MMOCC Newsletter –

DECEMBER 2023

Mid Mo-Old Car Club PO Box 1594, Jefferson City, MO 65102

2024 New Year's Day Garage Tour

Monday, January 1, 2024.

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- 1. Meal at <u>Ria's</u> at 3550 West Edgewood / JCMO 65109. 573-636-5221. 11:30am to 12:45pm.
- 2. <u>Steve Meyer Collection</u> at 1105 Missouri Blvd / JCMO 65109. Across the street from O'Reillys and near Washington Park. Parking available beside and behind building. 573-680-1198. About 1-1:30.
- 3. <u>Donnie Weber</u> at 1953 State Road D in Lohman 65053. 573-782-3305. About 1:50 to 2:30.
- 4. <u>Leonard Rutledge</u> at 9030 Tanner Bridge Road / JCMO 65101. 573-496-3440. About 2:50 to 3:45.
- 5. Rusty Baldwin Shop (please park at the Lions Club across the street) at 3239 Hwy E / JCMO 65101. 573-338-5601. About 4:00 to 4:30.
- 6. After party at the <u>Brazito-Honey Creek Lions Club</u> at 3220 Highway E / JCMO 65101. 4:30ish. BRING A DISH TO SHARE.
- Coordinated by Dennis Smith at 573-680-2505.



MMOCC Member Kenny Braun on his 88th Birthday. 10/25/2023



The International Travelette was the first 6 passenger crew cab pickup produced by a US company.

Available from 1957 - 1975.

1958 newspaper ad.



Ken Miles and Carroll Shelby in front of one hot car.

For a modern telling of this story, watch the 2019 movie "Ford versus Ferrari".



Corvair sighting.

YOU CANNOT EXPECT A KID THAT GREW
UP PLAYING WITH HOT WHEELS TO
BECOME AN ADULT THAT IS CONTENT
WITH OWNING 1 VEHICLE AT A TIME.

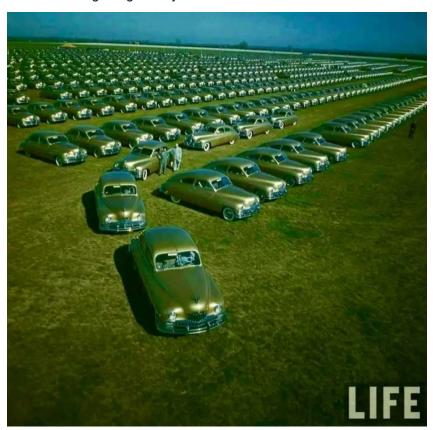
The Packard Proving Grounds (the remains of which are now called the Packard Proving Grounds Gateway Complex), was a proving ground established in Shelby Charter Township, Michigan in 1927 by the Packard Motor Car Company of Detroit. It is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Packard had been founded in Warren, Ohio in 1899 by brothers James Ward Packard and William Doud Packard.

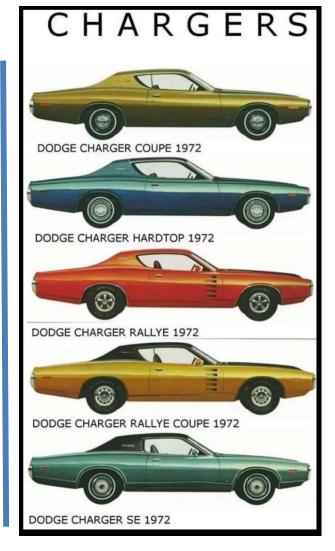
The Packard Proving Grounds consisted of a 2.5-mile (4.0 km) high-speed concrete oval track with timing tower, miles of test roads of various conditions, an airplane hangar (Packard was also involved in developing aircraft engines, and used the track's infield as a landing strip), a repair garage, and a gate house/lodge that housed the Proving Grounds manager and his family. The Tudor Revival lodge building also had garage space for eight cars, plus dormitory rooms for visiting engineers.

The garage building contained experimental and engineering laboratories allowing the testing of engines, chassis, electrical components, fuels, and lubricants under a variety of conditions.

(Below) Life Magazine cover in 1949 celebrating the golden year of the Packard.



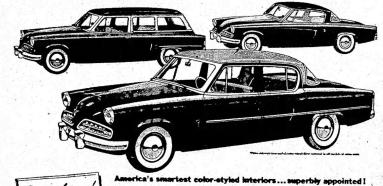




Announcing new 1954 Studebakers

THE NEW AMERICAN CARS THAT ARE SETTING THE STYLE FOR THE WORLD

New sedans! New sports models! New station wagons!



Excitingly now SEE THEM RIGHT AWAY!

MID-STATE MOTOR CO.
Mulberry & McCarty Dial 5-2197







Jefferson City ads from December 1953 – 1963 1973.



MOTOR PADEN

Highway 50 West

Dial 636-6191

Motoring in the United States 1920s-1940s

The following are excerpts from a multi-page handwritten story written by grandmother about her life which emphasizes what travel was like in the 1900's. (Submitted by MMOCC member Craig Haugen, Lohman, Missouri)

When I was seven (1925) we took a trip to North Dakota. It took 3 days to get there. Morris Engen was with us. I don't know if it was a Model T or A, anyway, it didn't have windows except windshield. Used side curtains if it rained. We passed a car and Morris hollered "your wheels are turning". They stopped to see if something was wrong. They didn't have road signs except some numbers on telegraph poles. Don't know how we found our way.

Back then everyone seemed to go to town on Saturday night. That's when the stores were open. I rode along with the Ness family in their Model A. We would park on Water Street (**Decorah, Iowa**) and sit and watch all

C. E. BARKE. 1932

Marel. 31, 1935.

My grandparents: Ingvald Melvin Erickson (1900-1984), Helen Martha Haga Erickson (1918-1999) and Rex the dog on my grandmother's 17th birthday (Decorah, Iowa)

the people walking up and down the street, also joining them and visiting with neighbors.

We were married June 10, 1937 on a nice sunny day at my parents home. The next morning we went to Cresco to have our picture taken, then left on our honeymoon to North Dakota and Northern Minnesota visiting friends and relatives. I only had \$10 with me and that besides a pair of nylons were stolen from me as we stayed with relatives in North Dakota. It would have made a lot of difference as Daddy had only

\$40, gas was cheap then. We stayed overnight at a hotel in Hallock, Minnesota. I was wishing I could have taken a tub bath as I'd never had one but it cost 25 cents extra and we couldn't afford that. We were running low on gas on the way home. Coasting down hills. Had to borrow gas from Homer Dahle to get us home.

Grandpa Bakken had a 7 passenger Studebaker. It had 2 jump seats that pulled out from the back of the front seats. I got to sit on one of them. We went to Rochester, Minnesota. I remember we saw a lot of pretty flowers around the Mayo Homes. No big clinic at that time.

In 1949 we bought a new Pontiac and went on a 3 week vacation to the west coast. Our first long trip. Marilyn and Jean had the back seat while Linda sat on a box between us in the front. If Daddy had to stop in a hurry, his right arm would shoot out in front of her so she never fell off. Things are different now. We drove to the middle of Nebraska the first day. Stayed in a cabin by the highway and railroad tracks. Trains going all the time. Don't know if we slept. Everything was in



My great-great grandfather: Gustave Edgard Bakken (1866-1946) and his 7-passenger 1923 Studebaker Big 6 Touring car (Decorah, Iowa)

our cabin so we would cook our meals. We bought food at grocery stores to eat along the way. We were up to the capitol in Denver. Went to a small town that had mines. Daddy and you girls rode on a mine car into the mine. I stayed outside. At that time Loveland Pass over the Rockies was just a narrow gravel road. If you

met someone going up you had to back down again. We were ever lucky. Just as we got to the top a truck came that was going down. Now there is a tunnel thru part of the mountain so they don't have to go to the top anymore. It was wide and blacktopped the last time we drove there. I remember we stayed overnight at Glenwood Springs (Colorado). We wondered how people made a living. All we saw was some small orchards.

We drove thru Salt Lake City and the lake. A thunderstorm came up. It sounded terrible, must have been some echoes, also the salt flats seemed endless. Nothing to see across Nevada. We saw a museum I didn't like. Scary. Finally got to California and the first cabin that had a bathtub. My first bath in a real tub. Saw the Pacific Ocean the first time at Orick, California, that was fun. Also driving north thru the tall redwoods. So pretty along the Oregon coast. Oregon is a beautiful state. Went thru Portland, then on to Longview, Washington. It was strawberry time so we ate and ate. We went to visit some people in Tacoma, Washington, then started on the way home past Mt. Rainier, went east thru the state. We also saw the Grand Coulee Dam.

Went across a little of Idaho then into Montana. Went to Yellowstone Park. Sure hung onto you girls while walking on those plank walkways past those boiling mud pots. Saw old Faithful. Also bears come right up to our car. We kept the windows closed. Yellowstone Falls was pretty. Some of the park had just opened up from winter snows. We stayed in a cabin all made of logs. Even the furniture. Very nice. Also was June 10. Our anniversary. So it was special. Think that was the north entrance. We came in the west one and spent the day there. Came home thru Montana. Going across a river into North Dakota we had to use a telephone to call to see that no one came across the bridge from the other direction. Must have been one lane.

Before getting to Yellowstone, we stayed overnight in Deer Lodge, Montana. For supper we had mutton. I've tasted better stuff.

with new lyrics to accommodate baby-boomers Singers of the 60's are revising their hits Three Times To The Bathroom I Get By With A Little Help From Depends It's My Hormones & I'll Cry If I Want To You've Got A Lovely Walker The First Time Ever I Forgot Your Face How Can You Mend A Broken Hip? You Make Me Feel Like Napping Fifty Ways To Lose Your Liver I Am Woman, Hear Me Snore Papa's Got A Kidney Stone New Releases Include: I CAN'T See Clearly Now. A Whiter Shade Of Hair On the Commode Again Herman's Hermits The Commodores The Temptations Denture Queen Roberta Flack Procol Harum Willie Nelson The BeeGees Johnny Nash Helen Reddy Lesley Gore aul Simon Ringo Starr eo Saver Abba Once, Twice, Mrs Brown,

Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend

- A. No December MMOCC Meeting.
- **B. MMOCC Holiday Party.**
 - Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 6pm.
 - American Legion off Tanner Bridge.
 - Meal provided by the Club.
 - Bring a rob-your-neighbor gift for your gender.

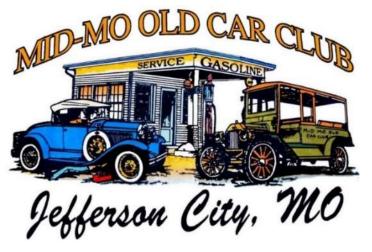
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- See details on the first page of this newsletter.
- Coordinated by Dennis Smith at 573-680-2505.

WE NEED YOUR IDEAS FOR 2024. What would you like to do? What would you like to repeat? What would you like to organize?



Amelia Mary Earhart was born on July 24, 1897 in Atchison, Kansas and disappeared July 2, 1937; declared dead January 5, 1939) was an American aviation pioneer and writer. Earhart was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. She set many other records, was one of the first aviators to promote commercial air travel, wrote best-selling books about her flying experiences, and was instrumental in the formation of The Ninety-Nines, an organization for female pilots.



Officers:

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Historian Ron Bandelier
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Immediate Past President Lyle Rosburg

MMOCC SHIRTS:

We have T-shirts in gray and white, collared polo-type shirts, and a humorous T-shirt addition. If your shirt looks dingy, time to upgrade! Shirts available at future meetings and events. \$20 for collared shirts. \$15 for t-shirts. \$10 for hats. Contact Jim Martin at 573-864-4048.

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