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Runningboard AACA Ramblings

A Message from David Turner



President's Notes

Spring is officially here! That means lots of outdoor car events are looming on the calendar. We now have scheduled the first event of the year for our club. The Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum in Sapulpa has issued an open invitation to all auto enthusiasts to show their collectable auto or motorcycle at the Museum from 9:00 to Noon on Saturday April 10th. We plan to make it an official club event at the April Board Meeting, so bring your car and your lawn chair and let's show our vehicles off and take some time to get reacquainted with one another!

Our first general membership meeting is planned for 5 May at Haikey Creek Park, in pavilion #4 at 2PM. We are planning to have our recognition of members with the Awards of Distinction and Merit which would have normally occurred at the Officer Installation Banquet the first of the year. Be thinking about the awards you might like to make and bring them to the meeting to present. Some are serious awards, others are tongue in cheek, and all are fun. I hope we will have a lot of participation! (and bring a guest!)

In between those two events, we have the Tulsa New Car Show to attend, for which Joe Smith is assembling a broad assortment of antique automobiles. He is limited on the number in the display but seemed to have a good handle on which cars would fit the display this year, the last time we visited.

On April 24th, we will tour! The first (we hope of several) Brown Bag Tour will kick off in Downtown Collinsville. We will tour for an hour or two and stop to Centennial Park in Owasso to have our lunch and then tour some more! I will be bringing ten walkie-talkies for the group to use, so that we can easily communicate with one another as we tour. Should be a lot of fun! See details elsewhere in this newsletter.

May 1st brings the 3rd Annual Car Show at William Bradford Christian School in Pryor. See the flyer reproduced elsewhere in this newsletter.

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We now have a tentative event planned for 10 July as a field trip to Wheels of the Past, North of Agra and south of Cushing. Dennis Francis, the owner, is a marvel in metal working. He has done work for several of us in the region and always has lots of interesting projects underway! His shop is always worth a visit, any time you get the chance!

Our ad for the 2021 AACA Central Divisional Tour appeared in this issue of Antique Automobile. I got a call from Arlington, Texas the day my magazine arrived from a member who plans to attend and who had registered last year before we had to cancel. Hopefully, the virus will be cooperative and go away completely by then!

My engine swap/minor restoration project progresses slowly. I have the fenders and lights back from the painter and they are all splendid. I have the front of the frame and the front suspension painted and reassembled. Motor installation is next. I still think I can have it done by the 1st of May. I already have the car entered in a national meet of the Plymouth Owners Club in late June, so my deadline is a real one. Wish me well!

See you all soon!!

Happy Motoring David Turner





Brown Bag Tour, Sat. Apr. 24 -

David Turner is making arrangements with the City of Owasso to reserve the pavilion at Centennial Park, 86th St. N bet 145th & 161st St's East. They may charge the club a modest fee for use of the pavilion, facilities, and trash receptacles. David has informed the City we are amenable to paying. Specific details upcoming, first/early this coming week. The planned route for the tour: Aprx 10:00am meet downtown Main Street, Collinsville. Drive E-W Main St then take Old Garnett Rd. south to Main Street, Owasso. Drive Main in Owasso down to 76th, then reverse back north to 86th. Take 86th St N east to Centennial Park for lunch stop. Aprx 1pm depart Centennial east to 176th St. East, south to Stone Canyon then proceed by escort to Patriot Golf Course. Disband.

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Minutes of the AACA General Meeting March 7th, 2021 [note: the General Meeting in March was cancelled due to the quarantine imposed by the COVID-19 epidemic.]

Respectfully Submitted, Chuck Mahan AACA Tulsa Region Secretary



Sunshine Report

Betty Turner underwent successful knee surgery on March 9th. Let's all be thankful for her.

Lee DeBoer has been diagnosed with a serious illness. Please keep Lee and Pat in your prayers.

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	
April 1 Melvin Burton 4 Pat DeBoer 10 Suzy Lytle 11 Robert Parker 13 Jeff Lytle 15 Chuck Mahan 19 Russ Wolf 27 Sheri Blair	April 9 Mark & Karla Randel 28 David & Betty Turner 30 Clyde & Debbie Harding	
May 5 Becky Wolf 6 Grant Aldrich 6 Otis Towry 7 Richard Holmes 10 Walter Knickerbocker 31 Clyde Harding	May 4 Daniel & Jenny King (31 yrs) 22 Joe & Joyce Smith (46 yrs)	



AACA Tulsa Region 2019/20 Calendar

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Month	Day	Activity	Place	Director Responsible	comment	
2021:						
April		no general membership meeting scheduled Route 66 Cruisers Swap Meet • Will Rogers Downs (east of Claremore on Rt 20) Open Car Show • 9 AM – 12 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum (918) 216-1171 Tulsa New Car Show • Expo Square Pate Swap Meet • Texas Motor Speedway, 3545 Lone Star Circle, Fort Worth, TX Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum				
May	1	William Bradford Chris 1 ● \$15 entry fee, 50 tr General Meeting ● 2 F	stian School Ca ophies ● 2320 PM ● Haikey Cr	las County Fairgrounds, Lawr r Show • check in 8 AM, judg N.E. 1 st street, Pryor, OK eek • post-meeting presenta Dwasso • 10 AM at old Collins	ing 12 PM, ition TBD	
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Octobe		General Meeting • loc Divisional Tour • spon Board Meeting • 2 PM	sored by AACA	-)	
Novem	nber 1	General Meeting • loc	ation TBD • po	ost-meeting presentation TBD)	

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30 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

December 6 General Meeting • location TBD • post-meeting presentation TBD
19 Christmas Party • Probably 1 PM at Jerry Shrader's Vintage Car Garage

2022:

January 2	General Meeting ● location TBD ● post-meeting presentation TBD Installation
4	Board Meeting ● 2 PM ● Heart of 66 Auto Museum
8	Banquet ● Probably 1 PM at Jerry Shrader's Vintage Car Garage
February 2	Board Meeting ● 2 PM ● Heart of 66 Auto Museum
7	General Meeting ● location TBD ● post-meeting presentation TBD
March 1	Board Meeting ● 2 PM ● Heart of 66 Auto Museum
6	General Meeting ● location TBD ● post-meeting presentation TBD

Recurring Events *(see note below)* Every 2nd Saturday • Silent Movie • Circle Cinema 12 S Lewis • Phil Judkins • <u>http://circlecinema.com/</u> Every 2nd 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) 1st Tuesday after general meeting • Tulsa Cruise-In • 71st & 193rd East Avenue Broken Arrow • 5 pm – 8 PM • (Mar – Oct) • Dan King

Note: all events are subject to cancellation due to COVID-19 epidemic quarantines.



WILLIAM BRADFORD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

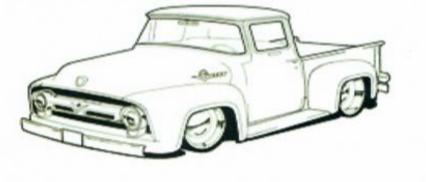
2320 N.E. 1st street, Pryor, OK (1.5 mi. East on old Highway 20, near the Fairgrounds)

3rd Annual

CAR SHOW

May 1, 2021

==CARS....TRUCKS....MOTORCYCLES....RAT RODS==



Check in : 8 a.m.

Judging: 12 p.m.

Trophies: 3 p.m.





Concessions sold by the WBCS sports teams and cheerleaders All proceeds go directly to the school For more info contact: hmulanax@wbcslions.org





One Hundred Years Ago Today

by Randy Beeson

As always, international events were in the news this month. On April 7th, revolutionary leader Dr. Sun Yat-sen was elected President of China. The Emirate of Transjordan was created in the Middle East on the 11th. Under Allied supervision, voters in Europe's Tyrol region voted to merge with Germany. Unhappy with this result, the Allies ceded the region to Italy. So much for popular sovereignty!

In the world of sports, radio station KDKA broadcast the first boxing match (Ray-Dundee) on April 11th. The American Professional Football Association reorganized in Akron, OH on the 30th.

Labor unrest was also an issue this month. On April 13th, the Spanish Communist Workers Party was founded. Great Britain experienced 'Black Friday' on the 15th when transport and rail union leaders decided not to call for strike action in support of miners. Many felt this was a breach of worker solidarity and betrayal of miners.

In other news, Professor Albert Einstein lectured on his new theory of relativity in New York City on April 2nd. This new theory would upend its predecessor, Newtonian science. Iowa imposed the first (but not the last) state cigarette tax on the 11th. The funeral of the last German empress, Augusta Victoria, wife of former Kaiser Wilhelm II was held on April 19th. And finally, the Junior Achievement

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organization was founded in Colorado Springs, CO on the 18th.

Famous birthdays this month included pro basketball and baseball player, author and actor Chuck Connors, born in Brooklyn, NY on April 10th. British actor, author, journalist, comedian and broadcaster Peter Ustinov, was born in London on the 16th. Singer and actress Janet Blair was born in Altoona, PA while Hall of Fame pitcher Warren Spahn was born in Buffalo, NY, both on April 23rd. Finally, news broadcaster Rowland Evans (Evans & Novak) was born in Whitemarsh, PA on the 24th.

On April 7th, future French President Charles de Gaulle (30) married Yvonne Vendroux (20).

The April 9th edition of the Washington Times carried an interesting article the 'big Birmingham' car. The outstanding feature of this vehicle was the lack of axles, the springs supposedly taking the place of axles. The article lacked any technical description of exactly how this was accomplished, however, three of the vehicles were reported to be on their way from Detroit to Washington, DC. This article further stated that the company was planning to produce up to 500 vehicles/day from a plant located in Jamestown, NY. A brief article further noted that automobile production in the Detroit area had now reached 5,000 vehicles/day.



Even stranger was a brief item in the Motor Digest column of the April 16th edition of the newspaper claiming that an oil-burning type of diesel engine capable of running on butter, lard or powdered coal had

been developed. The inventor and manufacturer weren't identified. One wonders how you might start a butter or lard-fueled automobile on a cold winter morning!

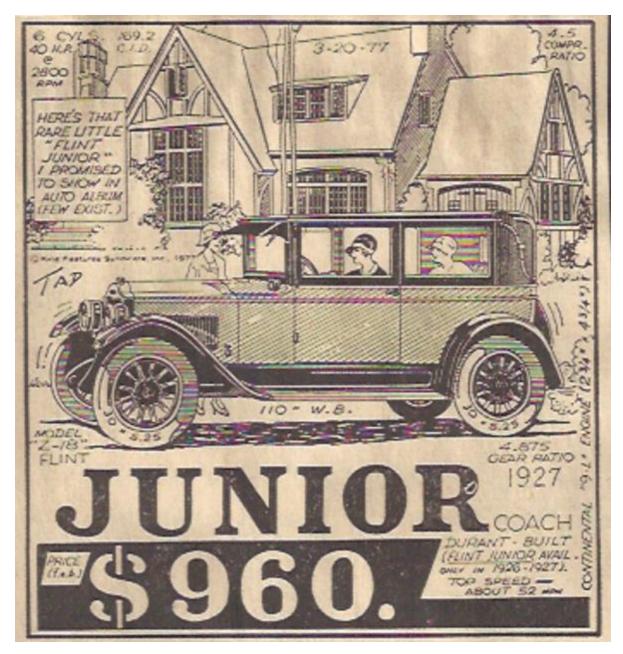
Gasoline Alley

By Dan King, Editor

1927 Flint Junior Strictly a Utility Car

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by Tad Burness 3/20/77

Some time ago, we illustrated the large model of the Flint car, and mentioned that there was also a small subsidiary make, the Flint Junior, which would be shown later.

The Flint Junior is virtually a forgotten car; it was available only for two seasons, and only in 2-door or "coach" or "deluxe coach" body style.

It bore a family resemblance to the Star, another, more popular product of the Durant motor empire of the 1920s; but the Flint Junior had its own peculiar radiator design.

The Flint Junior was strictly a low-budget utility model, save for the decorative landau irons, and its performance was less than brilliant. Few of these cars were seen around after three or four years, and consequently the Junior is a choice collector's item.

It may be in the same league as the long-extinct dodo, passenger pigeon, or Carolina parakeet. I would like to hear from readers who have seen one of these cars.

When the Junior was introduced, its two coach models were priced at \$1,085 and \$1,185. But in 1927, prices were cut to \$960 and \$1,075.

What did the deluxe coach provide as extra equipment? Well, bumpers were thrown in, and you also got foot-scrapers on the running boards.

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, <u>dcking1948@yahoo.com</u>.

Later alligator ...

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Rediscovered Treasures

By Wayne Tuck Executive Vice President

While sorting through cabinets and shelves in my garage I began to wonder, why did I save all this junk? Motorcycle parts for bikes I have not owned for over ten years? I don't recall ever having a vehicle that was the color of this bottle of touch up paint. Cords and accessory wires that don't fit anything I own? It's time to discard some of this stuff. A stack of license plates from vehicles I owned in the past? Could I be in trouble with the State Motor Vehicle division for not turning these in? After a second look, wait a minute, a white colored New Jersey plate? New Jersey never had a white plate!

On second thought, New Jersey is one of those states that requires a front license plate. In celebration of this country's bicentennial the state authorized a special commemorative plate to be used in place of the regular front plate from 1975 thru 1977. This plate had a white background with red and blue "NJ 76" in the center, circled with 13 blue stars representing the 13 original colonies. Letters in an arch across the top state, "Crossroads of the Revolution". New Jersey saw 296 engagements with the British within our state - more than any other state. There were many major battles fought here. I had forgotten I ever owned that plate. I proudly displayed that plate on the front of my 1971 bright yellow Volkswagen Super Beetle convertible. The plate is in "like new" condition. I can put this on my wife's 1976 bright yellow Volkswagen Super Beetle Convertible! History repeats itself. How fitting, a rediscovered treasure. I'm sure we all have some simple treasures stored away and forgotten. I intend to continue looking.





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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.



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 \$45.00/calendar year for member and spouse/partner

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Make checks payable to: Antique Automobile Send this completed form and membership dues to: Chuck Mahan 6902 E 64th Pl Tulsa, OK 74133

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