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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

I visited a monastery and as I walked past the kitchen I saw a man frying chips. I asked him “Are you the friar?” He replied “No, I’m the chip monk...”

How did the man that made the first clock, know what time it was?



It was a spectacular Saturday, August 24th morning this year when my host Angelo Mangionne and his wife Rosa Impastato suggested we travel to Watkins Glen International Raceway for the US Vintage Gran Prix. Angelo and I worked together in Buffalo and through connections, he managed two VIP tickets for the Hilliard Tower, a golf cart to go anywhere on the track and lots of FREE food and drink. Sign me up. To start the race, we also had VIP tickets to ride in a car behind the pace car followed by the 36 race cars, a 50/50 split of European cars and American muscle machinery. Our accommodations were on the roof overlooking the first turn. My mind recalls the race thusly. Remember Tiny Tim years ago singing “Tip Toe Through The Tulips?” My mind hears that song as the high buzz of a heard of angry bees from European 4 cylinder engines coming around turn 1. Off in the distance came a deep low rumble, gathering in volume as the unmuffled sounds of American 700 horse power V-8 engines roared by at 125 MPH, the Earth shaking as they enter turn 1. My mind hears the sound of Tchaikovsky’s 1812 Overture. I was in Heaven, it was music blasting in my ears and shaking my stomach. I was in the promised land. It was now 5PM and time to head back to their home in Buffalo.

The following day, Sunday morning, Rosa suggested we go to The Barn at Wildwood in Upstate New York. I can honestly say that we don’t have a pan in our house that could make such a colossal monster as in this photo. I ate three slices of bacon (which was 1/2 the side of a cow) plus 99% of the FOURTEEN INCH PANCAKE. I was distressed for the next 7 hours.

After the feast we headed off to South Butler Dragway, a 1/8th mile drag strip cut into the middle of a cornfield. On the spectator side were 3 huge grain silos at the starting line with the pits on the other side. Behind us were acres of corn fields and also at the end of the drag strip. Rural? This was backwoods at its best.

And just as things were beginning to get back to normal ?, we visited Paul Day and Polly Belford for their latest lawn ornament unveiling. They have this thing about trains and somehow or other Paul managed through “midnight acquisition”, to acquire the remains of this engineers’ cab and stuck it in his front yard. He claims that through his “sources”, he can obtain a boiler, doors and even some controls. The kids in the neighborhood think that Paul is an escapee from a mental institution. I’ll reserve my thoughts.



Things my mother taught me:
PART 14:BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION
“Stop acting like your father!”

Jack Drago

September Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting Steak Fry & Auction, September 15, 2024

Members enjoyed a beautiful Sunday afternoon at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church for our annual Steak Fry and Auction. Chefs Jim Gregory and Glen Royer prepared the great steaks and we were treated to the usual good variety of dishes brought by members.



A special presentation was made to by President Jack Drago to Duane Perrin for his achievement of 50 years membership in AACA. Congratulations Duane!



Steaks and lots of food!



Auction Time!

A nice variety of items were brought by members. All were sold.



The crowd gathers with their bid cards ready.



Auctioneer Mark Robertson sold the donations and entertained the crowd!

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Steak Fry & Auction –continued

Great weather brought out some of our members' old cars.



Chester & Nancy Broadfield brought their 1936 Studebaker. Chester told us this was the shakedown cruise in preparation for the upcoming Glidden Tour.



Robbie Gray brought his 1929 Ford Model A Huckster



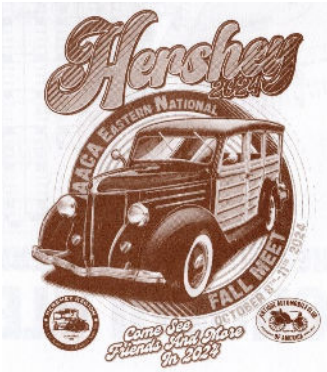
Nelson Driver arrived in his faithful 1927 Ford Model T Touring



Fred Hollen brought out the 1956 Dodge Pickup



Steve & Linda Ayers drove their 1930 Ford Model A 2-Dr. Sedan



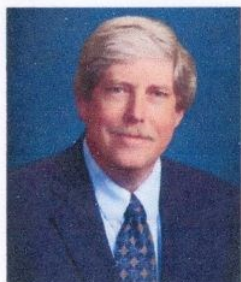
It's Hershey Time !

The good new days-2023



The good? old days - Sometime in the 1980's.





By Jack Harris,
2024 AACA
National President



WANTED: A Few Good Men and Women!

Being a Chapter and Region officer has been a very rewarding experience for me. I was first nominated as Chapter President 17 years ago. The friendships and relationships I have made over these past years have been incredible. I would have never met so many great people across the country if I had not agreed to take a leadership role in AACA.

Once elected as Chapter President, I became more involved in the NC Region. This opened up a whole new group of new friends and colleagues, as we worked together for the hobby. As past NC Region President, I have served the past 6 years on the Region's Nominating Committee. In this capacity, I have called many people and asked them to serve as a Director or Officer. Unfortunately several times I was met with resistance or just a plain No I can't do it! You may only be one person, but you are one person who can offer something to the AACA, whether it is locally or in a broader capacity.

Everyone is busy and has a lot going on, but this hobby deserves all of our best efforts to make it grow and prosper. Your leadership can and will make a difference. We can't and should not count on the same people who always step up to help--they also need the rest of us to pitch in. New blood helps form better ideas and will keep the club moving into the future. Everybody has a talent and can offer something to bring to this table. You never know what you can do

until you give it a good try. If you can write, you can be the Chapter secretary. If you have some skill with your phone camera, you can be the photographer of your chapter newsletter and assist the editor. If your writing skills are better than mine, you can be the Chapter reporter or editor. If you have good computer skills, you can be the webmaster for your Region. And the list goes on.

Step up and help your Chapter or your Region today! Get involved. Agree to be on a committee. Take on an officer or director position!

Most people are intimidated at first of agreeing to a leadership role. Starting up as an assistant or teaming up with another person might make both of you confident that you can be a leader in your Chapter or Region. Just remember, you will never be alone in participation or in leadership--there are many resources available to you from the National headquarters. There are people to answer all your questions and people who are willing to come to your area and offer assistance. Being an active member in AACA in a leadership role is hugely rewarding at every level. All it takes is to say YES one time and you never know where it might take you.

Everybody is capable of doing something big or small. **We are in this together!**



My AACA Mentor



Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

OCT. 8-11 Hershey - Eastern Fall Nationals -Hershey Region—Hershey PA



Our gang will be set up in our normal spot in the Chocolate Field at C4O 40-50. Be sure to stop by and rest up if you are trekking the swap meet.

16 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

20 Sunday, 2:00 PM - Monthly meeting at Ming Garden

24-26 Southeastern Fall Nationals - Huntsville , Alabama—North Alabama Region

NOV. 3 Sunday, TCVCC Cars of Our Lives (COOL) Treasure Coast Region Stuart, Florida
(Bob Riddle's Region)

7-10 Old Dominion Meet Association Fall Tour—See Pages 7&8

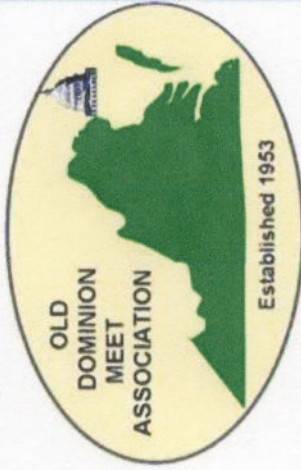
13 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

17 Sunday, 2:00 PM - Monthly meeting at Panera Bread in Waynesboro

Come prepared to make your reservation for our catered Christmas Party. Cost will be \$10 / person and the club will pick up the remainder of the tab.

DEC. 11 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

15 Sunday, 2:00 PM - Annual Christmas Party and Gift Exchange at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church, 30 Tinkling Spring Drive, Fishersville. Meal will be catered. Advance reservations required with \$10 deposit/ person.



Fall Tour

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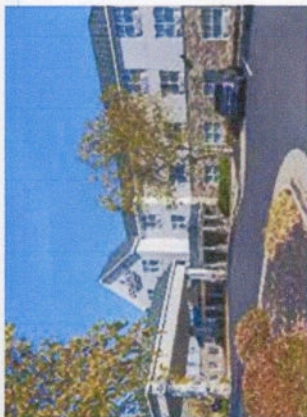
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<https://co.caroline.va.us/328/Whale-Display>

LUNCH – Team Carolina Barbeque. Order from menu, self-pay.

<https://www.teamcarolinabbq.org/>

SATURDAY

Dukes’ Car Collection – George and Kathy Duke have an extensive collection of outstanding antique cars. The Packard at the right is just a sample that you will see in their multiple garages. Don’t miss this opportunity!

Virginia Museum of History and Culture was founded in 1831 as the Virginia Historical Society. It is the oldest curated collection in Virginia, totaling more than nine million items. Taking pride of place in the lobby is a fully restored 1918 model Kline car, the only automobile ever manufactured in Richmond. Featured during this visit is a special exhibition celebrating the first Lego Factory in the United States. There are more than 100 models of iconic land, air, sea, and space vehicles constructed from nearly one million LEGO® bricks. After viewing the exhibition guests can get creative with thousands of LEGO® bricks to build anything they can imagine. \$5 Parking by Credit Card at Gate.
<https://virginiahistory.org/exhibitions/traveling-bricks>

Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens was named for the Tobacco Baron that helped rebuild Richmond after the Civil War. This year, 2024 marks the 200th anniversary of his birth, and the fortieth anniversary of the gardens dedicated to his memory by his niece. The two had traveled to Australia in 1890 for the international commercial exhibition of his tobacco products. They toured the public gardens in Sydney and Melbourne. Grace Arents left money and the land in her will as a tribute to him, and their trip Down Under.
<https://www.lewisginter.org/>

SUNDAY – Enjoy a safe trip home!



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LEWIS GINTER BOTANICAL GARDEN

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Minutes of the August 18, 2024 W-S Meeting

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA held its annual steak fry and auction on September 15th at Tinkling Spring Church picnic area at 2 pm. President Jack Drago welcomed the 37 present and asked Nelson Driver to return the blessing. We would like to thank Jim Gregory and Glen Royer for their great work in preparing and cooking the steaks. After the meal, Mark Robertson served as the auctioneer which he did with great degree of excellence. The auction raised \$445 for the club and thanks to those who participated.

Respectfully submitted,
Robbie Gray Sec.



Jim Gregory fires up the grill.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Nelson Driver
- Michael Embres
- Elizabeth Hollen
- Rose Linke




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<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Brand</u>	<u>Yrs. Covered</u>
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