

# **President's Message**

pring is definitely in the air, along with a lot of pollen as May approaches! But we have had great weather for taking out old cars out for a maintenance shakedown drive (hopefully not a breakdown drive!). I hope all of you have been able to get your vehicles out and get them ready for the car show, cruise in, and touring season.

Our car show is coming up quickly (May 21), and the preparations are going well. I will have the updated car show assignment list posted to our website by the time you receive this edition of the Weak Spark. Please let me know if you will not be able to support the function listed for you, or if you do not have an assignment (there is always something for us all to do!).

Our members have done an OUTSTANDING job of selling sponsorships this year! I challenged each of us to get out and get at least one sponsorship, and the challenge was MET! Thank you all for the fantastic support! The sponsor posters will be available at the clubhouse soon, and I will send out an email when they are ready.

The trophies and dash plaques are designed and are on order. Thank you to Bruce for his awesome artwork!

There are a few more shows and outings before our show, so please try to go and support our sister clubs and distribute a few flyers for our show at the same time. See the schedule below and on our website.

We received notice that the properties on both sides of Whitesell Drive just before you get to our driveway are being considered for rezoning. Several of our Board members attended the Burlington Planning and Zoning board's public meeting on Monday, April 25. The rezoning request is from Medium Density Residential to General Business - Limited Use, with the limitation of ONLY allowing multi-family dwellings on the two properties. The developer was in attendance via Zoom, and their intention is to build several three-story units, with approximately 20 units per acre. They were described as Luxury Apartments, with a swimming pool, clubhouse, etc.

We asked questions about fences, tree screens, well water impacts, land valuation impact, and access and improvements to Whitesell Drive. Since there is no site plan yet, the answers were vague, and many of the questions were deferred to the Burlington requirements. The Planning board unanimously approved submitting the request to the Burlington City Council. If approved there, the developer would proceed with site planning and approval. I'm sure we will have much more discussion on this soon. Stay tuned!

Please be sure to thank Chuck and Lou Ann Smith and Barry Summers for the renovation work on our parking lot. The sediment and grass had taken over quite a bit of our parking area that was graveled, making it difficult to pull out without spinning tires when it was wet. The lot cleaned up nicely, and we have a lot more graveled parking area now!

Our next meeting is May 14, at 6:30 pm at the clubhouse. Sam and Pat Burke are signed up to host.

I'll see y'all down the road!

Rick (Holmes

## **April 2022 Treasurer's Report**

ur club members are the best! They have worked so hard getting sponsors for our spring car show! I believe that we will break a record for the number of sponsors who will support our show this year. I will have a complete list of sponsors available at the next monthly club meeting. Members are encouraged to support our sponsors by using their services! An email will be sent out to let everyone know when the posters are available for pickup at the club house so they can be delivered to our sponsors. Please remember so pre-register your car for the show online or by sending in a registration form to the address printed on the form and save \$5! Pre-registration costs \$20 and day-of-show registration is \$25. If you register online, you can pay on the day of the show.

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#### **Next Weak Spark Deadline** June Issue 5/28/22

# Next Club Meeting

May 14, 2022 6:30 PM **Alamance Region Clubhouse** Burlington, NC Hosts: Sam and Pat Burke

## **Minutes of the April Meeting**

he Alamance Region met on April 2, 2022. Rick Holmes called the meeting to order and welcomed Terry May as a new member. He shared a copy of *"THE STATE"* magazine that was from November 1, 1972. Under the article, *Ask me About My Automobile*, it

talked about our Show that was held at Cum Park Plaza.

Rick passed around the assignments for the Day of the Show for May 21. He said that the Chief Judge position is still open.

He welcomed Pat Burke back after health issues. He stated that Tal Johnson is taking Physical Therapy. Debbie Blaylock has been in and out of the hospital since recent surgery. O.T. Smith is being moved to Peak Resources in Graham for skilled nursing. Wallace Compton is still at home but isn't doing well.

Minutes in the Weak Spark were approved. Larry Coble made the motion to approve and Richard Holmes seconded.

Jeannie Johnson presented the Treasurer's report. She said that we have received a lot of sponsor money with more promised. Several of our members have brought in a lot of sponsors. She read a Thank You note from the ACC Automotive Student who received our scholarship. Memorial donations have been made to Belmont UMC for Dave Rich and to Riverside Baptist Church for Judy Lineberry, mother of Debbie Holmes and Rhonda Nance. April 21 is the deadline to submit sponsors for the poster at the Show. She said that the difference in sponsors is now listed on the invoice. Forms are on our website - alamance. aaca.org. She added that May 20th is our WBAG airtime. Herb Kluttz will do it and will see if John Cox will join him and if not, he will recruit his son, Mickey. The show will start at 10:30 am.

The Host List was also passed around and it was

announced that we had received a few door prizes for the show. The Tire Center gave a couple of Oil Changes and Tire Rotations and the Acorn Inn gave a one night stay at their suites in Mebane.

Larry Coble shared a plaque that was from Dave Hinkle's collection. Dave was the 1st National Director from North Carolina. Larry also shared that it was from what most believe was the first National Tour and it went through North Carolina.

Bill Cox recently received the Dave Hinkle Award from the North Carolina Region.

Everyone was encouraged to take show flyers and to give them out if they were going to upcoming car events. Rick said that the website has been updated with upcoming events. He thanked Chuck Smith for his help.

Herb Kluttz mentioned that Bob Rogers may be selling his 1941 Chevy and his 1936 Ford.

The meeting was adjourned.

Some of our members participated in the National Meet held on Saturday, April 9, during the Auto Fair in Charlotte. Dave Dodge brought his Dodge and he was awarded the Driver Participation Award. Max and Scott Wicker brought their Mustang and won their First Junior Award from National. Larry and Elizabeth Coble won a Preservation Award for their 1956 F-100 Truck. Herb Kluttz was inside the Motor Speedway selling and Kevin Hill came down to look at the parts and then the National Show. It was an extremely cold day with a lot of wind but Thank Heavens no rain. Elizabeth Coble participated as a National Judge. All-in-All the Alamance Region was well represented. Congratulations to everyone on their wins!

Elizabeth Cable filling in for Mike Blaylack

# "Too Little, Too Late"

few of our Alamance Region members participated in a local movie being made in the Burlington and Alamance County area recently. Melody Brevda's 1926 Cadillac was front-and-center of the main scene being shot on Sunday, April 24, with Jimmy Long in character as the chauffeur. The Cadillac was being used as a taxi bringing the main character to the scene.

Richard and Rick Holmes brought a 1924 Ford Model T and a 1929 Ford Model A that were used as background props and as additional traffic to supplement the period setting for the early part of the 20th century. We all learned a bit about movie making, mostly that it takes several hours just to get a few minutes of finished film! We (I) also learned that that you need to drive a Model T often for it to be second nature! I also learned that our next Tech Session needs to be Model T transmission band adjustment for the brakes!

The name of the film is "Too Little, Too Late", but I don't think it intentionally referred to the T's brakes! The cast consists of actors from Burlington, Durham, and Raleigh. Overall, it was quite a neat experience, and we'll be watching for the release in the next few months.

Rick (Holmes

# **Upcoming North Carolina Car Shows**

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May 6	Timeless Cruizers 20th Annual Show – Cedar Grove Ruritan Club
May 7	Mountain View Church of Asheville Car, Truck & Bike Show, Asheboro, NC
May 7	NC Region Spring Meet, (New River & Morehead Chapters) Jacksonville, NC
May 7	Piedmont Mopar Club Fun Run – Farmington Dragway, Mocksville, NC
May 14	Triangle British Classic Car Show, Raleigh, NC
May 14	First Capital Chapter Meet, New Bern, NC
May 20	Power & Sound Revival, Camp Springs Bluegrass Park, Elon, NC
May 21	50th Anniversary Alamance Region Antique Car Show, Burlington, NC

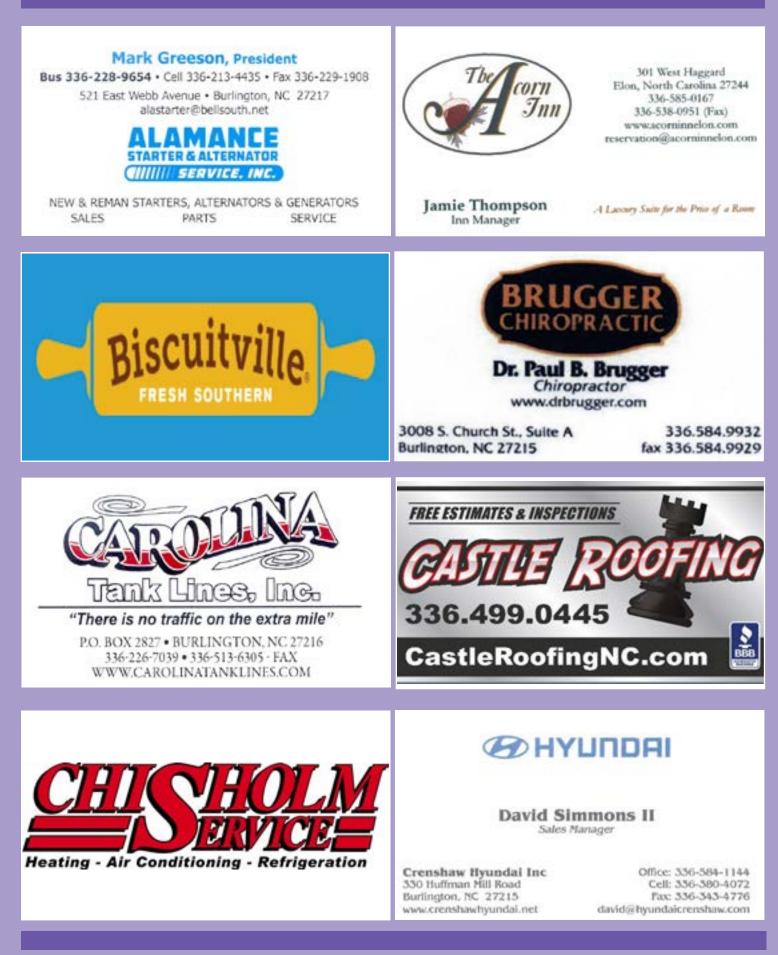


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I agree to abide by all rules of the show and understand that I am responsible for my vehicle(s) and the actions of persons accompanying me to this activity. I agree to release from liability all tenants and/or businesses located on/and/or within the 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 by May 14, 2022:	\$20.00 x _	=	Registration: 8:00 to 11 a.m., Awards at 3 p.m., <i>Rain or shine.</i>	
Day of Show Registration:	\$25.00 x _	=	*All vehicles must be 25 years old (1997 or older) to be judged.	
Flea Market Spaces:	\$10.00 x	=	Antique Vehicles will be judged per AACA criteria using	
Car Corral Spaces (cars for sale):	\$10.00 x	=	AACA classifications. Antique Vehicles will receive a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place trophy in	
Pre-registration online at <i>www.Alamance.aaca.com</i> <b>Total:</b> and pay at the show, or you can mail check with registration form to the address below. Pre-registration deadline is May 14, 2022.			each class if they meet the AACA point requirements. Modified Vehicles will be judged on workmanship, quality, and condition. The Top 25 Non-AACA Vehicles will be awarded a trophy	
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