to Janet Erdner and her committee for doing such a great job on the banquet. Thank you also to Ed Counsellor for being our DJ for the evening.

Our September Bobbitt Cruise is coming up on Wednesday, September 21st and our Kountry Kitchen Cruise is Saturday, September 24th. I look forward to seeing everyone out to both of these cruises.

Looking ahead to October 1st Elmer Day Show and our Swap Meet Worker dinner that evening. Also our overnight Tour on November 3rd & 4th. I am sure Dave will have more information on all of these at our meeting.

See you at the next cruise.



Linda McFarland

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South Jersey Region Events & Activities

SEPTEMBER

- 12 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING**
(NOTE LABOR DAY CHANGE)
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 15 6:30 PM FRIENDSHIP & FOOD**
Franco's Family Restaurant
157 N. Broadway, Pennsville, NJ
- 21 5-8 PM CRUISE NIGHT AT BOBBITT AUTO**
- 24 3-7 PM KOUNTRY KITCHEN CRUISE NIGHT**
- 26 7:00 PM BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING**
Hitchner's Furniture, 583 Salem Quinton Rd.
Salem, NJ

OCTOBER

- 1 9am-3 pm—LEW ZANE HARVEST DAY CAR SHOW**
Workers meeting at 7:00 am at Elmer Diner
- 2 3:00 pm SWAP MEET WORKER DINNER**
Terrigno's Fairfield Inn
153 Bridgeton Fairton Pike, Bridgeton NJ
- 3 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING**
Woodstown Borough Hall
- 15 3:00-6:00 PM TOYS FOR TOTS CRUISE at**
Bobbitt Auto

NOVEMBER

- 3-4 FALL OVERNIGHT TOUR to Pennsylvania**
College of Technology—Williamsport, PA
Staying at the Holiday Inn Express \$89/night
- 7 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING**
Woodstown Borough Hall

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

AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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

- **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



You can say what you want about Florida, but you never hear of anyone retiring and moving north. These are actual ads seen in "The Villages" Florida newspaper.

(Who says seniors don't have a sense of humor?)

FOXY LADY:

Sexy, fashion-conscious voluptuous blue-haired beauty, 80's, slim, 5'4' (used to be 5'6'), searching for sharp-looking, sharp-dressing companion. Matching white shoes and belt a plus.

LONG-TERM COMMITMENT:

Recent widow who has just buried fourth husband, looking for someone to round out a six-unit plot. Dizziness, fainting, shortness of breath not a problem.

SERENITY NOW:

I am into solitude, long walks, sunrises, the ocean, yoga and meditation. If you are the silent type, let's get together, take our hearing aids out and enjoy quiet times.

WINNING SMILE:

Active grandmother with original teeth seeking a dedicated flosser to share rare steaks, corn on the cob and caramel candy.

BEATLES OR STONES?

I still like to rock, still like to cruise in my Camaro on Saturday nights and still like to play the guitar. If you were a groovy chick, or are now a groovy hen, let's get together and listen to my eight-track tapes.

MINT CONDITION:

Male, 1932 model, high mileage, good condition, some hair, many new parts including hip, knee, cornea, valves. Isn't in running condition, but walks well.



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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FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

Thursday, Sept. 15th

6:30PM

Franco's Family

Restaurant

157 N. Broadway

Pennsville, NJ

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SWAP MEET WORKER

DINNER

Sunday, October 2nd

3:00 PM

TERRIGNO'S

FAIRFIELD INN

153 Bridgeton Fairton Road

Bridgeton, NJ 08302

856-451-7592



South Jersey Region AACA

CRUISE NIGHT

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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OCTOBER 1, 2016

9:00 AM—3:00 pm

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 with registration,
please contact Dave Birchmire.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

3:00 PM—6:00 PM

TOYS FOR TOT'S

CRUISE at

BOBBITT AUTO

595 Salem Quinton Road

Salem, NJ 08079

BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED TOY



Meeting Highlights of the South Jersey Region Monday, September 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Dave Birchmire. New members Bob & Sue Breslin were in attendance.

Secretary & Treasurer reports were given and approved. Bills were approved for payment.

Becky Counsellor reported that Martin Erdner is recovering from knee replacement surgery and that Edna Norris is recovering from heart surgery.

Also Eileen just phoned today 9/19/16 that Larry Niedzialek is recovering from heart surgery. He is now home and recuperating.

A get well card was sent around for everyone to sign for Edna and Martin.

A thank you note was read from Paul & Jane Kinsey. Dave also thanked Jim Christos for all his work as club photographer in years past. The many photos in the albums at our 50th Anniversary Banquet were all taken by Jim.

The following are activities coming up. Wednesday, September 21st is our monthly Bobbitt Auto Cruise. Saturday, September 24th is our Kountry Kitchen Cruise from 3-7:00 PM. October 1st is the Lew Zane Harvest Day Car show in Elmer, NJ from 9 am to 3 PM, rain or shine. Workers are needed to help set up for this show. We will be meeting at the Elmer Diner at 7:00 am. October 2nd is our Swap Meet Worker Dinner at Terrigno's Fairfield Inn at 3:00 pm.

November 3 & 4th is our Fall Overnight Tour to Pennsylvania College of Technology. We will be meeting at 7:30 am at Pennsville Burger King on Thursday, November 3rd. We will be visiting the Thomas Taber Museum. The school will be providing a free brunch for us. Please see this page for more information for reservations.

We will be having a Board of Director's meeting at Hitchner's Furniture on Monday September 26th at 7 pm.

Friendship & Food will be September 15th at Franco's Restaurant in Pennsville, NJ at 6:30 pm.

The following people will be serving on our Nominating Committee. Bonnie Green, Ed Counsellor and Bill Powell. All officer positions are open and 2 board members are also needed.

Dave noted that John Shore won the National Spirit of Buick Award for his 1936 Buick.

Dave will not be seeking re-election as he will be spending the winter in Florida.

Bonnie Powell thanked everyone who donated to her MS Walk.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Becky Counsellor

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



A very big Oops goes out to Bob Hopely

I did not spell Bob's last name correctly in the July newsletter article about his '57 Thunderbird.

Please accept my sincerest apologies.



NOVEMBER 3&4 FALL OVERNIGHT TOUR To Williamsport, PA

We will be visiting Penn College of Technology and their extensive auto restoration program and shops. We will have lunch at their campus restaurant "Le Jeune Chef".

We will be staying at the Holiday Inn Express/Williamsport. We have a group of rooms reserved for our members at the special rate of \$89/room. You will need to make your own reservation for the Holiday Inn Express/Williamsport at 570-327-5292. The address for the Holiday Inn Express/Williamsport is 90 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

Thursday, November 3rd we will be meeting at 7:30 am at the Pennsville Burger King. We will be visiting the Thomas Taber Museum. The school will be providing a free brunch for us.

SJRAACA COOKBOOK

If you attended our 50th Anniversary Banquet, you received one of our SJRAACA Cookbooks.

Our SJRAACA Cookbook has been recently revised by Valerie Wynne, with many new recipes. But, the big surprise is when you turn it upside down you will have a copy of our original cookbook from 25 years ago.

Our cookbooks are for sale at \$10 each for those who would like to purchase for gifts. They will be for sale at our meetings and also at our cruise nights.



Eastern Divisional Tour (Continued)

While driving in Gary's Buick, Ray noticed the same noise that Bonnie had been telling us about and suggested that when we return to the hotel they jack up the car and check out what was causing the noise. Unfortunately what they discovered was the rear axle bearing had failed and needed to be replaced.

Gary and Ray told some of the Richmond fellows what the problem was with the Buick and immediately connected Gary with one of their members who had a restoration shop and could help out.

That evening was the opening banquet. Gary was introduced to Bruce Woodson who told him to bring the car over to his garage after the banquet. We followed them in our DeSoto, and Bruce told Gary that he could repair the car and get it back to Gary as soon as possible.

Sure enough by Tuesday afternoon Bruce called Gary that the car was repaired.



Monday the 4 of us traveled in 'Ole Faithful' our '55 DeSoto. Our first stop was a tour of "Old Dominion Antique Fire Society" antique fire trucks. Wow what a collection of fire apparatus. This



was also our coffee stop.

We then traveled to the Keystone Truck & Tractor Museum where there were hundreds of antique farm tractors from 1917 through 1960 along with many antique trucks on display. This museum was also home to Sibley's Bar-B-Que Restaurant where we had a wonderful lunch.



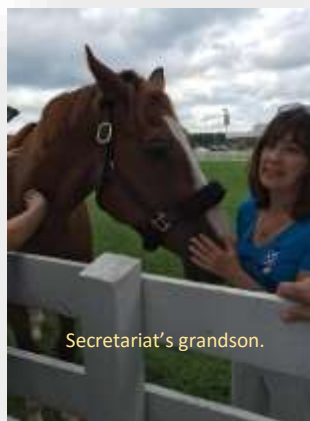
Agecroft Hall

After lunch we toured Agecroft Hall, a 17th century English Tudor Manor house that was brought piece by piece from Britain in 1926 and reassembled in Richmond. After decades of service as a private residence, it is now a museum with glorious gardens.

Tuesday we started our tour with a coffee stop in Beaver Dam and traveled to Spotsylvania County and toured the Dominion Raceway & Entertainment Complex. We got to ride the track and had photos taken of all the cars.

After the raceway we toured the North Anna Power Plant and then ended our evening with a Watermelon & Bluegrass Social at the "Center of the Universe Brewing Company".

Wednesday, we traveled north to Doswell Virginia to The Meadow, birthplace of America's Superhorse Secretariat. We took a tram ride around the grounds and were introduced to Secretariat's Grandson. We got to see the birthplace of Riva Ridge and Secretariat. The Meadow which was once privately owned is now



Secretariat's grandson.

owned by the State and used for State Fairs. We had lunch at the Meadow's Mansion House that afternoon. We also toured the Meadow Farm Museum and Walkerton Tavern.



Riding the Tram.



That evening our closing banquet was held at the Cultural Arts Center at Glenn Allen. There were beautiful art exhibits on display and the closing banquet highlighted our tour of the past few days.

There were also various awards given out. All the awards were hand made by one Richmond Region member who had a knack of making interesting items from horse shoes.

Gary and Bonnie were given the hard luck award, since they were without their car for two days.



Bonnie & Gary Receiving Their "Hard Luck" Award.



On the Dominion Racetrack



Regardless of our car troubles, we all had a wonderful time. We were able to tour many places we had never seen before.

If you have never been on a AACA tour, please consider one in the future. They are lots of fun and you get to meet so many great people.

Linda McFarland



SJRAACA 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The South Jersey Region AACA gathered on Sunday, August 28th at the Buena Vista Country Club for a celebration of our 50 years as an AACA regional automobile club. We had 63 members past and present attend this celebration. Thanks to Janet Erdner and her committee the banquet was a huge success. Serving on the committee were co-chair Valerie Wynne and



members Bonnie Green, Doretta Scott, Miriam Willis, Sue Birchmire and Linda McFarland. Every person who attended received a commemorative bottle of wine and a handmade box of chocolates. Centerpieces were created by Miriam Willis. The chocolates were all made by Janet Erdner and Bonnie Green. Each couple received a special 50th Anniversary Cookbook compiled and designed by Valerie Wynne.



Doretta, Sue, Miriam, Bonnie, Linda, Janet & Valerie

The evening was opened by President Dave Birchmire with Ron Scott (past president) officiating by saying grace.

A sumptuous dinner was enjoyed by everyone topped off with a slice of anniversary cake to go with the ice cream sundae for our dessert.

Following dinner, Dave Birchmire introduced past president Chuck Gibson, who also introduced past president Jim Leach and his wife Carol. Other past presidents also introduced were Gary Green & Ron Scott.



Dave, Chuck, Gary, Ron & Jim Leach

Charter member from 1966, Donna Shimp, who also was in attendance shared how the club went from being members of Brandywine Region AACA to forming our own club. Many other members shared their memories from past years and everyone enjoyed hearing their recollections.



Photo albums & door prizes on display.

Our photograph albums from the past 50 years were all on display for everyone to peruse. Many of the photos were taken by Jim Christos who was in attendance with his wife Betty. The photographs were all scrapbooked by member Theresa Chalow who was unable to attend due to health.

A special treat for the evening was our music which was provided by our own DJ Ed Counsellor. Several members took to the dance floor after the door prizes, which were

compiled by Janet Erdner, were handed out. Valerie Wynne helped Janet call the numbers and just about everyone won something special.



Dave Birchmire & Chuck Gibson



Gary Green & Donna Shimp



Becky Counsellor & Doretta Scott



More Photos on page 8.

SJRAACA 50th Anniversary Celebration (Continued)



SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS



FOR SALE 1964 Pontiac GTO Hardtop \$49,500

- Frame-Off Restoration w/photo album
- Factory A/C, 4 Speed, Tri-Power
- Power Steering, Power Brakes
- Tinted Glass, Hurst wheels & radial redlines
- Silvermist grey w/black interior
- PHS documented
- GTOAA regional meet 1st place winner
- Owned 11 years

Contact Ted Ritter-856-451-3030 (day)
856-455-4073 (eve)

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Contact Linda McFarland with your items
for sale.

sjraaca@gmail.com



SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS



FOR SALE 1929 Ford Model A Roadster Pickup \$5,800/w title

- Steel Body, Bed & Fenders
- Nice Hood, Grill & Radiator
- Original Frame
- No Motor

Contact John—856-468-5107



FOR SALE 4 COOPER TRENDSETTER SE TIRES

- P205 70R 15
- Brand New—No miles.
- \$75 EACH or Best Offer

Contact Ed 856-362-0001

No Photo Available

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

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c/o Linda McFarland
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Salem, NJ 08079

SOUTH JERSEY REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA



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