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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Marriage is a relationship where one person is always right and the other person is the husband.

I almost had this month off, but as luck would have it, Jim Gregory popped up on the “There’s a story here” moment. I’m not at all sure of what Stu Allen’s limitations on how much space I can use, so I’ll just go for it.

New Year’s Eve Karen and I opted to go to Jim and Sue’s house (uninvited of course) to partake in their over-the-top food frenzy and entertainment venue. Opening the kitchen door and to the immediate right is a small shelf where Jim keeps his 2 “friends”, Smith & Wesson. Nothing deters me, especially those two. On the flip side though is that feline thing “FANG”. In all of my 83 years on this Earth, I’ve never met an animal with such a nasty, distasteful attitude towards people. From under a rocking chair to my left, I heard this blood curdling MEEOW and the beast leaped out and shredded my brand new Walmart \$20 jeans to shorts in less than 10 seconds. Too bad the gun was empty, but my baseball bat gave it a solid home run. Repeat that next year cat and I’ll see you in hell. Jim was beaming from ear to ear and immediately asked if we’d like to see his new bathtub. I’d like to think that if you’ve seen one bathtub, then you’ve seen them all. Don’t believe me? You’ve all seen the ads on TV or every publication known to man on these “walk in tubs” with a \$2,000 discount, wondering how much the thing costs with that much of a discount. All I can repeat is that Jim said it cost more than his first house. To be just a tad more explicit, when you take off all of the “discounts” from the list price, you are now in the price range of a new Chevy Tahoe. And a fully loaded one at that. This is one of those “7 Wonders of the World” apparitions.



Just a tick over 6 feet in length and 3 1/2 feet tall, you enter, close the door and seat yourself on a custom made seat, made to your body contours, along with arm rests on both sides and a leather head rest with speakers on either side. Press a button on the “instrument panel” on your left and a foot rest comes out from under the seat. Press another button and a hydrant in front of your feet pours out 400 gallons of 98 degree water in less than 45 seconds. (all this from a thousand gallon tank in the basement) Press yet another button and soothing melody from one of 16 different orchestra’s plays in the headrest speakers. Kinky? Not yet Penelope. Press another button, and 6 different mood lights, alternating between Red, Blue, Green and Yellow, change the hue in the water to an intoxicating mixture of hallucinating rainbows. Now it’s getting kinky Penelope. With your mind now swirling in exotic thoughts, you push the last button, and 64 jets of water pulsate every nook and cranny of your torso, including places you’d never have imagined you had. Ohh momma!!!! Add in a few pulls of Robbie Gray’s Mecklingburg County Blackberry juice and let the games begin. Shirley Farley tried the tub and after 15 minutes came out glassy eyed and mumbling incoherently. Chester Bradfield who wasn’t even there, put a \$5 contract hit on the cat. ‘Till next time, I’ve still got a shot glass full of “juice” I’ve got to polish off. Thank goodness for a designated driver.

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For those that were unable to attend the January meeting at Ming Garden (we had 29 folks show up) and 2 items of importance were discussed. The fiasco at Mrs. Rowes would not be repeated and a new venue has been selected (Tinkling Spring Fellowship Hall) and will be catered for our Christmas event. The second is that the members reluctantly voted to keep the Board of Directors in the same positions for yet another year with one weird change. The voting membership hasn't yet figured out how both Jack and Deb Skillman will share the Presidency, as we each had the same amount of votes. Right now you're going back to the number of people present and it's 29 and you can't figure out how to divide 29 in half. That's because all 29 voted for both of us. It's America and I guess the voters decide what's best. (or worst?) As a reminder, February's meeting will be at Francesco's in Bridgewater, March will be at Sooners in Stuarts Draft, April again at Francescos' with a very special treat after the meal and May will be at Hazy Mountain Vineyards in Afton.

Things my mother taught me, Part 7 IRONY: "Keep crying and I'll give you something to cry about"

Jack Drago

W-S January Meeting at Ming Gardens



Members had a good chance to socialize prior to our meal.



Deb & Larry Skillman sell the 50/50 tickets.



Our group filled the room at Ming Gardens.



President Jack Grago conducted the business meeting.

Augusta Fair—Silent Auction and Dinner

Saturday February 17,2024—5PM

Presale Tickets \$12.

At the Door \$15

Call Stu Allen 540-290-0329 to reserve yours.

Past Auction/Dinners



W-S Region is usually the largest organization there.



Deb Skillman scored a nice batch of Tupperware



Ken & Shirley Farley took home this chicken



Tour Guide by Fred Trusty

2023 AACA National President

This year I've had the opportunity to participate in all but one AACA tour and talked with quite a few "freshman tourists" who said they wish they had discovered the touring side of the hobby long ago. Not knowing the guidelines for each type of tour can create some apprehension to registering for your first tour so let's look at the various tours.

1. Reliability Tour--The Reliability Tour is sponsored during even-numbered years for brass era cars, i.e., those manufactured in 1915 or earlier. This includes all recognized vehicles of that vintage.
2. Revival AAA Glidden Tour®--The AACA sponsors the Revival AAA Glidden Tour® during even-numbered years (2022, 2024, etc.) in cooperation with the Vintage Motor Car Club of America (VMCCA). The VMCCA sponsors the tour during the odd-numbered years. The Revival AAA Glidden Tours® are for the older vehicles and eligibility for AACA sponsored tours is limited to those manufactured in 1942 or earlier. Generally, this tour is held during the 2nd or 3rd week of September.
3. Founders Tour--The Founders Tour is sponsored annually for all vehicles, except race vehicles, manufactured from 1932 through a production year 25 years prior to the year of the tour.
4. Vintage Tour--The Vintage Tour is sponsored during odd-numbered years for vehicles manufactured in 1931 or earlier.
5. Sentimental Tour -- The Sentimental Tour is sponsored during even-numbered years, beginning in 2004, and is for vehicles manufactured from 1928 through 1958, except race vehicles.
6. Divisional Tours --- The AACA sponsors two Divisional Tours annually – during even-numbered years, one in the Central and one in the Eastern geographical regions, and during odd-numbered years, one in the Southeastern Region and one in the Western Region. These tours are designed to be shorter in duration (minimum three days) than the traditional five-day tours. The host Region or Chapter is free to decide which vehicles are eligible to participate in any Divisional Tour, except race vehicles will not be included. However, all vehicles must be of a production year at least 25 years prior to the year of the tour. If you would like more information on touring you can go to aaca.org, click on the "Publications" tab and then "Policy & Procedures Manual." Section 4 has everything you ever wanted to know about touring.

Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

FEB. 8-10 AACA Annual Convention—Chantilly, Virginia

14 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

17 Saturday, 5:00PM Augusta County Fair Silent Auction and Dinner - New Location: Cornerstone Church of Augusta, 1156 Tinkling Spring Rd.

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18 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting—Francescos in Bridgewater

MAR. 9 Saturday, 8 AM Tidewater Region AACA Annual Swap Meet—Nansemond-Suffolk Academy - 3373 Pruden Blvd., Suffolk, VA 23434

13 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

17 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting—Spooner BBQ in Stuarts Draft

17-23 Founders Tour 'Touring Cajun Country—Lafayette, Louisiana', sponsored by the AACA Louisiana Region

APR. 4-6 Southeastern Spring Nationals and Grand National, - Charlotte, NC – sponsored by AACA Hornets Nest Region

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

**21 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting—Francescos in Bridgewater
Special Treat after the meeting!**

Reminder to members that 2024 dues are now due. \$20.00 for those who want to receive the newsletter by mail and \$15.00 for those who want to receive electronically by email. Mail checks payable to Waynesboro-Staunton AACA to: Todd Smith, 1422 Bloomer Springs Rd. McGaheysville, VA 22840

It might seem early to be thinking about Christmas but as your Board is working on our schedule for 2024 we're thinking about our December meeting location. Since our last meeting at Mrs. Rowes was not up to expectations, a proposal was to have a catered meal at a church (Tinkling Spring Presbyterian?). We would like your input on location and potential caterers. Please let us know your thoughts. Contact Jack Drago or any Board member and we'll make plans. Below is one possibility for a caterer.

We are always looking for new venues for our meetings and as you all know, it's tough to find places that have the space, quality food and the wait staff to accommodate us on Sunday afternoons. If you have any suggestions please let us know.

We are always looking for potential programs. Speakers and tour routes so if you have ideas please let us know.

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- Pork Roast and Gravy
- Pulled Pork BBQ
- Sliced Western Ham
- Sliced Pork Tenderloin

Beef

- Beef Pot Roast and Gravy
- Hamburger Steak
- Meatloaf (contains pork)
- Meatballs & Gravy
- Beef BBQ

Pasta

- Baked Spaghetti
- Lasagna
- Baked Chicken Alfredo w/ Broccoli

Meatless Entrées

- Baked Spaghetti
- Lasagna
- Pasta Alfredo w/ Broccoli
- Vegetable Casserole

All selections include rolls with butter.

Desserts

- Banana Pudding-
- Oreo Pudding-
- Choc. Chip Cookies-
- Pies- Chocolate, Lemon, Banana, Apple, Pumpkin

Salads (Cold)

- Potato Salad
- Traditional ColeSlaw
- Super Macaroni Salad
- Italian Pasta Salad
- Broccoli Salad
- New Potato Salad
- Black Bean & Corn Salad
- Garden Salad

Sides (Hot)

- Green Beans w/ham
- Mashed Potatoes
- Cheddar Potatoes
- Sweet Potato Casserole
- Baked Beans
- Collard Greens
- Baked Macaroni & Cheese
- Glazed Carrots
- Baked Broccoli & Cheese
- Sweet Corn Medley
- Stuffing
- Baked Apples
- Creamed Peas
- Creamed Corn

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Minutes of the Jan. 21,2024 W-S Meeting

The January 21st meeting being the first meeting of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region of AACA in 2024 was held at Ming Garden in Waynesboro at 2 pm. President Jack Drago welcomed the 29 members present on this cold day.

The blessing was given by Nelson Driver.

Jack Drago gave the activities report for Rick Downs who is recovering from surgery. Next month's meeting will be in Bridgewater.

After the meal, the treasurer's report was given by Todd Smith.

The secretary reminded the members to pay their dues both local and national.

Stu Allen gave a report on the Expo Silent Auction and Dinner which will held on the 17th of February at the Cornerstone Church, Fishersville located on Route 608. The price is \$12 ahead of time or \$15 at the door. Call Stu for tickets at (540-290-0329).

The local web site is still down due to the national web site being down.

Nelson Driver presented the club copies of articles written by John Brown that were given to him by Susan Huffman.

No new nominations were made so the current officers were reelected for 2024.

On the matter of old business, an active discussion was had about the Christmas Party at Mrs. Rowe's and it was determined not to return there.

The 50/50 was \$ 40.


Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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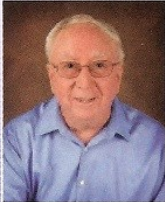
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