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MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings of the Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA will continue at **6:30 pm** on the third Tuesday of each month except December at the Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St in Fredericksburg. Members will be notified of any changes. The next meeting is 21 February 2023.

MEMBERSHIP

We are always looking for new members. If you or someone else you know is interested in joining our club, please come to one of our membership meetings. For more information on membership, please contact our Membership Chairman Wally Hunt at 540-424-0212.

****Please call Connie (540-993-7941) with input for the **Sunshine** Committee.**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy new year to all. I would like to thank Paul for providing excellent leadership during the past two years. They were challenging times to say the least.

Year 2023 promises to be a busy year for HFR AACA. Hosting the ODMA meet April 1st will be an opportunity to highlight our hospitality. Wally and his committee are well along with planning for the show which will be held at Fredericksburg Nationals Stadium. Show field will be on the front parking lots with judge's admin, silent auction and banquet held in their very attractive banquet hall. This will be an all hands event. Lots to do but an opportunity for lots of fun and fellowship. Fingers crossed for perfect weather! Plan to display a vehicle even if you prefer not to have it judged. On the judging subject please plan as you are able to judge this show. Classes are the same as AACA National Meets. All vehicles will be pre-registered and grouped by class on the show field.

Our annual show downtown June 3rd presents a new opportunity to host our old car friends on Sophia Street and utilize the new city park. This may prove to be a bit of a challenge but we are up to the task. The change to Sophia Street is a city decision. J with Powell's assistance worked to convince the city to allow the Caroline Street location as in the past but ultimately we are on Sophia.

Reminders :

.....AACA National Convention is next month. Wally will represent HFR. Let Wally know if you plan to attend.

Dues – hopefully National and Regional dues have been paid!

Contact information. If any change of address, e mail or phone number please advise Nora. We would like to print a roster during the first quarter of 23.

Programs for the monthly meeting. 2022 provided varied and interesting programs. Please consider what you might present of interest – can be other than auto related.

Activities – short drive and lunch? Suggestions?

Your thoughts, suggestions and even criticisms are always welcomed.

John

MONTHLY MEETING 15 NOVEMBER 2022

Meeting was held at the Dorothy Hart Community Center and via zoom. There were 24 members and 4 guests in attendance. The guests included Mike Sizemore, Cheryl Miller, Anthony Lawrence and Michelle Thomas.

The meeting was called to order at 6:46.

The **October minutes** were approved as in the Magneto.

Sunshine Committee – Rena has been fighting COVID and is in poor health. A replacement for the sunshine committee is needed, either temporary or permanent. Connie Brown is going to cover for now. Please send any sunshine info to Connie. Please reach out to Connie if you are interested in helping with the sunshine committee.

Guests: Mike Sizemore and Anthony Lawrence are repeat guests to our meetings. Cheryl Miller is new tonight; she has a 1930 Model A Cabrio and belongs to the Model A Ford Club in Richmond. Mike, Anthony, and Cheryl are planning to join the HFRAACA. Michelle is a long-time friend of Anthony's, visiting tonight from Florida.

Treasurer Report – Mark presented the treasurer report. Mark is looking for an audit of the treasurer's books in January and is looking for volunteers or a committee.

The budget will be reviewed and voted on tonight. Room will now need to be renewed in a 3-month cycle – and reserve 3rd month out every month. Mark will call on Monday to try to work something out.

Membership and Events

Wally presented the following:

Welcome to the new members – we appreciate you joining us and hope you will stay members for a long time.

- 12/3 - Cars needed for Christmas Parade – preferably open cars. We have 3, request is for 6. Assembly at 1145 near Spotsylvania middle school. We are 4th in the parade line-up.
- 12/4 – Christmas Luncheon at Fredericksburg Country Club.
- 12/10 – Toys for Tots Cruise, meet at Central Park Walmart at 1000, followed by the delivery of toys (Chatham Heights Shopping Center) and meet-up for lunch at Park Lane Tavern.
- 1/14 - ODMA planning meeting. Location, TBD. Reps from across VA coming to Fredericksburg for the meeting.
- 2/9-11 – AACA National Meeting, Williamsburg, VA. Event request card included with Antique Automobile Magazine.
- 3/3-5 (Fri thru Sun) - March – RV show at Expo Center. Requested antique car display within RV show – inside and dry. Visibility. We can leave the car there for the weekend. Wally says that we discuss getting ropes set up to keep people off.

- 3/30-4/1 – ODMA Meet – 3/31, we need to provide an activity for participants. Wally is working to set up self-guided visits to Classic Car Center, Marine Corps Museum, Battlefield Visitors' Center, and Spotsylvania Airport. The plaque car is Best of Show from last year's ODMA. Registration fee is \$25 (limited per ODMA, unless we get permission). Forms can be printed offline. Wally provided a proposed budget for ODMA.
 - \$25/car entry. \$7 goes to ODMA. Half of net profits go to ODMA as well.
 - We can help soften the deficit by getting businesses to partner with us to sponsor the show. We cannot compete with sponsors of the ball field. We can discuss at planning meetings. Some ball field sponsors include: 6 Bears and a Goat, Pohanka, Pepsi, etc. Wally will work to get the list of sponsors from the ball field.
- Charlotte National Meet, weekend after Easter.

Budget: Mark handed the budget out in September.

Room rental, Zoom (previous discussion was to seek free options), Magneto, postage, President travel to National meeting, SCC, ODMA, AACA insurance, CCCVA dues, AACA library, benevolence, scholarship, charitable giving, HFFI, Christmas Party, Annual Meet, ODMA, and Memorial Bricks.

Paul checked into Google Meet - \$10/month. Zoom struck from the budget. We can discuss later if we want to spend money on Zoom without it being part of the budget.

Printing for Magneto – members are advocating printing copies for those members who cannot receive them by email. Costs to be investigated further.

Scholarship – needs to be addressed in summer-time. Charitable giving – may want to hold off on spending in order to help make up ODMA deficit.

Motion to pass the budget, voted and approved. Budget Passed.

Nomination Committee

Last month, list of candidates was presented. Wally asked for any other nominations from the floor. None were presented. Nominations were accepted. Motion passed. The 2023 slate of officers include:

- John Garnett - President
- Terry Thomann – Vice President
- Mark Irving - Treasurer
- Nora Aftel - Secretary
- Dave Armstrong – Member at Large (thru 2024)
- Brian Danzig – Member at Large (thru 2023)
- Paul Myers – Past President

HFRAAA Annual Meet Report – J. said there has not been any movement on the car show. J. will meet with the city events manager and the special events coordinator to challenge the wisdom of moving the show. He believes it is unlikely that we will succeed.

Other News - Lauman shared the following: For 34 years, Frances and Lauman have been exchanging cards with a family, now in FL. This year in the card they received, there was an obituary for Earl Beauchamp. Earl was part of our club and active and instrumental in forming the Northern Neck Region and in standing up the AACA Sentimental Tour. He helped to instrument the 100th anniversary of the automobile Centennial Tour in Dearborne, MI. He has been very active in AACA National, and brought a lot of ideas back to HFR. He was a Director and a National President. Lauman proposed including Earl in our memorial bricks. Robert Aftel proposed the possibility of combining with other regions. Wally noted that Earl was very important to our club and lots of members of our region. He noted that we should recognize that individually. The club consensus was to recognize Earl and his influence to HFR individually as a club, not with other regions.

Pass the Hubcap – Donations for the Foodbank – \$98. We so far have \$149 for the foodbank. Does the club want to consider an additional donation to the foodbank? Last year, we donated \$250 in addition to the collections. Motion passed.

50/50 – Bill Kramer won and donated the money to the club.

We need a speaker for January. Sign up list will be at the Christmas Party.

Ben closed the meeting with prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15.

Following the meeting, Cheryl mentioned that the library offers free copies – this may be worth looking into if we are only printing 10ish copies of the Magneto per month.

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2023 HFR CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 14 ODMA planning meeting, noon, Great American Buffet, Silver Pkwy. See **NOTE** below.
- 17 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.

FEBRUARY

- 9-11 AACA Annual Convention, Williamsburg, VA.
- 21 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.

MARCH

- 3-5 RV Show car display, Fredericksburg Expo Center.
- 21 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.

APRIL

- 1 ODMA, VA Credit Union Stadium, Fredericksburg
- 13-15 Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC.
- 18 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.
- 19-23 Spring Carlisle, Carlisle Fairgrounds, Carlisle, PA.

MAY

- 12-13 Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet, Luray, VA.
- 16 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.

JUNE

- 3 66th Annual HFRAACA Meet, Sofia St, Fredericksburg.
- 20 HFRAACA meeting, Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal St, Fredericksburg.

OTHER

Other local car shows can be found in the AACA publication Antique Automobile, at www.capitalcruisin.com, at www.carclubcouncil.com, & on the HFR Facebook page.

NOTE: The 2023 Old Dominion Meet planning meeting will be Saturday noon, 14 January 2023 at the Great American Buffet of Fredericksburg, Virginia. 1780 Carl D. Silver Pkwy, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

The focus of the meeting is to discuss the 1 April 2023 Old Dominion Meet at the Virginia Credit Union Stadium, home of the Fredericksburg Nationals. 42 Jackie Robinson Way, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. We will also point out our host hotels the Hampton Inn, Fredericksburg Celebrate, 1080 Hospitality Lane Fredericksburg, Virginia, 22401 and the Homewood Suites, Fredericksburg, 1040 Hospitality Ln, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

From Wally: Terry and Wally provided cars to haul members of the Spotsylvania County Board of Supervisors for the 12/03/22 Spotsylvania Christmas Parade



From Wally: 10 December 2022, 6 members of the HFRAACA participated in the 16th annual Toys for Tots Toy Run organized by Jeannette Bignotti and the Stangs and Fangs Mustang Club. The Receipt from the Central Park Walmart indicated over \$8,000 was spent today. My guess was the value was over \$10,000 total. We estimated about 100 cars participated.

From Jeannette: I would like to thank everyone that came out Saturday for our Toys For Tots Cruise to the warehouse. It was amazing to see so many folks joining in this year. We were able to bring them a lot of toys and bikes. We did over \$8,000 in Toys. That couldn't happen without our car community all coming together. So thank you all again. I have a few videos and pictures to share with you all - enjoy them Merry Christmas!!



Host Hotel

Doubletree by Hilton

50 Kingsmill Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Must call the Hilton Call Center at
1-800-222-8733 and identify that you are with the
AACA Convention to get the group rate.
\$129/night + tax (single or double)
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Schedule of Events

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

1 pm – 5 pm Registration Open
1 pm – 5 pm Trade Show Set-up

Thursday, February 9, 2023

7:30 am – 5 pm Registration Open
7:30 am – 5 pm Trade Show Set-up
9:30 am – noon Mariners' Museum Tour
9 am – 11 am American Revolution
Museum Tour
1:30 pm – 4:45 pm Colonial Williamsburg
Tour
2 pm – 4 pm Sherwood Forest Plantation
7 pm – 9 pm Welcome Reception
(cash bar)

Friday, February 10, 2023

7:30 am – 4 pm Registration Open
8 am – 5 pm Trade Show
8 am – 5 pm Seminars
8:30 am – 11:30 am CPR Certification Course
12:15 am – 2:15 pm Luncheon
5:30 pm – 6 pm Reception (cash bar)
6 pm – 8:30 pm Region Dinner
8:30 pm Friday Evening Program

Saturday, February 11, 2023

7:30 am - Noon Registration Open
8 am – 10 am National Judging Schools
8 am – 1:30 pm Seminars
8 am – 2 pm Trade Show
2 pm – 3:30 pm General Membership
Meeting
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Reception (cash bar)
6:30 pm National Awards Banquet



February 9-11, 2023

Doubletree by Hilton
50 Kingsmill Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Annual Convention and
National Awards Banquet

AACA welcomes you to the 87th Annual Convention being held at the Doubletree by Hilton in Williamsburg, VA. Along with the activities listed below, there will be seminars and a trade show on Friday and Saturday. A seminar schedule and trade show vendor list will be made available once finalized.

Also, please plan on attending the general membership meeting on Saturday afternoon, where you can ask questions, make suggestions, and interact with your directors.

Activities

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Please arrive at your destination prior to the start of each tour

Mariners' Museum

9:30 am – noon

19.8 miles from hotel

Approximately 25-minute drive from hotel

Includes 2-hour guided tour, plus unlimited touring of all exhibits, includes boxed lunch.

The Mariners' Museum is one of the largest maritime museums in the world and includes 32,000 objects and artifacts, as well as 110,000 books and 800,000 photographs. The museum is currently preserving the rotating turret from the Monitor, the Union's Civil War ironclad.

American Revolution Museum at Yorktown

9 am – 11 am

10 miles from hotel

Approx. 16-minute drive from hotel

Includes 2-hour guided tour, plus unlimited touring of all exhibits.

This museum traces the history of the American Revolution from Lexington and Concord to the victory and surrender of the British Army in Yorktown in 1781.

Colonial Williamsburg

1:30 pm – 4:45 pm

4.2 miles from hotel

Approx. 11-minute drive from hotel

Approx. 21-minute drive from Yorktown

Approx. 30-minute drive from Mariners' Museum

Includes 1-hour guided tour.

Price includes admission to all buildings.

Colonial Williamsburg is a 300-acre historic area including several hundred restored or recreated buildings from the 18th century. Costumed interpreters depict American colonial life.

Sherwood Forest Plantation

2 pm – 4 pm

24.5 miles from hotel

Approx. 36-minute drive from hotel

Approx. 44-minute drive from Yorktown

Approx. 52-minute drive from Mariners' Museum

Includes guided tour of manor house and grounds and light refreshments.

Sherwood Forest was the home of U.S. President John Tyler with the manor house having been constructed in 1720. It is the longest frame house in America featuring a 68-foot ballroom. It is still occupied by the descendants of President Tyler.

Board of Directors

Welcome Reception

Harrison Ballroom ~ 7 pm – 9 pm

Open to all members

Assorted Pizzas & Salad Bar

Coffee, Iced Tea, Water, Cash Bar

Friday, February 10, 2023

American Heart Association CPR Course

8:30 am – 11:30 am

Three-hour course includes a two-year certification. You must pre-register and pay \$19 fee to participate.

There will also be a 1-hour "Friends & Family" CPR Information Class Friday at no cost, no certification and you do not have to pre-register.

Luncheon hosted by the First Lady

Harvest Grille

12:15 am – 2:15 pm

Open to all members

Hosted by AACA First Lady, Denise Tuck, the luncheon will feature special entertainment by CRAIG DANIEL, LIVE! Craig is from New Jersey and has been entertaining audiences for 20+ years with his unique mix of live vocal and DJ music, along with audience interaction through giveaways. After enjoying a delicious lunch while listening to music specifically chosen for our event, Craig will host a trivia session with questions related to the antique car hobby. Join us for food, fun, entertainment and visiting with our AACA family.

Evening Buffet hosted by our Regions and Chapters

Harrison Ballroom

6 pm – 8:15 pm

Open to all members

The buffet sponsored by our Regions and Chapters is open to all convention attendees. Learn about upcoming events and donations to the club will be accepted at this time. After dinner, we will have a very unique program for you. Details will be announced soon, but you will not want to miss it. Sadly, our very popular Pinewood Derby will not be held this year.

Saturday, February 11, 2023

National Awards Banquet

Presidents Ballroom

6:30 pm – 10 pm

The national awards gala reception and banquet will honor the 2022 National Award winners for their dedication and support of AACA and for the preservation of antique automobiles. Business attire is requested for the banquet. Although not required, vintage clothing or black tie are encouraged.

Two Birds with One Shot

By Neil, the Magneto's *Mystery Author and Contributor*

Article 20

While finishing my 5th book on the computer systems on the early Hyundais, the fates presented a twilight zone coincidence. A South African owner of an early Scoupe needed help on his windshield wiper motor. The wiper motor was not turning correctly. As it happens, I was working on the engineering of the computer board that, among other functions, controls the wiper motor's relay – Hyundai integrated the relay on the circuit board for several, but not all, wiper motor functions. In answering his questions, I inquired as to whether he had checked the applicable computer for the relay – he had not – and if he was having issues with the rear defroster – which he then checked and found to be inoperable also.

As we discussed his issues, the owner shared an interesting story about how his Scoupe is one of only five still running in the country, and how he was endeavoring to keep it preserved. The preservation was proving difficult because only 150 Scoupes (of his model year) had been brought into the country (originally). This story provided extra motivation to solve his issues – one restorer to another.

Subsequently, the owner found the applicable computer on the car, removed it, and took it to an electronics shop, where the shop found multiple blown devices on the circuit board. The shop repaired and replaced the devices, and removed, tested, and reinstalled the relay, declaring it good. The owner then re-installed the computer on the car, and the wiper motor still was not turning correctly. I happened to spot a scorched/burn mark on the side of his wiper motor relay and asked if the electronics shop had energized the relay to test and confirm the *switch* side. It appeared the shop did not test that circuit.

Meanwhile, we were making progress on the owner's rear defroster issue. Guess where *that* relay sits? On the same computer board. Knowing this, I asked him to check the rear defroster relay for any signs of scorching/burn marks. Indeed, it did! Guess which side *its* burn mark was on? The side *facing* – and *directly adjacent to* – the wiper motor relay. Moreover, the rear defroster relay's coil had punctured through its housing, scorching the wiper motor relay. Bingo. We found the single bullet that damaged both relays.

However, the wiper motor's malfunctioning was due to other failures – and, in a startling finding, its relay actually appeared to have survived. Astonishing ... because how many times have you seen a relay scorched/burned on the outside of its case – on a circuit known to be inoperable – and still be good? Here was one of those rare times.

And, how many times have you seen a relay with its insides *sticking out*, like a compound fracture? Here was one of *those* rare times, too.

Both ... on the same computer board.

Needless to say, the owner was thrilled! We were *finally there* – after a wacky, surprising journey ... and *pair* of destinations.





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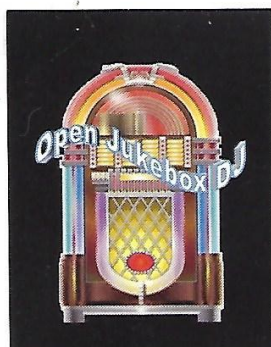
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