

**Towson July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade**  
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One of the traditional activities that many Chesapeake Region members participate in is an Independence Day parade. At the Towson Parade this year, nine Club members provided antique cars, which the crowds lining the parade route really enjoyed.

Cars started arriving well before the 10:30 AM step off and we had 25 cars registered ranging in age from Bud Miller's 1909 Stevens Duryea to a couple of well built hot rods.

The theme of this 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade was *America: a nation of neighborhoods*. This defines the uniqueness of America, which was built around the families and homes in these neighborhoods. The 2006 parade Grand Marshal was Kimmie Meissner the 2006 World Figure Skating Champion, who was born in Towson.

At the start of the parade there was a fly over by A-10 fighters from the Maryland National Guard. Then it

was show time with the great mixture of antique cars, fire engines, marching bands, military units, floats, and in an election year the politicians.

Participating in the parade from several car clubs were: **Tom Black, 1968 Chevrolet**; Michelle, Tiffany & Richard Butanis, 1971 Chevelle; Hattie & Robert Colfiell, 1965 Mustang; **Pam & Tim Canova, 1966 Ford**; Kim & Mike Doyle, 1930 Ford; **John Gambo, 1969 Lincoln**; Andy Gerstmeyer, 1930 Ford Hot Rod; Tammy & Chip Gnau, 1931 Ford Woodie; Daryl Gnau, 1930 Ford; **Helen & Jerry Gordon, 1964 Lincoln**; Bill Hyde, 1958 Chevrolet; Henry Hupfeld, 1922 Ford T Bucket; Earl Langham, 1923 Ford; **Walton Meyers, 1953 Pontiac**.

Also in the parade were: Bud Miller, 1909 Stevens Duryea; Chelsea & Chip Miller, 1914 Ford; **Mike & Beth Muscedere, 1916 Ford**; Rob Penfield, 1930 Ford; Mary & Henry Preston, 1961 Nash Metropolitan; Stan Rasinsby, 1975 Corvette; **Ruth & Jim Synodinos, 1933 Cadillac V-12**; **Chuck Talbert, 1939 Ford**; **Tommy Thompson, 1969 Chevrolet**; Diane & Pat Varricchio, 1963 Ford; and Don Wiseman, 1965 Mustang.



*Bud Miller & family, 1909 Stevens Duryea*



*Tim, Nicholas, & Pam Canova, 1966 Ford*



*Ruth & Jim Synodinos, 1933 Cadillac V-12*



*Wrapped in our Flag*



*Tammy & Chip Gnau, 1931 Ford Station Wagon*