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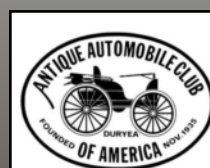
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President's Message

Greetings Once Again To All You Ole Car Folks In the Area! November has been another good month for Us OLD CAR folks. We had a good meeting and some good discussion about the Swap Meet that You All Have decided to give another chance. It was decided that a spring meet might be better because it would Be one of the first car events of the year instead of last. We'll know how well by the end of May! We had A good turn out at our fall banquet at the Miller Amish farm. They did a wonderful job with the meal and I think we all had a good time thanks to all who helped set it up. I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving With some good turkey! I'm sorry to have to tell you all the sad news that we lost John Wolf! John was One of the greatest old car guys in the whole area and had been active in the club for many Years. He had Health problems for several years, but always enjoyed a visit to Talk Old Cars! It was just last year that He Brought his mics to the farm to help me figure out what to do to fix my '27 Chrysler that threw a rod on the Shakedown tour in May '23.

On with my awesome '11 T adventure. As I headed out the next day I had to make a plan. It was too late in The fall to drive to Scotland & definitely too cold in the T for Sean & Ian so I took local roads I meandered South in the direction of London. When I picked her up in Liverpool I was given a 30 day temp permit, but Was told I'd need to get a permanent permit to have it in the country. The best place to get that was to take It to London to be inspected. I just took off driving & enjoying the great British roads that with the awesome Interest of the British people was a great adventure. I was just mossaing along one afternoon & was flagged Down by an elderly lady out for a walk. I pulled over & asked what she needed! She said where did I get that Beautiful T Ford ? This was 1985 but she said she grew up with Ford Ts in the teens & knew them very well! They were the main car in the UK prior to 1920, but the government wanted to support the British cars so They changed the laws to road tax autos by the horse power & size! Since most Brit cars were small size engines And low Horsepower the American T with a 20 HP large size engine could not compete! They were basically Driven right off the road and as used cars with expensive tags they could not compete & as a result The American made Model T disappeared in the UK by the late 20s! We had a fun visit & I offered to take her For a ride, but she thanked me for stopping & letting her see my great Car while she reminisced her Early Days motoring! This is so much fun talking about my most memorable long distance T adventure that I have Even more memories to share & will continue the Saga next time! Thanks for listening & I hope you are Enjoying the ramblings of a genuine OLD - Old Car Guy?

Thanks For Listening Some More! Your President John Williams

JON'S CORNER

- 1. What was the color of the first Model T ford?**
- 2. What was the last color used before black on Model T fords?**
- 3. What auto company did Walter Chrysler purchase to start his own?**

Answers on page 5

November 11th 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The November meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center
Meeting called to order by President John Williams. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

VISITORS: None

BIRTHDAYS: Aaron Franck

ANNIVERSARIES: None reported

ILLNESSES: None reported.

DEATHS: None reported

NEW MEMBERS: Last month Josh Severt and Aaron Franck signed up as new members and tonight they told us about their collections.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the October 14th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Judy Ortiz and 2nd by Sherry Melvin.

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

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena had a sign up sheet for anyone going on the tour before the Fall Banquet to Kalona. They will meet at Perkins on 33rd at 10:00AM Sharon Schminke reported that she is planning a Christmas lights tour for December 14th. There will be a sign up sheet at the December 9th Christmas Party. We will meet at Perkins on 33rd at 4:30 for the tour.

FALL BANQUET: Loren Huffaker reported that 29 members had signed up for the Banquet at the time of the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP: Dan Ortiz reminded us that our renewals needed to be paid by December 1st.

SWAP MEET: Jack Harville held a short meeting with the Swap Meet committee before the Club meeting to review the flyer Aaron Franck our new member made up to hand out at the many Swap meets and events we attend. We need to get the word out about our May 17th Swap Meet that will be held at Hawkeye Downs. Jack will also try to get a meeting set up at the Hiawatha Library to go over a few more details and assign members to certain jobs so the work load is covered.

MEMBER ELECTIONS: Jon Reynolds is replacing Carl Ohrt as Board Member and Neil Rohlena said he would stay on the Board for another 2 years. Jack Harville is our new President and he asked John Williams to keep writing the Presidents letter stories and John agreed to do that.

OTHER: Jack Harville, Kathi Harville and Judy Ortiz volunteered to audit the Treasurers books.

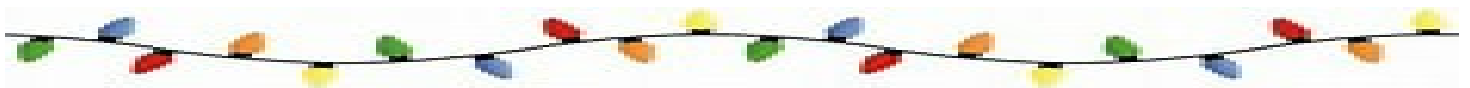
BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Clyde Melvin and 2nd by Aaron Franck

Treats were provided by Sharon Schminke

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

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary



Check out info. about Christmas Lights tour on page 4

Fall banquet Nov. 16th



Kalona Museum



Kalona Museum

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events December 2024

Dec 9th AACCA Christmas Potluck at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha. Doors open at 6 pm-eat at 6:30 pm. Bring one dish to share per person, table service, and beverages.

Dec 14th Christmas Lights Tour. Meet at Perkins on 33rd Ave SW at 4:30. Sign up sheet at Christmas Party or call Sharon (319) 721-5373. Alternate date in case of snow is Dec. 15th.

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

Dec 18th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Olive Garden/Collins Rd NE. Bring a gift to exchange if you wish.

Upcoming Events January 2025

Jan 13th AACCA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

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

Jan 22nd Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Starlite-3300 1st Ave NE/CR

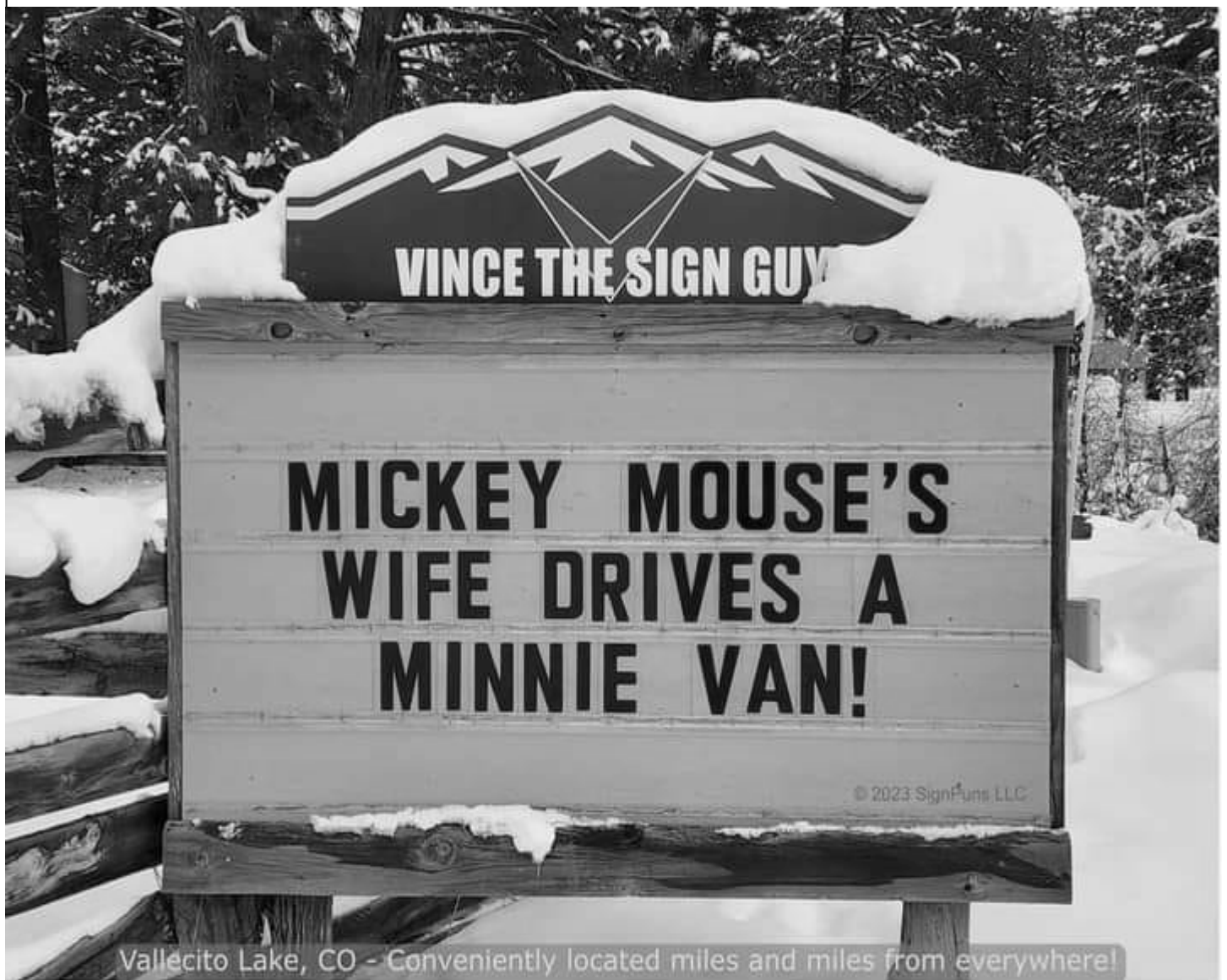
JOKE OF THE MONTH

A man is driving along the road when he realizes he's lost. He stops to ask a passer by "Excuse me, could you help me please? I have a meeting at 2pm, I'm running 30 minutes late & I have no idea where I am!"

"Of course!" Said the stranger. "You are in a car, on the Q43 heading north, approximately 7 miles and 400 metres from the city centre. 40 degrees longitude & 58 degrees latitude."

"You work for the government, am I right?" Asked the driver. "Yes! How did you guess?" "Quite simple: everything you just told me is technically correct, but practically useless. I'm still lost, I'm still going to be late, & I have no idea what to do with your information."

"You are a politician, am I right?" Asks the man on the street. "Yes! How did you guess?" Replies the driver proudly. "Quite simple. You have no idea where you're going, you've made a promise you can't keep, and you expect someone else to solve your problem. In fact, you are in exactly the same situation that you were before you stopped to ask me, yet somehow, now it's my fault!"



Jon's Corner Answers

1. Red was the first color used by Ford.
2. Mid-night blue was the last color used before black for Model T Fords.
3. Walter Chrysler purchased Maxwell to start his own company.

TREAT SCHEDULE

Dec. - Christmas potluck

Jan. - Sharon Schminke

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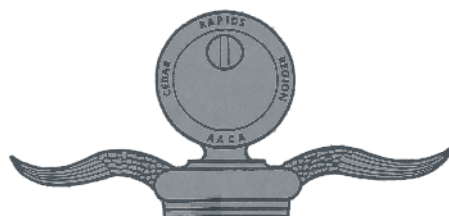
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