

## July Meeting

The July meeting (Sunday afternoon, July 17th) was hosted by Brady and Vicki Richard at their “car barn” in Northwest Dallas. The meeting minutes are located elsewhere in this edition of The Spotlight. Brady & Vicki treated us to fajitas with all the fixins and the members brought lots and lots of desserts. Some of the members braved the stifling heat (105 degrees!!) and drove a classic to the meeting, but many came in their trusty “modern car”. Not to worry as Brady had plenty of eye candy on site; the members enjoyed seeing his many classics. This article will include lots of pictures of people as well as vintage cars. Enjoy!!





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**Thanks, Brady & Vicki, for hosting a great summer event and sharing your "toys" with us!!**

## Minutes of the AACA—Texas Region, July General Meeting

DATE: July 17, 2022

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Brady and Vicki Richard's Car Barn; Dallas

Nicole Gambulos, club president, opened the meeting.

Kaiden Lenners gave the treasurer's report.

Nuris Hester, Sunshine Chairperson, gave a report. Debra Mahanna, Pat Morey, and Phil Clayton have all recovered and their attendance at the meeting was acknowledged. It was noted that Royce Kidd had a setback in his recovery and that Doris Eck is in intensive care.

Nicole reported that a host for August and upcoming meetings is needed.

She also reminded everyone that the Bug Tussle work day is scheduled for Saturday, August 20. It will be at the clubhouse at the Gambulos' residence in Garland. It will begin at 9:00 and last about 6 hours putting together items for the Bug Tussle Trek. Currently there are only 14 cars registered for the Trek.

Charlie Gambulos, II reported that Pate had raised the parking fee to \$10.00 for the coming year. He noted that the Pate Swap Meet was one of the few swap meets that did not charge an admission fee in addition to parking.

Nicole said that the Pate website was still down but would be up by mid-August or September.

It was announced that the following events would be held in the area:

The Canton Club is sponsoring a swap meet August 5-6.

The Greenville club is holding a swap meet September 15-17.

Southwest Swap Meet is being held October 28-29.

As we do each meeting, we drew door prizes for which those who drove their classic/antique cars and were eligible (have not already won a prize this year). The winners were Gordon Hofstra, the MacLeod's and the Morey's.

Brady and Vicki Richard were thanked for hosting the meeting.

Brady Richard gave an overview of his collection and facility and invited everyone to look around.

The meeting was adjourned. Jerry Smith said the blessing.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Judy Kerr-Guysinger, Secretary

## From the teacher's desk...

*Edited to add: This is a combo President's note for July and August as I had written this on the plane coming home from Scotland only to be stranded in Toronto. I didn't get it to our Spotlight Editor, Roger, as I was slightly distracted trying to get rebooked. It only cost me two extra nights in Toronto and a new plane ticket in the end- ha!*



### July Letter:

Greetings from seat 36C on a flight home from Edinburgh, Scotland!

I kept meaning to write this letter but the longer we toured the countryside, the further responsibilities seemed to drift away. However, even over there I was amazed to see a monthly meetup of old cars around an old 1807 fountain in Linlithgow (future birthplace of Star Trek's Montgomery Scott). The teachers I travel with couldn't tell me what the cars were but knew that I needed to know, so I walked down there to grab a few photos. There was even an advertisement for a car show on the grounds of Glamis Castle touted all over. I suggest this would make a great tour in the future! Surely, we could plan a spring tour over there, right?!

Coming back to reality and reflecting on our June meeting, we had a wonderful day out at Lake Kiowa visiting John and Lynda Richardson's place. Members were treated to a barbecue lunch and incredible scenery. Several cars were lined up at the entrance to welcome everyone to the festivities. Many thanks for their hospitality in hosting not just at the Plano library but at their lake house as well. There was also an all hands on deck event with Chris Stathopulo and his Ford Ranchero needing assistance. I have the photos to prove it!

Our club really stepped up to the plate when the Pate Board of Directors voted to shut down the existing website 4 days before the meeting. The Pate website committee crafted a letter to be sent out to all 1234 vendors of record. We printed all of the copies and labels for the envelopes. For some reason, I thought I could knock out 500 or so with the long drive we had to do on Sunday, but I was mistaken. This is when our club strutted their stuff. As the board meeting was starting, I handed off the task to some unsuspecting members who had arrived early. It took almost 4 hours in total and 17 volunteers to knock it out. I was so impressed that we were able to get it done. I sent photos to several Pate executive board members who were over the moon that we could mobilize on this endeavor quickly and efficiently. It takes a lot of hands to pull off Pate and I am thrilled to see the Texas Region get recognized for it.

Next month we will venture over to Brady and Vickie Richard's car barn and believe me, you all are in for a treat! You don't want to miss it!

In service,  
Nichole

### August Letter:

Greetings members!

It has been a slow and hot couple of weeks for all of us in North Texas. I've lost count of how many 100+ days of heat we have had.

The Bug Tussle route was driven two days ago and everything looked peachy until FM 1550 outside of Bonham. We may change things up and do lunch before Bug Tussle if the construction is still there in a few weeks. Stay tuned to the Facebook page for updates!

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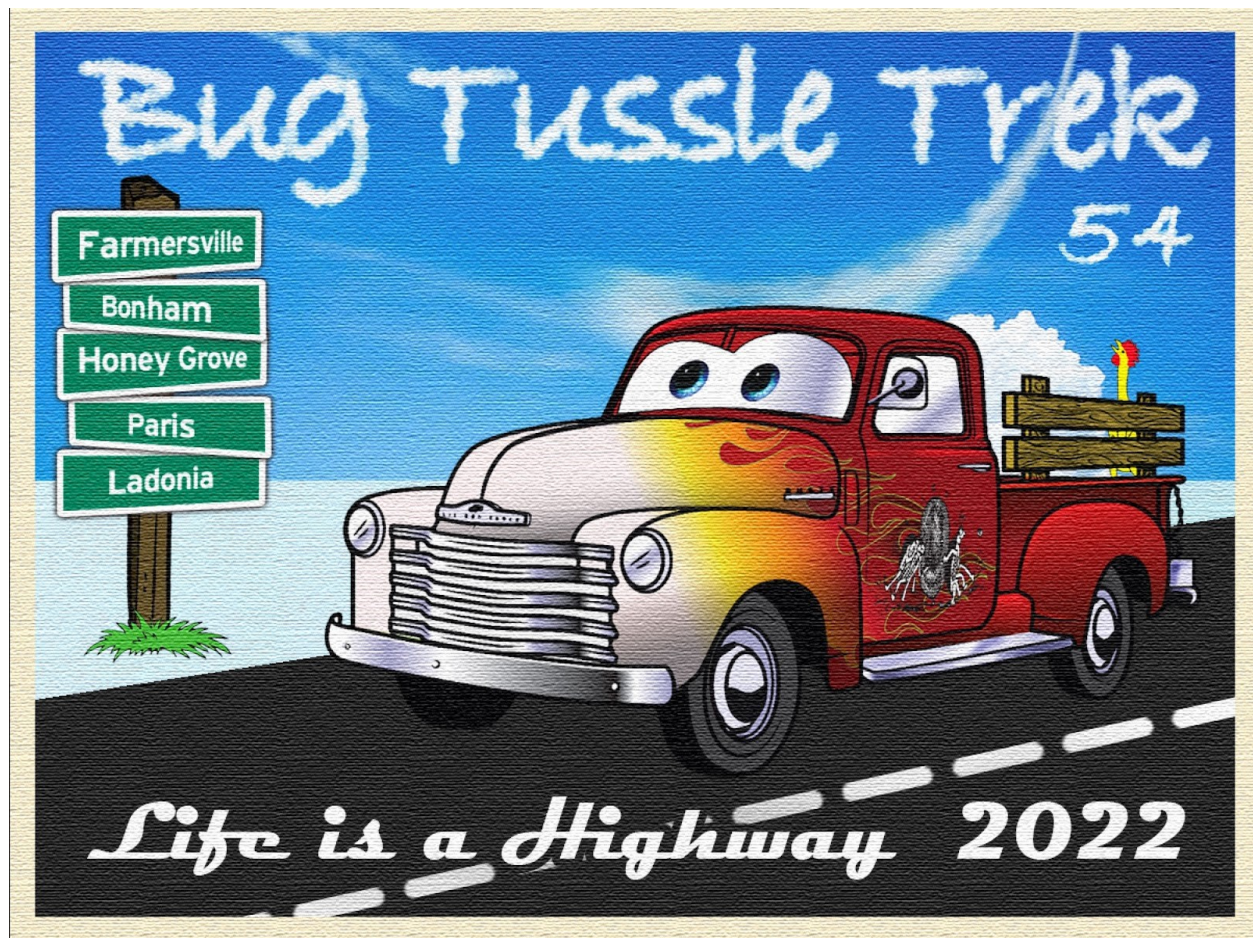
## From the teacher's desk, continued...

We are facing a challenging time in our club. We do not currently have a meeting host for August through November. I can remember when I first joined that the calendar of meetings was pretty well set up. January was the chili cookoff, summer was an ice cream social, etc. While we have had to pivot due to the various shutdowns and people's level of comfort, we need to find our direction again. We normally have several tours going on throughout the year. Currently, the only planned tour that I'm aware of is Bug Tussle in August. Even our signature event has a fraction of the normal volume of cars registered as of 7/31/2022. I have three envelopes for registration bringing our total number of registered cars to about 24 right now.

This club has been around since 1955. We have obviously weathered storms before and we are definitely in one now. We do not have a host for August and as such, the board voted to cancel the meeting. If you can, please consider being a meeting host. We don't have to do it at a car barn or meeting room, we could do it at a local restaurant and everyone could purchase their own lunches. Let me know!

If you haven't signed up for Bug Tussle, please do. If you can't go but want to order a shirt or a magnet to support the tour, please do! [Buy Bug Tussle shirts, dash plaques, magnets](#) Want to volunteer? We will stuff bags and fold shirts on August 20, 2022 at our clubhouse located at 729 Arrowhead Cir, Garland, TX 75043. 9-2 PM. Hope to see you there or at Bug Tussle!

In service,  
Nichole







## 54th Bug Tussle Trek

August 27 & 28, 2022

Get your olde cars ready!

### Bug Tussle Trek Details:

From Farmersville to Paris. We will meet in the town square in Farmersville at 8:00 AM. Coffee and treats by the Farmersville Center and the Chamber of Commerce will be available. You will also receive your swag bag with your tshirts, tour book, and goodies at that time. There is one bag per car. We will leave at 8:30 AM.

Lunch is optional- you may always bring your own family picnic and you will still have access to the Wagon Master Drink Coolers. Dinner Saturday night is at Heritage Hall (same as past years) and Brunch Sunday will be in the Farmersville Square (also optional, you can still travel back with us in a caravan from Paris that morning)

Click on [THIS LINK](#) to register.

If you want a paper form for registration then click on [THIS LINK](#) and print it.

**PRE REGISTRATION NORMALLY CLOSES AUGUST 1, 2022**  
**TSHIRT ORDERS AFTER AUGUST 5, 2022 ARE NOT GUARANTEED**  
**BUT YOU HAVE FIRST DIBS**

Pre registered vehicles will receive their numbered placard in the mail approximately one week prior to the event. There will be a Texas Region volunteer at the entrance as well doing a limited number of on site registrations.

Trailer parking is available one block behind the town square- if you are facing Main St. turn right and continue down Main St. past the Visitor Center on the left you will see a parking lot (by CivicCenter).

Sunday brunch will be at the civic center (by trailer parking), so join us for door prizes, camaraderie, and lunch!

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn located @ 3025 N.E. Loop 286, Paris, Texas 75460 phone 903-785-0088  
 Rooms are \$99 to \$119 and there are several options available from King Size to Double Queen. Please call the front desk directly to make your reservations and use the code "Bug Tussle".  
 Overflow hotel: Comfort Inn @ 3035 N.E. Loop 286, Paris, Texas 75460 phone 903-785-0089

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## 2022 CALENDAR

**August 20**—Bug Tussle Work Day

**August**—Monthly Meeting:

\*\*\*\*\*CANCELLED\*\*\*\*\*

**August 27/28**—Bug Tussle Trek. See page 9.

**September 18**—Monthly Meeting  
TBD

**October 16**—Monthly Meeting TBD

**November 20**—Monthly Meeting  
TBD

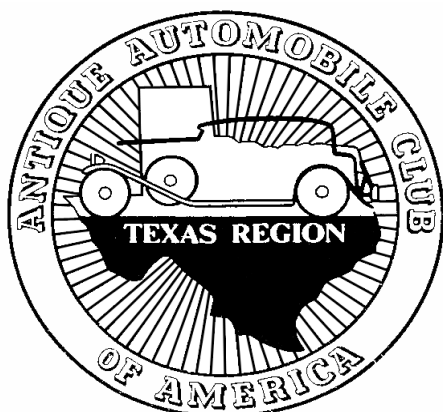
**Dec 17**—Annual Christmas Party/  
Dinner at Hideaway Clubhouse

**2022**—Events and Dates to be announced. Be watching “The Spotlight” each month.

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**We Need Meeting Hosts for  
September, October and No-  
vember. We also need a Fall  
Tour Director!!!**

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# Spotlight Classifieds



4 Moon Dish Wheel  
Covers for 14"  
Wheels. \$50

Also a radiator  
from a 1959 Ford  
Fairlane (fits many  
Fords). It has a  
modern core and  
does not leak.  
\$150



For Sale by John Richardson 214-914-6742. Proceeds will be donated to AACA-TR.





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