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Greetings Waynesboro-Staunton Region members and friends. As I prepare for Hershey its fun to look back at pictures taken over the years at that event. Remember 35 mm Kodak film? That was the media I used through the 80's and 90's. Most of these shots are digitized 35 mm slides so bear with me on the clarity of some of these. Memories are made at Hershey!

Stu Allen



This photographer is serious about details of this 1930 Duesenberg. Note the warm coats.



This Chevrolet looks as if it will swallow the owner.



Boots were mandatory in 1979



Big trucks are always a hit at Hershey



Mystery car?
You see it all at Hershey!





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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you made it to the Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA's annual Steak Fry & Auction in September. We had a nice turn out of members and cars, and of course great side dishes and desserts. Speaking of desserts, Sharon Embres' peach cobbler was an absolute home run with the entire gang! Chief Cook, Jim Gregory was unable to be at this year's event, but thanks to grillmasters Ronnie Shanholtzer and Doug Hackney the aroma of steaks and hot dogs filled the air. Thanks to Ronnie and Doug for a job well done.

With auctioneer Bruce Elder in charge, the auction proved again that an entertaining style and a sense of humor make for a fun, if not hilarious, afternoon. The auction action this year was so fast and furious that Clarice Allen actually pulled a hamstring and had to be assisted off the field!...er I mean helped to her car. Clarice handled the Treasurer's duties in the absence of Mary Helen, and reports the club took in \$666 (no wisecracks about the occult). At last word, Clarice was healing up quite nicely at home. Thanks to all the bidders and to everyone who donated an article or two to be auctioned off.

As you're reading this issue of *Tire Tracks*, the Hershey Meet in Pennsylvania is just days away. Several W-S Region members will be occupying our usual section, C40 / Spaces 40 thru 50, on the Chocolate Field. Thanks to Jim Gregory's efforts these spaces are still "grandfathered" for use by our members. It's a great place to see some familiar faces, temporarily drop off those treasures you've been lugging around, and prop up your feet for a while. A warm welcome awaits anyone

who stops by.

If you enjoy fall colors and driving your old car or truck, then October's meeting is for you! VP/Activities Director, Jack Drago has put together a fall foliage run. Join us in the parking lot of the ABC Store at Staunton Mall on Sunday, October 21st for a caravan to Lexington. We will depart at 1 PM sharp, so don't be tardy. We'll travel down Rt. 11 at a leisurely pace, arriving at the Redwood Family Restaurant in Lexington for a 2 PM dinner and meeting. Afterwards, there's an optional tour of the Devils Backbone Outpost Brewery. The final brewery tour of the day gets underway at 4 PM for those wishing to participate. The brewery tours are on a "first come, first served" basis with a maximum of 20 people. It should be an enjoyable afternoon.

Remember November is the time for the W-S Region AACA to select its slate of officers for the coming year. Please feel free to let the Nominating Committee of Stu Allen, Betty Clemmer and Mel Redmond know of your interest. New faces and new ideas are always encouraged, and they would love to hear from you.

Hope to see everyone on the October driving tour, and keep bringing out those old cars and trucks...it's the only way to travel!

Bob Ridle



Bob's Buletnose
on the 2011 Fall
Foliage Run.

Annual Steak Fry and Auction

Our annual Steak Fry and Auction was held on September 16 at Coyner Springs Park. The weather was spectacular with just a hint of fall temperatures in the air. The turnout was good and Grillmasters Ronnie Shanholtzer, Doug Hackney assisted by Scott Gregory provided the delicious steaks and hots. The buffet line was full of a wide variety of dishes and the desserts were outstanding. As is the tradition, we were treated to great home-made ice cream served from Mel & Marilou Redmond's DIVCO truck. After a short business meeting, the program was turned over to our guest auctioneer, Bruce Elder, assisted by our president, Bob Ridle. Bruce reported that this was his 19th year conducting the auction and proceeded to entertain the cadre of bidders while extracting the maximum donations from each of their wallets. A great time was had by all and we really appreciate Bruce's traditional support of our Region at this event.

As a side note, some of you know that we had a couple of mishaps related to the auction. Clarice and I stopped by A.H. Emergency on the way home where she was treated for a hamstring injury. She is recovering well at this writing. Later that day, Robbie Gray fell while using a ladder to store some of his auction treasures, suffering a heel injury. He reports that it is "healing" but we now have two members hobbling around as a result of our auction.



It's Hershey Time Again!

As Bob mentions in his President's Message, many of us are counting the days until our annual trek to Hershey for the 2012 AACA Eastern Division National Fall Meet held in Hershey PA - Oct. 10-13.

This meet, usually referred to as simply "Hershey", has changed drastically from its beginnings in 1955. In that inaugural year there were 300 show cars on display inside Hershey Stadium (100 didn't show up because it rained!) and seven vendors were set up outside the stadium selling their treasures. I understand that W/S Founding Member Jeff Diffie was one of those hardy vendors.

My "rookie" year at Hershey was in 1979. Even after the Three Mile Island nuclear accident in March, 900 show cars registered for the meet and over 5300 flea market spots were sold. I had arranged to pick up an NOS '34 Chevrolet head by meeting a guy there. Little did I know that what appeared to be half the population of Pennsylvania was in the flea market. I never did find the guy and he ended up shipping my head via Greyhound bus.

I've been fortunate to attend Hershey every year since then. Over the years one learns to expect all kinds of weather. I've shopped wearing thermal underwear, winter jacket and gloves as snow flurries swirled around, waded through mud puddles that threatened to overflow my rubber boots, and gotten sun-burned in a tee shirt and 80-90 degree heat. The show has grown to over 9000 flea market spaces, 1000 car corral spaces, and around 1500 show cars that show up on Saturday. Since most of Hershey is now paved, the mud issues are nearly gone and since winter comes later the last few years, we've enjoyed some great weather recently. We still get rained out for a day or two, but that just adds to the challenge of locating the one part you need to finish that project. If you like watching people, Hershey is the place for you. Where else can you see some guy wearing a headlight bucket for a hat, entertaining the shoppers with his accordion?

If you haven't been to Hershey, put it on your bucket list. It is truly the ultimate experience for old car guys and gals.

Stu Allen

Back in the 80's—it rained at Hershey!



2012 Calendar of Events

OCT. 3 Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:00 pm

10-13 Eastern Fall Meet, hosted by Hershey Region AACA, Hershey, PA.

21 Sunday, Fall Foliage Tour down Rt. 11 to Lexington with dinner & meeting at 2 PM at the Redwood Family Restaurant, 898 N. Lee Highway (Rt. 11), Lexington. Optional tour of Devils Backbone Outpost Brewery, 50 Northwind Lane, Lexington, at 4 PM. Note - The brewery tour is on a "first come, first served" basis with a maximum of 20 people. Caravan departs from in front of the ABC Store at Staunton Mall promptly at 1 PM.

21-26 Glidden Tour, hosted by VMCCA in Brenham, TX.

NOV. 14 Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:00 pm

18 Sunday, 1:30 PM, Meeting & Annual Election of Officers and "Show & Tell" at the Wood Grill, 1711 Reservoir Street in Harrisonburg

DEC. 12 Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:00 pm

15 Saturday, 12 Noon, Meeting & Christmas Dinner Party and Gift Exchange at Sanzones Italian Restaurant, 2897 Stuarts Draft Hwy. (Rt. 340), Stuarts Draft.

Tri-County Region Meetings - Dates vary— Check their website. <http://tri-county-aaca.org/>

Piedmont Region Meetings are the 4th Monday at the Doubletree Hotel on Route 29 North in Charlottesville at 7pm.

Lost & Found

A bean salad dish was left behind after the Sept. 16 Steak Fry and Auction. If it is yours, please call Susan Gray 540-943-3171 to arrange for its return

Help Wanted!

Your Nominating Committee is working on a slate of officers for 2013. If you would be willing to be considered for an office, please contact Mel Redmond, Betty Clemmer or Stu Allen.

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Minutes of the September 16, 2012 W/S Region Meeting

The September meeting of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA was held at Coyner Springs In Waynesboro on the 16th at 1:30 pm. President Bob Ridle welcomed all present to the annual steak fry and auction. Nelson Driver asked the blessing and lunch was had by all. After lunch, Bob Ridle Gave the sunshine report in which he stated Charlotte Kuykendall's mother (Elvira Crummett) and Shirley Wampler's mother (Mary Gordon) had passed away. He extended the club's condolences to both. The Oct. 21th meeting will be at The Redwood Family Restaurant on Route 11 in Lexington at 2 pm with optional tour of The Devils Backbone Brewery. The club will be caravanning from the ABC store at Staunton Mall at 1 pm.

Nelson Driver Stated the ODMA meeting would be held in Nov. with where and when to be determined.

Stu Allen gave a brief report on the Sentimental Tour stating that they still needed to finalize the financial report.

Mel Redmond circulated a petition calling for scientific study of the EPA's mandated implementation of E-15 gas.

Bob then reminded everyone about the Stuarts Draft Retirement Community Ice Cream Social and Car Display on Sept 29th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Those who plan to attend please contact Bob by the 24th.

The meeting was adjourned and the auction program was started.

Bruce Elder stated that this was the 19th year he had been the auctioneer the club's auction. He then proceeded with the annual auction.

Respectfully submitted,
Robbie Gray, Sec.



I am selling this 1994 Olds Cutlass Supreme Convertible for a friend of mine. The car is spotless with zero rust, paint is original but like new. White top, red body & black interior. 57K miles. New tires & stainless exhaust system. It has a V6 & runs as new. \$5K OBO. The car is in Stuarts Draft. Call Rick Downs at (540)941-8148



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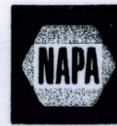
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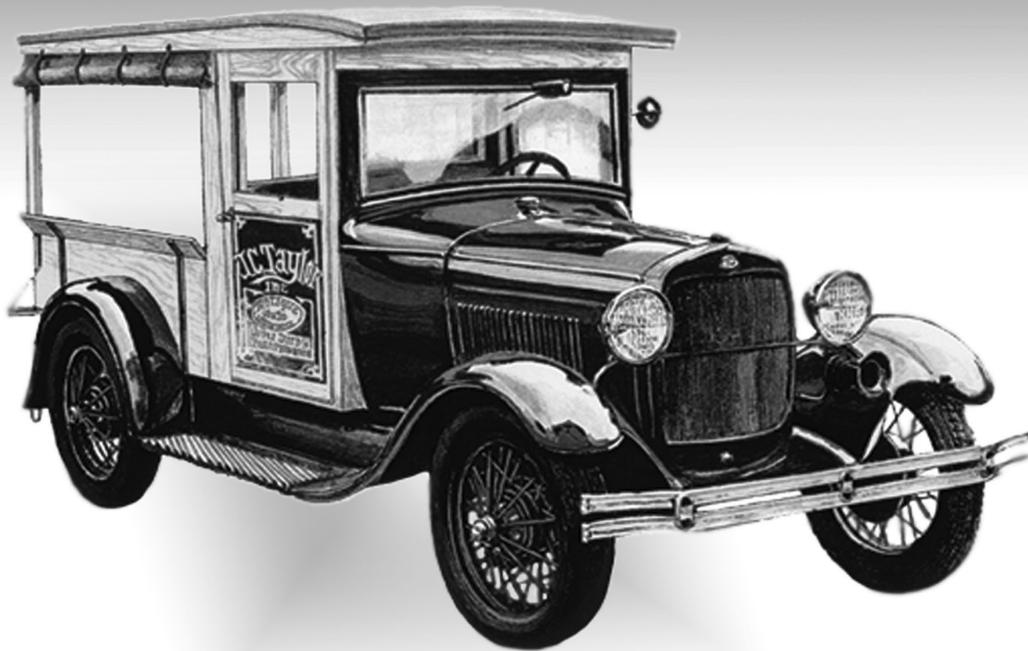
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