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From your Editor

We're publishing a little early this month due to the Thanksgiving Holiday and some travel plans before December kicks in. I wanted to get the Christmas Party info. out so our members can make plans. This gives me a chance to wish all of you a **Happy Thanksgiving** as well as a **Merry Christmas!**



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

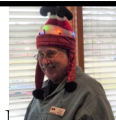
Saturday December 9, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting - Christmas Party & Gift Exchange –Mrs. Rowes Family Restaurant, 74 Rowe Road, Staunton.



Buffet Dinner and Gift Exchange—Value under \$20.—Mark “man” or “woman”



MERRY CHRISTMAS



RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

My wife is singing in the house. I'm sitting outside so the neighbors don't think I'm hitting her.

When I received my copy of Tire Tracks last month, I noticed additional outside comments intermingled in my column. Of particular concern were the comments made by the censors and our esteemed editor Stu Allen. Since most of our members have never attended a board meeting, they are always a congenial affair, followed by some type of delicious desert and loose chit chat. This month was slightly different when I arrived at Gestapo Headquarters. I was escorted in by Klaus Gramann (his birth name, and now goes by Robbie Gray) into the interrogation room at Stu's Stalag Luft 3. I will attempt to keep this as brief as possible by describing the events thusly.



(This is an ACTUAL photo of Robbie and has not been photo shopped or altered in any way. Seated on a crummy, rickety wooden chair, under a single 25watt lightbulb (cheapskate Stu) and surrounded by the “censors”, I was advised not to even think of opening my big fat oriface and just listen to the words emanating from the “censors” mouths. After some 15 minutes of ranting and raving, I figured the only way I could converse is, if I couldn't speak, then it was through my exceptionally limited knowledge and use of American sign language. (not to be confused with American Sign Language).

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Somewhere in my dialogue, it was misconstrued (or maybe not) that what I was trying to convey with hand signals was this was not my 1st rodeo, and that the combined I.Q. level of the “censors” was a single digit. It was “suggested” that I return to a place of higher learning where I could further my education on the proper use of hand signals and more importantly, digits. Barry Linke and Bob Kuykendall, who both usually remain quite silent (as apposed to snoring) while sleeping through the meetings, perked up and both chimed something to the effect that “if you take Jack’s brain and put it into the stomach of an ant, it would be the same thing as putting a BB in a boxcar.” Ta Da! The peanut gallery woke up.

While the meeting may have been a strenuous verbal gymnastic attack on yours truly, and well deserved I might add, the meeting closed out with a fabulous apple pie and ice cream treat supplied by Stu, made with his own hands in his gourmet kitchen. On to the almost finale. Therefore, this months column will be devoted to the origins of the Orycteropodidae, a member of the afrotherian mammals, from the Turolian deposits of Samos. This species is the only recognized member within the order of the Tubulidentata family. Originally from Europe, they migrated to Harrisonburg and surrounding towns in Virginia and a few eventually morphed into the W-S Region. Realizing that you are now completely baffled and simultaneously enlightened by the foregoing, and I haven’t the slightest clue of what I wrote about that makes sense, I could easily fill yet another full paragraph of this fascinating swill. Suffice to say that I have fulfilled the wishes of the “censors” and not stepped beyond the boundaries of decency.

Now if the readers of this column find this last paragraph ‘entertaining’, then next month’s will put you in nirvana as I fulfill the wishes of the censors on how I write their “definition of the mechanical, mathematical and technological transformation from horse to current wheeled transportation, or even better yet, the origins of the Leptorycteropus. I can’t wait for the accolades. I’m on a roll and can’t stop now, so just to set the record straight, your editor in last months blurb suggested that my article was written after a nightmare of me eating Italian food. It was being Italian (more importantly, being a Sicilian writer for this Southern publication) that gave me the nightmare. Should you ever decide to go back to Vito’s for one of their stomach churning entrees, you must try the mesa lampredotto palermitano or better yet, then by all means, have an encounter with the manager, Vlad the Impaler, when you’d like to pay the bill.

To close this month, special thoughts to Larry and Debra Skillman for the November 10th delicious dinner, the outstanding music entertainment, the guest speaker presentation and the impeccable service of our 2 outstanding wait staff. THANK YOU from all of us present.

**Things my mother taught me, Part 5 -MORE LOGIC:
“If you fall out of that swing and break your neck,
you’re not going to the store with me.”**

Jack Drago



Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting at Golden Corral in Waynesboro. Nov. 19, 2023

The cool, sunny day brought out some of the old cars and 27 of our young (?) members.



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November Meeting continued.



Lots of time to socialize followed by plenty of food and desserts



Deb & Larry Skillman have taken charge of the 50/50 Raffle. Deb has Alfred reaching for his wallet!



Who knew that President Jack was a cowboy at heart?



Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

DEC. 9 Saturday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting & Holiday Gift Exchange, Mrs. Rows Family Restaurant, 74 Rowe Road, Staunton. The meal will be a buffet. Gift Exchange—Value under \$20.—Mark “man” or “woman”

No Executive Board Meeting in December

JAN. 10 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen’s 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

2024

21 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting—Ming Garden in Waynesboro.

ODMA Tour of Northern Neck, VA – Nov 2,3,4, 2023**By Todd Smith**

On Nov 2, I, along with Nelson Driver, took my 29 Buick to the Northern Neck of VA to join a 2 day tour of this historic area hosted by the Northern Neck Region AACA .

There were approximately 22 cars and 37 participants, with my 29 Buick the oldest car on the tour. Our stay on the grounds of Stratford Hall was very comfortable, with adorable and well appointed cabins and a 14 room inn.

Our Friday morning tour of the Lee estate was excellent. The plantation house was built in the mid 1730,s by Thomas Lee, with Robert E. Lee the 4th generation of Lees to be born there. If you have not visited Stratford Hall, I highly recommend it.



In the afternoon, we traveled to George Washington's boyhood home (recreated on original foundation) located just outside of Fredericksburg. Personalized tours by knowledgeable docents were conducted.

Saturday morning we were off to Sabine Hall, which was built around 1730 by noted planter, burgess and patriot, Landon Carter. This is considered one of the finest Georgian brick Manor houses in Virginia. This large estate is still owned and occupied by members of the Carter family and was a definite highlight of the tour.



In the afternoon, we continued on to Rice's Hotel, Hughletts Tavern, and Guild shops.



Glidden Revival Tour
by Robbie Gray

The 77th Revival AAA Glidden Tour was held in Thomasville, Georgia on October 22-27, 2023 with 16 members of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACA present. Two of which were first time Gliddenites, Chris Howell and Kay Mader.



Jay & Kay Mader with Barry Linke

On Monday, we toured Tallahassee, Fla. There seeing Bradley’s Country Store, O’Steen Collection, and the Tallahassee Automobile Museum.

Tuesday tour took us to Albany, GA where we saw the Flint River Quarium. After which traveled to the Albany’s South West Georgia Region Fair where we had lunch and were treated to a performance by “Patsy Cline”.

Wednesday destination was Cairo, GA. First we toured the Four Corners Cotton Gin and from there to Toto’s Antique in Ochlocknee. Then we traveled on to Cairo to the Historic Zebulon Theater to watch the British Car movie Genevieve. After lunch at the Grady Cultural Center we visited Wayne Hadden’s museum which now has some of Chester Bradfield’s collection.

On Thursday Tour, we went Nashville, GA where we saw Ron Ganser’s car collection and restoration shop. We had lunch at the Nashville Community Center and had music by a local band. On our way back to Thomasville we stopped at Burton’s peach orchard in Barney, GA for ice cream.

Friday tour took us to Tifton, GA to visit the Georgia Museum of Agriculture and Historic Village which was very interesting. It is being used as an education tool for teaching grade schoolers about the life and early history in Georgia.

We traveled a total of 659 miles on the pleasant and scenic back roads of Georgia seeing cotton fields and peanut fields being harvested. We also saw pecan trees which were harvested by sweeping the nuts off the ground after they fell from the trees. I think we all had a good tour and was enjoyed by all.



Our gang at the Glidden



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Minutes of the Nov, 19 W-S Meeting

Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACAA held its November 19th, 2023 meeting at the Golden Corral in Waynesboro at 3 pm. President Jack Drago welcomed the 27 members and guest present. Nelson gave the blessing before the meal.

Vice President Rick Downs gave the activities report as follows; the Christmas Party would be held on Saturday December 9th at Mrs. Rowe's in Staunton at 2pm. A Chinese gift exchange will take place with a gift of approximately \$20 in value. January's meeting will be a Ming Garden in Waynesboro.

The treasurer's report was given by Todd Smith. He also, reminded the members that dues are ue (\$15 via e-mail, \$20 via postage).

The secretary reported on the the Glidden Tour in Georgia and that this region had 16 members present.

Stu Allen stated there would be no board meeting in December. He also, volunteered to take care of the Augusta County Fair arrangements.

Jack asked for nominations for region officers, none being forthcoming, a motion was made by Debbie Skillman and seconded by Steve Ayers that the present officers continue for 2024.

Nelson Driver and Todd Smith reported on the ODMA Tour in the Northern Neck area of Virginia.

Discussion was had about visiting Chester Bradfield's collection and two other collections in the Staunton area in the spring of 2024.

The 50/50 was won by Bob Kuykendall.

The meeting was adjourned,


Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



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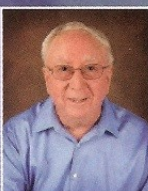
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