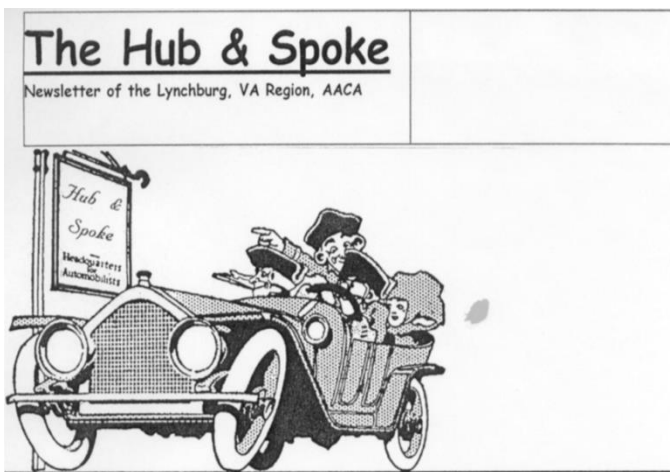
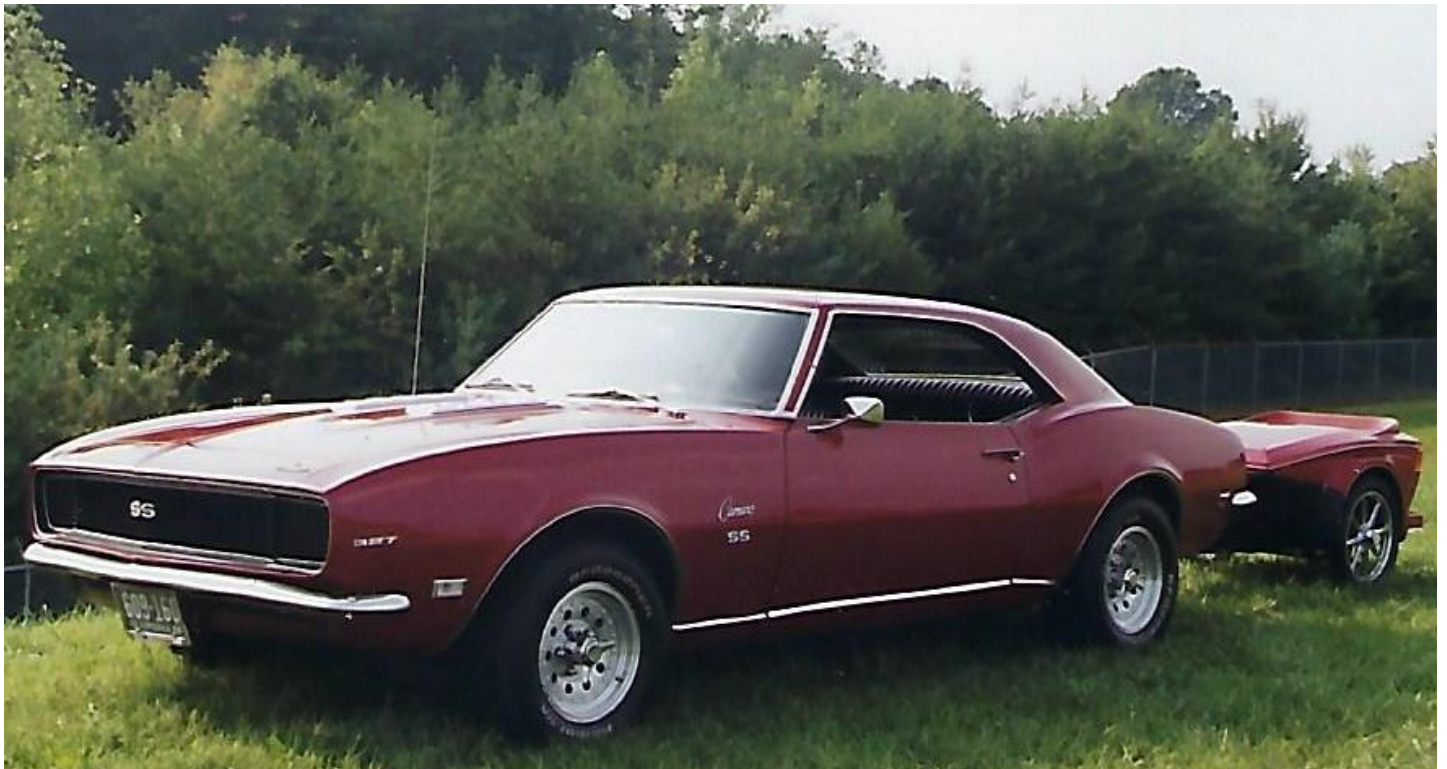


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Instalment # 3 The Singer project car is coming back to life. As it turned out the flywheel starter ring was not the correct one so I took the original ring and turned it over, and reinstalled it on the flywheel. This process is accomplished by heating up the starter gear ring and putting it in place on the flywheel while it is expanded from heating and letting it shrink in place when it cools. Having no better way to evenly heat the ring, I put in the oven and set the temp to 400 degrees. When it reached 400 degrees, and started smoking up the house, I took it out and placed it on the flywheel. This process worked very nicely except for the stink left in the oven and the house. Otto and I finished the assembly of the flywheel, clutch, bellhousing and transmission. I then took the assembled engine and transmission back to

Otto's house and we set it on the floor waiting for the car to return from the paint shop.

Otto called me and let me know that the car was ready to be picked up the next week. We went and picked up all the parts from the paint shop, and then the real work started.

We started to put the motor and transmission back in the Singer but the British engineers omitted one essential item. The engine had no way to hang it from the motor hoist. There was no place to rig the motor so it could be slipped in to the proper place in the frame. Almost all cars that I have worked on have a way to attach a chain to the motor block and lift it up. The Singer motor did not! In order to lift the motor you had to wrap chains around the entire motor and make a sling to lift it and that sling had to be moved in order to place the motor far enough back in the frame to set it on the mounts in the frame. Needless to say there were some choice words said about the British engineers who had designed the Singer.

After the engine was bolted in place we proceeded to reconnect all of the necessary parts to be able to start the motor. After about a day of this we were ready to try starting the motor. The starter was energized and the motor turned over great but there was no life. I started checking the setup and discovered that the distributor was not firing the plugs. So I took the distributor home and went through it and discovered it was grounded. I removed the problem and reset the points and it checked out ok. The next morning I returned to Otto's house and we tried again. It sounded like it wanted to start but it didn't. This time I discovered that I had put the wires back in the distributor in the wrong order so I reversed them, and we tried starting the motor again and it fired right up. "Thank god for small favors" I must have put the engine together correctly.

Otto is now doing the reassembly and fixing all of the small items as he goes along. He is about to call in our electrical department, Bob, to install the wiring harness, and hook up the lights and gauges. The C.O.B. Group strikes again, for those of you who do not know who the C.O.B. Group are it stands for Charles Otto and Bob

The Singer is looking good and running good and is coming back together.



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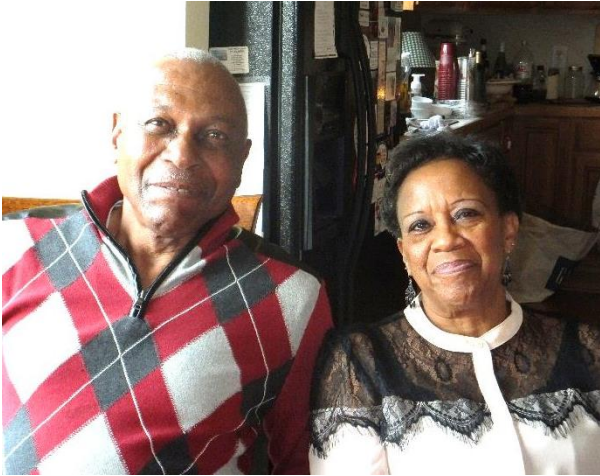
September: Barbara Taylor & Otto Vallastro

October: Kelly & Jeff Gladden

November: Donnie Blanks

December: Santa

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1968 Chevrolet Camaro SS

Owen has owned this coupe since 1971 and had it repainted dark cherry red in 2001. 350 CID/355 HP "ZZ4" V8 with a four barrel carburetor, four speed manual transmission (installed on only 20% of '68 Camaros), SS badges and concealed headlights with covers that rotate out of the grill corners. In 1998 a Bushtec utility trailer was purchased.



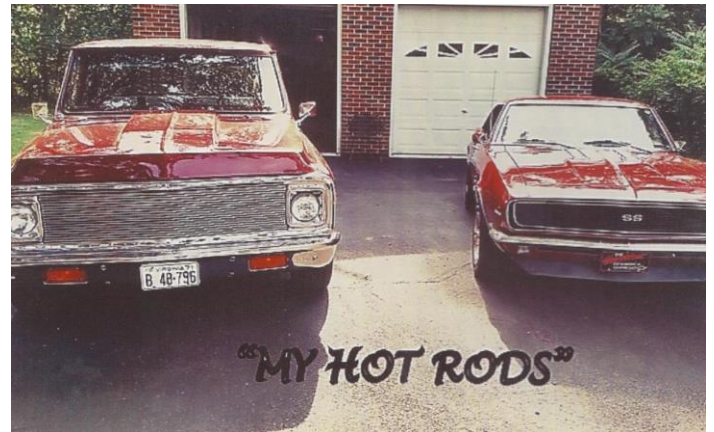
1971 Chevrolet Custom 10 Pickup

396 CID V8 shorted with a four barrel DP carburetor, automatic floor shift with B&M shifter. Owen has owned this truck since 2013, fully restored 2015, and painted dark cherry red. Power brakes and power steering installed in 2017. Chrome around tailgate and LED tail lights added in 2018.





Other Burks' possessions --- 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe with a large utility trailer bearing the names of two well-known universities, Vanderbilt and Stamford, where two of Owens grandchildren attend. This utility trailer is especially helpful in transporting items to the Campbell County Heritage Festival, celebrated at William Campbell High School, Naruna, VA. Owen has served as the Vehicle Coordinator for this event for many years.



Ask Owen about the Green Bay Packers!



Annual Ride to Drug Store Grill, Brookneal, VA April 14, 2018

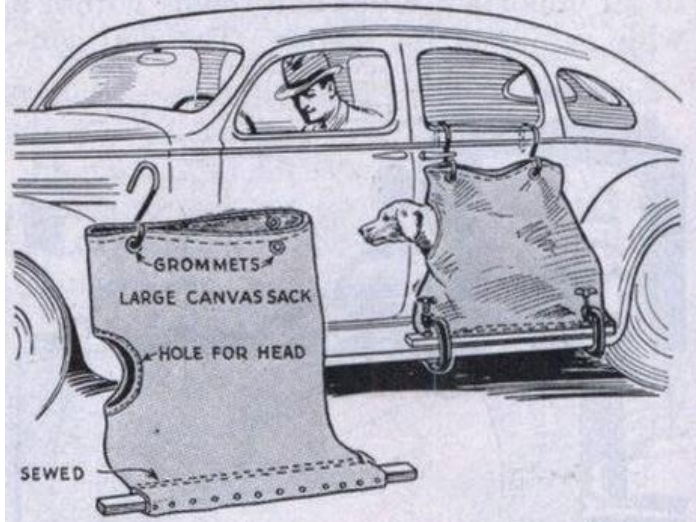


“Weather was perfect, company was congenial, food was delicious. Nothing else need be said about our Club’s April cruise to Brookneal, VA for lunch. Some gathered in Rustburg to caravan south to Brookneal while others found their own route(s).”

I say about the same thing every year because if the weather isn’t good, we aren’t going. Brookneal was founded in 1802 and had a population of 1,112 as of the 2010 census. It still is the smallest incorporated town in the Central Virginia Region.



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Liberty Station Restaurant, Bedford, VA

The Lynchburg Region AACA meeting for May 21, 2018 was called to order by President Charles Thaxton at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was held at Liberty Station in Bedford with 31 members and 2 guests in attendance. Charles thanked those in attendance, noting that this was not our regular meeting place or date.

The club observed the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence. New members and guests were welcomed.

The Sunshine report noted that Don Blanks and Claude Williams are both cancer free.

A motion was made, voted, and approved to accept the Secretary's report as published in the Hub and Spoke for May 2018. Motion was also voted and passed to accept Treasurer Ron Blalock's report as read.

It was noted that Otto Vallastro won a First Junior with his '31 Chevy at the ODMA in Harrisonburg, VA.

May 26, 2018 - The club will do a MAY PARKWAY RIDE. Meet at Boonsboro Elementary School on 501 North at 9:30 a.m. and leave at 10:00 a.m. We will ride the

Parkway to Peaks of Otter and ride into Bedford on Route 43, stopping at the Sonic Drive-In for lunch.

June 2, 2018 – Planning Meeting at 1:00 P.M. at Charles and Linda Thaxton's to plan events for the rest of the year.

June 16, 2018 – Drive to Avoca House/Museum in Altavista, VA. Meet at Colonial Restaurant on 29 South at 10:00 a.m. and leave at 10:30 a.m. We'll take the first Altavista exit (29 Business) then go to first stop light. Avoca will be on the right before you pass through the light. Admission is \$4.00 per person. We will return to Colonial Restaurant for lunch afterwards.

June 23, 2018 – Richmond Region Car Show & Swap Meet at St. Joseph's Villa, 8000 Brook Rd, Richmond, VA. 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The club sang Happy Birthday to Barbara Taylor and enjoyed birthday cake compliments of Barbara's daughter. After the 50/50 drawing the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Wanda Barnes (for Linda Thaxton)





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a few car shows he filmed in 2010 for his TV show,
"My Classic Car."

