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The President's Page *by Luke Stakenborg*

Hello everyone!

I want to thank all of you for a successful and wonderful installation banquet. Congratulations to the 2013 Award recipients: Scott Patton and Nicki Hudson with the Ambassador Award; Bill Sessler with the Continuous Service Award; Pete Pandolfi with the Howard Hamm Award; and Ralph Lankford with the Arthur Ault Award. Special thanks to the club for my generous gift; it was put to good use!

A quick reminder to everyone in regards to the renewal of the National and Regional memberships: Get it in as quickly as possible if you have not done so. A report of all active, paid members is due to the National Headquarters by March 1, 2014. I am happy to announce that membership has grown by three this past month. Jay Garcia, who is Ernie Newland's son, is now our youngest member. He was at our installation banquet with his girlfriend. He owns a 1965 Dodge dart convertible. Great little car! A husband and wife team Donald and Patty Peirson, with their 1965 Chevrolet Impala SS. The car is currently undergoing restoration.

In other news, I was invited by Scott Patton to attend the Potomac Region Cadillac Club's holiday banquet. It was a great opportunity to network with other car enthusiasts. Franklin Gage, a multi-car owner, was also present. I believe he owns a 1955 Cadillac and perhaps other models as well. The majority of these specialty clubs also require membership in the AACA. While I was at their meeting, Franklin, Scott, and myself discussed the possibility of a tour to the White Post restoration center in White Post, Virginia in April. A date that seemed plausible is the 19th of April which is Passover, the next day being Easter. I understand that this entire week is a religious one for a number of individuals. I respect your observances of this. This is a tentative date which can be further discussed at our next meeting. This is all I have for now; I will be attending the conference in Philadelphia. I hope I see some of you there!

See you at the VFW on February 9, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.!

Sincerely yours,

Luke

Calendar of Events and Activities

- Feb 6-8 AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia PA
- Feb 9** **Monthly meeting at the VFW Hall in Manassas at 4:00 pm.**
- Feb 20-22 AACA Southeastern Winter Meet hosted by the Treasure Coast Region in Port St. Lucie FL.
- Mar 9** **Monthly meeting at the VFW Hall in Manassas at 4:00 pm.**
- Mar 28-29 44th Annual Indoor/Outdoor Antique & Classic Auto Parts & Swap Meet in Westminster MD sponsored by the Sugarloaf Mountain Region. Call (301) 829-2000 or email smraaca@aol.com.
- Apr 3-6 AACA Southeastern Spring Meet hosted by the Hornets Nest Region in Charlotte NC.
- Apr 13** **Monthly meeting at the VFW Hall in Manassas at 4:00 pm.**
Our annual BBO Dinner! Special antique toy presentation by Phil Graves – don't miss this one!
- Apr 19? Bull Run Region Spring Tour to White Post Restorations. We need to decide at the Feb 9 meeting if this date will work.
- May 8-10 AACA Special Meet at Auburn IN. More info at www.aaca.org/meetinfo.
- May 13-16 AACA Eastern Divisional Tour at Tappahannock VA sponsored by the Northern Neck Region. More info at (804) 313-1983.
- May 29-31 AACA Eastern Spring Meet at Buffalo/Amherst NY sponsored by the Lake Erie Region. More info at www.local.aaca.org/lakeerie.
- Jun 7 25th Annual Orphan Car Tour at Parkton, MD. Open to all "orphan" (discontinued-make) antique vehicles. Additional information will follow later - for updates email TourDirector@orphancartour.org.
- Jun 12-14 AACA Annual Grand National & Southeastern Fall Dual Meets in Lebanon TN hosted by the Middle Tennessee Region.
- Jun 15-21 AACA Reliability Tour 2014 at Lancaster PA hosted by the Hershey Region.

Editor's Notes *by Ralph Lankford:*

Please let me know if you have any pictures while participating in Bull Run or other AACA events. Please submit any articles, pictures or ideas to me at email: Ralph_Lankford@hotmail.com.

My apologies for the late newsletter as I was out of the country on business.

As a reminder, our meetings are usually the second Sunday of the month at the VFW Hall in Manassas unless advised differently.

Meeting Minutes for January 12, 2014 *by Scott Patton, Secretary*

On Sunday January 12 2014 our monthly meeting and installation of officers and awards banquet was held at the City Tavern restaurant in old town Manassas starting at 3pm. About 20 members were present as well as a few guests. Among one of our guests was Elisabeth Beurskens, the mother of President Luke Stakenborg. Also in attendance was new member Jes Garcia who owns a 1965 Dodge Dart convertible.

After enjoying a buffet dinner, the meeting was called to order and President Luke Stakenborg proceeded to announce the recipients of the 2014 awards as follows:

Ambassador Award - Scott Patton and Nicki Hudson
Howard Hamm Award - Pete Pandolfi
Arthur Ault Award - Ralph Lankford
Continuous Service Award - Bill Sessler (43 years)

Joann Richardson gave out our door prizes. Our President Luke Stakenborg received a \$100.00 gift card from our club.

Sunshine: A get well card was sent to Pam Pandolfi who had back surgery in November. A sympathy card was sent to Christine Gibson, her daughter in law has passed away. Christine and her late husband were once long time members of our club.

New Business: Dave Claveloux will be a member of our Board of Directors. Franklin Gage announced that we have been invited to a tour of White Post Restorations in early spring. A date will be set soon.

Pam Pandolfi won the 50/50.

Meeting was adjourned.

24th Annual Orphan Car Tour *by Jon Battle*

The 25th Orphan Car Tour will be held on Saturday, June 7. It will begin in Parkton, Maryland, and proceed southeast to the Havre de Grace area. As in previous years, the route will include stops at several places of interest, and the afternoon will end with an optional buffet-style dinner. Details will follow later. The event is held yearly in the interest of promoting driving enjoyment of "orphan" (discontinued-make) vehicles. Turnout has numbered over sixty vehicles in recent years. Updates will be posted at the Tour's webpage, www.orphancartour.org . For further information contact Jon Battle, (540) 364-1770 or email TourDirector@orphancartour.org.

2014 Annual Officer Installation, Awards and Holiday Banquet – January 12, 2014



Annual Banquet was held at the City Tavern



President Luke and Franklin “working” the crowd



Officers being sworn in



Scott presented with Ambassador Award



Nicki presented with Ambassador Award



Pam accepting Howard Hamm Award for Pete

More 2014 Annual Banquet Pictures



Ralph presented with Arthur Ault Award



Bill presented with Continuous Service Award



43 years with the club –that’s the way, Bill!



President Luke presented with a gift card



Darryll – one of our many door prize winners!



New member Jay Garcia drove his very nice 1965 Dodge Dart. Welcome Jay!



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