

# Northern Neck Region

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Roma's Cruise-in Roma's - Where good people make you happy, happy, happy!

4th Sunday each month. Next date: May 25, 4-6 p.m.

Pray for the Cook family. Sandy is in severe pain with a bad knee. And their daughter is dealing with Lymes Disease.

#### Northern Neck Region Schedule All National Meets and Tours are in **bold**

May	8 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	13-16 Divisional Tour - Hosted by NNK
	25 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
	31 NNK Annual Car Show - Montross
June	6 Carrington Place 2:00
	12 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	14 Cruise to Madison, Va - Montpelier
	21 Rivafest Car Show/Cruise-in
	22 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
July	10 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
17116	27 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
August	14 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	24 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
September	11 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	28 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
October	9 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	26 Roma Cruise-in 4-6
November	13 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	23 Roma Cruise-in & Party 2-4
December	13 General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
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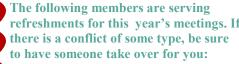
# <u> Happy Anniversary !</u>

14th Harry 8 Mary Jean Inscoe

17th Dwayne & Charlene Schnakenberg



15th - Paul Stosch
16th - Melanie Coates
17th - Gerald Hice
20th - Elizabeth Hoge Lipford
28th - Christopher Barrack
28th - Susan Ellis



May - Ron Cook June - Sevilas July - Harrisons Aug. - Schnakenbergs Sept. - Open Oct. - Gattons Nov. - P. & M Guest Dec. - Open

# Northern Neck Region

# President's Report "My Turn" By Ward Sevila

Member news – May is supposed to bring flowers but it brought us Paul Stosch instead who celebrates his birthday on the  $15^{\text{th}}$ , and also celebrating in May are: Melanie Coates -  $16^{\text{th}}$ , Gerald Hice -  $17^{\text{th}}$ , Elizabeth Lipford –  $20^{\text{m}}$ , and Christopher Barrack and Susan J. Ellis both on the  $28^{\text{th}}$ . Happy birthday everyone, you too Paul.

I am unaware of anyone who might be sick and ailing at this time but I had a nice conversation with Marion Dungan who recently got out of the hospital after having a serious fall and a recovery that took some 2 months long. For that I want to say welcome home Marion, so glad you are doing better. I also want to stress to all members to let someone in the club know when you might be having health problems so that we can give you a shout out to heal and get better.

In my conversation with Marion we discussed the problems he has these days at being able to get his cars out and enjoy them because of failing evesight or other reasons. I offered to him that any time he wants to get his car out and, if he trusts me, to drive him and his car to any of our events or for whatever reason. While I know some members might question my ability at directions I am a safe driver with no accidents or tickets for many years (knocking on wood). But this conversation sparked an idea that I would like to introduce at the monthly meeting on May 8. Basically, it is to form a group of volunteers to provide this service to all those members who are, for whatever reason, unable to drive their vehicles. There are so many members who have been with our club from its inception that we miss seeing and would love to see enjoying their cars again at events or outings.

This past month a number of us participated in a very special outing that included seeking out historical road signs, and then meeting at Stan's in Montross for lunch and to see who had discovered the most markers. Later, most of us caravanned to George Washington's birthplace, Popes Creek Plantation, to tour the house and grounds. All I can say is, another great outing organized by our hard working Social Secretary and person of many talents, many thanks to Sherry Gatton. And, I'm sorry if you missed it, as it was a fun day with lots of history – sort of a precursor to our upcoming Eastern Division Tour in May.

At last months meeting we discussed the cruise to James Madison's Montpelier in Madison, VA and the need to swap the date with the already committed date for the Rivahfest. So the tour to Madison is now June 14 and if you were planning to attend I hope the change does not interfere with other plans. As a reminder we will also visit Skyline Restorations and stop at Inwood Restaurant in Gordonsville for lunch. We currently have 11 members signed up to go and I need to hear from anyone else who would like to participate. Please contact me either by phone -804-580-4177 or email – wsevila@msn.com to let me know if you are interested along with the number that would accompany you. The cost of touring the mansion is \$18 with a group rate of \$16. We need at least 20 to qualify for the group and I need to make a reservation at least a month in advance. The trip to Madison is approximately 2hrs 15 minutes from Warsaw.

May is a busy month for our club with two big events – the Eastern Division Tour (May 13- 16) and our annual car show (May 31). Please contact Wayne Burgess for the tour and Brent Gatton for the car show to help out in any way you can. I am sure there is something you can do to help. Also, as a reminder, for those of you who canvas your communities for contributions to the car show you need to get busy as time is passing by quickly. Please contact me if you would like a copy of the spreadsheet indicating what you did last year.

Remember, this month the Roma cruise-in for the  $25^{\text{th}}$  changes the time from 4:00 - 6:00 PM. Get those babies out of winder storage and lets show them off. See you at the membership meeting, May 8 at 7:30 in Callao.

#### Minutes 4/10/14

By: Sherry Gatton

#### <u>Member News</u>

Birthdays announced. Earl & Judy Beauchamp's anniversary was the 12<sup>th</sup>. New member announced – Buzzie Trader. Marion Dungan renewed his membership for 2014. Gloria Sydnor was in the hospital after a medical procedure did not go smoothly. Ed & Cheryl Melton's aunt is very ill. Keep everyone in your prayers.

#### <u>Reports Read</u>

-Treasurer's Report - read & approved. -Minutes for last month – approved.

## <u>Old Business</u>

-Wounded Warriors & Fisher House was brought up in the last meeting as a possible charity for our club. Wounded Warriors costs \$10.00 to register. We can donate whatever amount we want. 82.8 % on any donated money, goes to the actual charity. We cannot give receipts to donors for taxes as a 3<sup>rd</sup> party. We can't have a stand saying Wounded Warriors. But, we can say proceeds go to Wounded Warriors. They will give us space on their website for exposure for the car show. Gloria Sydnor mentioned the Fisher House, which is closer to home. Discussions about both charities went on. Wayne Burgess is to check with AACA on legal issues. Gloria asked about if we could go around with a bucket at the car show. Ward Sevila said we can collect any monies in any way to donate. Al Kicinski asked about tax issues and about the non-profit status and opening up a can of peas if we advertise charities. Ward stated that we are non-profit but not tax exempt. More investigation will be done on this matter. A motion by Charlene Schnakenburg was made "due to time constrictions, that our club fill out the registration form (for Wounded Warriors), on the condition that the AACA says it is OK." "And, that a portion of the proceeds of the car show goes to Wounded Warriors and other charities." The motion was seconded and approved. Peyton Guest stated that we could put a bulletin board up at the car show to list all the charities that we might agree upon. We can decide what amount to each. later. Patricia Given talked about nonprofit 501c 3. Chris Caspar stated concern about our club being careful and making sure about what we do regarding this matter. Ward stated that more investigation was needed regarding our club's status as non-profit until we can make a final decision on donations to Wounded Warrior Project.

-Montpelier Cruise – Richmond and Crater clubs are interested to go as well but we would have to change the date. This would be hard due to Rivafest being changed from June 21<sup>st</sup> to June 14th. Richmond car club has to bow out because their show is that day. Ward is waiting to see if the date is OK with Crater Region and so we may loose them too. The Signature Tour is \$18.00 (group rate \$16) per person. And it is a 1-hour tour on the half-hour. We have to register for a time slot. There is also an indepth 2 hour tour option. Minimum 20 people for a group and we have to make a deposit of half up front. Wayne DuBois recommended the Innwood Restaurant that is nearby for a meal.

-Tommy Lewis of the Kinsale Strawberry Festival says the Strawberry Festival this year will be May 10<sup>th</sup> and wants our club to come. But, we are obligated to Northern Neck Chevrolet the same day for their Grand Re-opening event. -Tucker Gallery Fund-raiser to build the Tucker display. Duane Schnakenberg is donating a model car. Ward talked to the curator who said it is still under construction. So, we are holding off presenting the model till later. Wayne Burgess mentioned donating towards something more permanent like a brick. There are 2 sizes; 4"x8" \$50.00 3 lines, 8"x8" \$250. The Tucker bricks are on ends of the building and are only 1 size. Ward said maybe we could set a goal for the future. Wayne said the exhibit is to be done in October and you can go see it. Brent Gatton made a motion "to wait until the Tour and our Car Show are over, before we deal with the issue of donating to the Tucker display or other AACA projects." Motion seconded and approved. -Our Car Show business: Brent said that we have had a Show committee meeting and he asked Wayne Burgess to think about games with the golf carts and Wayne is to send a list of games to Brent. Brent said we would like to give Chicken Dinners for door prizes and that we should purchase them from Stan's Dairy Freeze. It was agreed to buy 10 dinners. Paul Stosch reminded everyone that we need to gather door prize donations. Peyton Guest is to check into the radio station status. Paul Stosch reminded us to recognize the funeral home for donating the tents. Sherry is to look into putting an appropriate token of appreciation. Ward wanted to know if the Alpacas are going to be moved so that we get the very same amount of space that got last year. Paul said he would talk to Stan about this. Brent showed 2 dash plaque designs using Bill Lewis' car. The design with the grass background was picked and Wavne suggested taking the white square off the AACA logo on the dash plaque and he has that logo to give to Sherry for the dash plaque. Wayne asked if we are having the same band and Brent answered yes. Brent said we are having a hospitality tent with club brochures, tables and chairs and our club banner. We are not having the tractor trailer bed in the way this year. And the dunk tank will be replaced with the games. -Ward Sevila said that Heathville Tavern is having their farmers market. In the past, we have done a cruise there. It is April 19<sup>th</sup> 8-2 and another one 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in August but that is the weekend of the fair. However, we park cars on a Friday night and the market would be the next day. The tavern foundation would like this date to be antique cars centered and Ward wants our club to host the farmers market cruise in and invite other clubs. Al Kisinski asked what time and Ward said it is still being worked on.

-Open house Grand Re-opening at Northern Neck Chevrolet. Ward asked Paul Stosch if they had a flyer. He didn't think so.

-Tour – Wayne Burgess discussed the work list and the people who are assigned. Rob Hall said his phone number should be listed as the break down help. Wayne burgess suggested Ted Thomas dressing in period correct clothes. Wayne looking into booties for people to wear to go into the historic homes to protect the floors. Wayne said people in the tour, really need to follow the tour book because people are going different places according to the tickets that they are given. In other words, they need to be warned not to just follow a buddy when driving the routes. Friday afternoon, Wayne wants as many of us (in the club) as can, to come and hang out with the tour participants. Wayne has been working on lanyards design and window decals. Ted Thomas suggested numbers for the cars to help the ticket takers to keep track of them.

#### <u>New Business</u>

-Cruise-In at Gities with Colonial Beach Cruisers, is this weekend from 10-2. That is at the corner of Routes 205 & 218.

#### Meeting adjourned

Kathy Harrison won the 50/50



The owner said he may bring this WORKING ice-cream truck to our chow. It is a 1929 Model A



The owner of these 3 Model Ts said he may bring some of these babies to our show as well.

*Ted & Caitlin's Excellent Adventure See next page for their full story* 



# <u>"Getting To Know You" Series #2</u> Scoop Gatton Getting the Scoop on . . . . "Ted & Caitlin Thomas"

#### Ted

I asked Ted what was your first car? He said, "My first car was a Harley". I know you all just went "hungh?" Ted was 15 years old and had his driving license and putted around on a Harley Davidson scooter. His first REAL car was when he was a junior in high school and it was a 1964 Falcon with 6 cylinders and a 3 speed stick that Ted's father gave him. Later Ted had about 5 or 6 motorcycles before getting out of that. In college he had a 70 Dodge Dart Swinger (like a yellow jacket) yellow with a black vinyl top. His first "old" car wasn't a car either, it was a pick up truck. It was a 47 Ford street rod that was wrecked and he bought another truck for parts to put the two of them together.

I thought that when I asked Ted my trick question, he would stick to cars, but when I asked him "What was your first love?", he said "Caitlin's mother". Hey you car fanatics, you could learn something from Ted! Ted told me that he dreamed of having an AC Cobra 427 when he first saw it at the D.C. Armory big indoor car show. Ted is proud of the 1956 Chevy Pick-up truck that his dad had bought in 1966 and that they have kept it in the family ever since.

I asked Ted to share a car memory for us. He said that in his younger days, he said "well there was the time that I lost my license for 3 months for speeding". "When I got home, my dad said – hey, the cops have radar down the hill . . .Ted told his father, "I know!" And then he pulls out the speeding ticket and shows it to his father who promptly grounded him. Ted then spent his time working on his father's truck. He got "hands on" experience with bodywork using wire mesh and fiberglass, sanding and some mechanical work.

When I asked him "Did anyone have a car that you lusted for?", he said "No, because I was everyone else's designated driver and I got to drive some really neat, fast cars". But then he remembered he liked a 67 Corvette Sting Ray 427. Ted's influence working around cars, was his father who was a mechanic and parts manager for Ford Farnham Motor Company.

Ted is definitely a "been here" because he was born and raised in Farnham. Even though Ted was an only child, he did not lack for playmates with 7 cousins living near by. Ted said he could play all day with his cousins and then go home and have the peace and quiet of an only child "the best of both worlds". Ted's only surviving parent is his mother. Ted met his wife on the school bus, but they did not date until after his 1st year of college where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from VA Tech. He was married to Cathy for 19 years when tiny Caitlin arrived at 2 lbs., 2 oz. Cathy passed away in 2007 after a battle with cancer. Ted retired from Dahlgren after 42.5 yrs and now works 3 days a week for a contractor at Dahlgren.

Ted helped Paul Stosch (19 years ago) clean and get cars to car shows. Ted, Paul and Stan Schoppe were all in the fire department together. He attributes being in our club today because of Paul's involvement with the club. While Ted is not in any other clubs, he does enjoy fishing, gardening and just about anything having to do with cars (car shows, car racing, you name it). He is also very involved with his church and he is the NNAACA's representative with the Richmond County Fair Committee that he serves on.

#### Caitlin

Caitlin was born 2 pounds 2 ounces and the doctors said that this little premie would not be more than 5 foot tall. At 21 years old, she is 5' 8" and making up for lost time. Caitlin's first car was a 2005 Toyota Corolla but her first "old car" is the Chevelle Convertible. I asked her what was her first love, and with her father sitting next to her, she said " a 2013 Camaro". She said she fell in love with it when she saw it in the movie "Transformers".

Not many people can tell such a car story as this one Caitlin told – she said she was driving down the road, following her dad who was in another car ahead of her. While driving the Toyota, Ted saw a huge goose in the road and swerved to miss it. This caused the goose to change directions into Caitlin's path and so she had to slam on the brakes so hard that she got whiplash. In fact, Caitlin was on her way to therapy when she stopped off to give me this interview. Anyway, Caitlin says (and I quote) "what happened to the goose or where it went, I don't care!". Obviously Caitlin still has a grudge against that goose because now Caitlin has to get her GOOSE NECK fixed at therapy. Poor goose. He was probably on the way to a Thanks Giving dinner!

I asked Caitlin if someone had a car that she lusted for and she said her grandfather on her mom's side had a Model A Roadster that she rode around in the rumble seat. See guys, kids will remember this and become future club members, it's worth the effort. Caitlin also credits her dad for getting her into old cars and joining the car club as she lives with her dad in Farnham as well.

Caitlin is a pretty young woman and as you will see from some of the pictures, she should be in modeling. But she is smart too. In high school she was on the Flag Team with the marching band and she has an Associates degree from Rappahannock Community College and is currently obtaining her Bachelors from online Old Dominion University where she is a Junior with a major in Criminal Justice at this time. Her mom was her influence in her photography hobby. She enjoys helping people by listening to their problems and trying to give them advice. However, she seems to have trouble whenever she goes out for Halloween. She has twisted her ankle and various other accidents. Next year she plans to dress up as a "Crash Test Dummy". Ha-ha. Her dad teased her that she would not let the fireman carry her and Caitlin said "I couldn't, I just couldn't – he was toooooooo cute!". She (like her dad) does a lot of volunteer work with their church. Note from Scoop - We are so pleased to have Caitlin and someone from Caitlin's generation in our club. And thank you Ted for being on the Fair Committee for our club.

#### **EASTER FUN RUN** (continued from cover) 14 MORGAN JONES YEOCOMICO CHURCH CO CAST BORT IN AFTENBER CHEREN Armstead Tasker Johnson School Morgan Jones Kiln Nominy Church Yeocomico Church January 01, 1937 January 01, 1655 January 01, 1677 January 01, 1704 16 JT 92 8 SANDY POINT WASHINGTON'S MOTHER BRITISH LANDING AT NOMINI FERRY NCHARD HENRY LEE'S GRAVE AT SAMUY POINT, MARY BALL AND & RALF NEWTH 新教堂花 軍委論 Washington's Mother British Landing at Nomini Ferry Sandy Point Richard Henry Lee's Grave July 20, 1814 March 01, 1731 March 06, 1731 June 19, 1794

Those that attended all had a great day. It was beautiful weather and a mix of different types of fun. It started with a phone call to a secret message which revealed the mission of finding these historical road signs along your chosen path and then we all met up at Stan's Dairy Freeze in our reserved room for lunch. Ward & Cathie Sevila won first prize (gift basket ) for finding the most signs (20) on their route running from Heathsville to Montross. Next winners were Wayne & Gloria Burgess who won an Easter Basket for their search and find efforts of a total of 13 signs. Bob & Gloria Sydnor won the jar of jelly beans for guessing the closest to 321 jelly beans. Chris Caspar won a chocolate toy for being the first person to mention that the phone message used the "Dragnet" theme instead of "Mission Impossible". We then looked up the signs in a book that had most of the signs listed, to see what each sign said. We then drew each one's path to see where everyone drove and how much territory we covered.

Next we caravanned to George Washington's Birth Place and did the tour inside of a replica of his childhood home and outdoor kitchen, saw the exact location of the original home's foundation, walked the Washington's family burial memorial grounds, and then posed for a picture at the beautiful view of the Potomac. We then went through the museum. I truly have taken the role of Social Secretary to heart and I try to think hard of what would please our club for activities. I have other activities planned for in the future, but I am hesitant in trying them due to the small turnout to this last event. I saw in the past that Ward had great success with a huge turnout of members when he did the Historical Homes tour. I would appreciate feed back as to what you would LIKE to do or WOULD do. I would like to know what deterred anyone from coming to this Easter Fun Run. I can only learn how to make changes if you will communicate with me. Thank you, Sherry Gatton.

The Pope goes to New York, and gets picked up at the airport by a limousine. He looks at the beautiful car and says to the driver, "You know, I hardly ever get to drive. Would you please let me?" The driver is understandably hesitant and says, "I'm sorry, but I don't think I'm supposed to do that." But the Pope persists, "Please?" The driver finally lets up, "Oh, alright, I can't really say no to the Pope." So the Pope takes the wheel, and boy, is he a speed demon! He hits the gas and goes around 100 mph in a 45 zone. A policeman notices and pulls him over. The cop walks up and asks the Pope to wind the window down. Startled and surprised, the young officer asks the Pope to wait a minute. He goes back to his patrol car and radios the chief. Cop: Chief, I have a problem. Chief: What sort of problem? Cop: Well, you see, I pulled over this guy for driving way over the speed limit, but it's someone really important. Chief: Important like the mayor? Cop: No, no, much more important than that. Chief: "Who's more important than the president?" Cop: "I don't know but he has the Pope DRIVING for him!"

## Lancaster Co.

## Ward & Cathie Sevila's finds

J-96 Queenstown - The town was created in 1692 in accordance with the Act of Ports passed that year by the Virginia General Assembly to establish in each county port towns to centralize trade and tax collection. Capt. David Fox & Robert "King" Carter served as town trustees and sold lots laid out on 50 acres of Capt. William Ball's land. Carter built the county courthouse and prison there about 1699. the town declined after his death in 1732, the county seat was moved to present-day Lancaster a decade later, and Queenstown slowly disappeared.

J-83 White Marsh Church - This church, founded in 1792, was the mother church of Methodism in the Northern Neck of Virginia. The first camp meeting in this section was held here. Bishops Enock George & David S. Doggett were members of this church. Bishop Joshua Soule, author of the constitution of the General conference of the American Methodist Church, preached at meetings here.

### Northumberland Co.

O-53 Cherry Point & Cowart's Wharf - Settled by Englishmen about 1640, Cherry Point was later a childhood home of Mary Ball, the mother of George Washington. In august 1814 American militia repulsed a British force there. From the early 1800s to the 1940s, steamboats plied the waters of Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, and linked Baltimore with such Northern Neck ports of call as Cowart's Wharf. There, by the late 19th century, Slater ("bump") Cowart had established a general store, seafood factory, and other businesses. From about 1920 to 1946, Samuel and Giles Headley built skip-jacks, the preferred vessel of bay fishermen, at their nearby boatyard on Cherry Point.

O-49 St. Stephen's Parish - Formed in 1653 as Chickacone Parish and renamed Fairfield in 1664. The upper part was known locally as Bowtracy Parish. When St. Stephen's Parish was formed in 1698, Fairfield became its lower part and Bowtracy its upper part.

O-65 John Heath - John Heath was born on 8 May 1758 in Northumberland county. He attended William & Mary College and on 5 Dec. 1776, he and four of his classmates founded Phi Beta Kappa, a prestigious undergraduate honors organization. He became its first president. Heath served in the Revolutionary War and practiced law here and in Richmond. He was Northumberland County's commonwealth's attorney (1781-1784, 1787-1793) and a member of the U. S. House of Representatives (1793-1797). Heath also served on the Council of State, that advised the governor, from 1803 to his death on 13 Oct. 1810 in Richmond.

O-60 Rice's Hotel/Hughlett's Tavern - Originally known as Hughlett's Tavern, this building located behind the courthouse, served visitors to court for more than 150 years. John Hughlett erected the original portion of the tavern before 1795. Griffin H. Foushee, who purchased it in 1824, significantly enlarged it. John Rice bought it in 1866 and the Rice family enlarged the building and operated it as a hotel until the 1920s when they converted it to apartments. Donated to the Northumberland County Historical Society by the Rice family in 1990, Rice's Hotel/Hughlett's Tavern is on of the few surviving structures of its type in Virginia.

O-56 Coan Baptist Church - One mile west stands Coan Baptist Church. The congregation first known as Wicomico Baptist Church, was organized on 17 November 1804. The members worshiped in each other's houses until a frame building, Coan Meeting House, was moved to this site in 1811. In the 1830s, under its pastor, Jeremiah Bell Jeter, the congregation grew, necessitating a larger building. On 3 October 1847, pastor Addison Hall dedicated the present church, built of locally fired bricks. The stone steps were transported from Baltimore on a sailing vessel to Barnes's Wharf (Nokomis) and from there on ox-drawn carts to the church. The church exhibits two architectural styles, Federal outside and Greek Revival inside. O-70 British Attacks at Kinsale & Munday Point - Not in book under Northumberland Co.

O-48 Holley Graded School - In 1868 Caroline Putnam (1826-1917) established a school for the children of former slaves here. In 1869, her lifelong friend, Sallie Holley (1818-1893) of N. Y., abolitionist and suffragette, purchased this two-acre site. Holley was an agent of the American Anti-Slavery Society from 1851 to 1870. In 1917 this site was deeded to a board of eleven local black trustees. The third school built here was begun in 1914 and completed in 1933 with funds raised solely within the black community. The four-room structure was the largest black elementary school in Northumberland county. Since 1917 Holley Graded School has remained under the trustees' control.

## Westmoreland Co.

No # Westmoreland County - Not in book under Westmoreland Co.

Jt-7 Yeocomico church - Built in 1655 of oak timbers sheathed with clapboards. Rebuilt of brick in 1706. In this vicinity Mary Ball lived under the tutelage of Colonel George Eskridge, of Sandy Point, from 1721 until her marriage to Augustine Washington in 1730, and attended church here. In 1906 an association was formed to preserve the church.

Jt-14 Morgan Jones Kiln - Not in book under Westmoreland Co.

Jt-2 Nominy Church - One of the two churches of Cople Parish. It was built in 1704 on land given by Youell Watkins, and was replaced in 1755 by a brick church on the same site. George Washington attended services here twice in 1768. The last colonial church was burned (1814) by the British Admiral Cockburn, who carried off the church silver. The present building was erected about 1852. The first Nomini church of 1655 stood on the north side of the river opposite this place.

## Ward & Cathie Sevila's finds

Jt-5 Bushfield - A mile and a half east. This was the home of John Augustine Washington, younger brother of George Washington, who visited here. Here was born, in 1762, Bushrod Washington, who became a justice of the United States Supreme court in 1798, and died in 1829. He inherited Mount Vernon.

J-72 Nomini Hall - The house was built about 1730 and burned in 1850. It was not rebuilt. Only some poplar trees remain. A fine colonial mansion, it was the home of the celebrated "Councillor" Robert Carter. Phillip Fithian, tutor at Nomini Hall, 1733 -74, wrote his well-known "journal" there.

Jt-16 Sandy Point - Here at Sandy Point, Mary Ball, George Washington's Mother, spent her youth in the home of her Guardian, Colonel George Eskridge. Here she married Augustine Washington in March 1731. She is supposed to have named her eldest son, George, for Colonel Eskridge

.Jt-4 Washington's Mother - At Sandy Point, seven and a half miles east, Mary Ball, Washington's mother, spent her youth in the home of her guardian, George Eskridge. There she was married to Augustine Washington, march 1731. She is supposed to have named her eldest son for George Eskridge.

Jt-6 Richard Henry Lee's Grave - A mile and a half north, in the Lee burying ground, is the grave of Richard Henry Lee, who died, June 19, 1794. Lee was one of the first leaders of the American Revolution. On June 7, 1776, he introduced a resolution in the Continental congress for a declaration of independence, and argued for it, June 7-10. The declaration was signed, July 4, 1776.

Jt-92 British Landing at Nomini Ferry - Not in book under Westmoreland Co.

Jt-19 Armstead Tasker Johnson School - The A. T. Johnson High School was built in 1937 in the Colonial Revival style as the first public high school constructed for African Americans in Westmoreland county. The new school was named for Armstead Tasker Johnson (1857-1944), a black educator and community leader of the grassroots effort for its construction. Local African Americans raised money to build the school. Additional financing came from the federal Works Progress Administration, the Jeanes and Slater black education funds, and the Westmoreland county School Board. The school was converted to a junior high school in Sept. 1970 and served as a middle school from Sept. 1990 to June 1998. It was listed on the Virginia Landmarks Register and the National Register of Historic Places in 1998.

## King & Queen Co.

## Wayne & Gloria Burgess' finds

O-43-Mount Pleasant - Near here stood the plantation and thoroughbred stables of Col. John Hoskins (1751-1813), one of the foremost breeders in the country. In 1800 Col. Robert Sanders, of Scott co., Ky., bought one of Hoskin's horses, Melzar, for ten times the usual price for stallions. Melzar was considered the best example in America of the bloodline of the Godolphin Arabian (one of the five Thoroughbred foundation sires), and improved Kentucky racehorses more than any other early sire. Hoskins, a Revolutionary War veteran of the Siege of Yorktown, served as a county justice and a commissioner in the Jefferson -Adams election of 1800. He also was the father-in-law of Spencer Roane, chief justice of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals.

## Essex Co.

O-23 Bacon's Northern Force - At Piscataway, near here, the northern followers of Bacon the Rebel assembled in 1676. On July 10, 1676, an action was fought with Governor Berkeley's supporters, some of whom were killed and wounded. Several houses were burned. Passing here, the rebels marched south to the Pamunkey River, where they joined their leader, Bacon. O-22 Mattaponi Indian Town - To the north, after the 1644-1646 conflict between colonists and groups still loyal to the Powhatan chiefdom, the Mattaponi Indians found refuge on the headwaters of Piscataway Creek. Officers of then Old Rappahannock County signed a treaty with the Mattaponi in 1656. By 1660, however, the Mattaponi's English neighbors were pressuring them to leave and in 1662 some colonists burned the chief's English-style house. The chief complained to the governor and an agreement was reached that three Englishmen would pay compensation and the tribe would relocate. By 1668, these Mattaponi had moved to the middle region of the Mattaponi River in King William County. #? 1662 King & Queen Co. - Not in book

O-41 Mt. Zion Baptist Church (Piscataway Baptist church) - Founded nearby as Piscataway Baptist church on 13 Mar. 1774. Mt. Zion Baptist Church was the first Baptist church in the region. Endeavoring to stop the spread of the Baptist movement, local authorities arrested Baptist ministers John Waller, John Shackleford, Robert Ware and Ivison Lewis after the first church service for "preaching and expounding the Scriptures contrary to the law." In 1818 the church moved across the road from this site. The current brick building was constructed in 1854. In 1856 the congregation changed its name to Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

N-22 Ritchie's Birthplace - Here was born Thomas Ritchie. November 5, 1778. In 1804, he established the Richmond Enquirer, which ran until 1877, the most noted of Virginia newspapers. Ritchie was a political leader in Virginia and an editor of national fame. In 1845, he became editor of the Washington Union. He retired in 1853 and dies, July 3, 1854.

## N-21 Historic

## Wayne & Gloria Burgess' finds

Tappahannock - The town was name of Hobbs His Hole. In

founded in 1680 under the

1682, a port was established here and called New Plymouth. In 1808, the name was changed to Tappahannock. The British Admiral Cockburn shelled the town, Dec. 1, 1814. An old customs house and a debtors' jail are here.

## **Richmond Co.**

O-46 Warsaw - When Richmond County was formed in 1692, this place became the county seat and was known as Richmond (County) courthouse. The present courthouse building was erected in 1748-49. the village was renamed Warsaw about 1846 in sympathy with the Polish struggle for liberty. It was the home of congressman William A. Jones, advocate of Philippine independence.

#### O-2 St. John's church - (not in book)

J-73 Menokin - Near here is Menokin, home of Francis Lightfoot Lee, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Lee was a member of the continental congress from 1775 to 1779 and died at Menokin in 1797.

## Westmoreland Co.

J-79 Nomini Baptist Church - Nomini Baptist church was established on 29 April, 1786 with 17 members. By 1809 it was reputedly the largest Baptist church in Virginia with 875 members. The original meeting house, built nearby in 1790 on land donated by a charter members, Captain Joseph Pierce, was replaced in 1858-59 by the present brick church. During the past two centuries Nomini Baptist church has had 27 ministers, beginning with Elder Henry Toler, and is considered the mother church of ten congregations in three counties.

Jt-19 Armstead Tasker Johnson School - Already listed under the Sevila's list.

J-71 Old Westmoreland Courthouse - At a public meeting here, on June 22, 1774, resolutions of Richard Henry Lee offering aid to boston, whose port had been closed by the British government, were adopted. Here, on May 23, 1775, the Westmoreland committee of Safety passed resolutions denouncing the royal governor, Lord Dunmore, for seizing the colony's powder supply at Williamsburg.

Bob & Gloria Sydnor's finds

## Essex Co.

#? Dunnsville - Not in book

N-24 Fort Lowry - Camp Byron - Located two miles N. E. on Rappahannock River at Lowry's Point was a Confederate eight gun "water battery" constructed in 1861. Here at Dunnsville was located Camp Byron, home of Company F. (Essex Light Dragoons), Ninth Cavalry, C.S.A.; the company moved to Fort Lowry in Oct. 1861 to assist in the fort's defense and to conduct scouting missions. N-22 Ritchie's Birthplace - Already on Burgess' list. N-21 Historic Tappahannock - Already on Burgess' list.

## **Richmond Co.**

O-46 Warsaw - Already on Burgess' list. O-2 St. John's church - (not in book) and Already on Burgess' list. Z-5 Westmoreland/Richmond Counties, marker on Rt. 3

## Westmoreland Co.

J-79 Nomini Baptist Church - Already on Burgess' list. Jt-19 Armstead Tasker Johnson School - Already listed under the Sevila's list.

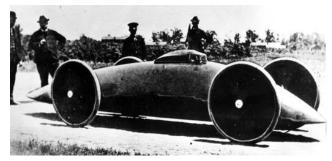
J-71 Old Westmoreland Courthouse - Already on Burgess' list.

Brent & Sherry Gatton & Chris Caspar's finds

Brent & Sherry Gatton had 10 and Chris Caspar had 7 finds. Both Chris' and the Gatton's finds were covered in the Sevila's list

# Trivia

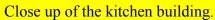
Q: When were seat belts first fitted to a motor vehicle?



A: In 1902, in a Baker Electric streamliner racer which crashed at 100 mph. on Staten Island !

Left-Separate kitchen building Right-House overlooking the water Also shown is the actual spot where George's home used to stand. It looks like a white path.

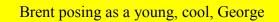






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Our friendly Park Ranger Tour Guide Chris Caspar. Hey, where's Yogi?





Bob & Gloria Sydnor, Cathie Sevila, Sherry & Brent Gatton, & Chris Caspar



# Stan's Skateland is still rocking & rolling in Montross

Westmoreland County businessman Stan Schoppe spends much of each week working to preserve a part of Americana. Schoppe owns Stan's Skateland roller skating rink in Montross, one of just 20 roller skating rinks still open in Virginia. Indoor roller skating has been on a roller coaster ride in America since it was first introduced in the 1930s. It was especially popular in the 70s with the advent of disco music and then again in the 80s and 90s with the introduction of in-line skates. But there have been lows as well, in the 40s and 50s, and recently, as economic woes have plagued the country.

We opened in 1980, and through the 90s, things were going great," Schoppe said. "We would have 250 to 300 people a night. But over the last seven years, there has been a decrease. Now, 75 a night is about the best we do."

But despite the ups and downs of the roller rink business, Schoppe remains undaunted. "The kids have a great time. We do a lot of birthday

parties. And I have a 67-year-old man who drives from West Point every Friday and Saturday to skate? We get school kids from King George, Richmond County, Lancaster County and from Cople and Washington District Schools in Westmoreland County," Schoppe said. "Right now is one of our busiest

times of the year." Schoppe ended up in Montross 45 years ago, almost by accident. "I was 21 years old, living in Richmond, and I came over to repair some kitchen equipment at the Dairy Freeze next door. The owner, Clarence Osborne, told me he was trying to sell the restaurant."

"I said, 'Well, I'd like to buy it, but I don't have enough money.' He went with me to the bank and helped me arrange financing and even took a second mortgage himself. That's how I got started," Schoppe said.

Schoppe's Dairy Freeze, with mouth-watering cheeseburgers, ice cream and many other fast food items, has become a legendary Montross eating place over the years

Its success led him to build Stan's Skateland next door, 34 years ago. "I was advised against it," he said. "But it boomed."

With manager Dottie Lewis, the occasional help of his two grown children and two young employees, Schoppe keeps the roller rink rolling. January through April, which are the rink's most active months, they feature TGIFJam Nights, Rock'in Oldies Nights and Country Nights. Skateland is located at 17408 Kings Highway in Montross, right next door to the Dairy Freeze on Route 3. It is open Friday and Saturday nights and Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The phone number is 804-393-9890. The rink has rooms for birthday

parties and other events. There is a snack bar featuring pizza and other snacks and drinks, as well as a game area and a pool table. "Winter's our best time of the year," said Lewis. "When the weather warms up, we have to compete with Little League, T-Ball and the outdoor sports."



Stan Schoppe, left, and employee, Ricky Gilkerson, are among those working to keep Stan's Skateland in -Richard Leggitt Montross rolling. The roller skating rink is one of just 20 remaining rinks left in Virginia.

Above - "Our Man Stan"! Stan Schoppe is a member of our club and a hard working man. He also is so kind to let us use his lot beside the roller rink in Montross for our car show May 31st. Thanks Stan, from all of us.



Various rooms within a home that was built beside the original foundation to represent how it may have looked back in the day.







Fun Run (continued) Going over our finds and eating lunch.



Posing at the Potomac



See, your Editor, does have a full-time job!



Sydnor's, Sevila's, Caspar, Burgess', & Gatton's



Washington's Monument & NNAACA



Washington Family Cemetery Our gang reading the history on the markers.



What a Trunk!









Please note that this tour is very restrictive (<u>100 participants</u>) because of the small community it will be hosted in. Be sure to not mail your registration until the date noted.



The Northern Neck Region, AACA, will host the 2014 Eastern Divisional Tour on May 13 thru 16 in Tappahannock, Virginia, a quaint riverfront town established by Native American Indians before the time of John Smith and Jamestown.

We will have an opening dinner in Tappahannock on Tuesday night, and begin our Tour on Wednesday traveling through King and Queen County to the County Seat, spending the day there enjoying the very well maintained Court House, Museum, and attending outbuildings.



# **The Tour Brochure**

#### OTHER AREA HOTELS

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> Essex Inn Bed and Breakfast 804-443-9900

> Northern Neck Inn Warsaw, Virginia 804-333-1700

Thursday, we will travel across the Rappahannock River to spend the day in Richmond County and experience Colonial Virginia plantation mansions in Warsaw, Virginia, Mt Airy connected to the Tayloe family and Sabine Hall of the Carter family.

We will also visit other historical homes in that area. Our Region is appreciative of their generosity in allowing us to pay them a visit.



Mt Airy c.1752





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> Host Hotel Holiday Inn and Suites Tappahannock, Virginia 804-445-1200

Friday morning, we will board a tour boat in Tappahannock and travel the Rappahannock River with a very knowledgeable docent explaining the many things that the riverfront supported during colonial days. We will enjoy our lunch on our own at any of the many small restaurants in downtown Tappahannock, while we display our tour cars with the public in the area surrounding the Essex County Courthouse. We will also have a walking tour throughout the downtown area with another knowledgeable docent explaining the importance of some of the early homes in town.



Friday night we will have a closing ceremony at the famous Lowery's Restaurant in town. If you happen to want another day of touring you can travel from Tappahannock towards Fredericksburg, Virginia on your own Saturday and experience the homes of Robert E Lee, and George Washington in Westmoreland County.

# **Cruisin Gities with the Colonial Beach Club**





Thanks to Colonial Beach Club for inviting us and a special thanks to Gities for having us and feeding us. And great home made pretzels! Yum.

**Trivia** Q: What was the inspiration for MG's famed octagon-shaped badge?



A: The shape of founder Cecil Kimber's dining table. MG stands for Morris Garages.

# Northern Neck Region





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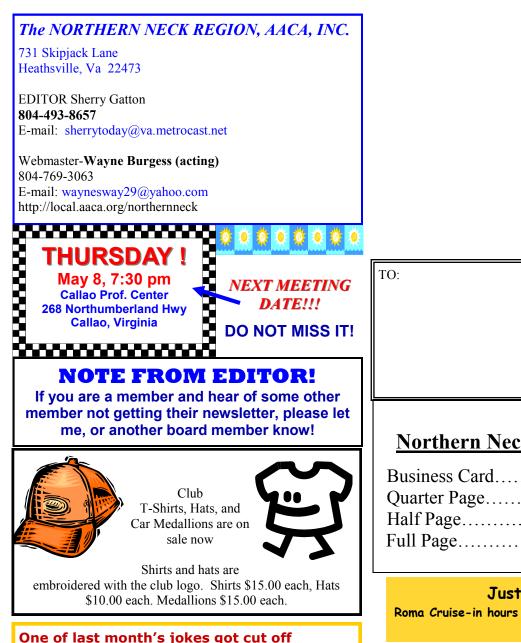
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because of software issues somewhere between my desk and the printer's desk. Anyway, here is the joke repeated in tact.



There are these two guys driving a car. When the guy driving blows right through the red light. "Man, you just ran that red light!" the passenger said."Don't worry, my brother does it all the time," said the driver. Well, they continue to drive when the guy went flying through another stop light."You ran ANOTHER stop light. You are going to get us killed !!" exclaimed the passenger."Don't worry, my brother does it all the time!" the driver said. After a while they came to a green light when the guy stopped. "Why are you stopping?" the driver turned around and said, "Because my brother might be coming!"

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