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HEADLIGHTS

South Jersey Region AACA
Club Website www.sjraaca.com
November 2026

60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 18, 2026, the South Jersey Region AACA celebrated our 60th Anniversary at the Seven Star Diner in Sewell, NJ. We had 44 members attend. The Seven Star Diner provided us with a delicious dinner and the service was great. We had 4 choices for our entrée which included soup, salad, rolls and butter and several dessert options.
Thanks to Ed and Linda Counsellor who coordinated with the diner and also to President Frank Maurer for welcoming everyone.

Ron Doretta Scott

Mike Gerry Pino

Miriam Terry Shelton

Jim Betty Christos

John Hat Marcy Lewis

Mike Lizzio Maryann Homola

Martin Janet Erdner

Sue Dave Birchmire

Bonnie Green Sue Birchmire

Linda Ed Michelle Scarlett

Donna Jim Vertolli

Dave Birchmire Bill Hallman

Frank Mary Maurer

Mike Debbie Orsini

Jill Bob Bowling

Shelley Scott McFarland

Megan Sarah Larry Maurer

Maria Don Symonds, Annette Ron Scott, Donna Jim Vertolli

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Questions?? Feel free to contact any officer or board member and they will be glad to help.

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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 **July(No Meeting) August, September,October & December. Those Meetings are August 1st (At our Picnic), September 14 because of Labor Day, October 12 (Because of Hershey) and December 13 (at our Christmas Party)** Call any board member for meeting cancellation notices during weather emergency.
- **CLUB WEBSITE: www.SJRAACA.com**
- **CLUB FACEBOOK: SouthJerseyRegionAACA**

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CLUB JACKETS OR SHIRTS??

Shirt & jackets orders placed any time.
The cost is on the members. See Frank Maurer
Mens Golf Shirts:S-XL$31.99
Ladies Golf Shirts: same as above
Fleece Jackets: S-XL $38.79
Bowling Jackets S-XL $79.95
Hoodies S-XL $29.00
Larger sizes please see Frank Maurer

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11-1 Angela Kinsey
11-4 Tom Hahn
11-7 Eddie Fuller IV
11-9 Trudy Lazzaro
11-11 Gene Hamilton
11-14 Adrienne Krieger
11-19 Mary Maurer
11-20 Frank Maurer
11-22 Bob Bowling
11-24 Doris Salmon
11-25 Dave Birchmire
11-24 Theresa Chalow
11-26 Teresa McCann
11-27 Michelle Pollander

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

A Season of Thanksgiving, Friendship, and Holiday Cheer

As November arrives, the leaves change color, the air turns cooler, and we begin to think about the many things we are thankful for. For members of the South Jersey Region Antique Automobile Club of America, this is a wonderful time to reflect on the friendships we have made, the memories we have shared, and our common love of antique and classic automobiles.

Thanksgiving reminds us how important it is to appreciate the people who make our lives special. We are thankful for our family and friends, for the time we spend together, and for the members who make our car club such a great organization. Whether we are enjoying a car cruise, attending a club meeting, sharing stories about our favorite vehicles, or simply catching up with one another, it is the fellowship that makes our club so rewarding. The cars may bring us together, but the friendships are what keep us coming back!

This year has been especially memorable as we celebrate **60 years of the South Jersey Region AACA**. Our 60th Anniversary Dinner is a special milestone honoring six decades of antique automobile enthusiasm, club activities, and lasting friendships. It is a wonderful opportunity to look back at our club's history, remember the members who helped build our organization, and celebrate all that we have accomplished together. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making our club what it is today.

As we look ahead to December, it is time to get into the holiday spirit! **Our Christmas Party will be held on December 13 at the Paulsboro Sportsman's Club** and we look forward to celebrating the season with our fellow members. The holidays are a perfect opportunity to relax, enjoy good company, share some laughs, and make more wonderful memories together. We hope everyone will join us as we close out another year of club activities and friendship.

As you gather around the Thanksgiving table this month, take a moment to appreciate your loved ones, your friends, and the special people who bring joy to your life. Let us also be thankful for the opportunity to share our passion for antique automobiles with such a wonderful group of people.

On behalf of the South Jersey Region AACA, I wish all our members and their families a very happy Thanksgiving filled with good food, laughter, and plenty of reasons to be thankful. May the coming holiday season bring you happiness, good health, and safe travels.

Happy Thanksgiving, and we look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming club events!

Warmly,
Frank

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SUNSHINE - Bonnie Green sent a get well card to Mike Lizzio.

South Jersey Region Events & Activities

NOVEMBER

2 - 7 PM CLUB MEETING—First Baptist Church
117 Main Street, Woodstown, NJ

7 - 8 am-4pm—Pumpkin Run

19 - 6:00 PM FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT
Mama Mia's Restaurant, 449 E. Broadway, Salem, NJ

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5 - SALEM CHRISTMAS PARADE
8:30 AM Meeting for breakfast at the Diamond Grill
534 Salem Quinton Rd. (Rt.49) Quinton, NJ
Lining up cars on Rt. 49 in Salem at 4th Street

6 - 12:00-4:00 pm ROAD KNIGHTS TOY RUN

13 - 2:00—6:00 pm ANNUAL CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY AND DECEMBER CLUB MEETING
PAULSBORO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB,
32 Riverview Ave., Paulsboro, NJ

NO FRIENDSHIP & FOOD FOR DECEMBER

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS OF SOUTH JERSEY REGION
October 12, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. The September minutes were read and approved.
The Treasurer's report was read and approved.
Sunshine Report: Bonnie Greene reported that she sent a get-well card to Mike Lizzio.
Membership Report: Doretta Scott reported that there were no new members to report. She shared information about a
19-year-old young man who attended the Glidden Tour, built his own antique automobile, and won a prize for it.
Old Business
Frank Todd Memorial Car Show: The Frank Todd Memorial Car Show will continue in 2027.
Glidden Tour: Chuck reported that it rained for three and a half days during the tour. Ron reported that a total of1 15 cars participated. Next year's Glidden Tour will be held in Branson, Missouri.
AACA Hershey Fall Meet: The Hershey Fall Meet was reported to have been an excellent week.
New Business
2027 Divisional Tour: Gene Hamilton reported that there were no new updates regarding the 2027 Divisional Tour.
60th Anniversary/Swap Meet Dinner: The dinner will be held on Sunday, October 18, at 2:00 P.M. Everyone was encouraged to bring their antique cars.
November Friendship and Food: The November gathering will be held on November 19 at 6:00 P.M. at Mama Mia's in Salem.
Christmas Party: This year's Christmas Party will be held on December 13 from 2:00–6:00 P.M. at the Paulsboro Sportsmen's Club.
Sunshine Christmas Gift: A motion was made by Maryann Homola and Miriam Willis for the club's annual Sunshine Christmas gift. The motion was unanimously approved.
Salem City Magic of Christmas Parade: The club is confirmed to participate in the Salem City Magic of Christmas Parade on December 5. Further details will be sent by email as soon as they are available. For anyone interested in joining the group for breakfast on the morning of the parade, members will meet at the Diamond Grill in Quinton at 8:30 A.M.
2027 Board Members: Anyone interested in serving on the board next year was asked to contact Frank. Voting will take place at the next meeting, and the new members will be installed at the December meeting.
2027 Swap Meet:
The 2027 Swap Meet will be held on Sunday, March 21, the third Sunday in March, due to Easter falling the following Sunday.
VoTech Chapter Membership: It was also mentioned that the VoTech could become a chapter member of SJRAACA.
Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 P.M. by Gene Hamilton and Bonnie Greene.
Respectfully submitted,
Mary R. Maurer
SJRAACA Secretary

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FROM YOUR EDITOR

Hello from behind my computer! It has been a very busy October as you can see from this newsletter. It all started with the Lew Zane Elmer Harvest Day Show and of course the high holy days of Hershey. Then our 60th Anniversary Celebration and Dinner and our final South Jersey Auto Repair Toys for Tots Cruise and to rap up the month our Trunk or Treat at Broadway Scoops.

We are looking forward to November and December and I hope everyone can join us for those activities.

I am always looking for items of interest for all to read. Feel free to send me your article or story.

Linda

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FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

Ella's Mama Mia's Restaurant
449 E. Broadway, Salem, NJ
Thursday, November 19th
6:00 PM
PLEASE RSVP TO Linda—sjraaca@gmail.com IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

2027 Board Members

Anyone interested in serving on the board next year was asked to please contact Frank.

Voting will take place at the November meeting, and the new members will be installed at the December meeting.

Please consider running for the Board.

ANNUAL CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 13th
2:00-6:00 PM

PAULSBORO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
32 Riverview Ave., Paulsboro, NJ

$40 per person
Refunded when you attend

Please pay at the November meeting OR
Please send your check payable to SJRAACA to:
Chuck Gibson
691 Willow Grove Rd.
Monroeville, NJ 08343

DEADLINE TO SIGN UP Monday Dec. 7th

Catered by ??

We will be collecting money again for the Sunshine Foundation Families.
We would like to support 4 families this year.

Our club will be participating in this Parade on Saturday, December 5th.

We will be meeting at 8:30 am for breakfast at the Diamond Grill Diner in Quinton.

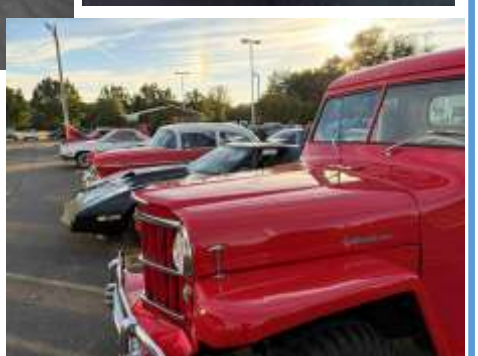
We will be lining up our cars on Rt. 49 in Salem by 4th Street.

28th ANNUAL LEW ZANE MEMORIAL CAR SHOW
October 3, 2026

The 28th Annual Lew Zane Memorial Car Show and Elmer Harvest Day unfortunately was a rainy one. We were all hoping that the rain would end and the sun would show up but the light misty rain continued off and on for the entire day. But, that didn't stop folks from bringing their cars out. We ended up with 44 registered vehicles. Awards were given out around 2 pm and a special award was given in memory of Edna Norris. Thank you to all our wonderful members who helped make this show a success.

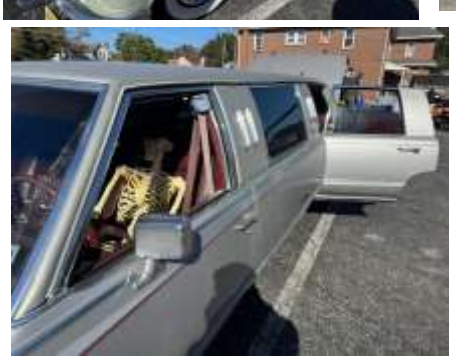
SOUTH JERSEY AUTO REPAIR
TOYS FOR TOTS CRUISE
October 21, 2026

Our final cruise of the season at the South Jersey Auto Repair was very well attended. This was our Annual Toys for Tots cruise. Everyone brought new unwrapped toys for the Marine Corp Toys for Tots Drive. The owner of South Jersey Auto Repair provided grilled hot dogs for everyone who attended.



BROADWAY SCOOPS
TRUNK OR TREAT
October 24, 2026

It was a beautiful day for a Trunk or Treat at Broadway Scoops. South Jersey Region once again came through with their beautiful cars all decorated up for a great Trunk or Treat for the kids.



SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE - 1930 FORD MODEL A COUPE $8,500

- Nice original body & parts
- Rebuilt 4 cyl. Motor
- $8,500/obo

Contact: John 856-468-5107

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FOR SALE—1924 MODEL 'T' Touring—$7,000

- Barn Find-purchased in 1991
- Replaced balloon tiers with clinchers
- New battery & carb & coil Clean / adjust
- Garage kept and not run Since early 2000's
- Delivery possible
- Asking $7,000

Contace Dave 703-244-8187

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FOR SALE - 1990 Mercury Cougar XR7 $3,000 OBO

- 3.8L Supercharged Engine
- One owner car
- One of 2000 made
- Moon Roof
- Interior good (Headliner missing)
- 132,000 miles

Contact: Scott 609-364-0986

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FOR SALE—1958 FORD F-100 - $20,000
Contact Russell Cipolla—856-770-4473

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FOR SALE—1939 FORD DELUXE Sedan convertible $39,000

- Flathead V-8, 3 speed trans
- New Top 2025
- Rebuilt transmission 2025
- Color—Cloud Mist Gray
- Great Driver, Runs Great!
- 3,561 produced

Contact: Scott 215-327-2353

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SJRAACA CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE—1948 FORD WOODIE WAGON $37,500

- $37,500
- Runs & Drives good
- Rebuilt flathead
- New Coker Tires
- Lebaron Bonnie 3 seat interior

Contact: John 856-468-5107

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

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

Contact: John 856-468-5107

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FOR SALE: 1984 CORVETTE

- Cross-Fire Fuel-Injected V8 Engine
- 4-speed manual transmission
- 77,840 MILES
- Exterior: Gray (Metallic) Interior: Leather Seats in Dark Red
- Includes Standard and Transparent Roof Panels

Price $8,500
Call Eileen 856-691-7403

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FOR SALE: 1955 FORD THUNDERBIRD $30,000

- 54,000 MILES
- Soft top only
- Price $30,000

Contact: Carol Nadley
609-287-0067

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CALL Ed Counsellor for Precision Batteries
856-632-0001

NEWS FROM NATIONAL

AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

2027

February 4-6, 2027 Annual Convention, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, AACA National
February 18-20, 2027 Winter Nationals Melbourne, FL AACA National
April 8-10, 2027 Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte NC
June 3-5, 2027 Eastern Spring Nationals Fredericksburg VA
June 6-11, Founders Tour (1932-2002) Winchester Virginia—Buzzards Breath Region
July 22-24, 2027 Central Spring Nationals New Ulm, Minnesota
August 9-12=2027 Special Pickup/SUV Tour Northern Maine—Maine Region
August 26-28, 2027 Central Fall Nationals Crystal Lake Ill –Northern Illinois Region
September 8-11, 2027 Special Fall Nationals Rolling Antiquers Reg. Vernon, NY
September 19-24, 2027 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943) Branson, Missouri, VMCCA-hosted
October 5-8, 2027 Eastern Fall Nationals Hershey Region, Hershey, PA
October 25-29, 2027 Eastern Divisional Tour (Up to 2002)Swedesboro, NJ South Jersey Region

~Making the Ask~

By Steven Rossi
VP Public Relations and
Event Planning

If you attended the Eastern Fall National Meet in Hershey, PA you may have noticed that the Public Address (P.A.) system was put to good use during the Flea Market to gently solicit new memberships and renewals. It was an old school; proactive measure used in sales and fundraising that's referred to as "Making the Ask."

Making the Ask involves consciously asking for the purchase or commitment after establishing rapport by personally engaging with the prospect or audience… thereby gaining insight into their interests and understanding their desires.

Garnering an opportunity to simply make the ask means that you have already generated enough AACA interest and awareness to attract participants to your events and activities. So the stage has been set.

But simply leaving membership applications on a table and expecting enthusiasts to gobble them up is not enough. Take such passive tactics and actively rev them up by injecting personal energy into the process. And use all the tools at your disposal to do so. Like a P.A. system if one's available.

Maybe new members aren't joining because they're not being asked? So don't be shy, be the one to…ask! And don't be put off by rejection, it's a normal part of the process.

Speaking from experience, you might even have a bit of fun in the process. Ask me how I know!

2026 AACA Spring Rummage Box

Address Label Here

South Jersey Region AACA
c/o Linda McFarland
224 Hogate Blvd.
Salem, NJ 08079

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