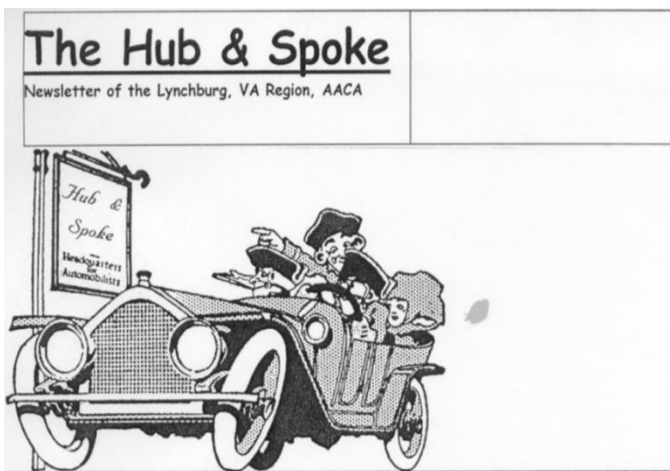


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Spoken From the Hub

May, 2018

Charles Thaxton

This will be instalment # 2 in the ongoing saga of Otto's 1955 Singer. As I explained in instalment # 1, a project car does not always have to be bought by you to become a project. After working on the brakes and suspension the motor was still at the top of the list to get repaired and reassembled and of course the body needed work and paint.

After Otto had cleaned the engine compartment and painted the frame and front suspension I helped him transport the Singer to the paint shop. There he will have the body

and various related loose parts fixed and painted. He was told that this would take several weeks which would allow us some time to get started on other work that had to be done to complete the project.

Now keep in mind that while all of the other stuff was going on, Otto had been scrounging up parts that would be needed to complete the restoration, e.g., wiring harness and engine parts. This is so nice to have done without having to pay for these parts myself, thus the really beautiful thing about doing this project.

We transported the motor to my shop and started trying to put it back together again. This really became a major challenge because the British manuals really didn't tell me anything of importance, such as how to time the valve train or what any of the torque values were for any of the bolts. You have to wonder how the British ever put this car together. Fortunately you can do most of this work by having a general knowledge of how the various systems work on any automobile and applying this knowledge to this little piece of British engineering. I can only hope that everything is in sync and will work when the time comes to start the engine.

The last thing that is holding us up is the flywheel starter ring. It was ordered from a source in New Zealand and we can only hope that it will fit and work. It has been on order for about 4 weeks and Otto was notified that the post office had tried to deliver it yesterday and he was not there to sign for it, so we are looking for it today.

We will only know if all of this work will pay off when we do the reassembly of the car in the next few weeks. So stay tuned and I will keep you all informed of our progress.

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March: Marilyn & Bob Luckhard

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August: Shanna & John Kenny

September: Barbara Taylor & Otto Vallastro

October: Kelly & Jeff Gladden

November: _____

December: Santa

LYNCHBURG REGION AACA MEETING

April 30, 2018

President Charles Thaxton called the meeting at Charleys to order at 6:30pm. President thanked all those attending.

Charles led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and asked for a moment of silence.

There were no new members present and no guests. Bud Perry was welcomed back.

Sunshine report given by Liz Williams. Liz reported there was no one on the sick list.

A motion was made, seconded, and voted on that the Secretary's report for February be accepted as written in the Hub and Spoke. Motion passed.

Ron Blalock read the Treasurer's report. Motion made, seconded and voted on that this report be accepted as read. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

ODMA dues, for this year, are going to be paid by Ron Blalock. These are due in February of each year.

Otto Vallastro, Barbara Taylor, and the president attended an ODMA Meet in Harrisonburg, VA. On April 28, 2018. Otto transported his 1931 Chevrolet to show. Dr. Jim Blackburn, Reggie Goolsby, Anne and Glenn Kituskie also attended. The meet was nice with over 50 cars being shown.

John Vincent was at our Brookneal activity and had flyers about the upcoming SPRING CHARITY CRUISE-IN in Brookneal. The entrance fee is only \$10.00 and the money will be used to sponsor "Every Kid Needs A Christmas". It will be held on May 19, 2018 from 10:00am until 3:00pm in downtown Brookneal. Charles has a flyer if you want

one—contact him. We have attended this event as a club before.

Owen Burks announced that his grandson, Oren S. Burks, a graduate of Vanderbilt University in Nashville, has been drafted into the NFL team of the Green Bay Packers. Congratulations to the Burks Family!

CHANGE OF CLUB MEETING PLACE FOR MAY MEETING ONLY:

Since Memorial Day falls on our regular meeting date and May 21st is already booked by some other group at Charley's, we have to choose another place to meet. It was voted on to go to The Liberty Station in Bedford. SO.... May Club Meeting will be on Monday, May 21, 2018 at The Station in Bedford at our usual meeting time of 6:30pm. Come early, any time after 5:00pm. and order from the menu. We have the back room until 7:30pm.

MAY CLUB ACTIVITIES:

May 26, 2018 is our Parkway Drive. Meet at Boonsboro Elementary School on 501 North at 9:30am. We will leave at 10:00am. and will ride the Parkway to Peaks of Otter. After a break at the Peaks, we will ride into Bedford on Route 43 stopping at Sonic Drive-in for lunch.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST:

May 11 and 12, 2018 is the Shenandoah Region Apple Blossom Car Meet in Winchester, VA. Charles has applications for anyone who wants to attend.

June 23, 2018 from 8:00am until 3:00 is the Richmond Region Car Show and Swap

JUNE ACTIVITIES:

Saturday, June 2, 2018 is a Planning Meeting held at Charles Thaxton's house at 1:00pm. We will plan events for the rest of the year. Plan to attend or anyone who has suggestions, please tell Charles or C.J. We need suggestions!

Saturday, June 16, 2018 is a visit to Avoca Museum/House in Altavista, VA. We will gather at the Colonial Restaurant on 29 South at 10:00am. We will have lunch in Altavista or back at the Colonial Restaurant

DON'T FORGET THAT MAY'S MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, MAY 21, 2018 IN BEDFORD AT THE LIBERTY STATION.

JUNE MEETING WILL BE BACK AT CHARLEYS.

Meet held at St. Joseph's Villa on 8000 Brook Road in Richmond.



Otto, Charles, Reggie, & CJ displayed their cars at Brookville Ruritan Club, April 14th, for the Civil Air Patrol at their awards ceremony.



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The Kituskies have owned this T for over seven years. It originally came from Grand Rapids, MI. Glenn began his admiration of cars and mechanical things early in life.



For historical perspective, here's their Model T parked in front of Inglewood Baptist Church, Old Boonsboro Rd., both constructed in 1924. Anne & Glenn attend many local car shows in their T and always receive attention:





Anne & Glenn are also the proud owners of another interesting auto – a 1980 MGB! While all autos require maintenance, Glenn understands that British autos require careful consideration before entering the dark hole of ownership.



Glenn's pro/con summary for English autos:

The PROs of English Auto Ownership:

- 1) Love the smell of grease, oil, stinky fluids, and wax.
- 2) You enjoy becoming grimy and greasy.
- 3) You develop an understanding of the innate animosity of the English auto and the fact that the part you thought you had was missing or just won't fit.
- 4) Love the body style of a roadster and love to go "motoring".
- 5) Appreciate the sweet sound of the engine at 60 mph.
- 6) You learn to develop the patience of the Biblical Job.
- 7) You fully understand the metric system and have the proper tools to do the work.
- 8) Doesn't bother you that everything is different and goes together in a way that is not American.
- 9) You collect a library of English auto service manuals plus a glossary of English-to-American parts.

Glenn's favorite W.C.Field's comment applied to English auto ownership: "Suffering succotash!"

The CONs of English Auto Ownership:

- 1) Not recommended for folks over 75 years.
- 2) Not recommended for those with arthritis and/or fingers and hands that no longer work very well.
- 3) Definitely not recommended for those without **lots** of patience.
- 4) Not recommended for those without a working knowledge of the metric system, without metric tools, and/or without extensive English auto repair manuals.
- 5) Not recommended for those of average (or above) physical stature who cannot fit into very tight places.



Picture of typical MGB spouse/co-owner working in tight awkward English cockpit (name withheld for security and to protect your Hub & Spoke Editor from reprisal).

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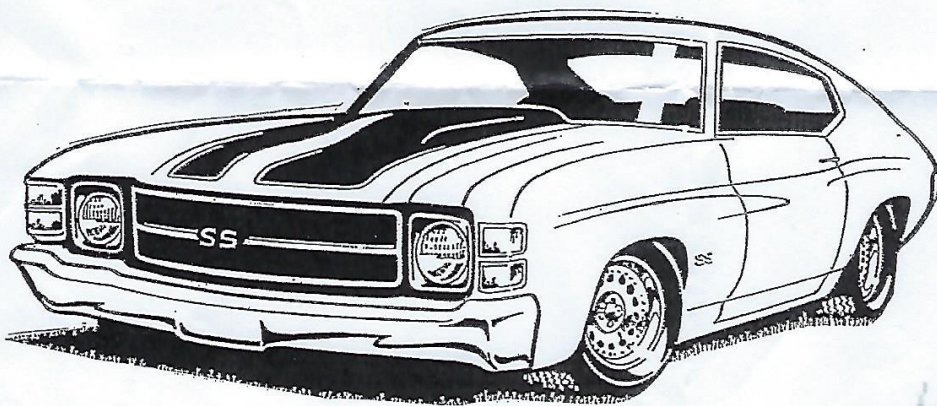
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a few car shows he filmed in 2010 for his TV show,
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