June 2017 Hub & Spoke Sponsors Carolyn & CJ Leighton – 1936 Chevrolet



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Spoken From The Hub

CJ Leighton

It's with mixed emotions that I report the "Evil Green T" has gone on

to its next master. I sold it at the Mid Atlantic Pre War Swap Meet to a gentleman and swap meet sponsor club member from Mint Spring, Va. He already had a '20 T Depot Hack and a Model A coupe so I'm sure he has what it takes to properly operate and care for my baby. It was hard to part with a project that has taken so long to complete. The T has given so many miles of pleasure and stories but it was time to move on. I don't regret the sale, I got a fair price, and now I will focus on the next old car acquisition.

It's hard for me to resist the impulse to jump right out and buy another car. Patience has never been a strong point for me and the internet doesn't help that. Neither does my over optimism when it comes to old cars. I keep telling myself that my next antique car is going to require less work up front and be drivable on the day I buy it. I have set out a few criteria for the next ride which include 1) must be enclosed, 2) must hold four adults (preferably a four door but could be a two door sedan), 3) must be able to keep up with the rest of the club on tours and day drives (I hated having to leave ahead of the group or make everyone drive slow when we went on club outings in the T), 4) it must be mechanically sound, and 5) a little work needed is O.K. but no major projects.

Given my budget at the moment it may be spring before I can achieve all the above goals. A little time may help add to the war chest. That quality of antique car doesn't come cheap. It will do me good to be patient and really think about the next car and make sure it's what I really want. If something good pops up before then I could go after it but I really want to make a well informed purchase.

I don't regret having buying the T and all the time and money spent getting it on the road. I got a great sense of accomplishment from it. It was a great learning experience which taught me what I can and can't do on my own. This is important information to have before buying an antique car because knowing what you can handle determines how much of a project you can reasonably take on and what you are willing to pay for it. Things like paint/body work, interior work, mechanical work and your ability to deal with them are all factors to consider before laying down big bucks for a car. I have learned that it makes sense for me to save up and pay more on the front end for a nice car than to pay top dollar for a project car. The same isn't true for everyone; this is just a function of my restoration skills and resources. Those better adept at restoration can go after a needier car and still come out ahead.

I do intend to move forward with the model A project I started. I think it will turn out to be a truck of similar restoration quality as the T was. Something I can use as it was intended and not get upset if it picks up a scratch here or there. I plan on taking my time with it so it may be many years before it's complete. It should serve to keep me from over tinkering on the Main Ride that has yet to be purchased. I inherited from my grandfather the need to constantly fiddle with something until I figure out why it's running so good, at which point it ceases to do so.

UPDATE --- UPDATE --- UPDATE

I was surfing Craig's list and came across the car in the pictures below. It's a 1936 Chevy Deluxe Master 4 door. Interior is in pretty good shape, engine and drive train are quiet; brakes and clutch are good but need adjusting. Tires and glass are good. Frame is solid. It has torsion bar front suspension, '36 was the first year Chevy offered this. The price was below the average selling price and to make things more difficult, it was in Maine. My Dad went down to Philips, Maine and looked it all over and test drove it. I think he was more excited than I was about it. He reported that it was worth far more than the asking price so I bought it. He picked it up today. I'll be going up to get it with the help of Reggie and his dually rig in early June.





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UPCOMING EVENTS!

<u>June 10, 2017</u> Salvation Army car show, Lynchburg, VA. June possibilities also include a possible trip to Lovingston Va.

June 24, 2017 North Halifax Vol. Fire Dept. Cruise-in, 4201 Leda-Grove Rd., Nathalie, VA 4 PM – 8 PM 434-579-9951

June 26, 2017 Monthly Club dinner meeting at Charlie's Restaurant. 5:30 PM to eat; 6:30 PM to meet.

<u>July 15, 2017</u> James River Visitor Center, Blue Ridge Parkway, Transportation Event. 10 AM to 4 PM.

<u>July 22, 2017</u> Party and planning meeting at the home of Linda & Charles Thaxton. The meeting will be at 11 AM, Picnic lunch at Noon.

July 31, 2017 Monthly Club dinner meeting at Charlie's Restaurant. 5:30 PM to eat; 6:30 PM to meet.

<u>October, 2017</u> Hershey, Pa is 4th through 7th of October, 2017.

<u>October 7, 2017</u> Annual "Heritage Festival", Naruna, VA will be (Moved this year from August to October) A pavilion will be provided.

<u>October 7, 2017</u> Point-of-Honor, Lynchburg, VA car show.

October 21, 2017 Friends of New London Car Show; New London Village, VA 10 AM - 2 PM.



1951 Ford Club Coupe "shoe-box". (File copy)

Lynchburg Region AACA – Minutes to Meeting, May 22, 2017 Submitted by Anne Kituskie

-The meeting was called to order at approx. 6:30 PM by CJ Leighton.

-Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, moment of silence observed.

-Sunshine Report by Liz Williams.

-Treasurers report approved by members. National AACA membership numbers should be given to the treasurer, Ron Blalock.

-Charles Thaxton reminded that everyone is welcomed to the Planning Meeting on July 22, 2017.

-CJ reminded everyone about the Parkway event on July 15, 2017.

-Salvation Army Car Show, June 10, 2017: \$20 preregistration, \$25 at the gate.

-Charles will be a guest on an upcoming Heart of Virginia show.

-Reggie Goolsby was given applause for his volunteering for wedding chauffeuring. He expressed reluctance about doing these citing difficulties in securing donations to the Club.

-Auction was held.

-Close of meeting.

Up, Up, and Away!

Reggie Goolsby is now the proud owner of an Atlas 100HSCX 10,000 lb. Capacity Two-Post Overhead Lift that he erected in his workshop.



Wow. Even Reggie must read the instructions sometimes! Installation required two days for two people. Thirteen feet of headroom needed for installation over a solid thick concrete floor.

