

Fire Museum Car Show Had Many New Entrants

By Jerry Gordon

Our annual antique car show at the Fire Museum of Maryland, held this year on July 7th, was quite a change from previous years. We had 31 cars displayed in the show area in front of the Museum, but 12 were antique cars that have not previously been to any of our shows.

Members who brought the following cars for the first time were: Walton Meyers - 1930 DeSoto, Bud Miller - 1936 Ford, Ben Harris - 1965 Mustang, Robert Natale - 1973 Buick Riviera, and Gary Ruby - 1957 Chevrolet.

Non-members who came with a car for the first time were: Gordon Kirwin - 1910 Ford Model T (in 1961 Gordon was the Region's President, but has not been a member for years - he signed up again at the show), Bob Williams - 1962 Thunderbird, Chip Miller - 1956 Chevrolet, Eric Hanson (who became a new member) - 1955 Volkswagen, John Ingram - 1983 Mercedes, Michael Natale - 1965 Corvaair, and David Welden - 1965 Mustang.

During this year's car show season, the

Club has been experiencing a resurgence of event participation by a combination of long-standing and new members. In addition, we have had many membership inquiries at our shows. At the Fire Museum, we had two people submit completed applications and two others requested applications.

The Fire Museum of Maryland has expanded their museum store and reconfigured some of their displays. In addition, this year the museum is emphasizing events like the Bullroast and Antique Motor Muster on September 8th (details are on our website - www.aaca.org/chesapeake), Lantern Night on October 27th, and scheduled children's programs. For more information about the Fire Museum of Maryland, check out their website - www.firemuseummd.org.

The Sponsor's Choice award was selected by the Museum's Coleen Dunigan, who chose Don Rhine's 1940 Buick Century coupe, with the twin side mounts.

The participants in this show were: Dave Benson, 1936 Graham; Bud Currey, 1959 Pontiac; John & Rick Gambo, 1969 Lincoln; Jerry Gordon, 1964 Lincoln; Paul Habicht, 1959 Cadillac; Eric Hanson, 1955 VW; Ben Harris, 1965 Mustang; Rick Hollar, 1940 Buick; Lynn & John Horn, 1953 Hudson; John Ingram, 1983 Mercedes; Don Keller, 1930 Ford Model A; Gordon Kirwin, 1910 Ford Model T; Mildred & Al Lawson, 1957 Chevrolet; Frank Lindberg, 1952 Buick; Destiny & Gordon Mallonee, 1963 Chevrolet; Ed McDaniel, 1958 Chevrolet; Joan & Walton Meyers, 1930 DeSoto; Bud Miller, 1936 Ford; Maybelle & Chip Miller, 1956 Chevrolet; Michael Natale, 1965 Corvaair; Robert Natale, 1973 Buick; Debra & Jim Powers, 1965 Shelby Cobra replica; Don Rhine, 1940 Buick; Paula & Gary Ruby, 1957 Chevrolet; Allison & Bruce Solomon, 1966 Corvette; Tommy Thompson, 1973 Chevrolet; David Welden, 1965 Mustang; Margaret & Francis Werneth, 1947 Ford; Bob Wilhelm, 1972 Buick; Harry Wilhelm, 1968 Ford; and Bob Williams, 1962 Thunderbird.



Don Rhine's 1940 Buick - Museum's Coleen Dunigan presenting trophy to Don

Gordon Kirwin's 1910 Ford Model T



Eric Hanson with his 1955 VW

Fire Museum Children's Room

Mallonees with 1963 Chevrolet

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<< *The Fire Museum rotates its exhibits frequently. This impressive Baltimore Fire Department 1933 Mack tractor towed a 65 foot long 1898 Hale Water Tower, one of the ultimate fire-fighting devices. The tower used water pressure to achieve a vertical position and was capable of delivering vast quantities of water on a blaze. The tower was originally pulled by three horses, but was refitted multiple times and was in service into the 1960s.*



Walton Meyers with his long-term restoration project, just finished, this blue 1930 DeSoto



The 1973 yellow Buick Riviera and 1965 brown Corvair Monza are not twins, but they are owned by twin brothers Robert & Michael Natale



Clockwise from the left: New member Ben Harris' bright red 1965 Mustang convertible; Father and son entries in this show, Bud Miller's 1936 Ford phaeton & Chip Miller's 1956 Chevrolet hardtop; and Dave Benson's 1936 turbocharged Graham.

