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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you are all staying well, healthy and safe. And maybe getting some of those old put-off projects done!

April has come and gone. And so far, it's same o'l same ol' for us at the Bare household. While our county has seen a flattening of the curve in Covid-19 cases we are still under a Shelter in Place order with no end date, which means no meeting at Round Table any time in the future. But there are things we can all do together, like driving by Barbara's house on her 70th birthday. I want to personally thank all of you that participated. I know it was short notice, but oh so good to see all of you. Plus, it was a great surprise to Barbara.

As I mentioned, it will be a long time before we will be able to have our meetings at Round Table or even feel safe having them there in that crowded room. But I am working on other ideas for meetings. Good weather is here and summer is approaching. I was thinking we could do like we did when Scott and I first joined the club some 10 years ago- with some modifications, of course. We used to meet in member's homes. We were a smaller club then. But what if we met at club member's properties outside of their homes or at outside locations such as the Lucky's parking lot as we did before our drive by on Barbara's birthday? Of course, there would be no restroom facilities, for Corona Virus reasons and we'd have to be able to stay socially distant from each other and wear those creative masks that I saw all of you wearing. Also, if you wanted to eat or have something to drink you would have to bring your own or stop and get take-out before the meeting. You know the saying: pack it in, pack it out. This is just an idea I am tossing out to you. Please email me if you have any ideas that might work for us to get together.

I will keep you posted on what we come up with. So, keep the 26th open just in case...

As for the May tour, unless our current situation changes drastically, the May tour is also cancelled.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bare

UPCOMING EVENTS

May Meeting

May Car Tour

Canceled

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THANK YOU NOTE

I would like to say Thank You to the Redwood Empire Region of the AACA. Because of COVID19 there was no going out to dinner with my family this year. You surprised me by cruising by in your wonderful and beautiful cars with a few of my friends and family. My daughter, E mailed Linda, the President of the club and she got the group together. When I saw the cars, I started crying. It was such a surprise. I haven't seen anybody since November. We have the best group of club members. Thank You all again for helping me have a Happy 70th Birthday.

Club member and officer of RERAACA, Barbara



Last month we asked you to guess the make and model of this car: 1931 Chrysler Imperial Eight
Did you guess correctly?

CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Roger VonBergen	5/6
Ron Fiori	5/7
Barry Power	5/28
Sharon Gehrke	5/30
Lissa Vecchio	6/4
Jim Hooper	6/14
Marilyn Chiotti	6/18
Laura Erikson	6/18
Jerry Terman	6/21
Tom Miller	6/23
Cecilia Johnson	6/25
James Gehrs	6/28
Lynn Meister	6/28

Anniversaries

Ron & Lorna Fiori	5/1
Patrick & Marianne Cloonan	5/7
Amil & Sharon Gehrke	5/25
Bill & Jeanette Harm	6/3
Edward & Cynthia Petersen	6/18
Dennis & Sharon Olson	6/20
Clint & Lisa Petker	6/29

Cool Car Ideas During the COVID-19 Shutdown

By Charles & Barbara Emery, Mardela Springs, MD, ccemery@verizon.net

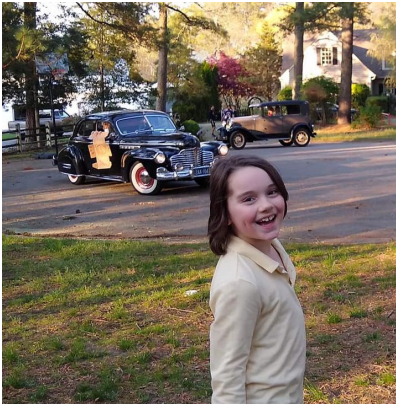
Reprinted from AACA April Speedster

We exist on the largely rural Eastern Shore of Maryland. In these stay-at-home/stay-in-car days, some of our members have found ways to responsibly and creatively bring joy to others by using our cars during our hiatus from regular Region activities.

This young man lost both his dad and his grandfather last year (separate illnesses, not an accident). Tuesday was his 10th birthday, which in the age of coronavirus-imposed social distancing of course could not be celebrated with a party or even a family gathering. The child has no siblings and no local family, except his mom.

The young fellow has gone with us in several Christmas parades in Salisbury as part of the [Eastern Shore Region \(ESR\)](#) and is very interested in antique cars. Parents of some of his Sunday School friends organized a "drive-by" to celebrate his birthday and asked me to lead it in the Buick. I was able to gather up six other ESR members, as well as Buck Burton who is also a [Bay Country Region](#) member. We practiced social distancing and only drove by honking our horns to make it a real parade.

What a cool idea! Don't forget to let us know if your region or chapter is doing something cool during the COVID-19 shutdown ([email Stacy](#)).



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QUESTION OF THE MONTH:
Can you guess the make and model of this
car?

Answer to be revealed in June's Newsletter



Some Things Are Just Meant to Be

By Scott Bare

A very dear friend, Joan Jacques, who I called my Mopar Queen, bought our 1948 Plymouth back in the early 70's. She told me she and her husband paid \$300.00 for it. Over the years they collected over 50 antique Chrysler product cars. Her husband, Keith, died unexpectedly in the 80's. Joan was left to find homes for their collection of cars and massive parts collection. Over the years I helped her with selling many of her cars and parts. She referred to me as her "Mopar King". One day in 2007 Joan asked me if I would be interested in [owning] the '48. After twisting my arm (not very hard) in 2008 the '48 came to our garage. The '48 was the very first collector car they bought when they started in the hobby and it was the last one she let go. It also was her favorite of all the cars they collected so she said.

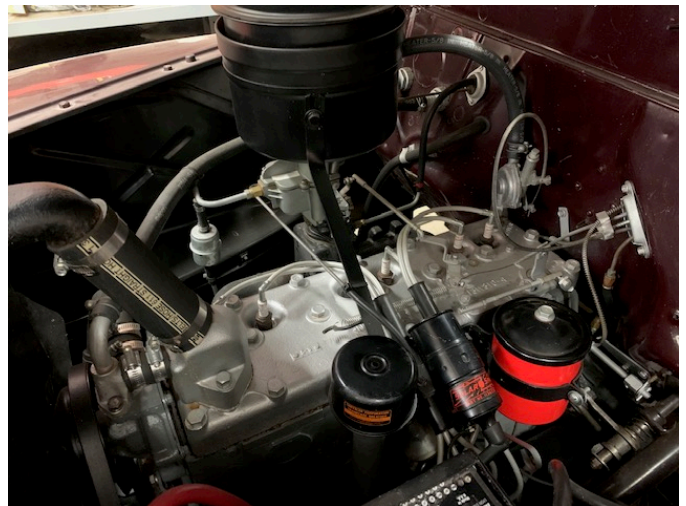
The car didn't run and needed almost everything rebuilt mechanically. I spent the next 5-7 years making "Joanie" road worthy by installing a new motor, transmission, tires, brakes, and numerous other things.

Unfortunately, Joan passed away in 2017. She truly was my inspiration for giving new life to this car. One of the sweetest moments I had was to call her up once I installed the engine and let her hear it run over the phone. Oh my god she was so excited. I was really hoping I could one day take her for a ride in it. But unfortunately, time ran out for that.

Which brings me to the next really great part of this story. I knew her son Jeff, like his mother, had a soft spot for the car. I knew when he was in grade school he used to be taken to school in the '48. I happened to ask him if he might be interested in being the new custodian for the '48. He was so excited at the opportunity to get his mother's car back. So, after 12 years of the '48 being born again, "Joanie" will be going back home to Danville just in time for Mother's Day!

Sometimes it's hard to explain why things happen the way they do, but I firmly believe this was all meant to be. This car needed to be with Joan's family! A bittersweet ending - sending "Joanie" back home!

Joan's Mopar King,
Scott Bare



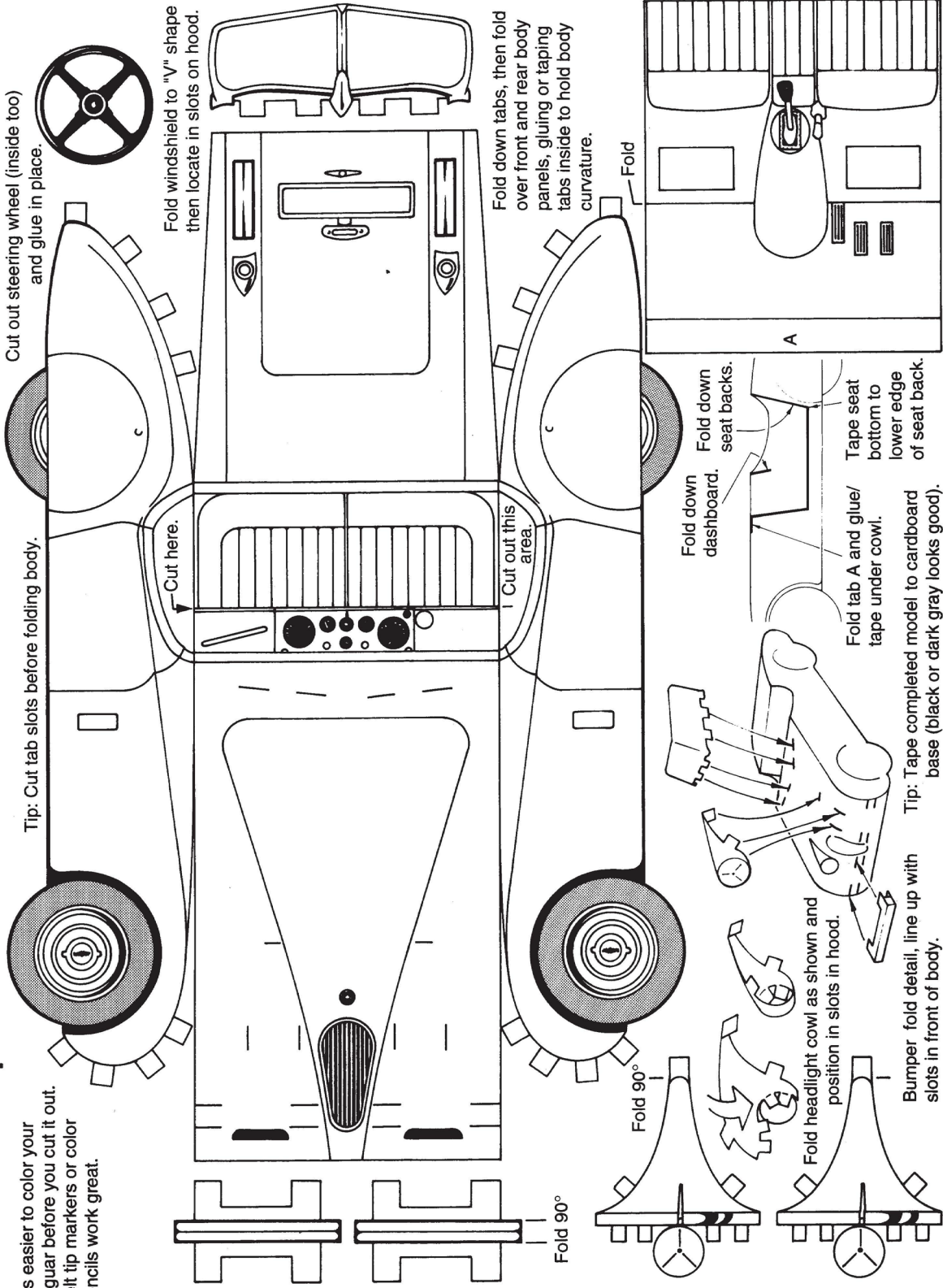


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2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTH	GENERAL MEETING	SPECIAL EVENTS	CAR TOURS
January	1/28/20		January 26 Napa Oxbow Market/ CIA Kitchens and Museum The Walls
February	2/25/20		March 1 Sonoma Developmental Center The Johnsons
March	3/24/20 - CANCELED		March 28 - CANCELED Sonoma County Wildlife Rescue Center The Walls
April	4/28/20 - CANCELED		April 26 th - CANCELED
May	5/26/20 - CANCELED		May 31 st - CANCELED Boatique Winery The Chiotti's
June	6/23/20		June 20 Studebaker Club Picnic The Chiotti's
July	7/28/20	July 26 th Club Picnic	<i>Happy Fourth of July</i>
August	8/25/20		August 30 Halls and Walls tour
September	9/22/20		September 27 St. Marie and Fiori tour
October	10/27/20		November 1 Bill Kaslar and Annette Connally
November	11/24/20		<i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>
December	No Meeting	December Holiday Dinner Union Hotel	<i>Merry Christmas</i>

Monthly meetings are held at:

Round Table Pizza,

Dinner at 6 pm, Meeting starts at 7 pm
2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa, CA

Canceled

Please stay home to stay safe and healthy!



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EDITOR'S NOTE

I hope you are all still safe at home and enjoying your downtime. I know I have gotten many projects done around the house; I hope you have as well. I look forward to seeing you all again soon. Our next newsletter will be limited as well, so if you have anything you'd like added, let me know!! If you would like to submit items for the newsletter, please email them to me at lisapetker@outlook.com. Please submit items by the 5th of the month as the newsletter will be published to the group no later than the 12th of every month.