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Greetings, Waynesboro—Staunton Region Members & Friends,

February is a month where things slow down a bit for most of the old car world. If you are fortunate enough to have a heated garage, perhaps you can tackle some of those jobs you have been putting off. Although our winter has been remarkably warm and free of snow so far, we still have a couple of months before we can get the cars out of hibernation. So let's make good use of the down time and prepare for a busy season with AACA.

Stu Allen—Editor

## Mark your calendars for our 2017 W-S Region Meetings

- SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19 SEE BELOW
- SUNDAY MARCH 19
- SUNDAY APRIL 23 FOUNDERS DAY
- SUNDAY MAY 21
- SUNDAY JUNE 18
- SATURDAY JULY 8 BALDWIN PARK
- SUNDAY AUGUST 20 PICNIC W/ TRI-COUNTY
- SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10 STEAK FRY & AUCTION
- SUNDAY OCTOBER 15
- SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19 ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- SUNDAY DECEMBER 10 CHRISTMAS PARTY

*Details will be in future issues and on our website*

I know some of you are wishing for some snow. Did you know that Corvairs were real snow fighters? Here are some views of my 1965 Corvair Corsa in wintry conditions.

The Corvair would go anywhere in the snow as long as it didn't get deep enough to lift the front end.



**Flint MI in 1967**



**Rochester NY in 1971**



**Spring is coming!**

Do you receive both the electronic edition of Tire Tracks as well as a hard copy? We did an analysis of costs for printing and mailing Tire Tracks. It costs \$1.52 / issue (or \$18.24 / year) at current rates. 23 members currently receive both hard copies and the electronic edition. Some members need both and we certainly respect those needs. However, if you don't need the hard copy, please let your editor know and we'll save some money for the Region.

Stu Allen—Editor

**FEBRUARY MEETING -Sunday, Feb. 19, 2 PM, Meeting at [Sooner BBQ, 2627 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.](#) Note – Sooner BBQ will be open Sunday just for our meeting. \$12.99 Buffet includes 3 meats, 6 sides, bread, and drink.**



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Janet and I wish you all a Blessed and Prosperous New Year.

Thank you for entrusting me with the presidency of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region of AACOA for 2017. I'm

honored. I'm enthusiastic about taking the reins because Ken and his team have made W-S an outstanding car club. My intent and desire is to build on that foundation with the 2017 leadership team. Fortunately, some of the 2016 Board Members and Directors will be part of the 2017 team so I think you can expect a great 2017. Without these folks, their experience and expertise not much would happen. Please thank them for their contribution to your fun and enjoyment that comes from being part of W-S Region.

Since the election in November, Jack Drago resigned the position of Treasurer. Todd Smith was elected to the Treasurer's position at our January meeting and was invested with the other 2017 Board members. We thank Jack for a diligent job and being a stalwart steward of our treasury.

As good as W-S is, things and times change and perhaps we can enhance what we do and how we do it. Ken constantly urged us in that direction and last year instituted the Questionnaire to find what we might do better or differently to serve you. The 2017 Board will use the Questionnaire results in the formation of this year's programs. However, if you have additional ideas, desires or suggestions for making W-S better please let me or one of us know. My phone is: 540-290-1356 and my e-mail is: [AlfredVA31@gmail.com](mailto:AlfredVA31@gmail.com). I'll be glad to hear from you. Whatever your suggestion, we'll be pleased to hear it. Our purpose is to have fun and enjoyment together restoring, fixing, talking about, collecting, touring our cars, eating and socializing. So if it contributes to this purpose we're all ears.

One of the requests for change found most frequently in the Questionnaire responses was: More day tours or trips. This is a place I (we) need your help and volunteering. It would be great to have a tour a month as other AACOA Region/Chapters do. It's not hard but it requires a volunteer to organize and lead the tour. So if there is a place or event you think worthy of a tour and are willing to lead, let us know and we'll help you organize it. We also have a library of past day tours that go back over the years: Tours that would be fun to run again. If you'd like to review the library and pick out a tour of interest to you they are available. The routes are planned, the stops are known and the directions are written. All you need to do is check them out and pick a date and starting place.

Janet and I will be traveling to the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia this month to represent you and to bring back AACOA national news. I've been told we can expect a good and exciting time. It's new to us, so we expect it to be fun. More about that next month.

Alfred



### Meet our new Treasurer Todd M. Smith

I grew up in Delaware, went to the University of Delaware and began working for Merck & Co in PA. I met my wife, Jeannette, who also worked for Merck. We transferred to the Merck Plant in Elkton VA in 1980 and raised our family in the McGaheysville area. After 36 years at Merck, I retired in 2009 and then did contract work for a couple of years.

I have always enjoyed old cars, and with my best friend Jack, we now have 2 antique cars, a 1929 Buick Standard Sedan and a 1931 Buick Series 80 Sedan.

**Thanks for volunteering, Todd!**

**January 15 W-S Meeting**

Our January meeting was held at Thai Staunton. Members enjoyed the food, elected a new Treasurer, installed the 2017 officers and heard an interesting talk by Robbie Gray about the 2016 Revival Glidden Tour. (see next page)



Members check out the menu.



Alfred Meyer receives the gavel from outgoing President Ken Farley.



The 2017 Officers include President Alfred Meyer, Vice President Walter Wilson, Treasurer Todd Smith, Secretary Robbie Gray and Board Member Bob Kuykendall.



John & Doris Stone conducted the installation of officers.



**How Can The Youth Afford This Hobby?**

**By: Jim Elliott Vice-President, Judging Administration**



Article from the AACA Rummage Box—Fall 2016

I've never actually counted, but I know I've attended hundreds of car shows. One question that always bothers me is "How can I afford this hobby?"

My answer is standard - there are many affordable collector cars available. No one has to start with a perfect Full Classic to enjoy our hobby.

I started with a 1966 Chevrolet Corvair convertible that my parents bought new as their first "second car". While being reliable, inexpensive transportation, Corvairs are regularly available for sale.

Chevrolet's "waterless wonder" came in multiple body styles including a two-door coupe, four-door sedan, convertible and station wagon, as well as the passenger van, ramp-side pickup and panel truck. Engines and transmissions can be swapped among all models.

Options included turbo-charged engines, power convertible tops, telescopic steering wheels, and automatic transmissions.

Most of the mechanical parts needed to restore a Corvair are being reproduced and can be purchased on the internet and delivered to you within days. Even the most difficult to find trim parts can be located at the Hershey flea market.

Corvairs can be purchased in average condition for slightly more than the original 1960's list prices. They are an excellent entry level car for a young person to actively participate in our hobby. The Corvair's large trunk provides ample storage room for touring.

The timeless Corvair styling is always noticed so the Corvair owner must be ready to enjoy discussing his car with others. It seems everyone used to own one or had a relative who did.

If there wasn't a Corvair in your past, maybe there will be one in your future.

**2016 Revival AAA Glidden Tour, September 11-16, North Conway, NH**

At the January 15 Region meeting, Robbie Gray talked about the 2016 Glidden Revival Tour held in New Hampshire and Maine. The original Glidden Reliability Tour started in 1904 to promote safe use of the automobile and the standardization of traffic laws. It was held annually until 1913 when it was discontinued since it was felt that cars were now safe and reliable. The tour was revived in 1946 and has been held annually since then. It is sponsored on alternate years by VMCCA and AACA and is open to cars built prior to 1943. The Grays, Stones, Shanholtzers and Nelson Driver participated in the tour. Robbie shared a few pictures of highlights from the tour.



Cars in parking at the boat landing at Moultonborough, NH where participants boarded the M/S Washington to cruise Lake Winnepesaukee



Ronnie and Janice Shanholtzer's car in front of Parsonfield Seminary



Parking lot at the famous Clark's Trading Post where folks were treated to a Trained Bear Show.



The McNair brothers in their 1909 Chalmers at the car games. This was the oldest car on the tour.



The Gray's Model A in front of the Mount Washington Omni Hotel

**Calendar of AACA Events and *Community Car Events***

**FEB**    **8**    **Wednesday, 7 PM, Executive Board Meeting at the Grays, [1430 Red Top Orchard Rd., Waynesboro](#)**

9-11    [AACA](#) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

**19**    **Sunday, 2 PM, Meeting. Meeting at [Sooner BBQ, 2627 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft](#).** Note – Sooner BBQ WILL be open Sunday just for our meeting. \$12.99 Buffet includes 3 meats, 6 sides, bread, and drink.

23-25    [AACA](#) Winter Meet, Ocala, FL. Hosted by [North Central Florida Region](#)

**MAR**    **15**    **Wednesday, 7 PM, Executive Board Meeting at the Grays**

**19**    **Sunday, 2 PM, Meeting location-TBD**

23-26    [AACA](#) Western Spring Meet, Palm Springs, CA. Hosted by [Palm Springs Region](#).

**APRIL**    6-9    [AACA Southeastern Spring Meet & Spring Auto Fair](#), Charlotte, NC. Hosted by [Hornets Nest Region](#).

**12**    **Wednesday, 7 PM, Executive Board Meeting at the Grays**

**21-22**    **64th [ODMA](#) Meet, Virginia Beach. Hosted by [Tidewater Region](#). The flyer & registration form will be available in early 2017**

**23**    **Sunday, 2 PM, Meeting & Founders Day. Location-TBD**

23-28    [AACA](#) Western Divisional Tour, Sonora, CA. Hosted by Mother Lode Region.

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

**Tri-County Region Meetings Dates vary - Check their website**

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**January Waynesboro-Staunton  
Region Meeting**

On Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2017,  
the Waynesboro-Staunton Region of  
the AACA held it meeting at the Thai  
Staunton Restaurant at 2pm. President  
Ken Farley opened the meeting and  
welcome the 33 members present.  
Nelson Driver gave the blessing before  
the meal.

Ken called the meeting to order after  
the meal. He then proceeded to thank  
all the officers, board members, and  
committee members who had worked  
with him in the previous two years.  
Then he thanked Shirley, who had  
tolerated and helped him during this  
time.

Ken gave the sunshine report, that  
Owen Harner was still a home and  
Clarice Allen was at home .

The Secretary's Report, written by  
Shirley Farley, was approved as  
printed in the Tire Tracks.

The Treasurer's Report was given by  
Stu Allen and resignation of Jack  
Drago as Treasurer was accepted.

The Activities Report was given by  
Walter Wilson, that the next meeting  
would be at Sooner BBQ in Stuarts  
Draft on February 19<sup>th</sup>. (See the  
Activities list in Tire Tracks and on the  
website for the complete list).

Stu Allen gave a report on the cost of  
printing and distributing the Tire  
Tracks. He explained that if all who  
could receive it by e-mail dropped the  
hard copy, it would reduce the cost to  
the club.

Bob Ridle reported that 17 tickets had  
been sold for the Expo Fair Dinner at  
Weyers Cave Community Center on  
Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. Anyone  
interested in going please call him.  
(540-886-6181)

Nelson Driver reported the ODMA  
meeting will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup>  
in Yorktown. Any interested in going  
please call him. (540-942-3570)

The Annual Installation of Officers and  
Board member was conducted by  
Doris and John Stone and are as  
follows;

- President Alfred Meyer
- Vice President Walter Wilson
- Secretary Robbie Gray
- Treasurer Todd Smith
- Board Member Bob Kuykendall

Stu Allen won the 50/50.

A program on the 2016 Glidden Tour  
was presented by Robbie Gray.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Robbie Gray, Sec.

**Congratulations to Mel & Marilou  
Redmond**

They drove their decorated 1949  
DIVCO in the December 10, 2016  
Stuarts Draft Christmas Parade and  
won First Place Vehicle!



The DIVCO in  
warmer times



**FEBRUARY  
BIRTHDAYS**

- Rish Capps**
- Ron Capps**
- Shirley Farley**
- William Melton**
- Duane Perrin**
- Beth Scripps**
- Prewitt Scripps**
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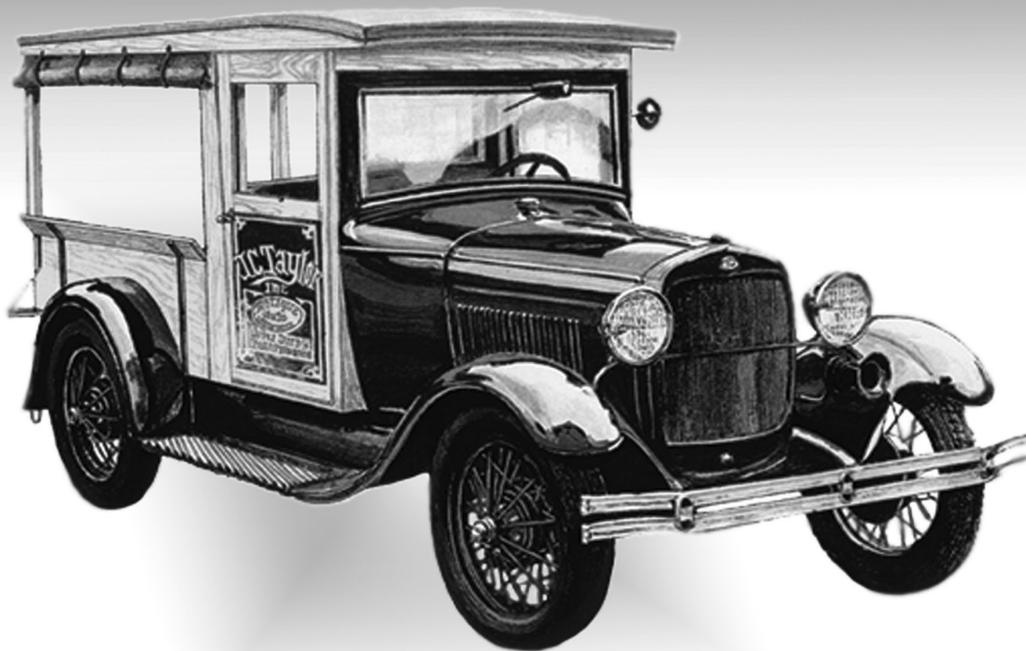
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