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THE PICNIC AT SALLY'S AND KEN'S



Once again, the Summer Picnic was held in Choptank, at Sally's & Ken's. Attendance was 25, with eight collector cars on display. Fortunately, there was plenty of room inside, so that we could avoid the extreme heat outside. Robin Lewis's Personal Touch Catering again provided the lunch, and everybody went away well fed. Bob and Kathy Taylor, Ken's friends from the Antique Truck Club of America, were visiting from New Jersey.

A highlight of the short meeting was voting Craig & Nan Duerling's daughter, Sabrina, into membership in the club, with a complimentary membership. She had such a good time on the Dust 'em Off tour, that she wanted to join. A native Baltimorean, Sabrina has lived in England for the past 20 years. She holds a master's degree in Technology Management and works full-time from home as a Senior Knowledge Specialist for a global corporation. Before moving back to live with Craig and Nan, Sabrina sold her 1991 Nissan Figaro. She enjoys cars, having learned much about them from her late father (Nan's brother). She looks forward to the opportunities she may have to participate with the car club on weekends and evenings.







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VISITING DANNY'S GARAGE Text and photos by Carol Grant

After the picnic, Carol and Neil Grant enjoyed an unexpected tour of Danny's garage. Having seen the infamous service station in Danny's PBS documentary, Neil and Carol were given the grand tour in style, while the jukebox played, starting with *Lucille*, by Little Richard, which was chosen by Carol for her mom. While many members from Bay Country Region have seen Danny's endeavors, this was an impressive first visit to the garage and museum styled service station, with all its authentic full oil cans, as well as other eraappropriate service station embellishments. While Neil and Danny enjoyed the pleasures of discussing all the nuances of Danny's cars, Charlotte and Carol enjoyed a few laughs on the side! No further comments needed there! The vintage signs, gas pumps, Coke machines, and more, were impressive partners surrounding the many displayed national awards and numerous trophies. While everything was staged beautifully,

Neil was amazed at the depth of Danny's collection. Carol was most surprised at seeing the jukebox play with the needle beneath the 45 rpm record! It turns out that there are two needles, one above, for the top side of the record, and one below. This is to avoid the need to turn the records over.

Danny is so much more than a STAR OF THE SCREEN!







THE JULY LUNCH BUNCH

By Craig Duerling, with photos by Darlene Newcomb and Carol Grant

This year's Collector Car Appreciation Day fell on Friday, July 12. Craig Duerling arranged a combined Lunch Bunch and ice cream trip for Thursday, July 11, 2024, rather than getting tied up in Friday beach traffic.

We met at the Easton Auto Zone at 12:15, left at 12:30, and headed to Oxford. We had lunch at Doc's Sunset Grill, and then moved on to The Scottish Highland Creamery for ice cream. Participants were Nan & Craig, Neil & Carol, Charles & Barbara, Buck Burton, Jim & Darlene, Ned & Betty, Andy and Agnes, Michael Murray, and Danny & Charlotte, and their two guests, the Rev. Dennis Dillard and his wife, Sandy, from Secretary.











THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members:

We had the last of club functions for the summer last week with the Lunch Bunch trip to Oxford. Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 17, with lunch at noon, meeting at 1:00 PM at the Easton Elks Lodge.

June 29 was the Annual Club Picnic. Once again Ken and Sally hosted it at their home in Choptank. We had 25 attending, including two guests of Ken and Sally, Bob & Kathy Taylor, of South Amboy, New Jersey. I enjoyed chatting with them. They are truck enthusiasts, which is how Ken came to know them. Lunch was catered as before with plenty of good food. This year we forewarned everyone to bring containers to take home the leftovers so club members left just enough for Ken and Sally to have a meal or two. Betty and I ate two meals from what we took home.

At the meeting we voted in a new member. Sabrina Suman, Craig and Nan Duerling's daughter. She recently returned from England and moved in with them. Her interest in old cars leans to British vehicles. Sabrina went with the Duerlings on the Dust'em Off Tour, decided she liked our group, and wanted to join us. She works (sorry for the four letter word) so she can't join us for weekday events. She was to be at the picnic but was feeling poorly that morning.

Ken has plenty of pictures of the event up front.

On Thursday, July 11th the club met for a lunch bunch, commemorating Collector Car Appreciation Day. They started off from the Auto Zone in Easton, and were led to Doc's Sunset Grill, in Oxford, by Craig Duerling. The Salisbury contingent met us there. We had 21 total for lunch.

Craig arranged this as part of the national celebration. The actual date was Friday, July 12 so this was dubbed the Collector Car Day Eve celebration, and was intended to avoid the beach traffic. Of course, he planned for us to go for ice cream at the Highland Creamery as part of the event. He'll do anything for ice cream! The last time he arranged this trip his Olds broke down in downtown Easton. This year it completed the trip, but without a/c. He is waiting for parts that will probably arrive in time for the first freeze.

It was Charles Emery's turn for mechanical drama. Fortunately five minutes with a screwdriver and socket wrench cured the problem and he returned to Salisbury without any trouble.

Fall is approaching, so it is time to think about fall activities. Carol is working on a return to Betterton Beach, when we have cooler weather. We still need additional Lunch Bunch leaders.

Diann is continuing with the plans for Christmas Dinner, but we still need entertainment. Hopefully Carol and others can come up with something.

Danny Morris is working on the slate of officers and directors for the election this fall. If he asks please consider serving. I know he is tired of bugging the same people over and over again.

See you Wednesday, September 18: lunch at Noon, meeting at 1:00 pm, at the Easton Elk's Lodge.

Sincerely, *Ed Nabb*, *Jr.*, Pres.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July

27 9am – 3pm Watermelon Festival Car Show—Hosted by the Delmarva Late Great Chevy Club--Wright's Market 9300 Old Railroad Rd., Mardela Spring MD 21837 Rt. 50 West Reg. #10 Info: Sonny 410-546-3587

August

2-6 Carlisle Truck Nationals—Fairgrounds, Carlisle PA Info: 717-243-7855 CarlisleEvents.com

6 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; via zoom

- 13 6:00 pm Rita's Ice Kent Island Super Cruise-Night—til? Info from Kent Island Cruisers: 410-739-8689 www.kentislandcruisers.com
- 9am 3pm 38th Annual Sudlersville Lions Club Car
 Show & Fish Fry—Sudlersville Park, Sudlersville MD
 Reg. \$10 Info: Buddy 443-262-2612 or Eric 410-708-7242
- 21 12 1pm BCR Premeeting, Easton Elks Lodge # 1622 21 1 – 2:30pm BCR Monthly Business Meeting Easton
- 21 1 2:30pm BCR Monthly Business Meeting Easton Elks Lodge # 1622
- 22-24 Carlisle Truck Nationals—Fairgrounds, Carlisle PA Info: 717-243-7855 Carlisle Events.com
- 23-24 AACA Special Fall Nationals—Hampton, VA

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The purpose of the club shall be the preservation, use, and enjoyment of self-propelled antique, classic, and special interest vehicles and related parts, materials, and services. The Board of Directors of the Region shall meet on the first Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise specified. Membership meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month, except July and August. Meeting announcements will be carried each month in the newsletter. Articles for the newsletter are welcomed and members are encouraged to submit news about personal interest items to the editor by the 20th of each month.

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Coming up:

Not much 'till Fall! It's too hot!

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BIRTHDAYS

7/22	HELEN PLUTSCHAK	8/19	CAROLE WILLIAMS	9/15	JACK HAMILTON
7/30	TRUDY HAMILTON	8/26	SABRINA SUMAN	9/23	HAINES HOLT
7/30	DANNY MORRIS	8/27	ARTHUR NORTH	10/2	DIANN PRAHL
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8/9	MARY MCCARTY	9/9	BETTY SANGER	10/8	SUSAN NORTH

CLUB NOTES

should be submitted by the 20th of the month. Submissions from members are greatly appreciated. Tell us about, or

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show us, your cars (and trucks) and what you are doing with them. If you're planning an event, here's the place to describe it.

Electronic submissions are preferred. Having avoided learning how to type all these years, the Editor doesn't want to have to learn now. On the other hand, photos and illustrations can be scanned, with no typing necessary, so send anything that you would like the membership to see.



Over the 4th of July, we visited Hyde Hall, constructed between 1817 and 1834, near Cooperstown, New York, with our friend Alice. There they had this 1938 Packard on display. Ken

