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JON'S CORNER

1. In what years and city was the Brush automobile produced?

2. In what year did Ford first introduce a six-cylinder model?

3. In what year did Cadillac build the first American eight-cylinder car?

Answers: Page 11

President's Message

Hi Again To All Ole Car Folks In The CR Area! We had another Great Meeting In February Thanks Again To All Of The Help From So Many Of You!

I am enjoying getting to know many of you folks better & filling you in about more of my vehicle adventures! My next adventure I would like to relate to you is not even about one of My Cars! When I was just A Wee Guy listening to my Dads stories I was impressed with his tales of Grandpaws first tractor a John Deere Waterloo Boy. Farming was good after WW1 & about 1 year after the purchase of his first car the 90 Overland in 1917 he bought his first tractor to keep up with the Jameses the next door neighbors! What a machine it was. It ran & made lots of noise , but was not good for very much. It plowed about as much as the horses, but did not have enough power to run the thrashing machine (still needed the local steam traction engine)! That Waterloo Boy only lasted into the mid 20's when Dad watched Grandfather tip it backward while trying to pull a dead horse out of the creek.

As a farm kid in the 50's Dad took us to The Midwest Old Threshers Reunion down at Mt Pleasant many times. There I fell in love with a mint Waterloo Boy that the local John Deere dealer had never sold. I became friends with the dealer & spoke to him every year at the show. I was a sophomore at Iowa State when the dealer decided to sell out & he decided I was the one who should have the Waterloo Boy so he offered it to me for \$350! I knew it was a real opportunity, but when I told Dad he explained that since my freshman year had only cost \$1200 the \$350 was out of the question. I was very disappointed, but knew he was right about it!!

A month or so later Dad wrote to tell me he had bought me a tractor at a local farm sale – got it running & drove it to the farm! He only had to pay \$60. That is how I got my very 1st collector tractor a 1924 Mc Deering 10-20 that I had many hours & lots of fun running around the farm! Yes – Of Course I still have it & would like to get it out for some exercise one of these days!

Your President, John Williams

Club Member Spotlight on John and Barb Maxwell

Q: What cars do you own?

A: 1917 Maxwell Touring Car, 2003 Chevrolet Silverado Truck that GM claims they never made and a 2009 Chevrolet Corvette.

Q: Which is your favorite car?

A: My 1917 Maxwell

Q: How old were you when you got your first car and what was it?

A: I was 14. It was a 1941 Chevrolet 4 door sedan.

Q: How and where did you get your car - is there an interesting story about how you acquired it?

A: Bought my 1941 Chevrolet from my brother for \$100.

Q: What kind of condition was it in-did you have to do much work on it?

A: I didn't have to work much on the 41 Chevrolet. I just drove it back and forth to school.

As far as the Maxwell, we purchased it in Center Point, Indiana. It was in a shed with a tree on top of it. It needed a full ground up restoration.

Q: What has been the most memorable/interesting thing or trip you've gone on with an antique car?

A: Getting the first Junior in Duluth, MN. As far as Neil's trips, the trip to Pontiac, Il on Route 66 was memorable because the people in the town were so friendly to us.

Q: Have you entered your car in any shows and if so, did you win any awards/trophies?

A: I got my first Second Junior in 1986 at the fall meet in Cedar Rapids. Next I got a First at Duluth, MN in 1988. Then I got my Senior in 1988 at the fall meet in Mason City, IA.

Q: How long have you been an AACA member?

A: 39 years. Paul Kumley invited me to a meeting and then I joined.

Q: What do you like best about AACA?

A: We like the people and sharing old car experiences.

Q: Other than AACA have you joined any other car clubs and if so, which ones?

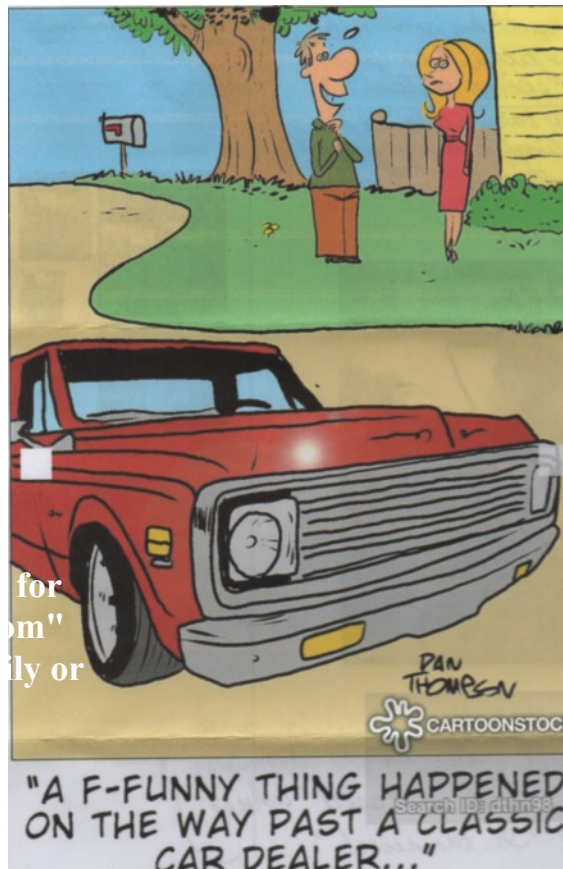
A: Was a member of the Model A Club when I was restoring a Model A Roadster. And was a member of the Corvette Club when I had my 1956, 1960, and 1966 Corvettes.



Spotlight on John and Barb Maxwell (cont)

Q: What other collections/hobbies do you have besides antique cars?

A: Had antique tractors for years. Had a 1949 Farmall Cub which I sold a couple years ago. Had a 1952 Massey Harris Colt that my father bought new. The Colt was sold at his farm sale. I found it several years later, bought it and restored it. I just donated my Massey Harris Colt to Heartland Acres in Independence, IA.



MARCH 2021 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

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

VISITORS: None

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: Dean Kiefer & Jane Hawley

SPEAKER: Critter Crusaders is made up of many volunteers that rescue dogs and other animals that were brought to them or were going to be euthanized at shelters because they were too severely injured or had other severe health problems. Jan, Jess and Sue spoke to us about their love for animals and when they decided to medically help organizing the rescue of these animals. They showed many pictures of animals they had helped over the years thru their care or taking them to get the medical care they needed elsewhere. They brought two of the dogs they are working with now: Maggie was severely injured when hit by a car and Lilly Marie who loved to roam during the presentation and receive lots of love from the members.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the February 9th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Sue Melvin and 2nd by Laverne Travis

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Cople. Motion to approve was made by Virg Schminke and 2nd by Dan Ortz.

SPRING AND FALL BANQUET: Loren Huffaker had nothing to report. Neil Rohlena had a sign up sheet for the Spring Banquet at the Ronnenburg Restaurant in Amana. The banquet is May 22.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Jane Hawley told us that she was having a meeting March 18 from 10-12 at her home for anyone interested in planning a tour. Neil said his Back to Farm tour is still in the planning stages. Sharon reported that Virg, Neil and Sharon went out last week and has a sheet with points of interest for the Oskaloosa Twin Rivers Tour on June 26-29. There will be something in the Moto Meter next month with the phone # of the Motel or if you prefer, the Bed and Breakfast.

FLOWERS AND MEMORIALS: No one reported any deaths or illness.

WEB MASTER: Sylvia Cople reported that there is now a calendar of events on the website. They are wanting to put pictures of club activities on the site also. Jeff Fossum is putting together a survey to try and get ideas to enhance the website.

MARKETING CHAIRMAN: Tom & Jackie Oliver are working on a new flyer. They are also working on a tri-fold about our club and Dan Ortz is going to update the club renewal information and suggested that anyone that has the old information throw it away.

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

MARCH 2021 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING (CONT)

NEW BUSINESS: The Teddy Bear Auction was discussed. Jane Hawley will talk to Carl Ohrt to see if he will be able to be our auctioneer. Bring baked goods or other nice products to auction off. The Swap meet was discussed. John Williams has been talking to some of the officers of the Model A Club and they are discussing it among themselves. John will call the fair office to see what date we can have it. The Mothers Day Breakfast was discussed and decided not to have this year. Judy Ortz said she would update the roster and get it out to the members. John Williams told us about the Red Flag Tour September 22-25 starting at Mt. Pleasant.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams.

Motion to adjourn was made by Harry Hawley and 2nd by Dan Ortz

Treats were served by John & Agnes Williams

Submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

Twin Rivers Tour June 26-29. We are going to base out of Oskaloosa. Here are some things we are going to see:

Victor Car Show - recycled and welded art - Golf Cart Street Rods - Nelsons Pioneer Farm - Cheese Factory - Winery - Many Antique Vehicles - Musco Lighting - Beautiful Victorian Home - Antiques - 150 or so antique vehicle graveyard.

Lodging: Ever Spring Inn & Suites in Oskaloosa. 641-676-6000. We have 10 rooms locked in under Antique Car Club or Sharon Schminke. The price is \$74.00 plus taxes.

There is also a McNeill Stone Mansion Bed & Breakfast if you would like to stay there but we did not lock in any rooms. They have 5 rooms available at this time. 641-673-4348.



TREAT SCHEDULE 2021

April 13th- Dean and Joann Kiefer

May 11th - Tom and Jackie Oliver

June 8th- Jane and Harry Hawley

July 13th -

August 10th - Dan and Judy Ortiz, Neil Rohlena

September 14th- Jeff Fossum

October 12th- Ken and Judy Robertson

November 9th -

December 14th - Pete and Pat Bischoff

SAVE THE DATE

LAWN PARTY

AUGUST 7, 2021

TIME: MEET AT 3 PM AND EAT AT 4 PM

PLACE: NEIL ROHLENA'S HOME 7309 SELZER RD, FAIRFAX

**MEAT FURNISHED. PLEASE BRING OWN TABLE SERVICE,
LAWN CHAIRS, DRINKS, AND 2 SIDE DISHES TO SHARE**



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2021 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Car Shows and Events 2021

April 30-May 1st Vintage Torque Fest at Dubuque County Fairgrounds

May 2 Monticello Swap Meet at Fairgrounds

May 7-8 Des Moines Swap Meet at Fairgrounds

May 16th Cruis In for Camp Courageous

May 20-25 - Founders Tour. Davis W.V.

June 19 - Alburnett Car Show June 7 am to 2 pm.

June 18-20 - Back to the 50s St Paul, MN.

July 1-3 - Central Spring Meet. Auburn, IN

July 2-4 - Goodguys 30th Speedway Motors Heartland Nationals at Iowa State Fairgrounds

July 4 - 8 AM to noon. Freedom Festival Car Show. 2nd Ave Bridge. Cedar Rapids.

July 8-10 - IOLA Swap Meet. Iola, WI

July 11-16 - Vintage Tour (1931 and earlier) Lock Haven/Wellsboro, Pa.

July 22-24 - Annual Grand Nationals. New Ulm, Minnesota

July 25 Bishop Hill, Ill Car Show

September 12-17 - Revival AAA Glidden Tour (1942 and earlier). Sarasota Springs,

Upcoming Events April 2021

AACA Club meeting April 13th at 7 PM at Shriners Lodge. Program: Annual Auction and Guest Arborist Kelsey Worcester.

Board meeting April 20th at 6:00 PM at Scotts.

Ladies Luncheon April 21st at 11:30 AM at Whitey's Bar & Grill located at 125 US Hwy 30 in Lisbon.

Upcoming Events May 2021

AACA Club meeting May 11th at 7 PM at Shriners Lodge. Program: "Past Twin Rivers Tours."

"Down on the Farm-Past and Present" 1 Day Tour May 15th. Amana to Belle Plaine.

Board meeting May 18th at 6:00 PM at Scotts.

Ladies Luncheon May 19th at 11:30 AM at Prairieburg Cafe.

Spring Banquet May 22nd at 6:00 PM Social hour, 7:00 PM Dinner at Ronnenburg Restaurant in Amana. Non member guests are welcome to come.

Upcoming Events June 2-21

Club meeting June 8th at 7 pm. "Paint – From Shame to Shine Without Debt (Patina is for Rat Rods)" by Jeff Fossum.

Board meeting June 15th at 6 pm at Scott's Restaurant.

Ladies Luncheon June 16th at Betty's Breadbasket in Manchester. We will meet and tour there together.

Twin Rivers Tour June 26-29th.

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Joke of the Month:

A cab driver reaches the pearly gates. St Peter looks him up in his big book and tells him to pick up a gold staff and a silk robe and proceed to heaven. Next in line is a preacher. St Peter looks him up in the big book, furrows his brow and says, "OK we'll let you in but take the cloth robe and wooden staff." The preacher is shocked and replies, "But I am a man of the cloth. You gave the cab driver a gold staff and a silk robe. Surely I rate higher than a cabbie!" St Peter responds matter-of-factly. "This is Heaven and up here we are interested in results. When you preach people slept and when the cabbie drove his taxi the people prayed."

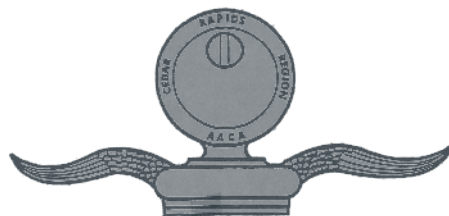
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1. The Brush automobile was produced in Detroit, MI from 1907-1912.
2. Ford produced its first six-cylinder model in 1906.
3. Cadillac produced the first American eight-cylinder model in 1912.



Larry Yoder's 37 Packard will be on display Saturday April 3rd from 10 am to 7 pm at the Alliant Energy Powerhouse (formerly US Cellular Center) for the Cavallade of Cars event. Admission fee is \$10.00. Go out and support our Club member! All vehicles had to be hand-picked by a selection committee to participate. Congratulations Larry!

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