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TIRE TRACKS THE ELECTRONIC VERSION

Greetings, Waynesboro—Staunton Region Members & Friends, There are lots of activities to report on this month. We hope you got your collector car(s) out while the good weather was still with us. There will still be some opportunities to exercise our cars so let's hope the weather cooperates.

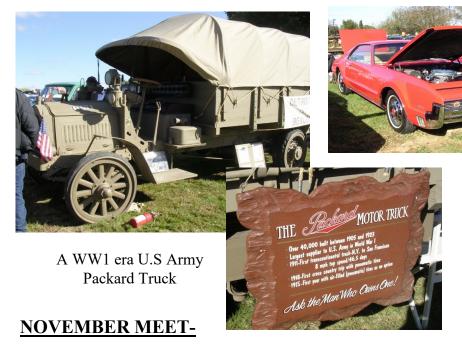
I would like to call your attention to the article (Page 2) by Mary Bartemeyer, AACA National V.P. Public Relations, as it raises issues that we have been discussing at Board meetings. We continue to run into local people who have old cars but don't belong to our Region and are unfamiliar with AACA. Perhaps Mary's suggestions could help us encourage some of these folks to join.

Stu Allen—Editor

Scenes from Hershey



Saturday Morning—Watching the incoming vehicles as they head for the show field







Sunday, November 15, 2 PM, Business Meeting at Mrs. Rowe's Restaurant, 74 Rowe Road, Staunton. Annual Show & Tell and Election of Officers.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I thought our last meeting at the Thai Restaurant in Staunton went very well. Alfred Meyer had arranged to have 3 members give a short presentation on different subjects which appeared to have been well received by those present. We also voted to have Bruce Elder to be an Honorary Member of our Region for all the services he has performed for us. Again, thank you Bruce.

Some of us had a good time getting over our Hershey adventures as the good weather allowed us to venture around every day. It did rain late Friday afternoon but it did not affect Saturday's Meet. Shirley and I had a good old time as I think everyone else from our Region who attended Hershey did. Just before our Sunday's meeting, on Saturday some of us caravanned up to Bridgewater to attend the Dynamic Aviation Open House which featured plane rides in antique prop airplanes and a display of old vehicles. They also honored all Veteran's. I feel everyone who attended had an enjoyable day except Bob Ridle who couldn't get a flight on the Stearman bi-plane. (It was sold out before we got there!) As I understand, they are planning to host this event again next year and maybe annually.

Jim Gregory reported that no one has come forward in reference to running for officers in November. You still have until our next meeting or else you will be stuck with the same officers for another year. Speaking of our November meeting, don't forget it is our "Show and Tell" event. Don't let Billy Melton and/or John Stone be the only ones to stump us on what is it. Dig deep and bring it in for all of us to see.

Our Christmas Party/Meeting will once again be held at Pano's in their large dining room. Pano's employees will again pick their favorite vehicle, so bring your old vehicles. Also, don't forget to bring a present for a male and female for our Chinese gift exchange.

Please check the Upcoming Events in this Newsletter and on our Website so you can make your plans accordingly. Hope to see everyone at Mrs. Rowe's for our next meeting on Sunday, November 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Again, thank you for your support.

Ken Farley



AACA - Who? What?

By Mary Bartemeyer

VP Public Relations

If you stroll down the street in your town and ask someone "What is AACA?" would they have the slightest idea what you are talking about. I doubt it. We are the premiere Antique Automobile Club in the nation and many people and prospective members don't know who we are or that we even exist. Through the years we have enjoyed the benefits of AACA through our meets, our tours, and the true friendships that have endured. But now it's time for new generations to discover that joy. We must get our message out that there is a national Antique Automobile Club of America with regions that support the restoration and preservation of our motoring history. Every year at the National Meeting, the balconies are filled with banners from many of our regions. When you go to local car shows are those banners going with you to be displayed? Do you have literature with you to promote your Region and AACA? When you drive through parades do the spectators know that you are a region of the AACA? There are great advertising tools available from National Headquarters that you can carry in your glove box to hand out to potential members. In the near future we will be sending each region a "Tool Box" that will give you hints on how to get the word out. But our greatest tool is our membership. Let's encourage our members to make AACA a household name. Be proud of its heritage and help it continue well into the future.

OCTOBER 17 TOUR—DYNAMIC AVIATION FALL FLYOVER-BRIDGEWATER

On a beautiful fall day, the members met at the Verona Post Office and travelled north to Bridgewater where we joined several other clubs for display at the Fall Flyover hosted by Dynamic Aviation.



Robbie Gray led the tour in his 1919 Buick Touring

Rides were

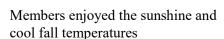
also given on a vintage Stearman biplane Chester Bradfield coordinated the car display and brought his 1930 Studebaker Dictator



Dynamic Aviation flew their beautifully restored DC-3 giving guests rides all day. Proceeds went to local charities

Veterans were honored for their service to our country





October 18 Business Meeting at Thai Staunton



Our October business meeting was held at Thai Staunton and featured good food and fellowship. Billy Melton (with help from his friends) told us some of his adventures on Glidden Tours, including the Hard Luck Award shown here. Jack Drago shared slides of the aftermath of a tornado in Suffolk county where he helped victims recover. Stu Allen talked about his '34 Chevy being judged in Louisville.



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Shoppers enjoyed great weather!



1954 Pontiac Star Chief convertible \$69,000

HERSHEY 2015

Sure signs of fall—The geese are flying south and old car guys and gals are headed to Hershey



Jim Gregory mans the swap spots



Hershey is a great place to watch the entertaining people



Chocolate Field North viewed from the bridge



The car corral was busy as usual.



1909 Cadillac-\$85,000



An early International cement truck enters the show field



A 1923 Buick in HPOF class



W-S Region member Jeff Brown brought his 1906 Wayne

2015-2016 Calendar of Events

- NOV. 5-7 AACA Central Fall Meet, Houma, Louisiana, hosted by Lagniappe Chapter of Louisiana Region.
 - 14 Saturday, ODMA Planning Meeting for 63rd ODMA Meet, Martinsville, VA. Details-TBA
 - 15 Sunday, 2 PM, Business Meeting at Mrs. Rowe's Restaurant, 74 Rowe Road, Staunton. Annual Show & Tell and Election of Officers.
 - 30 Monday, 6:00 PM, Staunton Christmas Parade
- **DEC.** 20 Sunday, 2 PM, at Pano's Restaurant, <u>3190 S. Main Street</u>, Harrisonburg. Annual Christmas Party & Gift Exchange.
- JAN. 17 Sunday, 2 PM, Business Meeting a the <u>Golden Corral</u>, <u>51 Apple Tree Lane</u>, Waynesboro. Installation of Officers for 2016. Program TBD



Your First Car Bob Parrish Executive VP

Did anyone ever think that their first car would become a collectible or better yet, a classic, probably not. I bought my first car in the summer of 1957 from a man that worked for the Virginian Railroad coal piers in Norfolk, VA. The \$700.00 I paid for this car had been saved from my paper route earnings and various grass cutting jobs. The car was a sporty 1951 Ford Victoria, which was Ford's first year for a 2 door hardtop. It was painted a yucky two-tone green with a flathead V8 engine and 3 speed transmission and plenty of coal dust. The cost of the car was not the only expense; my dad would not let me purchase a car until I could pay for the liability insurance attached to his policy. Can anyone relate to this? This car was my first attempt at car restoration. My dad had a beautiful 1953 Olds 98 Holiday Coupe painted dark blue roof and light blue bottom. I liked it so much that I painted the Ford the exact same colors. I also added the usual custom items of the day, fender skirts, spinner hub caps, the all essential dual exhaust with glass pack mufflers, new seat covers and something special. A new 1954 Pontiac grill bar would fit perfectly in the Ford grill area, so I had to have one on this now modified car. Who said modified cars were a new trend? The car to have when I was in high school was a 1949 – 1951 Ford or Mercury and now I was in the groove in my senior year at Maury High School. How about telling your own story to your Region or Chapter? Your Editor will love you for it and maybe help with your next restoration!

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<u>Tri-County Region Meetings</u> - Dates vary- Check their website. http://tri-county-aaca.org/

<u>Piedmont Region Meetings</u> are the 4th Monday at the Doubletree Hotel on Route 29 North in Charlottesville at 7PM

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October 18 Waynesboro-Staunton Region Meeting Minutes

The October 18th, 2015 meeting of the Waynesboro-Staunton region of the AACA was held at Thai Restaurant in Staunton at 2pm. President Ken Farley opened the meeting and welcomed the approximately 42 members present. Nelson Driver gave the blessing and the members ate lunch.

Mary Helen Ayers gave the sunshine report. Reporting that, Billy Melton had had foot surgery (he was present) and Sue Gregory is being treated for cancer.

The secretary's report was printed in the Tire Tracks and was approved as printed.

Jack Drago gave the treasurer's report which was approved by the membership.

Vice President Alfred Meyer gave the activities report as follows:

Nov 15th meeting will be at Mrs. Rowes's in Staunton at 2 pm.

Dec 20th meeting will be at Pano's in Harrisonburg at 2 pm.

For the rest of the activities see the website or read them in the Tire Tracks.

Ken, then called for the committee's reports and there were none.

Jim Gregory reported that no new nominations for officers for next year have been received and the existing officers have agreed to continue in their present positions.

Ken asked Doris Stone to update the printed By-Laws to reflect the changes. Stu will assist. Ken made remarks about the previous day's tour to Dynamic Aviation in Bridgewater.

Nelson Driver made a report about the ODMA meeting on Nov. 14th in Spencer, Va. And ask if anyone interested in going to contact him.

The 50/50 was won by Jim Owen of \$26.

The meeting was adjourned and the program was presented.

Billy Melton talked about the past Glidden Tours. Ronnie Shanholtzer and others added to Billy's tales. Jack Drago gave short talk on God's Pit Crew—a disaster recovery crew. Stu Allen gave a short talk on his 1934 Chevy.

Respectfully submitted

Robbie Gray, Sec.



Thai Staunton staff member on her 2-wheel electric scooter

Note: Mary Helen Ayers is our Sunshine Reporter. Please notify her of any illness,



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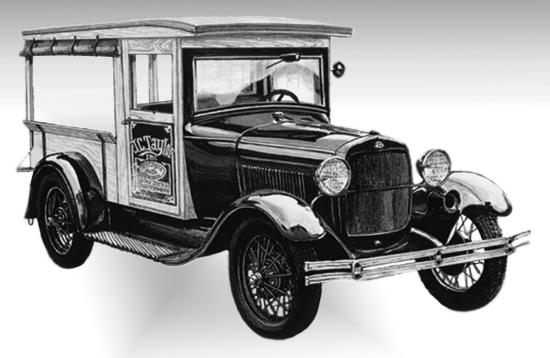
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