Runningboard AACA Ramblings

A Message from Lee DeBoer



President's Notes

Hello Folks,

We need at least three (3) volunteers for the 2018 Board of Directors – otherwise we might just call out some names – Men & Women.

Had a very nice time in Auburn Indiana: Joe - Steve - Lee

The Bluegrass and Chili Festival Car show at Claremore had about 200 cars.

Hope all had tummy aches from eating too many hamburgers & hotdogs – Wish I had been there for the meeting.

Sincerely, Lee DeBoer AACA Tulsa Region President



The AACA Tulsa Chapter General Meeting Minutes September 2017

The September 3rd, 2017 meeting was brought to order and Daniel King lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone had their fill of hamburgers or hot dogs and an array of side dishes. Thanks to Joanna for letting us have the cook-out at her place.

The Treasurers report was no activity for the month.

The Secretary reported that on September 16th there will be a car show at Keystone State Park.

The October meeting will include the election of three new Board Members. We hope that people will come forward to volunteer to serve on the Board.

October 11th is Ladies' Lunch at the Egg It On restaurant in Broken Arrow at 11:30 AM.

On October 7th, 2017 there will be a garage tour to downtown Tulsa hosted by Keith Jones. Park on the east side of the Brady Theater by 9:00 AM.

On October 21st, 2017 there will be a show at the Jim Glover Chevrolet Dealership, 707 West 51st Street. This is for the Little Light House.

November 11th, 2017 is the swap meet at Dewey, Oklahoma.

December 16th, 2017 is the Christmas Party at Jerry Shrader's facility on 46th Street at 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Jean Schaeffer AACA Tulsa Region Secretary



AACA Tulsa Region 2017-18 Calendar

Month	Day	Activity	Place	Director Responsible	comment		
October	1 3	General Meeting ● Cooper Tulsa Cruisers ● 91 st & Mem		018 Board Members ● p	ost-meeting presentation TBD		
	7	Garage Tour with Keith Jones • Downtown Tulsa • Park east of Brady Theater by 9 AM					
	21	West 51 st Street • for th	ne Little Light House charity				
	31	Board Meeting Fuddruckee			с ,		
Novembe	er 5	General Meeting ● Cooper	Home • post-meetin	g presentation TBD			
	11	Swap Meet Dewey, Oklah	•				
	11	Tulsa Veterans Day Parade					
	28	Board Meeting Fuddrucke	er's Restaurant				
Decembe	er 3	General Meeting ● Cooper	Home ● post-meetin	g presentation TBD			
	17	Christmas Dinner • 1 PM at	•				
January	6	Installation Banquet • Jerry	Shrader's Facility				
, and any	30	Board Meeting • Fuddrucke	-				
February	4	General Meeting Cooper	Home • post-meetin	g presentation TBD			
	27	Board Meeting	er's Restaurant				
March	4	General Meeting Cooper		g presentation TBD			
	6	Tulsa Cruisers • 91 st & Mem	norial				
	27	Board Meeting	er's Restaurant				
April	1	General Meeting Cooper		g presentation TBD			
	3	Tulsa Cruisers • 91 st & Mem	norial				
May	1	Board Meeting Fuddrucke					
	6	General Meeting Cooper		g presentation TBD			
	8	Tulsa Cruisers • 91 st & Mem	norial				
June	10	AACA Tulsa Region General	-				
	13	Tulsa Cruisers • 91st & Mer	norial				
	27	Board Meeting Fuddrucke	er's Restaurant				
July	1	General Meeting Cooper		g presentation TBD			
	3	Tulsa Cruisers ● 91 st & Mem					
	31	Board Meeting Fuddrucke	er's Restaurant				
August	5	General Meeting Cooper		g presentation TBD			
	7	Tulsa Cruisers ● 91 st & Merr					
	28	Board Meeting	er's Restaurant				
Septemb	er 2	Annual Cookout Cooper H		ing a side dish			
	4	Tulsa Cruisers • 91 st & Mem					
	25	Board Meeting • Fuddrucke	er's Restaurant				

Recurring Events

Every 2nd Saturday • Silent Movie • Circle Cinema 12 S Lewis • Phil Judkins

1st Tuesday after general meeting • Tulsa Cruise-In • 91st & Memorial • 5 pm – sunset (Mar – Oct) • Dan King



AACA National 2017-18 Calendar

Month	Day	Activity	Place	Director Responsible	comment	
October	1 1 4 - 7 7 14 14 14 14 14 14 20 29					
Novemb		Expo Auto Antiguo ● San Jo 33rd Annual Auto Show ● S		ted by Central American Reg osted by Ancient City Region		
2018						
February	y 8-10	AACA Annual Meeting - Phil	adelphia, PA			
March	2 – 3 17	•		d National ● Puerto Rico Re ide Park, Vero Beach, FL ● In		
April	5 – 7 20 – 21	Southeastern Spring Meet AACA Western Spring Meet	-	on • Charlotte, North Carolin Tucson, Arizona.	a.	
Мау	11 - 12 18 - 20 31 - 2	Central Spring Meet ● Aubu 50th Dunkirk Automotive Sv Annual Grand National Mee	wap Market/Flea Ma	arket ● Dunkirk, NY ● Chauta ion ● Greensburg, PA	uqa Lake Region.	
July	11 – 14	AACA Eastern Spring Meet -	- Chesapeake Regior	n - Gettysburg, PA		
August	20 – 24	AACA Reliability Tour – GVA	CS & Wayne Drumli	ns Region - Canandaigua, NY		
Septemb	12 – 15	AACA Central Divisional Tou AACA Glidden Tour – VMCC		• Texas Panhandle		



AACA National 2017-18 Calendar (continued)

October

10 - 13 AACA Eastern Fall Meet ● Hershey, PA ● Hershey Region
21 - 26 AACA Founders Tour ● Metropolis, IL ● Southern Illinois Region, Ohio Valley Chapter

November

5 – 9 AACA Sentimental Tour • Natchez, MS • Louisiana Region

2019

February		AACA Annual Meeting ● Philadelphia, PA AACA Winter Meet ● Ocala, FL ● Kingdom of the Sun Regions
April	4 – 7	AACA Southeastern Spring Meet • Hornets Nest Region • Charlotte, North Carolina.
May	25	AACA Annual Grand National Meet Auburn, IN
June	2 – 7	AACA Founders Tour – Nebraska Region - Seward, NE
Septemb		AACA Southeastern Fall Meet ● Cleveland, TN ● Cherokee Valley Region
October	9 – 12	AACA Eastern Fall Meet ● Hershey, PA ● Hershey Region



2017 Auburn Cord Duesenberg Festival August 27th – September 4th Auburn, Indiana

The Auburn Cord Duesenberg (ACD) Festival in Auburn, Indiana began in 1956 and has grown into over 50 events for tens of thousands of people over seven days. This year the festival was attended by our club president, Lee DeBoer, as well as Vice President Joe Smith, and club member Steve Schnitzer.

The 61st year of the festival included a 700-plus car Cruise-In on Friday night, the Parade of Classics on Saturday afternoon, and the Fast and Fabulous night on Saturday. Below are photos of Lee's '36 Auburn and Joe's '37 Cord. For more information consult the web site at <u>https://acdfestival.org/</u>.





2017 Lake Keystone Car Show Raising Funds for the Keystone Volunteer Fire Department



Melvin Burton and his 1929 Rumble Seat Packard Roadster



Joe Smith's 1927 Chevrolet Fire Truck

The 2017 Keystone Volunteer Fire Department Car Show was held September 16th at Keystone State Park. This year was the 17th Annual Show. Melvin Burton and Joe Smith from the AACA Tulsa Region participated. Car enthusiasts and their families from all over eastern Oklahoma enjoyed the display of vintage and custom cars.



My First Car – Not

By Joe Smith

My first car was meant to be a 1955 Ford Crown Victoria. It had been two-tone Tropical Rose (Hot Pink) and white. The interior was still two-tone but the exterior had been re-painted all white. It had power windows, power steering and other options. I remember my parents going to Bob Moore Oldsmobile and bought a 1958 Pontiac that was blue and white, but something went wrong with it immediately and the dealership provided us with a 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible to drive while the Pontiac was in the shop. My mother drove us all over Wichita with the top down along with a host of neighborhood children. A couple years later my mother got broad sided and the passenger doors were caved in and not useable; however, the car still ran fine. They traded it to a neighbor for all new carpeting for the house that reportedly were remnants from Bill Lear's (Lear Jet) home and some other things.

When they decided to get another car, my mother found a used 1964 Pontiac Catalina at Bob Moore Oldsmobile in Wichita. My step-father decided he wanted a brand new 1965 Mercury; this was in the fall of 1964. I can remember them arguing about which car to buy. When we were visiting my grandparents a teen-age girl who lived nearby had a 1955 Crown Victoria for sale for about \$250.00. They bought it and this 10-year-old car became our everyday car and ended the arguments over the Pontiac and Mercury.

Later on we moved to Manchester, Oklahoma next door to my grandparents and my step-father continued working at Cessna in Wichita commuting with that 1955 Ford 130 miles per day roundtrip. One day we took it to Enid to get the front end aligned and the mechanic said we needed \$55.00 in parts and my step father said I'm not putting \$55.00 into that car. Soon after that they bought a 1965 Chevrolet Impala and parked the 1955 Ford in the front yard. They said that they would save the Ford and when I was old enough it would be my first car. A few months later a custom harvester employee coming through town offered them \$100.00 for the Ford and my car was gone.

The Crown Victoria Club visited the Three Rivers Museum and Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame on September 15th. We went to look at the cars. The photos with this article are representative of what the 1955 Ford Crown Victoria looked like. None of the colors are Tropical Rose.







One Hundred Years Ago Today

by Randy Beeson

War news was predominant in the nation's newspapers this month. Canadian troops took the Village of Passchendaele during the Third Battle of Ypres on October 6th. The cost? A mere 500,000 casualties on both sides. On the 17th, British twinengine Handley Page bombers bombed Germany for the first time. Not wanting to be left out, Brazil joined the international fun on October 26th when it declared war on the Central Powers.

On October 21st, U.S. troops under French command entered front-line trenches for the first time with the U.S. 1st Infantry Division firing the first American shots on the Western Front two days later. Elsewhere, Austro-German forces smashed Italian forces at the Battle of Caporetto in Italy on the 24th. Finally, the last successful cavalry charge in history was conducted by the 4th Australian Light Horse at the Battle of Beersheba in Palestine on October 31st.

In other news, suffragette Alice Paul was sentenced to seven months in prison on the 20th for leading a protest march in Washington, DC. Ms. Paul's fate apparently made little impression on other women, however, as 20,000 women marched in a suffrage parade in New York City on October 27th. In Peabody, MA, 21 elementary school children perished and 20 were injured when fire struck St. John's Parochial School. The six-year old building had been constructed without fire escapes.

Leon Trotsky was named Chairman of the Petrograd Soviet on October 8th as the Bolsheviks gained control in Russia. Love Field in Dallas, TX opened for business on the 19th. And on October 30th, the British government gave final approval to

the Balfour Declaration which proclaimed support for a Jewish state in southern Palestine.

In Washington, DC, Mrs. Edith Galt was planning her trousseau for her upcoming wedding to President Woodrow Wilson. Apparently DC retailers were happy that most of her trousseau was being purchased locally. Seems like we hear the same type of complaint today!

Famous births this month included actress June Allyson, born in the Bronx, NY on October 7^{th} . Musician Dizzy Gillespie was born in Cheraw, SC on the 21^{st} while actress Joan Fontaine was born in Tokyo, Japan on the 22^{nd} . Felix the Cat first appeared in a cartoon on the 26^{th} .

Famous deaths this month included Dutch dancer and convicted German spy, Mata Hari, who was executed at Vincennes Barracks, France on October 15th.

In the sports world, the Chicago White Sox beat the New York Giants 4 games to 2 games to win the World Series on the 15^{th} .

In the automotive world, T.V.T. Motor Corporation of Washington, DC was touting the virtues of the Marmon 34, capable of speeding from 10 MPH to 50 MPH in only 18 seconds. Top speed was advertised as 65 MPH with the vehicle supposedly capable of traveling 50-75% farther on a gallon of gas than similar models. Prospective customers or their chauffeurs were invited to the dealership for a test drive.



Gasoline Alley By Dan King. Editor

New Shocks Featured by Chrysler in 1950's by Tad Burness

Today's "mystery" car is one you may recognize, if you know your cars of the 1950's. How about its animal mascot? Do you remember what it was? The answers are revealed, upside down in the lower left corner of the illustration. I bet a lot of you had the right answers.

One of the most publicized features of this car was the all new Oriflow shock absorber system. Said to turn "the roughest roads into boulevards," Oriflow shock absorbers, an exclusive feature in Chrysler Corp. cars were supposed to be the most effective ever developed.

In advertising tests, blindfolded motorists were driven in an Oriflow equipped car, over what seemed to be the most terrible, rough, rutty roads that could be found in the United States. Most of the blindfolded riders said they thought they were still traveling on smooth concrete when in reality they were whisked over washboard like surfaces. Most of them were unable to call out the rough places as the car glided smoothly over them!

The "Gyro-Matic," coupled with Fluid Drive, was advertised as the lowest-priced automatic transmission then available.

Prospective buyers were invited to take a revealing "Magic Mile" demonstration ride. In just five minutes, it was promised, the dealers could show them why this was the right new car to buy.

"Drive it for five minutes and you'll drive it for years," was the proposal.





7/13/80 by Tad Burness, Copyright 1980 United Feature Syndicate

Editor's Note: Charles Schaeffer's scrapbook of almost 200 articles clipped from the Tulsa World were the creation of Tad Burness, whose biography can easily be found on the internet. The scrapbook was given to me by Mary Jean Schaeffer, who currently serves as a Board Member and club Secretary.

Share Your Story!

Our club newsletter, **Runningboard Ramblings**, is only as good as you make it. We want to hear from you! We are always looking to feature articles from Tulsa Region members about your personal accounts of tours and shows you have attended, restoration projects, unique vehicle stories and history, and any other stories you think other AACA members would enjoy hearing about. And, of course, include plenty of photos to make your story come alive! Please send in your photos and stories to Dan King, <u>dcking1948@yahoo.com</u>.

Later alligator ...

October 1, 2017



September 3rd AACA TULSA REGION ANNUAL COOKOUT

On Sunday, September 3rd, our Tulsa Region held its annual cook-out at Joanna Cooper's wonderful garage. Dan King provided the propane grill, the club provided the hamburger patties, hot dogs, sliced cheese, and buns, and the meat was grilled to perfection by expert grill masters Chuck Mahan and Melvin Burton, with assistance from Jack Wallis. Joanna Cooper provided all the cold drinks.

Virtually all the attending picnickers brought delicious side dishes from home such as baked beans, potato salad, and wonderful desserts. A great meal was had by all.

The club conducted its usual meeting at 3 PM and the day was complete.







Fire Extinguishers - What's the big deal?

By Roger Irland Vice-President, Judging

So, when's the last time you saw flames erupt at a car show, right? Other than ones painted on a rod ...

Well, in my experience, I'm happy to have had an extinguisher handy when I needed it. A number of years ago, I set out for a local cruise night in my 1963 Imperial. As I maneuvered into a parking space, a soft bang and a loss of much-needed steering boost resulted from the high pressure hose bursting. Hot steering fluid sprayed on a hot exhaust manifold meant flames — and not the painted kind. I suppose I could have run over to the Home Depot and bought an extinguisher and I might have beat the Fire Department to the scene ...

As I had an extinguisher on the floor by the passenger seat, I was able to quickly douse the flames with minimal collateral damage. I drove the car home and did not make the 10 o'clock news.

At a meet in Nebraska, while a steam car was being fired up, some leaking gas caught fire. Not a big conflagration, but nearby extinguishers kept a disaster at bay. So another good reason to have a fully charged fire extinguisher at the ready is to keep someone else's problem from spreading to your car.

I know some like to keep their extinguisher in the trunk, even held in by a bracket. I have a challenge for you. Have a friend time you as you start from the driver's seat, grab the keys, run around back, open the trunk and free the fire extinguisher from its bracket and then head back up front to where the problem is. Compare that to reaching under the seat to grab the extinguisher. The cost of a five pound fire extinguisher is nothing compared to the damage that can be prevented when it's available to put to use immediately.

So, you have one for the kitchen, on the way to the basement and one or more hanging in the garage, right?

October 1, 2017



Car Show Windshield Cards

By David Turner

As announced at the meeting a few months ago, I am willing to make laminated windshield cards for any member who wishes one for their car(s). All I ask is 3.00 to cover the cost of materials and laminating. The lamination is 10 mils thick and quite rigid. As a result, they should be less likely to blow off the windshield in a heavy wind. They will all be 8.5" x 11" on white card stock. If you wish to order one, contact me or any of the club board members. An example shown below.



David Turner can be contacted by e-mail at drenrut@cableone.net or phone 918-527-9560.

Car For Sale



1955 DeSoto Firedome 2-door hard top, 291 cubic inch Hemi V8, automatic transmission, low miles, Oklahoma car, excellent condition, \$20,000. Contact Mel Burton 918-281-9443.

October 1, 2017





It's time to think about our 2018 Board of Directors

Having served on the Tulsa Region's Board of Directors for 2017, the terms of Carolanne Mahan, Jodi Blaschke, and Joe Smith are expiring and, consequently, we will either re-elect them or will elect three new Board members at the October 1st general meeting. We need a minimum of six candidates to adequately fill the ballots and therefore need you to consider serving on the board. Serving as a board member is a rewarding experience and will not only be appreciated by the club membership but will give you the opportunity to help our club be bigger and better than ever. It's also FUN. If you will give your time and effort to help guide our organization, please give your name to one of our current board members and your name will be placed in nomination.

Our club needs a webmaster for our web site, "*tulsaregionaac.org*". If you are interested in helping increase interest in our club, please contact President Lee DeBoer or any member of the board.



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BIRTHDAYS

September

11 Betty Turner

- 14 Marjorie Knickerbocker
- 17 Marilyn Blackmon

October

- 3 Joanna Cooper
- 10 Bill Ruedy
- 11 Carolanne Mahan
- 13 Ruth Burch
- 13 Jean Hardage
- 16 Jenny King
- 21 Mary Jean Schaeffer
- 22 Laura Judkins
- 26 David Turner





Antique Automobile Club of America – Tulsa Region Membership Application/Renewal Form

To insure accuracy in our Membership Roster please send us your information:

Name: Spouse:					
Address:					
City:		State:	Zip:		
Preferred I	Phone:	Alternate Phone:			
Email:					
Your Birth	Month and Day:	Spouses Birth M	onth and Day:		
Your Anniv	versary Month and I	Day:			
Your Natio	nal AACA members	hip number:			
Your Cars	3				
Year:	Make:	Model:	Body Style:		
Year:	Make:	Model:	Body Style:		

If you have more cars, please list them on the back of this form. Send a photo of your car(s) if you would like it to appear on the Region web page.

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