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# Clutch Chatter

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## The President's Page by Luke Stakenborg

Hello everyone!

Happy Fourth of July! I am writing this letter in Florida which I have been since the last few days of June. I hope this letter gets to you in time. The next scheduled meeting will be a picnic meeting July 13<sup>th</sup> at Bill Sessler's house. Pete sent out a message to the club two weeks ago with the information. It should be a great time with good food and great people! In other personal news, my father is doing quite well and I thank all who had asked about him.

Sarasota Florida is definitely a classic car collector's paradise. I had visited several classic car sales centers in the area; talking with the owners, driving some of their cars, and plugging in our club. These owners are all AACA members with a vast personal collection. I will remain in close contact with them. I am certain that if either of us were to buy a classic from them, we would receive a courtesy discount!

In car show event news, most of you know of my unfortunate mishap regarding the blown motor in my 1974 Ford F-250 on the return trip from Carlisle. The motor had only 10,000 miles on it. Fortunately, I know a few good people in the Shenandoah Valley where the truck currently is. I have, in a week's time after the incident, pulled and installed a new motor with the assistance of the very same people I bought the truck from. I will finish up the final touches upon my return.

It was great to see a solid contingency of Bull Run members at the Sully Plantation car show on Father's Day. Congratulations to Dave Claveloux and his 1971 Torino 500 halo option for winning first in his class! Most every car in attendance received our club flyer for the Rohr show. Speaking of the show, it is only two months away. We need a strong participation from club members. Do not leave this onerous task to only a handful of people! Encourage inactive members to reconnect. Success at the Rohr

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## Calendar of Events and Activities

**Jul 13**      **Picnic meeting at the Bill Sessler's house at 4:00 pm. Special technical demonstration by Bill**

**Sep 20**      **39<sup>th</sup> Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet. See attached brochure.**

**Sep 27**      **Bull Run Region Spring Tour to White Post Restorations. Details to follow**

### **Editor's Notes** *by Ralph Lankford:*

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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](mailto:Ralph_Lankford@hotmail.com).

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

### **PRESIDENT'S PAGE (continued from Page 1):**

show sustains the club. I also want to mention that each of us are ambassadors of this club. We have to place a greater emphasis on recruitment, as well as retention. I will speak more of this matter at our next meeting.

I want to personally thank all of are regularly attending members and all the hard work and effort that you have done to sustain this great club.

See you at Bill's on the 13<sup>th</sup>!

Sincerely yours, Luke

## Meeting Minutes for June 8, 2014 by Scott Patton, Secretary

On Sunday June 8 our monthly meeting was called to order by President Luke Stakenborg at 4:10 pm. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. We had 15 members present. It was nice to see some members that we don't see often such as George Parker who owns a 69 Mustang, Bill and Nancy Winter-1935 Auburn, and Steve White who is also a member of the Sugar Loaf mountain region.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Nicki Hudson gave the Treasurers Report and Joe Drago motioned that it be accepted and it was.

Sunshine: Molly Drago reports that Lori Beer who has been ill is coming along well. Luke Stakenborg's father who lives in Florida has been ill and in the hospital.

New Business: Joe and Molly Drago announced that they are moving to Florida. Joe recommends that we get someone to take over for him to handle the food vendors for our show and our annual barbeque. We now have our revised and completed flyers ready for distribution. George Richardson announces that Bill Sessler is going to try to get the local boy scouts to assist in parking cars at the Rohr meet. Franklin Gage reminded us about our proposed tour to White Post Restorations and we agreed on Saturday Sept. 15. We will also tour the Arboretum and possibly the old mill at nearby Millwood. Joann Richarson says we will have our August meet and picnic at their home located at 1509 Baltimore RD. Fort Hunt, Alexandria 22308.

Scott Patton wins the 50/50 drawing and the meeting adjourned to Steve White to begin his presentation of a 1930 Duesenberg model J Murphy body. This was an interesting slide show about a car that was once in his family. Only about 30 of this model were built. Steve presents an interesting story on a car that his father acquired in 1949. He talks about the five year family project to restore this car on a limited budget. For instance the radiator had caulk in the front of it to stop leaks and Steve's father purposely left it alone due to the prohibitive expense of replacing a Duesenberg radiator. This car now resides at the Smith Collection Museum of American Speed in Lincoln Nebraska.

## Special Presentation Schedule by Jon Battle

### **DATE ..... PRESENTER ..... THEME**

July 13..... Bill Sessler (picnic at his home)..... Shop technical demonstration (TBD)

August 10.....Bill Holmes.....Demo of a home plating kit

September 14..... Darryll Baker..... Story of his family's 1939 Chevy school bus

October 12..... Pete Pandolfi.....Tour of Museum at Manassas Fire & Rescue

November 9..... Luke Stakenborg.....Talk about his '69 Lincoln Mark III

December 14..... Jon Battle.... "What's a Terraplane?"

*Editor's Note: Jon is soliciting speakers for next year. Please consider contacting Jon to get scheduled to speak about any antique vehicle related topic – to include discussing your pride and joy, your first car, your first restoration, or any technical topic.*



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