

President's Message

hanks to everyone that brought out cars for a display at The Homeplace. The

residents got a kick out of seeing the cars and our members got a kick out of the

residents.

With the Hospice Show coming up on September 28, please start bringing in 12 packs of canned soft drinks and bottles of water that can be sold that day. Also, we will need items for the bake sale. We have distributed show flyers at the Holly Hill Mall Cruise In and have given the Rusty Nuts Car Club flyers to give out at their Gibsonville Cruise In. We will be getting more flyers printed and if you plan to attend a car event, please be sure to take some and distribute. MORE CARS = MORE MONEY FOR HOSPICE. All

The Board voted to have Castle Roofing to replace the roof on the Clubhouse and also the garage building. Prior to getting the roofing done, we also had some trees trimmed and some removed directly behind the Clubhouse. Southern Tree Service did the work and cleaned up. They also cleaned up the top of the large fallen tree at the end of the parking area. Many thanks to Beckie and Lynn Pickett and Bob King for their help on this project. We will plan a workday for the Clubhouse, both inside and outside, when the weather is cooler.

At our August meeting, we will need to select our feature car for the 2020 Spring Car Show. There will be a list of those who haven't had a car on the show plaque previously to use for voting. We will be selecting only one car.

By the time you are reading this, we will have completed a tour to Asheboro and participated in their car show on August 3. We will share pictures next month.

I look forward to seeing you all at our meeting on August 10!

Upcoming events:

other plans are moving along.

August 10 - General Greene Car Show - Piedmont Farmer's Market - Greensboro, NC

August 18 - Coble's Cruise In - Liberty, NC August 24 - Cars and Coffee - Holly Hill Mall

Elizabeth Colle

July 2019 Treasurer's Report

hings are starting to get busy in the treasurer's corner. The Alamance County property tax bill came in and it is over \$60 more than last year. Our property insurance bill will be coming in soon and, hopefully, it will be about the same as last year. We had trees hanging over the clubhouse and others that were dead or dying so, thanks to Beckie and Lynn Pickett, we were able to find a great company to remove them at a reasonable price. Next, thanks to Richard Holmes, we have a roofing company that will replace the roof on our clubhouse and shelter before the winter weather arrives, again at a reasonable price. Floyd and O.T. Smith gave me old papers about the club and I found one page from 1975 labeled "Total Building Expense." The estimated total cost of the clubhouse building (less floor and plumbing) was listed as \$4,260. The estimate for the floor was \$800 and the plumbing was \$650. Not included were the MANY hours of labor put in by the members. Amazing numbers!

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Next Weak Spark Deadline

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Next Club Meeting

August 10, 2019 at 6:30pm Alamance Region AACA Clubhouse Burlington, NC

Hosts

Herb and Barbara Kluttz, Mike and Debbie Blalock

We Need Hosts

Please sign up to help!

Minutes of the July 13, 2019 Meeting

he Alamance Region car club held its regular monthly meeting Saturday July 13th at the clubhouse. Thirty-six members and three guests attended: Steven Hudak, and Jeff and Cynthia Mott. Jeff and Cynthia are the daughter and son-in-law of members Jim and Barbara Ivey. Steven is a resident of the Twin Lakes Retirement Community and owns a 1957 Thunderbird.

Hosts and Hostesses for the meeting were Dave and Pat Rich and Wallace and Annie Compton.

Our Alamance club members were encouraged to attend the Asheboro Region car show on August 3. We will meet at the Highway 49 convenience store in Bellemont and drive together to Asheboro. Everyone was also encouraged to support the General Greene car club's show at the Farmer's Market off Sandy Ridge Road near the Greensboro Airport on August 10th. The Asheboro and General Greene car clubs have both been very supportive of our shows and we should support theirs.

The car of John and Judy Cox with a picture of Judy will be on our May 2020 car show flyer.

Bob King will explore the possible purchase of sandwiches from Alamance Crossing food vendors for us to re-sell at the September 28th Hospice show to benefit Hospice.

The rubber tips on the clubhouse metal folding chairs are worn out, and Richard and Rich Holmes will obtain and install new ones.

The Blalocks and Polly Hawkins will be Hosts for the August 10th meeting.

The program was an interesting video showing the main parts of an early Model T, how they worked, how to crank and get it running, and how to actually drive one using the unusual three-foot-pedal arrangement. The video told that Model T's until the 1919 model year had to be hand-cranked.

Day Fowler



Just who is this dapper young man? And the Model A in the photo appears to be the perfect example of the old adage: "Take good care of something and it will last you a lifetime!"

The 2019 Carlisle Chrysler Nationals!

hat do 2,807 Mopars look like all in one place at one time? It looks like the photo below! Yep, the 2019 Carlisle Chrylser Nationals actually set a new record for the number of cars in attendance. And your intrepid author's 1968 Plymouth Barracuda made it's Carlisle debut as one in the throng of thousands.

The Chrysler Nationals never fail to disappoint for Mopar lovers, with special displays involving out-of-the-ordinary cars, as well as cars that might be celebrating special anniversaries—for example, this year it was the 50th Anniversary of cars built in 1969. And what great cars those '69s were! See the photos for some examples.

There are also always special events going on during the entire weekend. A "Daisy Dukes" contest for young ladies who dress like Daisy from the beloved Dukes of Hazzard TV show is popular for many of those in attendance, as is

the tire-frying burnout contest that yields massive displays of horsepower, smoke, mounds of burnt rubber, and tirepopping fun.

Notable folks who are a special part of Chrysler history are also often in attendance. John Schnieder from the Dukes of Hazzard TV show has made such an appearance. So has Chris Jacobs from Overhauling, as has Linda Vaughn of Hurst Shifter fame, and so have many, many Mopar racers from various forms of racing.

Another enjoyable draw is a swap meet that covers acres and acres with all years, sorts, shapes and sizes of Mopar parts, collectibles and memorabilia. Even your author made a needed acquisition to upgrade his own ride.

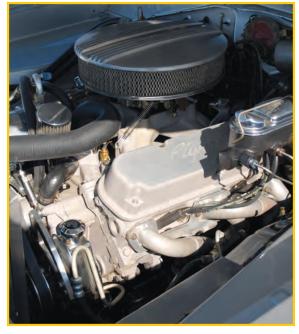
For those of us who love Mopars, the Carlisle Chrysler Nationals is the premier Mopar event to attend. The photos should help explain it.



THIS is what 2,807 Mopars in one spot looks like. Your author's Barracuda is center bottom in this photo, in front of a blue tent.



My "Celebrity Pick" for 2019. 1969 Plymouth Barracuda. Its 340 mill is to the right. There's a long story behind that Celebrity Pick stuff...





Two 1970 Plymouth AAR Cudas in very distinct color combinations. Which one do you prefer?



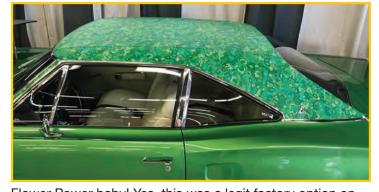


AAR means All American Racers. It has a STRONG connection to Dan Gurney.

\$11,900 and this 1929 Dodge rumbleseat coupe in the swap meet at left could be yours! See, it's not all muscle cars... Bobbie should be grateful there was only room for one car on my trailer. Well, that and the lack of \$11,900 in my wallet. Just call Junior at BR-549 and he's sure to make you a deal!



This is what I get for renting a trailer and not driving the car, right? Not U-Haul's fault though as we picked up a nail! What would a long road trip be without a little misadventure?



Flower Power baby! Yes, this was a legit factory option on this 1969-1/2 440+6 Dodge Super Bee. Crazy, huh?



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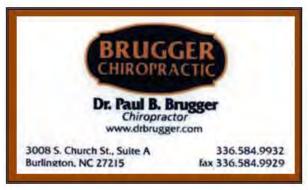
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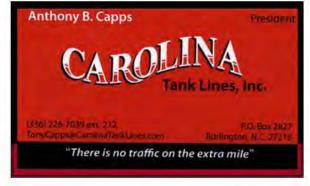
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