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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Why do they put braille on the drive-through bank machines?



It was a nice quiet Sunday morning on March 22nd at 8:30 AM as I was eating breakfast, when suddenly the door bell rang and there was a commotion and

pounding on the front door.

It was Stu, Nelson, Glen, Duane, Robbie and a few of some obviously irritated club members. Nelson was leading the pack with “Go back down North where you came from!” (Nelson in the front middle of the photo)

Could I have possibly insulted the natives again? Still? Then the phone was ringing off the hook. It was Linda Royer. She demanded an apology for my little blurb about her “under the table” story in February’s column. My SINCERE apology to Linda for assuming that one 3 ounce can of Coors Light would put her in a stupor. She told me that she had consumed a FULL quart bottle of Bourbon before I got to the party. My error.

Next, my hat’s off to the person that brought the Barbasol Trimming Kit to the Christmas party. That gift has saved me hundreds of dollars in haircut fees. I can now also shave my own head and do the trimming of bushes in my nose and ears.

So far, Stu must be giddy with excitement that nothing raunchy has been suggested by me. Let’s see how long that lasts.

I missed last month’s column due to being under the weather, that being a gastro-intestinal problem, and I’ll leave it at that. (it’s Stu inflicted) Karen dragged my sorry sore butt to the hospital, and after a very thorough exam and several organ scans (chest and gut ++), blood tests for Beri-Beri, Hoof and Mouth, Dysentery, Jungle Rot, Jiggers Nipple, Malaria, Aquagenic Veticaria, Measles, Scabies, Covid and Mad Cow, (really?) the results came back as they determined that I had a “bug” of some sort. Wow Doc, twelve years of medical training? I could have saved a dime by going on line for the same diagnosis. In any event, the doctor’s final determination was, and after a private conversation with the war department, “Mr. Drago, I want you to lose 30 pounds of UGLY fat!” I inquired if he had any particular suggestions, to which he replied, “sure, cut off your head!”

Everyone’s a comedian.

REDNECK MEDICAL DICTIONARY:
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Jack Drago

W-S March 15, 2026 Meeting at Ming Garden



Butch & Peggy Beverly—Camaro



Nelson Driver—'68 Buick LeSabre



Larry & Deb Skillman—'50 Ford



Fred Hollen-'92 BMW Conv.



Our 29 members fill the room to capacity



Members enjoy the buffet.



Welcome to our new member Rick Forgey.



Jack reviewed the history of the Founders Day Award.



Stu presented the Founders Day award to Bob Ridle. Bob brought our website up to date and trained Josiah Gingerich.



Bob received his Jefferson Cup since travel back to Florida with the trophy bowl would be tough.



Jack Drago presented a Jefferson Cup to Stu Allen, winner of the Founders Day Award in 2022.

March 7 Dinner/Auction to benefit Augusta County Fair



The Fair Queens welcomed us to the Weyers Cave Community Center.



With 29 W-S Members attending, we were the largest group there.



Our group filled one full row and we overflowed to the next row.



Good food and lots of fellowship are elements of this annual event.

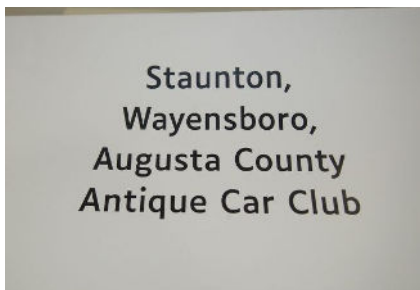


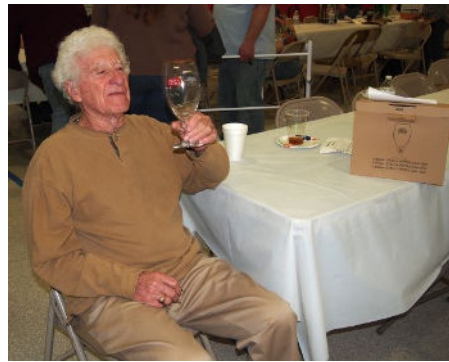
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Steve Ayers and Robbie Kuykendall check out the live auction items.



Carol & Dave Sarginger went home with lots of loot from the Silent Auction.



Bobby Gordon added to his huge collection of wine glasses.



Now we know why Linda Ayers told Steve to bring the truck!



Featured in the live auction was this great patriotic wall hanging.



It was won by our own David Barr.



The Kuykendalls' added another AA Ford to the collection.

Remembering Jim Gregory

Jim Gregory passed away March 27, 2026. He was a 50+ year member of AACA and was very active in all of our Region Activities. Here are some photos from our archives.



1975

Jim, Sue, & Scott Gregory.



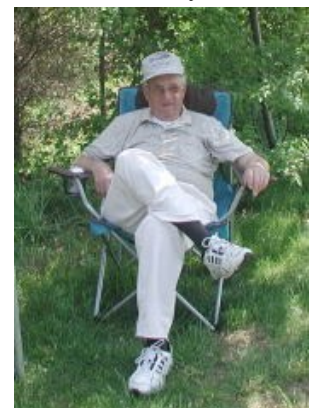
W-S Christmas Party—1980



Christmas Party—2010



Jim Gregory received a 1st Junior for his beautiful 1933 Franklin July 2010



Alaska 2015



Jim & Sue 57th Anniversary 2019



2015



Hershey 2017



Jim & Nelson receive their 50 Year AACA pins.



Oct 2014



Notes from the Treasurer

Dues are now due - \$15.00 for electronic copy of newsletter / \$20.00 for printed mailed copy. Make checks payable to Waynesboro-Staunton AACA and mail to: Todd Smith, 1422 Bloomer Springs Rd., McGaheysville, VA 22840 -OR- pay in person at the February car club meeting.

This will be the last year that the club can print and mail printed newsletters, for 2 reasons.

The cost of printing and mailing is just too expensive. With stamps at \$0.78 each, the cost of paper, printer inks, labels and printer wear, the board feels it is just not economically feasible to continue mailings.

The time it takes to print and mail is just too prohibitive. It takes 10-12 hrs. for each editing, printing and mailing. This includes actual printing time, collation, folding, labeling, placing stamp and then the trip to the Post Office to mail.

So, 2026 will be the last year for a printed & mailed copy of the newsletter.

If you do not have a computer or internet, let me or someone on the board know and we will try to accommodate you.

Todd Smith—Treasurer

Sad News— Tom Kempton

We just learned that long time member Tom Kempton passed away on January 10, 2026.

Service arrangements will be through Reynolds Hamrick Funeral Home in Waynesboro.

They will be forwarded to members once they are completed.

Our condolences go out to Kathy Kempton.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- Chester Bradfield**
- Jimmy Kilbourne**
- Bob Kuykendall**
- Robbie Kuykendall**
- Claudette Obenschain**

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Minutes of the March 15, 2026 W-S Region Meeting

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACA held its March meeting on the 15th at Ming Garden in Waynesboro at 2pm. President Jack Drago welcomed the 28 members and new member Rick Forgey.

Nelson Driver gave the blessing and then we proceeded with the meal.

Todd Smith gave the treasurer’s report and he reminded the members to pay their dues.

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

Nelson Driver reported that the ODMA meet would be on May 1st in Chesapeake and he had applications. Also, there was a good possibility the we would be doing the ODMA tour on Oct 24th. This is still in the planning with possibility of going to the Frontier Culture Museum.

Daune Perrin reported we had 28 members at the Fair dinner on March 7th.

The president stated that he was still trying to work out the bus trip to Roanoke.

At this time, Jack Drago stated that the Founders Awards would be awarded for the first time since 2022. He then read the following statement:

In the fall of 1949, the Antique Automobile Club of America brought the Glidden Tour to Virginia. The write up in the newspapers kindled the interest of John Brown who drove to Luray to see the cars arrive at the Mimslyn Hotel. He applied for membership in the AACA at that time.

In December of 1950 Mr. Brown recruited new members by personal calls and letters throughout the state. By April 14 of 1940, other enthusiasts had registered so that a new region could be formed. The first organizational meeting was held at a dinner at the General Wayne Inn in Waynesboro on April 18, 1950. (editor’s note: thus first in the South and fourth in the nation of AACA regions.)

In April of 1987, John A. Brown instituted the Annual Founders Day Award by giving the Region a large silver bowl to be presented to a deserving member each April. His intent was for the bowl to remain in the custody of the recipient for one year or until a successor was found. The bowl would be presented to another. The recipients names and years of the award have been engraved on the bowl. A smaller replica is then permanently presented to the previous winner.

This year’s winner is Bob Ridle for his efforts in getting the web site back up and running with it up to date and training Josiah Gingerich as the new webmaster.

Bob responded he was very appreciative for the award. He gave a brief history of the web site stating that Doris Stone had started it for the club.

Stu Allen then received the smaller replica as the previous winner.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.

From the Editor’s Desk
Please submit any articles, pictures, or ideas for publication to me at the following:
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265 Stayman Lane
Staunton, VA 24401
540-290-0329 (Cell)
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Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

- APR 8** Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen’s 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 9-11** Southeastern Spring Nationals—Charlotte NC—Hornets Nest Region
- 18 Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10 AM
- 19** 2:00 PM Monthly Meeting at Francesco’s—101 North Main St. Bridgewater
- 23-25** Annual Grand Nationals/Western Spring Nats.—Las Vegas NV—Las Vegas Region
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- MAY 1-2** Friday & Saturday -ODMA Meet Chesapeake, VA. See pages 8 & 9.
- 8** Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen’s 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 16 Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10 AM
- 17** Sunday, 2:00 PM -Monthly Meeting & Picnic at Sunset Park, 300 N. Winchester Avenue in Waynesboro . Bring a dish to pass. Chicken, drinks, utensils and paper goods provided .
- 28-30** Eastern Spring Nationals—Indiana PA— Shannock Valley Region
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- JUN 10** Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen’s 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton
- 11-13** Southeastern Fall Nationals-Oak Ridge Tennessee- Volunteer Region
- 14-19** Sentimental Tour (1928-1958) Mechanicsburg PA– Oakland/Pontiac Worldwide Region
- 14** 2:00 PM Monthly Meeting at Francesco’s—101 North Main St. Bridgewater
- 20 Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10 AM

2026 Tentative Meeting Schedule

July 11	Baldwin Park
25	Augusta County Fair
August 16	Grottoes-Picnic
September 20	Tinkling Spring - Auction
October 18	Panera Bread
November 15	Ming Garden
December 19	Christmas at Tinkling Spring

Bus Tour to Roanoke

June 13

(subject to bus availability)

Tours:

Virginia Museum of Transportation—Exhibits include diesel, electric and steam locomotives. The museum also houses model train exhibits and road vehicles. One vehicle featured is the Model T Ford owned and restored by W-S member Willis Clemmer.

Black Dog Salvage—Featured on “Salvage Dogs”- DIY Network
Travel via Quicks Bus

Cost approx. \$60 each *(depends on number of passengers we have)*
Club will cover Museum entry fee and driver tip.

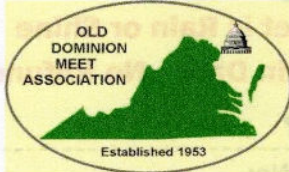
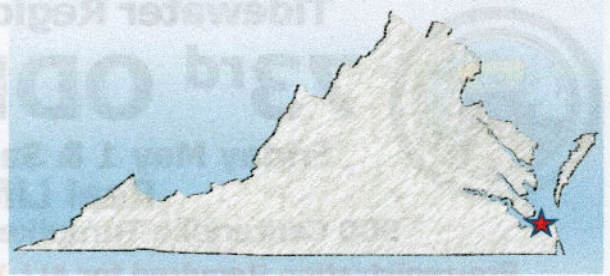
We need to reserve the bus ASAP so if you can attend please contact:

Jack Drago-(540) 337-2120

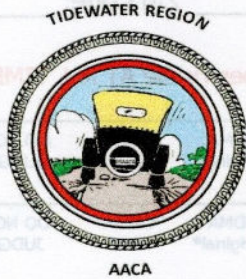


73rd Annual ODMA MEET

May 1st and 2nd, 2026



The Tidewater Region of The Antique Automobile Club of America will host the 73rd Annual Old Dominion Meet. The Meet will be held at the Real Life Christian Church at 900 Centerville Turnpike North in Chesapeake, Virginia, on May 1st and 2nd, 2026. Onsite trailer parking will be available at the church from 1 p.m. on May 1st through 6 p.m. on May 2nd. Trailers will need to be moved from the church parking lot before 6 p.m. on May 2nd.



Friday Night Social: 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Pizza at Real Life Christian Church.

Saturday:

- 8:00 a.m. Vehicle registration and parking fields open
- 10:00 a.m. All show vehicles on the field
- 11:00 a.m. Judging will begin
- 2:30 p.m. Dinner followed by Presentation of Awards

Saturday Awards Dinner: Pork and Chicken BBQ Dinner with baked beans, green beans, rolls and dessert at Real Life Christian Church.

To register:

Complete the form at www.traaca.com and mail with your check made out to TRAACA to:
Jerry Adams, 3400 Commerce Street, Portsmouth, VA 23707

For registration questions, please contact Jerry Adams at (757) 673-3240 or traacameet@gmail.com

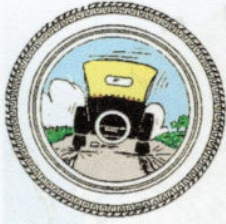
First 100 pre-registered cars will receive a dash plaque.

Hotels:

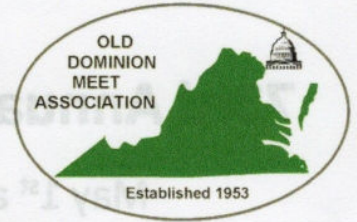
- Hilton Garden Inn, 1565 Crossways Blvd., Chesapeake, VA 23320, (757) 420-2515, www.hilton.com
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- Comfort Suites, 1550 Crossways Blvd., Chesapeake, VA 23320, (757) 420-1600, www.choicehotels.com

Registration Deadline is April 17th

Questions? Please contact Harry Park at 757-274-5426 or harrygpark@yahoo.com



Tidewater Region AACA Presents 73rd ODMA Meet



Friday May 1 & Saturday May 2, 2026
Real Life Church

900 Centerville Turnpike N, Chesapeake, VA 23320

Pre-registration Required for ALL Vehicles

Meet is Rain or Shine

Registration MUST BE Postmarked by April 17, 2026

NO Rain Date - No Refunds

Registration Form - PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Personal Info: (Must be an Active AACA member to show a vehicle)

AACA Member No: _____

Name: _____ Phone No: _____

email: _____ AACA Region: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Vehicle Info: (List Year, Make, and Model. List AACA class if known, If unknown leave class blank)

!! ALL Show vehicles must have a fully charged, operational, UL-approved fire extinguisher visible AT ALL TIMES !!

#1	Year: _____	Make: _____	Model: _____						
	Class: _____	ODMA Award sought: (Circle One)	ODMA Junior	ODMA Senior	ODMA Preservation	ODMA Original*	ODMA DPC	DO NOT JUDGE	
#2	Year: _____	Make: _____	Model: _____						
	Class: _____	ODMA Award sought: (Circle One)	ODMA Junior	ODMA Senior	ODMA Preservation	ODMA Original*	ODMA DPC	DO NOT JUDGE	
#3	Year: _____	Make: _____	Model: _____						
	Class: _____	ODMA Award sought: (Circle One)	ODMA Junior	ODMA Senior	ODMA Preservation	ODMA Original*	ODMA DPC	DO NOT JUDGE	

* Original is formerly HPOF (Historic Preservation of Features) is only available if the vehicle was pre-certified at a National AACA Event as HPOF/ Original
* DPC (Drivers Participation Class) are NOT point judge, they are evaluated

ALL VEHICLES MUST BE ON SHOW FIELD BY 10:00AM

	QTY	EACH	TOTAL
Vehicle(s) (First Vehicle)	1	@ \$30.00	\$ _____
(Additional Vehicles)		@ \$20.00	\$ _____
Trailer Parking (See Flyer for details).....(Trailer Length _____ ft).....		@ \$FREE	\$ _____
Friday Night Social (Price Per Person see Flyer)		@ \$10.00	\$ _____
Awards Banquet Saturday (Price Per Person see Flyer).....		@ \$25.00	\$ _____
Total			\$ _____

If registering additional Vehicles please attach second registration form with Name & additional vehicle Information

I would like to help Judge : Yes / No (if Yes, Dan Ciccone will contact you with details)
(Circle One)

I agree that the Tidewater Region AACA (TRAACA), Old Dominion Meet Association (ODMA), named sponsors, directors, officers, employees, volunteers and agents of the above will not be held liable for any injury or damage incurred by the listed vehicle(s) entered in the show before, during, or after the meet on May 2, 2026. I further certify that I have the required Liability Damage Insurance on the listed show vehicle(s) for the state in which they're registered.


Signature: _____ Date: _____

Meet Questions

ODMA Meet Chair Harry Park
Phone: (757) 274-5426 Email:harrygpark@yahoo.com

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