A Message from David Turner



### **President's Notes**

Greetings fellow members,

We will be having our annual election for new directors at the next meeting. I hope you will consider being a candidate of one of the three positions that will be filled. We always need new ideas and energy!

I have received a new set of free memberships from National for **first time** members. These and all membership applications will be processed as full year 2020 memberships with the remainder of 2019 for free. Can't beat that!

The next event we are planning as a club will be the Veterans Day Parade. Phil Judkins is again organizing that event for us. I hope we will have yet another good turnout of automobiles.

The day after our October meeting, Betty and I will be departing for the Hershey meet. If you have never been, you should try to do this. The swap meet is restricted to just nine thousand vender spaces! I always go with a search list, but it usually is the unanticipated finds that are the most exciting. Thanks to the excellent sleuthing of Betty, we have had a number of unusual finds over the years including a highway atlas from the early 1920's!

The 2020 Central Division Tour we are organizing now has a signed hotel contract with Stoney Creek Conference Center in Broken Arrow. We have quite a few people currently helping organize this event, but we will need even more as we get closer! It should be fun to introduce our state and its diverse history to a lot of people who are not from here and have perhaps never been here before!

Happy Motoring! David Turner President, Tulsa Region AACA



## Minutes of the AACA General Meeting September 1, 2019 At Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium

- The September General meeting of the Tulsa Region Antique Automobile club was called to order by David Turner. There were 13 people in attendance.
- David then the Pledge of Allegiance and gave a short treasurer's report.
- David recapped the August Pot-luck-lunch meeting and complemented Dan King on the club newsletter which had the full transcript of Gilliam Parrish's August program.
- Dan King announced that the Keystone State Park Car Show was still scheduled for September 14. He said that he would send out an e-mail with more details to the club.
- Most club members have bailed out of the Eureka Springs Fall Breakout. Only Jim Jones, driving a Rolls Royce is planning to attend.
- The Wings, Wheels and Wishes rescheduled Car Show will be Saturday September 7th.
- The First Church of Owasso will have a car show September 15<sup>th</sup> between 8:00 am and 1:00 pm. Call Joe Smith for details.
- Our rescheduled Tulsa Region AACA Car Show is still scheduled for September 28 at the Heart of Route 66 Car Museum. The Vintage Chevrolet Car Club will be joining us. Mel Burton has arranged for some door prizes and some award certificates will be presented.
- David than recounted the work that has been done for the 2020 Divisional Tour. The trifold brochure and the dash placards need to be sent to National for approval.
- David then asks for volunteers for the 2020 Board.
- Carolanne Mahan won the Joke-of-the-Month with dust on the TV.
- The meeting was adjourned around 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Mahan AACA Tulsa Region Secretary







## Sunshine Report

No illnesses or injuries to report this month.

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.

Laura Judkins pjudkins50@gmail.com or (918) 493-6577

#### **BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES**

October October

Mark Randel none on record

(see the Tulsa World item on Walter and Marjorie Joanna Cooper

Knickerbocker's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the hyperlink 10 Bill Ruedy

below)

Carolanne Mahan 11

16 Jenny King

Mary Jean Schaeffer 21

22 Laura Judkins

David Turner 26

31 Karla Randel

November November

https://www.tulsaworld.com/lifestyles/announcements/knickerbocker/article\_2acf87b8-d5a0-11e9bc91-776065b40304.html

## AACA Tulsa Region 2019/20 Calendar

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	July	5	General Meeting ● Co	ooper Home •	post-meeting presentation TB	D



- 7 Tulsa Cruisers 5 PM 8 PM 91<sup>st</sup> & Memorial
- 28 Board Meeting probably Sapulpa HOFRTE66MUSEUM 1:30 PM
- August 2 General Meeting Cooper Home post-meeting presentation TBD
  - 4 Tulsa Cruisers 5 PM 8 PM 91<sup>st</sup> & Memorial
- September 1 Board Meeting Sapulpa HOFRTE66MUSEUM 1:30 PM
  - 6 General Meeting Cooper Home post-meeting presentation TBD
  - 8 Tulsa Cruisers 5 PM − 8 PM 91<sup>st</sup> & Memorial

#### **Recurring Events**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday • Silent Movie • Circle Cinema 12 S Lewis • Phil Judkins • <a href="http://circlecinema.com/">http://circlecinema.com/</a> 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 • 12:30 PM • Freeway Cafe • 465 South Sheridan Road, Tulsa • (call Chuck Mahan for details)

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday after general meeting ● Tulsa Cruise-In ● 91st & Memorial ● 5 pm – 8 PM ● (Mar – Oct) ● Dan King



### Memo: Key Dates for 2019 for the Tulsa Model T Club

March	<b>15 – 16</b>	Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet	
	23	Red Bud Tour	
April	13	Muskogee Azalea Parade	
	20	Sapulpa Swap Meet	
May	4	Pawnee Steam Tractor Show	
	12	Local Tour	
June	8	Local Tour	
August	15	South Tulsa Baptist Church Car Show	
	17	Springfield, MO Swap Meet	
October	12	Local Tour	
November	12	Muskogee Veterans Parade	
December	7	Broken Arrow Christmas Parade	

### AACA National Events Calendar 2019 National Meets and Tours

April 4-7, 2019 • **AACA Southeastern Spring National** • Hornet's Nest Region • Charlotte, NC.

April 29-May 1, 2019 • **AACA Southeastern Divisional Tour** • Cape Fear Chapter • Wilmington, NC

May 30 - June 1, 2019 • AACA Annual Grand National.• Auburn, IN.

June 2-7, 2019 • AACA Founders Tour – Nebraska Region • Seward, NE. June 26-29 • AACA Eastern Spring National • New Jersey Region • Parsippany, NJ

October 9-12, 2019 • AACA Eastern Fall National • Hershey Region • Hershey, PA

November 6-9 • AACA Western Fall National • Fallbrook, CA



#### NOTES FROM PEBBLE BEACH

By Steve Schnitzer

The Pebble Beach Concours 'd Elegance is widely regarded as the creme de-la creme of annual automobile shows worldwide. Keith Jones and Steve Schnitzer from the Tulsa AACA Chapter were present at this year's event at Monterrey CA, held Sunday, Aug. 18.

Pebble Beach with little doubt is an occasion which every serious classic automobile owner, fan, buff, or just admirer should attend at least once--a spectacular showcase of the finest automobiles in existence--brought in from around the world for the once-annual production.

This year's featured marquee was Bentley. Bentley is a British luxury sports car, rolled out in 1919 by W.O. Bentley of Great Britain. Bentley produced autos for 20 years. But for being purchased by Rolls Royce in 1939, this magnificent marquee would have joined the lore of fabulous but defunct automobile brands.

Keith traveled with his shop assistant Grant Aldridge, taking Rob Coretz' 1910 Packard Model 30 Limousine which was entered in the 2019 Show. The Coretz automobile took 2nd place worldwide in its class.































## One Hundred Years Ago Today

by Randy Beeson

Three items dominated the news this month. An increasingly weary and pale President Wilson suffered a stroke on October 2<sup>nd</sup> during his whirlwind rail tour of the country to drum up support for the U.S. entry into the League of Nations. Wilson would remain incapacitated to some extent for the rest of his term and the U.S. never joined the League.

On October 9<sup>th</sup> the Cincinnati Reds defeated the White Sox 5 games to 3 games to win the World Series. This series was known as the 'Black Sox' series as eight Sox players were accused of intentionally throwing the series in return for cash payments from a gambling syndicate headed by Arthur 'The Brain' Rothstein, head of the New York City Jewish mob. As a result, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis was appointed as Baseball Commissioner to restore the game's integrity. Despite acquittal at a trial in 1921, Landis permanently banned all eight players from baseball and any future induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame, a ban which continues to date.

The third item of importance this month was prohibition. Norway approved prohibition on the 5<sup>th</sup>. On October 26<sup>th</sup>, Congress overrode President Wilson's veto of the Prohibition Enforcement Bill and on the 28<sup>th</sup>, legislators overrode his veto of the Volstead Act. Prohibition was about to become law in America.

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines was established on October 7<sup>th</sup> and, on the same date, along with British Air Transport, inaugurated London to

Amsterdam commercial passenger air service. KLM is the world's oldest existing commercial airline. Radio Corporation of America (RCA) was established as a subsidiary of General Electric on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

Famous births this month included authoress Kathleen Winsor (*Forever Amber*) born on the 16<sup>th</sup> in Olivia, MN. Future Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was born in Montreal, Quebec on October 18<sup>th</sup> while Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, the last Shah of Iran, was born in Tehran on the 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Midland Motor Car and Truck Company of Oklahoma City was purchased this month by the Wichita Motors Company of Texas. Midland had been organized by a group of Oklahoma City businessmen in June of 1917 and began producing Ozark trucks in October 1918 for the U.S. Army in a plant located south of the City. With the end of the war, its federal contract was cancelled. After the war the company also had reorganized due to financial mismanagement and the indictment of two of its stock salesmen for embezzlement. The Wichita truck was produced in the Oklahoma City plant until 1922.

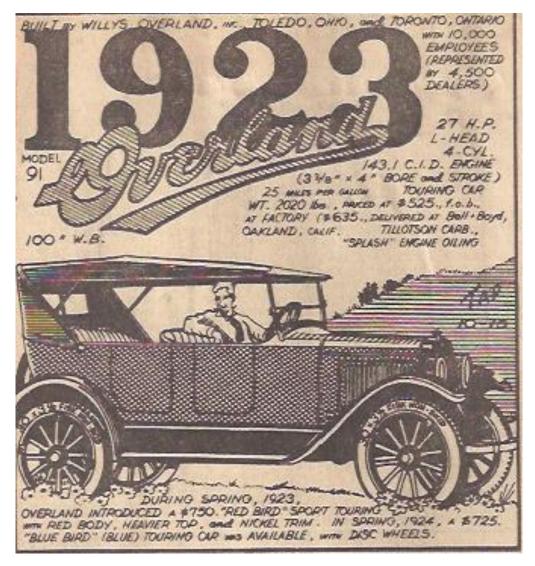
In Paris, France the 15<sup>th</sup> Salon de l'Automobile was held on October 9<sup>th</sup>, featuring 65 French automobile manufacturers, 22 French truck makers and an additional 31 non-French auto industry businesses. This was the first Salon since 1913.



## Gasoline Alley

By Dan King, Editor

## 1923 Overland Had Interesting Features



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### by Tad Burness

Built by Willys Overland, Inc., Toledo, Ohio and Toronto, Ontario with 10,000 employees (represented by 4,500 dealers). The 1923 Model 91 had 27 H.P. L-Head 4-cyl. 143.1 C.I.D. engine (3 3/8" x 4" bore and stroke) Tillotson carb., "splash" engine oiling, 25 m.p.g. touring car weight 2,020 lbs., priced at \$525 f.o.b., at factory (\$635 delivered at Bell & Boyd, Oakland, California.



During the spring of 1923, Overland introduced a \$750 "Red Bird" sport touring, with red body, heavier top, and nickel trim. In spring, 1924, a \$725 "Blue Bird" (blue) touring car was available with disc wheels.

Two interesting features of the '23 Overlands were the all-steel bodies and Triplex springs. In the case of the latter, the front springs were not set parallel (as on most non-Ford cars) but were set at a V-like angle to one another, with the vee coming together toward the front. This provided added riding comfort, and rear springs were also veed together in a pattern exactly opposite to the front end.

This was a patented Overland "exclusive", beginning with the 1920 model, and was said to give the 100-inch wheelbase car the ride of a 130-inch wheelbase luxury machine. Fisk tires were used on all '23 Overlands, with an interesting tread pattern of dozens of tiny circles linked together by underlying straight grooves.

A durable enamel finish was baked on the all-steel body, yet this fine paint was the result of 19 hand operations. There was much less automation in the factories of those days.

Starting May 1923, one could pay more and get a new "English-type" "Red Bird" touring car. It had a longer wheelbase, a "rich coat of Mandalay Maroon" (red, with a touch of violet), red upholstery, a heavier Khaki top with more enclosed space at rear sides, and a gleaming nickel-plated radiator shell.

Bumpers were standard on the Red Bird, optional on the lower priced models. The Red Bird also had a more powerful engine.

During the spring of 1924, advertising focused on the new disc-wheeled "Blue Bird" touring car. These long-forgotten "Bird" series of Overland touring cars are extremely scarce today, and even the standard touring cars are not easy to find.

In mid-1926, the Overland was replaced by the new '27 Whippet, which in turn was replaced in early 1930 by the Willys Six.

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, Charles' widow and fellow AACA Tulsa Region club member.

### **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, dcking1948@yahoo.com.

Later alligator ...







### **Square Car Tour**

By Bob Parrish Vice President – National Awards

Have you ever participated in a square car tour? You may have and not known about it. Every spring our local Region organizes a tour that travels through the back roads in the country. A square car is defined by the general shape of cars of the 1920s – 1930s. The tour organizer usually leads because they have selected the routes, and detailed route instructions are passed out in case the tour becomes interrupted. The other participants are arranged by the oldest first and sometimes this is a Model T Ford. Other members with newer cars also come but are placed in order by the car's age. The tour duration is about 50 or 60 miles, the pace is slower, but the waves from people along the way are gratifying.

The tour always ends at a pre-arranged restaurant for lunch. A good time of fellowship is had by all.

We always invite the local Model A Club to join us and guess what, the Region and AACA usually pick up some new members. Call the tour what you like, but "Square Car" seems appropriate to us.









### **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.







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

You must be a member of the National Organization to belong to the Region due to insurance requirements.

You can apply to both at the same time. Region dues are \$20.00/calendar year for member and spouse. National dues are \$40.00/calendar year for member and spouse/partner

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