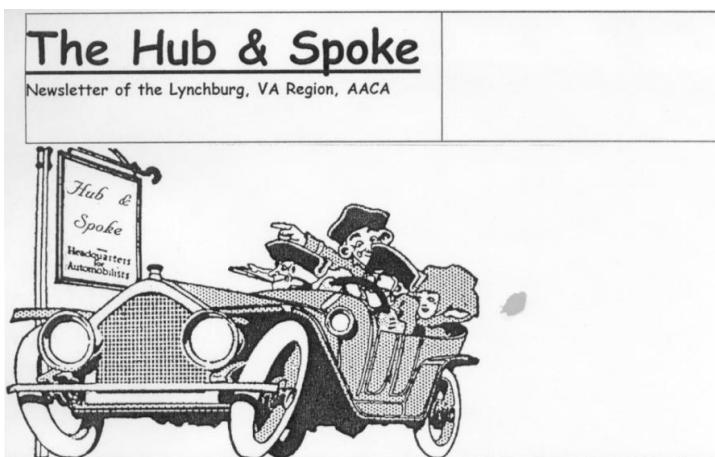


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**Charles Thaxton**

**Spoken From the Hub – February, 2018**

Nine of your Club members met at my house to discuss what the Club would like to do during the next 6 months. We were all in agreement that we should try to have some activities that were outings that all of us would enjoy rather than just attending car shows. So we have tried to come up with some ideas that will involve using our old cars or new cars, and going someplace to see some of the local sights.

I hope that all of you will find this a refreshing change and participate in the upcoming activates as your time permits. As always your comments are welcome and nothing we have planned is set in stone. If you have Ideas to bring to the attention of the Club members, then feel free to let me know. The best time to mention your ideas is at one of the planning meetings, so come and share your ideas with us.

On the same note I think when we do some of these activities we should invite the British Car Club to join us such as going to a restaurant or going on a drive. I think there were some issues with inviting non-members to join us at places we are invited guests ourselves. My opinion is that as long as we don't abuse the invitation there should not be a problem such as bringing a friend. I certainly do not want to offend anyone who shares a love of cars or a person who is nice enough to let us see a very private collection of his cars. I hope this will set the record straight and every one will be happy with this opinion if not let me know.

There are many museums in this area and many beautiful historic places within easy driving distance that we, as a Club could visit, and of course have a meal at some nice restaurant along the way. I am not proposing abandoning going to car shows; on the contrary, if anyone wants to go to them I think it would be a great idea. Many of these car shows support very worthy causes and I think we should support them as we see fit.

The Hub and Spoke will have a complete list of club activities until the end of June, if you have a flyer on a local show please bring it to the meeting and give it to me and I will announce it to the membership.

Thanks for your Support.

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Time to renew local membership!

Send your \$15.00 dues to: **Ron Blalock,**  
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1951 Ford ("shoebox") Victoria

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### **2018 MONTH's SPONSOR**

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**February:** Pat & Reggie Goolsby

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**June:** Francis Hicks-Everette & Owen Burks

**July:** Joyce & Harvey Elder

**August:** Shanna & John Kenny

**September:** Barbara Taylor & Otto Vallastro

**October:** Kelly & Jeff Gladden

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

**December:** Santa



## February Hub & Spoke Sponsors: Pat & Reggie Goolsby



Knowledgeable citizens show proper respect when observing a fire truck because we know that it may someday be needed to rescue us or our loved ones. Reggie has done the reverse: he rescued a fire truck in distress!

A 1971 C/60 Chevy Firetruck, outfitted by the Oren Corp, Salem, VA owned/operated by Bedford City (now "town") sat outside for many years unused, unneeded, unloved, and slowly being inhabited by rodents and engulfed by green mold. The vehicle was a tanker (1500 gallon) & pump truck. It has a 150" wheelbase with 20" wheels (duals on the rear), 8 feet wide and approx. 7.5 feet tall.



Where some see decay, others see potential! Reggie bought it, drug the monster home, and thus begins this story.



The Chevrolet C/60 is equipped with a 427 CID big-block V8, four barrel carburetor, five speed transmission, two speed rear end, dual spotlights, and an aggressive attitude.



(Note the large pump for the air brakes.) Firetrucks don't usually accumulate high miles, thank goodness, and this one is no exception having only traveled 30,100 to date. Therefore, the drivetrain although in need of fluid flushes was soon put back into operable condition.



Next came Reggie's vision for the vehicle. With way too many restored firetrucks already in existence, how about a giant pickup truck! The first order of business after the drivetrain check-out was the rear structure.



The high sides were no longer required to house the pump & nozzles, water tank, ladders, hose & reel, tool boxes, flashing lights, etc.

So off and out it all came; 3,600 pounds of scrap iron weight reduction by removing everything from old wiring to chrome railings!



The “bed sides” were trimmed down approx. 18” and the amazingly the rear of the vehicle was shortened by approx. **four feet**. Look below at the difference between the before & after rear of the vehicle:



Wheel tubs were required and an oak bed was laid for the pick-up platform.





Reggie reused the taillights & cleverly used part of the chrome hand railing for functional accents that previously ran the entire length on the top of the high sided truck and then curved downward onto the huge checkered-plate step on the original rear of the fire truck. He then cut the checkered-plate and fashioned steps on each side.

A strip of checkered-plate now highlights the lower edge of the new bed. Other visual but functional enhancements include the fabricated notched air gate on the bed's rear.



Although extensive rewiring was required for the vehicle, the original interior still is usable. A new fuel tank mounted behind the driver's seat was installed. The cab actually shares the dimensions of the light duty Chevrolet trucks but of course it sits on a much taller chassis and the vehicle has a much larger taller front end of a bolder design.



The truck is a work-in-progress and more details will be applied this year as time allows such as replacing the checkered-plate on top of the outside rear wheel fenders and perhaps a splash of new paint.

**(Editorial note: I voted for firetruck RED paint but Reggie stated that my vote didn't count!)**

Whether pulling up tree stumps or towing tons this giant pickup can do it all. Just don't volunteer to pay for the gas.



Boonsboro's Biggest "Baddest" Pick-up Truck

## **LYNCHBURG REGION, AACA MEETING** **JANUARY 29, 2018**

President, Charles Thaxton called meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Five visitors were introduced and welcomed.

Wanda Barnes reported that Liz Williams and Claude are both sick; Harvey Elder has pneumonia; Donnie Blanks is recovering from lung surgery; Barbara Taylor fell and injured her right ankle and wrist. Helen Davis thanked the group for her gift card and get well cards after her surgery.

Charles explained the membership process for the benefit of the visitors and new members. Members need to pay dues NOW. Dues are \$40.00 for National (these can be paid on line) and pay Ron Blalock \$15.00 for local chapter dues. There is a form that has to be filled out so he can record your payment. National has to be paid first before you can renew your local membership.

December Minutes were approved by members.

Treasurer's report by Ron Blalock was read; copy passed around; and approved.

Charles explained what the ODMA organization is and what they do. ODMA has a Planning Meeting on February 17, 2018.

**ACTIVITY for FEBRUARY:** ODMA Planning meeting on February 17, 2018 at Peno's Restaurant, 3190 S. Main St., Harrisonburg, VA.

February 26, 2018 Monthly Club dinner meeting at Charlie's Restaurant. 5:30 pm for dinner; 6:30 pm for meeting.

**ACTIVITIES for March:** March 10, 2018 is date for Tidewater Region's Annual Swap Meet

held at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach. For pre-war cars.

**Saturday, March 24, 2018** at the Fraternal Order of Police Building on Wiggington Road (across the street from a graveyard). It is a pot-luck meal with the Club furnishing fried chicken and soft drinks, lemonade, and water. We will meet at FOP at 11:00 am and eat at 12:00 noon. We hope to have a guest speaker at 1:00 pm after the meal. More information will be available closer to the date. **NOTE: There will be NO regular Monday evening Club dinner meeting in March!**

**ACTIVITIES for APRIL:** Saturday, April 14, 2018 is a trip to Brookneal's Drug Store Grill. Meet at Hardees in Rustburg at 12:00 noon and caravan to Brookneal to eat at 1:00 pm, or make your own way. Bad weather date is Saturday, April 21, 2018.

April 27-28, 2018 is the ODMA meet at Lacey Springs Elementary School (8621 North Valley Pike, Harrisonburg, VA. 22802). Let President Charles Thaxton know if you are interested in car-pooling to the Meet.

April 30, 2018 Monthly Club dinner meeting at Charlie's Restaurant. 5:30 pm for dinner; 6:30 pm for meeting.

**ACTIVITY for May:** Saturday, May 26, 2018 is the Parkway Ride. Starts at Boonsboro Elementary School on 501 North at 9:30 am with cars leaving at 10:00 am. Ride Parkway to Peaks of Otter then into Bedford on Route 43 and stopping at Sonic Drive-In for lunch.

May 28, 2018 Monthly Club dinner meeting at Charlie's Restaurant. 5:30 pm for dinner; 6:30 pm for meeting.

**ACTIVITIES for JUNE:** Saturday, June 2, 2018 is Club Planning meeting for rest of the



year. Meeting at Charles Thaxton's at 1:00 pm.

Saturday, June 16, 2018 is a trip to Avoca House Museum in Altavista, VA. Gather at Colonial Restaurant on 29 South at 10:00pm. Tour house/museum and have lunch in Altavista.

The Club will add Car Shows into the schedule as they are decided on or individuals can attend any show as they desire on any date.

50/50 Ticket drawing: Winner was Kelly Gladden.

AUCTION was held with Otto Vallastro as the auctioneer.

Charles announced that Harvey sold his Edsel to a person in New Zealand.

Charles told members what a great upholstery job Satterwhite's did on his Packard. Several other members also gave glowing reports on the good job they did on their vehicles, antique car, and planes. They are an advertiser in the Hub and Spoke and have reasonable pricing for their work.

President, Charles Thaxton, adjourned the meeting.

**For Sale** '31 Model T Ford Pick-up, RED, 3<sup>rd</sup> owner. In good condition, new wood in bed and on back. New touring cam, new water pump, distributor and modern points. Separate engine comes with it, re-built kit by Snyder \$15,000. Gloucester, VA. CALL Danny Brigrance at 901-569-7907





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