

HEADLIGHTS



South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website www.sjraaca.com

May, 2023

GREASE

By Linda McFarland

In March of this year, my youngest grandson, Jack, was acting in his high school's musical, Grease.

The school play director wanted to do some publicity photographs of the student cast prior to the play. So, needless to say, antique automobiles of the era came to mind. My son, who happens to be the Principal of Pennsville High School, said he could provide a couple of antique automobiles for publicity photos.

So, on the Monday prior to the first show, Matt McFarland and I brought two of our antique automobiles to the high school for photos. Matt drove our 1939 Buick Special Convertible and I drove our 1955 DeSoto. We waited until school was dismissed and carefully drove the cars onto the front of the high school main entrance.



The entire cast was all in full costume and ready for photos.

The students were thrilled to see the automobiles and many were very apprehensive about climbing into the cars, but my son assured the students that it was okay get in the cars and pose for the photographs.

The photos of the cast were all over the high school auditorium lobby for folks to see prior to the play.

The 3 productions of Grease, March 24th, 25th & 26th were sold out. I was fortunate to be able to attend the Friday & Saturday performances. Of course, I could not attend the Sunday matinee performance since I was working at our 51st Annual Swap Meet at the Salem County Fairgrounds.

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CLUB MEMBERSHIP

- **SJRAACA dues are \$20 per year (due by Jan 1st).**
- **Must be a member of AACA National.**
- Meetings at the **First Baptist Church, 117 S. Main St., Woodstown, NJ 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??

Shirt & jackets orders placed any time.

The cost is on the members. See Linda

Mens Golf Shirts: S-XL \$25; 2X 27&3X \$29

Ladies Golf Shirts: same as above

Spring Jackets: S-XL Call for price

Winter Jackets S-XL Call for price



5-6 Jerome Dean

5-8 Robert Thomson

5-12 Jane Kinsey

5-18 Bonnie Green

5-22 Vince Lazzaro

5-24 Gary Green Sr

5-29 Elaine Faunce

5-30 Lester Sutton

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

SUNSHINE - Bonnie Green reports that she sent Sympathy Cards to Terry Shelton&Miriam Willis, and Michelle & Gene Hamilton.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ron W. Scott



Greetings from the oval office?

Since our last meeting, we had a board of directors meeting and covered many many topics. Some of the board members will review those topics with everyone at our May 1 meeting. Unfortunately, or

fortunately, the first lady and I will be on tour in Tennessee with others from our region. I am confident those of you attending the May meeting will keep it lively and fun as always.

Linda will have a sign-up sheet for our June 3 tour to AACA headquarters and the museum at the May meeting. If you cannot attend the May meeting, but want to attend the tour, please contact Linda or myself. I need to give them a good count of how many to expect.

We have quite a few activities during the month of May June, and July and even flowing into August already. We are blessed to have such an active club.

We are all thrilled with the number of new members who have joined us in the past couple months. New blood and ideas are always welcomed!

Our prayers continue for the Shelton family at the loss of their mom. And our prayers go out to anyone of our club family who have problems or illnesses.

I hope to see many of you again on June 3 for our tour.

Till next time, happy trails!

Ron

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Linda McFarland

Hello Everyone and Happy May!

Hope you had a wonder April, it certainly has been a beautiful start to spring.

Sorry to say that our South Jersey Classics show is now a memory. Needless to say the turnout for this show was so overwhelming that it was becoming a real safety problem.

But, our first Bobbitt Auto Cruise was great and we had a terrific turnout.

We are looking forward to our new Ice Cream Cruise on the first Friday starting May 5th at "Here's the Scoop" in Franklinville starting at 5:00 pm. Should be fun!

And, of course, we have our Bobbitt Cruise to look forward to on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

See you down the road!

Linda



FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

Thursday, May 25, 2023

6:30 PM

VESUVIO RISTORANTE

550 Kings Hwy.

Swedesboro, NJ 08085

PLEASE NOTE: 4th Thursday of the month from May through October

South Jersey Region Events & Activities

MAY

- 1 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING, First Baptist Church,
117 S. Main Street, Woodstown, NJ
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JUNE

- 2 5:00 PM “HERE’S THE SCOOP Ice Cream Cruise,
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Franklinville, NJ Plenty of Parking!
- 3 8:00 AM—TOUR TO AACA HEADQUARTERS &
MUSEUM—Breakfast at Pennsville Cracker
Barrell—9 am head to Hershey
- 5 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING, First Baptist Church,
117 S. Main Street, Woodstown, NJ
- 10 2:00-6:00 PM—ALLOWAY TWP FIRE CO.
Burning Rubber Car & Bike Show
- 17 10 AM-2 PM—QUINTON SCHOOL CAR SHOW
8 Robinson St., Quinton
- 21 5:00-7:30 PM BOBBITT AUTO CRUISE
595 Salem-Quinton Rd., Salem, NJ
- 29 6:30 FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT
To Be Announced

Meeting Highlights of the South Jersey Region April 3, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Ron Scott. All stood for the flag salute. Ron asked if there were any guests or new members in the audience and Harold & Darlene Carbonneau introduced themselves as new members. They own a 1980 Oldsmobile. James & Nanine Gamble, also new members, were not in attendance. Both the Carbonneau’s and Gambles were voted into membership and welcomed.

Linda McFarland read the minutes of the last meeting and correspondence and Larry Irwin gave the Treasurer report in Chuck’s absence. Both were approved as read and bills were approved for payment.

Sunshine – Bonnie Green reported that she sent cards to Michelle Hamilton and Ed Counsellor. Terry Shelton noted that his mom was in the hospital. Elaine Faunce noted that Bill Wynne was doing ok.

Happy Birthday was sung to Linda since it was her birthday today.

OLD Business

Ron thanked everyone for showing up both days of the Swap Meet. Gary also thanked everyone for helping and gave a report on the Swap Meet.

Friendship & Food last month was at Vesuvio’s Restaurant and 33 members attended.

New Business

There will be a Board Meeting on Wednesday, April 5th at 7:00 pm at Hitchner’s Furniture Store.

Ron spoke about our upcoming tours to the AACA National Headquarters and Library and also to the AACA Museum. Dates will be announced after discussion at the Board meeting.

A tour to the Gettysburg World War II Museum is also going to be discussed. There are also several upcoming Shows and Cruises.

If anyone has suggestions for next year’s Swap Meet, please let Gary, Ron or Linda know, so it can be discussed at the Board meeting.

A question from the floor, regarding what time vendors are allowed to come in on Saturday. It was explained that no vendors are permitted to arrive before 4 PM on Saturday. Gary explained that if we allowed vendors to come in earlier the Fairgrounds would have to charge us for an additional day.

Friendship & Food for April will be on Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30 pm at the Creekside Inn, 197 Harding Hwy, Rt. 40, Woodstown, NJ. Note that this is a Wednesday because Creekside has a trivia night on Thursday evenings.

Ron also noted that because our Bobbitt Cruise is the 3rd Wednesday of the month, we will adjust our Friendship & Food night to the following Thursday (4th Thursday) of the month, so we do not have 2 events in one week.

He also noted that we will be the featured car club at Gateway Classic Cars Cruise on August 26th. As long as we have 10 cars in attendance, Gateway will give our club \$200.

Ron reminded everyone to please leave a tip at the diner.

Motion to adjourn was at 7:45 pm.



Grease (Continued)

On Sunday, March 26th, the final matinee performance of “Grease” was performed. My son thought it would be good publicity for the play if our two cars were there again.

So, he and my daughter-in-law Amy drove both cars back to the school once again to grace the school lawn. Luckily it was a beautiful day.

Needless to say the cars did draw the attention of all who passed by the school. And again, this matinee was sold out.

Spectators loved seeing the cars and my grandson Jack made sure he got in the driver seat of the yellow '39 Buick, along with his grandmother and aunt. Greg Walker, one of the other cast members, also loved posing in the 1955 DeSoto.



Greg Walker played the lead in Grease.



Our friends Monica & Joan came up from Ocean City

Words WE Understand

by Fran Shore

Those of us in the Antique Car hobby do not see anything unusual about some of the words we hear as we enjoy the conversations on tours or at our region/chapter meetings.

If some of the younger people and those not in this hobby were listening; they may not know to what we are referring. But aren't they precious words and don't they bring back great memories?

There are many words that have been lost in our present daily lives but we are fortunate that we can still use these words and know exactly what they mean and they are not only within our conversations but items we see and use on tours.

What picture or memories do these words bring to mind when you read or hear them?

Aerial
Fender Skirt
Steering knob (or sometimes called a "spinner knob")
Steering Wheel Cover
Running Board (did you ever stand, sit or run and jump on one?)
Rumble Seat
Continental Kit
Window Winder
Side Mount
Side Curtains
Spoke Wheels

We have opportunities to tour with our wonderful vehicles of past years and these words enrich our memories of both past years and our pleasure of enjoying these mechanical pieces of automotive history.



Miss Nina's Guide to Being A Good Navigator on an Antique Automobile Tour

June 2022

(Based on my experience, Nina Jones)



1. Read the directions ahead of time and ask questions if necessary
2. Remind the driver to get gas if needed
3. Speak clearly and loud enough
4. If the driver has a hearing problem, develop hand signals:
 - a. Wave your hand in front of their face (not too close) to get their attention, then:
 - i. A clenched fist and then point ahead means stop ahead
 - ii. A clenched fist several times means stop right now
 - iii. Point left for a left turn
 - iv. Point right for a right turn
5. If a turn immediately follows another make the driver aware
6. Make the driver aware of any points of interest noted in the directions
7. If you get lost, pull off to the side or slow down if no one is behind you, and retrace your last few turns
 - a. If you are still confused, wing it! You'll get there eventually or someone else will come find you and help
8. Know which way is left and which way is right and say it correctly for the driver (**cough cough I'm talking to you, Will Jones*)
9. HAVE FUN!!!!!!!!!!

*Thank you to VMCCA Bulb Horn
For allowing us to share this article*





SOUTH JERSEY REGION AACA
2023 CRUISE NIGHTS
Bobbitt Auto
 595 Salem Quinton Rd. Salem, NJ
3rd WEDNESDAYS 5:00-7:30 PM
 April 19th July 19th
 May 17th August 16th
 June 21st September 20th

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18th 5:00-7:30 PM
TOYS FOR TOTS CRUISE
Bring a NEW unwrapped TOY

Hot Dogs & Beverage for all drivers
 who bring their antique auto every night
 Come on out and enjoy the music by Ed Counsellor
 and see old friends.

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Please print this form and send or mail along with a check for \$10.00 to SCVTS Car Show

Salem County Vocational & Special Services School Districts
 800 Route 45
 Woodstown, NJ 08098

Date: May 20, 2023 Time: 8am to 1pm Rain Date: May 21, 2023

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 E-mail: _____ Phone: _____
 Car Type: _____
 Year: _____ Color: _____
 Make/Model: _____
 Signature: _____

Liability: In consideration of the right to participate, entrance and guest release and discharge Salem County Vocational and Salem County Special Services School Districts or anyone else involved in the event from any and all known damages, injuries, judgments, and claims whatsoever to person or property.



Flyer Downloaded from


Alloway Township Fire Company
3rd Annual
Burning Rubber Car & Bike Show

Saturday, June 10, 2023
 2:00 PM-6:00 PM
 (Rain Date : Sunday, June 11th)
 Trophies -Vendors-Music-Raffles
\$15 Pre-registration Fee - \$20 day of Registration
FREE Admission

Alloway Township Municipal/Senior Center, Alloway Township School Complex
 45 South Greenwich Street, Alloway, NJ

For Questions or to Pre-register, contact Bobby Bowling
 Phone: 609-202-1954
 Email: Atfc19deputy@gmail.com
 All Proceeds Benefit the Alloway Township Fire Company!



**WELCOME
 NEW
 MEMBERS**

**Harold & Darlene Corbonneau
 Of Bridgeton, NJ
 James & Nanine Gamble
 Of Williamstown, NJ**



**SWAP MEET
 WORKER
 DINNER**

**Sunday, May 21, 2023
 4:00 PM**

**TALK OF THE TOWN RESTAURANT
 200 N. Virginia Ave. (Rt.130)
 Penns Grove, NJ 08069**

**Please sign up at May meeting or
 RSVP to Linda McFarland**

SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE - 1931 Model A Deluxe Roadster \$21,000

- Runs Well
 - Very Good Condition
- Contact: Glenn Ravior
856-500-6873



FOR SALE - 1924 Model 'T' 3 Door Touring \$15,000

- Totally Restored in 2019
 - Engine Rebuilt
 - Good Running Condition
 - Garage Kept
 - \$15,000
- Contact: Harry Tennant
856-547-6066



FOR SALE - 1931 FORD MODEL A COUPE \$12,000

- Nice
- Rust Free
- Black
- Original car from long storage
- \$12,000



Contact: John 856-468-5107



SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE - '28-'31 FORD MODEL A PARTS

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- Fenders \$100-\$300
- Frames \$500
- Bumpers \$100
- Misc. parts

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Call Ed Counsellor
For Precision Batteries 856-362-0001**



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Think Before You Restore By Myron Smith VP - Regions Development & Support Western Division



AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

2023

- **April 30-May 3, 2023—Southeastern Divisional Tour, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, E. Tennessee Region**
- **May 18-20, 2023—Eastern Spring Nationals, Gettysburg, PA, Gettysburg Region.**
- **June 25-28, 2023—Eastern Divisional Tour, Hershey, PA, AACA Library**
- **July 6-8, 2023—Central Spring Nationals, Auburn, Indiana, Crossroads of America Region**
- **July 16-22, 2023—Founders Tour, Ontario & Quebec, Ontario Region**
- **July 26-29, 2023—Special Eastern Summer Nationals, Norwich, NY, Rolling Antiquers Region**
- **August 10-12, 2023—Grand Nationals, Bettendorf, Iowa, Mississippi Valley Region**
- **August 16-19, 2023—Vintage Tour (1931 and earlier) Aroostook County, Maine, Maine Region**
- **September 25-29, 2023, Western Divisional Tour (up to 1998), Santa Barbara, Calif.**
- **October 3-6, 2023—Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA, Hershey Region, CHANGE: Flea Market set-up is Monday; show date is Friday.**
- **October 22-27, 2023—Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943), Thomasville, Georgia—VMCCA hosted**

“The car is only original once.” This has become the mantra of those of us who have a strong attraction to ‘original cars’. But what about older restorations or semi originals? Many a car has been subject to an overly enthusiastic owner who starts to do a total restoration and then lacks the where with all or finances to finish it. I suggest before you throw yourself into a full-blown project to sit down and do some serious pondering. What do you wish to accomplish? Are you really wanting to put the time and money into a full restoration? You can climb the ladder of trophy seeking. AACA has 4 advancing show rungs followed by maintenance awards in AACA and probably similar awards in the marque clubs. Do you want a car you can put the kids or grandkids in and run down to the local malt shop on Saturday nights, or a car to take to Cars and Coffee? Are you wanting a ‘road car’ that you can do tours and trips over long distances?

After being in the hobby most of my life, I’ve done the show route and have several ‘trailer queens’. Once they are restored, gotten their trophies they do one thing for sure; they deteriorate. So, if you’re committed to the show circuit, unless you sell which I seldom do, you’re going to have a vehicle subject to the perils of time, just like when the car was new. Maybe not as fast but it happens. My 1959 El Camino has been restored since 1975. It needed some work after being a daily driver in Nebraska with salty winter roads and an encounter with another car that ran a stop sign. However, with today’s technology and masterful body men, much of it’s originality could have been saved. But at the time I wanted the trophies. Do I regret the restoration? Yes, I guess I do, but we’ve had fun showing it and that is not to be discounted. I am the second-generation custodian of it being purchased new by my family and there is hope the 3rd and 4th generation will appreciate it too.

On the other hand, I have another 1959 which was not ‘restored’ although I collected new old stock pieces for it for years, then decided that with a little touch up it could still be an ‘original’ car. Personally, I like that much better. It’s gone the HPOF route and still we are able to drive it occasionally.

So, this brings me back to my original thought, “what do you really want to accomplish with your car?” If it is having a vehicle that is a work of art, restore it, just realizing that you’re probably never going to be completely done with it as shortly it’ll need freshening. If your idea of fun is to get the thing out in public, realize it’ll deteriorate also, but you can have fun playing with the thing. If you have enough originality to be able to keep it that way; it won’t get scratches, it will just get additional patina. It’s a big hobby, find your niche.

From AACA Winter 2023 Rummage Box



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