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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Why do you have to “put your two cents in”...but it’s only a “penny for your thoughts”? Where’s that extra penny going?

The Tire Tracks photographer swears this lady is Linda Royer, but the lady says her name is really “Paraskevi Karagiannis”. “Paraskevi” was in the final throes of devouring a WHOLE apple crisp pie while we were at the picnic at Tinkling Spring Church



After devouring 3 huge steaks, a “side” of mac and cheese and then the entire pie, she decided seconds of dessert were on order and retrieved 2 more plates.



We have a SLAB of cheese cake on the left, a four layer hunk of chocolate and cream cake on the right and two gigantic slices of strawberries. YIKES!! She washed the whole mess down with a full bottle of Diet Coke. Said there were no calories in the Coke.

Her husband “Ophiouchus” (Glen?) alleges that he was a master chef and could more than handle grilling a few steaks on the grille.



The Augusta County Fire department had other thoughts before the conflagration spread to the entire wooden shelter we were all huddled under. OK, he and Jim Gregory really did a nice job grilling though.

We’ve all seen cattle grazing on beautiful green meadows throughout the Shenandoah Valley. Have you ever watched a 19 year old boy GRAZE?? It came to me that while watching Josiah Gingrich GRAZE for 3 hours at the food trough (not knocking the lad as I too grazed when his age, and still do on occasion) it suddenly popped into my head that if he were my boy, I’d much, much rather clothe him than feed him to help keep my finances above water. One weeks food? \$375. Jeans? \$24.95 On to my final bit of cud, Glen Royer (the grillin’ chef) advised me that Larry and Debra Skillman sent their apologies for not being at the steak bake as they were at the NASCAR race in Bristol. According to Glen, Larry has donated a complete FREE engine rebuild (up to \$4,000) to any member that has a big block 400 cube Yugo or Tatra engine that needs some TLC. Nelson Driver asked if a Pinto or Vega would also be eligible?

**Things my mother taught me, Part 3-
TIME TRAVEL: “if you don’t straighten up, I’m
going to knock you into the middle of next week!”**

Jack Drago

Note from President Jack Drago

I got a call from Jim Belcher Jr. (our January presenter) and he has given the club an invitation to attend a very special presentation on October 18 from 7-9 PM at Blue Ridge Community College. This will be a one on one discussion about not only about his father and the Indianapolis, but also with Desmond Doss Jr whose father Desmond Doss, was a Medal Of Honor recipient from action art Hacksaw Ridge on the Island of Okinawa on 2 May, 1945. There is an excellent book “REDEMPTION AT HACKSAW RIDGE” about Private Doss that is a superb read. There was also a movie about Private Doss and his battle experience. While both men have presented programs together (separately at the same locations), this will be the first ever one on one.

Jack

Notes from Your Editor

It’s Hershey Time! Our annual pilgrimage to sunny Hershey is this next week and preparations are well underway. The weather forecast looks good but is always subject to change. Hershey features a flea market with 9000 vendor spaces and they expect over 1000 show cars at the meet on Friday. The car corral will have lots of cars for sale with a wide range of “Hershey prices”. If you’ve never been to Hershey, it should be on your bucket list.

Our gang will be set up in our usual flea market spots: C4O 40-50 so if you come, stop by and rest your feet!

Member Greg Hammer will be at spots: C4Y 1-4 .

Member Jay Mader will be at spots: RCA 65-69

Stu Allen



Free seats and advice at our spots.



You never know what treasures await at Hershey.



It has rained at Hershey on occasion.



Car Corral Feature

Annual Steak Fry and Auction at Tinkling Spring September 17, 2023

Threatening weather didn't keep members away from our Annual Steak Fry and Auction on Sunday, September 17 at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church. The guys moved the picnic tables into the pavilion so the drizzle that started after the meal didn't bother us. The steaks, grilled by Glen Royer with help from Jim Gregory, were great and the dishes brought by members produced a sumptuous meal before the auction. Guest auctioneer Mark Robertson entertained us while moving at a good pace through selling all the items donated by members.



Nelson Driver arrived in his 27 Ford Model T.



Nancy & Chester Bradfield brought their '58 Chevrolet and 2 guests from British Columbia.



Auction goodies



It's a great time for fellowship while the steaks are on the grill!



Alfred Meyer checks out a book for sale.



Auctioneer Mark Robertson sells a model sailing ship

Parts is parts! -by Greg Hammer

I have lived in the Rockingham and Augusta County area for 55 out of my 60 years. I have been a member of the AACA (national) for about 12 years and the W-S region AACA for 1 1/2 years. My parents and grandparents were from the Crimora area of Augusta County. My Paternal Grandfather, Mr. James Edward "Ed" Hammer was a welder and mechanic that unfortunately died in an accident at Sonny's Esso way back in 1966 when I was three. My parents always said I inherited my love of all things mechanical from Ed.

I have never been into sports, that is unless it had wheels and an engine. I have restored and collected everything from hit and miss engines, antique tractors and even a steam engine. I wish I still had the '67 GTO, '68 Olds 442 and '70 Torino GT that were just cheap used gas-guzzlers back in the late 70's and early 80's. We "kids" were driving stuff like that to high school! About 12 years ago I was working on a Model A Ford and needed some parts. I ended up buying a whole collection of parts and that started a small side hustle buying, selling and trading all types of antique auto parts and cars.

Back in fall of 2019, I read somewhere on the AACA forum that the heirs to the "Roaring Twenties Antique Auto Museum" were looking to liquidate the late John Dudley's parts collection. Me and a buddy went to look and speak with John's daughter and were quite overwhelmed with what we found. Although all of the cars had been sent to auction in Auburn, Indiana, there were 4 or 5 out buildings full of all sorts of parts. Even though I had purchased a large hoard of Model A and T parts from an estate in Chesapeake back in 2016, this hoard contained a little bit of everything and most of it was not labeled or identified in any way. To take on such a challenge clearly was not for the faint of heart. The heirs were considering sending it all to auction, but I think they had been disappointed with the auction results of the cars so were hoping for one buyer that would clean it ALL out, sweep the floor and lock the door behind them when they left. Well, I was the guy dumb enough to make an offer (that was initially declined), then another that was accepted. Just take a look at some of the photos and see what we were facing! Turns out we got everything cleared out by early March 2020, just in time for Covid to hit!

In that stash was everything from dozens of NOS Stromberg Carburetors to hundreds (711 by my count) of hubcaps! It's a good thing I love what I do because most people think I'm nuts! It's also a good thing that I have a very understanding Wife!

Although most of you do not know me, I do know a few of you. I know Todd Smith from his tenure at Merck. Brian Rhodes is also a friend, as was the late Bruce Elder. I hope to eventually meet all of you. In the meantime, find me at Hershey where I will be peddling lots and lots of old car parts! I'm sure I'll see some of you there peddling parts as well!

Greg



Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

- OCT. 3-6 2023 Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA. Hosted by the Hershey Region.**
- 7 *Saturday, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM – The Longest Day Alzheimer’s Association Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Sam’s Club Lower Lot, 970 Hilton Heights Road, Charlottesville. No entry fee.*
- 8 Sunday, 1:30 – 5:30 PM – Vehicle Display at Hazy Mountain Winery, 240 Hazy Mountain Lane, Afton. We will meet at 1:30 at the old Howard Johnson’s parking lot at the top of Afton Mountain and travel as a group to the winery.**
- 8 *Sunday, 12:00 – 4:00 PM – Old Dominion Realty Car Show, 19 Myers Corner Drive, Staunton*
- 8 *Sunday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM – Rides & Rods Cruise In, DAP’s Ice Cream, Burgers, and Fries, 3278 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft. This is a free event.*
- 11 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen’s 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton**
- 12 *Thursday, 5:30 – 9:00 PM – Cruise In with Shadows of the Past Custom Cars, Hardee’s, 2578 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.*
- 14 *Saturday, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Augusta Lions Club Fight for Sight Car Show, Gypsy Hill Park Stadium Parking Lot, 500 Thornrose Avenue, Staunton. Entry fee is \$25 with all proceeds benefitting Lions Club Leader Dog Program & Local Lions Sight Programs.*
- 14 *Saturday, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM – Augusta Lions Club Fight for Sight Car Show, Gypsy Hill Park Stadium Parking Lot, 500 Thornrose Avenue, Staunton. Entry fee is \$25 with all proceeds benefitting Lions Club Leader Dog Program & Local Lions Sight Programs.*
- 15 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting at Vito’s Italian Kitchen, 1047 Port Republic Road, Harrisonburg.**
- 22-27 77th Revival AAA Glidden Tour, Thomasville, GA.**
- 26 *Thursday, 5:30 – 9:00 PM – Cruise In with Shadows of the Past Custom Cars, Hardee’s, 2578 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.*
- 28 *Saturday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM – Augusta Military Academy Museum Cruise In, 1640 Lee Highway, Fort Defiance. Registration requires a \$5 donation to the museum.*
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- NOV. 2-5 The Old Dominion Meet Association Presents the Historic Northern Neck Virginia Tour. Hosted by the Northern Neck Region. Registration deadline is October 9, 2023.**
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- 19 Saturday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting at Golden Corral Buffet & Grill, 51 Apple Tree Lane, Waynesboro.**
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- DEC. 9 Saturday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting & Holiday Gift Exchange, Mrs. Rowes Family Restaurant, 74 Rowe Road, Staunton. The meal will be a buffet.**
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Minutes of the Sept. 17, 2023 W-S Region Meeting

Our Annual Steak Fry and Auction was held at the Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church pavilion. The weather forecast wasn't promising but we only had some light drizzle late in the event. We had around 30 members and guests present. President Jack welcomed everyone to the picnic and auction. After Nelson Driver gave the blessing, we all enjoyed the steaks grilled by Glen Royer with Jim Gregory assisting. There were plenty of great dishes brought by members. After the meal, Jack asked if we had any out of state attendees and recognized Scott and Patty Gregory who have relocated to NC. Chester and Nancy Bradfield brought 2 guests from British Columbia. Jack then dispensed with the business meeting so we could get started on the auction. Mark Robertson, our guest auctioneer, conducted a fast paced auction (with entertainment) that raised funds for the Region. Jack reminded folks of the Hazy Mountain Winery car show on October 8. The meeting was then concluded.

Stu Allen for Secretary Robbie Gray

In Memory of Charlotte Kuykendall



Long time member Charlotte Kuykendall passed away on August 30, 2023. She was always a cheerful voice in our meetings and activities. Many of you remember Charlotte playing Santa's Elf at our Christmas gift exchange. She will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bob and the family.

From the Editor's Desk

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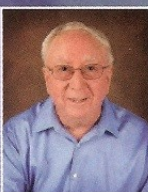
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