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President's Message

Hi Again to All You Great Ole Car folks in the CR Area! April Was getting busier with the nicer weather coming to Iowa once again! We started out the month with a fun day thanks to Sam S & Rich M opening up their neatly decorated homes for other ole car enthusiasts! Sam has a nice collection of toys & children's play stuff from long ago & Riche's collection of toys & models is one of the best I have ever seen! Thanks Guys for sharing with Us!! The Dust Off tour organized by the Great Model A Club was really fun even though it was Cold & Windy! I always love to spend time in the Motor Cycle Museum & I guess we have been Lucky to have it as long as we did! Let me tell you also how Great the Williams Hotel Museum in Wyoming is! If you are ever in the area, give them a call & they will open up for you. (With a great name like Williams How could it be bad?)

I guess I need to tell some more about our Williams Indians. After Everett's '47 came apart I was old enough to think I needed something bigger than the 125 Alstate. After Everett had robed the primary cases off of the '38, He had pulled from a garage west of Ely, to get his '47 back on the road He decided he didn't need the rest of the carcass so he sold it to a friend that wanted a big Cycle. Richard was able to find bits and pieces of Indians from '38 to '48 to get it running good, but he was not able to locate the primary cases so he could have a clutch! That meant he would get it running – give it a push – jam it into gear & speed shift into 2nd & 3rd! When it was time to stop you pushed it into N and applied the brakes! As you can imagine that was not a great way to drive around & He got tired of the project. Well – I knew where there was a great set of cases that had survived the rod disaster! When I told Richard I did not want to sell our stuff, but I would buy his project He agreed because he really wanted a newer Harley instead of a crazy '38 Indian that they did not even make anymore! Actually as my memory returns – Everett has paid \$15 & sold it to Richard for \$15 with out the parts he needed. That is the good part because He sold me the running cycle for \$35 knowing I had what it needed to complete it! It was summer & I wanted to have it going when high school started in the fall! Well – with help from Dad & Everett as well as some Friends I got it going back on the road in time for school! This is so much fun remembering I think I'll tell more about my Indian adventures next time!

See you all in May! Your President John L Williams

JON'S CORNER

- 1. What was the first production automobile to use a V-16 engine?**
- 2. In what year was the V-16 engine introduced?**
- 3. What did Charles Kettering invent that saved many a broken wrists?**

Answers on page 7

April 11, 2023 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

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

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

VISITORS: Paul Hess- He told us about having a 1935 4 door Sedan Plymouth for sale.

BIRTHDAYS: Larry Yoder, Loren Huffaker, and Judy Ortz

ANNIVERSARIES: Jack & Kathi Harville

ILLNESSES: None reported

DEATH: Irene Richards (Edgar) a former member

SPEAKER: None

NEW MEMBER: None but Paul Hess is interested in joining next month.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the March 14th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Sherry Melvin and seconded by Judy Ortz.

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

CORRESPONDENCE: Sylvia read a thank you from Dorothy Ackermann for all the cards and well wishes she received for her birthday. Sylvia also thanked the members for their condolences for her losing Daryl.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena reported on the June 3rd Twin Rivers Tour to Pontiac Illinois. It will be a 5 day tour with 3 days different than before because the Chamber had more things to do that we have never seen before. There will be another sign up sheet in the next newsletter. Neil also mentioned the Model A Dust Off Tour to the Anamosa Motorcycle Museum which will be closing soon for good.

Sherry Melvin reported that Houbby days will be May 19th-May 21st & there is a vintage car expo on May 20th from 12-4.

August 5th is a Model A tour of the Flags in Brooklyn.

Sam Shannon and Rich Mishler were thanked for a great tour of their collections.

NEW BUSINESS: A car show at Bass Family Farms was discussed and it was decided to have one there on July 29th. We will make up flyers to hang up. People will be asked to bring their own lunch and we will mention that Bass Family Farms Store has many good things to buy and eat.

TEDDY BEAR AUCTION PROCEEDS: A discussion was held about where proceeds from the auction should be donated. Motion to donate proceeds to The Honor Flight made by Jon Reynolds and 2nd by Judy Ortz.

SPRING BANQUET: Is scheduled for April 29th at the Ronnenburg Restaurant in Amana. It will be a 2 meat menu of Chicken and Beef. Served family style with salads, vegetables and pie. The club will pay \$5.00 towards the meal for our members. We need to get our reservations in before April 22nd. Neil & Loren have had some members sign up.

4TH OF JULY: John Williams reported that he has the pavilion reserved.

MEETING TREATS: We still need someone to serve treats for November. Larry and Linda Yoder volunteered to take November.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Al Meeker and 2nd by Harry Hawley

TEDDY BEAR AUCTION: Was conducted by Carl Ohrt.

Treats were provided by Clyde & Sue Melvin and Sherry Melvin

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

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2023 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events May 2023

May 9th-AACCA Club Meeting at 7pm at El Kahir Shrine-905 Tower Terrace Rd in Hiawatha

May 13th-Model A Swap Meet from 8 AM - 4 PM at Linn County Fairgrounds in Central City

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

May 17th-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Betty's Bread Basket-101 S Franklin St, Manchester, Ia

May 20th-Houby Days Vintage Car Expo from 12-4 at Red Cedar Parking Lot-129 16th Ave. SW/CR. No admission or entry fee.

May 21st-Cruisin' for Camp Courageous from 10 am - 4 pm at 12007 190th St., Monticello

**CR AREA THURSDAY OUTDOOR CRUISE NIGHTS-MEETING TIME 5:00 PM
(WEATHER PERMITTING)**

May 4th Palo Green Space at Main & Iowa St (behind the old bank), Palo

May 11th Lutheran Church Resurrection-3500 29th Ave, Marion

May 18th Duffy's Classic Enterprises-250 Classic Car Ct SW, CR

May 25th Hope Lutheran Church-2736 Bowling St SW, CR

Upcoming Events June 2023

**June 3-7th Twin Rivers trip to Pontiac, Illinois (registration form in April Moto Meter).
Registration due to Neil Rohlena by May 9th.**

June 13th-AACCA Club Meeting at 7pm at El Kahir Shrine-905 Tower Terrace Rd in Hiawatha

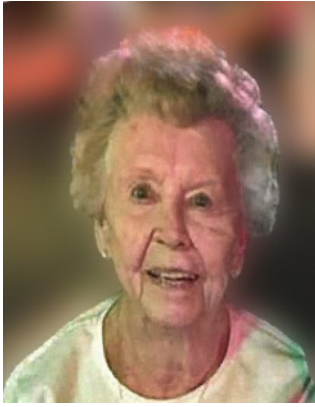
June 17th-5th Annual Car, Truck, & Bike Show from 9 am - 1 pm in Alburnett. \$15 entry fee -voting from 11 am-noon. (Rain date June 18th).

June 20th-Board Meeting at 6pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

June 21st-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Lucky's on 16th-86 16th Ave SW/CR

June 24th-10th Annual Ryan Nationals. Registration 10 am - 12 pm/Awards 3 pm on Main St. in Ryan

DEATH OF FORMER AACA MEMBER



Irene A. Richards, 90, died April 2, 2023 following a short illness. She was born on April 18, 1932 in Racine, WI. On March 7, 1953 she married Donald “Dick” Richards. Dick passed away May 28, 1996. On May 5, 2006 she married Richard “Dick” Edgar. Dick passed away on June 19, 2015.

Irene is survived by her children Don (Holly) Richards, Debbie Braumann, and Diane (Ed) O’Brien; her grandchildren Donnie, Derek (Paige), Quinn (Katie), Zoey (Brayam), Brooke (Derek), and Ashley (Collin), nine great-grandchildren; sister, Doris; and brother, Fred.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Dick Richards and second husband, Dick Edgar; grandson Dusty; son-in-law, Bob Braumann; sister, Ellen; and brothers, Robert and Harry.

Burial at St. Joseph Cemetery.

PHOTOS FROM DAY TRIP ON APRIL 1ST



Was missing one arm-Neil gave it to Sam and he found an arm & repaired it!





JOKE OF THE MONTH

I forgot my coffee this morning so I am going to drive on the rumble strips along the side of the road all the way to work just to be safe.

TREAT SCHEDULE

May - Vern & Martha Travis

June - Calvin Reiling

July - John & Agnes Williams



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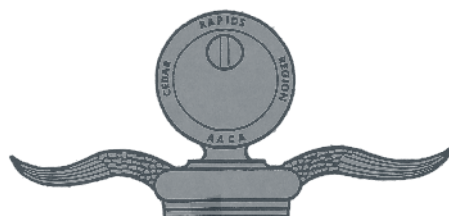
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Jon's Corner Answers

1. The Cadillac was the first production car that used a V-16 engine.
2. Cadillac came out with the V-16 engine in 1930.
3. Charles Kettering invented the electric starter.



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