

**President's Message**

It's the end of July, and it's hard to believe that the calendar year is more than half over. As we look to August, two AACA shows come to mind. The General Greene show in Greensboro is Sat Aug. 1st. It may be over when you read this. The other is Zooland in Asheboro on Aug. 15th. We will have flyers for the Zooland show at the club meeting on the 8th. I hope many of our members are able to participate in these shows.

We are in the planning stages of this year's Hospice show in October. More details will come out as it gets closer. I also hope to have another event this fall for our club. If anyone has a suggestion, let an officer or board member know.

Last weekend, on Saturday July 25th, Cathy and I took advantage of the free tickets to attend the Classic Car Auction at The Palace in Greensboro. My purpose was to have fun and see the cars. We arrived about 8:45 AM, and took some time to walk around and enjoy a big indoor car show. It is really a fantastic place. A lot of cars had already sold on Friday, and others had a highest bid posted which probably didn't sell due a bid below the reserve. There were original unrestored cars as well as restored cars. I've included a few pictures to illustrate. There was a red 1961 Messerschmitt Microcar, a 1956 Ford Crown Victoria with the glass roof, even a 1968 2 door Ford LTD. At 10:00 AM, the auction started and the first items bid on were several custom golf carts. Then the first car went on the block. It was a 49 Hudson Commodore. The bid was below the reserve, so no sell. We stayed till about 11:30 so many high dollar cars were still waiting to cross the auction block. At 1:00PM, there was a pair of Wimbledon White low mileage unrestored 69 Boss Mustangs to be sold together. One was a Boss 302 and the other a Boss 429. I can only imagine the final bid on that combo.

It was fun, and I hope some of you can attend in the future.

*Billy Patterson*

**Meeting Minutes for July 2015**

The July 2015 meeting of the Alamance Region AACA was held at our clubhouse on Saturday, July 11th at 6:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by our president, Billy Patterson, who thanked the hosts, Wallace & Annie Compton and John & Judy Cox. We had 34 people attending including 32 members and 2 guests. The guests were Stephen & Elaine Hudak we met at the Twin Lakes event.

Our president, Billy Patterson asked if the June 2015 minutes were accepted as written. John Cox made the motion and Rick Holmes seconded the motion to accept the minutes as written.

Jeannie gave the treasurers report next. She mentioned that memberships are half price with National now since half of the year is over. She said we are 148% income for year and ahead of budget. Our only expense is the newsletter. She also mentioned that she sent a donation to Hospice in memory of Richard Smith. She has received a thank you card back with a picture of Richard Smith along with pictures of his cars. The thank you card was passed around so everyone could see. Jeannie mentioned that the shirts are here and some people have paid and some have not.

Bob King mentioned that Richard Smith had requested that his AACA name badge be in the casket with him. Bob took a name badge to Richard's wife.

**Next Club Meeting**  
 August 8, 2015 at 6:30pm  
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- Sept. Issue 8/26/15
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  - Nov. Issue 10/28/15
  - Dec. Issue 11/25/15

## Meeting Minutes for July 2015 (con't.)

Billy mentioned that he will meet with Karen Harris & Peter @ the Hospice Flea Market in the upcoming weeks to discuss the October Hospice car show. He also mentioned that the Greensboro car auction will be Thursday, July 23rd through Saturday, July 25th @ the Palace in Greensboro (on Norwalk off of Wendover beyond Green Ford). If anyone is interested see John Cox and he will send you tickets for free admission. We received these tickets in return for website advertisement for the GAC auction.

John Cox mentioned he received a thank you note and picture from the new student (James Saar) that received the scholarship at Alamance Community College. James mentioned in the thank you note that he would not have been able to finish the program without the scholarship. He mentioned he planned to work at a dealership or small repair shop after he earned his degree.

Billy mentioned the Twin Lakes event again and introduced Stephen Hudak, who we met at the event on June 20th. Stephen mentioned that he and Elaine had been living at Twin Lakes for 1 1/2 years. He said they lived in Chapel Hill for about 15 to 16 years after moving from NY. He has a carolina blue 1957 T-bird. He used to own a 1970 Jaguar XKE and 1972 Mustang Fastback. He mentioned that he does most of the work himself on the cars and he belonged to the Tarheel T-Bird club when he first moved down to NC.

Billy mentioned that the car show event calendar has been added to the newsletter. He read some of the upcoming events and mentioned that we have registration forms available for the August 1st General Greene show. The Zooland show is on August 15th and the Roanoke Mopar show is August 29th in Salem, VA.

Bill Cox mentioned that the Occoneechee/Orange County Speedway event will be September 26th. He mentioned it will be large one this year. Bill attended an event at the race track on July 4th where Gene Hobby spoke. Gene Hobby raced from 1964 to 1966. The event at the track was electric car appreciation day hosted by the Winston-Salem chapter.

Richard Holmes mentioned that Fran Hooks passed away. Her husband, Harvey Hooks was a past AACA president. It was also mentioned that Nada Patterson passed since last meeting and her husband, George Patterson was a former AACA president too.

Since Henry Gaither, Jr. was on vacation--Billy came prepared with a program. Billy played a DVD from a Muscle Car Show on the Olds Rocket 88. The P38 fighter looks was used for a plan for the car. The 1948 model was either a Deluxe Holiday coupe or convertible and it was 500 pound lighter than the Olds 98. About 100,000 Olds Rocket 88 cars were sold in 1948 and over 408,000 sold in 1949. Previously, on the race track the Hudson Hornet ruled until the Olds Rocket 88 came along. The Olds Rocket 88 changed racing and won 5 out of 8 races in 1948. In 1952 the Super 88 came out and in 1957, the Golden Rocket came along and 390,000 were sold. The program mentioned that in the early 1960s, the F85 Jetfire Cutlass and the 442 were new cars inspired by the Olds Rocket 88.

Tal mentioned he had a 1950 Olds with V8 flathead to run bootleg liquor. It would go 85mph! He said they would heat the coil springs to lower car.

The meeting was over around 8:30PM. John Cox made motion to adjourn and Rick seconded the motion.

*Cathy Dover*

### July Treasurer's Report

There is not much activity for the treasurer in July and August. I want to thank Judy Cox for the GREAT job she is doing in sending cards out to members for birthdays, anniversaries and health problems! It really means a great deal to know that club members are thinking about you in the good times and the difficult ones, too!

*Jeannie Johnson*

### In Memorium, Jerry Keen

We just learned today of Jerry Keen's passing. He and his wife were new members of our club. Their family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Jerry Andrew Keen, 71, of 235 Waverly Way, Burlington, passed away at 11:05 PM, Thursday, July 30, 2015, at his residence.

A native of Johnston County, he was the husband of Dorothy "Dottie" Sullivan Keen, who survives, and son of the late Chester Edward Keen and Ilamae Fitzgerald Keen. He was owner/operator of Johnson-Sherman Company in Goldsboro and a US Navy Veteran. He was a member of Bellemont United Methodist Church and a former member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Goldsboro. He was a member of the Board of Trustees for Methodist University, and recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award in 2014.

Surviving, other than his wife of the home, are two daughters, Shannon Keen Gooding and husband Bryan of Burlington and Kelly Keen McKinney and husband Freebird of Burlington; two grandchildren, Dorothy Gail McKinney and Jeremiah Strong McKinney; a twin sister, Judy Farmer and husband Jim of SC; a brother, Jim Keen and wife Jackie of NC; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 PM, Sunday, August 2, at Bellemont United Methodist Church with Rev. Farron Duncan and Dr. Jerry Jackson officiating.

The family will receive friends at Rich & Thompson Funeral & Cremation Service in Burlington from 5-7 PM, Saturday evening. At other times, they will be at the residence of a daughter, Kelly McKinney, 3025 Truitt Drive, Burlington.

## Classic Car Auction in Greensboro



Photos courtesy of Cathy Dover and Billy Patterson.

### Upcoming Shows and Cruise Ins

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| 3rd Saturday<br>Every Month | Liberty, NC Cruise-In.<br>North Fayetteville Street  |
| August 15                   | Zoland AACA Show in Asheboro   |
| August 29                   | 28th Annual Roanoke Valley<br>Mopar Show<br>Salem Civic Center, 1001 Roanoke Blvd.<br>Salem, VA. |
| September 19                | Brightleaf Hoedown 9th Annual<br>Car Show "Around the Square",<br>Downtown Yanceyville           |
| September 26                | 9th Annual Occoneechee/Orange<br>Speedway Racer's Reunion and<br>Car Show.                       |

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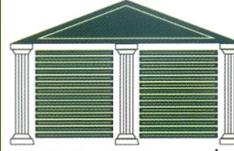


A colorful Nash Metropolitan  
at the Classic Car Auction in  
Greensboro. See more inside!

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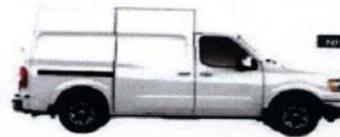
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