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The Steering Column

PATE SAVED MY LIFE

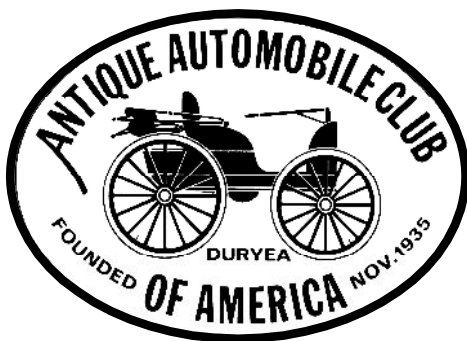
I know I go on and on about Pate. But just one more story. I hauled for a customer who claimed that Pate saved his life. True story. He is a repeat Pate shopper.

One year he was made aware of a free health screening service offered at the swap meet. It was provided by the Wheels for Wellness organization. The non-profit offers a complementary screening for prostate cancer. His wife badgered him into taking the test (his words, not mine). Three drops of blood later, a couple of days go by and a postcard arrives at this home. The results? You guessed it . . . cancer.

He got the treatments and now . . . cancer free. He was a self-professed ambassador for the free health screening offered at Pate. I'm told over 100 tests were administered at Pate in 2024. No word on the results.

Happy Summer Months!

Joe Peter, President CTR-AACA



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Secretary's Report

Minutes of Road Relics Meeting May 14, 2024 – Catfish Parlour

By Ronnie Burt

Meeting President Joe Peter opened the meeting right at 7:00pm. During the meeting, Joe showed several slides of interesting car facts – like a coffee maker as an option on the 1959 VW cars.

Membership We welcomed guest Paul Douglas to the meeting – a friend of Wendell's. DJ showed a good looking wooden display box created by JC to hold membership applications. The box and applications are on display at Jerry Dixon's Automotive & Klassic Kars. Thanks to both DJ and JC.

Secretary's Report Minutes from the April meeting were accepted as written. Jeremy made a motion to accept the minutes as written and Bob R seconded.

Treasurer's Report The monthly recap of the financial report was shown, which included one member dues received. Duane reported that the club remains in good financial shape. The report was accepted by the club after George made a motion to accept and Bob seconded.

Wellness Report No illnesses were reported.

Website Rich reminded everyone that if they use the calendar on the website, be sure the line of events is in Central Time. The website address <https://centraltexas.aaca.com> is listed always in the monthly newsletter.

Newsletter The club is grateful for Leif's dedication for a first class newsletter.

Previous Events Paul talked about the tour led by Karl and Jeanne Frank to the Community First! by Mobile Loaves & Fishes. Those who participated in the tour came away with deep respect for the effort made to aid Austin's homeless. After the tour, the group followed up with lunch at the Good Luck Grill in Manor.

Upcoming Events

- Texas Tour on May 16-19.
- Muffins and Mufflers Car Show on May 18 in Flatonia.
- Father's Day Car Show at the Vineyard in Florence on June 16 from 10am-2pm.
- Annual Ice Cream Social put on by George on Saturday, June 8 at 11am. A reminder that cookies are greatly appreciated!
- McDade Watermelon Festival – July 26-28
- Fredericksburg Swap Meet – July 28
- Sienna Classic – July 28 in Buda

Member Projects

- Rich is working on the problem with the convertible top of his vehicle. He said it was just a bit too short.
- Joe showed slides of the work done by Wendell on his '29 REO. It was obviously a labor of love although Joe now calls Wendell a paint snob. Being particular has its benefits though. Beautiful job, Wendell.

Program DJ showed pictures from this year's Pate Swap Meet and thanked those members who participated in the club's fundraiser.

Adjourn George made a motion to adjourn at 8:10pm. Motion seconded by Bob.

Past Events

ML&F Community First! Village

By Karl Frank

We lucked out with no rain. The club met at the JD's Super Market parking lot at Decker and Loyola Lane and had some blueberry muffins and homemade lemon pound cake before heading up Hog Eye Road to the Village's parking lot. We met our guide, Collin, and a group of residents who were waiting to see us. The Model A, with Collin navigating, led a parade through every street in the village. Some of the villagers came out on their porches and in front of the houses to see the cars. As we drove through the village, Collin knew the villagers by their name. We were able to view the 3D printed houses and a recently printed hospice building. There are many varieties of houses – some two-story houses, large trailers, and mini houses. On

our return to the parking lot, we were greeted by more residents and staff as we parked our vehicles for a short car show. Collin took a group on a detailed tour of the village in a golf cart and others went on foot to explore the village. Karl stayed with the cars and trucks to answer questions. More residents and staff came over to view the vehicles.

We left the village and drove FM 973 to Manor and had lunch at the Good Luck Grill then headed for home. The New York Times wrote about the Community First! Village. However seeing it in person provided a better understanding of the concept and the size of the village by Mobile Loaves & Fishes. <https://mlf.org/community-first/> →



Past Events



Upcoming Activities

Ice Cream Social

By George Brunner and Family



Texas Tour

70th Texas Tour – Granbury, TX

By Wayne Heikkila



WAYNE HEIKKILA

Hello Members! Well, Adriana and I just got home from the Texas Tour. It was two days of fun and one very wet day. Thursday brought a heavy rainstorm and a lot of strong winds. This put a damper on anything on Thursday but the ice cream social did go on that night after the weather cleared up.

Friday turned out to be a great day! The

tour started with a trip to Glen Rose – a nice little town with Antique stores and things to see. Our next stop was the Motorsports Ranch. This is a private road course where we were allowed to take three laps around the track. I road with Joe in his 1937 Zephyr. What a blast! Afterwards we headed to repair shop Vintage 2 Modern for lunch. At 7:00pm we met at the hotel for dinner and more conversations. →



DJ STAMP



DJ STAMP

Texas Tour

→ Saturday morning started with judging. We then drove to Terrill Antique Car Museum in De Leon – a very nice pre-war car collection. Our next stop was in Meridian where we toured the private car collection of Robby Markam. Robby has a nice collection and was our host for lunch that afternoon. Lunch was excellent! Our next location was in Clifton to stop at the Clifton Classic Chassis Auto Museum. This is a very nice collection of driver-quality cars decorated very nicely and, to our surprise, it had an Art gallery. Very well done! The tour then headed back to the hotel. It had been a long day and we only had a short

time before the banquet started. The banquet started by serving our meal and moved quickly into presenting trophies. We had a good time and enjoyed the last night.

Sunday, I picked up the item Adriana had won through the silent auction and then we headed for home. I know this is just the short version of the weekend to give you the big picture and offer a taste for this annual event. You need to attend. Next year will be here soon and our turn to host Texas Tour is only two years away! Start planning now. We are looking forward to more tours ahead.



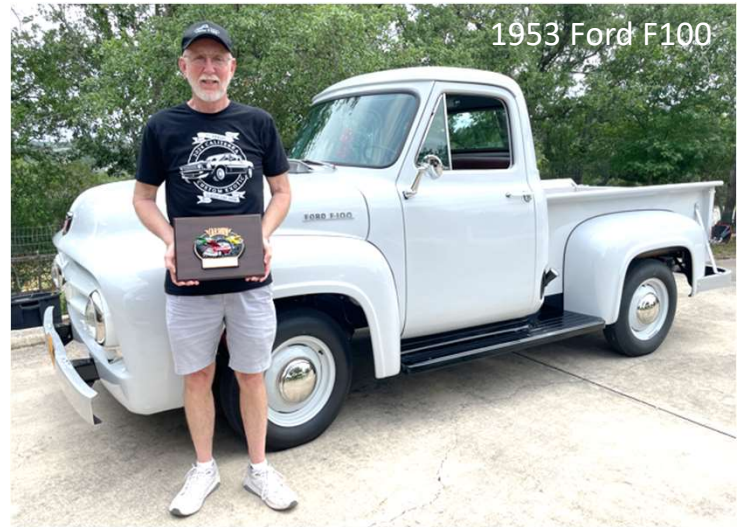
Car Shows

Caliterra 2024 – 3rd Annual Custom Classic Exotic

Report and Photos by John Robertson

The residential community of Caliterra, located just south of Downtown Dripping Springs, hosted its 3rd Annual car show on Sunday, May 5th. Their 1st and 2nd annual car shows were held in 2018 and 2019 but were then suspended due to the Pandemic. So, the Caliterra Community was very excited to once again offer a car show venue this year at their community “Barn” and Event Center. They went all out for their community with food trucks, a coffee and wine bar, a farm animal petting area, a bounce house, live music provided by Southern Shade in their outdoor performance area, and detailing services from Meticulous Details, along with the adjacent playground area for their neighborhood children.

The display of approximately 32 vehicles was wide ranging from a brand new Porsche direct from the dealership, muscle cars, a rat rod, trucks, foreign cars and vintage 1940s collectables. Foreign cars shown included late model Lamborghini, Jaguar, Mercedes, BMW, a 2005 Lotus, a 1952 4 door Bentley sedan and a vintage 2-cylinder, soft top Citroën. Domestic cars were not well represented as in their past shows; most notably was a red 1962 Ford Thunderbird roadster convertible and a 1955 Chevy 2-door Station Wagon Handyman Resto Mod. Trucks were well represented with 9 entries including a 2020 CyberTruck (the owner worked at the local CyberTruck factory). There were also 2 motorcycle entries; a custom, hand-built trike with a V8 power plant and a beautifully restored Cushman Hylander scooter private labeled as “Allstate” and sold by Sears. →



1953 Ford F100



Citroën



1952 Bentley

Car Shows

→ Caliterra exceeded expectations with their awards plaque designs and goody bags that included an event t-shirt, Caliterra leather key chain and a Caliterra leather ID and credit card holder. Award plaques were presented for Custom, Classic, Exotic and Fan Favorite categories. Yours truly received the Fan Favorite Award for my 1953 Ford F100 Truck.



Antique Car Hobby

Classic Car Hobby Life Support

By Wayne Heikkila

So, the big question: Is the classic car hobby dying? To answer that, we must look at where the hobby is today and where it's going. I've noticed a decline in 30's-50's original cars even though the prices have started to come down. When I do see them, it's usually owned by an older gentleman who is most likely in their 60s-80s. What does this tell us? I still see a lot of 30's to 50's car around town but, more times than not, they have been updated to a more modern drive train – even though it's usually an older person. So where does that leave us if the younger generation isn't joining in?



A major part of this is that the classic car hobby is not affordable for many of the younger generation. If they can purchase the vehicle, can they afford the maintenance and repair? You also must look at how the vehicles drive, start, stop, and handle. Then there's the other big problem: many can't drive a standard transmission. Now with all that said, let's look at the other side.

When I was young, I could still see 40's and 50's cars and trucks on the road and can

fondly remember riding in those cars. Some of those were still daily drivers and I would think what nice cars they were. Now let's look at the younger generation. Most likely, they are into the cars that were around when they were kids – stuff they had on a poster – a new car they had dreamt of or the vehicle their parents drove them around in.



Is this any different than us? Not really. It's hard for me to think that a 80's or 90's car as a classic – but they are. Very soon we will be breaking into the 2000's as antique cars.

Twenty years from now, our younger generation will most likely feel the same way as we feel now about the cars they value. It is the cycle of life. For me, I don't see the hobby dying – just changing. It must keep up with the times or it will die.



Around Town

Local Shows, Events, and Cruise-Ins by Club Members

Muffins and Mufflers by Ronnie Burt Flatonia, TX – May 18, 2024

This car show, sponsored by Darlin's in Flatonia, drew 92 cars and motorcycles to this year's event. There was a nice assortment of vehicles, including the motorcycle hearse for hire. The owner says he provides services for those riders who either died in a motorcycle accident, or were motorcycle enthusiasts. Even for being only May, the heat was rising. But the nice thing about the Flatonia show is that there was plenty of shade from the store awnings, or from the many trees surrounding the show area. There was a good band playing throughout the show, which added to fun of the day. As usual in a small town, there was a lot of friendly talk and camaraderie and, of course, something to eat at Darlin's. Paul and I sat in front of a helicopter sales store and the owner brought out snacks and dip for us to enjoy while we were under her awning. Talk about small town friendly! The Flatonia show is held every year on the Saturday after Mother's Day. Mark your calendar for 2025 show on May 17.



**1965 Factory Five Daytona (debut):
Best of Show Modified and Best Hot Rod**

Pistons on the Square by Leif Allred Georgetown, TX – May 18, 2024

Finally – a clear and pleasant weather day, which meant you couldn't park on the square if you showed up "on time." Members Alex Armendariz, John Haydon, and Leif Allred attended.



LEIF ALLRED



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The DJ Page

Things that spill out throughout the month
by DJ Stamp

Bring a Trailer This 1936 Brewster-Ford Town Cabriolet deVille sold for \$140,000 on 4/2/2024. Read more about this unique car: https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1936-brewster-town-cabriolet-deville/?utm_source=dm&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2024-04-02



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Pudding River – Barlow, Oregon A 1932 American Bantam was used for ferry service over the Pudding River. The operator removed the tires and placed rubber bands on the rims for traction. Three cables were strung, two for the wheels and the third attached through the top of the car for stability. It was said that one gallon of gas was enough for 1500 trips. <https://www.efootage.com/videos/55485/unusual-car-ride-over-river-1932>



REDDIT.COM

6.9L Diesel-Powered Ford F-250 4x4 4-Speed w/Del Rey Camper This custom pickup was built using the body of a 1971 Ford F-250 along with the frame and 6.9-liter IDI diesel V8 from a later-model Ford pickup. It has been fitted with a Del Rey camper that features a kitchenette, an over-cab loft, and a sleeping platform. It sold for \$20,240 on 3/21/2024.



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Membership

Dues

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Vests	\$18
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Rain Ponchos	\$15
Ball Caps	\$15
Texas Flag Badge	\$2
CTR Window Sticker	\$1
2017/2019 FDCS T-Shirts	\$Offer



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Mini-Tours



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National News

National News, Notifications, and Nudges

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It's time to visit the AACA Website—aaca.org

By Vicki Bolton
VP Judging Administration

When was the last time you went to the AACA website? It is a great tool for members and prospective members! The website is now full of helpful information and links. Members can quickly find many useful things including printable applications for members as well as one for military applications under membership.



Members can now join and renew online simply by selecting the **Join/Renew Today** Button. The area for Regions is where you can find information about the closest region or chapter. The webmaster and editors can also find logos here for their websites and articles. There is a link to the various forms that a region may need from time to time.

The **Publications** drop down displays the list of publications that can be viewed. You will find the AACA Policy & Procedures Manual and the AACA Bylaws in this list. You are talking to a prospective member and don't have your magazine with you? No problem, just open the website on your phone and open the magazine from Publications. Or maybe you have a question about judging? You can review the judging guidelines in Publications. You will also find a very concise vehicle classification document. Two important publications in this section are

the *Speedster* and the *Rummage Box*.

If you are not getting the *Speedster* in your email, you should update your email with Headquarters. The *Speedster* is a great way to stay in touch and get the very latest news. The *Rummage Box* is full of articles that the newsletter editors love to use in their newsletters.

Choose **Events** to see the National Show and Tour Calendar. You can also see the local event calendar. You were not able to go to the Annual Convention? Did you know that you can see the National Award winners including the Master Editor and Master Webmaster awards? Just go to Events and select the National Awards, then click the first paragraph and it will take you to the presentation of all the National Awards. Maybe you want to see who won in the last Nationals, just select Nationals Results and you can see the winners for the last 10 years!

Contact is also a great repository of information. Here you can look up your current directors and just click on their name to send them an email. Committee Assignments are listed here as well. You can review the committees so that you will know who to contact if you have a question about one of these committee areas. Please take some time to get to know your website. It is full of interesting tidbits and helpful information!

<https://aaca.org/>
<https://aacalibrary.org/>

Member's Projects

True Garage Tales
Inspired by Jim Rankin



Letter From the Editor



Mobile Loaves & Fishes – Community First! Village – May 11, 2024

I received more photos and from the most people following the ML&F Community First! mini-tour than any other event we've done. That speaks to the level of contribution the Village has on our city, the service performed for those transitioning from homelessness, and the impact to our members. The cover photo captured the unknown owner who placed their scooter in the parking space at the end of the line of antiques – backed in as also is appropriate for a car show display. Special thanks for Karl and Jeanne Frank for their inspiration to share this venue with the club. Wayne also thoughtfully captures the antique car hobby's current dilemma of maintaining growth, interest, and participation. My daily driver station wagon will be an antique in two years. I've met potential members who are not yet as old. Will y'all accept it? *Leif*

Calendar

June 11, 2024 7:00pm (earlier for dinner)
MONTHLY MEETING
Catfish Parlour South 4705 E Ben White Blvd

June 8, 2024 11:00am
ICE CREAM SOCIAL (see Page 6)
Austin, TX – by George Brunner

June 9-13, 2024
EASTERN DIVISIONAL TOUR (<1999)
Fredericksburg, VA

June 15, 2024 5:30 – 8:30pm
CHARITY EVENT – BIG LOVE CANCER CARE
Austin, TX – by Jim Rankin

June 16, 2024 9:00am – 2:00pm
FATHER'S DAY CAR SHOW
The Vineyard at Florence
(email Leif for registration link)

June 20-22, 2024
AACAA EASTERN SPRING NATIONALS
Saratoga Springs, NY 518-863-4987

July 4, 2024 8:00am – 1:00pm
INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE
Wimberley, TX – by George Pierce

July 10-13, 2024
AACAA WESTERN DIVISIONAL TOUR
Big Horn Mt., WY

July 13, 2024
MCDADE WATERMELON FESTIVAL CAR SHOW
McDade, TX

July 26-28, 2024
FREDRICKSBURG SWAP MEET
Fredricksburg, TX

July 28, 2024
SIENA CLASSIC CAR SHOW
Buck's Backyard, 1750 S FM1626, Buda, TX

September 20-21, 2024 (SLEEPOVER)
SPURFEST MINI-TOUR AND FESTIVAL
Gatesville, TX – by Wendell Bell

August 22-24, 2024
SPECIAL EASTERN FALL NATIONALS
Hampton, VA

September 12-14, 2024
WESTERN FALL NATIONALS
Loveland, CO

September 22-27, 2024
REVIVAL AAA GLIDDEN TOUR®
Fairfield, PA

October 8-11, 2024
EASTERN FALL NATIONALS
Hershey, PA

October 12, 2024 10:00am-2:00pm
3rd ANNUAL DAY FOR KIDS CAR SHOW
206 Laura Street, Copperas Cove, TX

October 23-26, 2024
SOUTHEASTERN FALL NATIONALS
Huntsville, AL

October 26, 2024
TAYLOR CAR SHOW
Taylor, TX

November 2, 9:30am – 1:00pm
BELMONT SIDEWALK PARTY
Austin, TX – by Leif Allred

LEGEND

Monthly Meetings

Special Events

Road Relics Mini-Tours

National Meets and Tours

Local (unofficial) Events

www.motortexas.com/events/

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installed it, ran it for a short
while, ended up replacing it
with mini-starter (because
it interferes with headers).
\$50
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1956 Ford Fairlane Crown Victoria
4 barrel 292 Y Block V-8, Ford-o-matic transmission.
Odometer shows 77k miles. Clean Texas Title. This
was Grandpa's car. We have a folder of receipts from
previous owner who did a lot of work to it in around
2008-2014. Car appears to have been repainted at
some point in time with a few minor areas of small
rust bubbles at bottom of doors.
\$32,500 (Temple) Jim Lantis 512-595-2413



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