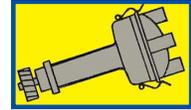


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SPRING IS HERE!

It's a tough time, without much going on. When I asked for pictures of cars, Darlene Newcomb suggested an alternative might be pictures of gardens. Here are some of yours. **Ken**



A photo from our back yard. These three mallards, a hen and two drakes, have been hanging around our pond for almost a week.

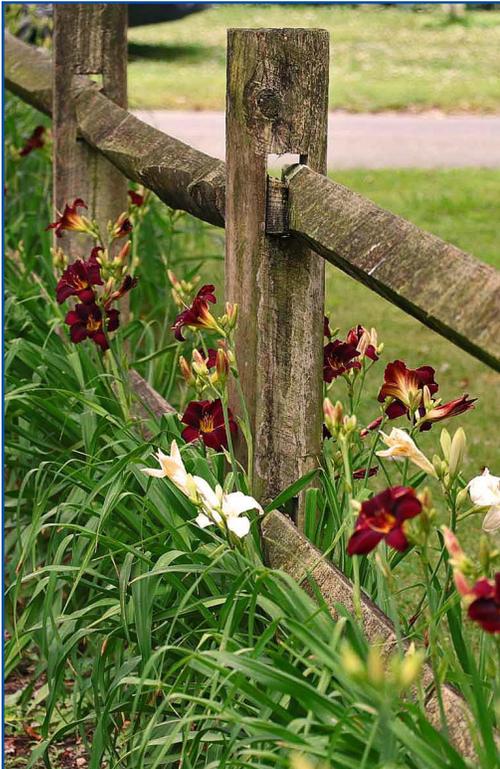
I am assuming that we will see some ducklings shortly.

Craig Duerling

Darlene sent these.

Sally Donner sent this.

Betty Nabb sent these.



LEE CAPLAN'S FLEET, OUT FOR SPRING



I didn't 'drive' them yesterday but I did tidy up the garage, which required some "car-eography". In the process I took some pictures and had a virtual car show with some friends in California **Lee**



MEMBERS' CARS, OUT FOR SPRING



Left: George Hatcher took his Mach I out for a spin and a fill-up of ethanol-free gas at Easton Point.

Below: My home away from home in my driveway! A wonderful afternoon in the back of my bus has given me a chance for a nice change of scenery! I plan to do it again, soon. Next time, though, I'll bring snacks and a nice cold lemonade! ...Darn, Lee has all the lemons!!!! -Carol Grant



Pat McCann's 1959 Chevy Sport Coupe

THE MARCH 12TH LUNCH BUNCH

Rumer has it that there was a Lunch Bunch, but there is scant evidence. Additional information, if any, will be included in a future edition.



FROM THE HAGERTY DRIVERS CLUB NEWSLETTER, APRIL 7, 2020

DORIS DAY'S 1930 FORD MODEL A ROADSTER SELLS FOR \$96K

By Jeff Peek
 April 6, 2020

Nearly one year after Doris Day's death, her fans made sure she'll never be forgotten, gobbling up items owned by the Hollywood legend, singer, and animal rights activist. In a weekend estate auction hosted by Julien's, fans of "America's Sweetheart" placed online bids for more than 1100 items from her residence in Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, known as "Overlook."

Day died of complications from pneumonia on May 13, 2019. Day would have celebrated her 98th birthday on April 3.

Julien's said that the auction generated more than \$3 million, far exceeding *(Continued on Next page.)*



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presale estimates of \$300,000–\$600,000. All proceeds benefit the Doris Day Animal Foundation (www.ddaf.org).

Topping the list of items sold was Day's [1930 Ford Model A](#), which she owned for more than 35 years and was frequently seen driving around Carmel. The rumble-seat roadster, which Day nicknamed "Buttercup," sold for \$96,000, more than nine times its estimate of \$10,000.

The car was a gift from a fan and Day had it restored in the early 1980s. It is powered by a 40-horsepower L-head 200.5-cubic-inch four-cylinder engine, mated to an unsynchronized three-speed manual transmission. Among the Model A's features are dual running boards, front and rear bumper guards, side and review mirrors, rumble seat, mounted spare tire, wire wheels, and four-wheel mechanical drum brakes. The odometer reads 35,142 miles.

Included is [Day's personalized license plate "1 Bixby,"](#) a reference to her nickname, "Clara Bixby," given to her by good friend Billy De Wolfe decades before. **It also has written starting and shut-off instructions taped to the dash (shown at right).**

Day used the Model A on her 1985–86 cable-television talk show, *Best Friends*, often taking her guests for a spin. That included Rock Hudson, who publicly revealed the toll that AIDS was taking on his body. Hudson died on October 2, 1985. "He was very sick," Day said later. "But I just brushed that off, and I came out and put my arms around him and said, 'Am I glad to see you.'"

Day's best-known films are those in which she co-starred with Hudson, chief among them 1959's *Pillow Talk*, for which she was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Actress.

The second-highest item sold at the weekend auction was also a vehicle, [Day's 2002 Cadillac Escalade, which went for \\$28,800.](#)

Other highlights include Day's three Golden Globe Awards, one for "World Film Favorite Actress," presented to her in 1962 (\$25,600), as well as in 1957 (\$16,000) and 1959 (\$22,400). Also a Columbia Records Gold Record Award for *Whatever Will Be, Will Be (Que Sera, Sera)* from 1956 (\$15,625) and a Columbia Records Gold Record Award for the song, *Secret Love* (\$16,000). The "Overlook" sign from her home in Carmel went for \$16,000.

[Julien's](#), in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic, shifted from the previously announced public live event to a live online auction, with auctioneers conducting the sale in streaming video in front of a global audience of registered bidders and fans.



Photo by Juliens Auctions

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Friends:

Our Region's year like everything else on the face of the globe, it seems, has come to a screeching halt. I am sure in the 35 year history of the Bay Country Region there have never been so many members itching to go out and do anything with each other as we are itching now.

I am proud of each and every one of you for resisting temptation to get out and get together as we always have done in the spring. I am aware of other car clubs willing to stretch the limits of what is recommended and ordered, for an afternoon of activity, without regard to the consequences of that activity. Our continued and strict adherence to stay at home and conform to social distancing guidelines, recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and ordered by our Governor, has contributed to keeping ourselves healthy and to slowing the spread of the coronavirus in our midst.

We have done our patriotic duty by doing nothing, literally. We have missed Board and General Membership Meetings in March and the April General Membership Meeting originally scheduled for this week will not happen. Additionally we have cancelled one lunch bunch date in April. If we are asked to continue to refrain from congregating in support of our national effort of sacrifice, to make sure conditions are safer for ourselves, our families, our communities, our state and our nation, when we do emerge to resume our social and economic activities, I know each and every one of you will do your part as asked.

In this dearth of activity it is especially rewarding to look back, in this issue of the Distributor, at what we were able to do as a group in 2020. I love being reminded of our luncheons and our pilgrimage to the AACA Annual Convention in Philadelphia. It is gratifying to see ourselves in the days before epidemiological social engineering forced us into our homes.

We do not know what the future holds but to the extent practical, permissible, and possible, I am determined to see our Region fulfill the responsibility we have taken on to host the 2020 AACA Eastern Division Tour, which now is rescheduled for August 12-15, 2020, in Cambridge. In spite of the profound disruption of our Tour schedule I am pleased to let you know our Tour Committee, chaired by Charles Emery, reports the roster for the tour is still full.

A number of applicants from our waiting list were happy to take the places of people originally accepted who are now unable to visit with us in August. In spite of reducing the number of applicants from the waiting list there are a few applicants still waiting. To replenish the waiting list the committee will be working in May and June with the assistance of the AACA to attract new applications from those willing to tour with us in August.

So far, the annual picnic at Ken and Sally's is still on.

During this time like no other I am reminded that the Bay Country Region is first a social club, and second, a car club. I am gratified to see our email tree filled with suggestions as to how we can help each other, and help local charities and businesses, in our down time. Even though we cannot be together with each other, and our cars, we are proving we can be with and for each other virtually, in our exchanged emails.

I know a lot of our members are reluctant to engage on Facebook, but if the isolation in which we find ourselves makes you

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'31 Ford Model A Rumble Seat Roadster, 98% stock, Turn Key, needs some detailing, \$24,500.

'35 Plymouth Rat Rod Sedan, 440, 727, Ford 9", Air ride, \$13,500.

'40 Packard Coupe Hot Rod, Amazingly solid project, Crate 350, 700R4, tons of parts \$15,000

'41 Ford Super Deluxe Coupe, Flathead V8 with goodies, been in storage 3 years, fine car that needs TLC, \$23,500.

'51 Ford Custom Tudor, Flathead V8 with goodies, been in storage 3 years, fine car that needs TLC, \$24,500.

'56 Thunderbird, also a solid project, both tops, cont. kit shaved, manual trans, stuck motor from sitting \$10k

Vintage Bumper Car Tub, \$450.

COMING SOON- Load of Ford Model T and A Parts!

Bob, 443 496 2887, or with pics at bchevy7@yahoo.com

more willing to give it a try, I hope you will visit our Region's Facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/BayCountryRegionAACA/>.

Social media allows us the ability to share experiences and well wishes interactively, in real time. If all we do there is share a photo of our meals, or what we've done in and around the house that day, or offer help in emotionally supporting one another in this time, which may be stressful for many of us, it will be worth it. Hopefully, I will see more of you interact on our page.

I still have hope we will be able to engage in many activities we were planning before the shutdown. Maybe a summer time Dust 'em Off tour is still possible. Hopefully we can engage in a 35th Anniversary Activity.

I still hope we can pursue our full fall schedule this year. If the 'Dust 'em Off' can't be run, maybe we can convince Danny and Jim to plan a "Put 'em Away" Tour for the fall. In any event I am asking for one or more members willing to plan a fall tour to please let me know. We may plan a fall tour, and not be able to go, due to circumstances beyond our control, but I'd hate being able to go, not having planned the event.

Like I wrote in one of my emails to members a couple of weeks ago, until we meet again, please take the recommendations and proclamations from our President and his team, and our Governor and his team, with a level of deadly seriousness. We want to see every Region member, as well as their families and friends, healthy and rarin' to go when we emerge on the other side of this national battle to preserve our health, happiness and prosperity.

Fingers crossed, I'll see all y'all in May. If not, then as soon as possible.

Lee Caplan, President

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- find out about activity changes, club emergencies, etc.
- pass along urgent information to all club members

Contact **Lee Caplan** at 919-636-0955 or lcaplan@icloud.com

THE BAY COUNTRY REGION, AACA

The purpose of the club shall be the preservation, use, and enjoyment of self-propelled antique, classic, and special interest vehicles and related parts, materials, and services. The Board of Directors of the Region shall meet on the first Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise specified. Membership meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month, except July and August. Meeting announcements will be carried each month in the newsletter. Articles for the newsletter are welcomed and members are encouraged to submit news about personal interest items to the editor by the 20th of each month.

ITEMS FOR THE DISTRIBUTOR should be submitted by the 20th of the month. Submissions from members are greatly appreciated. Tell us about, or show us, your cars (and trucks) and what you are doing with them. If you're planning an event, here's the place to describe it.

Electronic submissions are preferred. Having avoided learning how to type all these years, the Editor doesn't want to have to learn now. On the other hand, photos and illustrations can be scanned, with no typing necessary, so send anything that you would like the membership to see.

- May**
- 5 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; at the home of Cathy Prouse
- 13-16 ~~AACA Eastern Divisional Tour (up to 1995)—Maryland's Eastern Shore; Charles Emery: 410-742-8342~~ **Rescheduled to August 13-16**
- 20 BCR Monthly Business Meeting. 7:30 pm; Diner (optional) at 6:00 pm, Easton Diner
- 22 Wicomico Middle School Car & Motorcycle Show Parkway Church of God (across Rt. 50 from Wicomico Middle School) 4:30-7:30 PM Reg. \$10 Day of Show; Buck Burton 410-251-1121; burtons31981@comcast.net

- June**
- 2 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; at the home of Cathy Prouse
- 7-11 AACA Sentimental Tour, Davis, WV
- 12-13 AACA SE Spring, Charlotte, NC
- 13 Picnic at Ken & Sally's 1:00 pm
- 15-18 ~~Early Ford V8 Club Eastern National Meet~~
- 17 BCR Monthly Business Meeting. 7:30 pm; Diner (optional) at 6:00 pm, Easton Diner
- 19-20 ~~Antique Truck Club of America national meet, Macungie, PA~~
- 24-27 AACA Eastern Spring, Beckley, WV

- July**
- 7 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; at the home of Cathy Prouse
- 15 BCR Monthly Business Meeting. 7:30 pm; Dinner (optional) at 6:00 pm, Easton Diner
- 19-24 AACA Reliability Tour, Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA
- 23-25 AACA Annual Grand Nationals, Allentown PA
- 25 Delmarva Late Great Chevy Club Show @ Wright's Mkt.—Mardela Springs MD
- 26 17th Annual All Vehicle Show-1900-Present 10:00 am-3:00 pm, Reisterstown Regional Park; sponsored by Free State Reg.-VCCA; \$10.00 by 7/13, \$15.00 at gate; Mike: 410-583-9171; MRNa-tale@verizon.net

- August**
- 1 7am – 8pm Bus trip to Mecum Auction/Harrisburg Depart Georgetown Walmart
- 4 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; at the home of Cathy Prouse
- 13-16 AACA Eastern Divisional Tour (up to 1995)—Maryland, Charles Emery 410-742-8342
- 19 BCR Monthly Business Meeting. 7:30 pm; Diner (optional) at 6:00 pm, Easton Diner



Pat McCann had his truck out too.

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4/25	EVELYNE GARNER	6/9	PAUL MOORE	7/8	ED NABB
5/1	ANDY WILHELM	6/13	BUD STORY	7/15	BARBARA GARDELLA
5/8	CATHY PROUSE	6/21	BARBARA EMERY	7/16	HENRY SCHMIDT
5/9	SALLY DONNER	6/23	ELEANOR SMITH	7/17	HARRIET REICHARD
5/17	ANDY WISE	6/25	WAYNE MORGAN	7/18	JEANNE AVERY
5/28	KARLA WISE	7/3	BUCK BURTON	7/18	CHARLES EMERY

WE GET LETTERS!

Regarding the Philadelphia's Packard Building, shown in the last issue, Charles Emery writes:

In 1956 my dad had a '55 Buick Century that he did not like, He was looking for a new car, and we went to the Packard building to look at Packards. I was very interested in both new and old cars at that point, as well as now, so I tagged along. The salesman who was talking with Dad had been there since the early 1920's and he gave me his product and price book. Dad ended up buying a Roadmaster - I don't know why 'cause he had long wanted a Packard.

Charles



Buck Burton Photo