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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

I woke up this morning determined to drink less, eat right, and exercise.

But that was four hours ago when I was younger and full of hope.

I'm not sure where you reside, but suffice it to say that here in the "Draft", June's temperatures have been just a tick on this side of that in "HADES". (I'll let you know when I get there).

English Meadows in Fishersville was our first club display this year, and the nice folks there gave us a wonderful hot dog and ice cream social as a thank you for bringing our cars for the residents to not only ogle, but to remember some lust times they had in the back seat way back when. (the editor just screwed himself to the ceiling) I'm writing this from notes that I've recovered from my pockets and the washing machine. (Karen showed me where it was and what it does).

June 14th, FLAG DAY, saw 26 of us at Francesco's in Bridgewater for one of their fabulous meals and deplorable service from one of the wait staff. After a rapid meal and saying the Pledge Of Allegiance, 19 of us headed off to the Augusta Military Academy in Fort Defiance for a presentation and tour of the historic home of the founder, Charles Roller. Our guide was Chris Correa. We thoroughly enjoyed his animated (I was going to use the word "gesticulate", but I couldn't spell it) presentation so much that a number of us were asked to come back for a more personal tour of some of the closed buildings.

All this came about because the "war department" planned this a few days prior to the event, since she said, "we've been going by the place for years and why not stop in." Yep, we'll be back.

Bob Kuykendall took umbrage at my reference to him being a PRUNE, and casually mentioned that my next column might just possibly be written from the bottom oof a 6 foot dirt pile. Make my day Bob!

Doris Stone wacked me upside the head because I hadn't mentioned her name, either good or bad. The last time I did, she firebombed my outhouse. I can't win.

Not to be outdone, Velva Barr poked me in the chest 3 times with her boney index finger just for the fun of it. Why me? I've got to find a different occupation as this one is far too perilous for my health.

Red Neck Medical Dictionary:

DILATE: To Live Long

Jack Drago



W-S Ice Cream Social and Display at English Meadows—Fishersville**June 10, 2026**

On a beautiful June evening, our Region visited the English Meadows Retirement Home in Fishersville



Your Editor's 1949 Buick Super was the first car to arrive followed by Nelson Driver's 1927 Model T.



Nelson & Barry Linke told some residents about the cars we brought..



The residents loved to have their picture taken with the cars.



Barry & Rose Linkes' 1924 Model T Roadster followed by Robbie Gray's 1929 Model A Huckster.



The residents came out in force to enjoy the cars and the food.



Our host was Cheryl Barber who served hotdogs and ice cream!



Our gang did their usual good job enjoying the dogs and all the fixins.



Our guys enjoyed a nice evening in the shade on the front lawn.



These ladies remembered when their dads had cars like this.

W-S Monthly Meeting at Francesco's and Tour of AMA Museum



As usual, our group enjoyed the great cuisine at Francesco's



Our tour stop for the day was the AMA Museum in Fort Defiance



Chris Correa, AMA's Resident Historian was our docent who regaled us with stories from the Academy.



Our group enjoyed the tour and the history lesson. Several felt they should come back to spend more time here.



Uniform display.



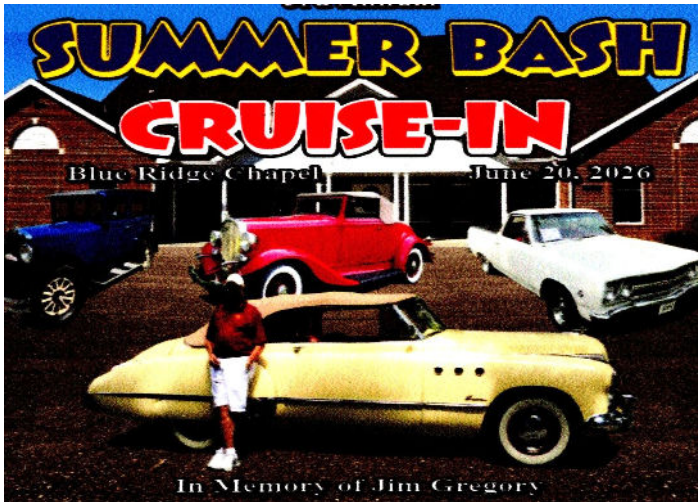
The gang gathered for a group photo before heading home after a fun afternoon.

The **Augusta Military Academy (AMA)** was a secondary education military academy in Fort Defiance, Virginia, United States. The school was established in 1865 (161 years ago) by Confederate veteran Charles Summerville Roller^[3] as the **Augusta Male Academy** and formally became a military academy in 1880 (146 years ago). It combined classical studies with a military curriculum and was officially named Augusta Military Academy in 1890. At the time, it was one of the first military preparatory schools in the Commonwealth of Virginia. It was one of the first such schools in the United States to adopt the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps program in 1919.

Until its closure in 1984 (42 years ago), the Academy had attracted over 7,000 students from the United States and abroad. Today it is owned and operated as a campground for the Virginia District of the United Pentecostal Church International. It is located on U.S. Route 11, also known as the Lee Highway.

Source—Wikipedia

Third Annual Cruise-In dedicated in memory of Jim Gregory—Blue Ridge Church of the Bretheran—19 Browns Lane, Waynesboro
June 20, 2026



The Dash Plaque featured Jim and his cars.



Scott & Patty Gregory brought Jim's El Camino and the Mercedes.



Sue Gregory welcomed 12 W-S Members among the participants. We estimated 50 cars were present.



Steve & Linda Ayers brought their Model A.



Larry & Deb Skillman arrived in their '65 GTO.



Barry & Rose Linke brought the '65 Mustang 2+2

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**Minutes of the June 14, 2026 W-S Region Meeting**

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACA held its June 14, 2026 meeting in Bridgewater, Virginia at Francesco's at 2 pm. President Jack Drago opened the meeting welcoming the 26 members present.

Nelson Driver asked the Blessing.

President Jack Drago Stated after the meal we would have a tour of Augusta Military Academy on Route 11 at Fort Defiance.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec.

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Stu Allen
Brian Brumbaugh
Kenneth Farley
Bobby Gordon
Barry Linke
Glen Royer
Debra Skillman
Joe Yancey

Calendar of AACA Events & Community Car Events

JUL 11 Saturday, 10:00 AM- 2:00 PM – Vehicle Display & Monthly Meeting, Lunch provided, Brightview / Baldwin Park, 21 Woodlee Road, Staunton.

18 Cars and Coffee at Terry Court in Staunton 8-10 AM

23-25 Central Spring Nationals - Green Bay, Wisconsin

25 Saturday, 12-4PM, Vehicle Display at the Augusta County Fair, Augusta Expo, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville. Model A Club will join us. Set-up starts at 12PM. Vehicles in place by 1:00.

AUG 12 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

16 Sunday, 1:30 PM – Monthly Meeting and Picnic with the Tri-County Region, Grand Caverns, 5 Grand Caverns Drive, Grottoes.

19-22 Annual Grand Nationals / Zenith Awards - NB Center, Allentown PA

SEP 9 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton

9-14 Founders Tour (1932-2001) Williamsburg VA—Historic Peninsula Region

20 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!

21-26 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (pre 1943—Dover Delaware—AACA Hosted



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2026 Tentative Meeting Schedule

October 18	Panera Bread
November 15	Ming Garden
December 19	Christmas at Tinkling Spring

Piedmont Region Meetings

Meet the 4th Monday of the month at Timberwood Grill near airport road on Worth Ave.

Tri-County Region Meetings

Check their website:
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