



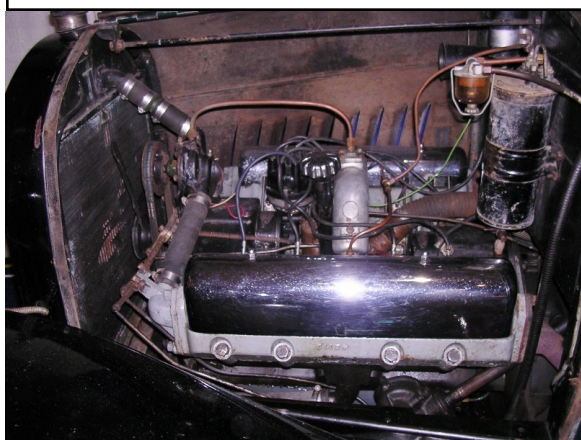
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TIRE TRACKS **THE ELECTRONIC VERSION**

As you'll read later in this issue, 6 members of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region attended the 76th Annual AACA Meeting in Philadelphia PA on Feb. 9-11, 2012. One of the added attractions included with the Trade Show are some outstanding vehicles. I thought we would show you some shots of several of the cars in the show.

Stu Allen-Editor



1917
CHEVROLET
CHEVROLET'S
FIRST V-8



1941
CHEVY



1958
CHEVY



1927 BUICK



NEXT MEETING :Sunday, March 18, 2012 — 2:00 PM—Texas Steak House, 1344 Richmond Road, Staunton **Program**—Home-converted Electric Truck Talk & Demo.—David Waterman



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President's Message

Despite the threat of snow in the forecast for Sunday, February 19th, the Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA had a great turnout of members for our monthly meeting. Some 37 members and 1 guest packed the meeting room at Staunton's Red Lobster Restaurant. As folks joked about the tiny little snow flakes occasionally drifting by outside our windows, we placed our seafood orders and prepared to enjoy one another's company.

By 3 PM or so, as the business meeting was picking up momentum, we noticed the snow flakes outside were also increasing their tempo a bit. But on we rolled, with the Treasurer and the Secretary's reports, a report on future meeting venues (see activities schedule elsewhere in this issue and on our website), updates on the ODMA planning meeting and our own Sentimental Tour. It was also noted that at the recent annual meeting of the AACA in Philadelphia, both our newsletter and our website brought home awards. Congratulation to *Tire Tracks* Editor Stu Allen, and old what's-his-name.

By 4 PM, Robbie Gray was in the midst of his video presentation on the 2011 Glidden Tour, when a glance outside showed the snow was now coming down in earnest. As Robbie wrapped up his program, members bolted for the doors and headed home. Mother nature had held off long enough for an enjoyable meeting and a safe trip home before the heavier accumulation arrived.

Speaking of snow events, our website's Activities Page is the place to go to check on the status of any W-S Region event threatened by inclement weather. During the winter months we'll post a "Traffic Signal" on the 2012 Activities Page of our website that will clearly indicate the status of the meeting or event. The example here shows how our inclement weather traffic signal appeared on the weekend of our February meeting.



Sunday - February 19th - A Winter Weather Advisory is in effect.

[Details](#)

[Staunton Weather](#)

Light Alert System

Green - Weather is good. No problems anticipated.

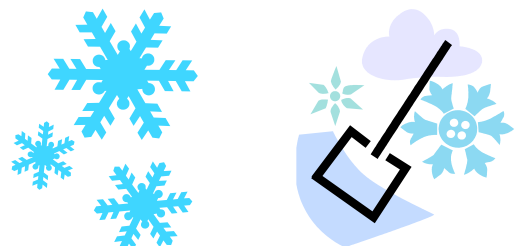
Yellow - Meeting will be held, but wintry weather is occurring or anticipated. Members should exercise their own discretion as to whether it is safe for them to attend.

Red - Meeting has been cancelled.

BTW – Now is time to volunteer your services during Sentimental Tour week. Contact Stu Allen to find out what the needs are and how you can help extend W-S Region hospitality to the hundreds of AACA folks headed our way June 3-8. No prior experience is necessary and you'll have a great time!

Hope to see everyone at our March meeting on Sunday the 18th at 2 PM at the Texas Steakhouse in Staunton. David Waterman will be discussing and demonstrating his home-converted electric truck. As always, let's bring out those old cars and trucks!

Bob Ridle





Mileage Award Program

Many of us who have driver cars that we tour with, just drive to AACA meetings or maybe for ice cream now have a new program to recognize our old cars. A new Mileage award program has been established to recognize AACA members who drive an AACA-approved vehicle throughout the calendar year. Participation is voluntary and tracking mileage is the owner's responsibility, subject to review. All activity and mileage will be governed by the vehicle's owner. Any time a vehicle is driven - anywhere for any reason - the mileage counts toward the award level. Miles where the vehicle is towed (emergency or non-emergency) do not count towards the total driving miles.

Procedure:

The vehicle owner must register each vehicle that they want to included in the MAP by filling out the application (Copy 1) and sending it with a check for \$25. to AACA National Headquarters. This is a one-time charge, good for the life of the vehicle. Once the application is processed the MAP badge will be mailed to the owner. (Badges are available after May 1, 2012 and we haven't seen the design yet)

When the vehicle has been driven 2000 miles it is eligible for the first MAP award. The badge has a section where the number of miles is placed and the section is upgraded at each level achieved. The first award at 2000 miles is followed by a second award at 5000 miles and subsequent awards are made at each additional 5000 miles accumulated.

After you achieve your first 2000 miles, you fill out a copy of the record keeping form (Copy 2) and send it to Sherm Carey at the address shown on the form. Once the form is approved, the award will be mailed to you from National Headquarters. Mileage is retroactive to January 1, 2012.

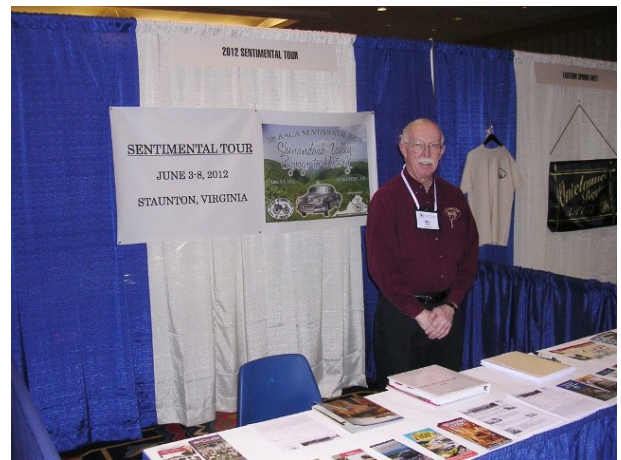
Forms are available online at www.AACA.org or call me and we'll copy the forms for you.

Stu Allen

The 76th Annual National Meeting

Philadelphia PA February 9-10, 2012

Waynesboro-Staunton Region was represented at the National meeting by Ken & Shirley Farley, Bob & Ann Ridle and Stu & Clarice Allen. There was a good turnout for the meeting this year and many informative seminars were available. Our whole gang pitched in to provide coverage for the 2012 Sentimental Tour booth we set up to advertise our tour. We got lots of questions, and many people that had already registered stopped to tell us how much they were looking forward to touring the valley with us.



HPOF "AACA Original"

At the 76th AACA Annual Meeting your editor attended the HPOF Judging Seminar that covered the recently adopted revisions in the Historic Preservation of Original Features category. The new feature of the HPOF program is the AACA Original award given to the best-of-the-best in the HPOF class. AACA has long recognized the benefits of encouraging car owners to preserve un-restored cars as a means of providing a reference of how cars were originally delivered from the factory. These vehicles provide a benchmark for comparison of the authenticity of restorations for cars and trucks in the club's class judging system. Many of the marque clubs have established similar classifications. In an effort to provide better recognition for HPOF vehicles, AACA developed a more stringent certification process that evaluates vehicles that have achieved HPOF status to recognize the best examples and award them the "AACA Original" tab to be mounted behind the HPOF shield on the vehicle.

The owner of the HPOF certified vehicle can decide to apply for the more stringent certification or can choose to be recertified as HPOF and receive a HPOF preservation award. If the vehicle has previously received a preservation award, the owner can request from the VP of class judging to have their car reconsidered for the AACA Original award.

The new HPOF certification form provides a list of 30 categories under the Interior, Body/Exterior and Engine/Drive Train areas that should be considered in the evaluation. The owner fills out this form designating any items that are known to be non-original along with any comments or clarifications they wish to make. The HPOF judges then use that sheet to do their own evaluations and confirm the authenticity of that vehicle. The total of non-authentic items is then deducted from 30 to arrive at a final score that is compared to the Compliance Table shown here:

COMPLIANCE TABLE			
	Up to 1930	1931-1959	1960 & newer
HPOF Oval	21-30	23-30	24-30
AACA Original	26-30	27-30	28-30

As you can see, this sets a higher standard for certification as AACA Original. The instructor in our seminar stated that the car would not be penalized for replacement of items that normally wear out and would be replaced as part of routine maintenance as long as the replacement parts were the same as original. (example - tires, mufflers, plug wires, etc.) I'm sure it will take some experience with the new certification process to establish other parts that would be considered routine replacements.

In summary, all of us with HPOF certified cars now face the dilemma of staying with HPOF Preservation awards or going for the more stringent AACA Original. Some of the non-original items that haven't prevented us from certifying for HPOF (i.e. radial tires) would probably not allow us to be certified for AACA Original. It will be interesting to watch the new process develop.

Stu Allen



2012 Calendar of Events

MARCH

- 14 W/S Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 18 W/S Meeting 2:00 PM—Texas Steak House. 1344 Richmond Road, Staunton
Program—Home-converted Electric Truck Talk & Demo.—David Waterman

APRIL

- 11 W/S Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 19-22 Southeastern Division National Spring Meet—Charlotte NC
- 21 W/S Meeting—Saturday 1:30 PM Founders Day at Sanzone's Italian Restaurant,
2897 Stuarts Draft Highway (Route 340), Stuarts Draft

MAY

- 3-5 ODMA Meet, hosted by the Roanoke Valley Region AACA at Virginia Western
Community College, Roanoke
- 12 Waynesboro Motor Sports Show—Constitution Park in Waynesboro
- 20 W/S Meeting 1:30 PM at the Wood Grill, 1711 Reservoir Street in Harrisonburg—
Possible Spring Driving Tour

Scenes from Feb. 19 W-S Meeting



Tri-County Region Meetings- Dates vary—
Check their website.

Piedmont Region Meetings are the 4th Monday
at the Doubletree Hotel on Route 29
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Minutes of the February 19, 2012 W/S Region Meeting

There were 38 members present at the Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACA meeting held on February 19th at the Red Lobster in Staunton at 1pm. President Bob Ridle opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Nelson Driver gave the blessing. After the meal, Mary Helen gave the Treasurer's report and the sunshine report. She stated that Charlotte Yancey was ill and Bobby Graves had passed away.

Vice President Jack Drago reported on the Activities saying that the next meeting would be at The Texas Steakhouse in Staunton on March 18th at 2pm. The program for this meeting would be on an electric truck.

Bob Ridle reported that a new program was instituted by AACA called The MAP (short for mileage award program) and the details will be printed in Antique Automobile magazine.

Rick Downs report on an bad experience he had had with a trucking company which had damaged his car.

Nelson Driver reported that the ODMA meeting would be in Roanoke on March 3rd at the Tanglewood Holiday Inn. Lunch would be served from 12 to 1 at \$12 per person and he needed a head count of those going.

Stu Allen presented the members Sentimental Tour registration forms for the W/S members. If you have any questions about the Sentimental forms call Stu or Doris Stone.

Bob Ridle announce that Stu Allen had received a national award for the news letter and he for the web site.

The meeting adjourned. And Robbie Gray presented a program on the 66th Glidden Tour.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.

2012 SENTIMENTAL TOUR Update

The Sentimental Team is working hard on preparing for the tour that is now only 3 months away. Doris Stone reports that we have 133 cars signed up to date and we're still getting calls asking if we have room. We currently have cars coming from 25 states and one father and son team coming from Denmark. Tour routes are being finalized and we're starting to work on the tour books.

Our booth at the AACA National Meeting in Philadelphia got lots of traffic and we picked up several registrations as a result of telling people about our tour.

Many of you will be getting calls to help out on some of the committees. We'll have lots of jobs to do so please sign up to make this a memorable tour for all our AACA friends.

Stu Allen



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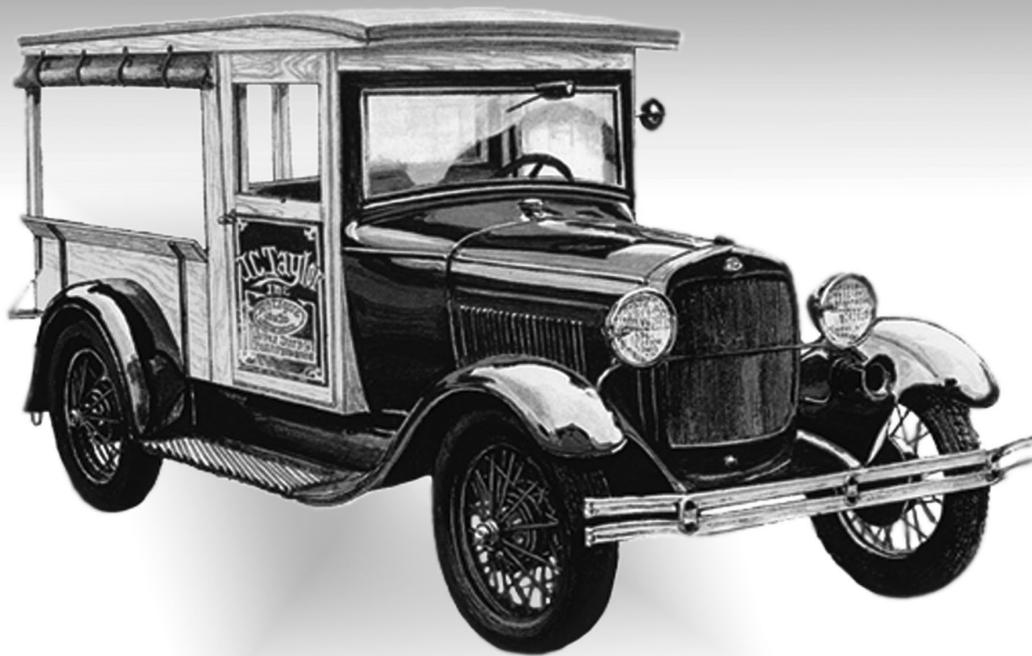
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