

Classy Chassis

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George King III & Crew Presentation

Our November meeting will feature a presentation by club member George King III and his work crew who assisted in the restoration of the 1901 Orient. We will also be visited by members of a group dedicated to a related automobile, the Metz. The Orient was originally made by the The Waltham Manufacturing Company which was later taken over by C. H. Metz who manufactured the [Metz car](#).

George is looking forward to sharing his experience with us all. In a recent email he said: “As you may know, the company that built the Orient was the Metz company. There is a Metz society that is interested in joining us on the 30th. I know that one is presently writing a book about Charles Metz and I believe one is a descendent of him.”

This should be an interesting meeting. I know that our members will have plenty of great questions to ask our guests.



Come to the next meeting Prepared

Besides being entertained by George King III we also have some important business to take care of at our

next club meeting. This will include election of officers for the next 2-year term. As of now the president, treasurer, and secretary have agreed to continue in their positions unless someone else expresses an interest in replacing them. The position of vice president is open.

Our second agenda item will be arranging a New Year party. This will be an affair at a local restaurant. We need to decide on when and where to go. We also need a count of how many people will attend so we can prepare the restaurant staff. Your executive committee will have suggestions ready for consideration. Please note that a Christmas celebration was on the agenda for the October meeting. Unfortunately we had to cancel the meeting due to inclement weather and so there will not be a Christmas / Holiday party due to time constraints in securing a location.

Finally, our treasurer will be collecting local club dues (\$15) for the year 2022. Please try to get your dues to Dave before the meeting begins. Also we want to remind you that a payment of \$45 is due to our national organization, the AACA. You must do this on your own. Full instructions are on the [AACA website](#). I recommend that you just call the AACA on a weekday, M-F, 8 AM – 4:30 PM. Have your charge card ready. It takes only a couple minutes. The phone number is (717)-534-1910.

Cars Belonging to Jim Varas to be Sold

Dave Calabrese, at the request of Peggy Varas, has informed us that two of Jim and Peggy’s cars will be going up for sale this month. The 1949 Ford 2 Door Club Coupe and the 1950 Mercury Club Coupe will be offered at an as yet undetermined price. Peggy has requested that any questions regarding the cars should be addressed to Dave Calabrese. Dave will most likely have more specifics about the offerings by the time of

our next meeting. We will also let you know when ads for the cars are posted to our website.



1950 Mercury Club Coupe

1951 Buick Receives New Sound Deadener

Charlie Nash has been busy with additional refinements to his and Michele's Buick. He first sanded off the surface rust from the floor pans and then sprayed on Eastwood Rust Inhibitor paint. The sound material, from Old Buick Parts in NJ, is a foil-backed insulation held in place with heating duct foil tape. Please notice the nice masking job that protected the dash, kick panels, and other areas.

Great job, Charlie!

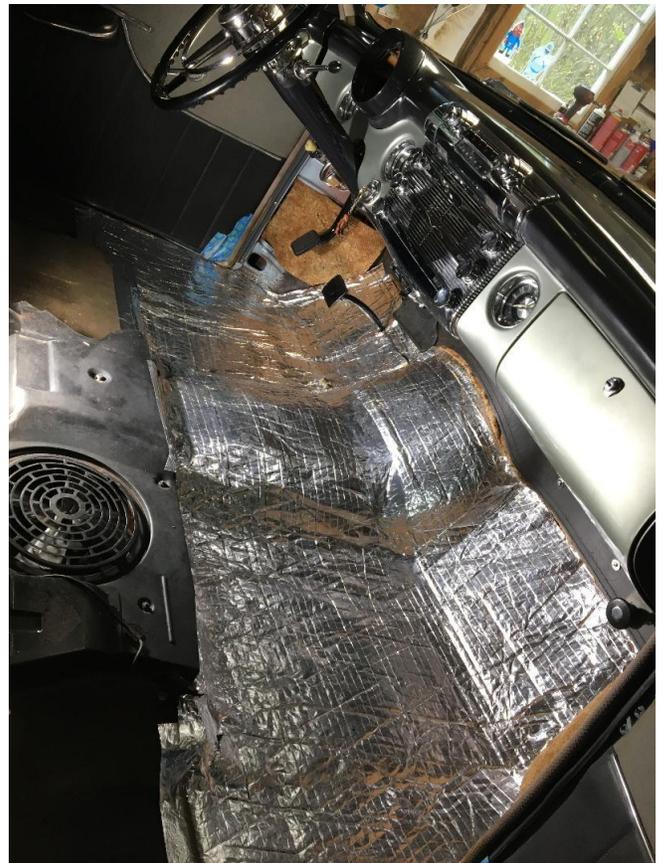


Floor covering removed and surface rust exposed

The second photo shows the extensive masking performed. Note that even the kick panels are covered with exactly cut protective blanks.



Stage two, ready for sound deadening material



Job Complete & ready for carpet

Club Officers

President: Merrill Moone
Vice President: Charlie Nash
Secretary: Ken Carr
Treasurer: Dave Calabrese

Volunteers

Newsletter: Ken Carr & Gerry Lynn
Sunshine: Camille Carr
Trip Coordinator: Don Oster
Webmaster: Ken Carr

Meetings:

Executive Meeting, Wednesday, November 17, 6:30 PM, Westerly Burger King on Franklin St.

Club Meeting, Tuesday, November 30, 7:00 PM, Westerly Senior Center

