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Car of the Month

2009 Nissan Maxima SV

By Peter W. Pandolfi

It was a steamy August 2009 day in the City of Manassas, Virginia. My 1996 Mercedes-Benz C220 had failed the state mandated emissions test, and my Mercedes mechanic told me that the cost to repair the engine to meet the standards was going to run more than the car was worth. The little car with 153,576 miles had served me well over the past couple of years and seemed to be running fine. But you can't fight City Hall, so I traded it in for this 2009 Nissan Maxima.



2009 Nissan Maxima SV

The Maxima styling was all new for 2009 and presented a more aggressive look than the previous model. Nissan promoted it as a sports sedan, which was accurate if you have a loose definition of sports sedan. It was relatively nimble and had plenty of power. It even came with paddle shifters, which though fun proved useless. Not that they didn't work, but with all the cars power, 295 horsepower, you just didn't need them. After all, the car only weighed in at 3,565 lbs. It did a respectable, but not blistering, 0-60 mph in 5.8 seconds and could do the quarter mile in 14.5 seconds reaching 99 mph.

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It's only 55 shopping days until Christmas. If you are not finished yet, you had best get started. I have already received my Christmas gift from the Region. We are concluding another successful year. The Rohr Show, despite the reduced participation, was still a great success especially financially. Our partnership with Crusin-For-Heroes continued and together we raised over \$1,000 for the Fisher House military charity. Over the course of the year, we added eight new members to the Region and many more of our existing members have gotten active in club events. We were privileged this year to make a meaningful contribution to the AACA National Convention.

Don't worry, there is still a number of events left in the next two months. We have our election of 2025 Region Officers and the ever-popular Christmas Cookie exchange. The ODMA Fall Tour is this month, which will be a great time for everyone. On December 7, we will once again participate in the Greater Manassas Christmas Parade. Members with convertible cars may have the opportunity to drive one of the Parade's VIP guests for the event. For providing this service, the Region will have its own unit entry in which all of our members may participate. This event is a load of fun and really puts you in the holiday spirit. Best of all you can decorate your vehicles to add to the enjoyment. Crusin-For-Heroes will again be joining us for the parade. The year, and my tenure as President, will end at our annual Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers. This is another fun filled time with great food, door prizes and the presentation of the Regions four annual awards. Be sure to sign up for the dinner. You will not regret it.

Next year will bring us new adventures. We will hold our 49th Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet. We will also start planning for the 50th annual show to make it more of an event in addition to the show. All of our standard events are scheduled to occur, but there is room to add some special events such as day tours and show and shine events. I am hopeful that our newer members will take the time to get involved and perhaps take the lead on a favorite activity to introduce to the Region. I also hope more of our



members experience the many National events throughout the year. No matter how you slice it, we are in for another exciting year, so join in the fun!

Pete



November Automotive Trivia Question

True or False? The 1953 Corvette came in white, red and black.

See answer on Page 10

Car of the Month continued

My car was powered by a 3.5 liter V-6 engine, which was the only engine option. It also came with a continuously variable transmission (CVT) that moved through the gears with absolutely no detectable indication. Although this transmission was criticized at the time, I found it delightful and highly reliable. The car itself was 190.6 inches long, 73.2 inches wide, slightly wider than previous models, and 57.8 inches high, slightly lower than previous models. This gave the car a more sleek appearance adding to its sports sedan claim. The wheelbase was 109.3 inches.



Nissan Maxima side view

My Maxima was an SV edition, which was the top-of-the-line model. As Nissan's flagship car, the large Nissan Armada SUV was billed at the flagship of Nissan, it came with all the bells and whistles of the day. Here is the litany of extras on this car: power steering, 4-wheel power disc brakes, power windows and door locks, automatic CVT with paddle shifters, dual moon roof, heated and cooled front seats, memory seats, power heated side mirrors, xenon headlights, leather and wood trimmed interior, intelli-



Nissan Maxima rear view

gent key entry and push to start button. Let me expand on the intelligent key entry. This was not your typical remote entry key fob. You never had to touch the fob, just have it in your pocket or purse. As you



Center dash console with radio controls, climate controls and navigation system

approached the car, the doors automatically unlocked and once seated in the driver's seat you just push the start button. The fob never left my pocket.



Driver's instrument cluster



Front center console

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Editor's Notes by Peter W. Pandolfi:

Your Hobby, Your Newsletter, Your Stories

I welcome any contribution members would like to submit. In this issue you will notice an article by a member on a car museum he visited. This is the kind of item I am looking for. Especially desired are articles on National meets and tours you might attend. Email is the best way to submit items, but if the files are large, burned to a CD/DVD or thumb drive is perfectly fine. I will even take them hardcopy if necessary. This method would be very labor intensive, but I will make it work. Submission deadline and contact information is below. Please use MS Word if at all possible. Thanks in advance for all your support.

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The deadline for submissions for inclusion in the next issue is the 25th of the month.



November Anniversaries

- Craig & Rachel Flanagan November 1
- John & Cecelia Zampino November 1
- Arnold & Mary Beth Borsetti November 5

November Birthdays

- Jim Cross November 2
- Eugene Gilkey November 5
- Jon Battle November 13
- Mary Loren November 18
- Rachel Flanagan November 23

Note: Your birthday or anniversary not listed? Please let me know the date(s) by email. Spouses as well. Years are not necessary since we are all 29 at heart. Thanks, Pete



Member News

Membership Renewal: AACA memberships are based on calendar year, so it is time for everyone to begin the renewal process. It is not hard, but you may have to renew both your National and Regional mem-

berships. The forms located in this issue and are posted on our website. You must be a National member in order to stay a Region member. Our list of members is due to National by January 31, so please get them in early. Instructions are on the forms. Dave Claveloux handles the Region memberships. You need to deal directly with the National Headquarters to renew your National membership.

Annual Christmas Parade: The annual Greater Manassas Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 7, 2024. This year's theme is Candyland. As in the past, the Bull Run Region has been invited to attend. The Region receives a unit position at no cost for providing 4-5 convertible cars for the parade VIPs. All members can participate as non-convertible cars will comprise the Region unit. Cars can be festively decorated. Ernie Newland is chairing this event for the Region and he will have more information as the parade date approaches.

Annual Election of Officers: The Region will have its election of officers for the year 2025 at the December meeting. The new slate of officers will take over at the January Holiday Party and Installation dinner. All officer positions are up for re-election. The ballot is set and can be found in this issue. Instructions are on the ballot. It must arrive NLT December 14 to the Region Secretary or you can bring it to the December meeting.

Annual Awards Dinner: The Annual Awards Dinner and Installation of Officer is scheduled for January 12, 2025 at the City Tavern in Manassas. Nicki Hudson is once again making all the arrangements. See the flyer in this issue. Information on the menu and cost will follow soon.

December Meeting: The December meeting will be held on **December 15** at the Manassas VFW Hall starting at 4 pm due to a scheduling conflict with the original date. This meeting will be our election of officers for 2025 and our annual Christmas cookie exchange. If you wish to participate, bring at least 2 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies and a spare plate. You will be able to take the Christmas cookies of the other participants up to the number you brought. This is a great way to add variety to your holiday baking without having to make several types of cookies. It is a lot of fun, but remember, if you don't bring cookies, you can't take cookies.

Meeting Presentations: If you or anyone you know would like to give a presentation on an automotive experience, contact Randy Higgins. Presentations should be between 20-30 minutes in length.



Meeting Minutes

by *Bill Sessler, Secretary*

The monthly meeting of the Bull Run Region was held on October 13, 2024 at the VFW Hall in Manassas. This was also our first potluck dinner meeting. 13 members were in attendance.

1. Treasurer's Report: Read and accepted.
2. Pete remarked that the Region added six new members at the Rohr Show. He had hoped some of them would have attended the meeting. He will reach out to them as a reminder. He then reminded everyone to get their membership renewals in to Dave Claveloux. He stated that all the officer ballot positions have been filled but anyone still interested in running for an office should tell him now.
3. Ernie Newland informed the member about the Manassas Christmas Parade to be held on December 7 and encouraged everyone to attend.
4. There was no new information on ODMA. The Fall Tour will be held on November 7-10 in the Richmond/Ashland area of Virginia.
5. Pete stated that Chip Rohr had notified him that the City Tavern, the location for the awards dinner, may be going out of business on January 1. Nicki will check into this. In the meantime, several alternatives were discussed with having either a catered dinner or potluck at the VFW being favored. No action will be taken until Nicki confirms the availability of the City Tavern.
6. The remainder of the meeting concerned the results of the Rohr Show. Gene Gilkey and Randy Higgins informed everyone that the turnout of show cars was down this year with only 96 cars being present. Various reasons for this were discussed such as the increased price, getting the word out and the weather. While it was generally believed the weather was the major cause, the other areas will be explored for next year. Nicki reported that it appears the Region made a profit on the show, a final figure will not be available until all bills are in and registration money is received from the online service. In general, the feedback was positive from attendees. The issues experienced in the 2023 show appear to have been corrected. Pete mentioned that the Crusin-For-Heroes people raised over \$1,000 for the Fisher House, which is consistent with past years. Pete informed the group that Robert Hahn of Birmingham Green, a local nursing home and assisted liv-

ing facility, told him that the show was great and very professionally put on. He asked if the Region would be interested in putting on a car show in May 2025 at Birmingham Green that they would use as a fund raiser. There was much discussion about the amount of work involved. The Region opted to not support the proposed show, but several members volunteered their assistance in helping the Birmingham Green people put on their own show. Pete will inform Mr. Hahn. Lastly, Gene Gilkey said he was approached by Mark Olsen, President of Historic Manassas Inc., on the idea of returning to the city's old town area for the car show. Apparently there is some interest among the business owners of old town to see us return. Gene said he would bring up the issue with the Region membership. In discussion, the members said they would consider moving back, but several things needed to happen before making such a move. We would require a multi-year agreement in writing similar to what we have with the Masonic Lodge. Also, the city representatives need to come to one of our meetings with their proposal to get us back. The members authorized Gene to get back to Mark, relay our thoughts, and make arrangements for the city presentation. He is also going to caution Mark that time is very short as a decision would need to be made soon if we were to change for 2025.

7. Nicki Hudson won the 50/50 raffle.
8. There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.



Pete's Pearls:

Hard to believe I once had a phone attached to a wall, and when it rang, I picked it up without knowing who was calling.



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Ford Motor Company Plant postcard showing President Wilson speaking to 20,000 Ford employees

Car of the Month continued

After looking at this list of features, you may be asking yourself, “What? No radio?”. I wanted to address the entertainment system separate. The radio in this car was an AM/FM/Satellite Bose stereo system with an iPod connection, flashcard port and its own 9 gigabyte hard drive for storing your favorite playlists.

The system also included a navigation system and Bluetooth phone connection. The center armrest in the back seat also came with a set of radio controls for the rear seat passengers to make adjustments. My granddaughter Torie, who was 5 years old at the time, loved having her own control panel. She also greatly enjoyed the rear window sun shade. At the touch of a button, a window shade would rise from the rear deck and block the sun from streaming in through the back window onto the rear seat passengers.



Rear seat center console with radio controls

Remembering the time frame, this car was very well appointed and a pleasure to drive. Nissan managed to put all this in a package for only \$39,852. Needless to say, I did not pay near that price given the end of the model year, my trade-in and did I forget to mention that Pam, my wife, worked at the Nissan dealership.



LED Taillights

The Maxima was my daily driver. Pam had her own Nissan Rogue, but that is a future story. In addition



3.5 Liter V-6 engine



Dual moon roof



Left side mirror with directional indicator

to daily commutes, we used the Maxima for family trips. On one trip to West Virginia, cars in front of me began moving out of my way for no apparent reason. I finally realized that they were looking in their rearview mirrors and saw the turn signals mounted in the two side mirrors, which was a new feature at the time. They thought I was a police car and even though not illuminated, they simply yielded the right of way. Better safe than sorry, I guess.

I truly enjoyed driving this car, but the anticipated long-lasting relationship was not to be. Alas, after

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The National Beat

By Peter W. Pandolfi

The following article entitled “ACA Youth Scholarships” was written by Dave Anspach, ACA Executive Vice President, Youth Development and Awards. It was originally published in the Summer 2024 Rummage Box.

Everyone knows that membership has been down over the past few years. It had gone down a bit pre COVID, dropped a lot more during COVID, and has continued a gradual decline since then. There are a thousand rea-sons why this is happening, but we, as a club shouldn’t just sit back and accept it. It is up to every one of us to FIGHT this trend!! But HOW?? What can one person do??

Well, first of all, realize that you are NOT alone. The club provides all kinds of materials for you to use to promote membership. Get them from the office in Hershey and USE them. Carry them with you ever you go. See an old car at the gas station? Give the driver some literature. See a guy in the store with a car jacket, t-shirt, or hat on ? invite him or her to your next region meeting. Going to a car show? Set up a table with a batch of ACA Magazines and recruit members. Just think, if every member just got one new member a year, in just a few years we would be a massive organization!

I mentioned being part of a region. For many people the social aspect of the old car hobby is the primary factor for joining a club. Use our regions shows, tours, picnics, parties, etc . as a tool to get people to join. Push your region to do things together. A group of ACA show cars together going to a local show will surely dominate the prizes. People want to be a part of a winner and they will want to join your club. Invite every person to your Regional meeting. Carry with you Region contact information, and give it to every one. Include an introduction to your Region, the meeting places and times.

Another thing to remember is to get a name and email address. Then send that prospective member an electronic copy of your Region news-letter (which costs you nothing) and have your membership chair send them a reminder before your next meeting!!

And don’t forget those free memberships. Who can say no to something free? But please, don’t just hand the form to someone. Get their information and have them sign it and take it with you! Then, be sure to mail it in to Hershey. So many forms have just been handed out and gone unused!! Remember we have special free memberships for veterans. Use them !!

The fact that veterans are recognized is sometimes the difference that brings someone into the fold.

We ALL must fight this battle of declining membership. Every one of us had a special reason or person who got us involved. It is up to YOU to be the reason or person for the next new member to join!!



2024 Refreshment List		
Month	Snacks	Drinks
November	Price	
December	Christmas Cookie	Exchange
2025 Refreshment List		
Month	Snacks	Drinks
January	Awards	Dinner
February	Franklin Gage	
March	Randy Higgins	
April	Claveloux	Pandolfi
May	Battle	
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What's In a Name

By Peter W. Pandolfi

This article presents a badge or logo and provides a brief explanation of the item. The information in this article was derived from the book "Car Marques: A Graphic Guide to Automotive Logos and Emblems" by Simon Heptinstall.

One of the United Kingdom's classic marques was founded by German immigrant Siegfried Bettmann. The former sewing machine salesman founded Triumph in 1885 in London started making bicycles in 1889. He then branched into motorcycles, and finally cars in 1921. The elegant 10/20 was Triumph's first four-wheeler, followed by the Super Seven. In 1936, financial difficulties led to the car and motorcycle businesses being separated. Triumph cars of this era were distinguished by a badge featuring the company name written across a blue and red globe.



Triumph was bought by the Standard Motor Company in 1944 and the subsidiary company evolved into a sportier brand. Cars were badged with globes, winged motifs, or the striped shield of Standard. The TR series of sports cars started its 30-year run, ending with the TR 8 in 1981.

By the 1980s, Triumph had become assimilated into the British Leyland empire. The cars were given hood badges that were simply the company name in capital letters. The stylish Stag convertible wore a special stag badge and later Triumphs received a new emblem: the Triumph name surrounded by a laurel wreath on a black roundel.



A 1956 Triumph TR 3

Triumph made many different models of automobiles. Their best known, especially in the United States, were TR 3, TR 6, TR 7, Spitfire and Stag. All these had either a four or six cylinder engine except for the Stag which had a small V-8. As with most British cars, they were temperamental, but when they were in tune, they were tons of fun to drive.

All this badge tinkering failed to save the marque, however. Its last model was the Acclaim sedan, which was a Honda Ballade remarketed with a Triumph badge. Finally, in 1984 the shrinking Austin Rover Group retired the Triumph marque. The name came into the hands of BMW in 1994 when it bought Rover Group, although it hasn't appeared on a car since this time.



1976 Triumph Stag



A 1973 Triumph Bonneville



2024 Bull Run Events Calendar

National events are in blue text.

Nov 7-10 - ODMA Tour, Ashland, VA

Nov 10 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Dec 7 – Manassas Christmas Parade

**Dec 15 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall
(Cookie Exchange & Officer Elections for 2025)**



2025 Bull Run Events Calendar Draft

National events are in blue text.

Jan 12 – Awards Dinner and Installation of Officers for 2025

Feb 6-8 – **National Convention, Charlotte, NC**

Feb 16 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall (moved for Convention)

Mar 9 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Apr 3-5 – **Southeast Spring Natls, Charlotte, NC**

Apr 13 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

May 18 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall (moved for Mother's Day)

Jun 1-7 – **Vintage Tour, Southeastern PA**

Jun 8 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Jun 21 – Father's Day Show, Sully & Warrenton, VA

Jul 13 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Aug 10 – Picnic Business Meeting, TBD

Sep 14 – Show Prep Meeting, VFW Hall

Sep 20 – Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet, Masonic Lodge, Manassas, VA

Sep 7-12 – **Glidden Tour, Owensboro, KY**

Oct 7-10 – **Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA**

Oct 12 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Nov 9 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall

Dec 6 – Manassas Christmas Parade

Dec 14 – Monthly Business Meeting, VFW Hall (Cookie Exchange & Officer Elections for 2026)



Car of the Month continued

just three short years, the Maxima was wrecked. I

was proceeding through and intersection with the green light when a Chevy Colorado pickup truck decided to run the red light and turn across in front of me. I am sure he did not see me coming up the right hand lane and I did not see him due to the left lane traffic. I broadsided him at 35 mph smashing in the front end of the Maxima and setting off the airbags. Despite the damage, I was still able to drive the car to the side of the road. The truck was not so lucky. The impact sheared off the entire rear suspension of



Spacious trunk with cargo net

the pickup. Axles, differential and drive shaft all took a trip of their own as they separated from the front of the vehicle. The frame bent but still held the bed in place behind the cab. The truck was totaled and its driver was cited in the accident. The repairs to the Maxima cost over \$16,000, but when it returned, it was just not the same car. So I said goodbye to my sportyish, luxuryish car and purchased a used S Class Mercedes-Benz, which was featured as Car of the Month in the March 2018 issue of the Clutch Chatter.



November Trivia Question Answer:

False. The 1953 'Vettes' were available in one color, Polo White.

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Pete Pandolfi _____

Treasurer – Vote for 1

Nicki Hudson _____

Board of Directors – Vote for 3

Eugene Gilkey _____

Scott Patton _____

Ron Davis _____

ODMA Representative Two Year Term – Vote for 1

Franklin Gage _____

Pete Daniels _____

Please bring this ballot with you to the December 8 meeting or mail to:

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Mailed ballots must be received by December 14 in order to be counted.

Note: If you do not want to mail your ballot or do not believe it will arrive before the deadline, you can scan it into your computer and email it to rr4pwp@gmail.com.



**BULL RUN REGION
AACA
MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM**



Check one: New Member Renewal

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NOTE: Owning an antique/classic vehicle is not required for membership.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Tel#: _____ Work Tel#: _____ Cell #: _____

E-mail address (required for eNewsletter): _____

(If you want your birthday or wedding anniversary recognized in the Clutch Chatter)

Birth Date: _____ Spouse's Birth Date: _____ Anniversary Date: _____

Make, model and year of antique/classic automobile(s) you own:

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 4. _____

You must be a member of the National AACA to become a member of a Region or Chapter. National membership forms are available at www.bullrun.aaca.com. If you answer "No", your Bull Run application will be held pending receipt of a National membership number.

Are you a member of the National AACA? Yes AACA Number: _____

No (Check One)

Applicant's Signature: _____

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MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Includes Spouse/Partner) _____ \$45.00

Enjoys voting privileges, receives the bi-monthly issues of *ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE* magazine, is eligible to join an AACA region and/or chapter and is eligible to exhibit vehicles and compete for national prizes and annual awards. Membership entitles you and your spouse/partner to two hours of free research in the AACA Library & Research Center.

FOREIGN (NON-USA) MEMBERSHIP _____ \$50.00

Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership.

FIRST TIME 1/2 YEAR MEMBERSHIP _____ \$25.00

FIRST TIME EVER AACA member who joins between June 1st and October 15th. Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership.

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP (Ages 25 & under – for students ONLY) _____ \$12.00

Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership. Applicants must include copy of student identification or proof of enrollment.

U.S. LIFE MEMBERSHIP _____ \$700.00

FOREIGN (NON-U.S.) LIFE MEMBERSHIP _____ \$900.00

Life memberships enjoy the same privileges as annual membership. The surviving spouse/partner of a Life Member shall remain a Life Member at no additional cost. A three (3) year payment plan is available. Call us for details.

AACA MERCHANDISE

Dues Billed Annually

Dues are billed annually only. There is no pro-rating of dues and back issues of *ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE* may not always be available.

Item	Qty	Unit Price	Total
Certificate of Membership 8 1/4" x 11"		\$6.00	
Enamel Car Badge 4 1/4" x 3" Gold/Blue		\$23.00	
Bumper Sticker 4 1/4" x 3" — Blue with AACA Logo in Gold		\$2.00	
Package of 8 Emblem Window Decals		\$3.00	
AACA Aluminum License Plate Frame		\$16.00	
Merchandise Total			
Membership Total			
Total Amount Due			

For more merchandise selections, visit our website at: store.aaca.org (Merchandise prices include U.S. shipping & handling - call for foreign pricing.)

Payment Method: (All prices stated in U.S. dollars)

Check or money order enclosed payable to AACA. (U.S. funds only. Any check dishonored by a bank will be subject to a charge of \$30.00.)

Charge to: Visa MasterCard Discover

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____ CV# _____

Authorized Signature _____ Rev. 8/20

Bull Run Region, AACA
Annual Awards, Installation of Officers and Banquet
Sunday, January 12, 2025, 5:00 to ???
City Tavern
9550 Center Street
Manassas, Va. 20110

**Menu: Choice of Prime Rib with baked potato and vegetable,
 Chicken Cordon Bleu or Salmon both with rice and vegetable**
All entrees include salad, coffee, tea and choice of dessert

\$35.00 per MEMBER, all inclusive (with club subsidy)

\$40.00 for non-members

Get your reservations in early since cut off is Jan. 7

Door prizes and Officer Installation

Send reservations and checks payable to "Bull Run Region" to Club Treasurer,

Nicki Hudson
 11535 Southampton Ct.
 Fredericksburg, Va. 22407

Reservations and choice of entree must be received no later than January 7, 2025.



Cut and return this portion with your check.

Bull Run Region Holiday Banquet Reservation

Name of Member: _____	\$35.00
Name of Guest: _____	\$35.00
Name of Non-member guest _____	\$40.00

Total Remitted \$ _____

Select choice of entree:	Prime Rib	_____
	Chicken Cordon Bleu	_____
	Salmon	_____



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Include:

Name, Address & Phone.

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 5805 Centralia Rd.
 N. Chesterfield, VA 23237
 (804) 339-5405



Fall Tour

OLD DOMINION MEET ASSOCIATION

November 7-10, 2024



THURSDAY – Arrive at Hotel. Sandwiches and drinks provided.

FRIDAY

SUNDERLIN BELL FOUNDRY was created to provide quality bronze bells in the United States. No other foundry in the country casts bells using the swept-loam method, which provides exquisite surface detail, improves concentricity, and allows the metal to cool more slowly, producing a better casting. In addition to bells, they offer a full-service non-ferrous foundry. Sand-molding, lost-wax are two techniques Sunderlin can cast with any alloy.

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A **"WHALE" OF A DISCOVERY** was found in the Martin Marietta Carmel Church Quarry in 1990. The first bones found included neck vertebrae dating from 14 million years ago and were excavated in 1991-2. More than 50% of the skeleton was recovered, making it one of the most complete fossilized whales discovered in the Eastern United States. The whale was identified as a new species from that period, based on the difference in ear bones. The Latin name is *Eobalaenoptera Harrisoni*, recorded in 2004.

<https://co.caroline.va.us/328/Whale-Display>

LUNCH – Team Carolina Barbeque. Order from menu, self-pay.

<https://www.teamcarolinabbq.org/>

SATURDAY

Dukes' Car Collection – George and Kathy Duke have an extensive collection of outstanding antique cars. The Packard at the right is just a sample that you will see in their multiple garages. Don't miss this opportunity!

Virginia Museum of History and Culture was founded in 1831 as the Virginia Historical Society. It is the oldest curated collection in Virginia, totaling more than nine million items. Taking pride of place in the lobby is a fully restored 1918 model Kline car, the only automobile ever manufactured in Richmond. Featured during this visit is a special exhibition celebrating the first Lego Factory in the United States. There are more than 100 models of iconic land, air, sea, and space vehicles constructed from nearly one million LEGOs® bricks. After viewing the exhibition guests can get creative with thousands of LEGOs® bricks to build anything they can imagine. \$5 Parking by Credit Card at Gate.

<https://virginiahistory.org/exhibitions/traveling-bricks>

Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens was named for the Tobacco Baron that helped rebuild Richmond after the Civil War. This year, 2024 marks the 200th anniversary of his birth, and the fortieth anniversary of the gardens dedicated to his memory by his niece. The two had traveled to Australia in 1890 for the international commercial exhibition of his tobacco products. They toured the public gardens in Sydney and Melbourne. Grace Arents left money and the land in her will as a tribute to him, and their trip Down Under.

<https://www.lewisginter.org/>

SUNDAY – Enjoy a safe trip home!



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LEWIS GINTER BOTANICAL GARDEN