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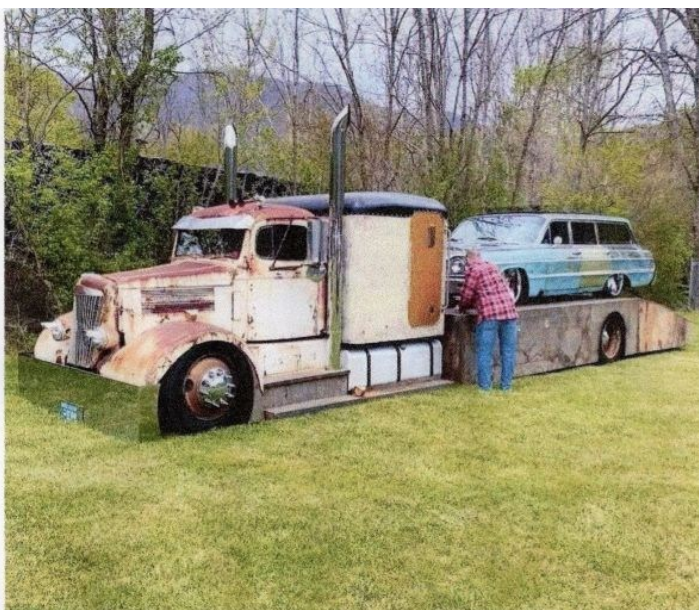
RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?

How do they get deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?

Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?

This month's story came from Linda Royer. According to her, way back in 1965, the local Chevy dealer called Glen and said he had an outstanding deal for him. For the measly sum of \$1,565 he would sell him this "almost new", left over 1964 Chevy Impala wagon and the accompanying 1947 Autocar hauler. (Just wondering what the Chevy was "left over" from) Not one to pass up a deal, he got this rigging home and parked it in the back yard. (wayyyy back 40, where it still sits today)



Glen figured he'd trick out the cab and spent \$6,000 for the chrome front bumper, \$1,200 for the chrome headlight covers, \$900 for the spiked wheel covers, \$246 for the bent chrome windshield cover and \$13,000 for the chrome stacks and added a watertight door from the Titanic to enter the sleeper cab. According to Linda, that's Glen sobbing over the purchase and saying, "What the h*** did I just do?" Ehhh, a couple of rattle cans of paint can make all the difference, Glen!

On an other note, Paul Day invited me to the rifle range for some target practice. After last month's column, my curiosity got me to wondering, was I going to be the target? After a few entertaining hours at the range, I suggested to Paul that he continue his diving endeavors as he missed me with all ten of his shots.

THINGS MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME Part 23:

MY ROOTS:

"Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"

Jack Drago

Don't forget Baldwin Park/Brightview Vehicle Display on Saturday, July 12.



W-S June 22 Picnic/Meeting at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church

Fred Hollen's '56 Dodge Pickup &
Nelson Driver's '27 Model T



Bradfields' '64 Studebaker
Hawk



Downs' '68 VW Bug



Jim Gregory's '65 Chevy El Camino
& Butch Beverly's Camaro



Barry Linke's '65 Mustang 2+2

Temperatures in the mid-90's greeted us for our June Picnic. 30 members and guests enjoyed the shade and tons of food (as usual). It was a great time for fellowship and swapping of an occasional story.



MILLING AROUND CAR TOUR

June 28,2025

I'm writing this as I devour a rather large cheeseburger and fries at Quaker Steak in Steeles Tavern and enjoying the company of 12 other members of the W-S Region for our car tour and trivia ride. We started at the Staunton DMV with what we didn't know were different routes to travel. That is, some went one way and some another, and all eventually ending at the same place at wildly different times. Weather was spectacular and the scenery beautiful. The tour route was 24.7 miles to the restaurant with Nelson Driver and Karen Drago winning the long distance award at 47 miles. Whaaa??? The remaining 11 folks came in within .1 or .2 tenths of the mileage. The route was timed at 45 minutes with Alfred Meyer and his navigator coming in with 2 hours travel time. He mumbled something about heavy traffic in Sandusky, Ohio. The trivia questions, all 19 of them were targeted at the senior aged group. Scott Gregory, by far the youngest of the group, and navigator for Jim Gregory, won the trivia contest hands down by answering 14 out of the 19 questions. The rest of us? Better step back into the 50's again. After lunch, we toured Wades Mill in Raphine and then homeward bound. It was suggested that we do another tour/trivia ride in the future.

Signed: *Anonymous*

Barry & Rose Linke arrived at the Staunton DMV early and got the shady spot.



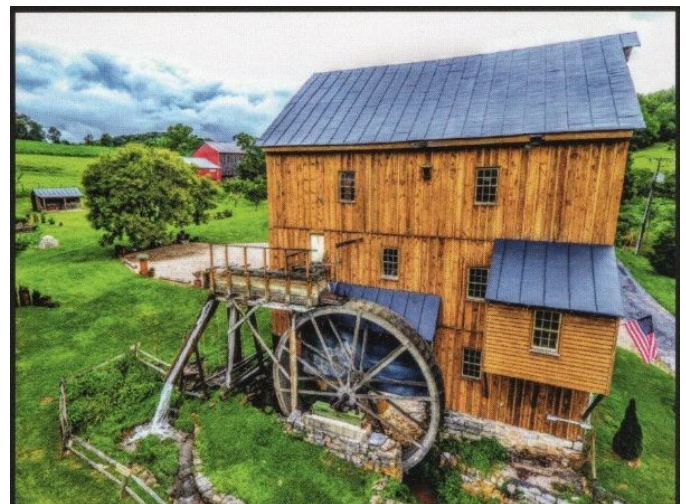
Jim & Scott Gregory brought the Mercedes with AC. Smart choice on a hot day.



Tour Leader Jack Drago got the cars lined up prior to handing out tour directions.



The line-up prepares to start the tour.



Wades Mill—Raphine C. 1750
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LOOKING AHEAD

By Jeffrey Broadus
2025 Asst. VP Public
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Membership



To paraphrase a famous quote, “Ask not what the AACA is doing for you. Ask what you can do for the AACA.”

Membership is the key reason AACA exists. With all the confusion surrounding social media and a digital marketing eAort, please know it's only an aspect of building a solid organization. The real effort is a ground roots eAort supported by our regions, chapters, who participate in marque events and continually these network channels promoting the benefits of AACA. At headquarters we're investing in our future and have our sights set on the collectors of tomorrow. It takes a small platoon to build an army.

We need YOU, the collectors of tomorrow. It takes a small platoon to build an army. We need YOU.

Your Board of Directors are committed and investing in building awareness and promoting club benefits in an all-out eAort to build membership. We've launched a social media campaign; we're building email list and our resources as well as reaching out to other industry partners asking for their support. With all that said, the key to our success truly lies with member input, new ideas and a commitment beyond just AACA events.

Many of us belong to multiple clubs for a variety of reasons and we need to explain why they need to join AACA. Did you know if your car is judged by AACA and received a Junior, Senior or Grand National award, collector car insurance providers are more willing to value your car above online value guides. Just one of the many benefits of membership.

If you haven't visited our newly designed club and Library websites recently, I encourage you to do so.

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If you read Fred Trusty's article that we published last month, you heard Fred's analysis on EVs. Based on his experience with the 2010 Nissan Leaf, purchase of an EV did not make financial sense.

In response to that article, I received the following from our friend Dean Tryon who has had much more favorable experiences with EVs.

Stu Allen—Editor

Dean's response:

His experience with the 2010 Leaf is similar to that of a friend here. This is one of the first all electric cars offered with very old technology. She got rid of it for loss of range. This is not typical of newer EV's though.



2010 Nissan Leaf

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Photo



2018 Chevrolet Volt

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Photo

Batteries generally do not need to be replaced at 100,000 mi.- the factory warranty will replace it if the range has reduced to a predetermined value. In Calif. it is 150,000 mi. if the range is 65% of new. Many sources believe battery life is in the 200,000 range or more. EV batteries do not go into the dump when pulled out of an EV - they can be disassembled and individual cells used for less critical non-EV applications.

The leaf had minimal range to start with. All new EV's have at least 260 mi range and most are over 300mi. They do have reduced range in cold weather but so do gas cars. EV's might be a bit more severe though.

One big issue with EV batteries is the use of lithium (Li) but this does not appear to be the long term battery solution. Many companies have developed other types with more range and faster recharge times.

My 2018 Chev Volt at 42,000 mi and a friend's 2018 Volt at 75,000 mi had minimal loss of range.

Dean Tryon

Coming Friday, July 25, 2:00-9:00 PM, **Vehicle Display at the Augusta County Fair**, Augusta Expo, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville. The fair attendees get a chance to see and hear about AACAA. Let's get our vehicles out to show them!



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**Minutes of the June 22, 2025 W-S Region Meeting**

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACAA held its June 2025 meeting on the 23th at the picnic shelter of Tinkling Springs Presbyterian Church in Fishersville at 2 pm. President Jack Drago opened the meeting welcoming the 30 present (including members and guests) and welcomed Arden Harner as a new member.

Nelson Driver gave the blessing before everyone enjoyed the picnic meal.

Vice President Rick Downs stated that the next meeting would be at Baldwin Park in Staunton on Saturday, July 12th at 10am. The August meeting will be at Grand Caverns Park in Grottoes with Tri-County Region on the 17th at 2pm.

Todd Smith gave the treasurer's report.

Nelson Driver stated that the ODMA Tour would be in Orange in The fall.

Stu Allen asked for stories for the newsletter.

Jack Drago stated that there would be a car tour next Saturday, June 28th starting At the DMV in Staunton at 10 am. After this fellowship was held by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Stu Allen
Judy Brown
Brian Brumbaugh
Kenneth Farley
Eric Good
Bobby Gordon
Jim Gregory
Barry Linke
Glen Royer
Debra Skillman
Joe Yancey

Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

JULY 2-5 Central Spring Nationals—Auburn Indiana

19 Saturday- Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10AM

12 Saturday, 10:00 AM- 2:00 PM – Vehicle Display & Monthly Meeting, Lunch provided, Brightview Baldwin Park, 21 Woodlee Road, Staunton.

24-25 Grand Nationals / Zenith—Dayton, Ohio

**25 Friday, 2:00-9:00 PM, Vehicle Display at the Augusta County Fair, Augusta Expo, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville
Set-up starts at 12PM. Vehicles in place by 4:00.**

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

12-15 Eastern Divisional Tour—Northern Maine—Maine Region

16 Saturday- Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10AM

17 Sunday, 1:30 PM – Monthly Meeting and Picnic with the Tri-County Region, Grand Caverns, 5 Grand Caverns Drive, Grottoes. Shelter #4. Bring a dish to pass. Chicken, drinks, utensils and paper goods provided.

SEPT 7-12 Revival AAA Glidden Tour—Owensboro Kentucky—VMCCA Hosted

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

13 Saturday -"The Barn" Show –32 Old Barn Lane, Staunton -Jim Rimel

20 Saturday- Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10AM

20 49th Edgar Rohr Memorial Meet—Bull Run Region –Manassas VA


21 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting, Steak Fry and Auction, Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church, 30 Tinkling Spring Drive, Fishersville. Bring a dish to pass. Steaks, drinks, utensils and paper goods provided. Don't forget your auction donations and your checkbook!

Future Planning

OCTOBER 19 Francesco's

NOVEMBER 16 Ming Garden

DECEMBER 14 Tinkling Spring Christmas Party




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