Runningboard AACA Ramblings

A Message from Carolanne Mahan



# **President's Notes**

Dear Fellow Club Members,

Greeting from sunny, but chilly New Hampshire. Chuck and I are enjoying a week and a half of peace and quiet in the woods on a cove of Lake Winnipesaukee.

Just a reminder that our next meeting will be on May 6<sup>th</sup> at Joanna Cooper's.

Our planned tour to Dewey, Oklahoma has been swapped with the planned tour to Pawhuska and the Tall Grass Prairie. The reason for the change was that we just found out that May  $5^{\text{th}}$  coincided with the "Stray Kat Kustom Car Show", which has a big turnout of 500 or more cars. Dewey isn't that big, and it would be crazy with cars and people looking for parking. So, this means we will be going to Dewey on June  $23^{\text{rd}}$ . The  $5^{\text{th}}$  of May will be the trip to Pawhuska. See page 10 of this newsletter written by David Turner about our changed plans for May  $5^{\text{th}}$  and June  $23^{\text{rd}}$ .

On a very sad note, we have been informed of the death of our long-time member, Marylyn Baumann. She passed away April 15, and as of this writing the funeral plans have not been finalized. However, the latest about the arrangements will be placed in our newsletter as soon as it is known and will also go on our website.

The Ladies Only Lunch Wednesday continues to be at 11:30 am at the "Egg It On" Restaurant at 1131 South Aspen Ave. in Broken Arrow (81<sup>st</sup> Street and 145<sup>th</sup> East Ave. (Aspen)).

Do check the club's web site (<u>www.tulsa.aaca.com</u>) for an update on what's going on in our club and the AACA in the USA. The men's lunch meets at 11:30 am at a different place each week. Check the web site or call Chuck for the location (918-361-9081).

Remember to bring some dollar bills for the 50-50 raffle at the monthly meeting and a joke or two (especially elephant jokes) for our enjoyment.

Happy driving, Carolanne Mahan President, Tulsa Region AACA

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### The AACA Tulsa Chapter General Meeting Minutes April 2017

The April 8, 2018 AACA meeting was brought to order with President Carolanne Mahan leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members were asked if anyone had a joke or a thought for the day. Jim Jones had a joke. Chuck Mahan had a thought for the day. A prize will be given at the end of the year for the best joke or thought.

Mary Jean Schaeffer read the minutes from the March club meeting.

Joe Smith gave the Treasurer's Report. Also, recently joined member Bill Ruedy was reintroduced since he had not been to a meeting for a while. Joe Smith gave a weather report for getting cars into and home from the Tulsa New Car Show, which is April 13<sup>th</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup>.

Richard Holmes reminded everyone about the Poker Run, April 21<sup>st</sup>, that the Heart of 66 Auto Museum is holding. Sounds like lots of fun and they are giving prizes.

The April 7<sup>th</sup> tour to Dewey was cancelled on account of winter weather. David Turner is going to try again on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the Owasso IHOP for breakfast or 9:00 AM for the start of the tour.

The 50 - 50 drawing of \$22 was won by Bill Ruedy. Maybe this will get him to attend more meetings ( $\Box$ ).

Randy Beeson is in charge of entertainment for May.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Jean Schaeffer AACA Tulsa Region Secretary

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# Sunshine Report

No illnesses have been reported. If you know of a member that is ill or could use a card - let me know and the club will send them a card.

Joyce Smith doggoneit101@yahoo.com or (918) 346-9877

#### BIRTHDAYS

#### ANNIVERSARIES

May

#### May

- 5 Becky Wolf
- 6 Otis Towry
- 4 Dan & Jenny King (28 years)
- 22 Joe & Joyce Smith (43 years)
- 7 Richard Holmes
- 10 Walter Knickerbocker
- 31 Wayne Blackmon
- 31 Clyde Harding

#### June

- 8 Freda Bechtel
- 10 Tom Berenson
- 12 Linda Beeson
- 13 Charlsie Griffith
- 22 Ron Scott
- 24 John Fender
- 26 Bud Bechtel

#### June

- 2 Jim & Janice Jones (51 years)
- 21 Phil & Laura Judkins (66 years)



# Services for Marilyn Baumann

As most of you know, our fellow club member, Marilyn Baumann, passed away on Sunday, April 15. Services for Marilyn will be held at 2 PM on Thursday, May 3rd at University United Methodist on the TU campus, 2915 east 5<sup>th</sup> street.

The web site for University United Methodist church is:

uumctulsa.org



Month	Day	Activity	Place	Director Responsible	comment			
May	2 4 5 6 8 9 9 16 19 23 30	Men's Lunch • 11:30 AM location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details) Board Meeting • 6 PM Mahan Residence Tulsa Region Cruise • Tour to Pawhuska, OK (see details below) Gen'l Meeting • Cooper Home • post-meeting presentation Mary Jean Schaeffer Tulsa Cruisers • 4 PM - Sunset • 91 <sup>st</sup> & Memorial Men's Lunch • 11:30 AM location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details) Ladies' Lunch • 11:30 AM Egg It On Café 1131 S Aspen Ave, Broken Arrow Men's Lunch • 11:30 AM location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details) MYSTERY Garage Tour • Kenny Aikins and Joe Smith (see details below) Men's Lunch • 11:30 AM location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details) Men's Lunch • 11:30 AM location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details)						
June	5 9 12 29	Board Meeting ● 6 P Annual Car Show hos Tulsa Cruisers ● 4 PN Board Meeting ● 6 P	sted by AACA T ⁄I - Sunset ● 91	ulsa Region <sup>st</sup> & Memorial				
July	1 3	General Meeting ● C Tulsa Cruisers ● 4 PN	•	post-meeting presentation N <sup>st</sup> & Memorial	lelvin Burton			
Augus	rt 3 5 7 28	Board Meeting ● 6 P General Meeting ● C Tulsa Cruisers ● 4 PN Board Meeting ● 6 P	Cooper Home ● ⁄I - Sunset ● 91	Ice Cream Social <sup>st</sup> & Memorial				
September 2 4 8		Annual Cookout ● Cooper Home ● Dan King ● bring a side dish Tulsa Cruisers ● 4 PM - Sunset ● 91 <sup>st</sup> & Memorial Tulsa Region Cruise ● Tour to Oolagah, OK						
October 5 7 9		Board Meeting • 6 PM Mahan Residence General Meeting • Cooper Home • election of 2019 Board Members • post- meeting presentation Carolanne Mahan Tulsa Cruisers • 4 PM - Sunset • 91 <sup>st</sup> & Memorial						
Nover	nber 2 4	Board Meeting ● 6 P General Meeting ● C		dence post-meeting presentation D	an King			

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- 11 Tulsa Veterans Day Parade
- 27 Board Meeting 6 PM Mahan Residence

#### 2019

Januar	y 5 29	Installation Banquet ● Noon ● Jerry Shrader's Facility Board Meeting ● time and location TBD
Februa	ry 3 26	General Meeting ● Cooper Home ● post-meeting presentation TBD Board Meeting ● time and location TBD
March	3	General Meeting
April	7 9	General Meeting ● Cooper Home ● post-meeting presentation Joe Smith Tulsa Cruisers ● 91 <sup>st</sup> & Memorial
May	1 6 8	Board Meeting   Mahan Residence Gen'l Meeting  Cooper Home  post-meeting presentation Mary Jean Schaeffer Tulsa Cruisers  91 <sup>st</sup> Memorial

Recurring Events Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday • Silent Movie • Circle Cinema 12 S Lewis • Phil Judkins • <u>http://circlecinema.com/</u> Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday • Ladies Lunch • 11:30 AM • Egg It On Café • 1131 S Aspen Ave, Broken Arrow Every Wednesday Men's • Lunch • 11:30 AM • Location TBD (call Chuck Mahan for details) 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday after general meeting • Tulsa Cruise-In • 4 PM - Sunset • 91st & Memorial • 5 pm - sunset • (Mar - Oct) • Dan King

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# AACA National 2018-19 Calendar

- May 5 6 Ontario, Canada AACA Ontario Region's 47th Annual Antique Automotive Flea Market ● Lindsay Fairgrounds
  - 5 7 Lawrence, KS Lawrence Region 55th Annual Swap Meet 4H Fairgrounds
  - 6 Morristown, NJ New Jersey Region 67th Annual Car Show & Flea Market & Car Corral The Mennen Arena 161 E Hanover St Morristown, NJ
  - 11–12 Central Spring Meet 

    Auburn, Indiana
  - 12 Charlestown, SC 

    Coastal Carolina Region Open Car Show and Swap MeetCitadel Mall
  - 18 20 50<sup>th</sup> Dunkirk Automotive Swap Market/Flea Market Dunkirk, NY Chautauqua Lake Region
  - 19 Onley, VA Accomack Northampton Region Auto Show Chesapeake Square Shopping Center (Behind Hardee's) Onley, VA
  - 20 Saratoga Springs NY Saratoga Region Annual Saratoga Automobile Museum Car Show ● Saratoga Springs State Park
  - 26 27 Norwich, NY Rolling Antiquers Old Car Club (RAOCC) Antique Auto & Muscle Car Shows ● Chenango County Fairgrounds 168 East Main St., Norwich, NY
  - 28 Boalsburg, PA Allegheny Mt Region Memorial Day Annual Au
  - to Show PA Military Museum
  - 31–2 Annual Grand National Meet Western PA Region Greensburg, PA
- June 2 Winchester, TN Tims Ford Region 49th Annual Car Show & Flea Market
  - 2 Fredericksburg, VA AACA Historic Fredericksburg Region's 61st Annual Car Show
  - 3 Liverpool, NY Oneida Lake Region 65th Annual Show in the Shade Clay Town Park 4821 Wetzel Rd, Liverpool, NY
  - 9 York Springs, PA Gettysburg Region 43rd Annual Antique Classic Auto & Truck Show ● Latimore Valley Fair Grounds, York Springs, PA
  - Upper Freeland, NJ Pre-War Display at Historic Walnford AACA Mid-Jersey
     Region All stock and modified Pre-WW II vehicles welcome (and Pre-War carryover body styles up to 1948)
  - Forty Fort, PA NE PA Region 57th Annual Car Show & Flea Market
    WYOMING VALLEY AIRPORT, FORTY FORT, PA
  - 25 29 Lock Haven, PA Eastern Divisional Tour hosted by Bob Giles and Tom Roberts
     Limited to 25 cars built between 1940-1955
- July 1 McAdoo, PA. Anthracite Region 33rd Annual Car Show Tri-County Little League Baseball Field
  - 6-7 Fletcher, NC Mountaineer (Western NC) Region Mountaineer Antique Auto Club Car Show ● WNC Ag Center, 1301 Fanning Bridge Rd, Fletcher, NC 28732



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- 8 Arkport, NY Chemung Valley Region 62nd Anniversary Car Show / Summerfest
- 11–14 AACA Eastern Spring Meet Chesapeake Region Gettysburg, PA
- 21 Pine Grove, PA Buddy's Log Cabin Family Restaurant Annual Car Show
- August 15 19 Knoxville, TN SMCTC (Smoky Mountain Classic Thunderbird Club) 2018 CTCI Convention
  - 20 24 AACA Reliability Tour GVACS & Wayne Drumlins Region Canandaigua, NY
  - 25 Groton, NY Groton Olde Home Days Antique & Classic Car Show
- September 6 7 Lansing, MI Snappers Brass & Gas Region. Lansing to Dearborn Run, ending at The Henry Ford
  - 12 15 AACA Central Divisional Tour 

    Amarillo Region 

    Texas Panhandle
  - 16 21 AACA Glidden Tour VMCCA Twin Falls, ID
- 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 17 Augustine, FL • Ancient City Region • 34th Annual Auto Show

#### 2019

- February 7 9 AACA Annual Meeting Philadelphia, PA 21 – 23 AACA Winter Meet ● Ocala, FL ● Kingdom of the Sun Regions
- April 4 7 AACA Southeastern Spring Meet Hornets Nest Region Charlotte, North Carolina
   29 1 AACA Southeastern Divisional Tour North Carolina Cape Fear Chapter, NC
- May 9 11 AACA Annual Grand National Meet Auburn, IN.
- June 2 7 AACA Founders Tour Nebraska Region Seward, NE
- August 4 9 AACA Southeastern Divisional Tour North Carolina Cape Fear Chapter, NC
- September 19 21 AACA Southeastern Fall Meet Cleveland, TN Cherokee Valley Region
- October 9 12 AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey, PA Hershey Region







The Antique Automobile Club of America Tulsa Region And The Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum 13 Sahoma Lake Road, Sapulpa, OK

Saturday, June  $9^{th}\ 2018\ 9\ AM$  to  $2\ PM$ 

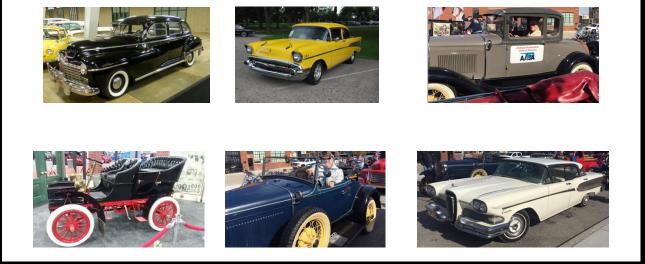
Antique Automobile Show







All Automobile Clubs and individuals are invited to participate with their Antique and Collectible Automobiles No Fees—No Judging Sponsored by AACA Tulsa Region



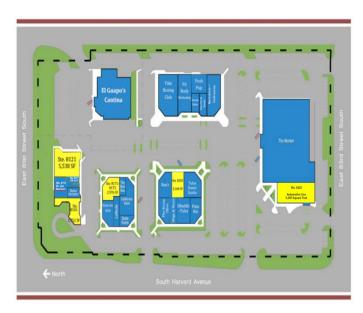
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### May Mother's Day Eve Event Sponsored by Walnut Creek Shopping Center May 12, 2018

Live Music from "Mid Life Crisis • Food Trucks • Art Tents • Possibly a Nursery offering Mother's day baskets • Children's face painting • Speak with Karen Stroud (Fishing and wild life, Police Officers, Fire Department) • Photo and finger print for Children Identification • Sand Art for Kids • Joe Smith (Black Smith club) • Chain saw carver? • \$500.00 Market Gift Card Give away • Classic Car Event - Looking for Local Club for participation (Contact Leann Goff for Info @ 405/830-3352)



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#### Antiques on Parade to Dewey Pawhuska 5 May 2018

We have discovered that May 5th is the weekend of the Stray Kat Kustom Car show in Dewey. It caters only to rods and customs and usually brings in nearly 500 entries. Needless to say, we will have a very hard time getting anywhere near the museums in downtown Dewey on that weekend. Instead, I am planning to switch the Pawhuska and Dewey trips and go to Pawhuska on the 5th of May. We can hold the same speed limit of 45 to 50 and I will have turn by turn instructions available for it. I already have things worked out with Buffalo Joes at 1PM to eat and to park our cars so I think it will work well if the weather is decent.

The plans for the trip are similar to what we have planned for the Dewey trip. For those who wish to eat breakfast, many of us will do so at the IHOP restaurant in Owasso, which is directly across the street from the Hobby Lobby where I propose we gather and depart. I plan to park there about 7:45 while I eat breakfast. We will depart at 9 AM from the Hobby Lobby parking lot so gauge your eating time accordingly!

We will follow a preselected route for which I will have turn-by-turn instructions. We will drive back roads for the most part and OK highway 11 for stretches where there is not an alternative. I will try to keep the top speed between 45 and 50 so everyone can keep up.

We will have a restroom stop in downtown Pawhuska. They have installed new public restrooms in a pocket park north of the triangle building. We will likely have to park in the free public parking lot a block to the east.

From there we will drive seven miles north directly to the south edge of the Joseph H. Williams Tallgrass Prairie Preserve of the Nature Conservancy (where Betty and I are now serving our 24th years as active Docents) and will assemble in a parking area where the pavement runs out. We will NOT drive further and never on unpaved roads. We will view what we can of the preserve from this vantage point and discuss the operation with you. Hopefully, we will have bison visible and possibly a few of the babies but there are no guarantees!

We will return to downtown Pawhuska for shopping and sight-seeing and will assemble by one PM in the parking lot diagonally across Main street from Buffalo Joes where we should all be able to park. Buffalo Joes is expecting a group of about 25 of us at 1PM for lunch. (They close at 2PM so don't be late!) Their menu is diverse and even includes a bison burger. After lunch, we will return to Owasso by a somewhat different route and should arrive around 3:30 PM.

If you have already signed the list to drive to Dewey and still plan to go on this trip, I will expect to see you. However, if you signed to go to Dewey but now do not plan to go, please let me know. If you want to change your lunch reservations, please let me know. If you did not sign to go to Dewey but now do want to participate PLEASE let me know!!

Call or email with any questions.

David Turner 918-527-9560 cell drenrut@cableone.net

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# AACA Tulsa Region Antiques on Parade for 2018

Quarterly tours for our antique automobiles

Submitted by David Turner

Members are encouraged to drive their antique automobiles on these tours so that we can show them off to the public. We hope that each participating antique automobile will be equipped with magnetic door signs which will identify our club and give some organization to our tour. (See the article elsewhere in this newsletter on how to procure them for 65.00 a pair). Members who don't currently have an operating antique automobile to drive are encouraged to hitch a ride with a member who does. We will not prohibit the use of modern cars but are trying to discourage their use. Participating modern cars will not display magnetic door signs and will drive at the rear of the tour. Each of these tours are proposed as caravans (follow-the-leader). All tours will occur on Saturdays. In case of rain or other bad weather – stay home – tour cancelled!

#### JUNE 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### Tour to Dewey, OK (avoiding US-75 both ways - top speed 45 mph

- Meet for breakfast at IHOP in Owasso at 8:00 AM
- Tour to Dewey, OK
- Tour the Tom Mix Museum and/or
- Tour the restored Dewey Hotel built by Jake Bartles for whom Bartlesville is named or shop the antique shops on Don Tyler Ave.
- Lunch at Dink's Bartlesville
- Tour back to Owasso along a different route
- Disband at IHOP

#### **SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**

#### Tour Rogers County roads to Oolagah, OK - top speed TBD

- Meet for breakfast at IHOP in Owasso
- Tour to Oolagah, OK on back roads
- Tour the Will Rogers childhood home
- Tour to Foyil Bunion Derby monuments and Totem Pole Museum
- Lunch possibly in Pryor Creek site to be determined
- Tour back to Owasso on back roads
- Disband at IHOP



# **MYSTERY GARAGE TOUR**

The Vintage Chevrolet Club of America's Heart of Route 66 Region has invited Tulsa Region AACA members to join them on a MYSTERY garage tour. That is our May 19<sup>th</sup> event. We will meet at 10:00 AM in the parking lot between Phelps Market and McDonald's in Mannford, Oklahoma. For those using GPS, the address is 30011 West Highway 51. Restrooms are available in Phelps and McDonald's. We will caravan to the first garage which will be about an 8-3/4-mile drive. Then we will caravan to the 2<sup>nd</sup> garage which will be about a 5-1/2-mile drive. We will serve hot dogs at the 2<sup>nd</sup> garage. The exit on highway 412 to highway 151 crossing the Keystone Dam is closed. Therefore, if you are coming from Tulsa, take the Highway 97 exit in Sand Springs, and go south on Highway 97 to Highway 51, and then west to Mannford. McDonald's and Phelps Supermarket are about a mile west of the stoplight.

CORDially, Joe Smith

# <u>NEW CAR SHOW – REPORT</u>

Let's thank the members who had their cars on display to help us promote AACA and Tulsa Region AACA. Bill and LaVonn Ruedy brought their 1913 Model T Touring, the oldest car in the building and featured on TV channel 2 news at about 6:09 on Friday evening. The 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest was Jim Jones' 1923 Model T Roadster. Keith Jones, in addition to bringing Jim Jones Roadster, brought his family's 1926 Model T sedan. He also brought a 1924 Model T Touring that was for sale, which Jim and Teresa Strode bought during the show. The Strodes also brought their 1931 Model A coupe. Phil and Laura Judkins brought their 1931 Model A Coupe. Lee DeBoer brought his 1936 Supercharged Auburn convertible. Steve Schnitzer brought his 1929 Packard roadster with a rumble seat. Daniel and Jenny King had their 1958 Edsel. Walter and Marjorie Knickerbocker had their 1958 Edsel. I took our 1937 Cord Westchester and 1928 Chevrolet Panel Truck. National AACA members Ken and Marsha Aikins had their 1938 GMC pickup displayed with our group.

I observed our great ambassadors - Steve Schnitzer, Lee DeBoer, Daniel & Jenny King, Keith Jones, and Walter & Marjorie Knickerbocker. These folks heavily promoted the Tulsa Region AACA. I could not visit with Steve or Lee for very long because they always had a group of folks questioning them and listening to their responses.

The New Car Dealers Association intent was to only have "New" cars and 1950's cars. They relented and let our club put together a pre-1939 vehicle display. Peter Hodges, who coordinates the show, told me that he felt that our pre-1939 display was a very successful part of the show. My opinion was that our pre-1939 display was generating more attention than the 1950's vehicles.

CORDially, Joe Smith

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# One Hundred Years Ago Today

by Randy Beeson

The Russian Empire continued to dis-integrate. The Georgian Social Democratic Republic declared its independence from Russia on May 26<sup>th</sup>, while Azerbaijan declares itself a democratic republic two days later.

The U.S. Congress was also active this month. On May 16<sup>th</sup>, Congress passed the Sedition Act of 1918, making criticism of the federal government an imprisonable offense. The House passed an amendment giving women the right to vote on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Air mail service began this month with the first air mail stamps (24 cents) going on sale on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Regular air mail service between Philadelphia, Washing-ton, DC and New York City began on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

In war news, a TNT explosion at an Oakdale, PA chemical plant killed 200 people on the 18<sup>th</sup>. On May 20<sup>th</sup>, the first electrically propelled warship (battleship U.S.S New Mexico) was launched.

The Third Battle of the Aisne began on the 27<sup>th</sup> with a German artillery barrage along a 24mile wide front, beginning at 1:00 AM. The Paris guns joined in, once again shelling Paris. German troops drove a 12-mile deep salient through four shattered French and British divisions by the end of the day. The following day, U.S. troops of the 28<sup>th</sup> Regiment supported by French troops captured the ruined town of Cantigny from German forces in a pitched battle. By May 30<sup>th</sup>, German forces had advanced 40 miles to the Marne River but French resistance on the German flanks had stiffened. German troops had captured 50,000 prisoners and 800 field guns, while one million citizens fled Paris. At this point, U.S. Commanding General John Pershing extended aid to the French Sixth Army and ordered Marines of the AEF's Second Infantry Division to advance to the very center of the German salient in Belleau Wood. The Marines would shortly earn the sobriquet 'Teufel Hunden' (Devil Dogs) from their German adversaries. The U.S. Third Infantry Division was also ordered to the Marne defense line.

In the automotive world, General Motors, once again under Billy Durant's leadership, acquired the Chevrolet Motor Company of Delaware on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Nineteen eighteen also saw the production of the first Chevrolet truck, based on the Model 490 automobile chassis.

Famous births this month included TV host Jack Paar born in Canton, OH on May 1<sup>st</sup>. TV newscaster Mike Wallace was born in Brookline, MA on the 9<sup>th</sup>. The first American civilian to be executed for espionage, Julius Rosen-berg, was born in New York City on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Country singer Eddie Arnold was born in Henderson, TN on the 15<sup>th</sup>, while restaurateur Bob Evans was born in Sugar Ridge, OH on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

Newspaper publisher (New York Herald) and Commercial Cable Company founder James Gordon Bennet, Jr died on May 14<sup>th</sup> in Beaulieusur-Mer, France. Major Raoul Lufbery, commander of the American 94<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron was killed in combat with a German Rumpler observation aircraft. After releasing his seat belt to clear a jam in his Lewis machine gun,

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Lufbery's	Nieuport	fighter	flipped,	throwing	him	out	of	the	aircraft.
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# Gasoline Alley

By Dan King, Editor

# Essex of 1932 Called Last Model of Marque

by Tad Burness

The "Pacemaker for 1932," the Essex shown here was the final model of a marque begun in 1919 by the Hudson Motor Car Co., Detroit, as a lower-priced subsidiary.

The 1932 Essex was loaded with features: Balanced crankshaft; synchro-mesh transmission with 50 m.p.h. possible in silent second gear; triple-sealed oil-cushion clutch; labyrinthian oil cooling; power dome antiknock combustion chambers; "Startix" (an automatic self-starter and antistall device popular on many of the more costly '32 cars; diagonal truss frame; twin "neutra-tone" mufflers; "ride control," free-wheeling; "quick vision" instrument panel (with two large dark-faced dials, and warning lights for oil and generator signals); arc-slide fastener (zippered) storage pockets in doors; swing-open windshield with easy-acting center lever; "natural grip" steering wheel, and more.

There were, early in '32, "nine sparkling new models with gem-like body colors and upholstery in new pastel shades." Hardware fittings were in ebony and silver finish.

New lateral seat cushion springs lent added riding comfort, along with the adjustable shock absorbers.

Captions of '32 Essex advertisements were revealing. A few: "It remakes the relation between luxury and cost!" "Listen now – quiet and solid as a rock." "The difference is its big car value!" "Why should you have to pay to be bumped around?"

"There's a new power peak in the low-price field." "Things you don't see on the price ticket!" "News to the industry but history to us!" and et cetera, et cetera.

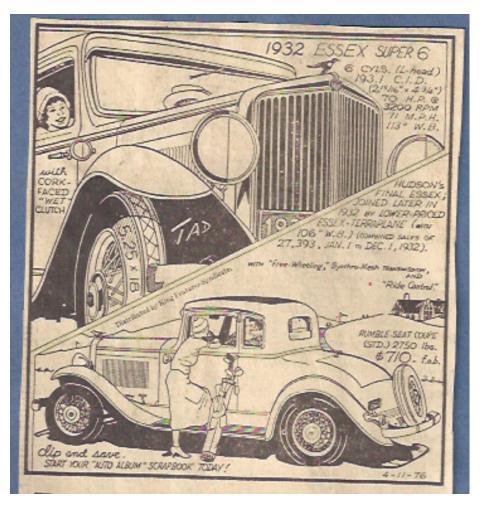
Later in '32, the new short-wheel-based Essex-Terraplane outwardly resembled the Essex, except for its dual rows of hood louvres (one row above the other).

In 1933, an Essex-Terraplane straight-8 was also available, this one having ventilating doors on each side of the hood.

During 1933, the new name became, simply, Terraplane.

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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 ...

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### **Model A Tour**

By Melvin Burton

On Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we toured with our Model A to Roman Nose State Park near Watonga, Oklahoma and spent the night there. On Friday we toured to Elk City, Oklahoma, and on Saturday we visited the Route 66 Museum, a battle field, and a car collection, and had a group dinner. On Sunday we traveled home. We had over 30 Model A's from Oklahoma City and Tulsa. We put over 500 miles on our 1929 Model A.













# Do a Good Deed

Lars Anderson Vice President, Library & Research Center

You've had an antique vehicle for years, you belong to the finest car club there is. It provides lots of good times and years of memories. You are part of a community, a national community of old car enthusiasts. You share the experience of belonging with many thousands from across the country. You also have another common trait. You've collected an array of literature, documents, magazines, and other types of printed matter. More than you really need. What are you doing with the duplicates? Perhaps you sold a vehicle and now have a file cabinet of material which has no meaning to you. How are you going to dispose of it all? You really don't have the heart to throw it away.

Well here's a good feeling move you can make. Your AACA Library can use your collection to further their responsibilities as America's Automotive Library. They would really appreciate receiving it to add to their files. And so would the researcher who hasn't been able to find the document you donated and now here it is in our library. It's all tax deductible as the Library and Research Center is a 501.C3. organization. They'll send you a nice thank you letter and receipt of material. It's your responsibility to place a value on it. Call the Library, 717-534-2082 ask for Chris Ritter or email critter@aaca.org. Do it now and start glowing.

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### **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.

#### AACA Tulsa Region Magnetic Signs

You, too, can look as cool as Phil by ordering your very own AACA Tulsa Region magnetic signs. The folks who see your car on display or on parade will know that you are a member of



the best car club of all. The cost is \$65.00 plus \$5.53 equals \$70.53. The supplier is A&B Identity and to keep it simple they would prefer that all the orders come through Dan King, so give him your order and make your reimbursement check payable to Dan. Lead time is about two weeks. Let's put our best foot forward for all our public events.

### Information about Oklahoma Vintage Car Vanity Plates

The application form for either option one or option two can be found at the Oklahoma Tax Commission web site below.

https://www.ok.gov/tax/Individuals/Motor Vehicle/Forms & Publications/Specialty Plate Forms/Special Interest Plates.html

#### **OPTION ONE:**

Your tag agency will furnish a replacement tag with the next number in sequence, or, you can order one with a personlized message (e.g., "MY TBIRD") if it is available. The tag shows the word "CLASSIC" at the bottom of the plate. The cost is annual renewal for \$23.50 or a ten year renewal for \$90.50, and is in addition to your normal tag registration fee.



#### **OPTION TWO:**

Your classic vehicle tag can also be any legible Oklahoma plate fom any past year. For example, I have a 1958 classic Oklahoma plate on my '58 Edsel (see photo below). I also have a 1948 classic Oklahoma plate on my '48 Dodge. The fee is the same annual \$23.50 or ten year \$90.50. You must also display a vintage decal provided by the state in a corner of the windshield. Your regular Oklahoma plate must also be kept current and stored somewhere in the vehicle (I keep mine in a corner of the trunk).

#### My 1958 Oklahoma plate:



My Vintage Plate Windshield Decal



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