

A Message from David Turner



President's Notes

For those of you who were able to attend, I know you enjoyed our Christmas banquet! Carolanne Mahan created a wonderful event for us to enjoy. Thank you again, Carolanne.

Our next meeting will be the Officer Installation banquet on Sunday, 9 January, at the Event Center of Jerry Schrader on 46th Street at 1:00 PM. Please be thinking of and creating your awards to be bestowed at the meeting for matters of Merit and Distinction! Such awards are usually tongue in cheek awards but certainly can be serious as well. Let your memories of the past year and your imaginations go to work to create those memorable awards!

If you haven't yet renewed your dues, now would be the time. Please send them to Chuck Mahan. You should have received an invoice from him by now if you haven't already paid. I am certain Joe Smith and next year's Board will have a full agenda of events in which we can participate! Additionally, if you have ideas for events you would like for the board to consider for the coming year, please share them with any board member! I am looking forward to another good year as well!

Thank you again to everyone for making this a wonderful year for me as your President! I enjoyed it all thanks to all you nice folks!

David Turner

**Minutes of the December Tulsa Region
AACA General Meeting at Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium
December 5th, 2021**

Joanna Cooper made a verbal request that everyone mask-up, wash hands, and get vaccinated. It seems that following an AACA Florida tour several participants became sick with Covid-19. One couple went on to a Phoenix tour where the man and his wife both died.

David then led the club in the pledge of allegiance.

Chuck Mahan read the minutes of the November General Meeting. This time, no one dared to make corrections. The Treasurer's report was given by Chuck with David commenting that the Tour came together at the very end and made a healthy profit for the club.

Both Joanne and David thanked the club members for the strong support that the club gave during the Tour.

24 club members were in attendance.

David announced that he had been in contact with Dan King. Dan sounded good, but stated that he wasn't going to continue with the club. Because of his resignation, the club needs to elect a new Board member that would serve a term of one year. After some discussion, Mike Halley volunteered to run for election. Mike was unanimously elected.

David then reviewed plans for the Christmas party and Installation Banquet. Both are at Jerry Shrader's event center at 1:00 pm. Cost is \$30.00 per person. The Christmas Party is on December 12 with the Installation Banquet on January 9th.

Carolanne Mahan, Joe Smith, Linda Beeson and Mike Halley each had a joke for the club.

Ed Knoble said that he had located a 1926 Pierce Arrow to purchase for his trip along Route 66. He wanted to know if anyone in the club had suggestions to help him with the purchase.

It was announced that Carolanne Mahan was having shoulder surgery on December 7th.

The business meeting was adjourned followed by a presentation by Steve Schnitzer on antifreeze.





January

- 2 Debbie Harding
- 4 Keith Jones
- 9 Helen Wilson
- 10 Joe Smith
- 13 Pauleta Clawson
- 20 Teresa Strode
- 27 Vada Strattan

February

- 25 Janice Jones



January

- 11 Lee and Pat DeBoer
- 24 Bob and Vada Strattan

February

Sunshine Report

Our thoughts and prayers are with Pam Jones.



AACA Tulsa Region 2022 Calendar

2022:

January

- 4 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- 9 Installation Banquet (installation of club officers) • 1 PM at Jerry Shrader's Event Center

February

- 2 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- 7 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD

March

- 1 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- 6 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD
- 29 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

April

- 3 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD
- 26 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

May

- 1 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD
- 31 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

June

- 5 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD
- 28 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

July

- 3 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's • post-meeting presentation TBD

August

- 2 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- 7 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's • post-meeting presentation TBD



September

- 4 General Meeting ● Joanna Cooper's ● post-meeting presentation TBD
- 31 Board Meeting ● 2 PM ● Heart of 66 Auto Museum

Recurring Events (*see note below*)

Every 2nd Wednesday ● Owasso Cruise-In ● north side of Main Street

Every Tuesday ● Tulsa Cruise-In ● 51st & Memorial ● 5 pm – 8 PM ● (Mar – Oct) ●

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

AACA 2022 National Calendar of Events

February 10-12 – AACA Annual Convention Philadelphia

February 24-26 - AACA Winter Nationals – Melbourne, Florida

March 10-12 – Western Spring Nationals – Las Vegas

March 20-26 – Founders Tour – Mobile, Ala./Biloxi Miss.

April 7-9 – Southeastern Spring Nationals – Charlotte, NC

April 17-23 – Central Divisional Tour (1997 and earlier) – San Antonio to Laporte, TX

April 21-23 – Special Winter Nationals & Special Grand National – San Juan, PR

May 19-21 – Annual Grand Nationals – Virginia Beach, VA

May 22-25 – Eastern Divisional Tour (1997 and earlier) – Johnstown, PA

June 16-18 – Eastern Spring Nationals – Beckley WV

August 11-13 – Central Fall Nationals – Bettendorf, Iowa

September 10-16 – Sentimental Tour – Gettysburg, PA

September 18-23 – Reliability Tour (1915 and earlier) Shepherdsville, Kentucky

September 25-30 – Revival AAA Glidden Tour® (1942 and earlier) Central New Jersey

October 4-7 – Eastern Fall Nationals Hershey, Pennsylvania





One Hundred Years Ago

by Randy Beeson

Political events in Ireland dominated the news this month. On January 7th, the Irish Dail (parliament) ratified the Anglo-Irish Treaty. Arthur Griffith, founder of Sinn Féin was elected President of the Irish Free State on the 15th after Eamon de Valera resigned his office in protest of the Treaty.

Danbury, WI set a state record with a low thermometer reading of -54° F on January 24th. Washington, DC received its heaviest ever snowfall on the 28th, resulting in collapse of the roof of the Knickerbocker Theater and the deaths of 98 persons. Interestingly, no one blamed climate change or auto exhaust for the disaster.

As increasing numbers of radios were sold, more and more commercial broadcast stations took to the air. Station KQV began operation in Pittsburg, PA on January 9th, while station WHA began operation in Madison, WI on the 13th.

In other news, insulin was first used to treat diabetes in a human on January 11th when 14-year-old Canadian Leonard Thompson received the drug. The U.S. Geological Survey reported on the 19th that the U.S. oil supply would be depleted in 20 years. Yet here we are 100 years later with even greater reserves. Finally, the Eskimo Pie was patented by Iowan Christian K. Nelson on January 24th.

Birthdays this month included future U.S. Senator ‘Fritz’ Hollings, born in Charleston, SC on January 1st. Baseball player and manager Alvin Dark was born in Comanche, OK on the 7th. Actress and comedienne Betty White was born in Oak Park, IL on January 17th. Finally, Guy Madison

(TV’s Wild Bill Hickok) was born in Pumpkin Center, CA on the 19th and actor ‘Telly’ Savalas was born in Garden City, NJ on the 21st.

Necrology this month included polar explorer Ernest Shackleton dead of a heart attack at age 47 on January 5th and American journalist and writer Nellie Bly dead at age 57.

The War Department reported this month that, among other items, it had transferred 27,198 motor vehicles and 172 locomotives to the Department of Agriculture.

In the automotive world, this month’s issue of Popular Mechanics announced the development of a precursor of the automobile sun visor. The flip-up device, constructed of a very fine mesh brass wire, was attached to the vehicle’s windshield. However, the device was intended to reduce the glare from the headlights of oncoming vehicles, rather than the glare of the sun.

Four new automobiles were slated to debut at the 1922 Chicago Automobile Show. These included the Rickenbacker, Wills St. Claire, Durant and Earl. The show would feature 81 different makes of automobiles and 186 accessory manufacturers.

A Washington Times article revealed that names such as “torpedo”, “baby landaulet” and “bearcat” were to be eliminated from the list of automobile body types. Apparently General Motors didn’t get that memo as Pontiac was still manufacturing a Torpedo 8 model in the late 1940s. Another interesting fact gleaned from the Times – one 30” x 31/2” cord tire contained 1,723 miles of cotton fiber.

Radio and Birth of Automobile Entertainment Part 2

Bill Ruedy

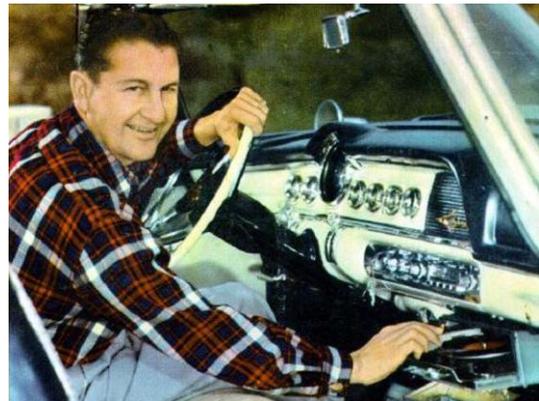
The automobile revolutionized society and how people interacted with each other. Travel for leisure became much more convenient. Automobiles and dating became part of society as couples escaped their parent's living room for more romantic locations. One story repeated in various articles illustrates the motivation behind earlier car radio design. The story is about Bill Lear and his friend Elmer Wavering. The two were parking with their girlfriends at Lookout Point in Quincy, Illinois, watching the sunset. One of the women suggested the evening was romantic, but would be more so if there was music to listen to. I'm not sure if it matters if the story is true; it perfectly illustrates how inventions can be created from casual ideas and proper motivations. Lear and Wavering created a practical car radio about 1930 called the "5T71" (later renamed "Motorola").

By the 1950's car radios had shrunk in size and were mounted in a single box behind the dash. Automobile manufactures were designing the automobile dash to include a place for a car radio. Car radios became very popular and soon the desire for entertainment drove new innovations.

Radio broadcast stations became more plentiful providing different programs and content. Television became popular in the 1950's. Radio programs had to compete with television. Television programming began replacing the radio story telling broadcasts of the 1920-1950's. Radio programming changed to focus on music. One limitation of radio stations is that they needed to appeal to a broad audience. Listeners were not always able to hear their favorite music, and often switched between stations to continue listening to a variety of content. At the same time the popularity of automobiles helped create smaller listening windows. Automobile were used to travel to the grocery store, doctor office, and other events (school, theaters, and business meetings). Radio stations adapted by focusing on music and creating playlists of popular music. The playlists were repeated throughout the day. We can all remember waiting hours in the hope of hearing our favorite song(s) played on the radio.

Car entertainment needed to evolve to provide "on demand" selections of music for shorter trips. During the 1950s in-car record players debuted. The standard sized 12 inch – 33 rpm LP format (about 20 minutes of music per side) was pushed by CBS for classical music. RCA pushed a seven-inch 45 rpm "single" format. The single format provided a single recorded song per side.

Dr. Peter Goldmark head of CBS Laboratories and inventor of the 33 1/3 long playing (LP) record created an in-car phonograph called the "Highway Hi-



LAWRANCE WELK 1956 CHRYSLER HIGHWAY HI-FI



RCA AUTO VICTROLA IN A 1957 PLYMOUTH FURY

Fi Record Player". He slowed the rotational speed to 16 2/3 rpm to allow a record size of 7" and playing time similar to full size LP. The Highway Hi-Fi was available as a factory installed option in new Chrysler products. Unfortunately, the records were produced only by CBS/Columbia. There were only 42 records available, providing a limited range of music.

The Highway HI-Fi was not very popular and was discontinued by 1959. Interestingly, Chrysler tried again in 1960 with an RCA "Auto Victrola". This turntable could play a stack up to 14 conventional 45-rpm singles. It still had the problem of "skipping" while playing if the car was in motion on rough pavement, but was great if you were parked (on a date).

The Philips Mignon (marketed in the US under brand Norelco) was the next automotive record player. The Beatles had one in their cars. The Mignon was produced from 1958 thru 1970, and played standard 45 rpm records. Records slid into a slot in the front of the player similar to later designed CD players. The record player only held one record at a time. Continuously changing records meant it was impractical to operate while the car was in motion.

Information Links:

<https://opentext.wsu.edu/com101/chapter/7-2-evolution-of-radio-broadcasting/>

History of Obsolete car audio, Part 1 Early Radio:

(<https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/history-of-early-radio/>)

History of Obsolete car audio, Part 2 record players: (

<https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/obsolete-car-audio-part-2/>)

1957 Plymouth fury with RCA Auto Victrola:

(<https://i.imgur.com/Kn07UmJ.jpg>)

1965 Jaguar XKE Philips Auto Mignon:

(<http://thevinylfactory.com/news/amazing-photos-of-a-time-when-cars-had-record-players/>)

Car record player:

(https://www.reddit.com/r/mildlyinteresting/comments/3lt3np/this_car_stereo_has_a_record_player/)

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HIGHWAY HI-FI AD



GEORGE HARRISON AND PHILIPS MIGNON IN 1965 JAGUAR XKE

Wheels of the Past Visit on November 6, 2021



Special thanks to the AACA Tulsa Region Board Members for a great year in 2021.



Left to right David Turner, Chuck Mahan, Debbie Harding, Clyde Harding, Steve Schnitzer. Not pictured, Dan King.

SWAP MEET

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Number of spaces requested
outside:

..... Gravel / Grass (approx. 10'x30')

..... Paved Lot (approx. 9'x25' / max height 9')

inside:

..... South Building (approx. 10'x10')

..... North Building (approx. 10'x10')

..... Tables (North Building only / \$10 each)
*tables limited // rental based on availability

If more than one space, request layout

..... End to End Side by Side



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 Bill Ruedy, ruedy@valornet.com

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 drenrut61@gmail.com 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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Your Anniversary Month and Day: _____

Your National AACA membership number: _____

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Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Body Style: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Body Style: _____

If you have more cars, please list them on the back of this form.

Make checks payable to: Antique Automobile

Send this completed form and membership dues to:

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