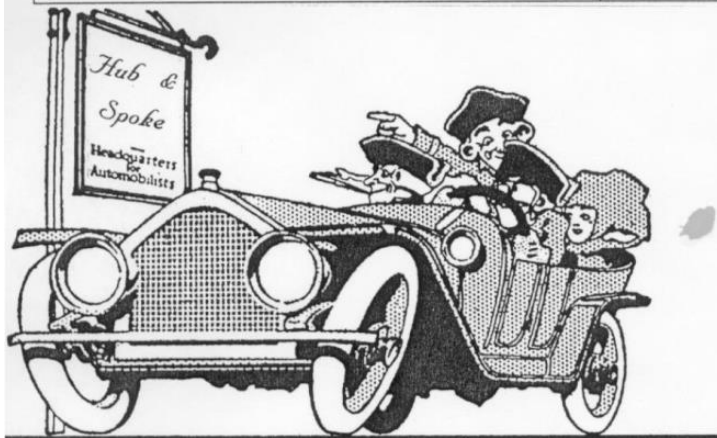


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### **Spoken From The Hub C.J. Leighton**

Thanksgiving has come and gone and I hope all of you had as much to be thankful for as I did. The past year for me has seen some significant health challenges for members of my family and although they are still fighting, they are in as good a shape as can be expected so for that I'm thankful. I have a loving and supportive family, a good job with as much job security as one can expect these days and a good roof over my head. I haven't had to live through hurricanes, tornados or floods and I don't personally know anyone who has. For all this I'm thankful and hope you can all find time to think about those less fortunate. At the very least, take that spare change jar you've been hugging all year, hop in your antique car and go bequeath your spoils on some unsuspecting Salvation Army bell ringer. I guarantee the smiles will be worth more to you than the change.

Speaking of holiday shenanigans, this is a tough time of year for me to gage when to put my car up for winter. It's late November as I write this and with the exception of Veteran's Day, we've been having some unseasonably warm days. It's hard for me to resist taking Geraldine out for a spin on these sunny 50 to 60 degree days. There's always the possibility that some friend or relative will want to go for a ride. Scarlet really likes to go in the Chevy. It's nice having a dog that rides well.



I keep an eye on the forecast for sustained sub-freezing overnight lows to key me when to quit for the year. So far, we've only occasionally dipped into that zone so I have continued to cruise on the weekends.

When I had my T, I would drain the block for the winter even though I had good antifreeze in it. I did this for extra insurance against a cracked block. This year, that task will be a little more involved because Geraldine has a full block length water jacket and the drain cock for that portion of the cooling system hasn't been opened since I got the car in June. I tried to open it then but I felt like I was going to break it so I pushed that job off until now so I could run the car some and get a feel for everything that needed attention. I'll probably end up removing it from the block altogether.

Now that I have a heated space to work in, I plan to start in on the model A frame. I have to remove the old front cross member and rivet in a donor from another frame section that I acquired. This will require removing all the parts from it and removing the rust by either wire wheel on an angle grinder or there is a possibility of getting it blasted through one of my son in laws connections. Once it's cleaned up I can check the rails for straightness and make some repairs to the couple cracks that I know of already. I also plan to make an engine stand adapter so that I can finish work on the engine. So far, other than a good cleaning, the only major repairs I think it needs are new valves, guides and seats. I still have some crank and rod inspections to do so there's always the possibility of something major cropping up.

All this work to do and you'd think I would take advantage of the warm weather to do it. But as I said, it's hard to resist taking a drive when the sun is shining and the fall colors have peaked.

I look forward to the year to come and wish the new club officers the best. Don't forget the Christmas party at Linda and Charley Thaxton's. Details in this issue of the H&S.

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The Club expresses heartfelt sympathy to Bob and Eleanor Eilium in the loss of their daughter, and to Kathy Wesley in the loss of her husband David. Please remember these families in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time.  
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### **2018 SPONSORS OF THE HUB & SPOKE**

Each year members can contribute an extra \$50.00 to the club by sponsoring an issue of the Hub & Spoke. Payment is due to our Treasurer in the month in which "your" issue of the H&S appears. Months usually "sell out" quickly so notify our Treasurer or Editor ASAP which month you would like to sponsor now! Please note the blanks below.

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**July:** Joyce & Harvey Elder

**August:** \_\_\_\_\_

**September:** Barbara Taylor & Otto Vallastro

**October:** \_\_\_\_\_

**November:** \_\_\_\_\_

**December:** Santa



After a seventy-nine year absence Lynchburg, VA held a Veterans Day Parade 11/11/2017 on the grounds of Liberty University. It was a chilly day with bright sunshine; however, no complaints were heard. It was an honor for us to participate.



Claude Williams & Charles Thaxton



Bud Perry (file copy)



Sue & Rick Smith



Reggie Goolsby



The parade's grand marshal, 98-year-old World War II veteran and Lynchburg native George Rogers, rode in style at the front of the parade in a '73 Corvette driven by his son, Jeff Rogers.





Tony Simmons



John Kenny



A greatfull parade attendee!

**Club Participants**

- Reggie Goolsby – '24 Cadillac
- CJ Leighton – '36 Chevrolet
- Charles Thaxton – '38 Pontiac
- Claude Williams – '57 Chevrolet
- Owen Burks – '72 C10 Chevrolet
- Sue & Rick Smith – '50 Chevrolet Pickup
- Bernie Davis – '71 VW Karman Ghia
- John Kenny – '72 Citroen SM
- Bud Perry – '38 Dodge Truck
- Tony Simmons – C5 Corvette

**Annual Dues are due! Please fill out this form and submit your payment to Ron Blalock. The form helps with administration of the incoming funds and helps YOUR Club update its information. Thank you.** -----

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email [optional] \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**AACA National Membership number** \_\_\_\_\_

You must be a national member to belong to the Lynchburg Region

Send your completed application and \$15.00 dues to: **Ron & Joyce Blalock, Treasurers,**

[Make check payable to Lynchburg Region, AACA] **Lynchburg Region, AACA**

**1006 Tumbleweed Lane, Bedford, VA 24523**

Make sure that you also pay your AACA National dues.

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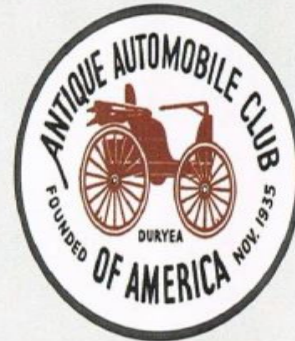
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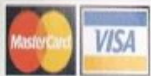


Annual Membership (Includes Spouse if Applicable) ..... \$35

Enjoys voting privileges, receives bimonthly issues of Antique Automobile magazine, eligible to join AACA regions and chapters, and eligible to exhibit cars and compete for national prizes and annual awards.

Life Membership ..... \$600

Enjoys the same privileges as Annual Membership. Spouse is also included and is entitled to the same privileges. The surviving spouse of a Life Member shall remain a Life Member at no additional cost.



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**October 7 Annual Heritage Festival, Naruna, VA** Here are pictures Ron Blalock snapped of his favorite vehicle at the show. We can't decide if it's a Rat Rod, a work of art, or just someone having a "happy time" with their truck. What do you think?



A member of the Virginia Corvette Club used a drone/camera to take bird's eye views of the St Paul car show.



**October 21 Natural Bridge, VA Tour**



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

Apparently "Andy Armadillo" prefers blonds!



**Lynchburg Region AACA – Minutes to Meeting November 27, 2017** Submitted by Anne Kituskie

- Moment of silence & Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.
- Twenty-nine members in attendance.
- Sunshine Report: Good to see Ron Timmons is recovering. Donnie Blanks is fighting an illness.
- Minutes to the prior meeting and current Treasurers report were both approved.
- CJ Leighton announced that with the help of Kathy Wesley, our Club's Data Manager, the email addresses and member lists were reconciled.
- Harvey Elder reported that his '59 Edsel convertible was sold and is on route to New Zealand.
- Lynchburg Region and National AACA dues are due.
- Make sure that all changes you make each year (name, address, email, telephone #, vehicles, etc.) are transmitted to Kathy Wesley, Data Manager.
- Club Officers were elected for 2018: President: Charles Thaxton, Vice Pres: CJ Leighton, Secretary: Linda Thaxton, Treasurer: Ron Blalock.
- Club Participation Award: For his outstanding commitment to our hobby and tireless cheerful spirit of helping others drag their cars to-and-fro, the 2017 award goes to Reggie Goolsby. Thank you, Reggie, for all that you do for us!

**December 16, 2017** Holiday Celebration & very short Club meeting at Thaxtons residence. (Address: 166 Runner Stone Dr., Evington, VA 24550) Pot luck/covered dish. **Time of arrival is 12:30 PM.**  
**NOTE THE CHANGE FROM THE LAST PUBLICATION!** BYOB.

**January 29, 2018** Monthly Club Dinner/Meeting at Charlie's Restaurant, Lynchburg, VA. Eat at 5:30 PM; Meeting at 6:30 PM.

-50/50 then a spirited auction by Otto Vallastro.





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