

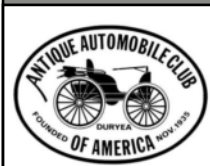


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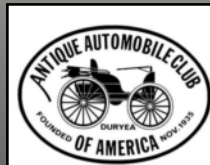
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President's Message

Greetings Again To All You Great Ole Car Folks in the Area! We had another good meeting that was very well attended. I would like to say a few things about the awesome Twin Rivers Tour in early June. I managed to make 2 days of it before Getting called back to CR and it was Great thanks to the wonderful planning of Neil R! We made it to House On The Rock For an all day Sunday exploration that was great! It had been many years since I had been there last & I can honestly say That I enjoyed every minute even though I did get tired out from all the walking and climbing! My ole car tale this month has to do with another old Dodge Brothers car. As you probably remember my 1st car was a Dodge so I always kept my eyes open for them. One old car I had seen sitting on a hill outside Ely tweaked my interest Enough to stop – look – and ask! It turned out to be a '26 Dodge fast 4 coup that had had the trunk cut out & made into A pickup of sorts. The ole rascal had been used by a family member during WW2 to haul produce to town to help Support the war effort. I was in High School in about 1961 so it hadn't been that long, Vehicles were hard to find so, Because the old Dodge was so dependable they modified it into a hauler. It had done a great job all through the war Years and was liked so much that they just parked her after the war & didn't want to junk such a great beast! The Other Modification they made was to weld on truck rims so they could find tires during the war! Fast Forward & I came along with an honest interest & enthusiasm for a neat ole machine. After several visits they decided that I would make a good caretaker to see that she was saved & not scraped for a few dollars! As usual Dad helped again & even without a car trailer we managed to drag it back to the farm outside of Fairfax. What I found out was that the Starter had failed & that's why they quit using it. Next, I stumbled on to a real Dodge guy on highway 30 that was Such a Dodge person that he had raced a Dodge with an overhead valve conversion at Hawkeye Downs just down the Road in the 20s & 30s. He had lots of parts & wanted to help me out with my '26 so he gave me a good body with The trunk still intact! What a lucky find because it gave me enough stuff to put it back together! Oh Well its ready to be worked on again!

We hope to see you ALL at the 4th of July picnic in Ely at 3:00 and remember this is a real potluck so bring a meat & a side!

Thanks for listening! See You ALL in July!

Your President John Williams

JON'S CORNER

- 1. Who was an early partner with Henry Ford in the Ford Motor Company?**
- 2. What was the letter designation for the first and early 6 cylinder Ford?**
- 3. Who designed the Ford Model 400 A in 1931?**

Answers on page 5

June 10th 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The June meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center

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

VISITORS: Steven Ciha from the Historic Preservation Organization

BIRTHDAYS: Steve Brown, Frank Reynolds and Richard Bice

ANNIVERSARIES: Dan & Judy Ortz, Harry & Jane Hawley and Steve & Anne Brown

ILLNESSES: None reported

DEATHS: Michael Severt a fairly new member, died June 6th.

NEW MEMBERS: none

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the May 13th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Jack Harville and 2nd by Harry Hawley.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copler. Motion to approve was made by Judy Ortz and 2nd by Joan Auterman.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena showed us some great pictures of the members at the many great places they visited during the Twin Rivers tour. We all enjoyed the pictures but it is too bad that more of us didn't join the group to see, in person the great places where Neil took the group. There were great comments from the ones that went and enjoyed the tour in person.

NEW BUSINESS: Sharon Schminke was going to pick up the flyers for the Bass Family Farms Car Show on July 20th but Bass Family Farms printer was broken so they are going to e-mail her the flyer and she can print them herself.

Steven Cija talked to us about the Seedling Mile sign that our club paid to have put up in 1990. Some of the members that have been members longer remember it. James Houser and Steven Ciha could tell us some of the details and other members also remember things that could fill the other members in on where it is placed and some history of why it was placed by our club. The sign is covered by weeds and trees and in real need of being replaced and Steven was asking the club what we would like to do since we have our name on it and had a lot to do with having it made and placed. The seedling Mile was Highway 30 before it was paved. It was a 1 mile stretch of paving, that was free and done on the actual dirt road that was Highway 30 at that time. We will discuss its replacement at a later meeting.

SWAP MEET: Jack Harville told us there were sign up sheets on the table and encouraged us to sign up for the full time of the show because we are getting smaller in numbers of members that are able to work.

OTHER: Sylvia Copler reported that we raised \$529.50 at the Teddy Bear auction and the Board decided to donate \$500.00 to Hall Perrine for infusion chairs to help cancer patients and put the rest (\$29.50) into our Treasury to help with our funds.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Jack Harville and 2nd by Carl Ohrt

Treats were provided by Darrell and Pat Sanford

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

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

SWAP MEET

The swap meet will be held on Saturday, September 21st from 8 AM to 2 PM. Sign up sheets to help at the swap meet will be at the club meetings. If you can't make the meetings, call Jack Harville at (319) 270-6042 to sign up. We need everyone to help make this a success!

2024 TREAT SCHEDULE

July - Barb Waterhouse

Aug - Dick & Pat Semelroth

Sept -

July club meeting - There will be another 50/50 drawing. If you missed the one in May here's another opportunity.

Also at the July meeting Jack Harville will be showing cd's of interviews with past members & one of Leonard Votroubek teaching a woman to drive a Model A. They should be interesting - hope to see you there!



Michael Leonard Severt, 70, of Atkins passed away on June 6, 2024 at his home. He was born July 3, 1953 in Girard, Kansas. He worked for 31 years at Midland Forge. He enjoyed riding motorcycles & spending time with his family. He was devout catholic involved with St. Wenceslaus & Immaculate Conceptions parishes. He is survived by his children-August (Becky) Severt, Jen (Jon) Platt, & Josh Severt; his grandchildren-Sky, Amanda, Aidyn, Addisyn, Jada; & his sister Jane Kolek.

Burial at St. Joseph's Cemetery.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A businessman was driving thru the country in his Cadillac & ran across an older gentleman in a Model A with a bad fuel pump. The businessman asked if he could help & the older gentleman asked for a tow to the next town. They decided the older gentleman would honk if there was any trouble. The businessman turned up his radio & after awhile got up to a pretty good speed & flew by a gas station. Well the station attendant called the Sheriff & told him about a Cadillac that has passed his station doing about 80 or 90 mph. The Sheriff said "so what" to which the attendant replied that there was a guy in a Model A right behind him honking & trying to pass, you should pull him over.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events July 2024

July 4th Picnic at Ely Schulte Park- social at 3:00 & eat at 4:00 pm. Meat will not be furnished by the club. Bring 1 dish per person, table service, & drinks.

July 8th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

July 15th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

July 17th Youngville Lunch at 11:30 am. Either meet at Fareway at 4220 16th Avenue SW/CR at 11:00 am to caravan to Youngville or meet at Youngville at 11:30 am.

July 20th Car Show at Bass Farms at 840 Bass Lane/Mt. Vernon from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

July 20th Shellsburg Big Day Parade at 10:30 am in Shellsburg

July 27th Lutheran Church of Resurrection Car Show at 3500 29th Ave/Marion from 2 - 4 pm. Free registration, live music, awards.

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

July-none Palo Green Space at Main & Iowa St (behind the old bank), Palo

July 11th Lutheran Church of the Resurrection-3500 29th Ave, Marion

July 18^h Duffy's Classic Enterprises-250 Classic Car Ct SW, CR

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

Upcoming Events August 2024

Aug. 3rd Lawn Party at Neil Rohlena's. Meet at 3pm - eat at 5pm. Bring 1 dish per person, table service, drinks, & lawn chairs. Meat not furnished by club.

Aug. 12th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

Aug. 19th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Aug. 21st Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Whiskey River-2882 Palo Marsh Rd/Palo

Aug. 25th Edinburgh Pioneer Village 50th Anniversary & they would like some antique cars. From 11 - 4 at 13838 Edinburgh Rd/Scotch Grove. Sign up sheets at July & Aug. Mtgs.

Aug. 31st Hot Rods in the Park at Ellis Park from 8 - 3 Rain or shine. \$15 entry fee. Registration from 8 - 11:30. Voting from 11:30 - 1:30.



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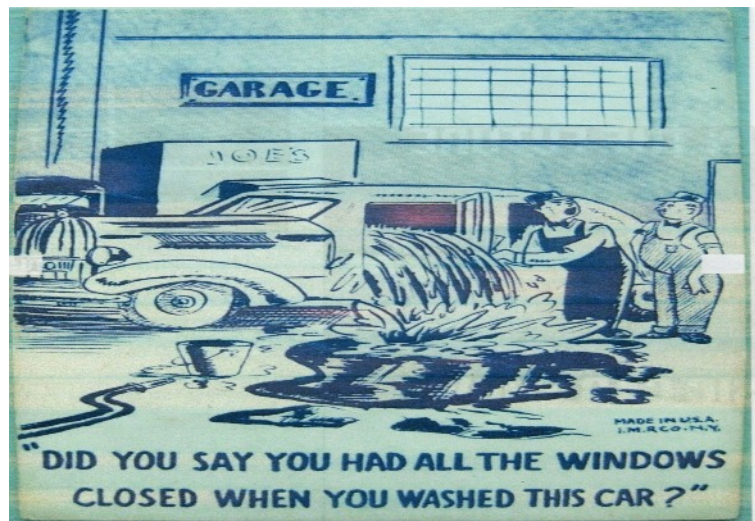
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Cave of the Mounds-Blue Mounds, Wi

Jon's Corner Answers

1. Alex Malcomson was a business partner with Henry Ford in the company.
2. The letter designation for the 6 cylinder 1906 Ford was K.
3. Edsel Ford the son of Henry Ford designed the Model 400 A for 1931.



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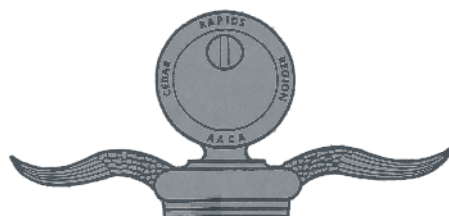
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