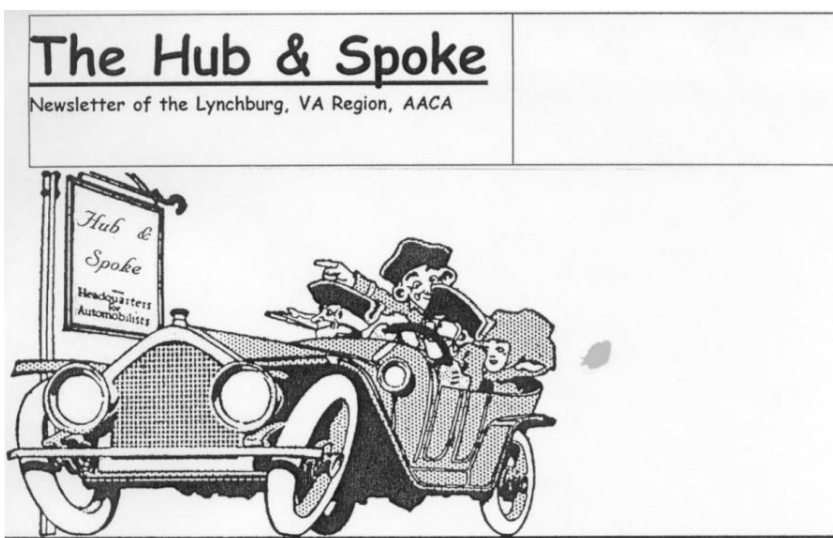


November 2017 Hub & Spoke Sponsors: Pat & Irby King – 1979 Lincoln (Great Smoky Mountains backdrop)



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Lynchburg, VA Region, Antique Automobile Club of America

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Spoken From The Hub

CJ Leighton

Greetings all. I hope you have been out enjoying some of the cooler weather that fall brings. Lots of car shows to attend and a club ride that went really well. The cooler weather is kinder to the older engines and things run a little cooler. It can be a challenge sometimes for those with open cars; I have a few years' experience in that department, which lead me to acquire Geraldine.

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I've had the pleasure of watching firsthand the progress on Charley's Packard and Jim Blackburn's orphan car the Berwick. It's great to watch the masters and get pointers for my own projects. Paint and body work are not my strong points and I need all the education I can get.

I'm still working out the kinks in Geraldine. The engine had gotten to the point where it didn't want to idle. I researched the carb to find a rebuild kit only to discover that I had the worst possible iteration of the Carter W-1 they ever made. No one had a rebuild kit and none of the rebuilders recommended doing anything with it unless you are putting

together a numbers matching show car. I opted to replace the carb with a brand new one which I think is modeled after the Zenith that was used on some Chevrolet 6's. It has helped immensely. I still want to replace the fuel tank and possibly the fuel pump once project funding allows. I'm also still troubleshooting a slight overheating issue. The old girl wants to run around 190F if operated above 50 MPH. I've checked the timing and everything was by the book. Next options are lean mixture due to restricted fuel flow from the tank or cooling system fouling. The water pump packing is leaking a little no matter how much I tighten the packing nut so maybe that will be my next deep dive into the issue. For now, it behaves itself well enough for club rides and the upcoming Veteran's Day Parade at Liberty University.

Our 6 month old Basset hound Scarlet has laid claim to the back seat and is the only one of the dogs we've had that actually enjoys riding and will behave.



Expect to see her at upcoming club events.

For those looking to expand their collection or get one started, there are lots of quality antique cars on Craig's list and other publications at some pretty affordable prices. I would encourage those not familiar with the internet or Craig's list to get in touch with club members

who are. It's a great place to buy and sell for our hobby and it's far more economical than E-Bay.

Till next month, enjoy all the old car opportunities that the cooler weather brings.

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& Irby King**



Pat & Irby joined AACA and the Lynchburg Region in 1985. In about 1986 we dropped the Lynchburg Region. Building our new home took all of their time.

The first car that we restored was a 1946 Desoto -- frame off restoration. Never restoring a car before, it turned out great. Otto Vallastro did the wood graining and Otto & Gabby did the upholstery. Aside from that, we did the rest, including the painting of the car.

In the last 32 years we have only missed 5 years of going to Hershey for the big swap meet and show in October. Walked many a mile to find parts for the Desoto. It was shown and received First Junior, Senior, and then Grand National. On 5/18/1991, the Lynchburg Region hosted the Old Dominion meet. The Desoto was chosen to be the dash plaque that year. That was quite an honor.

We are both Senior Master Judges with the AACA although we have given up judging and showing cars anymore. There are usually twelve national meets per year and we

attended for many years only missing one per year or so, traveling most of the United States going to car shows and meeting a lot of wonderful people and making lasting friendships.

.We discovered touring which takes a lot of our time now. We are cofounding members of the Buzzard Breath Touring Region. On 7/13/1993, ten couples in Scranton PA on a Founders Tour decided to apply to the AACA for this region. It is the only non-geographical region and great fun to tour with that region. Very enjoyable touring with that region.

Our 1979 Lincoln, purchased new, is our touring car.



We also have a 1964 Thunderbird that is an original car except for the paint.



Next is a 1932 Chevrolet 4 door with dual side mounts. Restoration started but was put on hold when we built our new house in 1996.



The '32 still sits unassembled with most all new parts in boxes. Maybe one day we will complete the car. Time will tell.

As of this writing, we are packing, checking over the car, and getting ready to head to Florida for a week with the Buzzard Breath Region. Sorry to miss the Natural Bridge Tour, but the Florida tour has been planned for a year.



1979 Lincoln trunk ornament



Desoto hood badge





Message from the Vice President - October 2017

Charles Thaxton

This is the 15th installment on Patty Packard's restoration.

October has been fast and furious month. The much time has been spent sanding and polishing the doors, rear fenders, and trunk, then installing everything and attaching the lights which I had assembled and tested earlier.



I started by installing the doors. They were my biggest worry because they are the hardest to fit back up to the car and to assemble. I installed the door and aligned it, then I installed the door latch and aligned it, then came the window and the side vent. All of these parts I fitted earlier and boy I sure am glad that I did. The job was much easier but it was still time consuming. I am proud to say that everything fit and worked properly. I enlisted the help of my wife to hold the door and keep it from hitting the body and scratching the new paint, Linda and I work together well.



The trunk lid fit really well but it required 3 people. Two to hold it in place and one to put the bolts in the hinges. For this job I called in the C.O.B. group. Otto and Bob held the trunk lid in place and I crawled in the trunk and put the bolts in and tightened them up, and when we let the trunk lid down it fit perfectly. I then installed the latch and tag light.





After I installed the left fender I installed the gas filler neck, so I could put gas in the tank, and see if I had any leaks. I put six gallons of gas in the tank and checked the gas gauge to see if it was showing approximately one third of a tank, and as luck would have it, it did. I then tested the electric fuel pump and it worked as it should.

I started the engine and Guess what? No leaks. At this point the entire back half of Patty is complete! The only thing that remains is the front end and that will be completed after the interior is put in.



I have been checking my wiring job every step of the way to insure proper function and for the most part everything has checked out. Last night I discovered that I had hooked up the parking lights wrong but I consulted my wiring diagram and came up with an easy fix (HA HA). Now all I have to do is do it.

I finally got my wheel rims back from the powder coater and they look great, so I ordered the tires and tubes and mounted all five tires on the rims and they really look sharp. Now I will get wheels balanced and install them.

The next thing on the list is to get Patty to Satterwhites Upholstery Shop and have the interior installed. This should happen the first of October and should take about two weeks. During this time I will sand and buff the front fenders, hood and front cowl and install them when Patty comes home.

After I get the bills for all of this I will need to know the name of a good lawyer so I can file for Bankruptcy.

This point in the restoration is the fun part. When you see all of those hours of work come together, and enjoy the fruits of your labor. This is also when you lose your mind and start thinking about going out and finding another project car to restore.

Lynchburg Region AACA – Minutes to Meeting October 30, 2017

Submitted by Anne Kituskie

-34 members attended. Guest: Brian Ingles

-New members (thanks Otto) Bob and Sandra Luce

-Approved: Prior minutes & treasurers report.

-Sunshine Report: Death of the Eleanor & Bob Eliums daughter due to cancer. \$30.00 donation to be given to cancer fund.

- Approved: \$30.00 will be a standard donation for deaths (flowers or donation).

- Insurance was determined for officers' liability for 2018 year. 2017 had been paid (JC Taylor AACA)

- Veterans Day Parade Nov. 11 2017 at Liberty University. Time to meet 7AM at LU. Six vehicles committed.

-Lynchburg Region and National AACA dues are due.

-Five complimentary memberships have been awarded.

- Nominations for officers: (Reggie) 2018:
President : Charles Thaxton
VP: CJ Leighton
Treasurer: R. Blalock
Secretary: L. Thaxton

-Upcoming Activities:

11/11/2017 Veterans Day parade at LU.

11/27/2017 Monthly meeting at Charlie's Restaurant, Lynchburg, VA. Eat at 5:30 pm; meeting at 6:30 pm.

12/16/2017 Holiday Celebration & meeting at Thaxtons residence. Pot luck/covered dish. Three pm arrival time.

-Planning meeting: January 2018

- Halloween costume winner: "Crazy Cat Lady", formerly known as Marilyn Luckhard.



Other notable Halloween celebrities in attendance:



October Events:

October 7 – Annual Heritage Festival, Naruna, VA. This event is fortunate to have Owen Burks as the Vehicle Coordinator.

October 7 – Point of Honor Car Show.

October 21 Natural Bridge Tour.

Unfortunately I don't have any pictures to share with you of the above events.



Owen Burks' BIG block 396, Chevy C 10.

October 14 2017 St. Paul Car Show, Forest, VA

This event was well attended by numerous car clubs including the British Car Club & Virginia Corvette Club. Our Lynchburg Region had members there as well.



Anne & Glen Kituskie's Ford Model T



Ron Blalock's 1938 Buick



Somewhere in that sea of fiberglass sits Marianne & Tony Simmons' C5 Corvette