

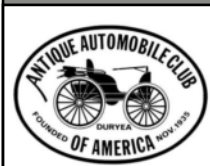


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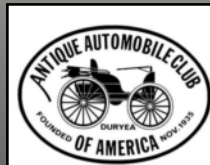
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President's Message

As we are getting deeper into winter, I hope you are all staying warm and healthy. Just keep thinking about nicer weather and getting our cars out for a few spins around the block after a couple more months.

For our February meeting, we do not have a speaker or program planned but I thought this would be a good time for every one of us to get around and talk to club members whom you may not know well, or normally don't get a chance to talk to or better yet someone you have never met. Enjoy finding out something about another member you never knew very well before and then hopefully we will all walk away from the February meeting having made some new connections.

As we look forward, I am thinking about program topics or speakers we could have for each monthly meeting. With the news coverage about the fires in California and the resulting air contamination because of plastics and other chemicals becoming present, I thought one good idea for a program would be to invite a local fireman either from Marion, Cedar Rapids or Hiawatha to speak. I would ask them to talk on different fire extinguishers, and smoke detectors as well as how to dispose of solvents or chemicals we may have in our garages or storage sheds. With those thoughts in mind, I went up to the Marion Fire Department by our house and had an opportunity to speak to the Fire Chief. The Fire Chief also brought up the topic of using E.V. Blankets that are new to help contain electric car fires and went on to talk of the process they have to use to move these cars after a fire. Another idea for one of our meetings would be to go to Kirkwood Automotive and hold a meeting and then combine that with touring their automotive education facility. Let me know if you have any other ideas for topics or speakers. Keep in mind we don't have any budget money to fund these folks so we have to have speakers who will just volunteer their time and expertise. I am hopeful we can find some people out there to meet our needs.

Swap Meet is getting closer with only about 105 days before Saturday, May 17. There will be sign up sheets at every meeting and please sign up to help. There has been much interest with me getting several calls from those who see the fliers and then want a registration form. Many times, they comment that they are coming back since the location is no longer up at Central City Fairgrounds. The next Swap Meet meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 5 at the Hiawatha Library running from 6:30 to about 8:30/9:00 pm.

Jack Harville

JON'S CORNER

1. What was the engine horse power of the Model K Ford?

2. What was unique about the Metz automobile?

3. What type of engine was used on the Aerocar?

Answers on page 5

January 13th 2025 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The January meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center

Meeting called to order by President Jack Harville. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

VISITORS: None

BIRTHDAYS: Pat Sanford

ANNIVERSARIES: None reported

ILLNESSES: None reported.

DEATHS: None reported

NEW MEMBERS: None reported

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the November 11th 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 Larry Beatty.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena asked the group if June 2-6th was a good time for the Twin Rivers tour and there were no objections. The tour will be around the Okoboji area this time.

SWAP MEET: Jack Harville told us there were sign up sheets on the table for the May 17th swap Meet and encouraged everyone to sign up. Aaron Franck reported that we had 2500 flyers made up and on the table. He encouraged everyone to put them up everywhere even on our refrigerators because people will see them and ask about them. He has handed out quite a few flyers already at some Swap Meets he has been going to. He is getting encouraging reports back about us having it back at Hawkeye Downs. Aaron said we should put the flyers in the larger stores closer to the Swap Meet date but the smaller businesses will leave them around longer because their boards are not so full.

MEMBER ELECTIONS: John Williams will remain on the Board since he was the past President. Jon Reynolds is also coming onto the Board to replace Carl Ohrt who is retiring.

OTHER: Jack Harville, Kathi Harville and Judy Ortiz had volunteered to audit the Treasurers books and they said the books were in great order.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by Clyde Melvin

Motion to adjourn made by Larry Beatty and 2nd by Sherry Melvin

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

2025 Twin Rivers Tour

June 2 to June 6, 2025

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2025 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events February 2025

Feb 5th Swap Meet Meeting at 6:30pm at Hiawatha Library-150 W. Willman St/Hiawatha

Feb 10th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

Feb 17th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Feb 19th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Tornado's Grub & Pub-1600 3rd St SE/CR

Feb 22-23rd 56th Annual Rod & Custom Car Show at Monticello Berndes Center-766 N. Maple St., Monticello

Upcoming Events March 2025

Mar 10th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

Mar 17th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

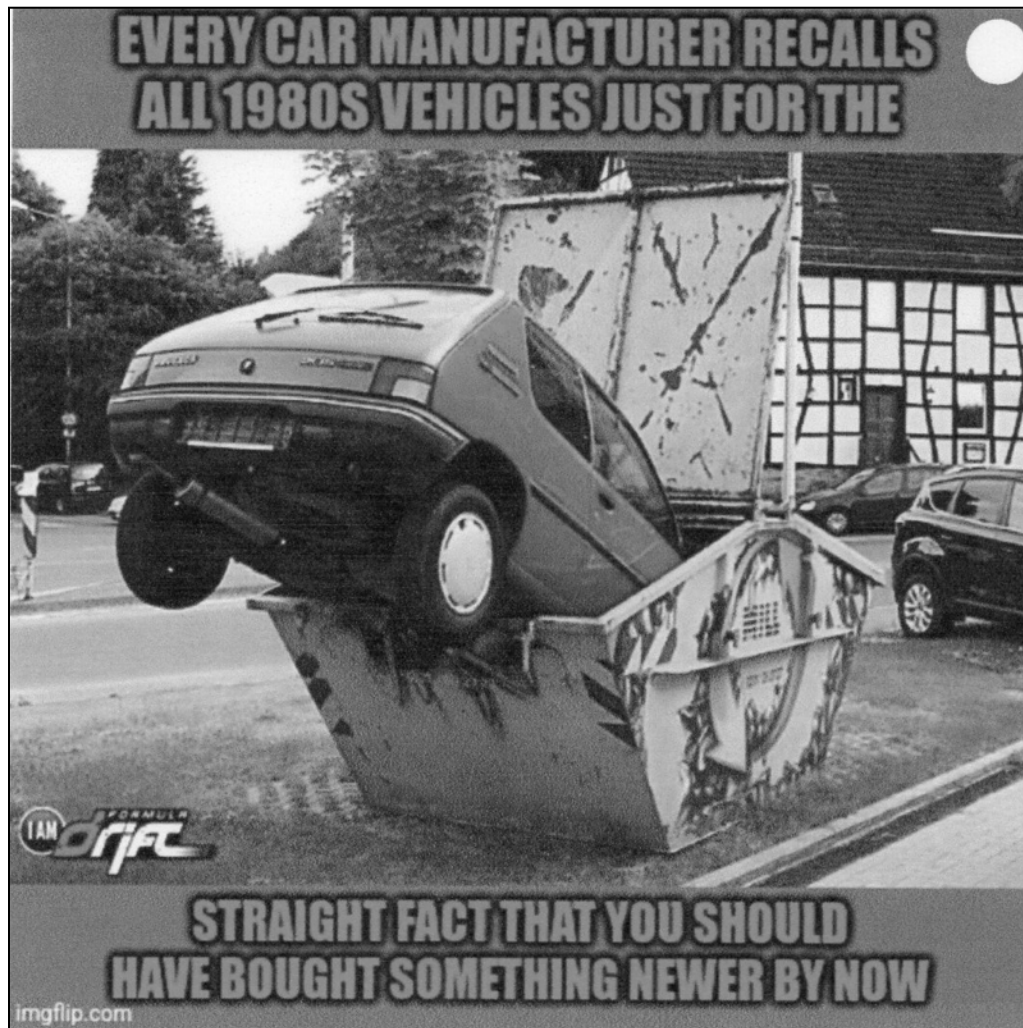
Mar 19th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Napoli's-2360 Edgewood Rd SW/CR

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A blonde tried to sell her car and she was having lots of problems because the car had 250,000 miles. One day she told her friend about the problem and the friend told her she knew a man that illegally would turn her car back to 50,000 miles.

The following weekend the blonde took her car to the mechanic. About a month after that the friend asked the blonde if she had sold the car.

The blonde replied "Why should I? It only has 50,000 miles on it."



Jon's Corner Answers

1. The Model K Ford engine was rated at 40 horse power.
2. The Metz in 1914 did not have: a fuel pump, water pump, battery, clutch, gears, or speedometer.
3. The engine used in the Aerocar was air cooled.

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Mar - Josh Severt

Apr - Harry Hawley & Michele Ricardo

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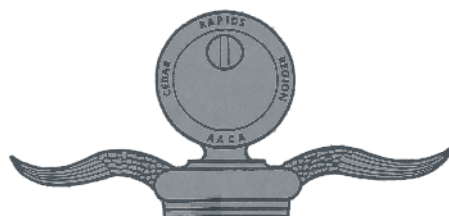
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