

May 2014



# TIRE TRACKS THE ELECTRONIC VERSION

# NEXT MEETING : Sunday, May 4, 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.

Greetings, Waynesboro-Staunton Region Members,

Note our meeting day this month! I hear this collection is one we won't want to miss! There are lots of opportunities for getting the old cars out this month so check out our Schedule of Events on Page 6. See you and your old cars at these events!

Stu Allen—Editor





Scenes from 2013 WWRC Foundation Show

Registration Form on Page 8





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# **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

There's definitely a lot going on with the antique car hobby since the weather has gotten warmer. There are several local events this month for Region members to participate in--the Waynesboro Motorsports Show on May 10 and the Woodrow Wilson Rehab. Center Foundation Show on May 31. Registration forms for both shows are on our website and were in *Tire Tracks*. Also the Old Dominion Meet will be held in the Richmond area on May 16 and 17 and some members plan to attend.

The VMCCA Presidential Heritage Tour will take place in the Shenandoah Valley from May 17 to 22. Attending that tour are over 130 people from 19 states and British Columbia driving about 60 cars including the Shanholtzers, Sargingers, Grays, and Stones from the W-S Region. Plans have been finalized for the Region to host a Brunch on Wednesday, May 21, at the Rockfish Valley Fire Department from 10 to 11 a.m. If you want to see some beautiful cars, drive over to the Fire Department on Wednesday morning or come to the Comfort Inn in Harrisonburg Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday evenings. A few of the cars that have registered are a 1935 Auburn from Michigan, a 1932 Packard from Indiana, a 1928 Hupmobile from Nevada, and a 1940 Ford Coupe from Iowa.

According to John Stone, the W-S Region tour to Montpelier on April 5 was a success. We had wonderful weather, no breakdowns, great scenery, and fine food. The tour was terrific and the people were most pleasant.

Congratulations to Ronnie Shanholtzer, recipient of the 2014 Annual Founders' Day Award at the April meeting. Ronnie has been a long-time faithful member of the Region who will go the extra mile to be of assistance whether it be helping to repair a vehicle or grilling steaks. For the second consecutive year, the employees of Pano's Restaurant selected Jim Gregory's yellow 1949 Buick Convertible as their favorite car. Yours truly received the vintage clothing award. Many thanks to Stu Allen and Owen Harner for entertaining us with photos on the big screen taken at Region events over the years including some from the 1950s.

Also at the April meeting, former presidents of the Region were recognized and received "Past President" tabs for their name tags. Those present and receiving the tabs were Nelson Driver, Owen Harner, Jim Gregory, Stu Allen, and Bob Ridle (John Stone has bought his earlier.) The following past presidents were not in attendance and will be presented their tabs at a future meeting: Ken Bahrs, Paul Wampler, Kathy Kempton, Mel Redmond, and Jim Ailles.

We will have a very special and unique tour at our May 4 meeting. VP Ken has arranged for us to tour Ken Shoemaker's collections of automobiles, juke boxes, and model trains. We will gather at the Home Town Grill at 1 p.m. for lunch and a short business meeting and then caravan to the Shoemaker's place. Hope to see you on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Bring a friend.

Doris Store

## **REMINDERS**:

Caravan for the Waynesboro Motorsports Show -Saturday May 10, Meet at Advance Auto Parts, 801 W. Broad St., Waynesboro at 8:30 AM so we can enter and park as a club.

Caravan for Old Dominion Meet Saturday May 17– Meet at Target-Waynesboro at 7 AM and we'll travel via Route 250 to Glen Allen. VOLUME 44, ISSUE 5

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W-S Region Founders Day Meeting Pano's

April 13, 2014



## A SUNNY DAY BROUGHT OUT A VARIETY OF MEMBER'S CARS



PANO'S FAVORITE CAR JIM GREGORY'S 1949 BUICK SUPER PANO'S FAVORITE VINTAGE OUTFIT DORIS STONE

ROBBIE GRAY PRESENTS THE JOHN BROWN AWARD TO RONNIE SHANHOLTZER

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### **CARS FOR SALE**

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



<u>1965 Mustang Convertible</u> (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** 

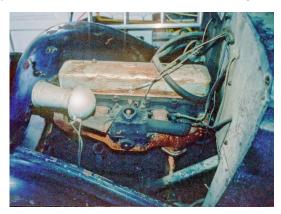
This car was restored in 1952 and has the original upholstery. The original engine will be included with the car.

Asking \$9000 or Best Offer

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## <u>BETSY—THE LONG-TERM RESTORATION</u> Restoration of a 1934 Chevrolet Master By Stu Allen Part 3 Getting Started

As a novice restorer it seemed logical to me to tear the engine apart to determine what was seized and to determine why the car developed the overheating problem that caused it to be parked in the '60s. The first step was removing 40 years of caked-on grease and mud using putty knives, screw drivers and lots of elbow grease.



I removed the carburetor, generator, distributer and water pump. The water pump impeller was nearly eroded away which probably was the major cause of overheating.



I then removed the intake and exhaust manifolds before pulling the head. The head had at some time cracked and been welded so I took it to a shop to be hot tanked where we discovered new cracks that told us we needed another head.



We removed the hood and radiator with the surround to allow access to the engine. I then borrowed a friend and his engine hoist to pull the engine. Disassembly showed the cylinder bores to be in reasonable shape and the crank to be usable.



We found an NOS head in Ohio, new connecting rods and main bearings in Missouri. I used new rocker arm shafts and bushings and assembled the head, I found that when I cleaned the oil pan, removing at least an inch of sludge, that you could see daylight through the bottom of the pan - definitely not too good! After purchasing another used pan and cleaning it, I discovered that it had even more holes so I ended up brazing patches in the original pan to prevent leaks. After degreasing the block and valve cover, I painted the block, valve cover and oil pan and reassembled the engine. I had a book on recommended bearing clearances and assembly procedures that helped me through my first engine rebuild. Time will tell if I did it right.



I then discovered that the Chevrolet 6-cylinder engine mounted on an engine stand will tip over if you try to rotate the engine to gain access to the rocker arms and valve springs. Don't ask me how I know! That episode caused a repaint of the valve cover and rework of the oil pan but no injury to the operator.

Next Time—Starting on the chassis

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2014 Calendar of Events					
MAY	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 April Tire Tracks			
	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 Page 7			
JUNE	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	<u>AACA</u> Grand National/Southeastern Dual Meets, Lebanon, TN. Hosted by <u>Middle Tennessee</u> <u>Region</u> .			
	15-21	AACA Reliability Tour, Lancaster, PA. Hosted by <u>Hershey Region</u> .			
	26-28	AACA Central Spring Meet, Lincoln, NE. Hosted by <u>Nebraska Region</u>			
JULY	12	Saturday, 10 AM—Vehicle Display at Brightview-Baldwin Park, Staunton. Lunch provided by Baldwin Park with Business Meeting to follow.			
	18	Friday, 5:30 PM, Car Display at Stuarts Draft Retirement Community, arrival time 5:30 PM. We will have an ice cream social after 6 PM and the event will be over by 7 PM.			
	31-8/2	AACA Central Fall Meet, Concordia University, WI. Hosted by <u>Wisconsin Region</u> .			



#### Tire Tracks

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#### Minutes of the April 13 Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region, AACA met on Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at Pano's in Harrisonburg at 2pm. President Doris Stone opened the meeting and welcomed the members and guests, introducing Frank and Dee O'Donnell . Frank is the president of Piedmont Region. Nelson Driver then asked the blessing and we proceeded to eat lunch.

After lunch, Doris again called the meeting to order. She stated this was the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Founder's Day meeting.

Mary Helen Ayers gave the Sunshine Report and the Treasurer's Report.

The Secretary's Report was approved as printed in the Tire Tracks by a vote of the membership.

Doris reported a correspondence from the Stuarts Draft Retirement Community to the club for an Ice Cream Social & Car Show on Friday July 18<sup>th</sup>.

A presentation of past presidents and officers name tags was made by Doris.

The Founder's Day Award, The John Brown Trophy, was awarded this year to Ronnie Shanholtzer. A Jefferson Cup was given to last year's winner Billy Melton.

Vice President Ken Farley gave the activities report. The next meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> would be at the Hometown Grill in Staunton at 1 pm followed by a tour of Ken Shoemaker's collection. The rest of the activities are listed on the activities page of the Tire Tracks and the website.

Nelson Driver gave the ODMA report stating that a caravan would leave the Target parking lot at 7 AM on May 17.

Doris said the committee for the Heritage Tour Coffee Shop would meet after this meeting. It was stated that the application to Host the HPOF-DPC Meet had been mailed.

Doris asked Jack Drago to be the Publicity Chairman for the club.

The winner of Pano's Favorite Vehicle was a 1949 Buick owned by Jim Gregory and the Favorite Vintage Clothing was worn by Doris Stone.

The 50/50 winner was Larry Skillman

Owen Harner presented the program of pictures of the history of the region.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Gray, Sec



Bob Ridle's 1950 Hudson Commodore 6 at the 2013 Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center Vehicle Display

Sources tell us that Bob was the first to register for the 2014 show!



### MAY BIRTHDAYS

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Judging by Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation	s. Check-in time: 9 – 10 a.m.					
$1^{\text{st}},2^{\text{nd}},\text{and}\;3^{\text{rd}}$ place awards for each club.	A trophy will be awarded to "Best in Show."					
Entry Fee until May 29:		Entry Fee after May 29 and day of show:				
\$20 per vehicle (includes 1 meal tick \$15 additional vehicle by same own		\$25 per vehicle (includes 1 meal ticket) \$20 additional vehicle by same owner				
Food/Drinks available (prepared by the WWRC Food Service Students). Portion of proceeds to the WWRC Foundation for student activities.						
Fire Extinguisher Recommended	Raiı	n or shine event.				
Pre-registration appreciated by May 29 but not mandatoryCLIPCLIP						
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1 <sup>st</sup> vehicle and 1 meal ticket Additional vehicles Additional meal tickets <b>TOTAL</b>		@ \$20 (\$25 after May 29) @ \$15 (\$20 after May 29) @ \$5	\$ \$			
Make check payable to WWRCF and mail with this form to WWRCF, PO Box 1500 – W-191, Fishersville, VA 22939						
In consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, entrants, participants, spectators, family, and guests, release and discharge Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC) and WWRC Foundation and everyone connected therewith from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by his personal property. I have read and understand the above statement.						
Signature:		Date:				

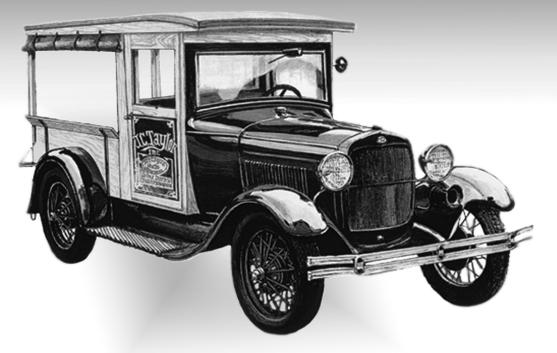


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