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Spoken From the Hub July 2016

Charles Thaxton

"If the shoe fits, wear it!"

Trying to keep up with all of the activities of a car club can be a little bit disconcerting. This is why we should all try to coordinate our efforts with the person who is organizing the event.

Usually there is someone in the club who has come up with the idea and that would be your point of contact before the event starts. If you have a problem before the event then this person should be the person you can make arrangements with to accommodate your needs. This can only be done BEFORE the event starts --- not AFTER the event is already under way. This is one of the big

problems with trying to plan any event. I usually plan for around 15 or 20 people to attend but this can present a problem when you must pay to reserve spaces for the event. You don't want to pay for space you don't use.

Let's all try to work with one another and <u>keep the event planner in the loop</u>. A perfect example of planning in advance is the upcoming October Big Island Paper Mill 125th Anniversary and our need to have a car & head count reservation. It is an invitation-only event and we will have to decide, well in advance, if we are going or not. The planner for this event is Reggie and I am sure he would appreciate car & head count as soon as you are able.

It takes very little effort to let people know what you are planning. PLEASE HELP THE CLUB OUT --- keep us informed.



Terrie Linton

MINUTES- JUNE 27, 2016 34 MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

President Charles Thaxton opened the meeting at 6:25. The Pledge of Allegiance

was recited and a moment of silence was recognized. He introduced a new member: John Gunther from Lynchburg.

Liz William as Sunshine Lady told us that Joyce Blalock was not in attendance since she is not doing too well. Randy was in an accident with his motor bike but doing better and is here tonight.

Randy told us that our Webmaster, Jeremy is back in Amherst. His wife is expecting twins and they already have 2 yr old twins.

James and Bonnie Bohannan were introduced as new members. They come from Appomattox and have a '56 Chevy, a ' 57 Ford and others in their collection.

CJ asked us to bring old Hub and Spoke newsletters and/or AACA magazines for us to give to prospective and new members.

The minutes were in last newsletter and we accepted them as written.

Ron gave us a Treasurer's report and passed it around.

A motion was made and approved to accept. Ron mentioned that he has an insurance payment due for the Officers/Board Members liability for \$110.

CJ shared that he has used an adapter for a 6V battery to use in his Model T for a GPS CJ asked for the names and contact numbers for those will be attending the 125th Anniversary of Georgia Pacific. The CEO will be there and you must have a ticket (4 for each car) in order to get in. It is at Sedalia on October 8th. Call him with this info ASAP

The 50/50 was won by Marianne Simmons. Tony made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Salvation for show they ran in June. It was seconded by Ron Woody.

Four members attended the Flea Market Swap at County Line and CJ told us the best action was between 6-8 AM. on June 25th.

Otto Valastro acknowledged Tony for doing a great job on the Hub and Spoke.

Otto did the Auction. The meeting was adjourned with a motion by CJ and seconded by Otto.



Upcoming Events Joyce Blalock

July 4 (Monday) Parade in Concord. Meet at Fire and Rescue where 24 crosses 460

at 8:30-9:00. Billy Bryant invited members to the Masonic Lodge for Hamburgers and Hot Dogs after the parade (fee to be for a donation).

<u>July 16</u> (Saturday) 10-4 James River Transportation Event at the visitors Center at mile marker 63. Bring a picnic lunch-Food and Drink is limited at the location.

<u>July 19</u> (Tuesday) At the Summit. Side parking lot. 1:30 - 2:30 Food will be supplied.

July 23 (Saturday) Black Dog Salvage Yard in Roanoke- 8 AM meet at Wendy's in Bedford-leave at 8:15- It opens at 9:00. Use GPS for location on Orange Ave. Map will be supplied. Overflow parking is behind bldg. Lunch at NY Deli in Roanoke afterwards.



July 25 (Monday) Dinner/meeting at Charlie's

August 6 Heritage Days, Campbell County.

August 29 Dinner/meeting at Charlie's.

October 1 Point of Honor car show.

October 8 Georgia Pacific 125th Anniversary at Sedalia, VA. Tickets required! Each car to be displayed will be given 4 tickets and can get through the gate only with a ticket. CJ/Reggie will need a list of those planning to attend by the July meeting; this is called the "Fine & Dandy Celebration".

James River Transportation Festival

Saturday July 16, 2016 - 10 AM to 4 PM

Travel through the James River Gorge has evolved from foot, to boat, to rail, and our modern highway road system. About the only form of transportation that does not use the James River Gorge today is flight! Learn more about the vital role the James River has played in Virginia transportation over the past few hundred years on Saturday July 16, 2016 from 10 AM to 4 PM at the James River Visitor Center on the Blue Ridge Parkway at milepost 63.

Discover for yourself why Virginians built a canal system rather than simply float the unimproved James River, or why a railroad would buy an entire canal system, and some of the design secrets that make the Blue Ridge Parkway 'America's Favorite Drive' during the festival.

- The restored Battery Creek Lift Lock which allowed boats to be raised or lowered 13 feet.
- The replica batteau "Slate River" (pre-canal river transportation).
- The Virginia Canals and Navigation Society to share the history of the James River and Kanawha Canal dating back to George Washington.
- Antique automobiles from the American Antique Car Association.
- National Park Service Rangers discussing the unique design of the Blue Ridge Parkway.
- The South River Lumber Company's Irish Creek Logging Railway.

This free event will be spread out along the.2 mile long James River Canal Trail to see parts of the old canal system (Lift Lock – Tow Path – Slackwater entrypoint – Prism). Bring your cameras to this picturesque setting to record your memories!

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Owen Burks' "big block" 1971 C10



Reggie Goolsby's 1936 Ford 1 1/2 Ton Dump



Reggie & Dr. Jim Blackburn's 1913 IHC (sold)

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Otto's Motto:



June 11, 2016 Salvation Army Car Show

This second annual show was well organized and the sponsors had numerous volunteers helping with directions or any other need that one might have. I give the Salvation Army high marks for effort for this annual fundraiser.

Most importantly, this event as well as last year's has become the best venue for our Club to come together as a group and to display our cars. Last year if I remember correctly we had twelve and this year eleven member vehicles on display.



President Charles was kind enough to arrive early to secure our spot for the Club and begin erecting the awnings. Our Club had the highest number of awnings which really made a difference on the hot & humid day.

Lots of visitors throughout the morning hours came to see all the cars & trucks, plus a few motorcycles.







(Salvation Army Car Show, continued)



Coming or going we all looked good!



Barbara Taylor found time to make a new friend of the Hill Cat mascot.



Ron Blalock scrubbed his whitewalls just for this special day!

At the awards presentation for the show, Reggie Goolsby won "TOP CHOICE ANTIQUES ... Years 1950 and Prior" for his 1924 Cadillac.

Congratulations to Reggie!



If awards were given for the <u>longest</u> post-WWII passenger vehicle, I believe that Jamie Christie's beautiful 1959 4 door hardtop Cadillac would be the clear winner:



It's overall length is listed as 225".

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Joyce and Ron met in Alexandria, VA in 1983. Joyce had just moved from Pittsburgh, PA to VA to care for her ailing Aunt. Joyce was born and raised near Pittsburgh, Pa, and Ron was born and raised in Northern Va. Joyce was a teacher for thirty-six years and she retired in 2000. She went on to write, and publish 12 lesson and game books designed to help teachers with their students. Ron illustrated several of the books. Ron started his graphic art career in 1968. He opened his own illustration studio in 1991. In the past years however, he has been working full-time oil as а painter. From a very early age Ron had a love for antique cars. So, in 2001, Joyce and Ron decided to buy a 1938 Buick. Since then, they

have accumulated over 32,000 miles going to car shows and touring in their car. They are looking forward to many more years on the road.

They joined the AACA approx. ten years ago. The Blaylocks really are a treasure for our Club. They attend as many outings as possible; as many meetings as possible; host an annual Holiday meal for our members at their home; Ron serves as the Club Treasurer; Joyce & Ron coordinate the monthly list of activities. It's no wonder that they were granted the Club's "Participation Award" for all that they do for all of us!

In almost every picture of a Club outing you will find the familiar blue '38 Buick.



While cars are interesting, people are vastly more important! Here's one of my favorite pictures of Joyce and Ron at their 2015 Holiday dinner with Ron attempting to "ignite"

his Plum Pudding!





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