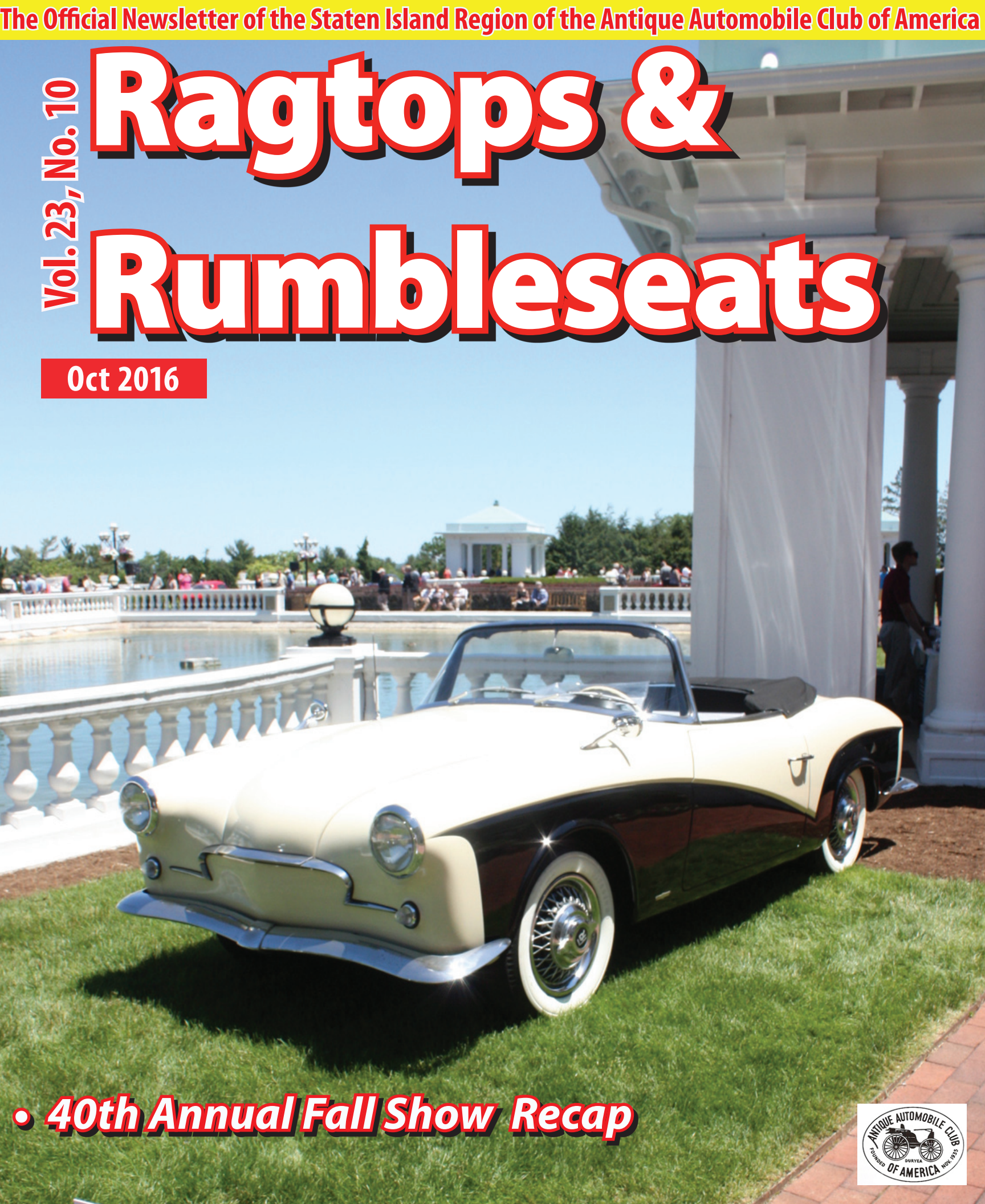


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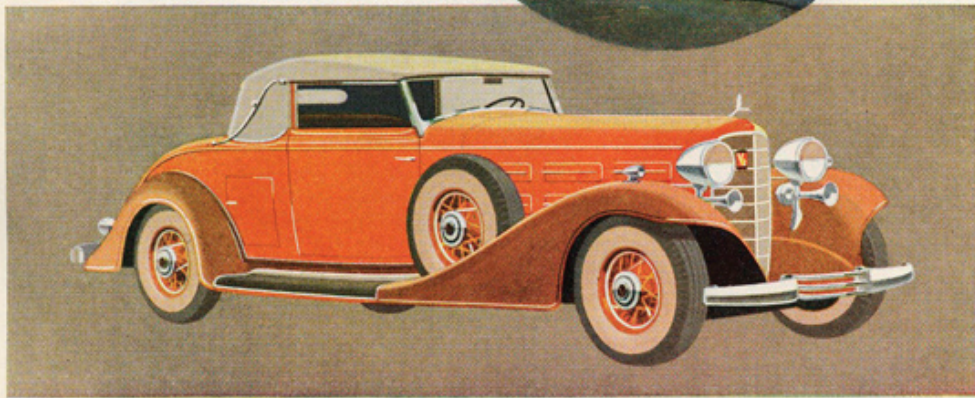
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Vintage Advertising

So GEICO isn't the first advertiser who though having Marco Polo in their ad would be a good idea. Here we see Marco atop his steed in a 1933 ad for Cadillac.

Playing off the theme of leadership and achievement, Cadillac reminds its audience that they were the first to use the 90 degree V-type engine, beginning as the standard engine in 1915 models.

In 1931, Cadillac began offering V-12 powered autos, like the convertible coupe seen here, up through 1937. Records show 10,903 V-12's were made in those seven model years. The engine displaced 368 cubic inches and was rated at 135 horsepower.

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Trivia Question: When the Fisher Body Corporation purchased the Fleetwood Body Company in 1925, Fleetwood became exclusive to Cadillac. What year did the Fleetwood script first appear on the exterior of a Cadillac?

Answer: In 1947, on the rear deck lid of the Sixty Special.

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Minutes of the 496th Meeting

September 6, 2016

1. The 496th meeting of the Staten Island Region AACA was called to order by President Paul Jr. at 7:30 pm. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, the minutes of the 495th meeting were accepted as read.
2. Despite forecasts of hurricane storm surges, wind and rain, the Richmond County Fair saw three days of decent weather and the raffle car performed well. Thanks to all who volunteered to show cars and work the raffle table over the Labor Day weekend.
3. The club will display 10 or so cars at Clove Lakes Healthcare on Saturday, September 10 from 10:00 AM to noon.
4. On Sunday, September 11, the raffle car will be at Delicious Orchards in Colts Neck for their Apple Festival. Members are welcome to show their cars as well. Set up is at 9:00 AM. Thanks to Kevin Keenan for securing the invitation.
5. Final planning was reviewed for the fall show to be held on September 18. Members should arrive by 6:30 AM for set up and walk-throughs. All outstanding money and unsold raffle tickets should be turned in that morning to Paul Sr.
6. Since our last meeting, SI Live has run video features on Don Bosco's 1909 Cadillac, Mike DiPilato's 1967 Firebird and Mike Gorgia's 1975 Pontiac Grand Ville.
7. Upcoming events include the Monmouth County Concours on October 1 and Bikers for Bini on October 2.
8. Phil Boffa gave a treasury report, with all in order.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. The 50/50 collected \$32.00, with Kevin Keenan winning \$16.00. Bob Ferone won a \$25 RockAuto.com gift card.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony DiAngelo, Secretary



40th Annual Car Show Marks New Beginning

Once again, SIRAACA held a milestone car show in conjunction with a new venue. Our 30th annual show was our first at the new CSI campus, and our 40th annual show this year was our first fall event at The Commons Cafe. The threat of rain loomed all day, keeping the number of cars down to right around 300. The rain stayed away long enough for the show to wrap everything up, from the judging to the raffle drawing and the presentation of awards.

While plenty of Chevelles rolled up to the red carpet and dozens of Cadillacs spread across the field, there were a handful of less common cars that drew attention. These included the 1971 Toyota Corolla Deluxe wagon (above right), a 1964 Beetle next to a 1953 Packard (right) and a 1973 AMC Matador station wagon (below right).

Those cars who made up the Parade of Champions included:

President's Cup - 1974 Triumph TR6, Cliff Beckett; Best in Show, Stock, Pre-War - 1936 Packard, David Girshman; Best in Show, Stock, Post-War - 1970 Chevelle, Carl Sansone; Best in Show, Custom - 1937 Ford, Robert Aruanno; Best in Show, Modified - 1972 Chevelle, John Manzione; Best Truck - 1957 GMC, Sabato Mandarino; Cadillac Memorial Award - 1964 Cadillac, Rick Zoni; Best Paint, Stock - 1970 Chevelle, Anthony Celentano; Best Paint, Custom - 1968 Charger, Chris Nuesell; Best Interior, Custom - 1955 Chevrolet, Rich DiPietro; Best Engine, Custom - 1957 Chevrolet, Louis Chierchia ;Best Chrome, Custom - 1923 Ford, Gus Plessias.

The winner of the 1994 Mustang GT convertible raffle car was Mrs. Heidi Werner of Staten Island, who purchased her tickets at the urging of her young son at Back to the Beach in July. They were called after the winning ticket was drawn, and arrived at the show before it was over to claim their prize.

Early returns from those in attendance say that the new venue is great place for a car show.



From the President

Just like that, our 40th annual show is now part of the long history of SIRAACA. What will the record show? For one, we successfully shifted to a new venue with good reviews. In addition, we had a modest turnout of cars courtesy of threatening skies all day. Overall, it will land in the middle of the pack results-wise, but I hope it will be remembered as the starting point of deeper relations with the Nicotra Group and its Foundation.



To all of you who worked so hard to make it a success, not just on the day of the show, but for all of the months prior, selling raffles, getting donations, handing out flyers and posters, thank you. Everyone's efforts contribute to the club in many ways, not only to our bottom line. Our reputation is overwhelmingly positive among the area's collector car community, and we've gotten off to a great start with our new "partners" at the Commons Cafe. Let's see where the next 40 years takes us. - Paul Jr.

- NEXT MEETING - October 4

Our October meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm, and will be held at the Staff House at Seaview Home & Hospital, located at 460 Brielle Avenue. Each member is asked to contribute \$3.00 towards the purchase of coffee and doughnuts.

No Stranger to Old Cars

Kristine Garlisi is the Chief of Staff for the Nicotra Group, as well as the Executive Director of the Lois & Richard Nicotra Foundation. Her responsibilities are vast, ranging from strategic planning and community relations to making brides feel special. On top of that, she's an adjunct professor at St. John's University, a wife and a mother of two. What else could she possibly add to her resume? How about a fan of old cars? Kristine recently revealed that her dad always took her to Staten Island Region AACA car shows when they were held at the old CSI campus on Ocean Terrace. This year, she returned the favor by making sure her dad came out with her to see us at The Commons Cafe.



SIRAACA Treasurer Phil Boffa poses with the Nicotra Group's Kristine Garlisi alongside Doc Corpus' 1957 Thunderbird at the beginning of our 40th Annual Car Show at The Commons Cafe.

Leaving the SIRAACA Garage

Some cars have been in the SIRAACA Garage for 40+ years, while others come and go in less than year, including our raffle cars each September. Here's a last look at the 1994 Mustang GT convertible we gave away at our 40th annual car show.

1994 was the first year of the body style that replaced the popular Fox-bodied Mustangs. They came in eleven different colors, ranging from the raffle car's most popular shade Laser Red (22,345 units) to the least popular Iris Metallic (1,304 units).

With an empty space in the SIRAACA Garage, it's time to start looking for a new raffle car to give away in 2017. As usual, pony car convertibles seem to fit the bill best, but we're open to anything priced right with mass appeal for selling tickets. Pass any leads over to one of our officers and they'll arrange for a few members to take a closer look. We're already scoping out a 1988 Camaro convertible spotted locally on eBay.

Here's hoping that the Werner family enjoys their new old car and that their son some day brings it back to a SIRAACA show, perhaps in time for our 50th annual event.

The SIRAACA Garage is home to all of our members' cars, past and present. Has your car been featured yet? Make sure you get the details to Paul Jr. if you want to share your car with us all.



President Paul Jr. presents the keys to a 1994 Mustang GT convertible to Mrs. Heidi Werner and her family. (photo by Stephanie DiAngelo)

Upcoming Events

Grab your friends, load up your car, and head out to one of these events:



- AACA Eastern National Fall Meet, Hershey, PA - October 5-8
- 31st Annual Car & Truck Show, Woodbridge Community Ctr. - October 9
- Cadillac Club of New Jersey Fall Show, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ - October 16
- 21st Annual Flemings Pumpkin Run, Egg Harbor, NJ - November 5



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Another Look at SIRAACA's 40th Annual Car Show



There was something for everyone at this year's show. Top left, Tony Ventrice displays his 1922 Model T and period pop-up camper. Top right, a 1944 Ford-powered military tracked vehicle. Bottom left, a customized Olds. Bottom right, one of more than 60 Cadillacs on hand.



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