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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

This year was my first opportunity to attend an AACA Annual Convention. To begin, I want to Thank our club for sponsoring my attendance and for allowing me to present our donation to the Library - THANK YOU, EVERYONE. It was an excellent opportunity to meet fellow members from all over the country and also some of our National Executives. We started the three days of activities with a visit to the Udvar Center Annex of the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum. There is over 760,000 S.F. of floor space that allows visitors to see all sorts of aircraft from the early days of the Wright Brothers to the Space Shuttle Discovery. Some other very interesting aircraft on display are the Space Capsules from



MARCH CAR OF THE MONTH
1950 Chevy Styleline - Jim Stup & Elizabeth Stratton - see story page 3

CALENDAR

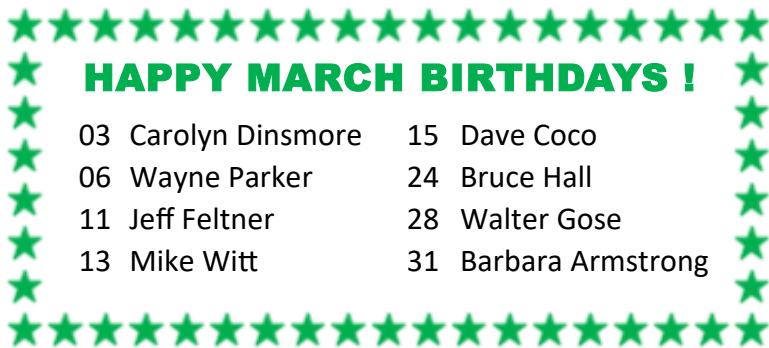
- MAR 7 - Membership Meeting, 7pm, Round Hill Church, Winchester
- MAR 17 - Happy St. Pat's Day !
- MAR 21 - Board Meeting, 6:30 pm, Temporary new time & location—see page 2. All members welcome.
- **MAR 25 - NOON DEADLINE FOR APR NEWSLETTER**
- MAR 31 - Happy Easter !
- APR 4 - Membership Meeting, 7pm, Round Hill Church, Winchester
- MAY 11 - 64th Annual Apple Blossom Car Meet, 8am-3pm, Jim Barnett Park, Winchester

Gemini 4 and Friendship 7, the Lockheed SR-71 Blackbird, an Air France Concorde, and the Enola Gay Boeing B-29 Superfortress that dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima.

These are only a few of the many displays of airplanes, helicopters, rockets and personal items of pilots and astronauts. There is also an observation area into the shop where the restorations take place.

Of all the information given to us by our guide the one fact that sticks in my mind the most is that items in space travel at the speed of 17,500 MPH! At that speed it only takes 90 minutes to complete an orbit around the

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HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS !

03 Carolyn Dinsmore	15 Dave Coco
06 Wayne Parker	24 Bruce Hall
11 Jeff Feltner	28 Walter Gose
13 Mike Witt	31 Barbara Armstrong

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !

The Board is pleased to report acceptance of the following new members at the Feb. Board Meeting. Please add to your 2023 Roster:

John & Pixie Ruhlmann of Strasburg, VA
(540) 333-5349 John.Ruhlmann@iCloud.com
The Ruhlmanns are fans of early '50s Ford trucks

Thomas & Cynthia Wisener of Winchester, VA
(540) 220-0983 wisener@verizon.net
The Wiseners are fans of early '50s Willys Jeep
WELCOME ABOARD !

Mar. 7, 2024 7:00 pm Membership Meeting

Where: Round Hill Church
2993 Northwestern Pike, Winchester, VA 22603
(see directions, next-to-last page of newsletter)
Meeting Hosts: David & Lauren Conrad
Light Refreshments will be Served



WELCOME BACK !

Rejoining the Region in February is:
David Wilkins of Winchester, VA
(540) 532-2552 dwilkins1948@gmail.com
Please add David to your 2023 Roster.
We're happy to have you back in the bunch !

NOTICE: LOCATION CHANGE FOR MAR 21 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The Board is searching for a setting for our annual Christmas Party in December 2024. In order to evaluate the venue and meal options, the Board will meet at Donato's Touch of Italy restaurant, 1361 N. Frederick Pike, Winchester, at 6:15 pm on March 21 and have a (self-paid) meal, followed by the Board Meeting itself at 7:00 pm. If any non-Board club member wishes to have a (self-paid) meal and attend the Board meeting, please contact Paul Ruscito before March 20 so he can update the reservation. Paul's email: p.ruscito@comcast.net or phone: (540) 624-9454



2024 ROSTERS COMING SOON

Your 2024 Roster is in progress, with final changes based on paid members as of Feb. 29. Your Secretary expects to have the print version ready by the April 4 Membership Meeting.

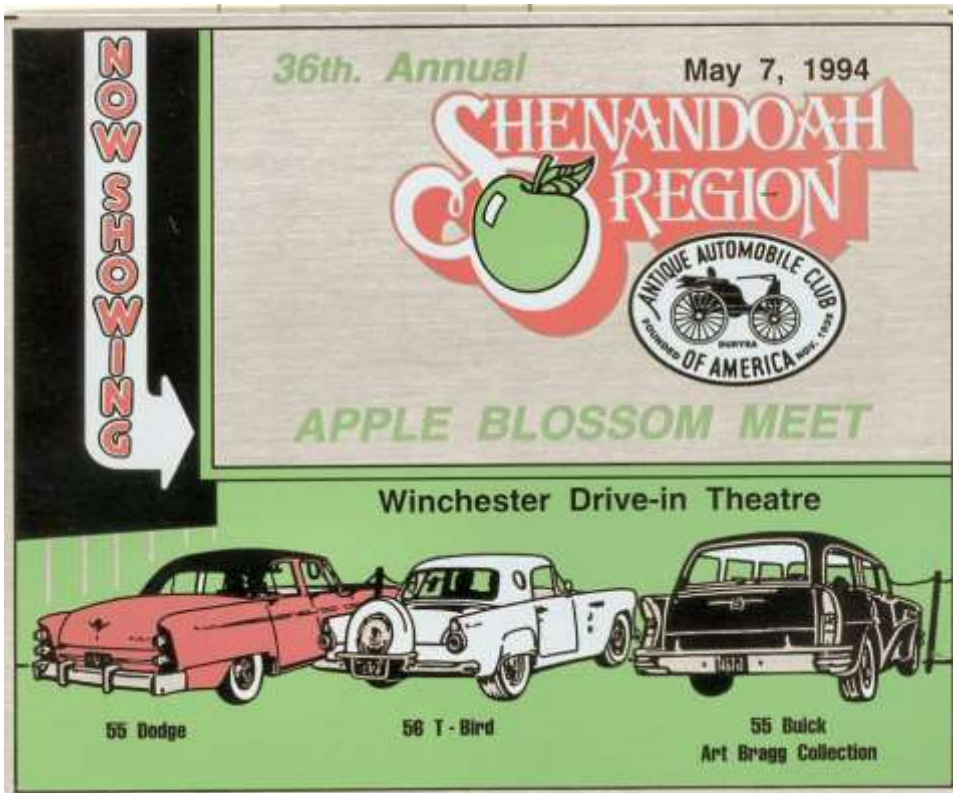
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64th ANNUAL APPLE BLOSSOM MEET - MAY 11, 2024 - PROGRESS REPORT

Apple Blossom Meet Chair Duane Catlett, his right-hand gal Bonnie, and his Apple Blossom Committee members have already been busy behind the scenes preparing for this year's car show and flea market on May 11. The Festival Field at Jim Barnett Park is reserved (same location as last year's Meet). The dash plaques were designed, ordered, and have been received in record time. Thanks to Tom Parker finding a new supplier, we saved over \$150 on the plaques compared to last year's plaques. The Meet flyer has been updated, and when you read this will be headed to the printer, who will print, fold, and mail the flyers for us in the coming weeks. We will have digital versions of the flyer on our website and in future newsletters as well. Paul Ruscito is working on obtaining a new P.A. system that the club can use for this Apple Blossom Meet and future Meets, and also for the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley show in July (which we co-sponsor). This will save us the yearly D.J. rental cost. We will need "all hands on deck" for our show, our biggest fundraiser, so please mark your calendars for Saturday May 11 and volunteer when Meet Chair Duane asks for help. Thanks !



30 YEARS AGO THIS YEAR !!
Our 1994 dash plaque (Shown actual size 4x5).

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Sunshine Report

Sunshine Chairs Dave & Sharon Lewis report:

- ♥ No new illnesses reported this month - No News is Good News !
- ♥ As always, let's all keep in our thoughts and prayers those members who struggle daily with ongoing issues that keep them "in the shop" and not running on all cylinders.





times, and she gave him the eye. Then one day he called, asked her price (don't over-think that), and thought to himself, "Ooooo, I can't pay that much," so he made an offer. To his joy and surprise, the dealer accepted. Happy Jim was there within the hour, and the cute 1950 Chevrolet Styleline two-door sedan was waiting. That very special day was July 11th, 2023, the day before Jim's blankety-blank birthday. Jim hopped in and drove her back to Deer Rapids.

lbby said, "Mmmm, she's really cute."

Jim replied, "Yup, she's the ginchiest," pulling up his best Edd "Kookie" Byrnes imitation. The name stuck. Ginchy joined the family.

As most of us do, Ginchy had one foible. Seems that every time the steering wheel was turned to a certain degree, her horn tooted. That was fun to a point. Now fixed, we hope she's not going to be full of tricks.

216 ci with 54,000 original miles, all original interior. Gold paint. At seventy-four, Ginchy's an Oldie Goldie for sure.

MARCH CAR OF THE MONTH

Jim Stup & Elizabeth Stratton's 1950 Chevy Styleline.

Jim Stup's Newest Babe

by Elizabeth (lbby) Stratton

She called his name. She was sitting in a used car lot in Edinburg. Jim drove down that way a couple

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AACA ANNUAL CONVENTION, CONTINUED

earth. Imagine being an astronaut doing a space walk at that speed. I highly recommend a visit to this museum and allow yourself plenty of time to walk around and take in all the aviation history it has to offer.

Friday and Saturday offered many seminars on various topics to attend. Some of the forums pertained to the various levels of judging schools. There were also classes relating to restorations, mechanical information, and a Regions and Chapter Roundtable. For me the latter had the most information that will be helpful to our club.

The topic of how to increase membership was the subject most talked about. This was also the main subject matter at the Regions and Chapters Dinner on Friday as well as the General Membership Meeting on Saturday. There were many ideas shared including contacting or visiting other clubs in the area (cars,

motorcycles, tractors, etc.), talking to show attendees both those with vehicles on display and spectators about the AACA and who we are and what we do, but most



Boeing B-29 Superfortress "Enola Gay". Photo from the Smithsonian Air & Space Website

importantly opening our eyes and arms to all those

who own what is defined as an antique vehicle. It may be hard to acknowledge the fact that next year a 2000 vehicle will be an antique. We all have to accept the fact that antique vehicles are not just from the 1960's or older. There are many vehicle owners out there that we need to take the opportunity to talk with and make them aware of who we are as a club and what the national

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The Concorde. Photo from the Smithsonian Air & Space Website

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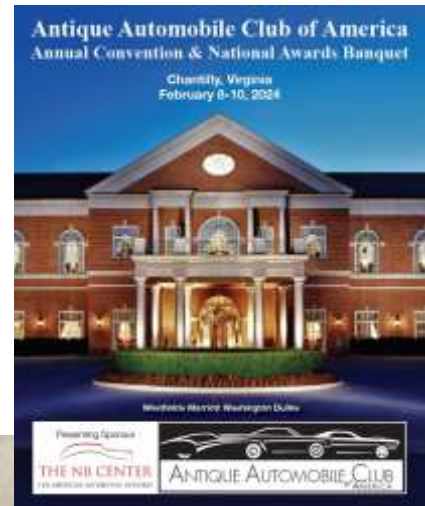
AACA ANNUAL CONVENTION, CONTINUED

AACA has to offer through the library and technical information.

One step that National is taking towards modernizing is to change the AACA logo. They initially made a newer logo that dropped the Duryea and introduced the current design that has the silhouettes of 3 modern vehicles. We were told the newest upcoming logo will simply be AACA without any vehicle or the words Antique Automobile Club of America. That will allow us to engage in conversations with people explaining what the AACA is and how beneficial that it can be to them. The Annual Convention is well worth attending.

This year it was very close to Winchester and several of our members were also able to attend.

Please remember to visit the businesses that advertise in our newsletter and Thank them for helping to support our club. See you in March -
- Jeff



Eye-catching vehicles and memorabilia in the lobby of the host hotel during the AACA Annual Convention. The 1912 Buick at right belongs to Region members Chip and Nancy Rohr, and will be a Car of the Month feature in May. Photos by Tom Parker.





MEMBER NEWS



[Editor: here are members' submissions received since Jan. 22]

FROM DAVID SUNTER:

I saw this monstrosity yesterday (Feb 24) at a car show in Lakewood Ranch, FL, complete with dental advertisement! The truck is bigger and uglier than I thought that it would be. *[Editor: just think, in 2049 this will be a collectible antique !]*



FROM JIM COLVILLE:

FALL HERSHEY SHOW 2023

[Editor: Since we are still in the winter doldrums for car shows, here are more beauties from the Oct Nat'l Fall AACA Meet in Hershey]

Muscle cars were well represented at

Fall Hershey. First, a Chevy II Nova SS 350, a '69 Mustang Mach I, and a '69 Dodge Super Bee.



From the early '60s, a '63 Pontiac Catalina, and a '64 Corvair.



Classes 30A-30E are all Corvettes, like this example.



Next, a '58 Impala convertible, a '59 British Ford Anglia, and a '59 Dodge Coronet D-500 convertible.



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HERSHEY CAR SHOW CONT'D



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Left, a '60 Plymouth Fury and a '60 DeSoto Adventurer.

The sports car class had a variety of vehicles, from a '59 MGA Roadster [bottom left] to a 1972 DeTomaso Pantera (sold by Mercury dealers in the early 70's), to a Jaguar XK-E, to a bright blue '66 Renault.

Among the big cars of the 1930s [top right] were this yellow '38 Lincoln and this '33 Franklin. I was surprised to find that the massive brown and black sedan with the rear fender skirts was a Nash Ambassador. The '39 Lea Frances was perhaps one of the most interesting and unique vehicles in the Hershey show. Last, a yellow Hudson Terraplane.



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2024 CAR EVENT CALENDAR

Tom Parker is collecting info on car events scheduled for 2024. If you know of a car event you think the members would enjoy, please email Tom at tomparkerjr@gmail.com. If you have flyers you would like sent out via email "blast" or included on our Facebook page, or included in the newsletter, also cc: Secretary Linda at shendoahregion@gmail.com in your email to Tom. THANKS, TOM, for taking on this task again for 2024; the lists have been outstanding!

CAR EVENTS 2024			UPDATED 02/12/24
Date/Time	Event	Location	Notes
Sat, Mar 9- 7am-3pm	Collector Car Swap Meet	Howard Co. Fairgrounds, 2210 Fairgrounds Rd, West Friendship, MD	Free admission- Chesapeake Region
Sat, Mar 9- 7am	Mason Dixon Gas, Oil, & Advertising Show	Frederick Fairgrounds, 797 E Patrick St, Frederick, MD	
Sat, Mar 22- 8am-4pm	Parts and Swap Meet	Carroll Co. Ag Center, 708 Agriculture Center Dr, Westminster, MD	\$5 admission- Sugarloaf Mtn Region
Sun, Mar 23- 8am-2pm	Swap Meet & Flea Market	Mason Dixon Dragway, 21344 National Pike, Boonsboro, MD	\$5 admission
April 4-6	Southeastern Spring Nationals & AACA Grand National	Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC	www.aaca.org
Sat, April 6- 8am-2pm	St. Judes Childrens Benefit Show	312 Clyde Borum Rd, Inwood, WV	\$20 registration, rain date on 4/13
Sat, April 6- 10am-3pm	Vintage in the Valley Show	Holiday Street, Strasburg, VA	\$15 registration
Sun, April 7- 1pm	Blue Ridge Hunt Races and Cruise-in	Woodley Farm, 590 Woodley Ln, Berryville	Free entry if you bring an antique or exotic car.
Apr 17-21	Spring Carlisle	Carlisle, PA	
Apr 20- 9am-2pm	CCHS Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show	Clarke Co. High School, 627 Mosby Blvd, Berryville, VA	\$10 to register, raindate 4/21, benefits CCHS band
Fri, May 10- 7am-5pm	Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet	Comer-Jones VFW Post 621, 218 Veteran Ln Luray, VA	
Sat, May 11- 8am-3pm	Apple Blossom Meet- SRAACA Event	Jim Barnett Park, 1001 Cork St, Winchester, VA	https://shenandoah.aaca.com/appleblossom
May 17-18	ODMA Meet	Holiday Inn- Roanoke Airport, Roanoke, VA	https://odma.aaca.com
May 25-26	AACA Next Generation Tour- Greenhorn Region AACA	Schellsburg, PA	www.facebook.com/greenhornregionaaca
May 31-June 2	Ford Nationals	Carlisle, PA	
RECURRING EVENTS			
1st Sat (except July)- 4-8pm	Cruise-in	Valley Mall, 17301 Valley Mall Rd, Hagerstown, MD	May-Oct: 5/4,6/1,7/13,8/3,9/7,10/5 (raindate 10/12)- \$5 entry
2nd Sat- 8-11am	Cars & Coffee	Callaway Classics- 8323 W Main St, Marshall	April-Oct
1st Sun- 4-8pm	Cruise-In	Henry's Grocery-1181 Strasburg Rd, Front Royal	May-Oct
Sun- 10am-12pm	Cars & Coffee	Daily Buzz Café, 114 Elizabeth Dr, Stephens City	Cars & Coffee

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HERSHEY CAR SHOW CONT'D

There were several vintage fire trucks like this one in the truck class.



The green touring car is an Overland.




From the 1970s: a '74 Pontiac GTO, and a late '70s Caprice wagon..



The Autocar tanker truck was cool.



The car with the wicker baskets is a Rambler.



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NOTE: Timothy Price (see ad above) says for antique cars, if you supply the oil and filter, he will change your oil and lubricate the chassis for \$40. Mention this ad.

NOTE: Early Bird Pricing by Feb 20 for Vendors

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- Outdoor space of approximately 200 sq. ft. - \$60 each
- Some single day spaces available - Inquire
- Outdoor Vendor Area in Outdoor Arena
- Car corral space - \$25 Per Vehicle | Per Day

Ask any SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN REGION member at the meet how you can join our region. Lots of activities, fun, & knowledge of all older autos & trucks. SMR members & their spouses are located throughout MD & VA. Must be a member of AACA to join.



No selling of any flea market items in the Car Corral area.

Pre-Registration Form

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Bethesda, MD 20817

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:
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Vendor Set-Up: Thursday, March 21, 2024 - 6:00 AM to 4:00 PM - No General Public

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Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Cell _____
Email _____

Quantity On or Before 1-20-24	Quantity On or After 2-21-24	Space Pricing	Total
		Indoor Spaces \$50 Before 2-20-24 \$55 After Both Days	
		Outdoor Space \$60 Before 2-20-24 \$65 After Both Days	
		Car Corral \$25 Per Day Before 2-20-24 \$30 After Per Day	
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FOR SALE: 1951 Mercury 4-dr. blue orig. color, aluminum radiator, 348 Chevy engine, 7R4 auto trans, air cond., power steering, new tires & wheels. Upholstery redone in orig. pattern. \$17k OBO. Bob Little 304-579-0807

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FOR SALE: Stewart Warner South Wind gas heater, N.O.S. w/adaptor for flathead Ford V-8, \$200. 31-pc Snap-on 3/4" drive socket set w/case, \$300. Husqvarna snowblower 36" cut, like-new cond, used approx. 12 hours, \$800. Snap-on parts washer, large cap., \$400. 2 pair 5-ton jack stands, \$40 per pair. Snap-on power brake bleeder, \$200. H/D truck wheel and brake drum jack \$500. Auto transmission jack 500-lb capacity. Traffic light, single side, \$250. 50's gas station-style oil display rack \$200. Starter/alternator growler \$150. Allen head-light aimer \$50. Snap-on garage diorama, complete, new in box, \$300. 10 Snap-on H/D truck spindle nut sockets \$300. All prices negotiable. Allen Bond 304-261-4080 or 304-876-6790

FOR SALE: Pair of 1965 VA tags, "Y6-288"; pair of 1956 VA tags, "474-264". Bruce Hall, 304-283-3661 or bruce@applewoodmotorcar.com.

FOR SALE: 1978 Thunderbird.302 cid engine. 59,000 miles. Runs and drives but engine runs hot and smokes. Needs paint. Asking \$4,000. Terry Fait, 304-270-8120.

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HAPPY SPRING !



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Starting just west of Winchester Medical Center, from the intersection of Route 37 and Route 50:

- Drive west on Route 50 (Northwestern Pike) for approximately 2 miles.
- Shortly after crossing Nat'l Lutheran Boulevard, turn left on Route 654 (Poorhouse Road). There is a used car lot on the left as a landmark.
- At 0.2 miles, turn right onto Route 803 (Round Hill Road). Winchester Independent School across the road is a landmark at this intersection.
- At 0.3 miles, turn right at the Church rear driveway (Trinity Lane) and uphill into the parking lot. There is a sign at the driveway entrance.

Fellowship Hall entry is at the bottom level, rear of the Church, off the parking lot. No stairs to climb.



From "Car Memes & Jokes" page, Facebook

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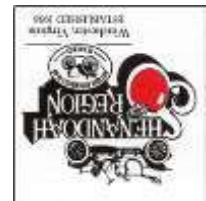
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