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## NEXT MEETING

The February (762<sup>nd</sup>) meeting of the New Jersey Region AACA will be held at our **new** location:

**American Legion Post #279,  
133 Main Street, Lincoln Park, NJ  
8:00 PM February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023**

**Annual Membership Dues are now overdue! If you have not already sent in your check, please do so as soon as possible. Any questions, contact Bill Pritchett 908-534-9069 or [njaaca@gmail.com](mailto:njaaca@gmail.com)**

## Officers

President: . . . . . Paul Wolfmeyer  
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Awards . . . . . Jerry Peck  
By Laws . . . . . Art Briggs  
Celebrations. . . . . Brenda Zimmerman  
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Equipment. . . . . Art Briggs  
Parliamentarian . . . . . Greg Roser  
Participation Points . . . . . Vince DeLisi  
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Spring Meet . . . . . Peter Cullen Jr.  
Sunshine . . . . . Sarah Pritchett  
Tour Fall Foliage . . . . . Peter Cullen Jr.  
Tour Fall Mystery . . . . . Bill Pritchett  
Welcoming . . . . . Denise Tuck

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## The Road Map

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## *A Message from the President*



I want to cover some items about our recent Board of Directors meeting which I found productive and energetic. But first, I ran out of room in my January column which was basically introducing myself. I didn't cover about my family. My wife of 55 years is Helen, she works part-time at our Mendham Township Library, and is deeply involved and committed to PEO, a philanthropic educational organization. We have three adult children, all married, two living in Mendham and one in Emmaus PA. We have four grandchildren, from age nine up through a senior in high school.

Our board meeting was Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> on Zoom. The board consists of the five officers and 3 most recent Presidents: Greg, Art, and Jerry. Also, in attendance were invited guests: Pete, Dick B, and Vince, because of the roles they play and/or have played.

We laid out a basic "tentative" calendar of events for the year including the Dairy Queen, Spring Meet, an alternative to the Spring Fling, Parades, possible summer tour, picnic, Hunterdon Hills, and nursing home visits among other things. We did this to get us "grounded" in what we already see for fun and camaraderie and variety in 2023.

The board wants to have opportunities that meet your desires. To do that, we also want to stimulate more volunteers so that, indeed, we make these things happen. We would like to utilize our Glidden developed day tours and our Glidden tour leaders, for example, in the year and are targeting our traditional Spring Fling weekend for a couple of them. Dick Bettel is pulling this together.

The board has interest in adding short programs (20 minutes) to our meetings. Combined with that would be changing our meeting start time to 7:30 so that people get home a bit earlier after the meeting. We'll explore this, I hope, at our February meeting.

And how about giving a meeting option to attend via Zoom, particularly for those who find it difficult to get out at night? Again, I'm interested in your input.

Your board also built a budget for 2023, which I'd like to share with you at the February meeting, as any board should do. We have a number of more administrative items underway, along with other ideas.

As I say, the board seemed energetic and enthusiastic, and, if the emails to me in the last two days are any indication, they are moving ahead with action. Hope to see you at the meeting at our new location.

Paul Wolfmeyer, #1345 201-404-6914



## **FROM THE Editor's Desk**



When I first accepted the position of editor of the Road Map, I wasn't sure that I could possibly fill the shoes of my predecessors, but I was sure going to try! However, with the encouragement of quite a few members (Jay, Vince, Greg and Art included), I decided to give it my best, and I am so glad I did. I am pleased to announce that the AACA Publications committee has awarded me the Master Editor Award for the NJAACA Road Map. This award is, in no small part, because of all the articles and pictures provided to me by the members of this club. We all share in this award. I could not have done it without you. I've said many times before that the quality of the Newsletter is dependent on the contributions from the membership. I'm not going to try to name them all, but you know who the consistent contributors have been. The one specific person that I do want to mention is Bill Pritchett, whose work behind the scenes as my Proof Reader probably went unnoticed by most folks except for me. I Do believe that Bill finds something in each issue that needed to be corrected.

If you enjoy looking at the article(s) on member's cars, send me something about yours. I don't care if the article is short. Abe has volunteered to take pictures, and I can also. We would like to see your car in the Road Map, and hear a little about its story. Send an article to me and let everyone know what you have been up to.

Dick Bettel, #1614 973-615-2831

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## **Reminder!**

### **New meeting location effective February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

The new NJ Region AACA meeting location is the American Legion Post #279, 133 Main Street (Rt 202), Lincoln Park, NJ. We will still meet on the first Thursday of the month at 8PM and the building is handicap accessible. We have a large meeting room and the facility is comparable to our old location





## A Message from the Vice President

My first act as your new Vice President is to thank the members of the AACA NJ Region for having the confidence in me in giving me the great honor to serve as your 2023 Vice President.

I would like to provide you with a short history of my activity in automobile clubs. I became a member of the AACA, the Cougar Club of America and the Cougar Club of NJ/PA at the end of 2015 after retiring from a 40-plus year career as an Environmental Engineer and Consultant. At the beginning of 2016 I became a member of the NJ Region AACA, and later that year, a member of the Antique Truck Club of America. In 2020 I joined the Galloping Hill Cruisers Car Club. I am still a member of all these clubs, and even though I personally do not own an antique vehicle or a show car, I participate in AACA Nationals, NJ Region events, and many local car shows and cruise-in with my wife Ann's 1988 Mercury Cougar (HPOF). One day I may own a Mercury show car of my own. In 2017, after being active in NJ Region events chaired by others, I started to chair Antique Automobile Enjoyment Events at assisted living/senior living facilities, tours of private car collections, and staging antique & classic car shows. Our participation at a number of these events garnered cash donations to the NJ Region. I have continued to chair these types of events through 2022 and will continue that in 2023 and beyond. More recently, I added Antique Automobile Enjoyment Events at independent adult communities and NJ Veterans Memorial Home as well as having the Region participate in a Labor Day parade in 2022.

When I became a NJ Region Member in 2016 there were a number of members chairing events; however, in the past several years the number of active Chairpersons has decreased for various reasons. Our member count has grown in the past seven years, giving the NJ Region a total of approximately 225 members plus spouses. NJ Region events include: the Spring Meet car show; an Ice Cream Social; a dozen or more car displays at various assisted living, independent adult, nursing facilities, and Veterans homes; Memorial Day and Labor Day parades; private collection tours; a Mystery Tour; a Summer picnic; a Holiday Party; two-to-five day tours including a Spring Fling, a Summer Tour, and a Fall Foliage Tour; and an Installation of Officers and Awards Banquet. There are many opportunities for members to step up and chair an event or two. Please reach out to me if you need any help or guidance on setting up an event.

To include an event on the NJ Region's Calendar of Events, the proposed date must be cleared by the Vice President to make sure that it does not coincide with a major Region or National AACA events within a 100-mile radius of the center of the NJ Region. Once a date is cleared, the Chairperson submits a Region Activity Report to the V.P. (See Sample Form.) and a write-up describing the event details to the Road Map Editor early enough so that the write-up appears in the Road Map issue a month prior to the date of the event, for example an event in July needs to be in the June and July issues of the Road Map. This is done to ensure sufficient participation by the members. Non-members are welcome to participate at most of our events, so please invite your friends.

***This is your club, and your participation is what it takes to make it successful.***

Abraham Platt, NJ Region #1524  
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## February CELEBRATIONS

By Brenda Zimmerman, #1238

### Birthdays

8 Chuck Toye	26 Jose DeFreitas
19 Diane Manganello	27 Charles Bates
21 Edward Symonds	27 Pat Hogan
25 Sven Mangulson	27 Brian Pritchett

### Anniversaries

14 King & Peggy Schaedel	62 Years
21 Ed & Debbie Symonds	41 Years
24 Duane & Trisha Copley	49 Years



Esther White #1465	January, 2022
Gene Napoliello #1017	April, 2022
Bob Benson #1426	April, 2022
Amy Leonard #941	August, 2022

### Anniversaries/Birthdays

With all the changes due to Covid and other interferences, I would like to update the records for all members who would like to have either their birthday and/or wedding anniversaries in the Road Map. I only need the date of the birthday, month and day. For the anniversary, please give me the date and year.

Thank you,

Bill Pritchett NJAACA #963 908-534-9069  
njaaca@gmail.com

# Sample Activity Report

## NJ Region Antique Automobile Club of America Region Activity Report

Date of event: 09/11/2022 Assembly time: 12:00 Start/Stop time: 1:00 -4:00

(Rain Date: 09/18/2022)

Chairperson: Abraham Platt Phone: 732-752-6341 Mobile: 732-433-5319 (Day of Event)

Name of Event: NJ Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park Map available? No

Street Address: 132 Evergreen Road City/State: Edison, NJ 08837

Event sponsor: NJ Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park Phone: 732-452-4258

Contact person(s): Christine Caratozzola, Supervisor of Recreation, Office (732-452-4258)

# of cars required: Open - We will be opening this event to several local cruise clubs and the local Cadillac-LaSalle Clubs, as well as the local military motor pool. They want to make this a large annual event.

Event type: Points X No Points    Parade    Tour    Judging    Other (explain)   

VETERANS APPRECIATION EVENT - Antique Automobile Enjoyment Event for the Veterans/Residents

*Events where attendance is restricted by quantity or types of vehicles are not point meets!*

Sponsor will supply: Donations    Food X Trophies    Plaques    Prizes X Security   

Explain: NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY - DJ MUSIC (DJ "Hot Rod"Mike) -They are hoping to bring back the activities for the children/grandchildren with pony rides and a petting zoo.

**This form must be submitted to the vice-president as soon as possible prior to the event. To be a point meet the information must be included in at least one, preferably two issues of the *Road Map*. No event is official until confirmed by the president or vice-president.**

**Be sure to have written confirmation from the sponsor.**

**Chairman should retain a copy of this form.**

**It is preferable that in parades we ride as a group near the front of the parade to avoid the stop and go creating overheating and clutch problems.**

***An article describing the event is essential in gaining participant interest. Record of attendance at an event must be forwarded to the Participation Points Chair. A copy of the attendance sheet with a description of the vehicles attending (make & year) along with a short article should be sent to the Road Map editors.***

**If the event has been budgeted by the Region a financial report should be submitted to the vice-president and Treasurer.**

**A final report on the event should be submitted to the vice-president on the success (or failure) of the event, whether it should be repeated, suggested changes, and the names of Region members who worked with you. This information will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.**

**The Region will not provide judges for any event other than the Region Spring Show Meet.**





# upcoming EVENTS



## NJ AACAA EVENTS

### February

- 2 New location NJ Region AACAA 762nd meeting American Legion Post #279, 133 Main Street (Rt 202), Lincoln Park, NJ.

### March

- 2 NJ Region AACAA 763rd meeting American Legion Post #279, 133 Main Street (Rt 202), Lincoln Park, NJ.

### April

- 6 NJ Region AACAA 764th meeting American Legion Post #279, 133 Main Street (Rt 202), Lincoln Park, NJ.
- 29 Ice Cream Social @ The Dairy Queen, 231 NJ Rte 31, Washington, NJ. Bill Pritchett and Marc Bernstein, co-chairs
- 30 Judging Seminar: 274 Hillside Ave., Flanders NJ. Bill Pritchett, Chair

### May

- 4 NJ Region AACAA 765th meeting American Legion Post #279, 133 Main Street (Rt 202), Lincoln Park, NJ
- 7 NJ Region AACAA Spring Car Show. Lakeview Elementary School 44 Cooper Rd. Denville NJ, Pete Cullen Chairman

19-21 Spring Fling or Alternative (TBD)

- 27 Hillsborough Memorial Day weekend Parade, 5 Wesley Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844. Bob Hudak, Chair
- 29 Readington Township Memorial Day Parade, Rte 523 and Rte 22. Richard Sheola, Chair
- 29 Madison Memorial Day Parade, Kings Rd (at RR Station East), Madison, NJ, Bob Smith, Chair

## NATIONAL AACAA EVENTS

### February

- 9-11 AACAA Annual Convention, Williamsburg, VA.

### April

- 13-15 Southeastern Spring Nationals: Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC AACAA Hornets Nest Region
- 30-May 3 Southeastern Divisional Tour, Oak Ridge, TN, E. Tennessee Region

### May

- 18-20 Eastern Spring Nationals, Gettysburg, PA, Gettysburg Region.

### June

- 25-28 Eastern Divisional Tour, Denver (Hershey), PA, Sponsor: AACAA Library

### July

- 16-22 Founders Tour, Ontario & Quebec, Ontario Region

### July

- 26-29 Special Eastern Summer Nationals, Norwich, NY, Rolling Antiquers Region/ Old Car Club Norwich Region

### August

- 2-5 2023 AACAA Vintage Tour, Aroostook County, Maine, AACAA Maine Region
- 10-12 Grand Nationals, Bettendorf, Iowa, Mississippi Valley Region

### October

- 3-6 Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA, Flea Market set-up is Monday; Show date is Friday.

### Our Mailing Address

**NJ Region AACAA**  
**P.O. Box 890**  
**Morris Plains, NJ 07950**





# upcoming EVENTS



## OTHER AACAA EVENTS

### March

- 5 Hamburg Swap Meet 2023 For more details and registration, contact: Lester Manwiller 610-823-4656 (See Flyer in this Newsletter)
- 11 48th Collector Car Swap Meet, West Friendship, MD. Chesapeake Region
- 11 25th Annual Automobile Swap Meet, Suffolk, VA, Tidewater Region
- 18 Indian River Region AACAA 44th Annual Antique Auto Show. Riverside Park, Vero Beach, FL For additional information, contact Bill Maule at (772) 584-1842 / <http://indianriver.aaca.com>
- 18 Annual Celebration of Cars, Melbourne, FL - Cape Canaveral Region, contact Walt Kostrzewa (321)543-1207
- 23 16th Annual Spring Dust-Off Car Show & Swap Meet. Commons Café, 2 Teleport Drive, off of South Avenue, Staten Island, NY. Staten Island Region (SIRAACA)
- 24-25 54th Parts and Swap Meet, Westminster, MD Sugarloaf Mtn Region, contact Jack Gallagher @ (301) 674-5431
- 26 33rd Annual Car Show, Venice FL - Venice Region, contact Jack McKean @ (919) 413-5678. or [VeniceAACAA.com](http://VeniceAACAA.com)

## AREA EVENTS

### January

- 28 - Feb 5 Philadelphia Auto Show The Pennsylvania Convention Center 1101 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

### April

- 7 - 16 New York International Auto Show 2023, Javits Center, 429 11th Ave, New York, NY  
<https://rove.me/to/new-york/new-york-international-auto-show>
- 8 Autotopia USA x Elite Tuner indoor Show NJ, 97 Sunfield Ave, Edison, NJ 08837-3842
- 15 Hot Rods for Heroes II Car Truck and Motorcycle Show 308 NJ-72, Barnegat, NJ
- 29 (9:00 AM) Roebling Museum Car Show 2023, Please join us on April 29, 2023 for a fun day of food, ice cream, music, and CARS! General museum admission is included with \$5 car show ticket. (See Flyer in this Newsletter)  
<https://www.roeblingmuseum.org/events>

### May

- 6 Everything Plainfield Auto Show, Hosted by Mark Mannuzza (908) 494-7644. Plainfield High School Parking Lot, 590 Park Ave., Plainfield, NJ 07063
- 7 Boonton Car, Truck & Bike Show. Main Street, Boonton, NJ. 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
- 13 Hot Rods and Harleys. Downtown Rahway, NJ
- 20 Sentimental Cruisers Car & Truck Show, Lacey High School, 73 Haines St., Lanoka Harbor , NJ Pre-reg: \$15/DOS \$20 (Rain Date: May 21).



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# NJ REGION AACA

## Minutes January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, #761



### 2023 NJ Region Awards Banquet

The annual Region Officer Installation & Awards Banquet was held on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at The Chandelier of Flanders Valley in Flanders, NJ. Festivities opened at approximately 12:37 P.M. with an abbreviated meeting (the Region's 761<sup>st</sup>), officiated by outgoing President Gregory Roser, who welcomed and led members and guests in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Greg asked all past Region presidents to stand and be recognized. Veterans were asked to stand and be recognized and thanked for their service to our country.

Region member Bill Pritchett, who served as the Membership Secretary since 2005, had resigned from his post in 2022 due to wife Bette's failing health. Unfortunately, Bette was moved to an assisted living facility a few days ago. Bill has expressed interest in once again stepping up to be the Membership Secretary; an election was held to reinstate him. All members in attendance approved, with none opposed, and Bill was elected Membership Secretary for 2023.

Greg. Roser then introduced the 2023 slate of officers:

**President: Mr. Paul Wolfmeyer**

**Vice President: Mr. Abraham Platt**

**Secretary: Mrs. Sarah Pritchett**

**Treasurer: Mr. Timothy Schimmel**

**Membership Secretary: Mr. William (Bill) Pritchett**

Region Member Raymond Fischer officiated the swearing in of the 2023 officers. Former President Greg Roser passed the gavel to new President Paul Wolfmeyer. Paul introduced the spouses of each officer and thanked them for being supportive of the officers:

Helen Wolfmeyer, wife of President Paul Wolfmeyer

Anne Platt, wife of Vice President Abe Platt

Brian Pritchett, husband of Secretary Sarah Pritchett

President Wolfmeyer announced the Board of Directors meeting will be held on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. The BoD consists of current officers plus the past three presidents Gregory Roser, Art Briggs, and Jerry Peck. He thanked all of the volunteers who helped make 2022 a success for the NJ Region.

A moment of silence in remembrance of the Region members we lost during 2022 was held; included was Ron Peles, who passed away on January 4, 2023. A comprehensive list is printed at the end of this report.

Mr. Wolfmeyer reminded membership of our new meeting location at the American Legion in Lincoln Park; official address is printed on page 3.

Special thanks were given to:

- new Banquet Chair Betty Allen, for all her hard work and dedication to this event. She handed out

wrapped gifts to everyone in attendance (one per couple)- photo frames that she and member June Roser purchased, painted, and wrapped. To Greg Roser's surprise, the frames held a photo of Fanwood's Famous Christmas House. Each guest will have a photo of their table from the banquet to put in the frame if they so choose.

- Awards Chair Jerry Peck for his hard work and dedication in compiling the commemorative plates, awards, and trophies.
- Vince DeLisi, Jerry Peck, and all of the members who volunteered for their hard work and dedication to the successful 2022 Glidden Tour.

Vince provided members and guests with a slideshow of photos from this year's Glidden Tour, courtesy of a few members who stepped up to take photos: Dan Ungar, Yvonne Kunz, Rich Reina, and Bobbi Bettie.

Paul welcomed these guests in attendance at the banquet:

Paul Cusano and sister Donna Cusano

Larry & Miliss Malloy

Thomas & Patricia Fehley

Member Dave Cavagnero's daughter and her husband

Paul announced that the Herb Singe National Award will be unveiled at the National Meeting in Williamsburg, VA; it will begin being awarded next year. He also reminded members that dues are currently due, and to see Bill Pritchett, Membership Secretary.

Region awards were presented by Awards Chairman Jerry Peck and President Paul Wolfmeyer. A comprehensive list of award winners will be printed following this report.

Paul's closing comments:

Thanks to all who chaired events, worked on the spring show, tours, assisted living facilities, served on or chaired committees, worked to make the Glidden Tour a success, to our Road Map editors and Website Manager, and to the officers for the past year. Appreciation and thanks also go to all who assisted and participated. The success of the NJ Region is because of you- the members of the NJ Region!

A motion was made to dispense with the regular business: Minutes from December 2022 meeting, Activities, Sunshine Report, Tour Master, Treasurer's Report, Membership Report, Editor's Report, and other club business. The motion was seconded; all members accepted with none opposed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 P.M.

Outgoing President Gregory Roser delivered the Invocation; dinner, drinks, dessert, and a good time was had by all.



# Awards Banquet



## 2022 INSTALLATION BANQUET AWARD RECIPIENTS

We had two disappointing years of minimal club activity during 2020 and 2021, due to COVID. Fortunately, 2022 was the year in which we were able to turn the page. We had a much larger number of activities and, as its result, far more award recipients.

At the Installation Banquet on January 6, 2023, we had the great privilege of presenting many individual awards to our highly motivated committee and activity chairs. We're delighted to announce all of our 2022 award recipients whose names are listed in their respective award category:

### ENGRAVED SILVER PLATES:

Most Honored	2022	Vince DeLisi
Most Participation Points	2021	Abe Platt
Editor's Trophy	2021	Rich Reina
Participation Trophy	2021	Abe Platt

### ENGRAVED SILVER PLATES FROM 2022 SPRING MEET

Best New Restoration	2022	Dom Speronza
Membership's Trophy I	2022	Paul Wolfmeyer
Membership's Trophy II	2022	Barry Rosenberg
Membership's Trophy III	2022	Bernard Davis

### TROPHIES:

Participation Trophy	2022	Abe Platt
New Membership Trophy	2022	John Pieczynski
Editor's Trophy	2022	Jay DeBoey

### AWARDEES FOR MOST ACTIVITIES CHAIRED DURING 2022:

12 activities chaired	Abe Platt
4 activities chaired	Bill Pritchett and Pete Cullen
3 activities chaired	Art Briggs

## TOP TWELVE MEMBERS EARNING THE MOST POINTS IN 2022:

1 <sup>st</sup> place	Abe Platt	2855 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Dick Bettie	2000 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Greg Roser	1750 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Brian Pritchett	1705 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Bill Pritchett	1355 points
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Craig Kunz	1155 points
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Pete Cullen	1120 points
8 <sup>th</sup> place	Vince DeLisi	910 points
9 <sup>th</sup> place	Rich Reina	855 points
10 <sup>th</sup> place	Sarah Pritchett	790 points
11 <sup>th</sup> place	Bob Smith	780 points
12 <sup>th</sup> place	Bob Kelly	780 points

### APPRECIATION CERTIFICATES:

**For two activities chaired:** Bob Smith, Brian Pritchett. Brenda Zimmerman, Sarah Pritchett

**For one activity chaired:** Bob Hedderick, Dick Bettie, Carole Durna, Matt Verzi, Ed Geller, Paul Wolfmeyer, Bob Kelly, Jay DeBoey, Vince DeLisi, John Pieczynski, John Quattrocchi, Anthony Cecala, Leif Mangulson, Betty Allen, Rich Sheola, Vicki Mangulson, Denise Tuck, Bob Hudak, Larry Solomayer

### Glidden Tour Awards:

Banners were awarded to the **Glidden Tour leaders:**

Craig Kunz  
Jan Eyerman  
Larry Solomayer  
Pete Cullen

Dan Ungar as chair of the photography committee

"Glidden NJ quarter mementos" were also given out to:

### Photographers:

Bobbi Bettie, Yvonne Kunz, & Rich Reina.

### And Volunteers:

Bob Hudak, Paul Wolfmeyer, Art Briggs, Tim Schimmel





**Bob Smith & Paul Wolfmeyer**

**Photos by Abe Platt and Rich Reina**



**June & Greg Roser**



**Brian & Sarah Pritchett**



**Ann & Abe Platt**



**Helen & Paul Wolfmeyer**



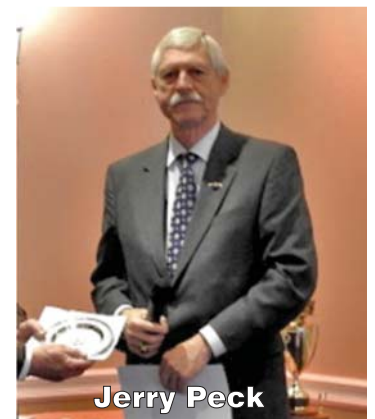
**Betty Allen**



**Tim Schimmel**



**Bill Pritchett**



**Jerry Peck**





MID-JERSEY REGION AACA PRESENTS

# CRUISE NIGHT

AT TK'S ICE CREAM

331 ROUTE 539 | CREAM RIDGE, NJ

*All Makes, Models & Years Welcome*

**2023 DATES**

May 19  
June 16  
July 21  
August 18  
September 15

starting @ 4:30pm

DAY-OF CONTACTS  
**Bob** 609-206-7939 **Jimmy** 609-351-1527

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## PRE-WAR AT HISTORIC WALNFORD

JUNE 24, 2023

Join AACA Mid-Jersey Region and display your Pre-War\* Vehicle at Historic Walnford.

62 Walnford Road, Upper Freehold, NJ 08501

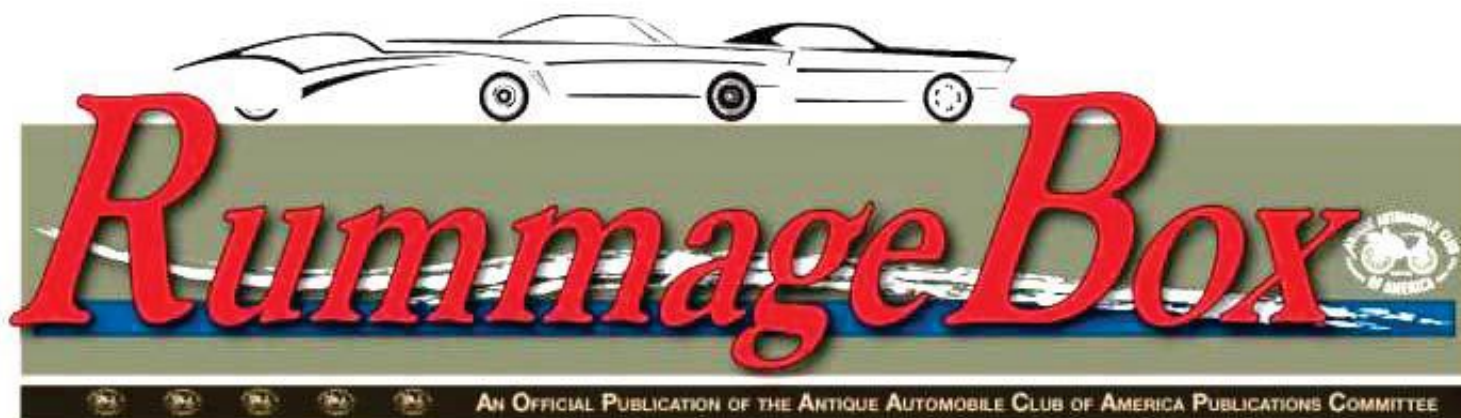
Historic Walnford is just off Rt. 539 between Allentown and the Cream Ridge Golf Course. Follow the signs to Walnford (turn off 539 onto Holmes Road and then turn right on Walnford Road).

**NO ENTRY FEE  
NO JUDGING  
GRASS & SHADE FOR PARKING  
SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2023  
10 AM TO 2 PM**

No food concessions on property, so bring your own picnic lunch. Display your stock or modified pre-war\* vehicle set against the backdrop of Historic Walnford's buildings and pleasantly shady landscape. Bring a picnic, tour the buildings and relax visiting the past.

\*We're flexible on the Pre-War cutoff, so 1946 - 1948 carryover body styles are welcome. For additional info, email MidJerseyRegionAACA@gmail.com





## The Controversial Topic of Collector Car Categorization

By Jeff Broadus, V P - Marketing

As in the past, the subject of collector car categorization always leads to some strong opinions by enthusiasts everywhere. To be clear, these categories were created, supported, and promoted by car clubs. Today these categorizations stand as industry accepted categories defining a niche and serving the collector car community.

Below are six categories that make up the core categorizations representing a large percentage of multi-marque collector cars within our hobby.

**Antique** - Generic term used for all autos built before 1925. Horseless Carriage: A term used to describe very early autos built at, or before the turn of the century, characterized by very slender, tall wheels and carriage-like appearance. Brass Era: Autos built 1914 and earlier, so-called for the abundant use of brass in the production process (radiator, headlights, horn, sidelights, etc.). Nickel Era: This bridges the gap between the use of brass and chrome on autos during the period from 1915 to 1928.

**Classic** - The term "classic" is the most overused term in the car hobby. Officially, it is a label used by the CCCA (Classic Car Club of America) to identify "fine or unusual foreign or domestic motorcars built between and including the years 1925 and 1948, distinguished for their respective fine design, high engineering standards and superior work-manship.

**Hot Rod** - Originally this term was used to describe the practice of taking an old, cheap car, removing weight (usually by removing roof, hood, bumpers, windscreen and fenders), lower it, change or tune the engine to give more power, add fat wheels for traction and paint it to make it stand out

**Street Rod** - In the 1970s hot rodders tried to clean up their reputation and thus started to use the term 'street rod' instead of "Roadster" or "Hotrod". An ingeniously simple idea re-born.

**Sports Cars** - or sportscar, is a small, usually two-seater, two-door automobile designed for spirited performance and nimble handling. The term "sports car" was used in The Times, London in 1919. According to USA's Merriam- Webster dictionary, USA's first known use of the term was in 1928. Sports cars started to become popular during the 1920s. In the postwar era, a "sports car" is most any car that seats two, can have a hard or soft top, and could be used for competition.

**Production Car/25 Years or Older** - This is a term used by the AACA to cover cars 25 years old or older that don't necessarily fall into categories such as Antique, Classic or Hot Rod and primarily deals with postwar collector cars.

**Muscle Car:** These are mid-sized cars built from 1964 to 1973 and characterized by large displacement, high horse-power engines. They came factory direct to dealers with the largest engines available from the manufacturer.

**Pony Car:** A term originally used to describe the Ford Mustang, but later used to describe all cars built that would compete with the Mustang such as AMX, Barracu-da, Camaro, Firebird, etc.).

**Special Interest:** A "catch-all" category for a car of any age that has collectible attributes but is not covered by any of the preceding categories. This would include late model cars with enthusiast appeal (Buick Reatta, Cadillac Allante, and Dodge Viper), or extremely low-mileage or well-cared-for cars that normally wouldn't be collected.

Well, there you have it. If your car doesn't fit in any of the above-mentioned classifications, the only option left to consider;

**Used Car** - A car that is basically used as reliable transportation.





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Utes to Bridges Scenic Highway Crawford, Nebraska

## 1919 Chevrolet "490"



Simple Controls

The Chevrolet "490" was manufactured from 1916 to 1922. It was a direct competitor to the Ford "Model T". The name came from the sale price: \$490.00 or about \$650.00 with electric headlamps and a Delco starter, which was less than a "T". Henry Ford is said to have



21.7 HorsePower

directed his dealerships to destroy every "490" taken in trade so they would be permanently removed from use.

The "490" was built as a Roadster and a Touring Car with removable side curtains. It is powered by a three-speed transmission and a four-cylinder valve-in-head engine. The engine was rated at about 21.7 Horsepower, comparable to the "T" at 22 Horsepower. Changes and improvements were made each year of production and a closed model was introduced.



At Chadron, NE Car Show 2021

We purchased our "490" in 2018 from the estate of S. Clark Hendershot of Sussex County, NJ. Mr. Hendershot owned the Chevrolet dealership in Newton, NJ. The "490" may have been taken in as a trade and was in the family for many years. It was used in local parades and probably in the dealership showroom.

Mr. Hendershot used his staff and enlisted the help of The Hullco Garage in Layton, NJ to restore the "490" to its present condition in the 1990's. Hullco helped us "freshen it up", after we purchased it.





Chadron, Nebraska  
Car Show

In 2019 it was entered in the AACA Hershey Fall Meet to qualify for and receive a “Century Badge”. It has participated in several Chevrolet four-cylinder tours for vehicles produced between 1911 to 1928, and meets sponsored by the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America.



Resting at Home

In 2018 we transported it to Chadron, Nebraska for a show and tour to Fort Robinson. In 2019 we visited McCall, Idaho and toured the surrounding mountains and historic sites. In 2021 we visited the headwaters of the Mississippi River around Park Rapids, Minnesota. Our “490” is not the easiest vehicle to drive in our collection, but it is always appreciated by the public and attracts attention wherever we go. Unfortunately, because it is a somewhat rare Chevrolet, it is often mistaken for a Ford “T”



Fort Robinson Officers Row



Resting at Home

Nick & Barbara Matlaga NJAACA #1485  
Mount Bethel, Pennsylvania



Time to Get Out  
and Get Under?





# Suspension Parts Springs and Shocks

## Part 2: Shock Absorbers

In a vehicle suspension, springs and shock absorbers must work hand-in-hand. Will your car be able to take you from Point A to Point B without shocks? (We will use the more common “shocks” when referring to shock absorbers). The answer is an absolute ‘yes’. Will your ride be comfortable? The answer to this question is a firm ‘no’.

As we discussed last time in Springs and Shocks, Part 1, springs play an important role in rider comfort by allowing the car's wheels and tires to move up and down when encountering road imperfections. The springs absorb much of those motions and help isolate those movements from the passenger compartment. You've heard the statement “a body in motion tends to stay in motion”, and that is true for springs. Springs, made of metal, will continue to move up and down until their stored energy is depleted. This is fine for the kiddies on the ride 'em broncos at the amusement park, but it's not much fun when traveling in your car. Shocks were introduced as a suspension element to dampen and retard the tendency of springs to keep oscillating. Together, springs and shocks provide a compliant ride which can also be fine-tuned for luxury or sportiness.

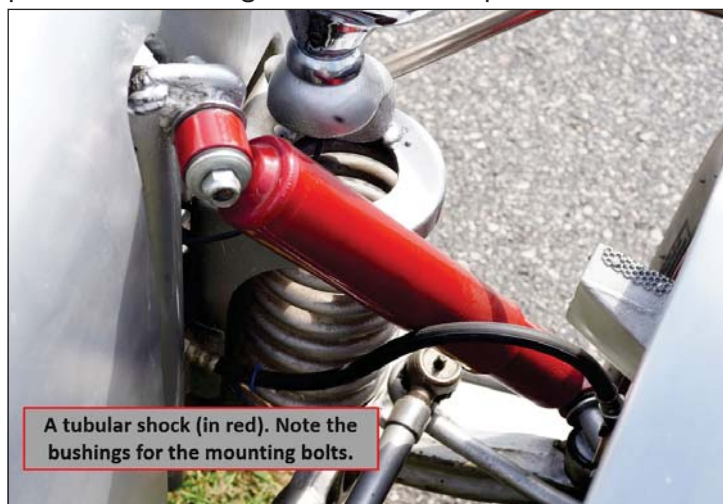


A lever-arm shock on a pre-war car.  
Note the friction adjustment scale.

The first shocks on motor cars were of the lever-arm type, and deployed friction discs as a way to control spring movement, converting that movement into heat.

Friction discs, however, were simplistic. Later versions of lever-arm shocks substituted hydraulic fluid for the friction discs. Lever-arm shocks continued to be installed by car makers through the first half of the 20th century. (A look at a Moss Motors catalog shows that MGBs used lever-arm shocks through the end of the model run in 1980, likely one of the last cars to do so.)

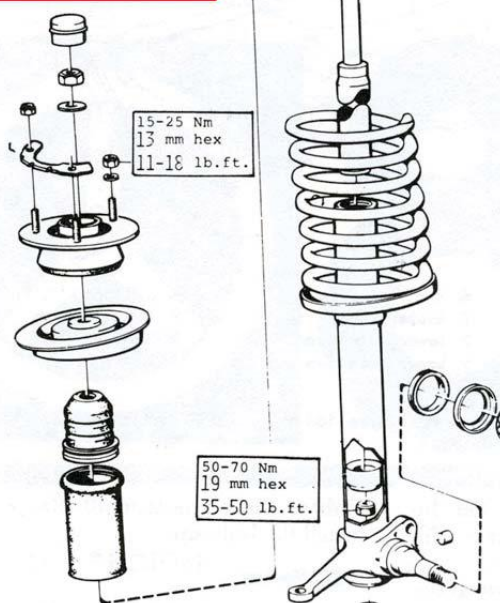
Lever shocks were superseded by tubular shocks. Tubular shocks also used hydraulic oil, and chambers within the shock allowed controlled flow of the oil, meaning that engineers could adjust the amount of shock damping. More advanced shocks introduced pressurized gas in conjunction with hydraulic fluid. The tube shocks gave chassis engineers more flexibility in suspension design. The shocks in some cases became locating elements for A-arms and axles. These shocks were easy to install and replace, using some combination of either a threaded rod with a nut and/or a pressed-in bushing which could accept a bolt.



A tubular shock (in red). Note the bushings for the mounting bolts.

One of the biggest advancements in shock design is the MacPherson strut, named after the engineer who invented it, Earle MacPherson. The fascinating backstory is this: Earle MacPherson worked as an engineer for Chevrolet. In 1945, he was tasked with developing an entirely new small car which was to be called the Cadet. His proposed suspension design utilized a combination spring/shock, consisting of a lower portion forming a sturdy hub mount, a shock installed within this vertical tube, and a coil spring sandwiched between lower and upper spring seats. Although tall, the design was relatively compact. However, Chevrolet cancelled the Cadet project. Unhappy, MacPherson quit GM and went to work for Ford. The first production car to use MacPherson struts was a British Ford, the 1950 Consul. (American cars would not adapt MacPherson struts until the 1980s.) Today, the vast majority of passenger cars use MacPherson struts, especially in the front. The design particularly lends itself to front-wheel-drive and unibody construction.

**A line illustration of a MacPherson strut assembly.**



How do you know when your springs or shocks are worn out? As mentioned last month, my experience is

that short of severe sagging or cracking, springs rarely go bad. Of course, if you're restoring a 75-year-old hulk with the intention of winning a First Senior at Hershey, I'd suggest new springs! The suspension element more likely to wear out are the shocks. One challenge is that if you've been driving the same car for 5 years and 50,000 miles, the shock wear is so gradual that you don't sense the slow degradation which occurs over time. The old "push down on the bumper and count how many times the car moves up and down" still can be used. (Anything more than once or twice up-and-down means the shocks are suspect.) If the vehicle rides poorly, or there is poor riding comfort, or there are noises from the suspension, or the handling has deteriorated (first ruling out other obvious causes like tires), then it may be the shocks. The auto repair industry would have you believe that shocks should be replaced every 50,000 miles. From my experience, most new car shocks should last twice that. Again, on a full restoration, while you have everything apart, a best practice would be to mount all new shocks of the original style as used by the manufacturer.

*Next month in The Ramblings:*  
**Replacing Shocks & Struts**

## New Members

**1692: Ed Pellow**, 53 Myrtle Ave., Madison, NJ 07940 (973-727-8970)

[XLH70@optonline.net](mailto:XLH70@optonline.net)

Ed Pellow was gifted a NJ Region membership by Rick Wagstaff who gave the following information for his cars. 1966 GTO~Purchased In High School as Daily Driver, then Restored.

1966 Tempest 2dr- Sleeper, clean & unrestored, upgraded in 2021 to 389 Tri Power, 4 spd with 390 Posi. Ed did all the work.

1966 Chevy C10 Pick up-Recent Purchase, Stock with patina.

**1693: Mickey (Susan) Easse**, 7 New St., Cranford, NJ 07016 (908-272-4657)

[eassesl@aol.com](mailto:eassesl@aol.com) Abe Platt brought us the Easses who have the following cars:

1975 Pontiac Catalina.  
 1988 Cadillac Sedan Deville.  
 1998 Oldsmobile 88

## TEN COMMANDMENTS for Antique Car Clubs

**by Hazel Johnston,  
 Vice President, PUNXSUTAWNEY  
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1. Thou shalt attend meetings as able to do so.
2. Thou shalt be punctual to do business with dignity and respect plus a pinch of humor.
3. Thou shalt be patient with those who differ with each other.
4. Thou shalt be pleasant. A member with a smile can keep all forces working together!
5. Thou shalt be prepared. Plan for emergencies. Ask for help.
6. Thou shalt be practical and in accordance with laws, facts, and plenty of common sense.
7. Thou shalt have pep and enthusiasm. Try to radiate sunshine with your voice.
8. Thou shalt be progressive. Keep up with modern times, but remember progress rests on the solid rock of truth and facts of the past.
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10. Thou shalt be patriotic. Our club represents a part of American history.



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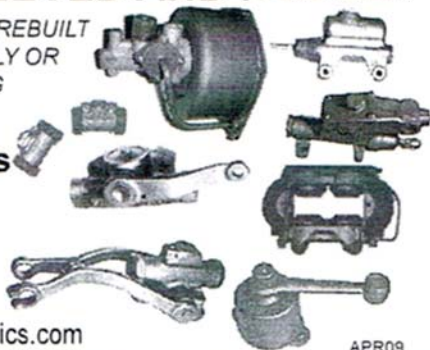
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