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Message from the President

by David A. Berg
AACA President



Hello Everyone,

As you read this, we will either be very near or shortly after the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia. My term as your President will have come to an end. It has indeed been quite an honor to have served in this capacity. With the help of our outstanding Board of Directors and superb cooperation from the boards of both the AACA Library and AACA Museum, we have accomplished an awful lot this year.

We started the year continuing the work of the previous administration to successfully merge the AACA Library back to within AACA. If this sounds confusing, believe me it is. The lawyers are having a field day with it. However it is happening and as expected took a couple of years to bring to favorable conclusion. By the way, there are some nice perks for each and every member that come with this merger. You will now be entitled to some free research time by the library staff. The final details on this will be published during the year in your Antique Automobile magazine.

This year has also brought about a reality to a once vague idea of a joint membership program with the AACA Museum. AACA will make a significant financial contribution to the museum on an annual basis. This will allow the Museum to function without the everyday monetary pressures that this type of first class institution would have to endure in its early years of operation. Does this mean you should stop making those generous contributions? Of course not. Both the Museum and the Library will

constantly rely on your support for their growth and continuation of sound operations. However, this financial support from AACA will ease the strain for them. In return, you the AACA member benefits from this joint merger. I really love this part! Each time you want to visit the AACA Museum, and believe me it can be addictive, all you do is show them your current AACA membership card and you DO NOT get a discount! You get in absolutely FREE. Yes, I said FREE, NO CHARGE, Nuffin... Folks, that’s an amazing benefit. I’m by no means an economic guru but I do know that free is a good price!

Through the years AACA has recognized the plight of its nearly 400 Regions and Chapters. The struggle to get new members was difficult. Here is kind of a scenario as to what often happened:

The region would be hosting an event. Lets say it was a Tour or a Show. Someone, usually fairly new to the hobby, would find a region member and ask about joining that group. The member would smile and welcome them and explain that the dues were say \$10 a year. The prospective member would be delighted that membership was affordable. However, the member would then go on and advise the prospect that you also had to join this national group and that was another \$35 per year. Regardless of how good a value that was (AACA is still by far the least expensive of all of the major multi-marque clubs and even most of the single marquee ones too.) its awful difficult to make a brand new prospective member understand that this sudden jump in dues from \$10 to \$45 was good value.

Looking at the scenario presented above,

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you can easily see how a prospective member could be put off from joining. However, we believed that if this prospective member could actually see the value of AACA membership in action over time, then they would realize that AACA was actually a very good deal. To accomplish this, AACA is giving away totally free to each and everyone of its almost 400 Regions and Chapters in good standing four free National AACA memberships.

Those free memberships can be used at the Region's discretion but ONLY to first time new members. This action, while very expensive, also takes a major step to bring the relationship between AACA and the regions and chapters even closer together. AACA wants each region to know that AACA is always looking for ways to help our regions remain strong and viable. AACA also wants all of the members to see that their membership dollars are used prudently with the number one priority being to provide a great membership value to each and every one of you.

Folks, the year is over now. Karen and I hope that you had really great holidays. Further I can honestly tell you that throughout the year your super Board of Directors carried through our 2007 theme. "We Work for the Members". No it doesn't rhyme, but it does make a whole lot of sense.

Thank you for allowing me to be your President.
Best wishes for a great 2008

Dave Berg
AACA 2007 President

AACA Member Benefits

By Steve Moskowitz
AACA Executive Director



AACA was thrilled this year to announce a ground breaking new membership program giving our members unprecedented new benefits. It is what your club is all about, trying to give back to its members. Everyone is fully cognizant that we exist to support you. Tom Cox, our VP of Membership; the board, and I are fully committed to making the AACA experience the best it can be.

I have been asked to clarify the benefits a bit better as there is some confusion about the offers. Naturally, the first tangible item was the \$5.00 discount coupon offered by Advance Auto Parts. We enclose a coupon with each 2008 membership card. We are aware that Advance is not in all states but we were happy to accept it on behalf of our members.

All of the magazine discounts are available by calling the publications directly. The one exception is *Old Cars Weekly*. You must contact AACA national headquarters first so we can advise OCW that you are paid for the 2008 year. We contact them with your member number and authorization.

The pedal cars and Franklin Mint models are available only by calling our headquarters as well. In the case of the Mint and Warehouse 36 pedal cars, we are not allowed to advertise the discounted prices. We have entered into an agreement with a new pedal car company called Feenix. You can Google these companies and go to their websites to see if there are products you would be interested in. Call us and we will give the pricing to you.

For those of you able to visit the AACA Museum, all you have to do is show your 2008 membership card and admission is FREE! You can go as many times as you would like and there is absolutely no charge. Make sure you visit the remodeled gift shop as there are many new items.

Members never really understood that we could not legally offer free research from our AACA Library & Research Center. This was prohibited by IRS regulations, but since the January 1, 2008 legal merger with the club, we now can offer limited free research. Please contact the library through our website or by calling them to discuss your needs more fully but each member is allowed 1 ½ hours of free research.

Naturally there are other benefits of belonging to our club. We will continue to pursue other ideas and work towards improving upon the already long list of reasons to become and remain a member of this great car club. If you have any ideas or thoughts on how we can improve upon your membership experience or other offers you would like us to work on, please contact us.

Thanks and have a great 2008!



Looking Ahead to 2010 AACA Celebrates Its Diamond Jubilee

By Joe Gagliano
 Chairman, 75th Anniversary
 Planning Subcommittee



In 2010, AACA will be celebrating its 75th anniversary. It seems appropriate for us to celebrate; we have come a long way since our beginning. AACA was founded on November 4, 1935 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, when fourteen men (and the wife of one) gathered in the auditorium of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia to start a club that now has membership near 60,000 and maintains the greatest activities, programs and benefits than any other antique automobile club in the hobby.

A dedicated committee of individuals has been planning for our celebration and we could use some help from our local chapters, regions and members. We have decided on a multi-day event **June 30th – July 3rd 2010**, in Louisville, Kentucky. The National organization is co-hosting the event with the Kyana Region. We selected the mid-west to try to include as many members as possible from all directions of the United States. We haven't ignored our further away and international members; our headquarters hotel and show venue is adjacent to the Louisville International Airport for convenient travel.

We would like this to be both a touring and show event, so tours are planned for part of the week, and on the last day, there will be a grand car show that is both judged and non-judged. We are encouraging our members to get those cars out and get them to Louisville! Concerned about the weather? The car show will be indoors in a beautiful climate controlled facility. We are also planning a special commemorative item for those that participate.

The event will close with a special Anniversary Awards banquet Saturday evening. Plus, there are many other things to do and places to see in the area like Six Flags amusement park, Churchill Downs and the beautiful Lexington, Kentucky area and Horse Park. The Louisville community is excited to have us visit.

Okay, so, how can you help?

First of all, save the date. Don't schedule any local chapter or region activities that conflict with the 75th Anniversary event. Second, plan a club activity that gets your chapter and region members there, be it a car tour, bus trip or other activity.

Next get out that car you haven't driven or shown lately and

get it ready. We want a grand show event; we'd like a vehicle for every year of car production, vehicles in every AACA class, unique milestone cars, special interest autos and especially your car there!

There are some other 75th items planned as well. We will soon be launching a Diamond Jubilee web site dedicated to the past 75 years of AACA history and will provide more details concerning the celebration. Look for our announcement early in 2008.

Thanks,
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Membership

By Tom Cox
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From its origins way back in 1935, AACA has grown to a worldwide entity and the largest club of its kind in America. Our Regional and National shows and judging system are second to none as are our member resources available through the AACA Library and Research Center and the AACA Museum.

Considering all we have going for us, we should be brimming with new and vibrant members eager to ride the current wave of interest in vintage automobiles. Sadly, our numbers during this time of great interest in cars have been largely stagnant. We have merely held our own. Consequently, if AACA is to survive as the world class organization we know, each of us has a duty to make sure AACA does not remain the hobby's best kept secret.

I suppose the old business adage "Early to bed early to rise, work like hell and advertise" may apply with the exception of the early rising. While it may seem strange to us, there are still huge numbers of hobbyists who know nothing of us; or think we only accept brass or pre-war vehicles. They don't know we have a large tent that covers all non modified vehicles 25 years and older. This is particularly important when recruiting younger members.

Take the time to think of all the activities within your region or chapter as well as National Tours and shows. You

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likely take all of it for granted. It is high time you tried to spread the news around. There are countless opportunities for us to pass the gospel of AACA. In passing the word, you are going to sign up new members and save the future of AACA, for there must be a new generation of caretakers for our cars.

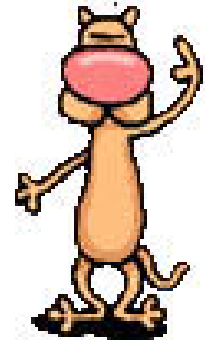
Many may not realize it but all radio and television stations licensed by the FCC are required to "act in the public interest" as part of their licensure. Many of these stations fulfill that requirement by doing PSAs or public service announcements for community based organizations like your club. The best part of it is that it's FREE. If you are having a show or special event, contact your local TV and radio stations and ask how they can help publicize your event with a PSA or local calendar announcement. Generally all stations have a news director or general manager, and that is the person to start with.

Printed media really offers a lot of opportunity as well. Newspapers in many localities will offer a small complimentary ad to non profit organizations once a year. Most papers have free events calendars as well. In addition, they may have local interest columnists who are always looking for new subjects to cover. Give them a call and ask if they would cover your club. Even a small pay for ad in the cars for sale classifieds will bring out cars and people to your event. Don't overlook other small printed trading papers and free local magazines. They need material too, and even if it's not free the costs are usually minimal.

Last but not least, some of the old stand-by methods still work well too. Flyers outlining your events and the benefits of your club can be handed out at car events and cruise-ins. Don't wait to advertise a show on your flyer. Make one up highlighting everything your local and National club has to offer and include an application as well as contact information for your club. Business cards with your club logo and a place for members to place their contact information work great when left on great looking cars you see or handed to the owner. While they don't get the large numbers of newspaper or the airwaves these methods are proven effective since you are passing information directly to someone who already loves old cars.

These are only a few ideas to place in your AACA recruiting arsenal. Remember to take every opportunity to pass the word. There are many unconventional ways to advertise and recruit new members. Another old adage applies in this case, "nothing ventured nothing gained" ... and don't forget to offer someone a ride in your car. They may be the next President of your region or chapter.

RAMBLINGS OF ENZO THE CAT



Hi folks! Its me, Enzo, your favorite feline back at you for some always helpful tips and interesting stories. As I paw this out, its Christmas time. I like Christmas a lot! Relatives come over and they bring food! Everybody gets presents. I even got a special Christmas stocking that my mom hangs up over the fireplace. Cept this year she said she couldn't find it and told me I might be getting coal for Christmas. I wonder why she would tell me that. I don't even know what coal is. I prefer toys. Don't tell anyone but even at my ripe old age of 8 I still like toys, especially them ones with catnip in them. What is catnip anyway? I'll have to remember to ask my friend Albert the next time he comes over. You remember my friend Albert Felinestien, he's the smartest cat I know. Albert will explain it to me.

So what did all you nice AACA members get for Christmas? Anybody get a car? Nahh of course not. You can't fit a car under the Christmas tree, unless of course, you live in Northern California. My dad went on a tour there this year. He came back and said they had the biggest trees he'd ever seen. I'd like to try and climb up those trees. Don't worry folks I won't do it right after catnip.

My dad was actually looking at a car. I bet it was for me too cause he knows I have wanted a car ever since I got hooked up with all of you great AACA members. Dad didn't say it was "officially" for me, but hey, it was a Crosley. Lets face it folks, you know my dad and Crosley didn't make a car in his size. So it must be for me. I hope we get it.

Well, as is typical here in the northeast at Christmas time, there is snow on the ground. I don't like snow. I have trouble getting around. I don't understand. I look outside and see some of the cats in the neighborhood and they get around so good in the snow. You'd think they have four paw drive or sumfin. With the snow on the ground, I just don't get the opportunity to go out and play that often and see my friends. My paws get so cold. I sleep a lot and watch some TV. Maybe I should ask mom and dad to buy me some shoes. I saw one ad on the television about this place that said they have every size shoe possible in stock. I don't know for sure what size I would need. Probably a 1/64th AAAAAAAAAA or somefin like that. If I got shoes for Christmas then I could stay outside longer. Perhaps a nice scarf would be in order too. Something in a Versace or Gucci would be nice. I am particularly fond of cashmere.

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Well folks that's about it for this time. Hopefully the next time I paw somefin out for you, the weather will be warmer and the cars back on the road. I hope that you all had great holidays and got lotsa neat stuff for Christmas. Who knows; maybe I'll even like this coal stuff they're talking about.

Your favorite car cat,
Enzo

WE WANT YOU!

By Hulon McGraw
Vice President
Class Judging

I have received several requests from interested parties about how to become an AACA Judge. You can't imagine how pleased I am to know of your interest. You may be thinking that you have to have special talents or a complete knowledge of every vehicle ever manufactured. Not so. If you do have these talents we most definitely want you in our judging program.

So, how do you become an AACA Judge? It's very simple, when attending a National Meet pick up the tri-fold brochure for the event at registration. Look at the schedule normally located on the back for the daily schedule of events. Judging Schools' are held at every National Meet, generally on Friday at 2:00 PM. If the location is not made available on the brochure, then ask someone at registration where the Judging School will be held. Make your plans to attend the Judging School. When arriving at judging school, be sure to pick up your free copy of the Judges Manual which will include a judging school participation card and a quiz. Fill out the judging school participation card and turn it in at the conclusion of judging school. During Judging School, you will be asked if this is your first time attending a Judges School. You will be given instructions on how and when to sign up for the Apprentice Program. Register for the Apprentice Program and you will be asked to attend Judges Breakfast on Saturday morning. A fee of \$5.00 to cover your breakfast will be collected at this time. Breakfast is generally at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning. Make sure you know the location, show up there, and check in with the ladies at the table before entering the room for breakfast. The Apprentice Team will have their own table assigned for them to assemble at for breakfast. The Chairman of Judges Training will meet you there for breakfast and give you instructions as to time and place to



meet for the Apprentice Program. Follow his/her instructions and you will be trained on how to view a vehicle and determine what point deduction is warranted in specific cases. Realize this all happens at one meet. You receive a judging credit for attending the Judges School on Friday and another credit for attending an Apprentice Program, for a total of two (2) judging credits.

You are now enrolled on the active judges roster and will begin receiving the Judges Newsletter. Your newsletter will include a registration form for upcoming National Meets. Complete the registration form/forms for the meets you plan to attend and would like to judge. The form gives you an opportunity to request up to four (4) classes that you prefer to judge. Always choose the classes you have the most experience and knowledge of. Follow the instructions at the bottom of the form for mailing and don't forget to include the \$5.00 check for Judge's Breakfast. Drop in the mail and you will be registered to judge at that National meet. In the event that you have circumstance arise that prevent you from attending that meet, you must contact the Chief Judge for the event as soon as possible and let him/her know you cannot attend. In the event you fail to do so, one judging credit will be deducted from your total credits for failure to notify the Chief Judge.

Judging schools are where you gain knowledge and receive the training to help you become an experienced judge. You will receive one judging credit and judging chip for each National meet you serve as a field judge, judge's administration or Team Captain. Judges are encouraged to attend as many judging schools as possible but receive only one judging credit and judging chip per year for attending a judging school.

Continuing Judges Education (CJE) classes are offered at each meet with the exception of the Annual Grand National meet. CJE'S are very informative and cover a wide range of specific topics relative to judging. Judges are encouraged to attend as many CJE'S as possible but receive only one judging credit and CJE chip per year for attending a CJE. The one exception is when a judge reaches an award level (i.e. 10, 25, 50, 75, 100 etc.) judging credits, they are required to take a "mandatory" CJE. Having already taken a "voluntary" CJE or plan to take the "voluntary" CJE in the same year as a "mandatory" CJE, you will receive two judging credits and two CJE chips in that year only. At the specific award levels (i.e. 10, 25, 50, 75, 100 etc), judges are awarded a cloisonné lapel pin. Judges attending every meet during the year will receive a plaque having each meets dash plaque mounted on it.

Becoming an AACA judge is very rewarding, interesting and another way to enjoy the antique car hobby. Now is the time get involved don't put it off any longer. You'll be glad you did !



The Princess Brings Home Her First Junior!

By Brenda Shore Kaiser
Vice President Data Management



It is easy to think that we may become accustomed to winning. After all, we have seen the members who have a lot of cars and many awards. So what does it feel like when you have a brand new car, you have put your heart and soul – and money into it – and it wins? It feels fantastic! It did to my husband and me in Canyon, Texas.

Princess is a 1963 Chevrolet Nova SS Convertible. She came to live with us in the fall of 2006, and although she was already a winner, she needed some tender loving care to get her back up to 'show' quality. Dave and I have always loved sports cars with a specific affection for Corvettes, so with our natural orientation towards Chevrolets when we found out that the SS was for sale, we decided that she had to be ours. Of course, like many purchases, there were a few logistics that had to be worked out before she could make it to Houston.

First, the car was in New Jersey. Second, the car needed to be trailered. We had never trailered a car and didn't even own a trailer. So we bought the car and a trailer. Next, we ask for assistance from my family to get the car to us. It sounds funny now, but at the time it was a logistical nightmare. The car was in New Jersey, the trailer was ordered and delivered to Pennsylvania, and the truck needed to pull the trailer was in Texas. And so the voyage began. My parents drove to Texas, left us their car and drove our truck back to Pennsylvania. They picked up the trailer and had all of the required pieces added, (i.e. electric brake kit, sway bars). They then picked up the car and delivered it to us right before Christmas. So the car that we had bought sight unseen was finally home.

Dave and I knew that we were going to show this car and that we had two options. Because Princess had already won many AACA awards, we could either continue to show her with her current awards or start all over again. We took off the awards (which was easier said than done) and decided to go for a first junior. The decision to go to Canyon was easy. What better place to show and win then in your home state?

We cleaned, scrubbed, and waxed until everything was perfect. Every part of the engine, interior, exterior and chassis was checked, and where needed, parts were replaced and/or fixed. We wanted to make sure that the car not only looked good but that it ran like it did when it was delivered to some lucky person 34 years ago. All of our available time was spent in the garage. We even put up a

lift so that we could work on the car from all angles. And then it was time to go to Canyon.

The road to Canyon is long. As everyone knows, you can drive all day and never leave Texas. It was a good trip, however, and we made it to the hotel late Thursday evening without any problems. I would like to say that the rest of the trip was just as uneventful, but unfortunately, that was not the case. It rained on Friday; seven inches in three hours. It was more rain that they had seen in 35 years. The roads were gone and the water was rising quickly. Unfortunately, our trailer was in a low spot so of course it had to be moved. Hooking up a trailer is enough fun and a test for any good marriage but to do it in the pouring rain standing in a foot of water is even more fun. We did it though, and the trailer and the car were safe and dry; we can't say the same for ourselves however.

Saturday morning started out with a light rain, but by the time the Judge's Breakfast was finished, the rain had stopped and the sun was coming out. It was a beautiful day and our Princess was ready to be shown. The location was perfect, the weather was perfect and our car was perfect. Since Dave and I are both judges, we had to leave the car and hope that everything would turn out OK. Our saga, however, didn't end at that point. We had one more obstacle to overcome. Yes, we both were nervous and we did things that we had never done before. When we were released from the show field, we put everything in the trunk and were ready to leave. Unfortunately, everything included the keys; the keys to the car, the trailer and the truck.

With the assistance of some fantastic people, our back seat was removed, the liner was pulled back, and we crawled into the truck and retrieved our keys. Our car was stripped and put back together in under 10 minutes and all by a couple of our National Directors. None of us could believe how fast it was done!

We did win our first Junior that evening at the banquet. All of the hard work and all of the trials and tribulations were worth it. We are very proud of our car and even more proud of what we went through to show her. We celebrated with friends and had the champagne that Dave brought all the way from France. The trip home was calm and the Princess now rest quietly in our garage, waiting for the next opportunity to come out and shine. Yes, she is going to compete for her first Senior next year; the location is still not determined.

By the way, our Princess got her name because she came to us as a 'trailer queen' but due to her size and beauty we just call her our Princess. She is very happy with our 1972 Corvette, Mille (Mille Miglia Red) and our 1949 Kaiser, Crystal (Crystal Green).

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This story would not be complete without a special thank you to Joe (National Director) and Fran Vicini who sold us and trusted us to take care of their car,; my parents John and Fran Shore who brought us the car from New Jersey; our friends Don and Micky Bohne and Robby Markman who believed in us and helped us whenever needed; Randy Rutherford (National Director), Hulon McCraw (National Director) and Chuck Crane who helped us get the keys out of the trunk; and Joanna Cooper (National Director) who gave us our award with a huge smile and a lot of love. Thank you.

The NAAP is Now a Year Old

By Earl D. Beauchamp, Jr.
Vice President – Publications



AACA Region and Chapter members might like to know that the Awards Program for their own hardworking Newsletter editor's was completely overhauled at the beginning of 2007. We developed a program called the Newsletter Achievement Awards Program (NAAP) in an effort to reward editors of local newsletters in a way that would help smaller clubs be on a par with larger and wealthier clubs.

The NAAP works from an evaluation sheet in a manner something similar to the way we judge our cars. There is a standard of items to appear in a newsletter established, and your editor merely has to work to incorporate as many of those items as possible, to achieve what is being looked for as the information most likely to educate, inform and entertain the members of the club.

Okay then, so how did it work? Oh yes, there will be growing pains and things that will be learned and changed about the NAAP over the coming years, but in a few words we think the NAAP accomplished its aims in many ways. For you editor's out there in AACA-land, I thought you might be interested to know some of the things we found out as result of the installation of the NAAP program.

In 2006 there were only 12 editors nationwide who were chosen as Master Editors. Most of them were longtime Editors and repeaters in that award some number of times. Using the NAAP evaluation sheet in 2007, the number of Master Editors moved up from 12 to 18, many of whom had never achieved that award in the past.

Additionally, the largest number of Awards typically achieved, in the past were the third category award; that of Merit. However in 2007, many of those editors were found to achieve the award of Distinction, the number two award. In fact, there were more awards of Distinction achieved than awards of Merit. The Award of Excellence is the top award, short of the Master Editor Award.

Many very small Regions and Chapters found that they could include items that achieved a level where valuable and interesting information was included, although sometimes just in smaller doses than found in larger newsletters of larger clubs. That seemed to be where we were trying to go.

In the past, members of the Publication Committee just read over the newsletters received and evaluated them based on the individual tastes of each evaluator with no truly defined direction. That has now changed.

That is good for all of the editors, because they now not only know what they need to try and include or not include, but they also know that with dedication they can achieve the same level of providing excellence of content as those who have greater journalism capabilities, or more financial backing. After all, not every Region or Chapter may be lucky have greater journalism capabilities, or more financial backing. Not every Region or Chapter may be lucky enough to find a retired newspaper writer or college professor you know.

The NAAP puts great emphasis on getting content of hobby and club information to the members, as well as items of reading of interest that will hold their attention. There are only a few extra areas that contain reward for how well that is done and if items of hobby and club importance and items that instill member camaraderie are omitted, it doesn't matter how well the rest is done.

As we in the Publications Committee try to show our appreciation to the work the Region and Chapter editors do, it's up to each of you Region and Chapter members to also reward your own editor with your comments of appreciation for their efforts to them.

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Happy New Year to my fellow AACA newsletter editors!

It is that time when we start another year of publishing our Region/Chapter newsletters. Whether it is a monthly or bi-monthly publication, the newsletter is always an important and vital asset to your Region/Chapter. The new year is a good time to try new ideas in your newsletter to keep it fresh and interesting. I try to include at least one new item or idea in our region newsletter each year.

Speaking of ideas, have you ever visited the Editors section of the AACA Discussion Forum? It is an online resource where AACA editors can meet other editors online, share ideas, and get the latest news on newsletter and web page related items. Since its inception, the forum has had a band of regular contributors, but as the old adage goes, "The more the merrier!" The regular contributors are always looking for other editors to frequent the forum and provide their input. Take time to visit the AACA Editors Forum—Print and Webmasters at <http://forums.aaca.org/ubbthreads.php/ubb/postlist/Board/14/page/1>.

One of the recent topics discussed on the Editors Forum was the use of the National Achievement Award Program (NAAP) by AACA Editors. The NAAP made it through its first year, and from the comments of fellow editors I have read on the forum, and those by Vice President—Publications, Earl Beauchamp, Jr., in this issue, it appears that the NAAP was very successful in its inaugural year. A lot of work went into the development of the NAAP and it shows. Congratulations to all of the Editors that are receiving an award for their newsletters this year. The awards are to honor you for your hard work. An though sometimes it may not feel like it, I am sure that the members of your Region/Chapter appreciate all of the work and energy that you put into the newsletter.

I look forward to once again attending the AACA Annual Meeting in February. The AACA Annual Meeting, and the Publications seminar held during the weekend in particular, is another great opportunity to meet other editors in person, share ideas, and maybe learn a thing or two. If you see me wandering around the hotel during the Annual Meeting, please stop and say hello. I always enjoy meeting other AACA newsletter editors from around the county.

Best wishes to all of the AACA newsletter editors for another successful year of newsletter publications.

And as always....
Happy Antique Motoring!

Bruce

