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President's Message

Happy Greetings To All You Great Ole Car folks in the Area! I can't believe You have put up with Me for 40 messages! March has been A pretty good month for Iowa. We had a good meeting & would still like to see more of you attend! At the board meeting one of the main Things we are working on is 1st how do we save more money & 2nd how do we make more money? If you have any ideas let us know!

We also had the swap meet meeting and Jack has many good ideas about how to make it a success! Some of us made our annual trip to Oklahoma for the Chickasha swap. Unfortunately, things did not improve over last year so the family has decided that if they cannot make A good Profit it was not worth having, so the decision has been made to officially end it!! After over 20 years (that started with going with Jerry Sweet) it will seem very strange not going next year!!!

I hope that I haven't told you about this month's choice so you will enjoy the tale of the big blue Chrysler? As you all know I shouldn't Need another car, but I had this problem! One of the things I enjoy as well as all you great ole car people is touring in our old cars. Problem – because my best reliable car is my '12 T. Its too slow for our AACA tours or the model A tours. My only running Model A Is also a little slow & it's a touring with no side curtains! On top of that Agnes has said that for tours we need something comfortable with ROLL UP windows so we can Stay dry, warm and cozy! I looked at Model A's but I Decided that a 4 door would be the best option! In the meantime I ran into what Seemed an ideal candidate? This is a '27 Chrysler 70 4 dr sedan That had come out of an estate in Mass where its elderly owner had done Extensive work on the engine and 4 wheel hydraulic breaks! It was described as ready to tour & even had new tires! Sounded ideal, so I arranged to have it delivered to Iowa. When it arrived, it seemed really ideal. It really looked the part! I spent several weeks checking her over learning to start & drive her around the nationhood. I luckily decided to try her on a real drive before taking a chance with Agnes on board. I did find out that we are not always so lucky. She was running awesome 15 miles into the first trial run when to my complete surprise I lost the #3 rod - Dam! Ok than came pull the rod – get the crank miked - get the rod poured & reinstall the rod! Should be a go right? I took Agnes for a good ride & she really likes it & it should be ready for summer tours? Well, Remember it's a typical old car and now I'm worried that the bad teeth on the starter ring might stop us on a tour! I now need to decide what to do about that problem? If it weren't for the help of several friends I would not even be this far!! Thanks to Everyone who has helped!!!!

Thanks For Listening! See you in April! Your President John Williams

JON'S CORNER

1. In what year was the first Glidden tour run?

2. In what year was the Maxim Electric produced?

3. Where was the Kissel automobile manufactured?

Answers on page 7

March 11th 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The March meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center

Meeting called to order by President John Williams. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

VISITORS: Denver Dvorsky Representative of the Czech Heritage Foundation, Richard Bice a former member

BIRTHDAYS: Dean Kiefer

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ILLNESSES: Sam Shannon may have already moved in with his son in Georgia. He hopes that his health and sight will improve and he can return.

DEATHS: None

NEW MEMBERS: none

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the February 12th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Sue Melvin and 2nd by Sherry Melvin.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copler. Motion to approve was made by Judy Ortiz and 2nd by Jack Harville.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you letter was read from Kirkwood for our Scholarship donation.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES Neil reported on the Twin Rivers tour set for June 1st -June 5th. He reported that most of the places are not open so he isn't able to finalize everything yet but he has the driving instructions pretty well complete. We are going to the House on the Rocks, Ringling Brothers Mansion, Cave of the Mounds, Frank Lloyd Wright Museum and many more.

NEW BUSINESS: It was decided to have the Spring Banquet at the Ronneburg. The sign up sheet was in your Moto Meter. The Social hour starts at 4:00 PM and eat at 5:00 PM. It is Ham and Beef with Amana style salads and vegetables plus pie for \$30.00 a person. Send your reservations to Loren Huffaker.

SWAP MEET: Jack Harville told us about a meeting at the Hiawatha Library on Wednesday March 13th starting at 6:30 PM in the Glenn Schminke Room. Everyone is encouraged to come and bring ideas for raising money and getting people interested in attending. We will have a newly designed flyer also. The Swap Meet is September 21st so mark your calendar because we will need all the help we can get.

OTHER: The Teddy Bear auction will be held at our May meeting. Be sure to bring your items and bring your money to buy lots of great things because this is a charitable donation from our group. Returning to Youngville this year was mentioned and Larry Beatty will look into it. It was also discussed returning to Bass Family Farms and John Williams will look into it. Denver Dvorsky talked to us about participating in the Houby days parade and it was mentioned to have a car show afterwards. Nine people signed up to drive their cars in the Parade. Next month there will be a 50/50 raffle to raise money for our treasury.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Dean Kiefer and 2nd by Jack Harville

Treats were provided by Clyde and Sue Melvin and Sherry Melvin

Please have your articles to Sylvia by the 10th for the Moto Meter

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

*** Reminder that beginning in January the monthly club meetings will be at the Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha. The meeting will be on the **second Monday** each month.

Starting in April the board meeting will be on **the third Monday** instead of third Tuesday at Perkins.

FOR SALE: 1970 Siata - needs work

WANTED: VHS tape recorder player with remote in good working condition

For both of the above call Faith Williams (319) 366-6046

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A man's car breaks down in the middle of the night. He knows the area well & realizes that the quickest way to the service station is through an old graveyard. He's walking along the head-stones when in the distance he hears a faint tapping noise. As he gets deeper into the graveyard the eerie tapping gets louder & louder. He very anxiously turns a corner & sees the source of the tapping is an old man with a hammer & chisel hunched over a headstone.

Relief washes over him & he says "I was beginning to freak out because of that noise. I thought this place might be haunted. What on earth are you doing here so late at night?"

The old man merely continues chiseling and says "They spelled my name wrong."

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events April 2024

Apr. 8th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

Apr. 16th-Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Apr. 17th-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Irish Democrat-3207 1st Ave SE/CR

Apr. 27th Spring Banquet at Ronneburg in Amana. Social hour 4pm - eat at 5pm. (See registration sheet that was in March moto meter)

Upcoming Events May 2024

May 7th AACA Swap Meet Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Library-150 W. Willman St in Hiawatha

May 13th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

May 18th Houby Days Parade & Car Show. Lineup at 9 am - Parade at 10 am.

May 19th Hiawatha Cars & Coffee from 8 - 11 am at Cedar Graphics parking lot at 311 Parsons Dr/Hiawatha. Coffee & food available to purchase.

May 20th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR (note this is on **Monday now)**

May 22nd-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Bread Basket-101 S Franklin St, Manchester

2024 TREAT SCHEDULE

Apr - Jack & Kathi Harville

May - Joann & Dean Kiefer

June - Pat & Darrell Sanford

July - Barb Waterhouse

Aug - Dick & Pat Semelroth

Club fundraiser

At the April club meeting there will be a 50/50 raffle. 50% of money collected will go the winner & 50% to the club.

2024 Twin Rivers Tour Wisconsin

June 1 to June 5, (4 nights)

Motel: Don-Q-Inn Dodgeville, 608-935-2321 \$100.00 includes tax

Fennimore doll and toy Mus.

House on the Rock

Frank Lloyd Wright Museum

Ringling Bros. Mansion

Cave of the Mounds

New Glarus Fleece Museum

Platteville Mining Museum

Fennimore Railroad Mus.

Rural Route 1 Popcorn

Ringling Bros. Circus Museum

International Clown Museum

Black color fleet of fire Engines

Mineral Point Pendarvis Homes

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Deadline for reserving motel room is May 1st

DEATH OF FORMER AACA MEMBER

Leland Millard, 85, passed away March 20, 2024. He was born Dec. 20, 1938 in Cedar Rapids. He graduated from Alburnett High School. Leland proudly served his country in the US Army during the Vietnam War. He married Wilma Jean Sweeney on Dec. 15, 1960 in Hopkinsville, Kentucky-she preceded him in death in 1986. He married Shirley Dean Borders on Mar. 27, 1987 in Clifty, Kentucky-she preceded him in death in 2020. He retired from Rockwell-Collins as a machinist in 2001. After his retirement he worked at Advanced Auto Parts in Marion. He was a member of the Alburnett Christian Church.

Leland is survived by his children Dr. Thomas Millard (Charme) of Morrison, Illinois, Terri Brokel of Springville, Ia; grandchildren Luke Millard, Michaela Millard, Colby VanAntwerp (Patience), Aubrie Brokel, Collin Brokel; and three great-grandchildren Chance, Dazzalynn, & Raiden.

Lee was a member of the Antique Automobile Club & his passion was restoring Model A cars. He loved to travel on outings with the Model A club & trips with his family.

Burial at Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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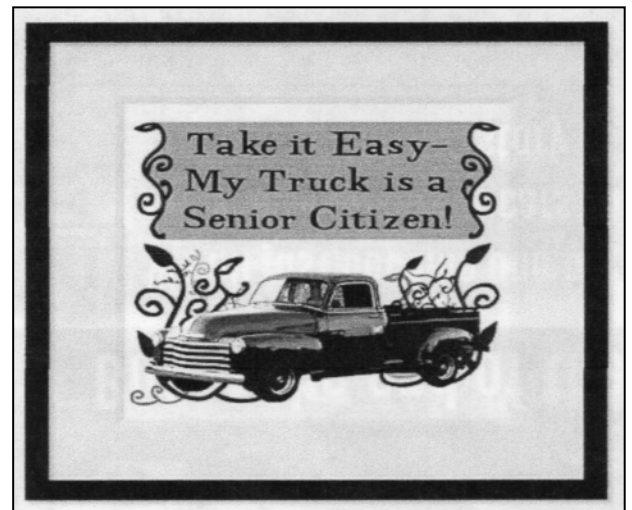
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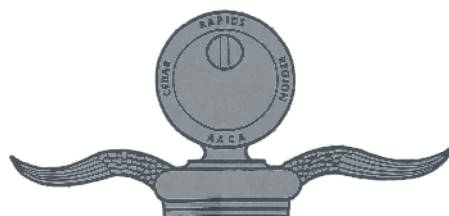
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Jon's Corner Answers

1. The first Glidden tour was in 1905.
2. The Maxim Electric was produced in 1904, Cedar Rapids, IA.
3. The Kissel was manufactured in Hartford, WI.



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