



WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS SEPTEMBER 26, 2026



Next Meeting October 18th

Pot-Luck LUNCH

RSVP Requested



The President's Report

Brady's Briefing



Greetings from the road, Vickie & I are returning from the 80th Revival AAA Glidden Tour sponsored by AACA. 3 days travel each way to Dover Delaware plus 6 days touring time, the longest distance we've travelled on a tour.

The Nominating Committee for 2027 Board positions is being formed for the December election. If you want to volunteer for the Committee or a 2027 Board position, please contact me.

BUG TUSSLE...

If you haven't registered SIGN UP TODAY!

Membership renewals for 2027 are coming up. We recommend payment for National and Club dues using AACA DFW Region website. Accounting will be easier to track using this payment method.

Several members commented that the meeting at Duffy and Tina's went very well. Thank you Duffy for hosting.

See you down the road!

Brady

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Next meeting

Sunday, October 18th, 2026

13211 Bee Street, Farmers Branch 75234.

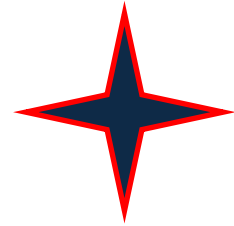
Hosted by Adrian Bordlemay and Ira & Nuris Hester

BoD Meeting: 1 pm

General Membership Meeting: 2 pm

Classic and antique cars park in the back driveway; newer cars in the lot next door.

Lunch will be an old fashioned pot luck- so bring your favorite dish. Sign up and RSVP [HERE](#) and fill out in bottom of the web page provided...



Lunch

We'll be enjoying an old fashion **Pot Luck, with sides, and dessert** for lunch, and we'd appreciate everyone's help in making it a great meal for the group.

Please sign up in the RSVP link and indicate what dish you plan to bring:

Drinks will be provided.

Please bring a **lawn chair**, just in case we need additional seating.

Parking

- **Older/classic cars:** Please park in the Parking Lot.
- **Newer cars:** Please park on the street.



**October
10,
2026 !!**

It's almost that time of year, well sort of, for the annual Bug Tussle Trek. Charlie drove the route while I was teaching and found a road closure (thank you construction). We are checking some alternates, but as you know, all roads do LEAD to Bug Tussle, there just aren't that many! We've talked to Ladonia, Bonham and Farmersville all within the past two days to firm up details. Attendance is much lower than we have seen (even the Covid year had more cars), so if you want to dip your toe in BT, this is the year for you!

It'll be a cozy group, so we should have plenty of space around the general store for the annual photo. **I'm able to update shirt totals until Friday, October 2 at HIGH NOON.** We have plenty of dash plaques, magnets, and MUMS because it's a mini homecoming.

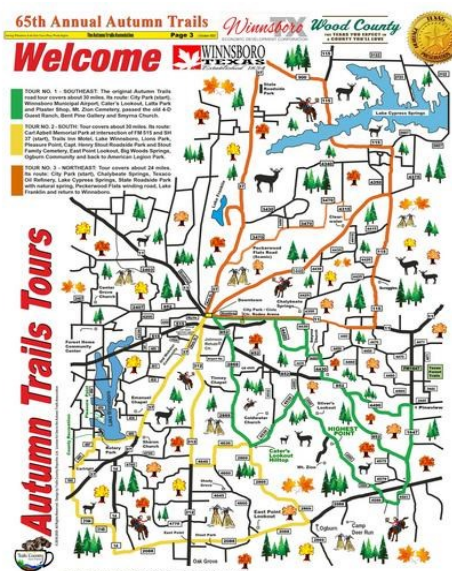
We hope you join us for some Bug Tussle fun and Scholl's Barbecue. Because of the smaller size group and a venue change, **registration will close on Friday.** There will be no onsite registration available, so get those registrations in asap!

www.bugtussletrek.com

Link for google <https://forms.gle/YBeD3Yd7ENwhfEWY7>

Magnet artwork here ==>





- ◆ Join us for the 2026 Fall Tour to the Autumn Trails Festival and Classic Car weekend in Winnsboro
- ◆ Friday Breakfast Brunch from 9:30—10:45AM at John and Lynda's house (4111 Pecan Orchard Dr., Parker, 75002) because no lunch stop . Leave at 11am from J&L's
- ◆ Surprise stop as we take back roads east
- ◆ Ice Cream Social Snack Stop at Linda and Fred Cruz's home in Mineola
- ◆ Hotel based meal, games and overnight in Sulphur Springs
- ◆ Join the Autumn Trails Model A Ford Club parade into Winnsboro Saturday morning and park our Classics downtown
- ◆ Enjoy the festival then take an afternoon club trail rides through the Texas East Piney Woods—Fall leaf peeping and enjoying the countryside
- ◆ Back to Sulphur Springs for downtown restaurant dinner
- ◆ Camaraderie and fun back at the Sulphur Springs hotel
- ◆ Optional Sunday morning trail ride lead by the Winnsboro Model A Club



Hotel Information:

Clarion Pointe
411 Industrial Dr E, Sulphur Springs,
TX 75482
Call 903-885-6851 for Reservations
"AACA Texas DFW Car Tour"
\$104 + Tax
Problems: ask for Lenny

Tour Registration Information:

Click [**HERE**](#) to link to "Events" on the Texas—DFW website to provide your intent on participating. Questions and comments to John and Lynda.

September meeting report

By Jerry Smith



On September 20th, we held our club meeting at **Duffy and Tina Oyster's** house. There were a bunch of us there just like last time at Norma's. However, as you can see, we had plenty of room to roam!

Also, we had a unique mixture of vehicles there as you may can tell in the pictures. From a **1911 Ford**, to brand new **Ferrari** and **Rolls Royce**. What an automobile history lesson was available in Duffy's parking area?



By the way, how do you start this 1911 Ford?



Did these old cars come with built in ice cream makers?

September meeting report

Unlike last month when we had over 50 attendees at Norma's and felt scrunched, at **Duffy's** we had all the room we needed. And we needed a bunch with **52** members attending and at least **5** guests. Our club is growing bigger and **Tammy**, who tracks membership, says that as of this writing, we are up to **108** members.

At this meeting, **Charlie** reported that by next meeting, we should know the results of the **Pate Swap meet** and what our share should be. This is extremely important because our club is almost completely funded by our participation in the **Pate Swapmeet**. So, the **results** of the Swapmeet held in April, are always an exciting time for our club.



John here is giving out information about our upcoming "pop up" event to **Waxahachie** as well as sharing some details about our **fall tour** to east Texas coming up **October 23-25**. More about Waxahachie later.

What a beautiful day it was to open the doors and breathe in our Texas air!!

Pizzas are coming just be patient everyone!!



Duffy telling a very interesting story as we began.

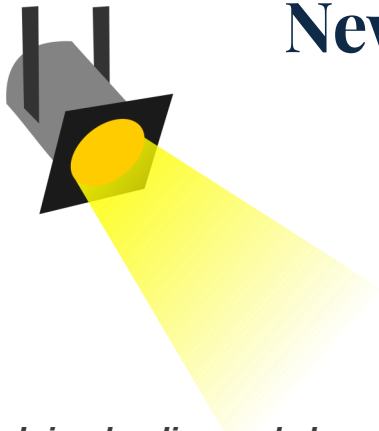




**There's a lot of
"horse" power in Duffy's
"barn" !!**



*Get Duffy to tell you the story of his
"barn"...*



New Member Spotlight!

by Tammy Keith

Please welcome to our Club...

Joined online and already signed up for Bug Tussle!! Look for Dana in BT!

Dana Pierson
9905 County Road 626
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Joined Online - Adam and Crystal Billing

"See attached photo of our 1937 Studebaker Dictator 2 coupe (from my great uncle's collection in Wisconsin) it's a very original Arizona survivor car."

"Also in the stable :"

1987 Chevrolet Camaro IROC-Z
1991 Oldsmobile Toronado Trofeo
2001 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible

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Welcome ! And thanks for joining us !

Pop Up to Waxahachie

By Jerry Smith

It all started with an invite to the **International Studebaker Club** meeting/show down in Waxahachie. The great thing about these types of events is we get to drive our old cars, preferably on lesser traveled roads, with friends who we enjoy!! We had 3 cars from the east side of town meet up with **Tour Director John** and 4 or 5 other cars from other parts of the metroplex. The weather was perfect in the 70's in the morning. We met at a **Walgreen's** on Lancaster Hwy. From there, it was just a pleasant 15 or so miles to Waxahachie.

Along the trip to Waxahachie, **John and Lynda's 1959 Ford Skyliner** pulled over for no apparent reason. "It just died". When **John** opened the hood, he noticed the electric fan still running. So, he flipped on his backup electric fuel pump and the car started right back up. On they went.

It seems a lot of old cars have backup or bypass electric fuel pumps wired in. Some for this case of mechanical fuel pump dying or some for just helping the car start on difficult days. It sure came in handy on this trip!!



Randall, John (back row) with Lynda, found Robby and Jeremy (front row) showing their **1951 Maroon Studebaker Commander Starlight** at the event.



Pop Up to Waxahachie

By Jerry Smith



Pat, Doyle, Chandler and Kurt looking at the nice Studebaker truck and having fun together!!



Adrian, Ira, and Francisco discussing something Mercedes you can bet!



Jaimie, Randall and friend have had enough of the heat and decide to relax a few minutes.



Tammy and Linda observing all the goings on while watching our cars.

As the temperature started to rise and we all started to get hungry, we headed to **El Fenix**. It was fantastic they got us all together at one table. The restaurant was very close to the car show parking lot and only took a few minutes to get there.

Pop Up to Waxahachie cont'd



John, Chandler, Kurt, and Jim are all happy to be inside where it's cooler and ordering some-



Pat, Doyle, Floyd and Jaimie have got chips and are ready to start chowing down!



If you weren't there, you missed a fun time of seeing some pretty Studebakers plus a fun time with others in our club. Our fun meters were totally pegged!!

Pate Quarterly Meeting Update *By Charlie Gambulos*

On Saturday, September 26 the majority of the clubs representing Pate met in Waco for our meeting update, check distribution and elections.

After feedback from the meet last year, it was determined that the coordinator rate needed to be expanded. The coordinator role will now be split up with two main focuses. This includes someone to focus on the behind the scenes management (Randy Minton, Ft. Worth Model A with assistance from Steve Bougeorus, Lone Star Ts), and then, boots on the ground with vendors and space disputes (me).

We continue to show improvements across our logistics and financials but there is always room for improvement. Last year, directors voted to increase the budget by 15%, we only needed 1%. This year directors voted to increase the budget by 10% of the 2026 expenses. The largest expense increase was for security at approximately \$8k. We've been fortunate to continue to have the same team in place but they were long overdue for a raise to keep in line with the rates they can get doing contract work.

Pate continues to hold back 5% in our managed account before distributions are calculated. Our investments in those accounts have grown 16% since the spring 2025. We also increased our deposits by 3% over last year. **Last year our distribution was approximately \$86 per head and this year it was \$101.** Keep recruiting new members to join us in the fun of Pate!

Currently, we are in line with space sales against the solid data we have for the last 3 complete Pate years. We have approximately 6k spaces sold and we are poised for another great Pate!

Don't forget to vote for Charlie for the National Organization in the small card inserted in the September/October issue. Also note that you have to vote for seven (7) people, not just Charlie, or the vote won't be counted!!

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Wheels for Wellness Report Downtown Ft. Worth

By Jeff Podmers

A half dozen of our members braved the torrid Saturday temperatures to attend the annual Wheels for Wellness show in downtown Ft. Worth. Unfortunately, because we didn't have the required minimum number of entries needed for a prime location, we were relegated to a side street. But, this actually proved to be a benefit. The building next to us not only provided shade all day, it's exhaust fans blew cool air on us all during the show. **Jim Raymond**, **Floyd Stober** and **Chandler Smith** upheld the club's good name and were awarded trophies.

There were an estimated 300+ cars showing and thousands of spectators. We spoke to many of them about our club and passed out all the club flyers that we had. It was a wonderful opportunity to promote AACCA-DFW. Hopefully, we can have a more impressive turnout next year.



Floyd's 1954 Hudson Hornet

Thank yall for representing the club
in such a great way!!

Kurt's 1960 Ford Fairlane 500



Jeff's 1956 Chrysler Windsor



Wheels for Wellness Report cont'd



**Chandler
Smith's
Dodge Polara
500**



**Jim Raymond's
1938 Lincoln
Model K**



AACA Holiday Party

Sunday, December 13th, 2026

12:30 pm to 3 pm

Brookhaven Country Club

3333 Golfing Green Drive Farmers Branch, Texas 75234

Hors d'Oeuvres, Dinner, & Dessert

Christmas Attire

Cash Bar

Further Details Will Be Forthcoming in Future Issues

Sunshine Report

By Nuris Hester

It was a delight for the DFW AACA members to view Duffy and Tina Oyster's fabulous car collection and enjoy pizza . We sent a thank you note to them for hosting the September meeting.

A get well card was sent to Richard Cross as he continues his cancer battle. We hope he will fully recover soon and be able to join us before end of year. Please consider sending him a note on encouragement if you know him.

In addition we sent get a well card to Bryan Howell who went through hip replacement just before the September meeting!! And, lastly, get well wishes were sent to our very special Secretary - Terry Hrechocik. We are so grateful for Terry keeping us up to date on board minutes and for her artistic design talent that helped develop the DFW AACA logo and more. Prayers and well wishes for speedy knee replacement recovery.

Please let your sunshine chair know of anyone at our AACA that needs encouragement card or special celebration card. We would also like to acknowledge a significant birthday or special anniversary.

Keep on the sunny side and happy motoring.

Nuris Hester, Sunshine ☀️



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According to Denise and John Velde (Participation points trackers) this is where you stand in the race for Participation points.

1. Pfluger, Randall, Jamie 190
2. Podmers, Jeff 175
3. Lankenau, Kip, Debra 160
4. Richard, Brady, Vicki 150
5. Stathopulo, Chris, Linda 140
6. Gambulos II, Charles, Nichole 135
7. Keith, Kim, Tammy 135
8. Richardson, John, Lynda 130
9. Hrehocik, Michael, Terry 110
10. Velde, John Denise 100
11. Frisby Carey, Sue 95
12. Tirschler, Marcus 90
13. Hester, Ira, Nuris 85
14. Kerr-Guysinger, Judith 80
15. Gambulos III, Charles (student member) 70
16. Raymond, James 70
17. Smith, Jerry, Linda 70
18. Bordlemay, Adrian 65
19. Lang, George, Dot 65
20. Kerr, Neely 60
21. Oyster, Duffy, Tina 60
22. Zervas, Rene 60
23. Stober, Floyd B., Clarice A. 55
24. Gentes, Martin 50
25. Morse, Jr., Doyle 50
26. Vasquez, Manuel, Carmen 50



Warbirds and Wheels

By Chris Stathopulo

I went and entered my Ranchero in the Warbirds and Wheels Car Show held at the Lancaster Airport in conjunction with the Warbirds airplane display.

They were offering flights in some of their aircraft. I took a flight in the T-34 and was given the opportunity to fly the plane, making various turns.

The airplanes were great and so were the cars.



Brady's Car and Tour of the month

October car/tour of the month is our 1925 Locomobile. In 1899 two investment bankers bought the Stanley Brothers Steam Car Company. The first Locomobile was a steam powered surrey. In 1903 Locomobile switched entirely to internal combustion powered luxury automobiles. In 1914 Locomobile produced two six cylinder model cars. The Model 38 was 470 ci displacement. The Model 48 was 520 ci displacement. Both cars had a 4-speed sliding gear transmission and rear wheel brakes. Several body styles were available and the most popular was the Sportif. We drove our 1925 Locomobile Model 48 Sportif Open Touring car on this year's Glidden Tour. The serial number of this car is less than 75 from the end of production.

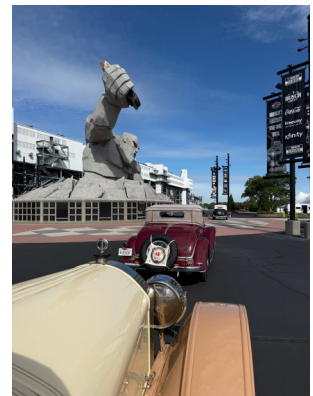


Improvements were made over the years including four wheel brakes and duel ignition. This Locomobile weighs 5,500 lbs and requires a lot of muscle to drive. Even with wood spoke wheels and weighing 5,500 lbs this car still travels comfortably at 60 mph. These attributes came in handy during the Glidden tour.



This year's tour averaged 120 miles per day through rural roads in Delaware, Maryland, and New Jersey. We were surprised at the amount of rural farm land in an area of the country we thought was congested.

The host hotel was Bally's Casino which backs up to the Dover Monster Mile NASCAR track. One of the hi-lights was seeing 118 prewar cars drive 5 laps around the track. We managed to maintain 55 mph around the track with an AACA National Director and his friend in the back seat. We pulled into pit row for lunch and thought it was great fun.

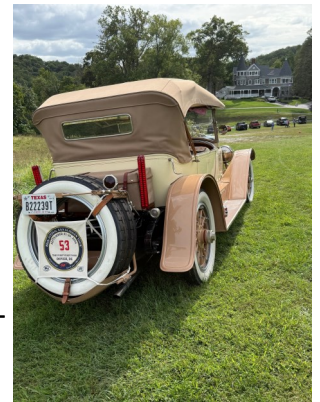


Brady's car of the Month Cont'd

Our days of travel took us to many great venues including the Hagley Museum, the original du Pont family black powder manufacturing facility and estate.

We rode the ferry to Cape May, New Jersey. We toured the light house and returned to the ferry. On the return ferry trip the wind picked up and it began raining. We put on our rain gear and drove off the ferry to find a gas station. We began our two and one half hour return trip to Dover in the rain, wind, and dark. At the end of the journey we arrived tired and in need of a stiff drink.

The good news is our Locomobile ran perfectly despite the weather. This year's AACA Glidden tour was educational, informative, and fun. Next year VMCCA will sponsor the Glidden Tour in Branson Missouri. Be sure to join us in your prewar car (1942 or older).



AACA Texas DFW Region

Bigger in Texas, Better in a Classic Car!



DATE: 9/20/2026

TIME: 2:00 pm

PLACE: Duffy & Tina's home

Board Present: John Richardson, Debra Lankenou, Randall Pfluger, Terry Hrehocik, Michael Hrehocik, Currin Harris, Chris Stathopulo, Charlie Gambulos, Nichole Gambulos, Jeff Podmers.

Call to Order

Charlie Gambulos, 1st Vice President, opened the meeting

Welcome New Members & Guests

Duffy welcomed members to his car barn and shared that his lifelong passion for cars began in his teens, when he built hot rods. He recalled racing before safety regulations were introduced, and his impressive collection reflects a lifetime of buying and selling vintage cars.

Charlie welcomed guests Bryan Bogard & family and Matt Garret.
And Returning guests of John Wallace – Les and Lisa Kelton

Sunshine Report: Nuris Hester

Doug & Susie Siminoe are home caring for their son who just had knee surgery.

Presidents' Report: –Brady Richard

No report was given because Brady and Vickie are attending the Gliddon Tour.

1st Vice President's Report – Charlie Gambulos

Oct. 10 Bug Tussle Tour

Oct. 18 Meeting – Ira & Adrian at Adrian's workplace.

Oct. 23 – 25 – Winnsboro Fall Tour

November 15 Meeting – Gambulos' Event, Thanksgiving meeting.

December 13 Meeting – 12:30 – 3:30 Christmas Party – Brookhaven Country Club

Charlie reported that he will attend the Pate meeting on September 26, where he will receive the club's paycheck. He will provide a full report afterward.

He also noted that Pate sales are slightly lower than at this time last year, partly because the Pate webmaster has been ill.

2nd Vice Presidents'/ Communications Report: – Debra Lankenau

Debra stated that the Communications Committee continues to support members, tour directors, emails, and printed materials.

Treasurer's Report: — Vickie Richard

In Vickie's absence, Charlie presented the August/September Treasurer's report.

Secretary's Report: Terry Hrehocik

The minutes as published in the August Spotlight were approved.

Tour Director's Report: John Richardson

A pop-up event is planned for Saturday, September 26. The route will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the Mid-Cities at the Walmart near Hwy. 30 and Loop 12. Participants will travel back roads to the Waxahachie Civic Center, where the Studebaker Club is hosting a Classic Car Show for the International Studebaker Meet. After viewing the cars, the group will have lunch, visit the Dallas County Museum, and end the day at the Ellis County Courthouse. Although the courthouse will be closed, participants can still enjoy the grounds.

The AACCA Texas DFW Region Fall Tour is scheduled for October 23–25. Participants will meet at Lynda and John's home, located at 4111 Pecan Orchard Drive in Parker for a brunch spread from 9:30 – 10:45. The group will then depart for the 68th Winnsboro Autumn Trails Festival, making a surprise stop on the way to Mineola. Fred and Linda Cruz have invited participants to stop by their home for ice cream. The group will stay in Sulphur Springs at the Clarion Pointe hotel. We will meet with the Model A Club on Saturday morning in Winnsboro for a parade and car show. Lunch will be on our own, followed by a tour of the Piney Woods area. After the Tours we will be returning to the hotel for an evening of food, fun and games planned by Randall P.

John R. reminded members to make hotel reservations soon.

Membership: Kim & Tammy Keith

We currently have 106 members.

Tammy had new member directory additions for members to pick up.

Bug Tussle Report: Nichole Gambulos

The Bug Tussle Google link, BT website link, and BT Facebook link are all live on our AACA Texas DFW website.

The hotel link, Holiday Inn Express, is also live. The Tour hotel room price is \$109.00. Members are encouraged to book their hotel room soon as there are still rooms available in the reserved block.

Nichole announced that Scholls BBQ will cater the Saturday night banquet, which will be held at a new venue.

As the first person to register for the BT tour, Mark Tirschler received a complimentary dash plaque.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

Debra L. reminded members to vote for Charlie Gambulos for the National AACA Board of Directors using the ballot in the latest issue of Antique Automobile magazine.

The meeting was attended by 52 members, who arrived in 13 vintage cars. Participation raffle awards went to Chris Stathopulo (\$25) and Kurt Wetterling (\$50).

Adjournment:

Jeff P. moved to adjourn the meeting, Mike H. seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectively submitted by
Terry Hrehocik, Secretary

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2026 CALENDAR

Every 3rd Sunday
at 2 pm

Bug Tussle Trek

Oct. 10-11

Farmersville—Paris

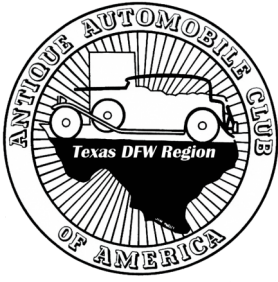
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Spotlight Classifieds

Nothing This Month...