

## President's Message:

Back to business...we had a great turnout for the "drive by" at Brookdale at Jones Farm and Thrive at Jones Farm assisted living places on Wed., Sept. 3. Thanks to those who participated and wore their masks and socially distanced.

September is one of our typical dinner out months, so let's try this for September. We rented Pavilion 1 at Sharon Johnston Park for July 4 but virus numbers were still high so we cancelled but we still have the Pavilion rented and are moving the date to Saturday, September 26. This will serve as our dinner out although we will meet at lunch. Members are encouraged to bring their lunch and the club will furnish drinks and individually wrapped chips and cookies. There is lots of room for our cars so get your old cars out and drive them. Feel free to bring your own chairs if you don't want to use the picnic tables.

AACA has contacted our region about hosting a meet or tour sometime in 2022 through 2025. We need to be thinking about this. Maybe we can toss some ideas around at the September meeting and vote on whether we would want to host a meet or tour.

Remember for those who typically attend the AACA swap meet in October in Hershey, PA, that swap meet is canceled and there will be a car show only.

We miss each of you and look forward to seeing you at a meeting (or car show) in the future. Until then stay safe, stay separate and remember to sanitize...and if you need anything just let us know. --Nel

## **IN SYMPATHY:**

We learned this week that Paul Karbel lost his battle with cancer. We offer our sincerest sympathy to Cat and their entire family. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers as they adjust to this terrible loss.

Also, our condolences go out to Roger and Brenda Jones on the passing of Roger's mother Alice Harris Jones in July. She was a lifelong resident of Madison County. Keep the Jones family in your prayers during this sad time.

## **MEMBER NEWS:**

Roxanne Robertson has been in the hospital recently for various problems, but most recently she cut her leg on her wheelchair which sent her back to the emergency room for stitches. We wish her a better autumn. Please get well soon, Roxanne.

Sally Barnett was diagnosed with uterine cancer and underwent surgery on August 17<sup>th</sup>. She will begin chemotherapy September 15<sup>th</sup>. She is optimistic and ready to be on the mend soon. Remember her as she goes through these treatments.

Lisa Vaughan has been falling occasionally and recently fell and broke her left shoulder. Remember her and Bob as they deal with these difficult issues.

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Jeff and Drea Slagle on the birth of their granddaughter, Flora Jane Adams, 7lbs 1 oz; 19 1/2 inches born on Saturday, July 25. Mom and daughter are fine.



## **SUMMER MILESTONES:**

Congratulations and best wishes to you all!

## BIRTHDAYS

- June 6 Mike O'Halloran
- June 8 Carolyn Miller
- June 10 Bob Vaughan
- June 12 Ruth Fore
- June 16 Rudy Chavez
- June 17 Terry Johnson
- June 19 Marcia Snellen
- June 22 Gene Moran
- ANNIVERSARIES
- June 16 Dwayne and Darlene Pierce
- June 19 Chuck and Lynn Nickey
- June 23 Dan and Jacqui Moore (30 in 2020)
- June 28 Dick and Jane Haldeman (51 in 2020)

June 28 – Gerald and Teri Moore (34 in 2020)

#### BIRTHDAYS

July 5 - Harold Baugh

July 7 – Jan Moran

July 9 – Dick Haldeman

July 10 - Peggy Richard

July 13 – Joe Stegmaier

July 16? - Wayne Scites

July 16? Lynn Wagner

July 19 - Nancy Cooper

July 23 – Gerald Moore

July 31 – Jules Haynes

July 31 – Frank Tatom

July 31 – Jules Haynes

ANNIVERSARIES

July 1 – Roland and Marena McClure

July 11 - David and Carolyn Miller

July 28 – Doug and Nancy Cooper (35 in 2020)

#### BIRTHDAYS

Aug 5 – Gene King

Aug 12 – Jan Bisson

Aug 15 – Alex Haynes

Aug 17 – Annette Carignan

Aug 26 – Marena McClure

Aug 30 – Judy Smith

**ANNIVERSARIES** 

Aug 1 – Harold and Ann Baugh

Aug 3 – Bob and Luci Bentley (64 in 2020)

Aug 5 – Jim and Angie True (42 in 2020)

Aug 8 – Al and Joan Birks (61 in 2020)

Aug 24 – John and Darlene Kleyer (40 in 2020) BIRTHDAYS Sep 11 – Gary Kinney Sep 14 – Linda Weidman Sep 18 – Betty Thurstone (84 in 2020) Sep 19 – Jerry Carignan Sep 20 – Carla Holder Sep 24 – Seth Kemeny ANNIVERSARIES Sep 6 – Greg and Susan Stefanovic (24 in 2020) Sep 12 – Roger and Brenda Jones (56 in 2020)

Sep 12 – Joe Marchelites and Carla Holder

#### FOR SALE:

Catherine Karbel is selling her 1970 Chevy Nova Street Rod/ Show car. Cat lives in the New Market area and is a member of NAR/AACA. Excellent restoration, cherry red, 350 auto/P/S, P/B with a lot of chrome and fresh interior. 256-379-4029.



## FOR SALE:

## Former member Joe Sims' Ford Falcon

1969 Ford Falcon Station Wagon - \$13,950

- Southern wagon
- Overall in good condition
- 1 owner family
- Garage kept
- V8 302 2BBL
- Automatic
- PS, PB
- A/C currently not operational
- New front shocks, coil springs, RR shocks and lea
- Original genuine Ford Falcon manuals included

#### Carol Ague

256-337-4028



## FOR SALE:

Anyone need this? Make an offer for this 360 Big Block and C6 transmission. A friend is rebuilding his 1968 Ford F100 and upgrading the drive train. I told him I would let the members know. If interested, contact Jim True and he will put you in touch with the seller.



**Big block** 



Transmission

# 1956 GMC Truck By Tom Beam

Prior to and soon after its founding in 1815, Monroe County Alabama has been called home by many notable figures. A few of these figures were William Weatherford, a.k.a. Creek chief Red Eagle, and 20<sup>th</sup> century authors Truman Capote and Harper Lee. Around 1810 many of these figures were my very own family ancestors. But, the Monroe County resident who stands out to me the most was Robert McMillian, the first owner of my 1955 GMC truck.

In June of 1955, Robert purchased the truck from the Tri-Motor Company in Monroeville, Alabama. At Robert's passing in 1964, the truck was inherited by his adopted son Bill McMillian. In 1975 Bill and his son-in-law Donny Stringfellow made the decision to sell the truck to my brother Kenny Beam. Upon my 1987 graduation from Auburn University, Kenny sold the truck to me and I became the truck's fourth owner.

The original truck that Robert purchased in 1955 was delivered with a combination paint job of Aqua Blue and Dover White. It was fitted with 15 inch Goodyear tires, a Delco AM radio, and was covered with numerous chrome accessories. Its transmission was a standard column shift mechanical 3-speed. The trucks power source was the newly introduced V8 Pontiac 287 cubic inch "Strato-Streak" engine.

In 1989, I decided to do a full truck restoration and soon became aware of the many steps and time required for such a project.

In 1992, my marriage and new fatherhood put the restoration project on hold. Around December 2011, the time had come for me to resume my work on the truck. As a novice at auto restoration, my skill level was very low. Fortunately, I had friends and coworkers, who excelled in painting, electronics, and woodworking, and they joined in helping me complete the truck restoration.

By early December 2012 my 1955 GMC truck restoration was complete. From 2013 to 2015 the truck participated in many local car shows and brought home many first place trophies.

Due to a tragic accident on January 28, 2017, that heavily damaged the frame, engine and front section, the truck has undergone an extensive second restoration.



Tom's 1955 GMC truck









Tom and his truck

## THE DRIVE-BY AT BROOKDALE AND THRIVE AT JONES FARM

### **By Nell Owen**

You've heard it said "try, try, try again" and that's just what NAR did. Rain or the threat of it, had us rescheduling time and time and time again until finally we were able to drive our beauties in a nice parade for all the residents and staff at Brookdale at Jones Farm and Thrive at Jones Farm to see and enjoy. The cars were all decked out and everyone seemed to enjoy the parade as the roads were lined with eager folks.

Phil Bentley stopped by Mayfair where we lined up hoping to visit a few minutes with his cousin, Bob Bentley, but Bob and Luci had a roof leak and repairmen coming so they had to cancel out on the parade.

It was great to see members albeit from a distance. Masks were in abundance. Everyone said they had a great time and couldn't wait to do it again. Randy was just glad he got one car driven because it's time to start all the cars and run them for September.

NAR members who participated were Randy and Nell Owen (1941 Packard), Tom Beam (1956 GMC Truck), Jerry and Annette Carignan (2003 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corvette), Chuck Knapp (1957 Thunderbird), Jim and Angie True (1974 Pontiac convertible), Peter and Claire Catanese (1956 Mercury), Jim Paxton (1979 Ford F-150 Truck), Dan Moore (2002 Thunderbird), Chuck Nickey (1966 Mustang convertible), Jeff Slagle (1966 Ford Galaxie 500 convertible), Frank Tatom (1949 Pontiac), Bob and Linda Weidman (1972 Chevy Corvette convertible), Ed Hanish (1931 Willys Sport Roadster), Tammy Thompson (1927 Willys-Knight Model 70A), Gary Kinney (1934 Ford Roadster), John Adams (1940 Buick) and John LaFalce (Brand X Truck).



**Display at Brookdale** 





Nice lineup at Brookdale

















Our picnic Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Sharon Johnson Park at noon. Bring a sack lunch. Drinks and individual snacks will be provided by the club.

We have reserved Pavilion 1. Take Coleman Rd. off Winchester Road. Turn left at Gate 1 and Pavilion 1will be on the right.

We hope to see y'all there!