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The Steering Column

I really cannot believe it is already February 2022. It seems like I was just cooking for Thanksgiving, and now we are approaching Valentine's Day. Time to plan something nice for that special person in your life.

We are having our typical Austin winter, with a few cool days, a few really cold days, and a lot of pleasant days scattered throughout. Find those nice days and get outside with your old car and some old friends and take a drive on the back roads.

Here's to a much happier and more positive year in 2022. Hope to see everyone at our virtual ZOOM meeting on February 8th. Here's to good health and good friends!

Greg Herbert, President CTR-AACA



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Secretary's Report

Minutes of Road Relics Annual Meeting January 25, 2021

Submitted by Ronnie Burt

Meeting The meeting was started by President Greg Herbert at 7:04pm. There were 18 members online participating in the Zoom meeting.

Membership Wayne said renewals were coming in and he is working on them now.

Secretary's Report There were no modifications to the minutes from last meeting. It was accepted as read. In Sue's absence Ronnie will take the minutes of the January meeting.

Treasurer's Report Laura is in the process of transferring information to Duane, this year's treasurer. Greg read the treasurer's report which showed net income for 2021 and the combined total in the club's three accounts. Greg said he will set up a board meeting in the next few weeks to set up a 2022 budget.

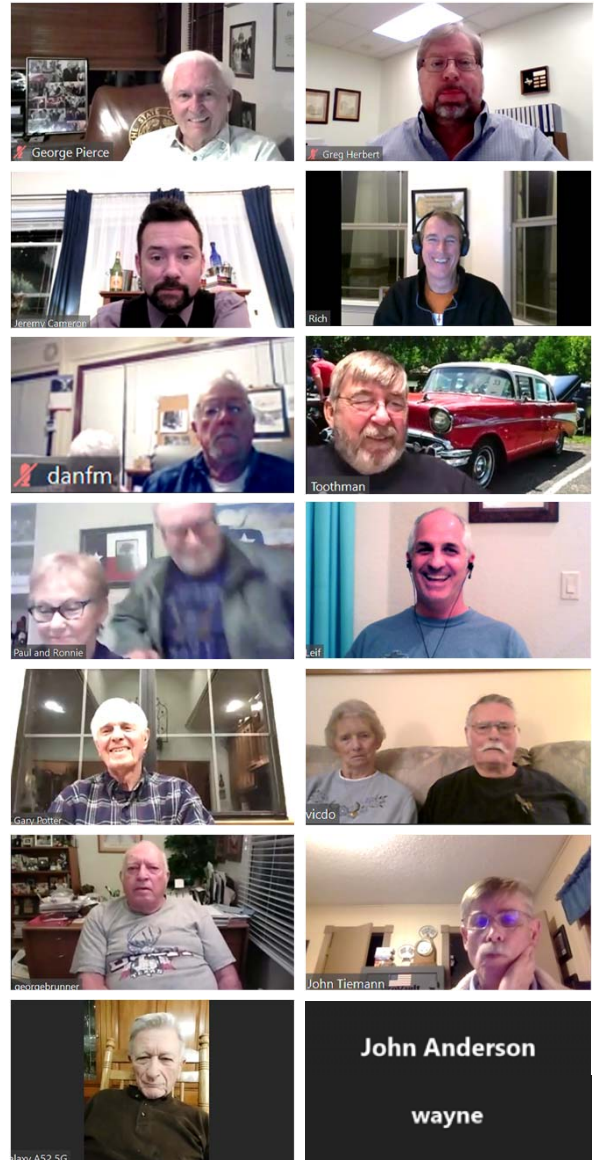
Sunshine Report There were no member illnesses

to report, however, Barbara and Gary Baker's son and daughter-in-law were in the hospital with Covid. Sadly, their daughter-in-law did not recover and died toward the end of January. Their son is home and recovering.

Website Rich said he has changed the heading for 2022. Wayne sent pictures of his LaSalle for member projects. Rich would like to add more pictures and requests they be sent to him for the website. The email address for the webmaster is aacaroadrelics@gmail.com.

Newsletter Leif thanked all who have contributed. Keep the submissions coming! The Texas Tour details will be in the February newsletter. There is also space in the classifieds if you have anything you want to sell.

Past Events It was a quiet month for car shows and events but Leif attended Pistons on the Square in Georgetown. →



Secretary's Report

Upcoming Events There will be a Road Relics mini-tour on February 12 beginning in Liberty Hill, touring over to Longhorn Caverns, lunch, and a visit to Hill Country Motorheads Motorcycle Museum. Please let Leif know if you plan to enter the cavern as he needs a head count. The tour is \$19 with a discount for seniors and veterans. If not going into the cavern, there is a theater, gift shop, trails, CCC buildings and snack bar while you wait. Further details will be sent to members soon.

The Car and Airplane Show will be at the Georgetown Airport on 2/26. This year it will include a swap meet.


Presentation In DJ's absence, Greg showed slides on 20 different dashboards. It was interesting trying to guess which vehicle they were on.

At various times throughout the meeting, Greg presented *Who Am I?* submitted by Vic, Lynda, John, Pat, and Greg. The only story guessed correctly was Greg's. Submit more of these to Greg – they

are fun to guess and get to know a bit more about our members.

In-Person Meetings A show of hands indicated that the members would like to have at least one more virtual Zoom meeting, which will be on February 8.

Member Roster A new member roster is in the works and will be out soon.

Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 7:55. 



Meeting Program: "Dashboards" – 1960 Plymouth Fury

Upcoming Events

Motorheads Mini-Tour by Leif Allred

Saturday, February 12, 2022

Meet at 8:00-8:30am

QuikTrip (QT)

14000 TX-29

Liberty Hill, TX 78642



Longhorn Cavern State Park



Hoover's Valley Café

Activities

☐ Travel 87 miles of beautiful hill country

- Liberty Hill
- Marble Falls
- Inks Lake
- Burnet
- Bertram

☐ View at Shin Oak Observation Deck

☐ Drive by Sunrise Deuce Ranch

☐ Visit Longhorn Cavern State Park

- Cavern Tour: \$19, 1.1 miles, 90 min
- Snack bar, trails, theater, gift shop
- Civilian Conservation Corp buildings

☐ Hoover's Valley Café

☐ Hill Country Motorheads Museum

- Admission \$7 (Seniors, Veterans, First Responders, and Teachers \$5)

☐ Historic Burnet County Jail

Consensus is
to stay up on
top (no caves)



Hill Country Motorheads Motorcycle Museum

Special Events

Texas Tour 2022

by Moses Mendoza, Jr, Tour Chairperson

Bienvenidos from the Rio Grande Valley Region. This is our introduction to the 68th Texas Tour (March 31 through April 3, 2022) at our home base in Harlingen, Texas. As we progress closer to the Tour, we will continue to send updates. This is the first time for the RGV-AACA to host a Texas Tour and we plan to have an exciting time. Please contact the Club at aaca.rgv.chapter@gmail.com.

Registration Dates and Deadlines

- Pre-Registration deadline is March 1, 2022
- Final date for inclusion in the tour book is March 1, 2022
- Refund granted if requested prior to February 15, 2022; Refunds requested after March 1, 2022 subjected to the discretion of the Texas Tour Committee
- Late registration accepted if space permits

Hotel Information

Hilton Garden Inn
751 Harlingen Heights Drive
Harlingen, Texas 78552
Reservations: (956) 428-1400

Call the Hotel to make your reservations and let them know that you are part of the 68th Texas Tour to receive the discounted rate.

Deadline for 68th Texas Tour Group rates is February 28, 2022!

- Single Occupancy is \$139.00 with one breakfast voucher per day
- Double Occupancy is \$149.00 with two breakfast vouchers per day.
- Texas Tour Rates will apply If you arrive on Wednesday and/or stay to Sunday.

If you need any additional assistance, please let us know. Our cell numbers and email are included in case you have any last-minute questions or needs.

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Judging and Awards

- ☐ Most Popular Car (chosen by participants)
- ☐ Best Owner Restored Car (register for this)
- ☐ Best Classic Car
- ☐ Best Original Car (register for this)
- ☐ Best Commercial Vehicle
- ☐ Best Brass T
- ☐ Best Steel T
- ☐ Chairman's Choice Award
- ☐ Best Orphan Car
- ☐ Favorite Car from the 1960's
- ☐ Oldest Car Completing Tour
- ☐ Car Driven Farthest (to attend the tour)
- ☐ Car Trailered Farthest (to attend the tour)
- ☐ Oldest Driver driving on Tour
- ☐ Youngest Driver driving on Tour
- ☐ Hard Luck Vehicle on the Tour
- ☐ Best of Tour (x15) →

Special Events

Proposed Agenda *

Thursday 3/31/2022

9:00am – 3:00pm Registration

1:00pm Safety Briefing. Drive to the Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan Del Valle, San Juan, TX. (Approximately 55-mile round trip)

6:00pm – 8:00pm Social at Lon C. Hill Park

Friday 4/1/2022

8:00am Safety Briefing. Travel to Iwo Jima Monument, Harlingen Historic Museum, San Benito Museum, South Padre Island to visit Sea Turtle Inc, Clayton Beach and return to hotel. (Approximately 95-mile round trip)

Saturday 4/2/2022

8:00am Safety Briefing. Drive to Brownsville, visit Ft. Brown, the Brownsville Railroad Museum, Sabal Palm Sanctuary, Palo Alto Battlefield, and SpaceX. (Approximately 120-mile round trip)

* Agenda may change as we tweak the driving routes but, for the most part, this is our Texas Tour routes.

Other Information

Vehicle Parking and Trailers – You may unload your car at the hotel and there is plenty of space to park the trailers around the hotel. Also, we have reserved a block of spaces in the parking lot for the tour cars. These spaces will be marked by year/name/model of tour car.

Raffle – Claudia has completed the 68th Texas Tour Quilt which will be raffled off. Yes, hand-made by the boss lady. Claudia will post pictures of the Quilt on Facebook. Also, please consider donating raffle items to help

defray the costs of the Tour. Your support is appreciated!

Registration and Hospitality – The registration desk and hospitality room will be in the lobby of the Hilton Garden Inn. The tour registration desk opens at 9:00am on Thursday near the hospitality room. Look for the 68th Texas Tour registration signs near the hotel check-in counter.

Thursday Activities – For those of you who arrive early on Thursday, we have planned an Early Bird Tour. The trip to Progreso, Mexico has been deleted. We will stay in Texas! An alternative site has been selected. More details on the follow-up messages concerning the tours in the RGV.

Social Gathering – A social gathering is planned at the local community park a few minutes' drive from the hotel where a meal will be served. This is a perfect time to catch up with old friends and get introduced to the RGV Region members. Bring your own lawn chairs. Details to be sent in the future.

Veterans – New this year, we plan to honor our Texas Tour members who are Veterans. Please fill out the Veteran's information on the registration form.

Attire – As always, be casual and dress according to the weather. The awards banquet will be held near the hotel on Saturday evening. This event lends itself to a little nicer attire – maybe even matching your vehicle's decade!

Judging – We will set aside two hours on Friday morning to conduct a semi-formal car judging class awards and the revolving trophies. I will ask for help from the different clubs to provide additional judges and we will provide the rest of the judges.

Chairs – Bring your collapsible chairs to enjoy stops along the tour.



Member's Projects

My Bug

by Wayne Heikkila

Hi, everyone. Well, I have been very busy. Not only have I been working on the LaSalle but also on the Bug which developed a vibration last January and it took me a little while to find the broken motor mount. Easy right? Not so much on the bug as the engine must be removed. I had to think about what I wanted to do: My carburetors needed work, the pushrod tubes were leaking oil, and I have 50,000 miles on it since the engine was rebuilt. I decided the engine must come out.

In April, I pulled the carburetors and sent them to Kaddy Shake – a company that only rebuilds Solex 40 and 44 Carburetors. I pulled the engine, removed the heads, and took them to a machine shop to be freshened up. I created a list of items I needed to order: new gaskets, distributor, plugs, plug wires, and a fuel pump. When I was removing my carburetors, I found some of the linkage was broken and would need replacements. Once I sent everything off and ordered the new parts, I just waited.

As the months clicked by, the parts slowly came in. By August I had almost all the new parts except no heads nor carburetors. At the end of September, I was told my heads were ready for pick up and this meant I could start assembling the engine for install. The carburetors came in just before Thanksgiving. After installing the carburetors and new linkage, I was ready to start the engine. It fired right off and, with a few adjustments, was running better than it had in years. After I dropped it down from the jack stands, I tried to drive it but it stalled. I tried it again and it stalled. The car would not run under a load. I rechecked everything and was at a loss so I called Kaddy

Shake and told them of the issues I was having. They gave me a list of things to check and I had performed most of them but I went down their list just the same. The only thing I found was my new fuel pump was pushing 6lbs of fuel pressure but my carburetors require 1.5-2.5lbs. I was going to need a pressure regulator but I felt this was not the problem. I could see it running rich but not running under a load but I did what they asked. I purchased a regulator and installed it and had the same problem and called Kaddy Shake to let them know. They asked me to remove the carburetor tops. I told Jeff (the manager) that I wasn't going to as I paid them to rebuild them. He agreed.

After a week, I got an email showing the main jets in both carburetors pulled out. They reglued them back in place and installed them on a test engine to confirm they worked before shipping them back. After installing the carburetors yet again, the bug runs great. And to think, all this started with a broken motor mount. Happy driving, everyone!



WAYNE HEIKKILA

1974 Volkswagen Bug

Around Town

Pistons on the Square

Text and Photos by Leif Allred



Georgetown, TX – January 15, 2022

In short – it was COLD! At least the Tri-five Chevy's didn't brave the 40-degree with 40 mph winds that tore through downtown Georgetown thus leaving space around the courthouse for the true die-hards to park. From there we would huddle around the last arrival trying to get some of the remaining engine heat as it ticked quickly away. No fair-weather Corvette and Mustang clubs were in attendance either.



Then, as the retired versions of car enthusiasts reminisced about growing up in Colorado or Chicago and shoveling snow as the reason they migrated down to Texas, this guy pulls up in an open car – a 1925 Rolls Royce. There's always some gem that someone brings out to this event. One couldn't get a clean photograph without gawkers in the shot and its owner was very amenable to showing the crowd its unique features. →



1925 Rolls Royce

Around Town

→ You also couldn't stand out in the open for very long as the wind whipped the heat from your core faster than you could build it up. And to think just the day before I was working on pouring a concrete step under 75-degree sunny skies. It reminded me that one year we went swimming at Barton Springs and the very next day we were sliding down icy roads on garbage can lids. One wizened old guy informed me that the only thing standing in the way of freezing fronts coming down the plains from Canada was a barbed wire fence.

I did, however, get to spend some quality time with the women in the Visitor's Center. In addition to opening early for public restrooms on POTS week, it was nice and warm in there out of the penetrating wind and they also helped me plan our Mini-Tour to Burnet. They also appreciated the car show safely situated behind the glass.

Aaaahhh, then the sun came out from behind the clouds . . . and had little effect. It was still a blustery morning but was a pretty drive home and provided a rewarding tale to share.



1925 Rolls Royce

Membership

Renewal

It is time to renew your membership. The National AACA dues are \$45 and our Local club dues are \$20. You may pay online or mail two checks. For any questions, please feel free to contact membership chair, Wayne Heikkila at (512) 740-4212.



Pay by Mail:

1) \$45 payable to AACA

2) \$20 payable to CTR-AACA

Wayne Heikkila

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Round Rock, TX 78665



To pay online, please click on the link below:

Pay Dues Online



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Sign up for an open month →

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National News

National News, Notifications, and Nudges

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



Editor's Note

By Matt Hinson
Rummage Box Editor

Welcome to my 23rd issue as Editor of the Rummage Box. In Southeastern North Carolina, Hobbyists seem to be in overdrive mode catching up on old car events that were postponed due to Covid-19. For the past several weeks, I have attended at least one old car event each weekend. Our local AACA Chapter's annual show, which is typically held in March each year, was held on October 23rd. I attended it with my 1937 Buick Roadmaster Convertible Phaeton.

At most of the recent events, I have been

able to continue my efforts to expose young people to antique cars. Whenever I see a parent lifting their young children up to give them a better view of the interior of the car, I offer to let the child have a seat in the car and make sure to have the parent capture a photo of the child in the car. This is planting seeds that will likely mature into new antique car hobbyists and new AACA memberships in about 30 years or so. We have also added several new adult and student members to our local chapter by engaging them at these local car events and providing them with information and the necessary forms to join the club. Working on short term and long term membership growth is a fun and fulfilling way to contribute to keeping the hobby and the club alive.



Mustang Cutouts

by Leif Allred

After you've let that child search in vain for cupholders (and only found ash trays) in your special antique vehicle, you can give their parent this "Mustang Cutout" with our contact information, when our meetings are, and the website and invite them to join the club. Each pack has 50 handouts and may be sent to you for free from headquarters. I shall also have some for you at the next event. Contact AACA Headquarters for a stack you may keep in your cars to slip under a windshield wiper at a cruise-in or give to the guy at the gas station telling you about the car he owned when he was young.

Membership Department

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Calendar

February 8, 2022 7:00pm

MONTHLY MEETING – Virtual ZOOM

February 10-12, 2022

AACA ANNUAL CONVENTION

Philadelphia, PA 717-534-1910

February 12, 2022 Mini-Tour

Burnet, TX – see page 5

February 24-26, 2022

AACA WINTER NATIONALS

Melbourne, FL 484-769-7856

February 26, 2022 10:30am-2:30pm

STEPHANIE NICHOLS' 11th ANNUAL CAR SHOW

stephaniesgtownairportcarshow.eventbrite.com

March 5, 2022 Mini-Tour

Austin, TX

March 6, 2022 12:00pm

5th ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF & CAR SHOW

Candlelight Ranch – Marble Falls, TX

KerryOrr@aol.com

March 10-12, 2022

WESTERN SPRING NATIONALS

Las Vegas, NV 717-534-1910

March 20-26, 2022

FOUNDERS TOUR (1932-1997)

Mobile, AL 251-402-1427

March 31 - April 3, 2022

68TH TEXAS TOUR – see page 6-7

April 7-9, 2022

SOUTHEASTERN SPRING NATIONALS

Charlotte, NC 707-847-4215

April 21-23, 2022

SPECIAL WINTER AND GRAND NATIONALS

San Juan, Puerto Rico 305-978-8037

April 22-23, 2022

LONESTAR ROD AND KUSTOM ROUND UP

www.lonestarroundup.com/

April 28-30, 2022

PATE SWAP MEET

Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, TX

<https://pateswapmeet.com/>

May 19-21, 2022

ANNUAL GRAND NATIONALS

Virginia Beach, VA 618-363-6730

June 16-18, 2022

EASTER SPRING NATIONALS

Beckley, WV 681-220-8186

August 11-13, 2022

CENTRAL FALL NATIONALS

East Moline, IL

September 10-16, 2022

SENTINMENTAL TOUR

Gettysburg, PA

October 15, 2022 9:00am-2:00pm

GEARHEADS 13TH ANNUAL OPEN CAR SHOW

www.budagearheads.com

November 5, 2022 Mini-Tour

BELMONT VILLAGE SIDEWALK PARTY

Austin, TX

November 12, 2022 Mini-Tour

WINGS & WHEELS FLY-IN

Kingsbury, TX – Pioneer Flight Museum

LEGEND

☐ Monthly Meetings

☐ Special Events

☐ Road Relics Mini-Tours

☐ National Meets and Tours

☐ Local (unofficial) Events

FOR SALE BY OWNER

Club Classified Ads



1948-1950 Packard Vacuum Tube AM Radio:

Missing the rear panel . . . because that's what I bought it for – to cannibalize the cover! Socket and swivel not included. **\$30**

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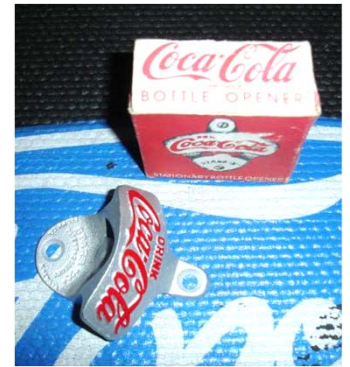


Reman GM Starter:

Remanufactured Duralast DL3627S block/offset pattern. New November 2020; installed it, ran for a while, replaced it with mini-starter. **\$50**

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Miscellaneous Tools and Stuff:

Tire irons and that thing; brake calipers; Ford script oil can; 6VDC electric fuel pump; Coca-Cola bottle opener (in original box)

\$ Donation to the Club (Beebe)

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Liquidation Sale:



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Letter From the Editor

"But, Leif, when you ask for a FenderTalk article, what do you mean?" Well, now . . . here's a list of topics that may be fun for you to write and interesting for others to read:

- Member's Projects
- Items From the Internet
- Around Town or Texas
- Restoration Advice
- Repairs and Mechanics
- Reputable Shops
- Road Trips
- Past or Future Activities
- Mini-Tour Reports
- Technical Corner
- Automotive History
- Model Development
- Your First (or Worse) Car
- Automobile Adventures
- Garage and Barn Finds
- Museums & Attractions
- Cars in Television
- Oddities You've Run Into
- Movie Reviews
- Publications and Info
- Fundraisers & Charity

Remember that a photo is worth a thousand words! The 2-page *Around Town* article in this issue is 338 words, 5 photos; Wayne's is 515 words. See how easy that is?

Leif



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