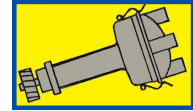


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NEWS FOR MEMBERS OF THE
BAY COUNTRY REGION
ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA



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OUR [LATE IN] SUMMER PICNIC

By Ned Nabb &
Carol Grant

Finally, We got together in person! Diann Prah! arranged our Summer picnic late enough to permit socializing.

Betty and I met the Aveys, Duerlings, Grants, and Hamiltons at Hyde Park, shortly before noon on September 18th for the trip to Tuckahoe State Park. Everyone was there early, so we left shortly before the planned 12:15 departure time. It was a pleasant, leisurely trip to Cherry Lane, at the park, with no incidents-no flat tires or Bay Country Region signs peeling off of vans.

We met the Glimes, Storys, Wilhelms, and Faith Brown and Diann Prah! at the park. The Grants' daughter, Josie, and grandson, Grant, joined us later. The total was 18 members and 1 ½ guests.

The Duerlings brought their new old car-a 1969 Olds Toronado. Craig told me he was tired of waiting for someone to get the LaSalle running correctly so he bought the Olds to have something to drive. He is still working on the LaSalle.

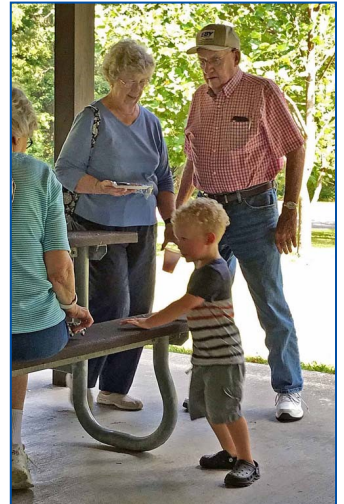
Special guests were Grant, and his mom, Josie, Carol and Neil Grant's grandson and daughter. Grant was the center of attention at times with our members! He enjoyed the playground, while we enjoyed relaxing and sharing long overdue conversation!

The caterer set up on two tables under the pavilion. We had BBQ pork, fried chicken, shrimp salad, potato salad, fruit

salad, cole slaw, iced tea and several types of cookies for dessert. There was enough food to feed an army! At the end of the meal the caterer left all of the food and containers for us to take home. Betty and others brought their own containers, and all were needed. There was enough left over food for everyone to have at least one meal- Betty and I will be eating potato salad for a week!

The attendees had a pleasant afternoon with a mix of sun and clouds, so having the pavilion was handy. Nan Duerling led grace before the meal, and after the lunch I held a brief meeting to hand out business cards that Craig had printed. We sold a few chances for the AACA raffle, and it was announced that Trudy Hamilton had agreed to take over as Membership Chairman, since Lou Doll resigned.

Thanks go to Lee Caplan for arranging the pavilion and special thanks to Diann Prah! for arranging the meal with all of the last minute changes. Job well done!



CARS FROM OUR TRAVELS

By Ken

Sally and I did a bit of travelling this summer. In July, we went to Cooperstown and Cape Cod, where I caught that Cadillac Allanté that was pictured in the last issue of **THE DISTRIBUTOR**.

A Truck Named Archie

In August, we drove to St. Paul, stopping at Cleveland, Detroit, and Milwaukee on the way, and Madison, Fort Wayne, and Cresson, Pennsylvania on the way back. We went to a **St. Paul Saints** baseball game (a Minnesota Twins Triple A team), where a major sponsor, **SPIRE Credit Union**, parades a **1952 Ford F-1** around the field. This description is on their website:

"You might ask, 'So what does an early-model Ford work truck have to do with a credit union?' To us, Archie – named for our founder, Edgar Archer – symbolizes the Midwestern values that drive us. Archie is featured in the SPIRE testimonial commercials with real SPIRE members and partners and has become our unofficial mascot."

Also, over in adjacent Minneapolis, I spotted a 1964 Volkswagen when we rode the historic streetcar.

September in Portland

In September, we went to Portland, Maine for the annual meeting of the Lexington Group for Transportation History. (Don't get too curious; its about railroads!) While there we rode the Wiscasset, Waterville and Farmington Railway, a museum that preserves a segment of one of the 2-foot wide narrow gauge railways that once were common in rural Maine. At the museum, we encountered two Ford Model AA trucks, circa 1930. One was a working truck that belonged to the museum. The other belonged to a member. It was claimed that it was the actual truck used in the TV series, *The Waltons*. Notice the sacks of State of Maine potatoes and grain resting in the express box.

Traveling with Peter Pan

On our way home, we stopped in Chicopee, Massachusetts, near Sally's alma mater, Mount Holyoke College, and met friends for dinner, at a traditional German restaurant, *The Student Prince*, in Springfield. It turns out that the restaurant belongs to the owners of Peter Pan Bus Lines, a major intercity operator who effectively competes on the Boston Washington corridor, in addition to local routes throughout western New England. The narrow street in front of the restaurant has been turned into a plaza for outdoor dining where there is a **Peter Pan Lines 1951 GM Coach**.



ELECTRICAL THEORY BY JOSEPH LUCAS

Positive ground depends on proper circuit functioning, which is the transmission of negative ions by retention of the visible spectral manifestation known as "smoke". Smoke is the thing that makes electrical circuits work. We know this to be true because every time one lets the

smoke out of an electrical circuit, it stops working.

This can be verified repeatedly through empirical testing. For example, if one places a copper bar across the terminals of a battery, prodigious quantities of smoke are liberated and the battery shortly ceases to function. In addition, if one observes smoke escaping from an electrical component such as a Lucas voltage regulator, it will also be observed that the component no longer functions.

The logic is elementary and inescapable!

The function of the wiring harness is to conduct the smoke from one device to another. When the wiring springs a leak and lets all the smoke out of the system, nothing works afterward. Starter motors were considered unsuitable for British motorcycles for some time, largely because they consumed large quantities of smoke, requiring very unsightly large wires.

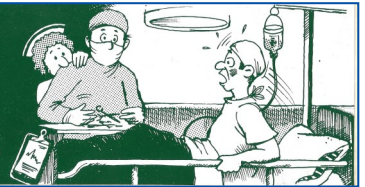
It has been reported that Lucas electrical components are possibly more prone to electrical leakage than their Bosch, Japanese or American counterparts. Experts point out that this is because Lucas is British, and all things British leak. British

engines leak oil, British shock absorbers, hydraulic forks, and disk brake systems leak fluid, British tires leak air and British Intelligence leaks national defense secrets. Therefore, it follows that those British electrical systems must leak smoke. Once again, the logic is clear and inescapable.

Editor's Note: Those of you who are not familiar with British sports cars may not be familiar with Lucas electrical systems, the bane of British sports car enthusiasts. Here is a little something submitted by member Bill Joline, owner of a 1957 Austin Healey 100/6, who apparently suffers from the Lucas Electric Syndrome himself.



What do you mean... a LUCAS Pacemaker?



CONNECTING GENERATIONS

By Ken



On August 5th, a friend of Sally's came to Choptank, bringing along her son, Ryan, a recent high school graduate who was about to go to college to become a software engineer. They arrived in a brand-new Tesla. Ryan took me for a ride in it, and I was amazed at the highly advanced technology. In return, I let him drive my 1952 Ford.

The differences amazed him. He was fascinated by things like turning the key to operate the starter. He asked me what "Dr" and "Lo" indicated on the Fordomatic gear shift indicator. The fact that the '52 starts in Neutral, not Park, didn't phase him at all. He asked what the handles on the inside of the door were for. Operating the vent window was a new experi-

ence. Adjusting to the size of the steering wheel required practice making turns, done in the back field before taking to the road.

When we returned, the door didn't quite close. So, Ryan pushed the door handle button, expecting something to happen. I had to explain the button was for releasing the latch to open the door, and that you had to push the handle firmly to close it.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To Bay Country Region Club Members:

The summer picnic is behind us, having been held at the very end of summer. It is now fall and time to work on our activities for the rest of the year.

The board is continuing to meet virtually, however the general membership meetings are going to be in person. Plan to join us at the Easton Diner on Wednesday, October 20th. I plan to start the meeting at 7:00 pm, so we can finish in time to allow the staff to clean up before closing. That is why we plan to be at the diner by 6:00, at the latest, so you can enjoy your dinner without being rushed.

Diann did an excellent job arranging the meal for the picnic. I was a little disappointed by the turnout for the event. I don't know whether it was the change of location, the later date, or continued concern about getting together in groups, because of COVID. But we had about half of the turnout we usually get for the event. We tried something different and it didn't work. Lesson learned!

The events left for the rest of the year are: general membership meetings, October 20th and November 17th, and wreath laying and Christmas Dinner on December 18th.

We usually introduce the slate of officers and directors at the October general membership meeting. The floor is then opened for other nominations. If there is a contested position we vote in November. Otherwise the nominations will close at the October meeting, and we vote on the slate at that time. Everyone will be sworn in at the Christmas Dinner. If anyone is interested in serving, please contact Danny Morris or be at the October meeting. Good job Danny, filling the slate!

The board has again recommended that the club solicit contributions for the Mid Shore Recovering Veterans Group/MSCF at the Christmas Dinner, with the club matching up to \$400. Membership will vote on that at the October meeting.

The wreath laying is set for December 18th at 10:00 am - the same day as the Christmas Dinner. The wreaths are \$15 again this year. Do we want to participate as a club?

Diann is finishing up the details on the Christmas Dinner - more to follow.

Lou Doll informed me that she has resigned as Membership Chairman. I convinced Trudy Hamilton to take the job and she agreed, provided that it was for one year only. Lou worked with Ken to get the roster published and I'm sure Ken will work with Trudy as well. Thank you, to Trudy for agreeing to do the job, and to Lou for the years you and Carl did it, as well as to Ken, for his help pulling it all together and publishing the roster

Lou got in one last shot:

"REMINDER: THE AACA RENEWAL FORM WILL BE IN THE NEXT PUBLICATION. YOU MUST PAY NATIONAL DUES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BAY COUNTRY REGION."

Sincerely,
Ed Nabb

CLASSIFIEDS

KENT ISLAND CRUISERS

27 Ford Model T Roadster Pickup, turn key, 302, C4, 12 bolt, almost all Ford, \$16,500.

40 Packard Coupe, Amazingly solid project, crate 350, 700R4, Tilt column, Disc brakes, tons of parts \$15k

41 Ford Super Deluxe Coupe, Flathead V8 with goodies, running/driving, Fine car that needs driven, \$25k.

51 Ford Custom Tudor, Flathead V8 with goodies. Been in storage 3 years, Fine car that needs to be driven, \$25k.

56 Thunderbird, solid project, both tops, cont. kit shaved, manual trans, stuck motor from sitting \$10k

4.3 Chevy V6 Core \$100.

5.0 305 Chevy Core, \$100.

3- Misc Chevy BOP Transmissions/Cores to build, \$100. ea. **Parts Washer Cabinet** \$50.

2 misc Air Compressors, \$30. & \$80.

Pics at bchevy7@yahoo.com; Bob 443 496 2887

CHESAPEAKE CLASSICS

1939 Chevrolet Master Deluxe 4 Door, \$4,500.00. Original Condition, including Original Drive Train, Straight 6 Cylinder, 3 On the column manual transmission, original interior & headliner, fender skirts, heater, Original Philco Radio, city and country horns. Extra rebuilt/replacement parts included (See link to list and photos). Car was rescued from a barn around the end of 1998 and garage kept since. Frame and floors are solid. There is some rust through around the bumper brackets, rear trunk pan and corners of fenders (See photos). Clean Maryland Title.

Link to Photo's: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1rL6w8j0YNF2RmXouqVPtF2iDMdmJKzeT?usp=sharing>. Interested parties call 410-684-3910. Please, no unsolicited services or offers



UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 25 Eastern Shore Region AACA/Hebron Lions Club Car Show—Hebron Lions Community Ball Park, 214 W. Church Street, Hebron, MD. 21830. Peoples Choice Class and Judged Classes: Class I-Thru 1949, Class II-1950-1959, Class III-1960-1969, Class IV-1970-1996, Class V-Commercial Thru 1996. Dash Plaques and trophies. Info: Buck Burton 410-251-1121 or burtons31981@comcast.net

OCTOBER

- 2 Secretary VFC Car & Truck Show—115 Myrtle Street, Secretary MD; Reg. \$10, first vehicle, \$5 additional vehicles.
- 5 **BCR Board Meeting, 1:00-2:00 pm; via zoom**
- 6-9 AACA Hershey
- 10 Kent Island Cruisers Halloween Car Show—Kent Island Fire Department, 1610 Main St., Chester MD 10:00 am Registration \$10
- 20 **BCR Premeeting Dinner, 6:00 pm, Easton Diner**
- 20 **BCR Monthly Business Meeting, 7:00 pm, Easton Diner**

NOVEMBER

- 2 **BCR Board Meeting, 1:00-2:00 pm; via zoom**
- 6 6th Annual Historic Stevensville Arts & Entertainment Classic Car & Truck Show 10:00 am Registratin \$15 Info: 410-604-2100
- 17 **BCR Premeeting Dinner, 6:00 pm, Easton Diner**
- 17 **BCR Monthly Business Meeting, 7:00 pm, Easton Diner**

DECEMBER

- 7 **BCR Board Meeting, 1:00-2:00 pm; via zoom**
- 18 **Wreath Laying, Maryland Veterans Cemetery, 10:00 am**
- 18 **Christmas Dinner**

Use the **BAY COUNTRY REGION HOTLINE** to:

- find out about activity changes, club emergencies, etc.
- pass along urgent information to all club members

Contact **Lee Caplan** at 919-636-0955 or lcaplan@icloud.com

THE BAY COUNTRY REGION, AACA

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.

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

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Kent Island Cruisers HALLOWEEN CAR SHOW #28!

Sat. October 30, 2021
9am-1pm Held at
Kent Island Volunteer Fire
Department
1610 Main St Chester Md

\$10 Registration

Registration 'til 11
Awards around 1pm
100 Dash Plaques
Top 30+ Awards
Two Best in shows
(Dressed up & Not!)
(participant ballots)
Food Details to come

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plenty of trailer parking at the schools on your way in, or at the park & ride by Western Tire & Auto.

PLEASE: No alcohol or drugs, No scooters or toys, And please no loud car music, we have music and make announcements for prizes etc. and these interfere.

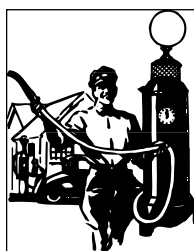
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!

SEE YOU IN MARCH AT OUR ALL-CLUBS MEETING!

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Coming up:
Hershey: 10/6-9
Meetings: 10/20 &
11/17
Christmas Dinner
& Installation
12/18

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BIRTHDAYS

9/15	JACK HAMILTON	10/12	PAT MCCANN	11/27	DONNA GLIME
9/23	HAINES HOLT	10/15	DARLENE NEWCOMB	12/2	ADA BLYSMA
10/2	DIANN PRAHL	10/16	SHIRLEY WISE	12/6	NORMA JEAN BRADLEY
10/8	JONNETTE KVAMME	10/24	NANCY HOLT	12/9	FRANK ADAMS
10/8	RON MCCARTY	11/19	FAITH BROWN	1/2	CATHY MAXWELL
10/8	SUSAN NORTH	11/26	TERESA MCCANN	1/5	KEN KVAMME

A RECOMMENDATION: CAMBRIDGE TIRE CENTER *By Charles Emery*

Barbara and I recently had some very good luck that I want to share with club members. I was preparing the '41 Buick for our 1000+ mile trip to participate in the 2021 Glidden Revival Tour in Saratoga Springs, NY. We decided to have the wheels balanced and in the process of doing that found tire wear indicating improper alignment. Fortunately we were able to get 2 new matching tires from Universal Tire in Hershey and were able to get them mounted due to exceptional service from our very own Andy Wise. I made an appointment with Delaware Tire in Salisbury, telling them that it was a 1941 Buick and was assured that they could handle our "old car".

My appointment was at noon on the Friday of Labor Day week-end, exactly one week before our expected departure. The service manager walked out, looked at the car, and immediately said they could not do the alignment on an old car with narrow wheels. His equipment requires modern, wider track tires.

Bay Country Region AACA member Craig Duerling had had his LaSalle aligned at **Cambridge Tire Center, on Rt 16** in Cambridge, so I called them and spoke to Mark. By then it was approaching 1:00 on the Friday afternoon of a major holiday week-end. Mark said, somewhat hesitatingly, "Can you be here by 2:00?" I, of course, replied in the affirmative. Mark was ready for me upon my arrival, took great care to not damage the wheel rims or fender skirts, proceeded with the alignment and then told me what damage he'd expect based on his findings. His prediction was exactly what had happened to the tires, and their price was reasonable. I thanked Mark for his care and attention and for being willing to take on the challenge of an old car. His reply: "I enjoy the challenge of working on old vehicles, something that is different from the day-to-day jobs;"

**I TOTALLY RECOMMEND MARK AND
CAMBRIDGE TIRE FOR YOUR ALIGNMENT NEEDS.**