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TIRE TRACKS THE ELECTRONIC VERSION

Greetings, Waynesboro-Staunton Region Members,

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. Charles Cook, a long-time member of Waynesboro-Staunton Region on May 27, 2014. Mr. Cook would have been 100 years old in November of this year. Many of us have fond memories of conversations with him over the years. I've gathered some pictures taken at past events. Mr. Cook will be missed.

Mr. Cook enjoys a cupcake at our Steak Fry in September, 2008.



Carl Fulwider with Mr. Cook at our picnic in Grottoes, August 2010

Stu Allen—Editor



Mr. Cook always attended our Car Display at Baldwin Park. These pictures were from July, 2011





Nelson Driver with Mr. Cook at Baldwin Park in 2012



Roller Shipplett and grandson with Mr. Cook at Baldwin Park, in July 2013

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, June 8. Meet at Rite-Aid in Verona at 1:30 for a tour to Swannanoa Palace followed by a picnic at Jim & Sue Gregory's. Details on page 7 of this issue.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June is here and summer begins on the 21st. What do you think of when you think of summer? Picnics, family reunions, hot and hazy days, beach trips, vacations, swimming, mountain hikes? Do you think of antique car club activities? If not, you should because there are lots of opportunities for enjoying tours and fun and fellowship with other antique car enthusiasts during the summer.

One such event will be on Sunday, June 8. Your Region will take a short drive through some beautiful rural areas before we arrive at Swannanoa Palace for a tour. Afterwards, Jim and Sue Gregory have invited us to their home for a picnic with all the food provided. A few weeks ago Susan Gray, Ken and Shirley Farley, and I drove the route for our tour that Susan had planned. I'm sure you will enjoy it. Here's some information about Swannanoa that I found on the internet:

This 1912 Italianate marble palace is now open for group tours, weddings and other events by appointment only. Call for information or to plan a group tour, contact Phil Dulaney. Major James Dooley, an executive with the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, completed construction of the \$2 million Swannanoa in 1912. Dooley, who owned the Maymont estate in Richmond, built this 52-room marble palace as a token of love for his wife, Sally May. More than 300 artisans were hired to create the palace as a replica of the Villa de Medici in Rome. Visitors today can still see the depth of James and Sally May's relationship is places like the 4,000 piece Tiffany stained-glass window and a domed ceiling bearing the likeness of Mrs. Dooley.

We had a busy May with antique car events. Our Region's May lunch at Hometown Grill and tour to see Ken Shoemaker's collections was well attended. Ken has a wonderful collection of juke boxes, antique cars, model trains, motorcycles, and other rare and interesting items that were a treat to see. That was followed by the Waynesboro Motorsports Show and Winchester Apple Blossom Show on the 10th, the Old Dominion Meet on the 17th, the Woodrow Wilson Foundation Car Show on the 31st to name a few. John and I went to the Winchester Show in our 1952 Dodge and saw Billy and Barbara Melton there. Billy had one of the oldest cars on the show field—his 1923 Model T Runabout.

The VMCCA Heritage Tour headquartered in the Harrisonburg area May 17-22 was a huge success. People attended from 18 states and British Columbia, and they drove some beautiful vehicles for the 5-day tour. The W-S Region did a fantastic job of hosting the brunch/coffee stop at Rockfish Valley Fire Department on Wednesday morning. Thanks to all the helpers—Joyce, Jack, George and Joetta, Mary Helen, Ken and Shirley, Bob and Charlotte, Dwayne and Rebecca, Nelson, and a few others I'm forgetting --our bank account is now a little larger. Carol Sarginger's Woman's Club of Greene County hosted the Monday coffee stop and received many compliments. W-S Region members participating in the tour were Ronnie and Janice, Robbie and Susan, Dave and Carol, and John and me. Next tour, I hope your name is on the list. I promise you a delightful time.

See you on the 8th at our June tour and picnic.



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W-S Region May Meeting – Tour of Ken Shoemakers's Collection

May 4, 2014



After our meeting at Hometown Grill we visited the eclectric collections that Ken Shoemaker has put together Ken explains how his "retirement project" grew into a major series of collections The collection includes some beautifully restored bicycles



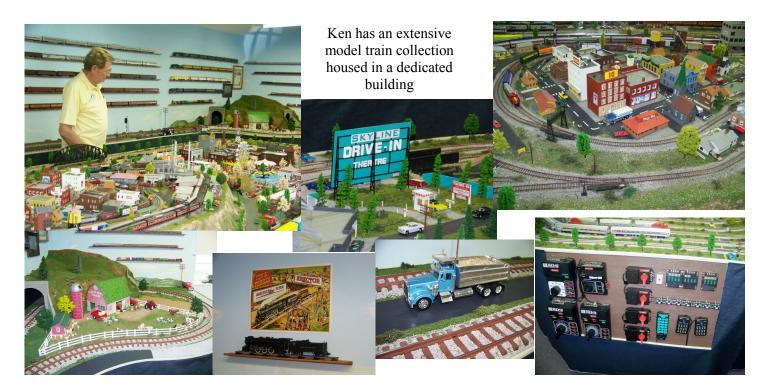
Members check out the beautiful 1957 Dodge Royal



Distinctive taillights of the 1957 DeSoto



Large-scale RC airplane keeps watch over the neat 1956 DeSoto



61st Old Dominion Meet-May 16-17, 2014

Waynesboro– Staunton Region was well represented at the Old Dominion Meet for 2014. The show, hosted by the Richmond Region was held at the beautiful Wyndham Virginia Crossings Hotel & Conference Center in Glen Allen. Here are some shots of members' cars. Apologies to Susan Gray since I missed a picture of her 1988 LeBaron Convertible.



<u>1921 Willys-Knight</u> Nelson Driver **<u>1927 Chevrolet 1 Ton Truck</u>** Mike & Sharon Embres

1951 Chevrolet

Ken & Shirley Farley

<u>1929 Ford Model A Huckster</u> Robbie Gray



<u>1934 Chevrolet Master</u> Stu Allen



<u>1986 Mercedes Benz 300E Sedan</u> Dick McIninch

The "Old Dominion Trophy" is presented to the region with the most member participation points earned as selected from a large number of catagories (most judges participating, most non-winning vehicles on the show field, longest distance driven, and points for each individual vehicle award, etc).





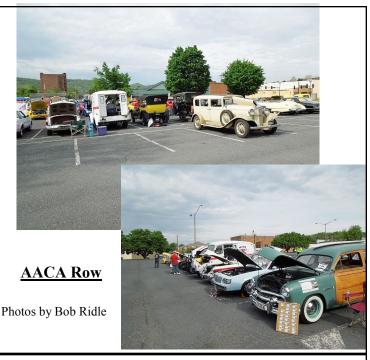
1965 Rambler Marlin Paul Wampler



<u>1906 Wayne</u> W-S Region Founder John Brown's car shown by Jeff Brown

The 2014 Winner of the "Old Dominion Trophy" is the Waynesboro-Staunton Region! Cloudy weather did not deter the faithful from attending the show held on May 10, 2014. Awards were handed out early to beat the rain.





CARS FOR SALE

Betty Clemmer has decided to sell two cars that Willis drove on many Waynesboro-Staunton Region events.



1965 Mustang Convertible (Poppy Red)

289 cu. in.—Automatic Transmission Dual exhaust Bucket Seats Older restoration Asking \$17,500.

1981 Mercedes 380 SL Convertible

Has both hard and soft tops Automatic Transmission 101352 miles Asking \$14,500

Call Betty Clemmer 540-885-8285

CARS FOR SALE

The family of Founding Member and Past President Jeff Diffee has decided to sell two of the cars he drove and loved. It would be great to see them stay in the club. Both cars have been garaged since Jeff's passing. If you are interested, please call Jeff's daughter, Linda Dodd .

540-493-1943 (cell) 540-721-7580 (home)

1929 Model A Woodie Station Wagon

Unrestored, original wood with side curtains.

An improved "C" motor and overdrive were installed in the car for touring but the original motor is included with the woodie. The car has been to many National Meets.

Asking \$19,000. or Best Offer

Linda has other Model A parts (fenders etc.) for sale also.



1920 Dodge 4-Door Sedan

This car was restored in 1952 and has the original upholstery. The original engine will be included with the car.

Asking \$9000 or Best Offer

BETSY—THE LONG-TERM RESTORATION Restoration of a 1934 Chevrolet Master By Stu Allen Part 4 <u>Starting on the Chassis</u>

Once the engine was completed, it was time to turn attention to the chassis. I built a wood rolling frame to support the body, jacked the body up, and rolled the chassis out. My son and I spent many hours scraping grease and debris from the frame in preparation for sand blasting.



I had purchased a 2 horsepower compressor and a siphonfeed sandblaster and proceeded to prove that that setup would work but was very slow due to the limited air flow capacity of the compressor. A typical work cycle was to blast sand for 2 minutes and then wait 5 minutes for the compressor to build pressure back to a reasonable level. Another thing we learned that when sandblasting on humid August days, water condensed in the compressor and often clogged the blaster with wet sand. The sandblasting was done in the back yard and resulted in a great sand pile for the kids to play in. As sandblasting progressed (slowly) I primed the bare metal with Rustoleum primer and then brushed on black Rustoleum semi-gloss enamel. (Remember this was state-of-the-art *done in 1980—today there are much more durable* chassis paints available.)



With the frame cleaned and painted it was time to address the wire spoke wheels.



The original wheels were in good shape considering the fact that Betsy had been used as a field car subjected to much off-road use during her life. The rims were straight but when I sandblasted the wheels I found the spokes to be severely pitted. I spent many days priming, sanding and filling the pits to arrive at a presentable finish for the bright orange wheels. Total time spent on the wheels was 67 hours.



Some have asked how I've kept track of the steps of restoration over the years. I started a log book when I first got the car and have been recording dates, jobs completed and hours spent ever since. This was like the log books we engineers at GM kept on our daily activities at work.

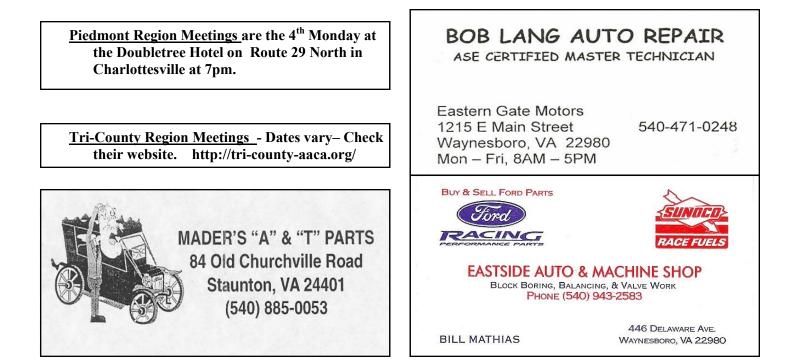


New tires arrived from Coker and were mounted by a friend who had a tire machine. Once the wheels were painted and the new tires installed, we put them on the chassis and it finally seemed that we were making progress on the car.

Next Time—Projects & Life cause delays

2014 Calendar of Events

MAY	31	Saturday, Second Annual Woodrow Wilson Car Show, Fishersville, VA - Details in May Tire Tracks
	31	Saturday, Crozet Car Show presented by Albemarle County Police Dept. Details at www.bigcnewme.com. Benefits cancer survivors and caregivers
<u>JUNE</u>	8	Sunday - Tour to Swannanoa Palace - there is a \$6.00 entrance fee. Meet at the Rite-Aid in Verona at 1:30 PM, where you will be given directions. The caravan will depart at 2 PM sharp! Upon completion of touring the palace, we will go to the Gregory's for a cookout and meeting. You do <u>not</u> need to bring a dish, the Gregory's are generously providing all food & drink. Do bring a lawn chair or two. The Gregory's home is at 316 Sandy Ridge Rd. in Waynesboro.
	11	Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:30 pm
	12-14	AACA Grand National/Southeastern Dual Meets, Lebanon, TN. Hosted by <u>Middle Tennessee</u> <u>Region</u> .
	15-21	AACA Reliability Tour, Lancaster, PA. Hosted by <u>Hershey Region</u> .
	26-28	AACA Central Spring Meet, Lincoln, NE. Hosted by <u>Nebraska Region</u>
JULY	12	Saturday, 10 AM—Vehicle Display at Brightview-Baldwin Park, Staunton. Lunch provided by Baldwin Park with Business Meeting to follow.
	18	Friday, 5:30 PM, Car Display at Stuarts Draft Retirement Community, arrival time 5:30 PM. We will have an ice cream social after 6 PM and the event will be over by 7 PM.
	31-8/2	AACA Central Fall Meet, Concordia University, WI. Hosted by <u>Wisconsin Region</u> .



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Minutes of the May 4 Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA met at the Hometown Grill in Staunton on May 4, 2014 at 1 p.m. President Doris Stone opened to meeting and welcomed 36 members and 2 guests. Nelson Driver asked the blessing. After lunch, Doris introduced the guests and she proceeded to present Past President's name tags to those who had not received them.

Mary Helen Ayers gave the sunshine report, stating that Clarice Allen was at home improving. Then, she gave the Treasurer's Report.

The Secretary's Report as printed in the Tire Tracks was approved and passed on a motion.

Vice President Ken Farley gave the activities report as follows:

Sunday, June 8, Swannanoa Tour (admission price is \$6 per person), Starting at the Rite-Aid in Verona at 1:30 p.m. After the tour we are invited to Jim & Sue Gregory's house for a picnic.

Saturday, July 12, Vehicle display at Baldwin Park and lunch, beginning at 10 a.m.

Friday, July 18, Car display and ice cream at Stuarts Draft Retirement Community, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

For the rest of the activities see the Tire Tracks or website <u>http://</u>local.aaca.org/waynesboro-staunton/.

Nelson Driver reported on the ODMA meet in Richmond.

The VMCCA National Heritage Tour Coffee Stop will be held on May 21st at the Rockfish Valley FD, (Nelson County) Members will be needed to help with this fund raiser.

50/50 drawing was won by Jack Drago.

The meeting was adjourned and we proceeded to a tour of Ken Shoemaker's collection of cars and memorabilia.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.









JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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