

## President's Message

**H**ey Folks, ell here it is that time again and I'm late again. I would like to thank Barbara & Herb Kluttz and Ray Fowler for hosting the April meeting. Speaking of Hosts, some good folks stepped up so we don't have to Brown Bag it. Also please join me in welcoming Chip King back into the fold.

Members, you will need to Register your car before May 11th if you are to save \$10 (We will extend that to the meeting on the 12th). Car Show Flyers are available Online and at the Club House.

We need to get the Flyers out to as many Shows, Cruise-ins, etc. as we can. We need everyone's help doing this if we are to have a successful Car Show. We have extra Sponsor Posters, so take some & put them in businesses out there. If you know of any car events, please help put some flyers out there, or at least let me know.

Don't forget the Timeless Cruisers Car Show on the 12th. They can always use help judging and it's our last chance to get our Show Flyers to a lot of Car Folks.

Remember that we need drinks to sell at the show, items to put in the Goodie bags and food for the Hospitality room. We will have the car show duty assignments at the club meeting on the 12th. Any necessary changes can be made then.

Hope the "Dave Rich Honorary Ice Cream Tour" to Alamance Battleground & a drive to Julian on the 5th was a major success!

Please remember Bill Webster in your prayers.

The weather is warm and dry, no excuse for not firing up the Jalopy & hitting the road. Keep the old ones rolling on down the road! Get them out and enjoy them while you can and before you or they rust and all the paint falls off!

*Tal Johnson*

## Coming Events!

### Cruz-ins

**3rd Sat** - Cars and Coffee event on UNCG campus at 8:00 – 10:00 am

**3rd Fri** - Timeless Cruisers Cruz-ins – Highway 55 Burgers Mebane.

**4th Sat** - Holly Hill Mall parking lot 4 – 8:00

### Local Car Shows

**May 5th:** Triangle Chapter Show in Raleigh

**May 12th:** The Timeless Cruisers Efland

## April 2018 Treasurer's Report

**T**hanks to all the members who worked so hard getting show sponsors! Sixteen members sold sponsorships. We have 72 sponsors and 10 of those also added a web sponsorship. We surpassed each of the last two years in number of sales! Great job! We will have the drawing for the three prizes for our sales

persons at the meeting following the car show. Members will get a ticket for each \$100 they sold. We have 39 cars pre-registered for our car show as of April 28. Members handed out MANY registration forms at various events on that day so we should have more registrations coming in this week.

*Jeannie Johnson*

## Sunshine Committee!

### May Birthdays

May 3 Larry Coble  
May 4 Judy Holmes  
May 7 Elsie Smith

May 8 Elizabeth Coble  
May 17 Rick Holmes  
May 20 Linda Cox

### May Anniversaries

May 20 Rick and Debbie Holmes  
May 21 John and Judy Cox

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## Hosts

May: The 3 Billys & Cathy!

## Next Month's

### Weak Spark Deadline

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## Next Club Meeting

May 12, 2018 at 6:30pm  
AACA Clubhouse, Burlington, NC

## Minutes of the April Meeting

The Alamance Chapter, AACA, met on April 14, 2018. Tal Johnson called the meeting to order. He thanked the hosts - Barbara and Herb Klutz and Ray Fowler. Chip King was welcomed back. He then asked for a motion to approve the minutes as printed in the newsletter. John Cox made the motion to accept and it was seconded by Pat Tulauskas. The motion was approved. Jeannie Johnson gave a Treasurers' report and said that we now have \$7,300 in sponsor money for our show with 9 of those also being Web Sponsors. The deadline is Monday, April 16. She said that we currently have 14 pre-registered cars. We need to encourage everyone to pre-register and they don't have to pay until the day of the show. This helps to get most of the paperwork completed prior to the day of the show. Jeannie said that donations have been made of \$1,000.00 to ACC for our automotive scholarship. Memorial donations have been made in memory of Linda Burns' father and Elizabeth Coble's father and mother. She noted that John Elder has rejoined the club and that Ed Burns has an email address change. There is also a stack of registration forms at the clubhouse so if anyone is going to a car show or a cruise in, please come by and take some with you to distribute. Pat Tulauskas made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report and it was seconded by John Cox and was approved.

Tal reminded everyone to please send your pictures and articles of your cars to Bruce Anliker for the newsletter. He reminded us that the Oakland-Pontiac group will be in Burlington on April 20-22. Friday night there will be a meet and greet at the Best Western from 5:00 to 7:00 pm with the group eating at Grill 584 afterward and we are invited to join them. On Saturday they will tour to Saxapahaw and then on to Pittsboro. The NC Region is using this as their April outing and Cruise in. The group has cancelled going to the Downtown Burlington Depot on Sunday. Bill Cox commented that the NC Region group has 30-40 cars for their Cruise Ins. They will be meeting in the parking area behind the S & T Soda Shop and will be having Ice Cream in the upstairs area. After lunch and ice cream their group will be going to Silk Hope for a farm tour.

On May 5, Henry Gaither has planned a tour at the Alamance County Battleground with the group meeting there at 11:00 am. Please be sure to bring a picnic lunch. The group will then do the "Dave Rich Honorary Ice Cream Tour" by going to Julian to the Homeland Creamery.

Our Car Show is on May 19 and registration is available on line. The Hospice Car Show is scheduled for September 29 and will be in the Dillard's parking lot the same as last year. Tal said that the NC Region editor sent our registration for our car show to all the President's of the chapters. Tal will also be emailing to the 100 - 150 people that he has emails for as a reminder. He and Jeannie will be at the Dogwood Festival in Mebane on April 28 and they will distribute flyers there. The Cruise In that was previously at Northern Tool has been moved to Holly Hill Mall and will be on the 4th Saturday each month. Ed Burns said that he will hand out flyers there. Tal has put the show on the Carolina Cruisers web site and it is being announce on WBAG radio. The Alamance News and Mebane papers have been contacted

about coming out and taking pictures. We will have our normal ad in the Burlington Times-News. Bruce is working on the posters, Dash plaques and Trophies. He is working closely with the trophy people on the proper orientation of the pictures that are on them. We have 5 fire extinguishers to sell and it was felt that that was enough. Judging may be an issue as Rick Holmes may have to be out of the country at show time. If anyone is really computer savvy then we could use your help, if not then we can do the manual way.

To recap, we have the following activities and shows:

- April 20-21-22** Pontiac-Oakland Club in Burlington
- April 28** NC Region Spring Show at Petty Garage  
Dogwood Festival in Mebane  
Gibsonville Show  
Liberty Antiques Festival (April 27-28)
- May 5** Triangle Chapter Show  
Dave's Ice Cream Tour
- May 13** Timeless Cruisers Show - Efland
- May 19** Downtown Burlington Car Show
- 3rd Friday each month** = Cruise In in Mebane at Hwy 55
- 4th Saturday each month** = Holly Hill Mall Cruise In
- 3rd Saturday each month** = Cruise In-Downtown Liberty
- 3rd Saturday each month** = Cars & Coffee in Greensboro at UNCG at 10:00 AM

Tal said that we have three potential new members: Colin Cannell, Alan Birchfield and Rodney Yates. John Cox reminded us to collect items from sponsors for the Goody Bags. He currently has door prizes from Roc Auto, O'Reilly and the Acorn Inn. The bags will be prepared on the Tuesday evening before the show so please come out and help prepare them. Also, please bring 12-packs of canned drinks to be sold at the show.

Chip King noted that Bobby Summers has passed away and that he had previously sold Mustang parts. His wife is selling the parts and also his collection of trains. See Chip for details. Chip also asked that we keep Bill Webster in our thoughts and prayers as he has been diagnosed with liver cancer and is going to Duke to find out options for treatment. Elizabeth Coble thanked the club for their support during the deaths of her parents.

Tal said that if you call his home to please leave your name on your message. He too has been plagued with numerous robo-calls. Tal also reminded the group that we need hosts for the May meeting or we will have to brown-bag.

The program was all about traveling on Route 666.

The meeting was adjourned.

*Elizabeth Coble*  
Recording Secretary

## A Hallmark Channel Moment for Car Folks...

**B**y the time you read this May will have arrived and with it hopefully winter will be in our rear view mirror. This year has been the worst and longest winter I can recall in a very long time . . . seems like it was cold or wet or wet AND cold forever . . . especially when there was a car event planned like Saturday at AutoFair . . . UGH! Anyway I hope you get to attend the first leg of the Honorary Dave Rich Ice Cream Trifecta Tour on 5 May. We will meet at the visitors' center at 11:00 AM for a tour of the battlefield followed by a bring your own picnic lunch at the center. After lunch it is off to the creamery in Julian for ICE CREAM! The second leg of the Trifecta will be later this summer at The Soda Shop in Pittsboro. During that leg we will plan to eat lunch at the shop followed by, of course, ICE CREAM! The final leg will be this fall at the new ice cream place in Gibsonville . . . details to follow.

My wife is a very devoted fan of the Hallmark Channel. Now for those of you who have never seen the Hallmark Channel, it is "feel good" programming. Basically the Hallmark Channel movie scenario involves people who do not have a special someone or their current special someone is just not "the one" for a number of reasons. The central characters somehow meet and begin to have feelings for one another and then something bad happens which causes the special someone to potentially leave, move, or whatever but, the circumstances suddenly change for the great (not just the good, but the great) and they get together and live happily ever after. If there was a Hallmark show for car folks it would run like this . . . you have or acquire your dream car and you begin to work on it for a special event, like maybe a big time car show. Things are going well when all of a sudden things go really bad like you break off a bolt or a critical very rare and practically unobtainable part breaks which will cause you to miss the show. Then, as you pour your broken heart out to a fellow AACA member that person just happens to have that part or knows who does and are willing to give it to you since you are so nice or the knight in shining coveralls, Sir Wrenchalot, comes to the rescue not only getting that broken bolt out but using his superior machine shop skills makes the replacement bolt that looks and fits perfectly for you just in time to make the show and you get that First Place Senior . . . everyone lives happily ever after and as you raise that trophy in triumph you get that "feel good" feeling the Hallmark Channel is famous for right? Well, maybe that works on the Hallmark Channel . . .

For me the scenario runs more like this . . . there is a really big car show that I want to attend so I decide to get the car ready and perhaps time the time to make some improvements. The water pump is working OK but it is really old (how old who knows, it was on the car when I bought it) and I thought I saw a drop of fluid on the garage floor. So I decide to replace the water pump but because of work or general procrastination I don't get to it until two weeks before the show but no sweat, how hard is it to replace a water pump right? Well after going to numerous auto parts places because I want "the right one" I finally find one but it is bare metal so I need to paint it off the car since that is a lot easier. Well the weather is cold and wet

so I have to wait a couple of days and work is also calling. Another week goes by and it finally gets nice enough to paint the pump and so I start the removal process. The first couple of bolts come out easy and I think this will be a cinch. It is the weekend before the show but all is moving on schedule . . . kind of. Then,



disaster, the next bolt snaps off even with the pump. After a few choice words I decide to move on because I can probably install the pump tight enough for an acceptable seal. The next few bolts come out ok UNTIL THE VERY LAST ONE . . . SNAP . . . the bolt breaks and it is critical. So I call a friend of mine with a car dolly who knows a guy who has a shop that can get the broken bolts out. So he brings his car dolly over but forgets the tire straps. Well it is not far to the shop so off we go. All is going well until we turn into the shop parking lot when the turn is too sharp and the car falls off the dolly and puts a big dent on the bottom rear of the passenger front fender. So, eventually the bolts are removed, the dent fixed, the new water pump installed and the car is ready for the big car show . . . the following year . . . this actually happened to me in Albuquerque in 1999 and yes I made the 2000 show.

Does it ever work out like the shows on the Hallmark movie . . . well that depends upon what you consider happily ever after. If you expect owning an old car to be perfect you are in the wrong deal because sooner or later things will break at the worst possible time, you will miss events, and the problem(s) will have to be fixed. So if your car needing repairs shoots your happily ever after deal then nope, you will not be happily ever after and you need a new hobby or a very big wallet. For me happily ever after is the car and enjoying the car knowing there will be issues and challenges and accepting that fact. Sure there are challenges to owning and working on an old car but the feelings you get when you finally get the project done for me far outweigh the frustrations. The car folks I have met in my life-long Hallmark car movie are remarkable. They are there not matter what happens, with a wrench or a shoulder to help me ease my burdens...lots of definite Hallmark memories. Finally, I try to drive at least one of the cars every weekend the weather and my schedule allows. There are few things that I enjoy more than a sunny day on country road looking at the scenery and listening to the mellow drone of that dual exhaust through the Flowmasters. For a brief moment in time, often regardless of what is happening elsewhere in my life, I have found a part of my happily ever after and I get that Hallmark Channel "feel good" feeling. Does that mean I'm going to convert from watching Velocity to Hallmark . . . probably not, but I still can have that Hallmark movie feeling and plan to have lots of more Hallmark memories! So what about you? What are you waiting for . . . put down this newsletter or turn off the computer. Get out there and drive and get your own Hallmark Channel "feel good" moment . . . it is waiting for you and calling your name! See you on the road!

*Henry Gaither*

# 47th Annual Alamance Region Antique Auto Show

In Downtown Burlington at the Historic Railroad Depot  
200 South Main Street  
Burlington, NC 27215



Registration:  
7:30 to 10am  
Awards at 3pm  
*Rain or shine*

## Saturday May 19, 2018

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Club or Region \_\_\_\_\_ AACA # \_\_\_\_\_ Will You Help Judge? \_\_\_\_\_

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Entry	Year	Make	Model	Class
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2	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	_____

I agree to abide by all rules of the show and understand that I am responsible for my vehicle(s) and the actions of persons accompanying me to this activity. I agree to release from liability all tenants and/or businesses located on/and/or within the property known as The City of Burlington, Alamance Region Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) and any employee, members and/or volunteers and any other person or persons connected with the aforementioned organizations from any loss, damage, and/or injuries incurred as a result of participation in this activity.

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

Pre-registration per Vehicle:     \$15.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Day of Show Registration:            \$25.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Flea Market Spaces:                    \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Car Corral Spaces(cars for sale):    \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

We encourage pre-registration. Participants can mail check with registration form or pre-register on the club website: [www.AlamanceAACA.org](http://www.AlamanceAACA.org)  
Pre-registration deadline is Friday, May 11, 2018.

**Make Checks payable to: Alamance Region, Inc., AACA**  
Mail to: Jeanne Johnson, P. O. Box 565, Mebane, NC 27302  
Day of Show Phone: Rick Holmes, 919-592-6861 (cell)

**\*All vehicles must be 25 years old (1993 or older) to be judged. Antique Vehicles will be judged per AACA criteria using AACA classifications.**

**Antique Vehicles will receive a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place trophy in each class if they meet the AACA point requirements.**

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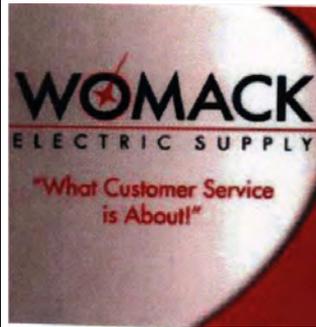
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