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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

Last months TIRE TRACKS had a neat story on how Stu is looking for a FORD? A 1962 drop top to be exact. Isn't that considered heresy to the General? Me, I don't care. I've got something from each of the Detroit 3. I took the mystery out of his search and found SIX of them on EBAY Motors. Pricing from mere pocket change to I paid that much for a house once! Stu? Let the moths out of the wallet and buy one from EBAY and all you'll need to duplicate your bucket list car is \$15 worth of Black rattle can paint. Keeping on the Stu bandwagon, we had our monthly board meeting on Wednesday night at Stu's Rathskeller. Because we were able to dispense with club business in short order (it's called efficiency) someone decided to discuss Pacemakers. Wow, what a thrill. Like watching paint dry. This should be right up my alley, talking with two engineers who design things, Stu who engineered fuel systems to make cars go (without a push) and Alfred Meyer who designed engines that made planes leave the ground (and with luck return with the wings still attached) When either of them didn't do quite as expected in the design/build department, then that's when the "field engineer" in me comes in to fix what they broke. The rest of the board members just yawned. Stu started off with his Pace Maker being a Dual-coil Quadripolar Model DF-1. Alfred naturally upped the ante one electron with his Pace Maker, a Medtronic Dexamethasone acetate steroid eluting, screw in, ventricular lead RV/SVC defibrillation coil electrode, Model MP35N, 88mm platinum cad composite. Alfred, stop and take a breath.

Me? All I do is wet my index finger and stick it in a light socket. It's quite simply called, ELECTRICITY. Mine the size and thickness of an Oreo cookie. See how simple the "field engineer" is? Not to be undone, Stu rattled off for 45 minutes the minutiae of how an engine operates. Volumetric efficiency, stoichiometric ratios, Intake valves, pistons up and down, crankshafts cranking, air and fuel being squeezed, lighting mixtures, exhaust valves discharging gases, yada, yada, yada. Me? 4 very simple words. Suck, squeeze, bang, blow. Why do they make things so hard to understand? It was decided that my very simple mind was not worthy of any more conversation, and besides that, my stomach was screaming for one of Stu's outrageous concoctions that he'd created prior to us getting there. Suffice to say he didn't let us down. Now, according to Stu, he spent some 3 hours of kitchen prep and cooking time making us what he called "Caramelized Oolong Creme Brûlée Anglaise topped with genus Rubus sorbet. Kudos to Stu for the dessert, but I'm wondering what the empty Costco box on the counter that said "Custard with Ice Cream Topping" was for? Not knocking Stu's skill in the kitchen, but how can anyone burn water? My cup of tea had a crust on it! I guess it's really the thought that counts, eh Stu? Alfred was discussing "the vectored thrust pitch dimensional nozzle management system that provided aerodynamic flight patterns in Piper Cub aircraft" and I promptly exited stage left with: "Good Night Mrs. Calabash....Wherever you are". The closing song by Jimmy Durante. (for us old fogies that know who Jimmy was)

Things my mother taught me:

PART 13: THE CIRCLE OF LIFE:

"I brought you into this world, and I can take you out."

Jack Drago

Car Display & Ice Cream Social at The Retreat Retirement Home—August 15, 2024



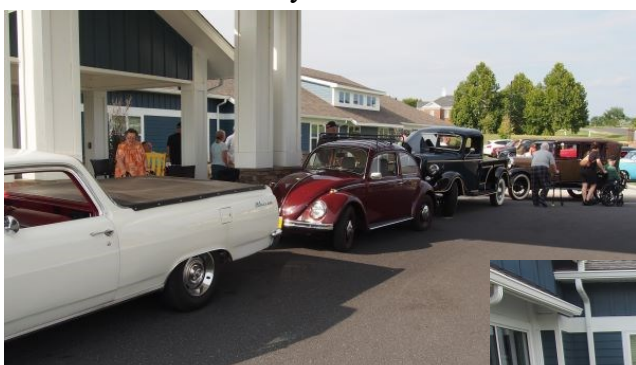
Members brought 13 vehicles to display.



Jack Drago and Paul Day met a fellow retired Seabee who is a 97 year old Retreat resident.



Residents enjoyed the display and ice cream.



Our gang insisted that your editor (young guy in the middle) should have his picture just once in Tire Tracks!

Photo by Larry Skillman

August 18, 2024 Annual Picnic with Tri-County Region at Grand Caverns Park in Grottoes

On a perfect day for a picnic, the two Regions gathered at Grand Caverns for our annual joint meeting.



It didn't take long for people to line up for the feast.



It's tough to decide which dish to sample.



Some hot, some cold, but plenty for all.



Susan Huffman and some of the gang from Tri-County Region enjoy their meal.



Did you leave room for dessert?



Linda Ayers won the 50/50 and was joined by Super Salesperson Deb Skillman

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Good day to get the old vehicles out



1940 Packard 160 Touring
Richard Obenschain



1929 Buick Model 80 Sedan
Todd Smith



1950 BSA Motorcycle
Bobby Gordon



1927 Ford Model T Touring
Nelson Driver



1960 Edsel
Robert Horton
When was the last time you saw
one?



1956 Dodge Pickup
Fred Hollen



1958 Chevrolet Impala
Chester Bradfield



1965 Chevrolet Elcamino
Jim Gregory



1957 Chevrolet Belair
Larry Skillman

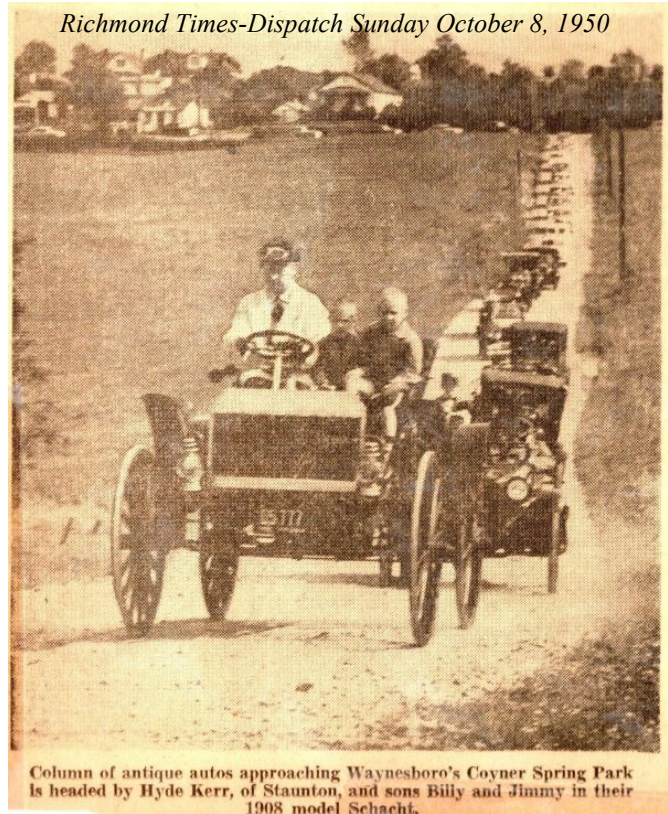
Part of Waynesboro-Staunton Region History is For Sale

Hyde Kerr, one of the founding members of our Region was active in the early 1950's, often driving a 1907 Schacht High Wheeler on club events. Bill Kerr, a former member of our Region inherited the car from Hyde, his father. We recently learned that Bill had passed away and his sons would like to sell the car, preferably to one of our members to preserve the history of the car. This car was displayed at the Natural Bridge Museum for years and then returned to Staunton where I photographed it in 2007. The car reportedly ran at that time and has been stored in a Staunton garage since then. There were only 618 Schachts built in 1907 so it is a rare car.

If you are interested, contact Patrick L. Kerr who resides in Arizona. Phone 719-322-3641, email-patkerr2016@gmail.com
His brother lives in Staunton.

You can contact me since I'm familiar with the car.

Stu Allen



Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

- SEPT** 8 *Sunday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM – Cruise-In at DAP's Ice Cream, Burgers & Fries, 3278 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.*
- 11 **Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting** at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 15 **Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting, Steak Fry and Auction, Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church, 30 Tinkling Spring Drive, Fishersville. Bring a dish to pass. Steaks, drinks, utensils and paper goods provided. Don't forget your auction donations and your checkbook!**



Mark Robertson will again be our auctioneer. Bring your goodies and join the fun!



22-27 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre 1943) Fairfield, PA Sugarloaf Mountain Region

OCT. 8-11 Hershey - Eastern Fall Nationals -Hershey Region—Hershey PA



- 16 **Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting** at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 20 **Sunday, 2:00 PM - Monthly meeting at Ming Garden**
- 24-26 **Southeastern Fall Nationals - Huntsville , Alabama—North Alabama Region**

NOV. 3 Sunday, TCVCC Cars of Our Lives (COOL) Treasure Coast Region Stuart, Florida (Bob Riddle's Region)

- 13 **Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting** at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 17 **Sunday, 2:00 PM - Monthly meeting at Panera Bread in Waynesboro**

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**Minutes of the August 18, 2024 W-S Meeting**

The Annual Joint Picnic with Tri-County Region was held at Grand Caverns Park in Grottoes with beautiful weather and a good turnout of about 50 members. The group met at 1:30 PM and Nelson Driver gave the blessing before the group tackled the buffet line. Chicken, drinks and table ware were provided along with dishes provided by all the members. As usual, there was more food than we could consume but everyone did their best. There were at least 10 delicious desserts in case anyone had room after going through the other dishes.

After the meal, W-S President, in a short meeting, reminded folks about our Auction Meeting at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church on September 15. The 50/50 winner was Linda Ayers.

Tri-County President Mike Yankey told their members about the Broadway Autumn Days Car Show on September 14 in Broadway.

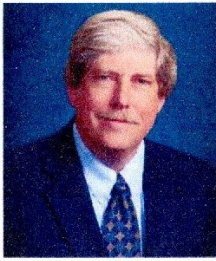
With the meetings concluded, everyone enjoyed plenty of time for fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Allen for Robbie Gray

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Polly Belford
Carol Ralston
Robert Ridle
Ann Ridle
Marilyn Rimel
Todd Smith



*By Jack Harris,
2024 AACA
National President*



WANTED: A Few Good Men and Women!

Being a Chapter and Region officer has been a very rewarding experience for me. I was first nominated as Chapter President 17 years ago. The friendships and relationships I have made over these past years have been incredible. I would have never met so many great people across the country if I had not agreed to take a leadership role in AACA.

Once elected as Chapter President, I became more involved in the NC Region. This opened up a whole new group of new friends and colleagues, as we worked together for the hobby. As past NC Region President, I have served the past 6 years on the Region's Nominating Committee. In this capacity, I have called many people and asked them to serve as a Director or Officer. Unfortunately several times I was met with resistance or just a plain No I can't do it! You may only be one person, but you are one person who can offer something to the AACA, whether it is locally or in a broader capacity.

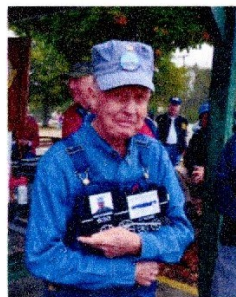
Everyone is busy and has a lot going on, but this hobby deserves all of our best efforts to make it grow and prosper. Your leadership can and will make a difference. We can't and should not count on the same people who always step up to help--they also need the rest of us to pitch in. New blood helps form better ideas and will keep the club moving into the future. Everybody has a talent and can offer something to bring to this table. You never know what you can do

until you give it a good try. If you can write, you can be the Chapter secretary. If you have some skill with your phone camera, you can be the photographer of your chapter newsletter and assist the editor. If your writing skills are better than mine, you can be the Chapter reporter or editor. If you have good computer skills, you can be the webmaster for your Region. And the list goes on.

Step up and help your Chapter or your Region today! Get involved. Agree to be on a committee. Take on an officer or director position!


Most people are intimidated at first of agreeing to a leadership role. Starting up as an assistant or teaming up with another person might make both of you confident that you can be a leader in your Chapter or Region. Just remember, you will never be alone in participation or in leadership--there are many resources available to you from the National headquarters. There are people to answer all your questions and people who are willing to come to your area and offer assistance. Being an active member in AACA in a leadership role is hugely rewarding at every level. All it takes is to say YES one time and you never know where it might take you.

Everybody is capable of doing something big or small. **We are in this together!**



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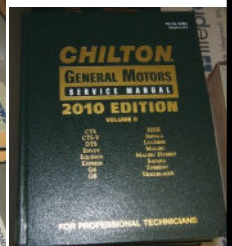
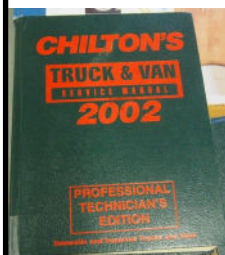
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