

President's Message

Hope everyone is continuing to stay safe and well. I would encourage you all to get your cars out, drive them around the area and take pictures. Please send the pictures to Bruce Anliker for our newsletter.

Larry and I had planned to go to the Annual Grand National Meet in Allentown, PA, but COVID came along. That show was rescheduled to a new date in August. Now the show has been moved to Gettysburg, PA. In Pennsylvania, regulations are made on a township level, so some areas will be under very stringent restrictions and other townships will be a lot looser. The Gettysburg location is great. There is plenty of space for the show, two on-site hotels and on-site trailer parking.

Even though we would really like to attend, we have decided that this is a long way to trailer a car for just a few hour meet. There will be no banquet, tours or other activities. The awards will be presented after the show ends. Masks will be required both inside the hotels and also outside on the show field.

The Hershey Region and AACA Headquarters are still working toward a National Meet in October. The township where the show will be held has had a lot longer lockdown than in some other areas.

Larry has been working hard to sell the donated items that the club received in June. Thankfully, sales have been good but he still has some items available. If anyone is interested, just contact Larry at 336-212-3342. Sales dollars are being added to our treasury.

We are working with Mebane Ridge Retirement Center in Mebane on a Drive-Through Car Show for their residents. These folks haven't been allowed visitors since the start of the lockdown. They are open for dates in September and October. Also, Henry Gaither is working on an Appreciation Drive-Through at the hospital for the Doctors, Nurses and Staff. This is to honor these essential workers who have been working through this pandemic. These will be great opportunities to get your cars out, social distance and bring joy to others.

While we haven't been able to meet, please don't lose your enthusiasm for your Antique and Classic cars, or for our Alamance Region. Hobbies are very important to our well being. Sharing time with others that have similar interests is great. Going to local, regional and National Car Meets allows you to meet a lot of people that like what you like.

I miss you all very much and I am looking forward to a time we can all be together again.

Elizabeth Coble

July 2020 Treasurer's Report

Thanks to the generous donations from the Capps family, we had income of \$360 from the sale of the items the family donated to our club! Our expenses for the month included the post office box rental for the year, the Duke Energy bill and our annual property tax. That left us in the red for the month! Please contact Elizabeth or Larry Coble if you are interested in purchasing other items that have been donated. It will help our financial situation! Please stay safe and healthy during these trying times!

Jeannie Johnson



Photo of Banks Elliott in his T-Model Ford. Banks was Elizabeth Coble's great Uncle. He and Elizabeth's grandfather ran a Texaco service station in Julian N.C.

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Next Weak Spark Deadline
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Next Club Meeting

To Be Determined
AACA Clubhouse, Burlington, NC

Hosts

To Be Announced

**Please Volunteer
to Host a Meeting!**

Stay tuned!

Mapping the Future

I recently pulled one of my North Carolina maps off the shelf in my office to show a young man where Goldsboro was in relation to his upcoming trip to Washington on the coast of NC. I did not have a current map, so I unfolded my 1952 Esso map... as far as I know, Goldsboro hasn't moved in 60 plus years. Now, this is a map that doesn't show I-40 or I-85 or even I-95! It is interesting to see how our state has developed over the years in its road network.

Now, the interesting thing about this encounter was how little people know about paper maps that give you the entire state at one view. This young man, in his late 20's, first thought was driving with one of these trying to find your way... he said "they talk about texting while driving, imagine looking at this big map while driving!" I guess it's a fair question. Of course I had to add that as a young family, we traveled from Raleigh to Rutherfordton to visit grandparents with seven of us in a 1962 Chevy Impala, 6 cylinder straight drive with no air conditioning. We traveled several different roads, Hwy 64 then on to Hwy 49 and others. Nothing like getting on I 40 right down the street, putting it on cruise control and staying there until you get to the mountains.

The other interesting thing this young man realized after reviewing this full sized map was that he noticed how close to the mountains Charlotte and Gastonia are. You see, the younger generation either looks at a 2" by 4" screen or listens to some sweet English lady telling them each and every turn to take to reach their exact destination. He doesn't need to know where Charlotte or Goldsboro is or, God help us, even which direction the West Coast is! His experience doesn't give him the perspective of looking at the whole state or even the whole United States on one image.

I love old maps... I guess it's a part of our nature as we age to love history and the past experiences of our lives, but there's more to it than that. It is perspective. If you stop and slow down for a minute and pull your eyes back and look at a larger picture, there is a lot more information in your viewpoint. To me, perspective is a word that describes taking in more information to add to your thought process. It might pertain to logistics, like in this young man's case, or it might be about people and processes or history. It

might be about a problem you're trying to tackle or it might be about an opportunity you'd like to explore. In any case, we'd all do well to pull back occasionally and bring a lot more information into our vision before making decisions or voicing opinions.

So it is with our car club. Before the quarantine caused by the Covid 19 virus, we enjoyed lots of opportunities throughout the year with our friends and our cars. We have missed those opportunities this year and I don't know about you, but I miss everyone. If you have been around long enough to have a long perspective, (like most of us have), we know that we will get past this at some point, and hopefully will emerge from this experience with more knowledge about how to handle it the next time. I believe we will be back to enjoying our club events and spending time with friends and family soon and sharing our old cars with those that might be too focused on the everyday tasks of life to know the history of this great country. I'm looking forward to showing the young folks who visit our shows the technology of years ago and how workers in America created some of the best automobiles in the world. Who knows, I might even teach someone that a glovebox was meant to hold gloves... and a map!

Bill Cox



Photo of John Simmons and his 1939 Chevrolet. Mr. Simmons was Larry Coble's grandfather and was a tobacco farmer in Caswell county.

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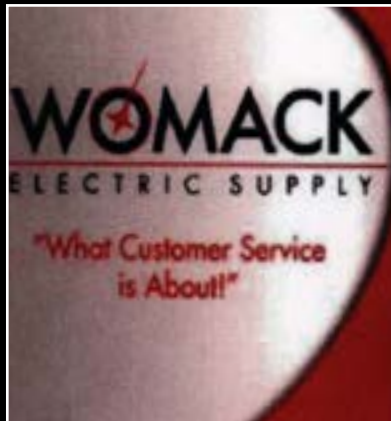
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