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# The Steering Column

Well hopefully the weather is starting to move in the direction that permits cooler touring. Though I must say that Leif's "Seat Sweat" tour was really not that unbearable. I guess I should disclose we were in an airconditioned car.

I know that I've said this many times, but it's all about the people and cars are fun too. Leif's tour really demonstrated that. There were several new couple and really a nice gathering of people. Not to mention 13 cars as I recall.

Our next tour is September 13, 2025 CAPPLEMAN CARS MINI-TOUR, Luling, TX - by John Robertson. So, everybody save the date and plan on coming out for what I'm sure will be a great tour.

Sincerely,

Joe Peter, President CTR-AACA





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# Secretary's Report

#### Minutes of Road Relics Monthly Meeting August 12, 2025 – Catfish Parlour

By Leif Allred, Secretary CTR-AACA

**Meeting** President Joe Peter opened the meeting at 7:01pm.

**Membership** New member Remy Shelton was welcomed to the club. Guest: Buster Peter.

**Secretary's Report** Minutes from the July 2025 meeting were accepted as written with motion by Bob Ross and second by Gary Baker.

**Treasurer's Report** Provided by Bob Ross. The report was accepted without modification.

**Sunshine Report** Heartfelt thoughts going out to our members: Ronnie for a hip surgery

**Newsletter** Special thanks to Vern Hancock, Wendell Bell, John Robertson, DJ Stamp, and James Bartlett for FenderTalk contributions.

**Website** The log has tracked 1,800 visitors – which is how Remy found the club. Site refreshed to include Texas Tour updates.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- 8/24/2025 Seat Sweat Mini-Tour to Johnson City
- 9/13/2025 Cappleman Cars Mini-Tour to Luling (Cappleman's Car Museum, Historic Zedler Mill, and many other features)
- 11/8/2025 Heroes and Hot Rods car show and membership drive in Bastrop, TX; Cruise-in the night before.
- 9/7-12/2025 Revival AAA Glidden tour
- Christmas Party To be Announced (committee: Lizette, Ceale, Ronnie, & Alice)

#### **Past Events**

Fredericksburg Swap Meet attended by Joe,
 DJ, and Leif (thanks to George for his spot)

**Cobbler Break** Provided by Catfish Parlour

**Texas Tour 2026** Hotels have been secured; tours, locations, restaurants being developed; items for silent auction are requested.

Program "Model A's In The Movies" was presented by Leif Allred. A search of the Internet Movie Cars Database for the Model A <a href="https://www.imcdb.org/">https://www.imcdb.org/</a> reveals thousands of instances where the 1928-1931 Ford is used in film. Having made around 4.9 million Model A's makes them quite prevalent. Members were presented with a scene featuring a Model A and asked to name the movie and then the year it came out. Awards were provided to participants. Funny how Model A's were shown as police cars and getaway vehicles. What are you going to outrun — a Model T? What will you catch — a bicycle?



**Adjourn** The meeting adjourned at 8:11pm.

# Upcoming Events

### Cappleman Cars Museum and Zedler Mill Museum Tour – Luling, TX by John Robertson

Club Members and guests are invited to join this Mini-Tour on Saturday, September 13th. We will be driving from Buda, TX to Luling, TX as we experience some of the backroads in Hays and Caldwell Counties to our destination. We are hopeful the weather will be just a bit cooler for this mid-September drive. Keep your fingers crossed!

We will **gather at 8:30am** in the parking lot of **Cabela's** on I-35 (15570 S I-35, Frontage Road, Buda, TX 78610) and **depart at 9:00am**. Maps and route description will be provided. Our caravan from Cabela's will take us to our first stop at the Valero Station at the intersection of Silent Valley Road near Hwy 183. This will be an opportunity to fuel up and have a brief potty stop. We will continue our drive through Lockhart, TX to FM 1322 where we will drive through the country north of Luling to the east side of downtown Luling.



http://www.texasescapes.com/Preservation/Luling-Texas-Zedlers-Mills.htm

Once we enter Luling, our first stop will be at the historic **Zedler Mill Museum** at 1170 S. Laurel Street, Luling, TX 78648 for a self-guided tour. Parking will be across the street from the museum. Please Park to allow for a quick departure by caravan.



https://www.facebook.com/people/Cappleman-Cars/61553059606680/

After we leave the Zedler Mill Museum, we take a short drive to the Cappleman Cars Museum at 500 E. Pierce, Luling, TX 78648 for a **11:30am tour** of Mr. Cappleman's personal car collection.

After our tour of the Cappleman Cars Museum, everyone will be free to visit **Downtown Luling** on their own where they can shop and eat lunch. There are a variety of eateries including two famous BBQ Restaurants, bakeries and sweet shops. Do some shopping on E. Davis Street – the main commercial street in town. If you want to see another museum, stop by the **Luling Historical Museum** at 421 E. Davis Street for a history lesson about the early Oil Boom in the area. We hope you will join us.

### Previous Activities

#### **Seat Sweat Mini-Tour**

by Leif Allred



Yes, it was hot – but so worth it. There were 11 antique cars, 24 people, over 100 vintage motorcycles, great food, wonderful service, 2 QT stations, 8 Olive Company shopping bags, ice cream, and one severed lizard tail. What could be better?!?

The meeting place was basically taken over as we gathered under the gas pumps awning at the South Congress QT where people hung out gabbing while waiting for everyone to join. Some of the people were other patrons admiring the vehicles.



One guy jumped out of his truck totally enamored by the 1965 Factory 5 Daytona – and then completely elated that he got to sit in it (wait . . . I haven't even sat in it)!



In order to avoid the highways and Oak Hill's "Y", we snuck down South Congress to William Cannon and were doing fine until the tail missed the light at 290, where we took the first right onto Old Bee Caves Road — turning before I could see that we didn't all make it. Well, several unanswered phone calls later, the tail of the convoy beat us to Texas Hill Country Olive Company where we met up with four more and a shower of cold air conditioning.

Many enjoyed a fresh pear juice drink or carafe of coffee while others did some shopping in their gift shop. Some took advantage of free tastings of their olive oils and balsamic vinegars. Then we were off as a group again to the second leg.

### Previous Activities

→ Fitzhugh Road is very hilly and scenic and drops drastically to cross Flat Creek where I signaled to the truck waiting that there were 13 more cars behind me. Coming out of the water crossing put us on Pedernales Falls Road (CR 201) then the road changes to Robinson Road (FM 2766) – all the same street into Johnson City.

We parked under shading trees around the Blanco Courthouse and left the vehicles for our visits in the town. Now, one would think that Blanco, TX houses the county seat but it has the Old Blanco County Courthouse. It wasn't the first QT we had stopped at either (Wayne, Trevor, and Linda met Laura and I in Liberty Hill and convoyed in). It was definitely time for lunch! Our stop was Pecan Street Brewing.



Although they don't take reservations, the 24 of us were seated very quickly – basically by telling us what tables were available and we chopped up in groups to fit. No one left hungry. The food was delicious and service was remarkable. Jackie Bresie, the co-owner, personally greeted our club and invited us to their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Gears & Beers" cars and motorcycles car show on October 25 around the square. <a href="https://jctxcarshow.com/">https://jctxcarshow.com/</a>

Following lunch, we walked between the buildings to Texas Vintage Motorcycle Museum that houses around 100 bikes from the 1930s to the 1990s. The collection is housed in what was the 1930s Ford dealership that showcased and serviced Model A Fords.



The owner Gordon Massie warmly welcomed the club and answered questions and listened to car stories. He also invited our club to use his gathering room for events.



## Previous Activities



→ People peeled off to visit some local antique stores or to start their hot journey back to real life. The smart ones, however, hit the Hill Country Ice Cream shop where toppings were overflowing. Then, once properly cooled down, we passed out ice cold waters and sent everyone on their way.

Thanks to those who participated as that's what truly made the day memorable: Gary and Barbara Baker, Ken and Suzan Crawford, Wayne Heikkila with family guests Trevor Cole and Linda Watts, Jim and Jan Kimmel, Ceale Kirkham, Joe and Lizette Peter, Tommy and Shirley Pearson, George Pierce, Jim and Lynda Rankin, John and Connie Robertson, Remy Shelton, Doug Wenger, and coordinated by Leif Allred, Laura Pressley with guest Doug Stelter.



The Antique Cars: 1939 Buick (oldest), 1953 Ford F100, 1955 Chevy Convertible, 1956 Oldsmobile, 1957 Chevy Belair Hardtop, 1961 Ford Galaxie Sunliner, 1965 Ford Ranchero, 1965 Factory Five Daytona (hottest), 1968 Chevy Camaro, 1970 Buick Riviera, 1970 Chevy C10. More photos on page 18.

Our next club mini-tour is on September 13 and starts in Buda, TX and wanders down to Luling, TX. John and Connie Robertson have put together another great day for us to spend together. Make sure you're there.



# Member's Projects

#### **Buick Surprise**

By Wayne Heikkila

I went to lunch about three weeks ago and took the Buick. It required fuel and needed to be driven since the last few weeks I have been driving the Speedster. I drove to a restaurant in Noam that is about 30 miles from the house to meet up with the regulator Wednesday lunch crowd.

I had a bowl of crawfish etouffee that was very tasty and made for a great lunch along with good company. I took a little longer way home just to put a few extra miles on the Buick. About halfway home, I started to notice a little shake in the steering wheel that would come and go. At first, I didn't think much about it thinking it was either the road or my old tires. The closer I got to home, however, the longer the shake would last. As I turned off 421 onto 96 to head north to the house, I heard this popping and grinding noise along with a wicked shake and my steering wheel had a violent shake. Then, as quickly as it started, the popping and grinding stopped along with most of the shaking dyed down. If I stayed around 30mph, it seemed okay. As I turned to the right, everything seemed to be all right but, when I turn left into the neighborhood, the popping and grinding and shaking started all over again. This time the noise and vibration didn't stop but lasted the way home. Once home, I jacked up the front end and found the driver side wheel sloppy. After it cooled off, I pulled the wheel and found the outer wheel bearing had started coming apart.

I called my Buick supplier for new inner and outer bearings. When they arrived, I was

surprised to find they were NOS bearings – along with being covered in Cosmoline\*. The first thing I had to do was soak them in acetone. After an hour, I was able to clean both bearings and the inner and outer races. I then knocked out the old races and pressed in the new ones, packed the bearings and put the driver's side back together. One more problem was repaired. Happy driving.



\* Cosmoline is a thick, oily, waxy substance primarily used as a rust and corrosion preventative. It was developed by Houghton International in the late 1800s as a pharmaceutical product. Originally, it was an ointment used for many different cosmetic and medical purposes, including to promote hair growth and was kept in homes to disinfect wounds and used by veterinarians to treat cuts, abrasions, bruises and sprains. Cosmoline could be found on farms, where it was used to relieve swelling in cow's udders. The most common use of Cosmoline is in the storage and preservation of some firearms, hand tools, machine tools and their tooling, and marine equipment. During World War II cosmoline was used to coat weapons, including entire tanks, for long sea voyages, to prevent corrosion in salty maritime conditions. -WIKIPEDIA

# Day Trips

#### **Glen Rose Road Trip**

By Vern and Jonnie Hancock

Jonnie and I made it to the 50 years wedding milestone this August and wanted to to do something special but were currently busy with family events, errands and appointments. So, we decided on a short Texas trip deferring a longer trip when the weather cools and events calm.

I found a bed and breakfast (vintage log cabin) just around the corner from the County Courthouse in Glen Rose which we reserved for our road travel stay. Please note the much undocumented folklore of the John St. Helen cabin we used. In spite of the locals trying to attract more visitors with John Wilkes Booth tales, we actually did enjoy our stay in the cabin and found the location very convenient to other nearby attractions.

The next morning, we drove to Cleburne for a meal at La Cima (great food) and continued on to Hillsboro to tour the Roadside American Museum. Carroll Estes owns the museum and is more than happy and very patient to personally present the tour — which includes 20-30 vintage vehicles from the '30s through the '60s. There is also a party room which appears to seat 60-70 folks for various reserved (972) 291-2958 activities including car club cruise-ins!

We finished our trip with a stop at the Waco Atwood's to replenish supplies (great farm and ranch stuff deals) and also a burger at Health Camp before returning to Georgetown.







# Car Community

### Great Sayings from The Old Car Hobby "Would You Believe This?"

By James Bartlett

Here are three "Would You Believe This?" from my own experience with a brand-new 1966 Volkswagen Beetle that my father insisted on giving me as a high school graduation present. I didn't want a car. We already had trucks and antique cars to maintain. And I particularly didn't want a VW. They were fine for putt-putting around town for many people. But I'll tell you my experience with my worst-ever car. It obviously wasn't an old car at the time, but seeing a dozen restored Beetles at the recent Hershey meet brings the following stories back to mind.



1) "Drive it like you're trying to wear it out" – Said the VW salesman. Well, I did, and it wore out – fast and hard. A VW designed in the 1930s was no match for long-distance Texas driving, and it was maintenance heavy. Either adjust the brakes every 3,000 miles, or the pedal would sink to the floor (American cars were self-adjusting). Either manually adjust the valves regularly, or it sounded like a threshing machine (American hydraulic valves need no adjustment). There was no oil filter, just a coarse screen that never caught

anything. The electrical system was 6 volts, Plus, the VW was like a 1930s car. dangerously underpowered and unstable. Try passing when you can only run 70, or a sudden wind gust blows you a half-lane left or right. Before entering boot camp in 1969, I drove up to visit family in Pennsylvania. The VW had only 45,000 miles on it. Enroute the starter burned out. Either had to park on slopes or push the car by hand, then jump in and pop the clutch before the car stopped. The engine burned oil, but when I tried to add a quart, it just blew out the filler pipe into my face - yep, requiring shutdown and another push. Then the exhaust manifold blew out. When I got to snowed-in in Pennsylvania, I paid to replace the starter and manifold, plus adjust the brakes and valves. Finally, a rod bearing burned out in Alabama, ending my and the devil car's mutual misery. The Old Man drove over with a Suburban and towed it home, and a handy neighbor and VW fan later rebuilt the engine.

2) "Das ist impossible" — Told me by the service manager of the VW dealership, in a heavy German accent. About once a week, after morning startup, the VW would get a mile down the road and simply die. Then it refused to start, or even fire. I'd call someone to pick me up. Hours later, I'd go back and the VW would start instantly and drive fine the rest of the day. But, on one occasion, my brother was following me down the road and saw liquid pouring out from under the car. Since an air-cooled VW holds no water, it had to be gasoline.

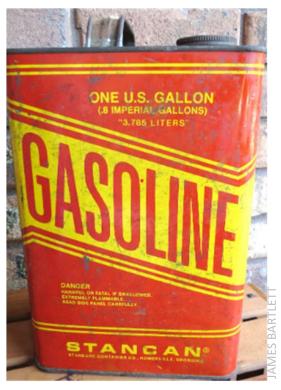
# Car Community

→ I took the car to the dealer, and the service manager said "Das ist impossible." I accused him of calling my brother a liar but, after a heated exchange, he took the car in. When I picked it up days later, they said nothing was wrong. But it never died again. I think they found a loose fuel line but wouldn't admit it. When I told this story to a mechanic friend, he asked the name of the service manager. I told him and my friend laughed and said, "That SOB. I went to high school with him. He's never been to Germany. He started speaking fake German when he went to work at the VW dealer."

3) "The Volkswagen ran out of gas on my way to school." — So my sister told my brother via a phone call early one morning in 1970. My brother went into the garage,

found a gallon can marked "gasoline," drove down the road to the stalled VW and poured it in. My sister started the VW and drove away, and my brother went back home. Almost immediately came another call – the car had stalled again. This time, despite more gas added, it wouldn't start. When told about it, the Old Man asked my brother which can he'd used. "The one marked gasoline" was the answer. "That wasn't gasoline, it was weed killer," said the Old Man, who was casual on labeling things. So, the VW went back to the neighbor for diagnosis. He found that the weed killer had welded the pistons to the cylinders. A second engine rebuild finally exterminated the Old Man's infatuation with the devil VW Bug. When I received a letter in Vietnam telling me the car had been sold, I downed a beer in celebration.

### Letter From the Editor

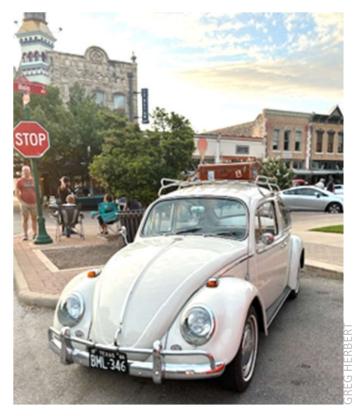


Why do we meet at QuikTrip (QT)? Because they have non-ethanol fuel. Non-ethanol gasoline provides several benefits for antique cars, including preventing corrosion and degradation of older fuel system components made from rubber and fiberglass, improving fuel efficiency and performance, and offering better fuel stability for vehicles that are driven infrequently or stored for long periods. Ethanol-free fuel is a safer choice for vintage cars because their fuel systems were not designed for the properties of ethanol-blended fuels. Ethanol is hygroscopic, meaning it attracts and absorbs water, which can then cause corrosion in metal fuel tanks and other components. Ethanol-based fuels are less stable when stored for extended periods, unlike non-ethanol gasoline which can remain reliable for several months. Because older engines were not designed to handle ethanol, nonethanol fuel can result in smoother operation, particularly for cars used only on warmer days.

# Around Town

Pistons on the Square – Georgetown, TX August 16, 2025 By Greg Herbert

Pistons on the Square is a really nice informal gathering on the third Saturday of each month from 8-10am on the Square in Georgetown. Some vehicles show up every month, and others come and go, so there are a variety of cars. I have attended the past two months with my Model A, and have run into quite a number of old friends and a few of our former club members from decades ago (Claude and Joann Folta, and Cheryl Tatro). With nice morning weather the past two months, there have been about 80 cars and trucks of all types. Lots of great local restaurants on and around to square for breakfast or lunch.











# DJ's CarSense®

#### **An Automotive Outlet for Outstanding Observations**

by DJ Stamp

Soap Box Derby – August 19, 1934 It was during the Great Depression when Myron E. Scott came across three boys racing homemade, engineless cars down a hill. A photographer for the Dayton Daily News, Scott had the idea of holding a race and taking photographs of it for the newspaper. He told the boys to come back the next week to participate in a race that would offer a trophy for the winner.

When nineteen boys showed up with their racers, Scott knew that he had to expand the idea. The Dayton Daily News agreed and on August 19, 1933 an astounding 362 racers showed up. It was estimated there were 40,000 watchers lining the street. David Wyse won the division for boys under ten and Randall Custer won in the division for older boys. A film of the race was shown in theaters across the country. Scott began receiving calls from other newspapers who wanted help in organizing their own races so that they could send their local champions to compete in Dayton in 1934.

The following year, races were sponsored by Chevrolet and leading newspapers in 34 cities. On August 19, 1934 the winners gathered in Dayton to race in the "All-American Soap Box Derby". The national championship was won by Robert Turner, age 11, of Muncie, Indiana.

In 1935, the race was moved to Akron, and that's where it's still held today. Myron Scott lived long enough to see his idea become a national tradition.

 Text from "On This Date in Dayton's History" by Curt Dalton



**EZ Financing** Note that, although the payments seem quite affordable, that these are weekly payments. Don't fall for it!

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# Membership

### Renewal Time

National AACA dues are \$45 and our local Central Texas Region AACA dues are \$20 (requires national membership). For any questions, please contact membership chair, Wayne Heikkila at (512) 740-4212 or <a href="mailto:wayneheikkila@gmail.com">wayneheikkila@gmail.com</a>.



Pay by Mail:

1) \$45 payable to AACA

2) \$20 payable to CTR-AACA

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Club-Gear

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Greg Herbert: gdherbert@aol.com



### Mini-Tours

The club works at having a "mini-tour" once a month to get our cars out for a drive. Sometimes it is a car show, sometimes it is a drive through the backroads, sometimes it includes historical sites and attractions, and often includes a stop for food or ice cream. If planning a mini-tour, here is a file on our website that has helpful guidelines:

https://centraltexas.aaca.com/resources/



### Leaders

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# National News

#### **National News, Notifications, and Nudges**

As Reported from AACA emails, Antique Automobile Magazine, Website, and Mailings



Don't Wait Until...

By Phillip Cole

VP— SE Regions

Development and Support

Southeast

A few years ago, former National Director, Wayne

Burgess, posted on our AACA Forums, "We have a local region that is close to folding up, because they cannot find someone to step up and become their leader, their President. Their present President has been there for 12 years. He needs a break. I just wonder does anyone have any new ideas to help prevent the club from closing down?"

Wayne received some good suggestions from other members. Here are a couple:

Matt Hinson, former Rummage Box Editor, said, "I don't know if I can suggest a quick fix, but I do have an idea about how to combat that sort of thing . . . It just takes time . . . The important thing is that you need to attract new members constantly. Our members attend the local Cars and Coffee and other local non-AACA car club shows and typically sign up a new member or more every month. That keeps new blood coming into the Chapter. Driving your old cars, and being willing to speak to other potential new members about their car and about AACA, and having a packet of the forms needed to sign up a new member available when you "sell" them on joining, makes it easy to sign up new members . . . Having one person be President for more than about 2 years is typically a warning sign that the club has become stagnant. It is time to get some new blood into the leadership, but you have to develop your members so that they feel comfortable in being a leader."

Walt Gosden, noted automotive historian and author, shared, "The important thing is that you need to attract new members constantly... But you also need to make the new members feel welcome. A new member doesn't have to be someone who is new to the hobby! The club needs to have high interest but low cost activities that will encompass the whole family... Some of the events should involve a younger generation as well who can attend with their parents or grandparents — make it an interesting family affair."

A popular process in small businesses nowadays is "onboarding", where you bring motivated, far thinking new members on your local board. That's a good place to start, but if you wait until you cannot find executive officers, it will be an uphill climb. Here are other basic, onboarding ideas:

- Make membership meaningful for all members. Keep all members involved in all projects and plans.
- ☐ Assign a mentor to new members.
- ☐ Communicate! Emphasize our mission.
- ☐ Reach out in your local community.
- ☐ Rotate officer responsibilities.

And yes, as Matt and Walt suggested, "Don't wait until . . . Get out in front of growing your membership and leadership!"

### Calcudar

#### September 9, 2025 7:00pm (earlier for food)

MONTHLY MEETING

Catfish Parlour South 4705 E Ben White Blvd

#### September 7-12, 2025

REVIVAL AAA GLIDDEN TOUR® (Pre-1943) Owensboro, KY (VMCCA Hosted)

#### September 13, 2025 8:30am

CAPPLEMAN CARS MINI-TOUR (see page 4) Luling, TX – by John Robertson

#### September 20, 2025 8:00am to 10:00am

PISTONS ON THE SQUARE Georgetown, TX Courthouse Square

#### September 20, 2025

39<sup>th</sup> CRUZIN CRUZERS CAR SHOW Gatesville, TX www.cruzincruzers.com

#### September 21, 2025 12:00noon to 4:00pm

CLASSICS FOR CARING CAR SHOW Temple, TX

Jack: 254-677-7085

#### October 4, 2025 9:00am to 2:00pm

MAIN STREET CAR SHOW
Marble Falls, TX
https://highlandlakeskiwanis.org/car-show

#### October 7-10, 2025

EASTERN FALL NATIONALS Hershey, PA 717-566-7720

#### October 18-22, 2025

CENTRAL DIVISIONAL TOUR
The Runaway Scrape – by DFW Region
(See Page 17)
San Antonio, TX 214-498-0531

#### October 23-25, 2025

CENTRAL FALL NATIONALS
Galveston, TX 832-693-4008

#### October 25, 2025 10:30am

WXNW MINI-TOUR
Marble Falls, TX – by Rich Bassemir

#### October 25, 2025

12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MAIN STREET CAR SHOW Taylor, TX

#### **November 1, 2025**

BELMONT VILLAGE SIDEWALK PARTY Austin, TX – by Wally and Sue Graner

#### November 8, 2025

HEROES AND HOT RODS CAR SHOW Bastrop, TX

#### **December 7, 2025**

CHRISTMAS PARTY AND ANNUAL MEETING by LCRA (Lizette, Ceale, Ronnie, and Alice) (See Page 17)

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#### February 5-7, 2026

ANNUAL CONVENTION / NATIONAL AWARDS Chantilly, VA 717-534-1910

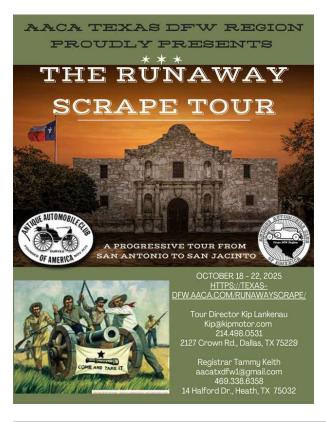
#### March 19-21, 2026

SPECIAL NATIONALS Guaynago, Puerto Rico

#### **LEGEND**

- ☐ Monthly Meetings
- **☐** Special Events
- ☐ Road Relics Mini-Tours
- ☐ National Meets and Tours
- ☐ Local (unofficial) Events

www.motortexas.com/events/ https://www.taillightking.com/swap\_list.htm



#### The Runaway Scrape Backstory

By Kip Lankenau, Guide, Storyteller, and Tour Chair

Please take a few minutes to watch this brief, insightful video on the early Spanish settlement of Texas between 1500-1800s. It explains the challenges Spain encountered in establishing an outpost in the wilderness frontier called Tejas. <a href="https://youtu.be/Z1rEb3m3IIA?si=Jjujw9htUJ">https://youtu.be/Z1rEb3m3IIA?si=Jjujw9htUJ</a> DtZF5

This is the first of many videos in our series to help you understand the backstory, which will enrich every stop on our tour, from mission ruins to battlegrounds. To experience early Texian history, register for this exclusive tour by September 2nd, 2025.

Questions about the tour or registration, please give me a call at 214-498-0531.

### **Time to Shift into Holiday Gear**By Ceale Kirkham

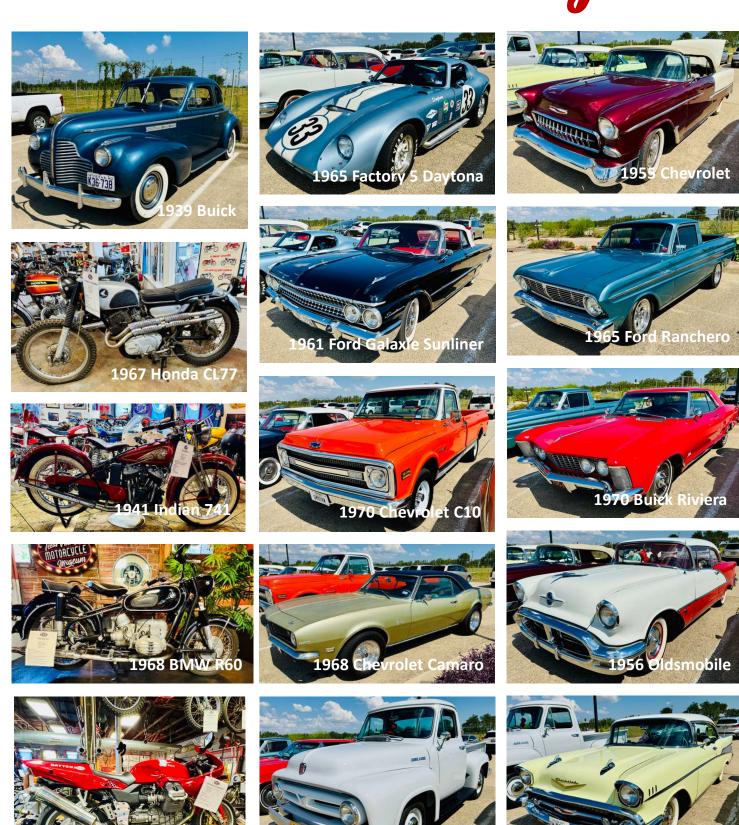
The Road Relics party planners are at it again! There's plenty of time to pick out a cool shirt, an ugly sweater, or a slinky gown to impress your fellow Road Relics but NOW is the time to mark your calendars for another unforgettable Christmas Holiday Party at Austin's Milano restaurant. All the fun will begin at 3:00pm on Sunday, December 7, 2025.

Polish your ride and get ready for a welcoming drink and sumptuous Italian food followed by awards for the year's special accomplishments. And, yes, there will be entertainment. Plans are currently top secret but guaranteed to bring a smile. Your committee is Lizette Peter, Alice Marshall, Ronnie Burt and Ceale Kirkham. They will keep you posted as plans progress for a turbocharged Christmas party! Stay tuned up!



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