



The Clutch Chatter

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The President's Page *by Leonard Paquette*

Good news! We received our permit from the City of Manassas for our 35th Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Show on September 18th. Planning is well under way. Volunteers are welcome for anything you feel you would like to help out with. Please send Pat an email (pkpaquette@msn.com) and let her know how you can assist. Molly Drago has volunteered to run the bake sale. This is a new addition to our show and Molly needs all the donations of candy, cake, pie, etc that you can bake. Trophy sponsorships are also still available. If you or any Manassas area businesses want to sponsor a trophy, please contact Jon Battle (703-986-8785). Again, please volunteer for our show. There will be something you can assist with on show day while still leaving yourself time to enjoy the festivities.

If you didn't participate in the Fredericksburg Region's show on June 5th, you missed a great one. I've always enjoyed downtown locations for shows due to the large numbers of spectators. The national shows in New Bern, North Carolina over the years come to mind. Bull Run participants from the Fredericksburg show are as follows. Seen at the show but without a car registered were Victor & Deb Balancia, Richard & Pat Porter and Dave Blum. Ed Johnson ('55 Chevy), Bill Sessler ('22 Model T) and Nancy Windingland ('84 LeBaron) were all at the show but did not have their cars judged. Nancy, who is also a Fredericksburg Region member, assisted with show day registration. The Paquettes won First Place with their '66 Mustang and the Batchelders won First Place with their '57 Chevy. It was a great show and I hope we didn't miss anyone.

On a sad note, we had to put down our English Springer Spaniel, Lady, last week. You may remember her begging for food at our picnics and the club event we had at our vacation home in Colonial Beach a few years ago. She was a rescue dog from the Mid Atlantic English Springer Spaniel Rescue and had a good second part of her life in our home. We will miss her.

Our next monthly meeting will be at the Manassas firehouse on July 11 at 4:00pm. See you there.

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Calendar of Events

July 4 Happy 4th of July!

July 9 1st National Collector Car Appreciation Day. Senate Resolution #513.

July 11 **Bull Run meeting on Sunday at the Firehouse in Old Town Manassas at 4:00pm.**

July 17 2nd Annual Fort Belvoir Show & Shine. Saturday, July 17 from 10am to 5pm. Registration is \$15. Check your email or the web site for details and a flyer.

August 8 **Bull Run meeting on Sunday at the Firehouse in Old Town Manassas at 4:00pm.**

Meeting Minutes by Leonard Paquette for Franklin Gage

The monthly meeting and picnic for June was held at the home of Molly and Joe Drago. Rain threatened for the second picnic meeting in a row so Joe invited everyone inside but the rain soon stopped and we decided to remain outside on the covered deck. Molly's chicken cutlets, zucchini bake and pasta casserole were all delicious. Thanks Molly and Joe for a great supper.

President Leonard Paquette called the meeting to order at 5:10pm.

Our Secretary, Franklin Gage, was unable to attend this meeting due to other "old car" commitments. President, Leonard Paquette filled in for Franklin by recording the minutes of the meeting.

Treasurer Nicki Hudson was absent, but sent her financial notes to Joe Drago so he could read her treasurer's report. The report was approved as read.

Mike Curry, web lead, mentioned that if you email him a picture of your vehicle, it would be placed on our new and developing web site. Captioned event pictures are also welcome and can be passed to Mike (mcurry1@verizon.net) for posting to our new web site. Pete Pandolfi holds the honor of being the first to have a "Classified Ad" placed on our new web site.

The sunshine rules were clarified: A card will be sent for an illness, injury or sickness of a club member (or person in the same household as the club member) who is current/in good standing with the club. Upon the death of a club member, the club will authorize \$50 for flowers or donation to a favorite charity.

A motion was made to increase dues, effective January 1, 2011, by \$5 if a hard copy *Clutch Chatter* is mailed. This will help partially cover the increased costs of printing and mailing. The motion was seconded and passed.

Pat Paquette mentioned that she needs calendar information for the newsletter. Pat also passed around a sign-up sheet listing duties at the Rohr car show. You should have also received a copy by email. Please volunteer. A detailed discussion of various car show topics, events and logistics was discussed by each car show lead. An added feature for the show this year will be a food vendor specializing in pork BBQ. The club will receive a percentage of his proceeds for the day.


A motion was made to forgo the allocation of club funds for the purchase of door prizes for the Rohr show this year. Donated items not used for the silent auction will be used as door prizes instead. Motion passed. We also have many items generously donated by Billy Thompson of White Post Restorations that will serve as both door prizes and silent auction items.

Due to a steady stream of email requests, the following notices will soon be added to our web site: 1) Antique car displays will be considered for a \$250 donation for up to 6 cars for 3 hours. 2) Club members are unable to chauffeur weddings, loan or rent their antique vehicle due to tag and insurance restrictions.

Joe Drago won the 50/50 raffle. The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

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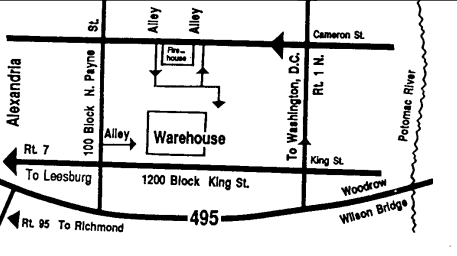

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