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President's Message

By Jon Stevens



Hi Everyone!

Well, it's been a while since you have received a newsletter so, with this one, I'm going to attempt to catch you up on the events that have occurred. On July 18th, We had our annual Mini-Tour up to Cushing, Texas and lunch at the 7th St. Restaurant. We had a very good turnout for the Mini-Tour in spite of the chance of rain forecast. Attending were: Buddy Parrott and guest, Robert and Sue Stanaland, Dottie and Willie Partin, Joan and Rick Hillin, Elizabeth and Corbitt Baker, Sherry and Jon Stevens, Connie and Wendall Spreadbury, Merry and Ken Thompson and Robbie Thompson, Brenda and Danny Williams, Hugh and Euna Murray, Larry and Ann Hargis, Gary Wallace, Buck Faussett, Pat David, Ken Leach, Dennis Wanken, Karen and Steve Jennings. As usual, the food was very good and the 7th Street folks took good care of us! Also, I heard that almost everyone made it home before the rainstorms came!

On August 15th we had a "bring a dish" dinner at the New Hope Church in Nacogdoches. This was our first meeting at the church since it had been renovated due to a recent fire and the new church building looked fantastic. Martha Wanken had made arrangements for us to have Greg Sowell from the Nacogdoches Police department talk to us about the latest scams that were out there and how to avoid them! Attending were: Euna and Hugh Murray, Hanna Yates, Kaylob Ferguson, Paul and Barbara McLain, Bobby Traieski and Cassie Peekard, Mary Lou and Dave Barringer, Greg and Pam Sowell, Pat David, Cecil Sparks, Dorothy and Byron Porterfield, Charlsie and Joe Ellis, Teresa and Rod Reed, Marsha and Ken Leach, Martha and Dennis Wanken, Connie and Wendall Spreadbury, Sherry and Jon Stevens, Buddy Parrott, Gary Wallace, Elizabeth and Corbitt Baker, Frances and Bill Ferguson, Frances and Lawson Lunsford, Sue and Robert Stanaland, Dottie and Willie Partin, Sherry and Jerome Hale, Danny and Brenda Hale. As

always, the food and deserts were wonderful. Lt. Greg Sowell left us the following advice regarding scams in general- Not very many things in life are free and, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!



Martha Wanken & Lt. Greg Sowell at New Hope Church "bring a dish" dinner August 15th

On September 19th we had a "bring a dish" dinner at the New Hope Church in Nacogdoches. Corbitt Baker had made arrangements for Dr. F.E. Abernethy to speak and play his guitar for us. Although our attendance for this event was small, every one seemed to enjoy themselves. Attending were: Cecil Sparks and guest, Mike and Billie Tollett, Gary Wallace, Frances and Lawson Lunsford, Jim Thrall and Carol Shaw, Charlsie and Joe Ellis, Robert Stanaland, Connie and Wendall Spreadbury, Martha and Dennis Wanken, Corbitt Baker, Sherry and Jon Stevens.

Our latest club event occurred on September 26th and was a visit to the John O'Quinn car collection in Houston. This tour took me a long time to arrange and, while I knew it would be pretty special, I had no idea of how special it really was! You know you are in for a treat when you walk in the door and there are 10 rare, absolutely perfect Duesenbergs staring at you! This large collection of cars (almost 1000 in total) included incredible examples of automotive art



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Club members that attended the O'Quinn Car Collection on September 26th in Houston

and history that words cannot describe. I heard several members say that they could not do justice telling anyone what we had seen during this tour. The fine folks that take care of the collection and our tour guide could not have been any more gracious to us. We were not allowed to take our own pictures of the collection, but our tour guides took many pictures for us while we viewed the cars. Attending the tour were: Danny Williams and guest, Merry and Ken Thompson, Pat David, Mary Lou and Dave Barringer, Elizabeth and Corbitt Baker, Gary Wallace, Wendall Spreadbury, Sherry and Larry Lindsey, Stan Lindsey, Sherry and Jon Stevens. My only regret was that our entire club membership didn't get experience this tour. It's only my opinion, but I think this was the most unique car collection in the world.

Our next Club event is our annual "Show and Shine" car show on October 17th, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Market Place II (Beall's) parking lot in Nacogdoches. So let's get those old cars dusted off and shined up for the show. Even if you don't have an old car to bring, come join us for lunch anyway—we may need you to help push! Let's have a great turnout. See you there!

— Jon

Our annual dues for the National AACA club (\$35) and the local DETR club (\$20) will be due soon. You can pay both dues with one check for \$55 that is made out to DETR-AACA and mailed to Bill Ferguson at 3603 Raguet Nacogdoches, TX 75965

Minutes for the Director's Meeting on August 31st

Attending the meeting were Mike Tollett, Jon Stevens, Corbitt Baker, Gary Wallace, Bill Ferguson, Wendell Spreadbury, Robert Grogan, Cecil Sparks, Dennis & Martha Wankan.

President Jon Stevens brought the meeting to order. The Treasure Report was given.

Old Business: The board discussed the calendar for the remainder of the year. On Sept. 19 is the "Bring a dish" at New Hope Church. On Oct. 17 will be the Show and Shine Car Show at the Market II parking lot in Nacogdoches, TX from 10:00 am to 1 pm. On Oct. 31 is the Sassafras Festival at San Augustine, TX. On Nov. 14 is the Syrup Festival in Henderson, TX. On Dec. 12 will be the Christmas Party at Ralph & Kacoo's Restaurant at Lufkin, TX.

New Business: There was a discussion on the newsletter, who, where, when. It was announced that Stan & Linda Lindsey will give the grand prize again next year at the Blueberry Car Show. The fee of the car show for next year was discussed. It was announced that after the Show and Shine on the 17th of October, we are invited to drive our cars in the Garrison Homecoming Parade at 3 pm. We will have a place roped off for our cars after the parade. It was announced that the reservations for the Fillin Station at the Henderson Syrup Festival was confirmed for our club for 11 am. The Veteran's parade will be on November 7th in Nacogdoches, TX. The meeting was then adjourned.

- Respectfully submitted by Martha Wankan

October Birthdays

- 1st Rick Hillin
- 2nd Mark Randel & Ken Thompson
- 3rd Michael W Tollett
- 4th John Sitton
- 7th George Jordan & Earline Shipley
- 9th Merry Thompson
- 10th James Standley
- 14th Billie Tollett
- 19th Virginia Jordan & Michelle Rusk
- 28th David Barringer
- 29th Cleta Sitton
- 31th Karla Randel & Giles Rusk



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2009 Calendar of Events

October 17 th	10:00am to 1:00pm Annual "Show and Shine" car show at the Market Place II (Beall's) parking lot in Nacogdoches
October 31 st	9:00am to 2:00pm Sassafras Festival - San Augustine
November 14 th	Heritage Syrup Festival -Henderson, Texas
December 12 th	6:00pm Club Annual Christmas Dinner - Ralph & CaCoo's, Lufkin, Texas



1932 Duesenberg engine at the O'Quinn Collection



1948 Tucker engine at the O'Quinn Collection





Club members with a very famous "Batmobile" at the O'Quinn Collection



"DREAM ON" Wendall!



Up close and personal with the cars at the O'Quinn Collection



Dr. Francise Abernathy presented a musical program to the East Texas Antique Car Club at the September meeting. He is pictured here in the middle with Program Chair Corbitt Baker, left, and President Jon Stevens, right. The next meeting is the "Show and Shine" meeting on October 17th. For more information, call 409-584-2044.



Another up close and personal picture at the O'Quinn Collection

