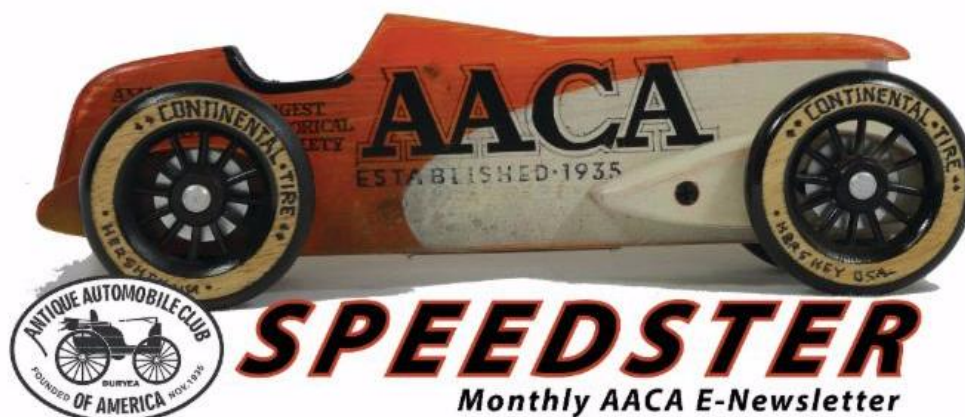


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AACA is the Best Kept Secret

*By Stacy Zimmerman, Speedster editor,
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With almost 60,000 members in 52 countries, we are THE largest antique car club in the world! Which is why it still baffles many of us when we mention AACA to a fellow hobbyist and they look like a deer in headlights, often stating "never heard of it." WAIT! WHAT? You've never heard of AACA?! Why are we still a secret to so many?

Not only are we the largest club of our kind in the world, we also host THE largest antique car show and flea market in the world right here in Hershey, PA. Over 250,000 people attend this show every year! Our show has become known as "mecca" and the only place to be in early October for those in our hobby.

Okay, not only are we the largest club and host the largest event of its kind, we are also home to one of the largest and most prestigious collections of antique automotive literature in the world. The AACA Library & Research Center houses over ONE MILLION pieces of automotive history including books, sales literature, brochures, company documents, owner's booklets, periodicals, service manuals and more. Our free, public library also houses the collections of 12 other car clubs and organizations and is known as "America's Automotive

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Finally, yes we have the most members, the biggest events and the best library, but we also have one of the top magazines in our hobby. *Antique Automobile* is our award-winning publication and considered the country's foremost historical automotive magazine.

Again, I ask why is AACA the best kept secret AND how do we fix this problem?

The solution rests with all of us. We ALL need to talk about and promote AACA to anyone who will listen. We ALL need to ask people to join AACA. It is a known fact that people don't join organizations, they join people! If we don't talk about AACA and we don't ask people to join, we will not grow and growth is the key to guaranteeing that AACA is here for future generations of car lovers. This great club is our legacy - let's make sure we can leave it!

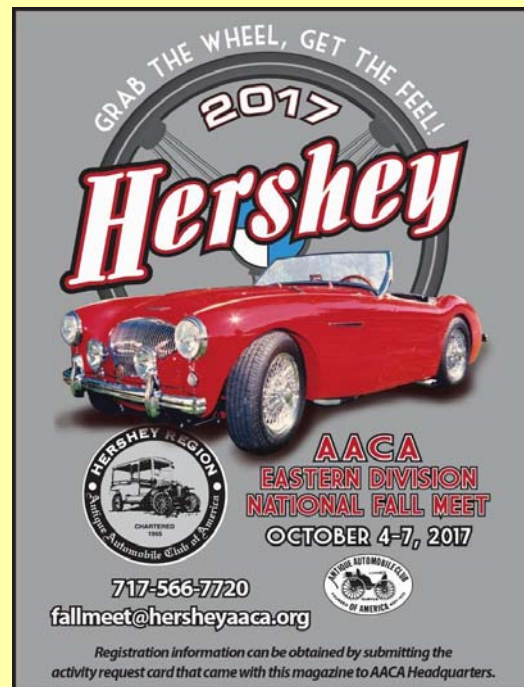
That's a Wrap on Hershey Meet Week

We couldn't have asked Mother Nature to be more cooperative - we had some of the best weather we've had in years for Hershey Meet Week. The beautiful skies brought the cars, the vendors and the people. The 4-day event was a wonderful celebration of our hobby and we can't wait until next year!

9,000+ flea market vendors, 1,000 cars in the car corral, almost 1,300 cars in the show and hundreds of thousands of attendees... Miles and miles of merchandise, cars and memories make Hershey... Hershey. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time (especially the 800 volunteers from the Hershey Region!!), participated as vendors, displayed their amazing cars and attended the BEST show in the world! Believe it or not, planning for 2018 has already begun!

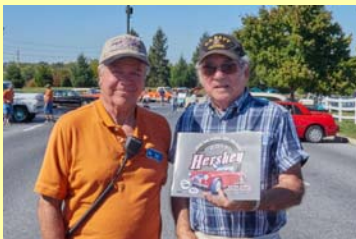
**A big congratulations to
all of the winners at Hershey!**

[Click here to view the meet results.](#)



Photos from Hershey

Enjoy a few photos from Hershey Meet Week (courtesy of the [Hershey Region AACA Facebook page](#)), and remember to check out the complete wrap-up and even more photos in the November/December issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine





LAST CHANCE TO VOTE!! 2018 AACA National Board of Directors Election

In the September/October edition of *Antique Automobile* is a postpaid ballot for the 2018 Board of Directors election. It is your **ONLY** ballot and must be filled out according to the instructions or it will not be counted.

Please read the biographies of all the candidates listed in the magazine and vote for the 7 of your choice. Our candidates this year come from widely different backgrounds, so please give serious consideration to those who match your ideas of what is important to the future of the club. All ballots must have 7 names selected or they will be considered "not valid" and will not be counted.



Your ballot must be postmarked by **November 15, 2017**.

2018 AACA Annual Meeting - Save the Date!



The 82nd AACA Annual Meeting will take place February 8-10, 2018, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. If you have never been to an AACA Annual Meeting in the City of Brotherly Love, you are missing a great time. The trade show, car exhibit, educational seminars and the awards banquet are just a few of the highlights you'll experience during the meeting. Registration materials and seminar information for the 2018 Annual Meeting will be available soon.

**We hope you will consider joining us
for this very special event!**

Do You Know a Military Veteran Who Would Like to be an AACA Member?

The Military Sponsorship Program is available to all of the Military Veterans that have proudly served to protect our homeland and freedoms. With this program, AACA is extending a limited number of complimentary 2018 memberships for first-time AACA applicants. More information on this program and an application can be found on the AACA home page under member information and drop down to Military, or simply [click here](#).

These complimentary 2018 memberships are for first-time AACA applicants and are limited by the funds available for this program. These complimentary applications for membership are intended for individuals who have a genuine interest in the antique car hobby.



Regions & Chapters: Are You Using These to Recruit New AACA Members?

These 1964 Mustang car cutouts were especially designed for AACA Regions and Chapters. They list membership benefits on the front and the back has a short message with plenty of space for Regions and Chapters to put their local contact information and website.

Keep some in your glove box and when you see someone with an AACA eligible car, talk to them about joining! Leave one on their windshield or seat! Help us get the word out about the best value in the car club kingdom!

Just contact AACA Headquarters at 717-534-1910 and we will send some out to you right away. Thank you to all of our members for continually promoting AACA!



I.C. Kirkham Membership Award

The I.C. Kirkham Membership Award is again up for grabs at the 2018 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA. This award is for the Region or Chapter with the greatest membership gain in 2017. This award is based on a weighted formula that takes into consideration the number of NEW National members acquired and the percentage of increase in membership as well. The award is presented by the Genesee Valley Antique Car Society Region in memory of Elmer Bassage who probably sponsored more new members for AACA than any other person.

For an application, please [click here](#). For the "I.C. Kirkham Example Format," please [click here](#). **The deadline to apply is December 4, 2017.**

Trivia Question

Steve Rossi's Old Car ?QUIZ? ~For the Trivial Astute~

Beyond representing Mercedes-Benz in America, what other foreign companies did Studebaker attempt to establish an import/sales relationship with, in a desperate attempt to round out its portfolio in its final days?

[Click here for the trivia answer](#)
or scroll all the way to the end of the *Speedster* to find the answer.

NEW Design for 2018 AACA Membership Cards

We are very excited to announce that membership cards have received a facelift for 2018! Here's a sneak peek at what they will look like...

Please note that your new 2018 membership cards will NOT come in an envelope this year. They are being printed and mailed by a new company as a self-mailer to save both staff time and mailing expenses.

For those of you who are early birds and sent your 2018 membership renewals to us in September or early October, THANK YOU! Please note that we did not begin processing those renewals until after the Hershey Fall Meet. All of those renewals have now been processed, check payments should be processed this week and your new membership cards should be in your mailboxes before mid-November. Thank you for your patience!



Member Submitted Story

A Buick with History

By Larry Williams, Casco, MI, larryandfay@hotmail.com

Helping out at the annual 2008 AACA Blue Water Region summer car show in Marysville, Michigan, Rudy Vernon and his wife Sharon spotted a real find for sale in the show. It was a 1936 Buick Model 61 two-door sedan with low mileage and original owner documented history. It didn't take long to recognize a rare find, so they bought the great old car.

Along with the original owner's manual, Rudy was handed a glove box log book written by the original owner Peter Aronson. It showed twenty-six years of consecutive maintenance and daily expenses recorded while living in Michigan's Upper Peninsula town of Escanaba. I mean every drop of gas, oil and every part put on the car was duly entered in the log book.

Peter always stored his car during Escanaba's severe winter, so he ordered the Buick built for himself without an oil filter or a heater. Maybe it wasn't all that unusual to order a car without a heater as the Buick dealer included a lap robe that usually hung "where else?" on the robe rail on the back of the front seat. That same lap robe survives today and is hanging there in the Buick waiting for a needy person on a chilly drive.

It makes you wonder about Peter Aronson who was so dedicated to keeping the entire Buick's history in the glove box.

Here is what we know about our great record keeper Peter. He was born in 1868 in Sweden. His story is about leaving hard times in Sweden and sailing to America to fulfill all immigrants' dreams of a better life in the "New Country." Peter's older brother, David Aronson, was the first of his family to come to America. He came in 1879 and wrote to Peter of the many opportunities for all in Michigan with a climate not unlike that of Sweden.

Encouraged by those letters, Peter came with his younger brother Frank W. Aronson, who became a tailor in Escanaba. Peter and Frank sailed from Goteborg, Sweden, and landed in New York harbor on April 15, 1887, making him twenty years old and Frank only seventeen. It doesn't seem like Peter was old enough to have brought a trade with him, but his family and schooling in Sweden may have taught him enough to start a business in a strange land.

Let's see what we can find out about Peter in old Escanaba history. Searching our way through old documents, we find Peter on the 1900 Escanaba census listed with the occupation of "Shoe Maker." Ha! Now we know Peter did bring a trade with him from the old country. Continuing the search, the 1902 Escanaba business directory now showing Peter with a shoe store probably in a rented building at 910 Ludington. It tells us he is a "Dealer in Men's, Women's and Children Shoes, selected from the best Grades in the Market. Your Patronage is solicited."

The city directories can tell a good story as they change information each year. They can even show marriage clues as in the case of the 1910 directory showing Peter as the lone household member living above his place of business and then the 1913 one showing him with a spouse named "Freda M." All right, where did Freda M. come from? Now Sherlock Holmes would also have noticed in those directories about that same time that Peter had taken on a partner named Martin Anderson. Sure enough, if you search the 1910 Escanaba census for Martin Anderson you'll find him with a neighbor named Gustav Peterson from Sweden listed with a daughter named Freda M. then age 17. So Freda was originally Freda M. Peterson. You could think Freda went to the shoe store probably hoping to get a discount from her neighbor Martin Anderson and, while trying on shoes, she met Peter and the rest is history. This may be going a long way around the block telling the Buick's history, but it will tell us when and where the car served its owners right up to when Rudy and Sharon bought it.

Stay with me now. The 1920 Escanaba census shows Peter and Freda now with a son named Orvil Aronson, age 7. Orvil grew up and by 1933 he had followed his cousin down to the Lower Peninsula to attend college at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Here's where we are getting close to the reason for buying the new Buick in 1935.

Shortly after Orvil left for college, on Nov 4, 1935, the original title and glove box log tells us that the very frugal Peter decided to give up on the older 1928 Buick with a total of 23,262 miles and, with an additional \$1,042, he bought the new model 36-48 two-door Victoria Buick. The story passed on by the owners is that Peter would store his car maybe six months during the winter. He didn't have a big need for a car since his home and business were at the same location. Peter never had to drive to work, so very few of the Buick's 48,600 miles over twenty years were logged in the small town of Escanaba. Common sense thinking tells us that Peter and Freda drove the 1936 Buick down to the Lower Peninsula to visit their only child Orvil - a trip of about 500 miles each way. That could account for the extra miles. Freda probably said something like, "Our new Buick even has roll up windows." Peter drove the car until 1956, but still owned it until his death in 1965.

When Peter died, his son Orvil (having married and moved to Grosse Pointe, Michigan) inherited the Buick. He drove it occasionally until finally his daughter drove the Buick to high school. The family



moved once again; this time to Saint Clair Michigan, only a short distance from where Rudy and Sharon bought the car.

Fate and good luck have decided that Rudy and Sharon Vernon are the care takers of the history and the beautiful old 1936 Buick. I believe Peter and Freda would be pleased to know of its survival and the Vernon's proud ownership of it.



Are You a Member of the Space Age Chevrolet Region?

By Russell Heim, Space Age Chevrolet Region President, spaceagechevy@gmail.com



The Space Age Chevrolet Region received our AACA charter in 2014. Since then, we've provided our members a place to celebrate the history of 1955 and later AACA eligible Chevrolets. We publish a bi-monthly online newsletter, the *Space Age Star*. Besides Chevrolet history, the newsletter features member cars, restoration tips and free classified advertising. There are no region dues. The only requirement to join is a current AACA membership.

For more information about the region, visit our website at spaceage.aaca.com. You can contact the region at spaceagechevy@gmail.com.

2018 AACA Membership Renewal Reminder

As most of you know, your AACA membership runs for a calendar year - January 1 through December 31. From about mid-September through the end of the year, AACA Headquarters gets a little crazy with membership renewal phone calls and mail. It's not uncommon for us to receive several hundred renewals in a day. Even though it's our busiest time of the year, making sure we get our 60,000+ members renewed is always our top priority.

A renewal form was included with your September/October issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine. Simply fill out the form and send it back to the office with a check or credit card information.

You can also renew your membership by calling National Headquarters at 717-534-1010 or online

[here](#). (If this is your first time renewing online, please "retrieve account" first. You will then get an email with a temporary password and can login under "registered customers." You can then update your information, change your password to something you can remember and renew your membership. Make sure to check your email junk and spam folders for the temporary password email - we've heard a lot of them are ending up there! If you don't get it, just call us and we will help you.)

From the AACA Library & Research Center



Fall Meet Wrap-Up

Fall Meet has come and gone, but the AACA Library is still running on high excitement! The library was a happening place to be, with several people coming in to do research throughout the week. This was also the first year we had the AACA Library bookmobile on display. Head Librarian Chris Ritter was on-hand to show off this awesome vehicle and answer questions.

Sales of duplicate materials were especially strong this year, adding up to a grand total of \$16,836! **This year's literature yard sale raised \$12,742, a new record!** We also raised a significant amount of money throughout the week in book sales, with on-site sales accounting for \$3,302 and flea market tent sales account for \$676. We received an additional \$116 from sales at our booth at Black Swan Antiquities.

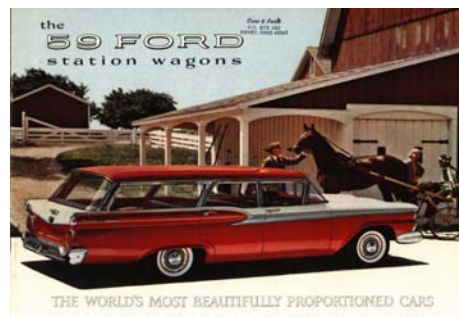
The AACA Library would like to extend a very special thank you to our team of volunteers because, without them, our week would not have been the smashing success it was. Angelica Yost was also a big help in keeping things running smoothly at the library while Chris was on the field. We also want to thank our yard sale sponsors: J.C. Taylor Insurance, Eastwood Company of Pottstown, Prueitt Automotive Restoration, Universal Vintage Tire Company, Karns Quality Foods and the AACA Hershey Region.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone who visited us throughout the week because helping you makes this job worthwhile!

AACA Library eBay Auction

From now through Sunday, November 19, we will be holding a special eBay auction. Look for rare automotive sales literature from the likes of Lincoln, Pierce-Arrow, Packard and more! In addition to the auction, our eBay store also includes over 2,000 "buy-it-now" listings, including reproduction factory photographs, books and sales literature.

[Click here](#) for a full listing of auction-format items.



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Interested in doing research with the AACA Library?

More information is available on our website. [Visit AACA Library](#)
or contact our head librarian, Chris Ritter, at critter@aacar.org or 717-534-2082.

**1971 Fiat 850 Spider with "Loot in the Boot" Sold
at RM Sotheby's Hershey Auction to Benefit AACA Library**

During the Hershey Fall Meet, we benefited from the generosity of Wayne Carini, Ralph Marano, Joe Cassini and Rob Myers along with the gang at RM Sotheby's who supported us to the tune of \$34,000 for the week. The publicity that the club got and the strong message they have given AACA about their support of our mission cannot be underestimated.

To top it off, we had a lot of fun auctioning off the Fiat with the "Loot in the Boot." The Fiat was a 1971 Spider that was a donation and the trunk was full of cash - bidders had no idea how much though! After much cajoling and laughter caused by Ralph Marano, the car itself brought \$24,000! Thanks to everyone who had a hand in this highly entertaining event at the fall meet.



**Show-Stopping American Classics From Thomas F. Derro Collection
Lead RM Sotheby's \$15.9 Million Hershey Sale**

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RM Sotheby's once again celebrated the American automobile at Hershey Lodge during the world-renowned AACA Fall Meet with \$15,932,802 in total sales and an incredible 96 percent sell-through rate across two days (5-6 October). Representing one of the company's top Hershey performances to date in the sale's eleven-year history, results were driven by bidders from 20 countries, and highlighted by several important private collections presented amongst the 140 cars on offer.

The Thomas F. Derro Collection, one of the Northeast's greatest collections of American automobiles, offered entirely without reserve, stole the show on Friday evening, with many lots achieving or exceeding estimates. Drawing tremendous pre-sale interest, the twelve-car Derro

Collection was led by the 1933 Pierce-Arrow Silver Arrow, the very first of just four examples and a mere three survivors, which brought a final \$2,310,000 following an extended contest between bidders in the room and on the phone. Additional highly anticipated highlights from the Derro Collection include an exceptionally restored, award-winning 1935 Duesenberg Model J Cabriolet with one-off European coachwork by d'Ieteren, which sold for \$1,485,000, a striking 1957 Dual-Ghia Convertible with the optional D500 Hemi V-8 engine which well-exceeded expectations at \$341,000 (Est. \$200k/250k), and a 1941 Packard Custom Super Eight One Eighty Convertible Victoria, used in the popular 1970s NBC television series "Banacek", which brought a strong \$407,000.



1933 Pierce-Arrow Silver Arrow

"The RM Sotheby's Hershey auction remains one of the premier destinations for die-hard Classic and Brass era enthusiasts and the results over the course of the two-day auction simply reaffirmed the strength of the market and depth of the consignments for this year's stellar offering," said Gord Duff, Global Head of Auctions for RM Sotheby's, following the sale. "Headlined by notable estate collections; The Thomas F. Derro and Ralph Whitworth Collections respectively, RM Sotheby's was honored to have been chosen to represent such esteemed names in the hobby. It goes to show that the mix between cars with outstanding provenance against the backdrop of our annual Hershey sale continues to provide the recipe for sweet success".

Stand-out American Classics of exceptional provenance also shone outside of the private collections. Thursday evening saw a 1936 Cadillac V-16 Convertible Sedan by Fleetwood, one of the very finest first generation examples extant, bring a well-deserved \$715,000. Sympathetically restored from an outstanding original example, the V-16 was exhibited for six decades at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry and came to Hershey having had just two private owners since 1949. On Friday, an authentic, factory-supercharged 1937 Cord 812 Supercharged Cabriolet delighted the packed auction room when it reached a final \$412,500 following interest from multiple parties (Est. \$300k/350k).

Proving that collectors are willing to pay strong money for the truly special cars at all levels of the market, one of the most anticipated and most unique lots of the Thursday sale was the iconic 1937 White Model 706 Yellowstone Park Tour Bus. Originally supplied to Yellowstone National Park and now upgraded for modern enjoyment, the ultimate party bus ignited a fierce competition between nearly 20 bidders on the phone and in the room, smashing its presale estimate at a final \$165,000 (Est. \$30k/40k). On Friday evening, an immaculately restored, Canadian-delivery 1961 AMC Metropolitan 1500 Convertible also charmed its way past high estimate, attracting a bidding contest that eventually saw it sold at \$74,250 (Est. \$30k/40k).



1937 White Model 706 Yellowstone Park Tour Bus

RM Sotheby's Hershey 2017 Top Ten Sales

1. Lot 265	1933 Pierce-Arrow Silver Arrow (CHASSIS NO. 2575015)	\$2,310,000
2. Lot 262	1935 Duesenberg Model J Cabriolet (ENGINE NO. J-519)	\$1,485,000
3. Lot 161	1936 Cadillac V-16 Convertible Sedan (ENGINE NO. 51102222)	\$715,000

4. Lot 259	1932 Duesenberg Model J Town Car (ENGINE NO. J-497)	\$594,000
5. Lot 242	1935 Packard Twelve Sport Phaeton (VEHICLE NO. 821-202)	\$495,000
6. Lot 252	1937 Cord 812 Supercharged Cabriolet (SERIAL NO. 812 32023 F)	\$412,500
7. Lot 254	1941 Packard Custom Super Eight One Eighty Convertible Victoria (VEHICLE NO. 1429-2014)	\$407,000
8. Lot 253	1933 Packard Twelve Convertible Victoria (VEHICLE NO. 647-25)	\$390,500
9. Lot 264	1957 Dual-Ghia Convertible (CHASSIS NO. 125)	\$341,000
10. Lot 154	1930 Isotta Fraschini Tipo 8A "Flying Star" Recreation (CHASSIS NO. 687)	\$302,500

Complete results from RM Sotheby's 2017 Hershey sale, as well as information on upcoming events, is available at www.rmsothebys.com. Please note that results include select post-sale transactions that occurred immediately following the auction.

Trade Show Booths Available at AACA Annual Meeting

Does your business want direct exposure to AACA members? Do you like selling your services face-to-face to hobby enthusiasts? Are you hosting an event in 2018 that you want our members to know about? Then why not secure some booth space at one of the best AACA events of the year?!

Trade Show booths are 10 ft X 8 ft and only cost \$200. What a great deal to ensure that your brand is represented at the AACA Annual Meeting!

Click here for the [registration form](#).

If you have questions, please feel free to contact [Judy Fischer](#).



It's Time to Order Your Official 2018 AACA Calendar

The AACA Calendar is always a hot item this time of year, so be sure to order yours before they are gone! This 13-month calendar runs from January 2018 to January 2019 and highlights AACA National Meets and Tours in addition to moon phases, all Federal Holidays and many other observances. The best part of the annual calendar is getting to see the fabulous member cars showcased each time you flip the month. At a cost of \$12 postpaid, these calendars also make great, inexpensive gifts for all of the car-lovers in your life!



To order, either call AACA Headquarters at 717-534-1910 or go to the [AACA online store](#). An order form was also included with your last issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine.

It's Never Too Early to Buy Your Holiday Cards

AACA Christmas and holiday cards are an annual tradition for many members. These beautiful 5x7 cards feature artwork from renowned artist Ken Eberts, whose paintings have graced *Antique Automobile* magazine covers. This year, we have two new designs...



"Christmas Delivery"

1946 Ford Super Deluxe station wagon
Inside: Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



"Snowy Christmas on Main"

1954 Oldsmobile Super 98
Inside: Happy Holidays

The cards come in packs of 12 and include envelopes. Each pack is only \$12 (plus shipping). An order form was included with your last issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine. You can also call AACA Headquarters to place your order (717-534-1910) or go to the [AACA online store](#).

Five Scholarships Available - Apply Before December 1!

John and Janet Ricketts Leadership Scholarship

A \$1,500 cash award to any AACA member, child or grandchild of an AACA member in good standing for at least 5 years, who has been accepted to an institution of higher learning or is now enrolled in such institution. This award is granted by the family of John and Janet Ricketts in recognition of their love for AACA and their belief in service to the club. It is also in recognition of our first female National President, Janet Ricketts in 1999. Region or chapter membership is encouraged but not required. [Click here for more information and to download the application.](#)



Susquehannock Region Automotive Technology Scholarship

Formerly known as AACA Student Scholarship, this award is granted by the AACA National Board of Directors to encourage adults to further their education and stimulate interest in AACA and automotive history. One or more awards may be presented each year. [Click here for more information and to download the application.](#)

AACA Young People's Award

The AACA Young People's Award is a cash award to an AACA member, child or grandchild of an active AACA member in good standing for at least five years, who has been accepted into an accredited institution of higher learning or is now enrolled in such institution, i.e. a four-year college leading to a bachelor's degree or a two-year vocational education program leading to a degree. Applicants MUST be nominated by a Region or Chapter of AACA and must be no more than 25 years old. This award is merit based, and while financial need may be considered, it is not a deciding factor. One or more of these awards may be presented each year. [Click here for more information and to download the application.](#)

AACA Scholarship

The AACA Scholarship is granted by the AACA National Board of Directors. All applicants must be current AACA members for a minimum of 5 continuous years. The children or grandchildren of these AACA members are also eligible. Applicants must be accepted to a recognized accredited institution, or currently enrolled in such an institution leading to a four-year college Bachelor's degree or completion of a two-year vocational education program. They must be 25 years old or less by December 31 of the year when applying for the scholarship. AACA region or chapter membership is encouraged, but not required. One or more of these awards may be presented each year. [Click here for more information and to download the application.](#)

Louise Bianchi Chiotti Memorial Scholarship Award

Louise (Bianchi) Chiotti was born on June 11, 1914 in San Jose California. The Family's first automobile was a 1926 Dodge Sedan. Her two younger brothers purchased a 1939 Studebaker and took delivery in January 1939. They wanted to give it to Louise's son Dave in 1956. His mother thought it too big of a car for a fifteen year old in San Francisco and talked him into buying a 1930 Model "A" Ford Coupe. In 1959 the little Ford was a bit slow, so Dave purchased a 1959 Ford convertible. As Dave sat on the running board of the Ford waiting for the new owner to arrive his mom came and sat next to him. "You really don't want to sell it do you?" she asked. "No, I don't was my reply." "Then don't," Mom said.

Dave and Marilyn Chiotti still own the Model "A"; it is a Senior and First Place Grand National Award Winner. The 1939 Studebaker came to the Chiottis after spending 40 years under a walnut tree. It is now a Senior and First Place Grand National Award Winner. The 1926 Dodge was cut into a truck for ranch use in the 1940's. Dave brought it home in 1976 and built a Woodie. In 2000, they donated it to Luther Burbank Home & Gardens in Santa Rosa. After Dave and Marilyn's uncle's passing, they acquired their 1968 Cadillac El Dorado. It now lives in the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA. This \$1,500 scholarship is based upon the same rules as the AACA Automotive Technology Award and is awarded as funds are available. It was instituted and funded by Dave and Marilyn Chiotti as a way to honor Louise and a way to continue to support youth in the hobby. [Click here for more information and to download the application.](#)

How to Apply:

Application forms may be obtained by clicking on the links above, from AACA National Headquarters, 501 W. Governor Rd., Hershey, PA 17033 (717-534-1910) or from the VP of Youth Development Programs: Tabetha Hammer, 141 Rivers Edge, Ste 200, Traverse City, MI 49684 (thammer@HAGERTY.com).

All scholarship applications are due by **December 1
and will be awarded at the AACA Annual Meeting in February.**

2018 Boca Raton Concours d'Elegance to Honor AACA Cars

The 2018 Boca Raton Concours d'Elegance will honor the cars of AACA! Our cars will be the featured marque and will be eligible for all awards other than class awards. The cars will be in a special decade by decade display to educate the public on the advancement of the automobile.

This concours is held at the world famous Boca Raton Resort and Club in Florida. It will be held February 23-25, 2018. It truly is a magnificent event and to have this much respect for our cars and our club is very special.



Cars included in the display will be self-nominated, so every member has an opportunity to show their vehicles. All cars chosen will receive a special memento from AACA for their participation. Please email AACA Executive Director Steve Moskowitz who will curate this display (aaca1@aaca.org). He will follow up with a nomination form for you to fill out.

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Be sure to like [AACA](#) and the [AACA Library & Research Center](#) Facebook pages. Did you know that AACA also has a Facebook Group you can join to discuss cars and hobby hot topics? Request to join the group by [clicking here](#).

AACA Calendar Spotlight

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

February 8-10, 2018
Annual Meeting - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

****CANCELLED****

March 2-3, 2018

**Winter Meet/Special Grand National - San Juan,
Puerto Rico**

April 5-7, 2018
Southeastern Spring Meet - Charlotte, North Carolina

April 19-21, 2018
Western Spring Meet - Tucson, Arizona

May 11-12, 2018
Central Spring Meet - Auburn, Indiana

May 31 - June 2, 2018



Annual Grand National Meet - Greensburg, Pennsylvania

July 11-14, 2018

Eastern Spring Meet - Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

August 20-24, 2018

Reliability Tour - Geneva, New York

September 12-15, 2018

Central Divisional Tour - Texas Panhandle

September 16-21, 2018

Revival AAA Glidden Tour (VMCCA) - Twin Falls, Idaho

October 10-13, 2018

Eastern Fall Meet - Hershey, Pennsylvania

October 21-26, 2018

Founders Tour - Metropolis, Illinois

November 5-9, 2018

Sentimental Tour - Natchez, Mississippi

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Trivia Answer

Steve Rossi's Old Car Quiz

~For the Trivial Astute~

Japan's Datsun, Toyota, Isuzu and Prince companies.

Although they came close with Nissan for Datsun distribution rights, the effort ultimately proved unsuccessful.

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