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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT



Apparently, RSVP-ing to a wedding invitation "Maybe next time" isn't the correct response.

The BOD held its monthly meeting at Stu's house on Wednesday the 8th. Since we did not have a quorum, Stu instead decided to describe to us the new "upgrades" to his pacemaker. I'll leave out the gory details of how they carved him open like a Christmas turkey, but instead as to how this latest version can actually turn on the coffee maker and has a speaker built into his chest so he can converse with his ticker and the hospital if necessary. He also mentioned that an occasional detrimental happening could occur by "simultaneous transient dispersive electronic wavelengths to the pacemaker". (Time Domain Electromagnetics in doctor speak) With that mouthful, we just stared into space. After the history lesson on the heart, Stu served up a delicious treat of Tuxedo Chocolate Mousse. Where he comes up with this stuff is anyones guess. We were all in agreement that it was the most filling mouse we ever ate. Moving on,

Saturday the 11th found 21 of us at the Augusta County Fair Dinner/ Auction in Weyers Cave. As we were just starting to eat our dinner, Larry Skillman asked me how I liked my new Smart watch. I tapped on the screen to show him the time and at the same instant, Stu's left hand suddenly struck Deb Skillman upside the right side of her face. Deb's instant reflexes caused her to strike Stu in the top of his head with her fork. Stu's scream of.....(I was appalled at the......language emanating from Stu's lips). Linda Royer who was sitting directly across from Stu, promptly reached over and pulled the fork out of Stu's head, while explaining in the most soft, comforting verbiage, "Oh quit crying you little baby" and stuck a bandaid on the wound.

Sunday- March 19, 2:00 PM—Monthly Meeting– Sooner BBQ, 2627 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.

Some 6 tables over, a little girl of maybe 8 years old squirmed off her seat (she and her family visiting from St Vagabond of the Redeemer Holy Roller Church) slowly walked over to Stu, her long blonde hair surrounding a cherubic face, beautiful blue eyes streaming tears, Rosary beads intertwined in her little fingers, looked at Stu and said: "Mister, I'll pray for you to clean up your potty mouth". Larry leaned over to me and said, "Do it again, do it again". "Shut up Larry"! Fifteen minutes later, Larry again asked me what the time was, and once again I tapped the Smart watch face. This time, Stu's right arm gave an enormous "twitch" and flung a dollop of pulled pork into the lap of Charlotte Kuykendall who was sitting diagonally across from Stu. And that's when the food fight began. Larry leaned over. "Do it again, do it again"! "Shut up Larry". About an hour later Stu was talking to some 6 foot four football linebacker about some object on the auction table when Larry again asked for the time, and me, unconsciously tapped my watch to see the time. Stu's right leg gave an enormous "twitch" to the poor gents "ummmm", to which he let out an unGodly scream and folded up on the floor wreathing in agony. Stu stood over him profusely offering his apologies, all the while blurting out, OH %\$*&, OH %\$*&, OH %\$*&. Larry again said, "Do it again, do it again". "Shut up Larry"! Some 6 tables over, a little girl of maybe 8 years old squirmed off her seat.....

Robbie Gray and Nelson Driver were sitting on the front porch of Robbie's house drinking beer when a large truck hauling rolls and rolls of sod went by. "I gonna do dat when I wins da lottery", said Robbie. "Do what?" asked Nelson. "Send my lawn out to be mowed"

Jack Drago

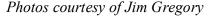
Editors Note: My turn in the barrel! Any correlation between the previous tale and reality is strictly coincidental.

Augusta County Fair Benefit Auction

February 11,

Weyers Cave Community Center

Our Region supported the Annual Pork Dinner Fund Raiser and Auction with 21 members present. We are usually the largest organization present. The money raised goes to support the fair, normally held the last week of July. We've been invited to have our annual display there again this year. The 2023 date has not been announced.





Robbie Gray and Jack Drago discuss goodies on the Silent Auction tables.



Bobby and Maxine Gordon won a start to a new Fort Defiance Post Office.



Larry Skillman asks Deb if she brought her checkbook.



Our gang had time to socialize while waiting for the buffet.

W-S members are old hands at being first in line. Note the rest of the crowd in line.





It's tough to stay awake for the live auction after all the food and the silent auction excitement.

Waynesboro-Staunton Region February 19 Meeting Francesco's—Bridgewater

Sunday, Feb. 19 turned out to b a pleasant day to visit Bridgewater and Francesco's. 29 Members were present and enjoyed the many choices on the extensive menu. The waiter and kitchen staff did a good job of serving our meals and comments about the food were very positive. I didn't venture outside to get car pictures but most members came modern since the salt shakers have been out this month.



Nelson Driver and the Kuykendall's shared a booth.



Joe Yancey, Robbie Gray and the Sarginger's were next in line.



Enjoying the rolls while studying the menu.



Patty Watson-Gregory along with Scott collect donations for the 50/50. "Got change for a \$50?"



Who needs a flash when President Jack has a built-in reflector?



Robbie Kuykendall conducted the swearing-in ceremony for the 2023 Officers They should all look familiar since they are repeats from 2022. We thank them for their continued service.



 $More\ information/schedule:\ \underline{https://odma.aaca.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/47/2023/01/69th-Annual-ODMA-Meet-Information.pdf}$

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OLD DOMINION MEET ASSOCIATION

69th OLD DOMINION MEET REGISTRATION FORM

Friday-Saturday, 31 March to 1 April, 2023

Location: Virginia Credit Union Stadium, 42 Jackie Robinson Way, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 Pre-registration required. Registrations must be postmarked by 15 March, 2023, Please Print:

Name	AACA Region	
Address	_City	_StateZip
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Email Address Vehicles 25 years (1998 and older) are eligible for display and judging (if desired). All displayed vehicles must have a visible, fully charged, operable UL-approved fire extinguisher.		
Vehicle #1 Make Check award s	ought:	Year Body Style HPOF* HPOF Repeat DPC* DPC Repeat Do Not Judge
Vehicle #2 Make Check award	sought:	Year Body Style HPOF* HPOF Repeat DPC* DPC Repeat Do Not Judge
* HPOF (Historic Preservation of Original Features) is only available to vehicles pre-certified by AACA. "DPC" = "Driver Participation Class." ODMA DPC cars may be certified at this meet. The AACA Class List is available at aaca.org or contact us. Please attach additional vehicles on another form.		
I would like to help judge at the ODMA Meet. Preferred Class (list) Any Class (check here) The Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA, Antique Automobile Club of America, Old Dominion Meet Association, City of Fredericksburg VA. Fredericksburg Nationals, Inc. or their sponsors, directors, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents will not be liable for any injury or damage before, during or after the Meet 30 March to 2 April 2023. I agree to abide by all guidelines as outlined on this form or provided at the show. I further certify I carry the required Liability Insurance on the listed show vehicle(s), my trailer(s) and tow vehicle(s) for the state in which they are registered, and will comply with any COVID restrictions that may be in effect at the time of the event.		
SIGNATURE		DATE:
Number of vehicles registered Trailer Parking		
Saturday Night Awards Banquet ticketsBBC	L Italian Total.	#@ \$42 each = \$
Friday Night Social	Total	.#@ \$10 each = \$
TOTAL ENCLOSED\$\$		

HOST HOTELS are the Hampton Inn and Suites, 1080 Hospitality Lane, and Homewood Suites, 1040 Hospitality Lane Fredericksburg, VA 22401. The discounted ODMA rate is \$159/night plus taxes (Hampton) and \$169/night plus taxes (Homewood) for as many nights as you choose between Thursday 30 March to check out Sunday 2 April, 2023. For reservations & details: Call 540-786-5530 (Hampton) or 540-786-9700 (Homewood) and mention code "ODM."

Discount may expire if reservations are made after MARCH 2, 2023.

Please make checks payable to: Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA and mail form & check to:

Michael Sizemore, Registration Chair, 540-834-8120,

10 Cameo Lane, Fredericksburg, VA 22405

For more information see the ODMA website (www.odma.aaca.com), or email or call the Meet

Chairman: Wally Hunt, wally hunt 66@amail.com, 540-424-0212

Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

- MAR. 8 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
 - 11 Saturday, 8:00 AM 1:00 PM Tidewater Region Annual Swap Meet, Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, 3373 Pruden Boulevard, Suffolk.
 - 19 Sunday 2:00 PM—Monthly Meeting—Sooner BBQ, 2627 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.
- APR. 1 60th Annual Old Dominion Meet—Fredericksburg, VA—See pages 4-5
 - 12 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
 - 13-16 Charlotte AutoFair, Charlotte Motor Speedway, 5555 Concord Parkway South, Concord, NC. Hosted by the Hornets Nest Region
 - 15 2023 Spring Nationals, Charlotte Motor Speedway, 5555 Concord Parkway South, Concord, NC. Hosted by the Hornets Nest Region
 - 16 Sunday, 2:00 PM—Monthly Meeting at Ming Garden 316 Federal Street, Waynesboro VA
 - 22 Saturday, 8:30 AM 3:00 PM 28th Annual Valley Mustangs Unlimited All Inclusive Car Show/Cruise In, Belk Parking Lot Across from Paul Obaugh Ford, 13 Lee Jackson Highway, Staunton. Entry fee is \$20 for pre-registered vehicles and \$25 day of show.
 - 29 Saturday, 9:00 AM "70 Years of Stars and Cars" Car Show, Eastside Speedway, 134 Al Gore Lane, Waynesboro. Entry fee is \$20.
 - 4/30—5/3 2023 Southeastern Divisional Tour, Oak Ridge, TN. Hosted by the East Tennessee Region.
- MAY 12 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
 - 12-13 9th Annual Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet, Comer-Jones VFW Post 621, 218 Veterans Lane, Luray.
 - 18-20 2023 Eastern Spring Nationals, Gettysburg, PA. Hosted by the Gettysburg Region
 - 21 Saturday, 2:00 PM Monthly Meeting at Duane & Rebecca Perrins', 4177 Spring Hill Road, Staunton. Bring a dish to pass. Drinks, utensils and paper goods provided. Program: "RECOVERY from FIRE"
 - 27 Saturday, 10:00 AM 2:00 PM 7th Annual Vettes for Veterans Car and Truck Show, Gypsy Hill Stadium Parking Lot, 500 Thornrose Avenue, Staunton. Registration is \$10 per car with all proceeds going to the VFW.



Generations By Fred Trusty 2023 AACA President

According to most car clubs, the old car hobby has been on the decline for several years. The reason, they say, is older members are aging out and younger people aren't interested in cars. The silent generation (1925 - 1945) is now between 78 and 98 years old and the baby boomer generation (1946 - 1964) is now between 59 and 77 years old so it makes sense that we are losing a lot of members over the age of 59. Let's take a look at some of the other generations. The years can vary depending on the source.

Generation Z(1997 - 2012) 11 - 26 years old. Gen Z has a completely different view of the world than other generations. They grew up with cell phones, social media, same sex marriage, global terrorism, and tend to have an entrepreneurial spirit. They freely admit that they are digital device addicts, value financial security, but yet they have very little loyalty toward their employers. They look up to their role models based on career and financial success and tend to have the least disposable income.

Millennials (1981 – 1996) 27 – 42 years old. Millennials grew up with computers, the internet, cell phones, the environmental movement, and are tech dependent. A smartphone is more than an electronic device, it's a part of who they are. Most were starting their careers after the 2008 recession which reduced their earning potential, and they also have more debt due to increased college tuition costs but more of them are college educated compared to other generations. They are also likely to have less disposable income due to the higher debt. They seem to be more idealistic, too. It's not just working for a paycheck; it's working for a purpose or a cause.

Generation X (1965 - 1980) 43 - 58 years old. Gen Xers have been described as independent and try to balance their work and personal lives. Typical Xers have a do-it-yourself attitude, are tech savvy but not tech dependent, and lean toward casual in their style of dress. Oil leaking around the valve cover your on 2004 Honda Civic? Watch a YouTube video, order the part online, and do it yourself. Their kids are in high school, college, or working full time. They're starting to think about grandkids and taking care of their aging parents. Some are starting to have some disposable income due to kids moving out and the passing of their parents. "I remember riding in dad's antique car as a kid and you know, I think I can get it running again. Dad would have loved to see me driving it."

By now you're probably thinking, what do generational differences have to do with car clubs? In order to market a product you have to know your market window. Everyone talks about getting younger people involved in the hobby and that's great. Plant the old car seed in a youngster and hopefully when they grow up, they will embrace the hobby. But let's face it, most people under the age of 25 have very little disposable income and very little free time. School, sports, and a part time job take most of their time. So what about the 26-45 age group? This demographic is in the middle of their careers and have families, so their money and time are also limited. I'm not saying that no one under 45 likes old cars. All I'm saying is that their lives are so busy they don't have the time. I look back to when I was that age. A man that I knew tried to get me to join AACA. I told him I didn't have time for a club. I have a full-time job, a small business, a farm, and three kids playing soccer. I barely have time to sleep. Fortunately, he was persistent, and I finally joined the KYANA Region a few years later after our son graduated from high school. Our oldest daughter was in high school and driving so we were no longer a taxi service for her. That left our youngest daughter who was still in middle school but being a taxi for one kid takes a lot less time. It wasn't until she graduated that we began to have some free time.

The point that I'm trying to make is to be mindful of younger people's hectic lives when trying to recruit them. Us baby boomers were once as busy as they are so be patient. When they reach the 45 - 65 age group is when they start to have some disposable income, free time, and start thinking about their youth. That is when they are most likely to join a club.



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Minutes of the February 19. 2023 W-S Region Meeting

The Waynesboro Region of AACA held it February meeting on the 19th at Francesco's in Bridgewater at 2 pm. President Jack Drago welcomed all present. Nelson Driver gave the blessing before the meal.

Vice President Rick Downs gave the activities report as follows:

March meeting at Sooners in Stuarts Draft at 2 pm

April meeting at Ming Garden in Waynesboro at 2pm.

May meeting at the Perrin's in Springhill. 2 pm. Bring a covered dish.

Todd Smith gave the treasurer's report. He stated that dues for 2023 are payable at \$20 for mail copy or \$15 for e-mailed copy.

Stu Allen said he is looking for articles for Tire Tracks.

Nelson Driver reported on the ODMA meet in Fredericksburg, April 1^{st,} for more information see Tire Tracks.

Jack reported there were 21 members at the County Fair Dinner in Weyers Cave.

We had two new members present: Fred Hollen and Tony Edwards.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray

MARCH BIRTHDAYS



Kenneth Coiner
Greg Hammer
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Carol Sarginger



This list of cars for sale from Dick McIninch

1915 Buick C25 Touring Car,

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For more information call 434-361-2568 or email olcarfn@aol.com Dick McIninch

Live Auction

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To be auctioned are antique vehicles and contents from a large shop owned by **John and Doris Stone**.

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