



GASCAR NEWSLETTER



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

March 1, 2025

I want to start off thanking Mark Petry for his awesome work with our winter GaSCar Night at the Movies series. Both events were stellar. The movies were both great and horrible at the same time. Knowing Mark, we know that he knows how much of a compliment that is. Thank you for entertaining us on those cold winter nights.

Now I want to take a look at 1974. I know it seems like there is a lot going on in the world today, but 1974 had its share of happenings. First of all, the President of the United States, Richard Nixon, resigned due to the Watergate scandal and Gerald Ford became the 38th president of the United States. With a lot less press coverage, the International Energy Agency was established the same year. Zaire (now the Democratic Republic of the Congo) hosted Muhammad Ali's and George Foreman's heavyweight boxing match nicknamed, "The Rumble in the Jungle." Ali won the fight by knockout in the eighth round. In 1974, my grandfather had the honor of being present in the Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium to see Hank Aaron break Babe Ruth's home run record (chop chop). 1974 was a big year for the entertainment industry. The movie, "The Godfather Part II," won the Academy Award for Best Picture, "Blazing Saddles," and, "Young Frankenstein," were released. Stephen King published his first novel, "Carrie." Billboard began compiling the top-performing dance singles in the United States with the Disco Action chart in 1974. I know this is a time many members remember fondly. I know Ernie talks about his disco days often. Other, non-disco, tunes released that year include, "The Way We Were," "Hooked on a Feeling," "Seasons in the Sun," "Sunshine on My

Shoulders," and "Sundown." In other news from 1974, an army of more than 8,000 life-size terracotta warriors was discovered in China, a man named Arthur Fry invented Post-It Notes (which is an interesting story I carry around in the "is this really useful" part of my brain), and the first product to use the Universal Product Code barcode was sold. At least back then, a store employee scanned and bagged the items. Not to complain, but sometimes I feel like I work for the grocery store these days. In spite of all these historical milestones, the most important event that took place in 1974 was the formation of GaSCar. I want to personally thank the founding members, many of whom are no longer with us, for their vision and hard work. For the charter members who are still involved in our group, please accept our sincere thanks for your dedication and perseverance over these 50 years. As we gather Saturday for our celebration, we will honor these people and their service. Happy Anniversary GaSCar.

Scott Wilkes





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February Treasurer's Report

February Beginning Balance	\$5521.48
January Expenses <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stamps• AACA Dues	\$138.61
January Income <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member dues	\$427.00
January Ending Balance	\$5521.48



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Mar 8th: GaSCar's 50th Anniversary celebration at Don and Brenda Waters, 6696 Ridge Road, Appling, GA 30802, 11 AM – 3 PM.
Contact Sue Wilkes, 706-373-2884, with any questions.
For those planning to convoy to the Waters, we will LEAVE at 11 AM next door to the Advance Auto Parts, 4483 Columbia Road, Martinez, GA. close to the intersection of North Belair and Columbia Road.

Although we will be in Don's 3000 + SF garage, you may want to put in a folding bag chair for sitting outside if it's nice weather.

Mar 17th: Augusta's 2025 St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Mar 18th: Monthly Meeting at Fox Appliance, 7 PM

Apr 15th: Monthly Meeting at Fox Appliance, 6:30 PM, Salad Supper

Apr 25th: Annual GaSCar Garage Sale Setup and Pricing, 5:30 PM Fox Appliance

Apr 26th: Annual GaSCar Garage Sale, Fox Appliance

Visit <http://cruzintotheoldies.com/Happenin.pdf> for regional events.

Join Facebook groups "CSRA Car Scene" or "Car Shows in Northeast GA" for other car related events in the CSRA.

Click below for the AACA Calendar





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In our thoughts and prayers: Ann Dinkins, Billy & Esther Peacock, Dot Winn, Lori Grinnell, Jim Martin, Tom Little, Anne Johnson, Tito Sobrinho, Jim Rosier, Gil Klemann, Sandra Moore, Henry Jones and Larry Phillips. If you, or a member you know, is sick or in the hospital, please call Maxine Williams 762-333-4253) or Cheryl Lizama (706-392-5527)



February Movie Night



Mar 2 nd	Jean Moore	Mar 4 th	Stuart & Gail Smith
Mar 6 th	Rick Endler	Apr 7 th	Jim & Hattie Ouzts
Mar 14 th	Mike Lemons	Apr 17 th	Royal & Larisa Rice
Mar 19 th	Louise Johnson	Apr 22 nd	James & Sarah Thomas
Mar 29 th	Doug Wilson	Apr 28 th	Jeff & Susie Kern
Mar 29 th	Sally Tatro		
Apr 6 th	Kay McIver		
Apr 7 th	Ellen Holmes		
Apr 10 th	Ronnie Horseman		
Apr 14 th	Ann Dinkins		
Apr 19 th	Mark Coursey		
Apr 22 nd	Annette Jones		
Apr 26 th	Trudie Gallo		





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2025 GaSCar Officers



President: Scott Wilkes



Vice President: Michael Smith



Treasurer: Sue Wilkes



Secretary: Mike Lemons

Keeper of the Gate: Ernie Dinkins

Parking Lot Supervisor: Wayne Joiner

Board Members: Phil Gaffney, Dick Salerno, Bill Monroe,
Past Presidents



Welcome to new members, John and Mary Beth Arnold.
Proud owners of a 1964 Corvette.



Monthly Meeting



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Monster from February Movie Night



Robert Elliott's 1961 Pontiac Catalina is for sale. Asking \$3200.00. Ralph Neitzke has recently done some mechanical work on it and it is drivable (you can talk to Ralph to get details). Needs interior work. If interested call Robert's brother, Howard Elliott, at 706-464-3641.





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2025 GaSCar/AACA Dues. Are due NOW. Yearly dues are \$70.00 (\$45 AACA National Dues plus \$25 GaSCar Region Dues). Please send the \$70 dues plus your AACA member number (if you have one) to Mike Lemons, 871 Sparkleberry Road, Evans, GA 30809.

GaSCar Name Tags

The response continues to be great on the number of members who are wearing nametags to GaSCar events. Remember to wear your nametag to all GaSCar events. If you don't have one, the official GaSCar name tags are available at B&S Engraving, 3733 Washington Rd, Martinez, GA, 30907. They are open from 10 AM to 6 PM Monday thru Friday. The cost is \$16 for a name tag that attaches by pin or magnet, or \$18 for a name tag that clips onto the shirt pocket. A dangle bar attached below the main name tag with your car year, make and model, is an additional \$8 per dangle bar.

GaSCar Logo Items: Point of contact to get shirts, etc. embroidered with the GaSCar logo is Susan Meloan, 5030 Fieldcrest Dr. N Augusta, SC. (803) 634-2570. Very reasonable.



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