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The Steering Column

When it is really, really hot outside, as it has been every day this past month, what sounds more refreshing than ice cream? So, in an effort to help everyone cool off a bit, a large contingent of our club's members joined others from the Model T Club at George's museum for socializing, ice cream, and homemade cookies, cakes, and brownies at the annual Ice Cream Social. Every time I visit the museum, I see items that have either been added or I have just missed them when viewing the collection previously. Thanks to George and his family and a little help from a few of our club members, everyone had a great time and many delicious desserts.

Hope to see everyone at Catfish Parlour on, Tuesday, August 9th. Here's to good health and good friends!

Greg Herbert, President CTR-AACA





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Secretary's Report

Minutes of Road Relics Monthly Meeting July 12, 2022

Submitted by Sue Graner, CTR-AACA Secretary

Meeting The July meeting of the Road Relics was called to order at precisely 7:00pm by our President Greg H.

Membership Wayne H. reported no new members and no guests tonight.

Secretary's Report The minutes of the June meeting submitted by Sue G. - were published the in last There were no newsletter. changes to be made so Bob R. made a motion to accept the minutes and Jim R. seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Treasurer's Report Duane P. indicated that we were not presented with any checks but a few bills from the Ice Cream Social and Pate were filtering in. We have a balance healthy in account. George B. made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Bob R. seconded it. All attending voted in favor of accepting the report.

Sunshine Report Ronnie B.

said that everyone has been doing okay, except for Wayne who is healing well from his burns and also the loss of his mother in the last few weeks. The club sent him a sympathy card and we all were so sorry to hear of his loss. Karen will be having knee surgery later this month.

Past Events

- June 18th Chili Cookoff Greg, the host of the picnic said that there were seven entries, and all were very different. Everyone, including Greg and Nancy's neighbors, enjoyed the day. The neighbors loved looking at the classic cars. winners were: 3rd Place Lynda R; 2nd Place D.J., and 1st Place went to Joe P. Thanks to everyone for turning out.
- July 4th Independence Day Parade - The club had seven cars participate and the Road Relics won first place in the Parade as recognized by the of Wimberley Chamber Commerce. Lizette wondered if we had advertised these events

- would we possibly increase our membership.
- July 9th Ice Cream Social -George, the host for this event, was pleased at the and thanked turnout everyone for coming. Jan, Barbara, and Shirley served the ice cream and many other members brought treats like cookies brownies. The new player piano in George's museum has 111 rolls to play and we entertained were by George's youngest grandson operating the player piano.
- Ronnie reported that there was a short parade in Smithville in which they drove their candidate for County Judge.
- Leif went to a Father's Day show in Florence and said he was glad to see all the cars stay until the end of the day. It took place at The Vineyard at Florence.
- Jim Rankin let us know about a show in Leander with 150 cars attending. It was the "Dads Gone Wild Show" put on to support an organization preventing child abuse.

Secretary's Report

Upcoming Events

- Corvette Expo this weekend (July 16-17) in Bastrop. Shaun Jones is the promoter. There will be vendors and booths, and he allows a maximum of 350 cars.
- Heroes & Hot Rods, November 11-12, 2022 in Bastrop, put on by the Bastrop Area Cruisers.
- Christmas Party at Maggiano's Little Italy in The Domain (tentative date is Sunday, December 11th, at 1:00pm).
- Pate Swap Meet, April 27-29, 2023
- Texas Tour, May 18-21, 2023. The Tour Leader is Gary East.

Member's Projects

- George just finished installing the Vintage Air system in his '75 Vette.
- Gary said all his cars were 'broke' down.

Website Rich B. was not in attendance this evening but all of us who have looked at the website think that it is looking very nice. He does a good job of keeping it up to date.

Newsletter Leif A. said the August edition of FenderTalk was about 80% ready to go.

He was happy to have contributions from Wayne H., John T., and Sue G. in last month's newsletter.

Meeting During the meeting, Greg gave us a few more definitions of familiar tools: Pliers, Hacksaw, and the word "Tool."

Program John A. prepared two videos for us this The first evening. was "Yesterday's Main Street" envisioned and created by Jon Scapes. He built a Main Street USA (1895 -1900) in his basement that was 26' x 46'. manufactured nearly everything in the storefronts himself from scratch - he had quite the workshop. Talk about a lifelong project.

We took a short break for cobbler between videos.

The second video was from the 2010 Sentimental Texas Tour that was a full week long, hosted by Vic and Jan D. They had enough time to visit many interesting locales during the week in and around Fredericksburg, including the Nimitz Museum. I lost track of how many cars were involved, but believe it was close to 100. It looked like a fabulous tour and I'm sure it took a lot of research and time to arrange everything. Thank you, Vic and Jan, for all your hard work.

Adjourn The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.



Basement Landscape by Jon Scapes

Past Activities

Ice Cream Social

by DJ Stamp

We had a great turnout for our Ice Cream Social at George's Museum. Enough folks attendance that I'm not gonna try and list any names - except one: **Joyce** Shierlow was attendance!! It was fun being with all our friends but this made my day!! Jay Burks was at our Chili Cook off at Greg's and now That's what makes these gatherings special!

The Museum looked great and there was a lot of conversation among members. I was able to move about and talk to numerous members and Joe P gave me a tour of his incredible Lincoln Zephyr V12. What a car — love the details!! George had a lot of his more modern babies lined up outside — and they all passed inspection.

We had all sorts of flavors of ice cream to be gobbled up. I made some dark chocolate chunk marshmallow and cookies and cream and the containers were empty at the end. I learned the best way to get Nancy Herbert to attend is to provide free wine and ice cream. Somewhere around 100 degrees outside but the group was all chillin' in the museum. What an excellent way to spend a Saturday afternoon.





Ice Cream Social - The Inside Part

Past Activities













Ice Cream Social – The Outside Part – July 9, 2022 – Austin, TX

Parades

Independence Day Parade – Wimberley, TX

by Leif Allred

A parade is an interesting machine where its final product of spectator entertainment and eyecandy is funneled through an invisible pipeline at the speed of a walking troop of Boy Scouts or a gyrating dance squad. The true logistics of a good parade, then, is to have enough supply of viewing pleasure to maintain a continuous flow of interesting things to wave at. All the anticipation, preparation, decoration, regulation, implementation has an execution of about an hour. Although fun to watch and even more fun to participate in, they are an unusual use (misuse) of resources! Before the constriction, floats and cars and walkers and horses merge together to form a line – like a zipper – that further slows progress and creates a backpressure upstream. In fact, it is almost like merging highways to purposefully spawn a patriotically decorated traffic jam of great proportions. This potential is manifested through the multiple staging areas where final preparations and then a whole lot of waiting takes place.

But then when "It's On!" there's no stopping it. Look at the horse just taking care of business like they don't even care. Just keep on moving and smiling! If you break down, you just have to abandon ship and jump in with someone else. Just act like that store along the route is where you wanted to leave your convertible and that you'd rather ride in the oldest car there and hitch a ride home. If you're billowing smoke out the back, just keep on waving and let the people know that they may toss their mosquito worries away! If you see your ex-wife with your old college roommate, just tip your hat like a gentlemen knowing you are IN the parade just the same as The Mermaid Society's float! When your clutch leg just gives out, shut it down and coast down hill since you don't have power steering anyways. \rightarrow









July 4, 2022 - Wimberley, TX

Parades



"Staging" - a more elegant term for "Waiting"

This is the second year the Road Relics participated in the Wimberley Independence Day Parade and is a great opportunity to put the antique vehicles to the test with hot temperatures and slow speeds. During the parade, the commentators were broadcasting on 94.3 FM and made a statement that there were many more old cars this year and this was well before we brought up near the end of the procession. As another advertisement for the club and hobby, the Road Relics won first place for antique cars! Arriving at different times (due to technical and logistics issues) we settled at Milagro Hill Country Tex Mex where the air conditioning was blasting for a wonderful lunch with our old cars family.



Link to Parade Highlights → LINK









Air Conditioning – and Salsa

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Running Carbide Lamps

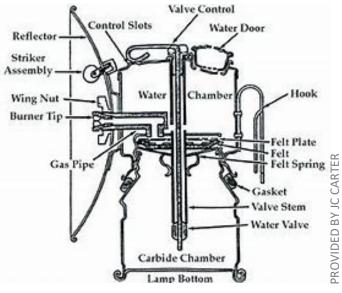
by JC Carter

Let's say you're back on the farm around 1910 and your nine-months pregnant wife has just woken you up around midnight to tell you to call the doctor because she's about to deliver what she thinks is your seventh daughter. In a calm voice she instructs you to go downstairs to use the telephone in the hallway to call the doctor and tell him to git his sorry butt out to the farm. At this point you go from half asleep to full blown bomb disposal mode and zoom down the stairs; barely avoiding breaking your neck in the process. You grab the earpiece and put your other hand on the crank only to remember it ain't gonna work because just yesterday the neighbor's prize bull walked thru the barbed wire fence to get to the cows on the other side. Up to that point you and half the county had been using the top two strands of barbed wire as an illegal telephone party line - you know, ring one for Jones, ring two for Smith and so forth. You then run outside barefoot and in your pajamas to hitch the horse to the buggy but he's not there because you had to sell him because, well, he never liked you anyway. Then it dawns on you . . . out in the barn you've got this new-fangled Model T Ford automobile!

You run over to the barn, throw open the doors and start cranking on the auto before you remembered that you gotta turn on the ignition and adjust the spark and throttle. You run around the car and do all this then back to the front. You wipe the sweat from your brow even though it's 20 degrees and you are still barefoot and in your pj's. You pull out the choke wire and crank one time and it starts because you had been cranking before like it

was an ice cream churn. You run around to readjust the spark and throttle to keep the engine running. You jump into the driver's seat and bring the car to the front of the house. Wiping the sweat from your forehead, you then run back into the house, up the stairs, grab the wife and bed clothes, run back downstairs and pitch her into the back seat because there's more room. You run around and jump into the driver's seat and then remember − it's January and the darkest →





Coal Miner's Carbide Headlamp

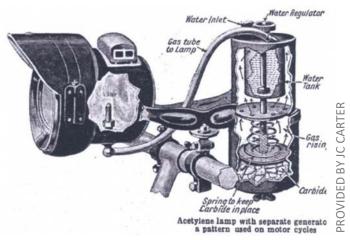
Technical Council

→ time of the year and you just fired the handyman who 'usta walk in front of the horse and buggy with the lantern so the horse could see where it was going. Once again you descend from the auto and turn the little screw on the top of the carbide generator to start the water dropping on the rocks so it can begin producing the acetylene gas. Hoping all the while you had remembered to fill the water tank and replenish the carbide rocks. All the while the wife in the back seat is now yelling at you to hurry up or you're gonna be the one delivering a new baby girl. You run around to the front or the car searching your pockets for a match which you don't find plus you don't have any pockets.

Once again, wiping sweat from your brow, you run into the kitchen and gather up a handful of matches and then back out to the auto. You strike a match and open the lens cover and shove the match into the light cavity. There is a small explosion because of the gas build up, causing the singeing of the fly-away hair and the removal of one eyebrow. But you now got light. You repeat this process on the other lamp, this time remembering to turn your head away. You now can see ground about ten to fifteen feet in front of the machine.

Then you return to the driver's seat and shove the transmission into gear and at the horrific speed of ten to fifteen miles per hour head into town and the doctor's office. All the while the wife in the back seat is swearing words you claim you've never had heard before and screaming at you that you were never gonna touch her again as long as she lived. Five minutes after reaching the doctor's office, your wife delivers a bouncing baby boy. Meanwhile, out in the road, the engine has

died from lack of gasoline . . . but the carbide lights are still burning!



Model T Ford Acetylene Lamp System



Model T Ford Carbide Generator



Model T Ford Carbide Lamps

In the Garage

Old Town Prijon Dolphin

by DJ Stamp

The Old Town Prijon Dolphin isn't a car but it's parked in a garage at our Granbury lake house where eventually a Jeepster and/or a Lark may live. We have stocked the house with several single and tandem kayaks and, eventually, I'll be looking for some vintage power boats like a Century Coronado and a Glastron GT150 (think James Bond movie). This kayak is a very special boat. When I first saw the pictures of it, I loved the design and, upon contacting Old Town about the history of this boat, the representative wasn't familiar with it. Then they found a reference in a 1980 catalog. These were special order down river racing kayaks produced for only a couple of years. purchased it from its second owner who said it was light, fast and liked to go straight. Upon asking if it was stable, he said "no."

I have learned that this design won the 1979 World Down River Championships in Jonquiere Quebec. The catalog described the boat as "a wild water down river projectile that flew so fast at Desbiens there was hardly a medal left." The boat was designed by German Kayak World Champion and Hall of Famer Toni Prijon for Old Town and there aren't many around. I'm not sure if they were built by Old Town or Prijon but I can say it's very light - about 15 feet long and only around 31 pounds. Toni passed away in 2016 at the age of 87. Prijon Kayaks is still producing winning designs in Germany. I still have to contact them to see if I can learn a little more about this boat. I'm hoping I can outrun the alligators because I don't think this hull would survive a chomp!! I hope you enjoy the pictures of the boat.



Old Town Prijon Dolphin Kayak (next to canoe) – Circa 1980 (not the water bottle)

Member's Projects

Tragedy with the LaSalle - Part III Insurance

by Wayne Heikkila

As most of you know, the LaSalle was a total loss. The two questions I have been asked the most are: How am I doing and how was my insurance? I'm doing well with two spots on my scalp and right hand that are still heat sensitive. Second, my insurance. The incident happened on May 12th and my first call to American Collectors Insurance was that afternoon. My claim was assigned to Marc on May 13th and first contact with him was May 16th when we talked for over an hour. On May 26th, the adjuster came out to assess the damage when we spent over two hours going through the car from the front bumper to the rear. It was heartbreaking to see the damage, but I was happy the adjuster spent all the time he did. For the next two weeks, I didn't hear a thing. Then on June 9th, I got an email telling me my claim was being turned over to the total loss department. Included in the email

was the paperwork that I had to fill out and have notarized. I was now working with Katie who scheduled the pickup of the LaSalle. I mailed all the paperwork back on June 10th and they picked up the LaSalle on June 15th. An email received on June 21st said my payment was ready. My reply was that I would contact her after we got home from vacation then, on July 4th, I sent an email saying we were home. On July 5th, Katie sent the email to go online for the direct payment which was made on July 6th. I can not say enough about how well all this worked out being they made this bad situation very comforting. If you don't have collector car insurance, you should. I have it on all three vehicles (LaSalle, Speedster, and VW) and it is very affordable. We all want to drive are cars knowing that, if something happens, we can get our cars fixed.



1940 LaSalle Series 52

Around Town

Car Shows and Cruise-Ins

by Leif Allred and DJ Stamp





In his 1929 Model A Ford Speedster, Wayne arrived first of the attending Road Relics members and was looking at Ernest's blown 1972ish Mustang when I showed up and squeezed beside it in my 1970 Chevrolet C10. Everything I could have driven was dusty but the final decision was to take the truck so that I could run to the library, grocery store, and drop off the recycling after this monthly show. Having only just taken off the cover, added power steering fluid and headed out, my neglect wasn't evident until the sun poked over the buildings.

Our other friends John (1967 Camaro) and Jim (1972 Ford Camper Special) gathered about as the weather was pleasant with a slight breeze. Some even said that the 95-

degree temperatures were tantamount to a cold front having blown in.

All sidewalk conversations halted as Doug rolled top down around the square in a late "Hey, check me out!" entrance searching for a good parking spot for his 1961 Ford Galaxie Sunliner. He was too late to not be on busy Austin Avenue but too early for those that leave after 9am. We got caught up on others' vehicle projects and gave John a bunch of advice on troubleshooting his water leak issues then walked around to see what was new at the show. Many familiar faces we now know by name welcomed us and shared the events of the past month – knowing we'll see them at the upcoming shows or around The Square in August. --Leif



Pistons on the Square – July 16, 2022 – Georgetown, TX

Around Town

→ Here are some pictures of Saint Catherine of Siena Car Show at Buck's Backyard. This is their second car show and it was quite nice. Not huge - I'd guess between 60 to 100 cars and in a very nice setting – literally in the back yard! It was a mixture of hot rods and classics. I'm not a big hot rod

fan, but I do appreciate the work they put into them. The detailing on the '51 Ford was pretty incredible. I couldn't pick just one favorite as it was a tie between to "very similar" cars: the '59 Cadillac convertible and the '55 MGTD. I'd look good in either one of those. Enjoy the pictures. --DJ





















2nd Annual Siena Car Show at Buck's Backyard - July 24, 2022 - Buda, TX

Membership

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Find the hidden photo of DJ in this edition of FenderTalk and win club gear. The first two members to respond to FenderTalk@outlook.com win free merchandise!



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Recipes

Lemon Crinkle Cookies (from the Chili Cook-Off)

½ cup unsalted butter ¾ cup granulated sugar

1 large egg 1 tbsp lemon juice (fresh squeezed)

1 tbsp lemon zest (fresh)
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp vanilla extract
1 tsp baking powder

½ tsp salt ¼ tsp baking soda

1 cup – powdered sugar 2 drops yellow food coloring (opt)

1. Using mixer, beat together the butter and sugar until light and fluffy (about 3 min). Add the egg, lemon juice, lemon zest, and vanilla. Continue beating on low speed until well combined.

2. Next, add the flour, baking powder, salt, baking soda, and food coloring. Beat on low speed until no flour patches remain.

3. Chill the dough for at least 1 hour in the refrigerator. Preheat oven to 350 degrees, and line 2 large baking sheets with parchment paper. Set aside.

4. After the dough is chilled, roll it into teaspoon-sized balls and dip each ball into the powdered sugar. Heavily coat each ball with powdered sugar (don't shake off the excess sugar). Then, place them on the prepared baking sheets about 2 inches apart.

5. Bake in the preheated oven for 8-10 minutes or until the edges are very lightly browned. The centers will still appear somewhat soft. Let the cookies cool on the baking sheet for about 5 minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.

National News

National News, Notifications, and Nudges

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



Youth in Our Hobby How-To By Mary Bartemeyer VP – Regions and Chapters Website Development

We often hear talk about how young people are not interested in our hobby. I

don't agree. Take a car to a Cruise-In or other venue that has people not in our hobby and watch what happens when you interact with youngsters and their parents when they encounter an older vehicle. If you put a young person in your vehicle and point out the differences, you might be surprised at the reaction of not only that young person but also the parents. Sit them in the seat and ask the following questions:

- ☐ What about windows, if there are none, is it a touring car that has side curtains? Or if it does, how do you roll them down?
- ☐ Where are the seat belts?
- ☐ Does it have an entertainment center?
- ☐ Where do you plug in your computer? Doesn't have a charging port?
- ☐ Is there a speedometer?
- ☐ How about a gas gauge?

- How fast does it go?
- How many pedals are on the floor and what do they do?
- ☐ Is there a horn and where do you honk it?

Once you get the kids talking and searching, watch the expression on the parent's face. If they look interested, ask them to join the hunt. Sometimes they get jealous that their kids get the opportunity to experience the above. In the end, let them take pictures. It will be a memory that could last forever and spark a new member down the road. Better yet, take them for a ride. Whether a ride around the parking lot or a ride around the block, make it memorable.



Letter From the Editor

This was a fun newsletter issue to assemble – mostly because of the many interesting gatherings and club sponsored events. The Ice Cream Social actually spawned the discussion on carbide headlamps in which JC turned out to be the expert at explaining in such a visual and memorable manner. Many of us "trauma bonded" by our participation in the Wimberley Parade and look forward to doing it again despite the heat and inherent challenges to antique vehicles. Thanks to the club for the activities and those who reported them.

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August 9, 2022 7:00pm (earlier for food)

MONTHLY MEETING (in person)
Catfish Parlour – South
4705 E Ben White Blvd, Austin, TX 78744

August 13, 2022 10:00am-2:00pm

COOL CARS FOR CANCER
Cabela's 15570 IH-35, Buda, TX
http://www/facebook.com/coolcars4cancer/

August 11-13, 2022

CENTRAL FALL NATIONALS East Moline, IL

August 26-27, 2022

2ND ANNUAL WACO SWAP MEET IH-35 at Lake Shore Drive, Waco, TX

September 10-16, 2022

SENTIMENTAL TOUR (1928-1958) Gettysburg, PA

September 18-23, 2022

RELIABILITY TOUR (1915 AND EARLIER) Shepherdsville, KY

September 25-30, 2022

REVIVAL AAA GLIDDEN TOUR Princeton, NJ

October 4-7, 2022

EASTERN FALL NATIONALS Hershey, PA

October 1, 2022 9:00am-2:00pm

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

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

GEARHEADS 13TH ANNUAL OPEN CAR SHOW www.budagearheads.com

October 29, 2022 10:00am-4:00pm

MAIN STREET CAR SHOW Taylor, TX (registration <u>link</u>)

November 5, 2022 Mini-Tour

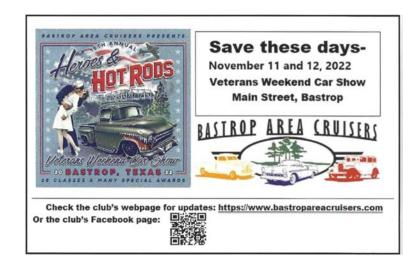
BELMONT VILLAGE SIDEWALK PARTY Austin, TX

November 12, 2022 Mini-Tour

WINGS and WHEELS FLY-IN
Kingsbury, TX – Pioneer Flight Museum

November 11-12, 2022

VETERANS WEEKEND CAR SHOW Main Street, Bastrop, TX https://BastropAreaCruisers.com



December 11, 2022 1:00pm

ROAD RELICS HOLIDAY PARTY Maggiano's (The Domain) Austin, TX

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

FOR SALE BY OWNER Club Classified Ads

WANTED:

1948-51 JEEPSTER
Driver quality to restored condition.
Contact DJ at 512-288-5121.







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** Leif Allred 512-350-3825 FenderTalk@outlook.com



Reman GM Starter:

Remanufactured Duralast DL3627S block/offset pattern. New November 2020; installed it, ran for a while, replaced it with mini-starter. **\$50** Leif Allred 512-350-3825 FenderTalk@outlook.com









Miscellaneous Tools and Stuff:

Tire irons and that thing; brake calipers; *Coca-Cola* bottle opener (in original box); assorted antique screw drivers, pliers, and wrenches – most with raised *Ford* script but without an actual bolt application size! It's not like you're not going back and forth trying to find the correct size anyway.

\$ Donation to the Club (Beebe) Leif Allred 512-350-3825

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