

# TIRE TRACKS THE ELECTRONIC VERSION

Greetings, Waynesboro-Staunton Region Members,

April is the time we honor the heritage of our Region with our Founders Day Celebration. We'll have a chance to view some of the photos from our archives. Some of you may recognize the folks in these pictures, but if you don't, join us at Pano's where the identities will be revealed!

Stu Allen—Editor



**NEXT MEETING** : Sunday, April 13, 2:00PM -Founders Day Meeting—Pano's, 3190 S. Main St. Harrisonburg. Awards given for best costume clothing and best antique vehicle chosen by Pano's Management.



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Now that spring has arrived and the days are longer and warmer, we are looking forward to our driving tour to Montpelier on April 5. Many of you have signed up to go, and we should have a fun day. If you find out at the last minute that you can go, please join us even if you haven't signed up. The more, the merrier!!

On Sunday, April 13, we will be celebrating another Founders' Day. Someone will take home the beautiful bowl that Billy Melton, last year's recipient, has had for the past year. You can see the names of all past recipients on our website at <u>http://</u><u>local.aaca.org/waynesboro-staunton</u>. Click on Region History and scroll down the page. Wonder whose name will appear as the 2014 recipient? Come to the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> and find out.

Three other activities are planned for the Founders' Day meeting.

- The manager at Pano's will select his favorite antique vehicle, and the driver will receive an award. So drive an antique vehicle to the meeting. They will be parked together in the north parking lot.
- We will have a very informal fashion show so wear one vintage item or an entire outfit. One person will receive an award for wearing the favorite clothing item(s).
- Owen, Mary Helen, Stu, and others will entertain us with old photos taken at past Region events.

Congratulations to Stu Allen for receiving an "Award of Distinction for Regional Publications" and to Bob Ridle for receiving an "Award of Excellence" for webmaster at the Annual Meeting. As I said at the March meeting, we are so fortunate to have these two individuals doing excellent jobs for our Region. Attendance at the March meeting was down a little which was probably due to the weather. Before we started, it was raining; by the time we finished, it was snowing. At the meeting, we voted once again to host a HPOF-DPC National Meet in 2017. This must now be approved by the National Board.

Our meetings for the next four months will NOT be held on the usual 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. See our website and newletter for more information about our meetings and other activities. Mark your calendars now for the following upcoming meetings:

Sunday, April 13, 2 p.m., Pano's Restaurant, Harrisonburg

Sunday, May 4, 1 p.m., Hometown Grill, Staunton

Sunday, June 8, time and place to be determined

Saturday, July 12, Brightview-Baldwin Park, Staunton

If your schedule permits, support the Piedmont Region at their 40<sup>th</sup> Car Show on Sunday, April 27, behind Sam's Club, Route 29N, Charlottesville. They always have a great show.

Don't miss what promises to be an interesting afternoon as we celebrate Founders' Day on Sunday, April 13, 2 p.m., at Pano's Restaurant. See you there.

Doris Stone



Billy Melton was the winner of the 2013 Founders' Day Award





Our March meeting took us to Hometown Grill in Staunton where everyone enjoyed the buffet. Following the dinner and the business meeting, we watched an introductory DVD about Montpelier, home of James and Dolley Madison. This historic site has recently undergone major renovations to return it to the form that existed in Madison's time. This program prepared us for the upcoming tour on April 5. We can't guarantee flowers as shown in the picture below, but the tour of the mansion will certainly be interesting and educational.

Montpelier In the Spring



#### **BETSY—THE LONG-TERM RESTORATION**

#### Part 2 <u>Where do I start?</u>

Everything I had read about restoration cautioned that documentation and pictures were essential to doing a quality job. As engineers, we were required to keep a detailed log of our activities so I started one on the '34, not recognizing that the log book would span many years of work on the car. Photos taken in the late 70's were 35 mm. slides and one had to wait for them to be developed before you knew if the picture showed that feature you were trying to capture.

A typical 35 mm picture taken before the restoration began



In retrospect, I should have taken many more pictures of the car in its as-found state. It is hard to believe how difficult it is to find an original or authentically restored car like the one you are working on when you need to see how something goes together, particularly when you attempt to assemble it many years after you took it apart. I was able to collect a shop manual, a reprint of the Fisher Body manual, parts book and several sales brochures that helped me envision what the car should look like once it was restored.

Chevrolet built nearly 164,000 Master 2-Dr. Coaches in 1934 so it would seem that there should be lots of them around. In 30+ years at Hershey, I've never seen one. At the VCCA National Meet in 2011 there were twelve '34 Chevys there but no 2-Dr. coaches. I've seen pictures of several 2-Drs. that were built into street rods so maybe that's what happened to most of them that survived. If you are not familiar with early Chevrolets, you might not be aware that most of the framing for the body was wood. The tops of the cars were a heavy fabric supported by wood slats and chicken wire. The fabric would deteriorate over time (unless resealed) and the water leaks that developed would eventually rot the wooden frame. I suspect that many of the Chevies of this vintage were scrapped once the doors began to sag and became difficult to close. Scrap drives that occurred in support of WW II took their toll on many used (or used up) cars.

**To be continued**—Next we'll start tearing things apart to assess what will be required in the restoration.

Stu Allen

# 40 th Piedmont Region AACA Car Show



Sunday, April 27 2013 Behind Sam's Club Route 29 North, Charlottesville VA Antique-Classic-Modified-Street Rods



1. Ford Model T and A to 1931 2. Ford 1932 to 1941 3. Production Cars to 1927 4. Production Cars 1928 -1942 5. Production Cars 1946 -1954 6. Production Cars 1955 - 1957 7. Production Cars 1958 - 1964 8. Production cars 1965– 1989
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Show Cars are on Pavement Event will be held Rain or Shine—No Refunds All Vehicles must be on the show field by Noon to be eligible for awards. The field will open at 9:00 am. Participant judging for first and second place trophies starts at 11:00 am Awards will be given at 3:00 pm. Must be present to receive Trophy Cars registered after noon will not be judged Drawings will be held for all registered vehicles

Dash Plaques awarded to the first 125 registrations

Information 434 823 5372 RuckFood, Drink and Restrooms Available at Sam's Club & Doubletree No For Sale signs on the Show Field

!!! No Alcohol, or Pets allowed - No music played from Vehicles!!! Limited Flea Market Spaces Available - \$15 per space.

Trailers cannot be parked on Sam's Lot. Use Brown's or Doubletree lots

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## Please join the Waynesboro-Staunton Region AACA

### Spring Antique Car Tour to Montpelier home of President James & Dolley Madison



#### Saturday, April 5, 2014

#### **Departure** Points:

9:30 a.m. Family Dollar parking lot on Route 340, Grottoes

10:10 a.m. Liberty Gas Station on Route 340 south of Route 33, Elkton

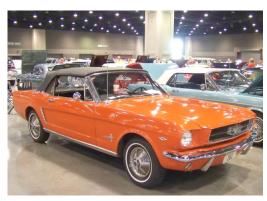
Leisurely tour on some country roads to Orange. Lunch at Country Cookin about 11:30.



Spend the afternoon at Montpelier. We have a reservation for a 1:30 tour. We will view an orientation film in Visitors Center, take guided tour of the mansion, stroll the gardens and outdoor exhibits, etc. Buy tickets in Visitors Center for \$18 each.

#### CARS FOR SALE

Betty Clemmer has decided to sell two cars that Willis drove on many Waynesboro-Staunton Region events.



#### 1965 Mustang Convertible (Poppy Red)

289 cu. in.—Automatic Transmission Dual exhaust Bucket Seats Older restoration Asking \$17,500.

#### 1981 Mercedes 380 SL Convertible

Has both hard and soft tops Automatic Transmission 101352 miles Asking \$14,500

Call Betty Clemmer 540-885-8285

#### CARS FOR SALE

The family of Founding Member and Past President Jeff Diffee has decided to sell two of the cars he drove and loved. It would be great to see them stay in the club. Both cars have been garaged since Jeff's passing. If you are interested, please call Jeff's daughter, Linda Dodd .

540-493-1943 (cell) 540-721-7580 (home)

#### **1929 Model A Woodie Station Wagon**

Unrestored, original wood with side curtains.

An improved "C" motor and overdrive were installed in the car for touring but the original motor is included with the woodie. The car has been to many National Meets.

Asking \$19,000. or Best Offer

Linda has other Model A parts (fenders etc.) for sale also.



1920 Dodge 4-Door Sedan

This car was restored in 1952 and has the original upholstery. The original engine will be included with the car.

Asking \$9000 or Best Offer

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## **2014 Calendar of Events**

<u>APR.</u>	3-5	AACA Southeastern Spring Meet hosted by Hornets Nest Region					
	5	Saturday—Spring Driving Tour to Montpelier ( <i>Details on Page 4</i> )					
	9	Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:30 pm					
	13	Sunday, 2:00PM -Founders Day Meeting—Pano's, 3190 S. Main St. Harrisonburg. Awards given for best costume clothing and best antique vehicle chosen by Pano's Management.					
	27	Sunday—Piedmont Region AACA—40th Annual Car Fest, Charlottesville— <i>Details Page 3</i>					
<u>MAY</u>	4	Sunday, 1 PM, Business Meeting - Hometown Grill (Old Shoney's), 30 Sanger's Lane, Staunton. Activity - A tour of Ken Shoemaker's auto, jukebox & model train collection.					
	8-10	AACA Special Spring Meet, Auburn, IN.					
	10	Saturday, Waynesboro Motorsports Show - Details Page 5					
	13-16	AACA Eastern Division Tour, Tappahannock, VA. Hosted by Northern Neck Region.					
	16-17	Friday & Saturday, 61st Annual ODMA Meet, Richmond, VA - See website					
	21	Wednesday - VMCCA National Heritage Tour coffee stop hosted by W-S Region AACA at the Rockfish Gap Fire Department in Nelson County.					
	29-31	AACA Eastern Spring Meet, Buffalo, NY. Hosted by Lake Erie Region.					
	31	Saturday, Second Annual Woodrow Wilson Car Show, Fishersville, VA - Details TBA					
<b>JUNE</b>	8	Sunday - Tour to Swannanoa Palace at Afton. Time, lunch & tour route to be determined.					
	11	Weds. W/S Board Meeting 7:30 pm					
	12-14	AACA Grand National/Southeastern Dual Meets, Lebanon, TN. Hosted by Middle Tennessee					
	15-21	<u>Region</u> . AACA Reliability Tour, Lancaster, PA. Hosted by <u>Hershey Region</u> .					
		AACA Central Spring Meet, Lincoln, NE. Hosted by <u>Nebraska Region</u>					
<u>Piedmont Region Meetings</u> are the 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday at the Doubletree Hotel on Route 29 North in Charlottesville at 7pm.			BOB LANG AUTO REPAIR ASE CERTIFIED MASTER TECHNICIAN				
<u>Tri-County Region Meetings</u> - Dates vary– Check their website. http://tri-county-aaca.org/			Eastern Gate Motors 1215 E Main Street 540-471-0248 Waynesboro, VA 22980 Mon – Fri, 8AM – 5PM				
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#### Minutes of the February Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting

The March 2014 meeting of the Waynesboro/Staunton region of the AACA was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Home Town Grill in Staunton at 2 pm. President Doris Stone opened the meeting and welcomed the 28 members and guest present. After the meal, Nelson Driver asked the blessing.

Mary Helen Ayers gave the sunshine report. Reporting Robbie Gray's mother had passed away. Then, she gave the Treasurer's Report.

The Secretary's Minutes were printed in The Tire Tracks and were approved as printed.

Stu Allen and Bob Ridle both received awards in Philly at the Annual Meeting: Stu for the Tire Tracks and Bob for the web site.

Vice President Ken Farley gave activities report as follows: (next 4 months meet at different dates, so check your calendar)

April 5 – Montpelier Spring Tour. Flyer in Tire Tracks

April 13- Founders' Day meeting. At Pano's in Harrisonburg. Drive your antique car and wear your vintage clothing because award will be given.

May 4- Home Town Grill and tour of Ken Shoemaker's collection.

June 8- Tour

July 12 Baldwin Park Show

The Founder's Day Award Committee reported the task had been completed.

The Audit Committee of Shirley Farley and Shirley Wampler reported the Treasurer's books were accurate.

Nelson Driver reported on the ODMA meet to be held in Richmond on May 17. He also discussed a change to the bylaws of ODMA to make them comply with the AACA judging rules changes. A motion was made and passed to approve this change.

The 2015 ODMA committee reported the date will be May 23 & 24, 2015.

The Heritage Tour Coffee Stop will be on May 21 at Rockfish Valley Fire Dept., We need help to set up for a brunch instead of coffee and donuts. Keep that a.m. free to help on that day.

Activities Committee is working on a Fall Tour and 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

Ken Farley talked about possibility of a 2017 National Meet for HFOP and DPC class. A motion was made to submit the application to host this meet, seconded, and passed.

Bob Ridle explained the web site for activities and links to other car clubs.

The 50/50 was won by Joyce Jackameit.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec



#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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