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President's Message

Hi Again To All You Great Ole Car People In The CR Area! May has been another Good But Busy time! The Model A Spring Swap was a good time with perfect weather & good attendance all the way around. Thanks too everyone who made it so Great! I think things will get even better as people get used to the new location? The summer is well planned & progress on our swap on 27 August is good. We are also planning on a Local AACA Car Show with Bass Farms & I hope many of you will bring an Ole Car out for the fun with no judging on Aug 6 from 10-2.

Evidently many of you have been following the Railton Tail so back to it! What Ian & I figured is someone was worried about the Farmer from Iowa doing so well, running in the top, coming into Reno so in the old Race Tradition they decided to try & make sure that we did not stay there at the top! What they did was fill a red shop rag with parking lot dust & sand, pop open the boattail , open the large competition cap & drop the bomb into the tank. That is why we had never run more than 50 miles since Reno without plugging the fuel system someplace. They of course did not realize that there was no need to sabotage us because the engine machinist had already done that when he set the bearing clearances so tight that we tossed 4 of the 8 rods before giving in & stopped running the engine!

Another thing Ian & I found was lucky for us! Remember that this is the FRESH rebuild that the machinist had promised us after his mistakes (that all of a sudden was not free)! Remember this was a complete rebuild that I had never properly Run IN to break it in so everything was tight. After setting for several years again We found that that several valves were sticking - giving us bad compression in several cylinders. No problem – We pulled the Head to loosen the valves! As we looked down into the cylinders We had Near Heart Failure when we noticed a grove made by 1 of the wrist pins rubbing the cylinder wall!!!! You know what that caused! We had to pull the pan & remove that piston & rod. What we found there was that the same SOB that had caused the ruin of the first engine had left out one of the wrist pin clips that kept the full floating wrist pin inside of the piston. There was nothing we could do, but hone that cylinder as good as we could and put it back together! We are SO Lucky we had to pull the head because that wristpin would have - if not fixed - led to a total engine Failure later on!! I now report that it runs So Fine & Strong that the 3,000 miles in the 2016 Great Race was pulled off with No Problems from the Engine at all!

Thanks For Listening Your President John L Williams

JON'S CORNER

1. Who drove the Lincoln Way solo in 1916 from San Francisco to NYC?

2. In what year was the first Mustang Ford produced?

3. In what year did Cord introduce front wheel drive?

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May 10th, 2022 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The May meeting was held at the Shriners Club in Hiawatha.

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

VISITORS: Dave Hayes he has a 57 Chevy. WELCOME.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: Linda Yoder, Karen Rohlena, Dan Ortz and Al Meeker

ILLNESS: Loren Huffaker had a torn tendon on his shoulder taken care of.

SPEAKER: None

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the April 12th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Judy Ortz and 2nd by Carl Ohrt.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copley. Motion to approve was made by Carl Ohrt and 2nd by Sherry Melvin.

MEMBERSHIP: Dave Hayes joined tonight.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena talked about his May 21st trip, Sherry Melvin told about their trip to Independence on June 4th, Jon Reynolds talked about the Model A tour we are invited to on June 9th & 10th. Neil Rohlena said anyone from the AACA club only that is going needs to contact him so he can collect the money in the morning of the trip to pay for the events. He also needs a head count. Sharon Schminke talked about the Twin Rivers trip to Parkersburg June 17-20th. She encouraged everyone to join us for 1, 2, 3 or all 4 days. The sign up sheet is in the Moto Meter.

OLD BUSINESS: There was a great turnout for the Spring Banquet and everyone said they had a great meal and a great time. They thanked Neil for the great entertainment. What to do with the proceeds from the Teddy Bear Auction was discussed. It was suggested to give to the Honor Flight or Hall Perrine Cancer Center. It was voted on and the Cancer center was selected.

OTHER: The Teddy Bear auction was conducted by Carl Ohrt. Thank you Carl for your expertise. The Model A Swap Meet was discussed. There are still some things we need to iron out for the August Swap Meet. We need to get the flyers out for our meet so pick up a pile when you can.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Reynolds and 2nd Al Meeker

Treats were served by Tom and Jackie Oliver.

Please have your articles for the Moto Meter to Jane or Sylvia by the 10th of the month.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2022 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events June 2022

One day trip to Independence June 4th.
Muscatine Riverfront Car Show June 5th.
Youngville Cafe Reopening June 7th 11:00-2:00 Come for lunch & drive your old car
Swap Meet Meeting June 7th at 6:30 pm at Hiawatha Library
Overnight trip to Hampton with Model A Club June 9- 10.
AACA Club meeting June 14th at 7 pm. Program: Dale Lynch "1908 Great Race."
Twin Rivers Tour June 17-20 to Parkersburg (Sign up sheet was in May Moto Meter)
Alburnett Car Show June 18th 9 am to 1:30 pm. Rain date is June 19th.
Gladbrook Car Show June 18th
Board Meeting June 21st at 6:00 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR
Ladies Luncheon June 22nd at 11:30 am at Sally's in Springville.
Coral Ridge Mall Car Show June 24th 5-9pm
Car Show Ryan June 25 on Main St. Registration 10 am to noon. Awards at 3 pm.

CR AREA THURSDAY OUTDOOR CRUISE NIGHTS. MEETING TIME AT 5:30 pm

Palo Green Space at Main & Iowa St (behind the old bank), Palo. June 2nd
Lutheran Church Resurrection, 3500 29th Ave, Marion June 9th
Duffly's Classic Enterprises, 250 Classic Car Ct SW, CR June 16th
Hope Lutheran Church, 2736 Bowling St SW, CR June 23rd
Hope Lutheran Church, 2736 Bowling St SW, CR June 30th

Upcoming Events July 2022

4th of July Picnic Ely. Bring 1 side dish per person, drinks, & table service. Social 3 pm and eat at 4 pm.
IOLA car show and swap meet July 7-9.
AACA Club meeting July 12th at 7 pm . Program: History Center presents "1908 Electric Car."
Coralville Car Museum July 17th at 1:30 pm. 1908 Great Race.
Board Meeting July 19th at 6 pm at Perkins Collins Rd/CR
Ladies Luncheon July 20th at 11:30 am at Granite City 4755 1st Ave SE
Coral Ridge Mall Car Show July 29th 5-9pm

Upcoming Events August 2022

Bass Farms Car Show Aug. 6th
Lawn Party at Rohlena's Aug. 7th. Social at 3pm - eat at 5pm-bring table service, lawn chairs, drinks, & 1 side dish per person
AACA Club Meeting Aug. 9th at 7pm
Board Meeting Aug. 16th at 6:00 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR
Ladies Luncheon Aug. 17th at 11:30 am at Betty's Bread Basket in Manchester
Model A Days in Amana Aug. 20th
Coral Ridge Mall Car Show Aug. 26th 5-9pm
AACA Swap Meet Aug. 27th from 8 am to 5 pm

TREAT SCHEDULE

June John & Agnes Williams
July
Aug. Dan & Judy Ortz & Neil Rohlena



Norway Baseball Museum



Traer Salt & Pepper Shaker Museum



Gladbrook Matchstick Museum



Marvin Rohlena's tractors

JOKE OF THE MONTH

One day a guy was driving home when he suddenly realized that it was his daughter's birthday and he hadn't bought her anything. So he pulls into the parking lot of the shopping mall and finds a toy store. He asks the clerk for a Barbie doll. The shop assistant looks at him in a slightly condescending manner and asks "Which Barbie would you like?" The man looked surprised so the assistant continues "We have Barbie Goes to the Ball at \$19.99, Barbie goes shopping at \$19.99, Barbie goes clubbing at \$19.99, Barbie goes to the gym \$19.99, Cyber Barbie at \$19.99, and divorced Barbie at \$249.99." The man asked "Why is divorced Barbie \$249.99 and the others \$19.99?" "Well sir, that's quite obvious divorced Barbie comes with Ken's house & furniture, Ken's car"

TOUR INFORMATION

AACA Day Trip to Independence – Saturday, June 4th by Sherry & Sue/Clyde Melvin

Meet at Spring of Life Church at 2300 26th St NW, CR (off Edgewood Rd & Ellis Blvd NW)

Will leave at 9am – route will be thru Palo, Shellsburg, Urbana, Independence. Anyone who wants to meet along the route contact Sherry or Sue/Clyde. Pay Sherry \$6 per person before leaving that day.

Will be going to Heartland Acres (\$3 adm.), Lunch at Bill's Pizza & Smokehouse, Wapsipinicon Grist Mill-farmer's market outside & garage sale inside (free will donation-asking \$3 pp), Illinois Central Railroad (free adm).

To sign up call Sherry (319) 480-2245 or Sue/Clyde (319) 361-9731

Get your cars ready & come with us for a day of fun!!!!

JUNE 9-10, 2022 TOUR TO HAMPTON, IA WITH MODEL A CLUB

Meet at Sam's on Blairs Ferry Rd at 8:00 AM – Leave at 8:30 AM. Neil will collect \$40 per person to pay for AACA members meals before leaving Sam's.

We will follow Model A's and stop when they stop for gas & potty stops.

Hotel – Americinn (641) 456-5559 \$105.90 + tax (Includes breakfast)

Thursday Lunch – Godfather's in Hampton (collected)

Thursday PM – Historical museum at the fairgrounds

Thursday supper at Americinn 5-7pm (collected)

Thursday Evening – Bluegrass Music Festival at Fairgrounds at 7:30 pm if interested

Friday AM – Historic farmhouse

Friday – Beeds Lake – picnic lunch & pictures (collected)

Friday – Ice cream stop at Spartan Freeze in Grundy Center

Twin Rivers Tour June 17-20, 2022 to Parkersburg

Leave at 8am on the 17th from Walmart on Blairs Ferry Rd

Motel-Legend Trail Inn & Suites (319) 346-9788 Cost \$85.00 + tax = \$96.90
rooms reserved under Sharon Schminke or Antique Automobile Club

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Information sheet was in May Moto Meter

Call Sharon to sign up for this trip (319) 472-4372

The Great Auto Race of 1908 - New York to Paris

Sunday July 17, 2022 at 1:30 pm at the Antique Car Museum of Iowa at 200 East 9th St, Coralville-Admission is \$15 per person-Children 14 & under are free.

Jeff Mahl will give a 90 minute presentation complete with photos & regalia. Jeff is the great grandson of George Schuster, the driver of the Thomas Flyer automobile that drove the entire distance that lasted 169 days in a time before roads and highways.

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Jon's Corner Answers

1. Amanda Kruse drove solo the Lincoln Way in a 1916 Olds-mobile roadster.
2. The first Ford Mustang was a 1964½ in that calendar year.
3. Cord first produced the L29 in 1929.



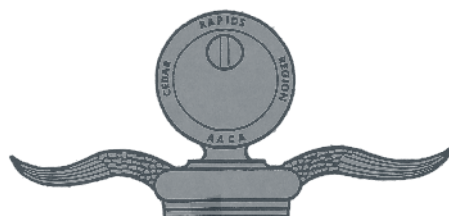

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