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JON'S CORNER

1. Where was the Adams-Farwell manufactured and what years?

2. How many stars did the American flag have in 1909?

3. In what year was the first Dodge manufactured?

President's Message

Hi Again Too You Ole Car Folks In The CR Area! Another great meeting In May – Thanks To You All! I have had so many Great Times With My Old Iron Things Since Laying On The Couch Beside My Dad (late 40s & early 50s) listening To His Stories About His Adventures With The Williams Cars Of The 20s & 30s! I would like to continue my stories with more of my adventures with the bedraggled 26-27 T Touring! After we got her home to Fairfax My Dad & I had few problems getting her not only going but running very well! I drove all over the farm – getting used to driving a complete car which is a little different than driving the chassis only sitting on an upside down coaster wagon balanced on the gas tank that was my first T! Since I had been driving with a legal license since I was 14 (school only) It was not long before that old T & I started going everywhere! At first it was the country roads around the farm, but before long my adventures got longer afield & it did not take much excuse to venture WAY OUT! One great memory was our venture to the Norway Centennial. Don, One of my High School friends & family brothers & sister drove to Norway & got in the parade. Afterwards we tired of the regular events & drove that old T all over Town. I remember climbing the steepest hill we could find in town which was a gravel back alley that we climbed just fine in Ford low. I luckily decided I should check the OIL! Well to my great surprise the bottom petcock WAS GONE! I knew the threads were weak, but I had used it that way for several years with no problem! We looked all over town & naturally we could not find a petcock anywhere! Well, Farm Engineering kicked in & I talked the garage into letting me rob the gold wooden top off one of the flags from their float & also some fine wire to help hold it in the hole. That flag top was taped in with a hammer & wired securely so we added oil & off we drove back to the farm with no problems! In fact that repair worked so well I left it in place for several years before I could take it apart & repair the striped threads properly! While in collage at Iowa State as a senior I borrowed a trailer and took her to Ames for the spring quarter & the Veshia Craziness! Wow what fun we had on the weekends driving around, but not getting into much trouble? I drove so much that the bands would not hold anymore so Dad sent me a relined set which a friend & I installed in my advisors back yard! My canoe race team & I even drove to the lake in full costume in the Ole T!

Golly that ole T & I had some great times over the 30 years that I actively used her! The loose rod is what brought an end to that phase , but that is another story I'll tell at another time?

Thanks To You All – Your President - John L Williams

Club Member Spotlight on Dean and Joann Kiefer

Q: What cars do you own?

A: 1931 Model A Coupe, 1930 Model A Pickup, 1969 Camaro

Q: Which is your favorite car?

A: 1931 Model A Coupe

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

A: After we were married. 70 Buick got my license with this!!

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

A: Yes! Over to Car place on 16th Ave. Mike worked there another Mike just there said, don't get that one and just then a guy called from Clinton had a 1969 Camaro to sell! Was coming up after places closed! Dean said, We will wait another half an hour and then leave!!! Just then pulled in with Camaro and wife brought regular car! Dean and I went up by Fareway over there and Dean said I want it!!! Came back and gave him a figure and brought it home and I drove our car!!! Jim Smith heard it Rumble in!!!

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

A: Just had steering fixed and a leaf spring from April 16th there and just back today!!!! Parts are hard to find for lots of things!!

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

A: Missouri Model A trip. Several of us a young person passed us all on the shoulder!!!!

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

A: Downtown along time ago on Model A Coupe

Q: How long have you been an AACA member?

A: 20 years

Q: What do you like best about being a member of the AACA?

A: Meetings and things shown plus trips

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

A: Model A Club

Spotlight on Dean and Joann Kiefer (cont)

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

A: I have some glass sleighs in our front window. Plus we have an old big sleigh in our other garage.



2021 Cedar Rapids area THURSDAY Cruise Nights

1st Thursday , Palo June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2

2nd Thursday , Lutheran Church-Resurrection 3500 29th Ave, Marion, IA June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE BACK ROW OF THIS PARKING LOT, NEAREST THE KIDS PLAYGROUND. THAT IS RESERVED FOR CITY PLAYGROUND PARKING.

3rd Thursday, Duffy's Collectible Cars , 250 Classic Car Ct. SW Cedar Rapids, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16

4th Thursday, Hope Lutheran Church 2736 Bowling St Sw, Cedar Rapids June 24, July 22, August 26, September 23

5th Thursday, July 29, September 30, TBD

**ALL of these dates are Weather permitting. More info, contact Bill Cejka
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May 11, 2021 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The May meeting was held at the Shriners Club in Hiawatha.

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

VISITORS: Dave Grommon III, (John Williams is giving him a membership for all he has done to help him) & Richard Bice-Richard also joined. Welcome to both of you!!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: Dan Ortz, Linda Yoder, Karen Rohlena all are celebrating birthdays and Ken & Judy Robertson are celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary

SPEAKER: Neil Rohlena showed pictures taken during a few of our past Twin Rivers tours. It was great to see pictures of members enjoying the sights but sad because so many of the ones in the pictures have passed on. Neil and Karen planned the Twin River tours for many years for our club to enjoy. Jane Hawley reported on some of the future speakers she has lined up.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the April 13th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Tom Oliver and 2nd by Dan Ortz.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Cople. Motion to approve was made by Larry Yoder and 2nd by Virgil Schminke.

SPRING BANQUET: Loren Huffaker reported that the Longbranch is now open for indoor dining and asked if the club was interested in a fall banquet there. The vote was unanimous to have it. Neil Rohlena reported that you still can let him know if you are interested in going to the Ronnenburg on May 22nd. You order and pay on your own.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil, Judy and Dan Ortz reported on the May 8th tour. It was a great tour. Sharon Schminke reported on the Twin Rivers Tour.

FLOWERS AND MEMORIALS: No one reported any deaths or hospitalizations

WEB MASTER: Sylvia Cople reported that there is nothing new.

MARKETING CHAIRMAN: Tom and Jackie Oliver told us about the Swap Meet and how it was coming along. He will let us know when there is another Swap Meet Meeting. He said the flyers about our club will be ready next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: It was unanimously voted on to donate the Teddy Bear auction money of \$475.00 plus \$25.00 added from the club to Critter Crusaders. Jon Reynolds suggested a raffle for \$1.00 a ticket with 50% going to the winner of the drawing and the other 50% donated to the Critter Crusaders-Tom Oliver was the winner of the drawing. John Williams told us the Pavilion in Ely was reserved for the 4th of July picnic. We will meet at 3:00 and eat at 4:00 or before. The parade will start lining up at 5:00 if they will have one. Chicken will be provided and everyone should bring 2 dishes and their own dinnerware and drinks. There is also a Pancake Breakfast served by the Fire Department in the morning until noon.

The Auto Museum in Coralville is now open by the Xtream Arena.

John Williams reported that the National AACA is selling raffle tickets for \$10.00 for a drawing on October 9th. You could win a Jeep Commando or \$5,000.00. You don't need to be there to win. If you are interested in a ticket contact John Williams.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams.

Motion to adjourn was made by Judy Ortz and 2nd by John Reynolds

Treats were served by Tom & Jackie Oliver.

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

Submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

SWAP MEET 2021

Chairman for swap meet this year is Tom Oliver.

Swap Meet will be held rain or shine on Saturday October 2, 2021 at the Linn County Fairgrounds located at 201 Central City Road, Central City, IA.

We have access to the whole fairgrounds for our swap meet.

Please volunteer and help make this a success-please sign the sign up sheets at the club meetings or call Tom at 563-513-7172.

BUY, SELL, TRADE

1965 Mustang Coupe in very good condition.

Color is a light blue, all new hoses, radiator, all redone in 2020. Manual 200 3 speed. Was a Florida car. No rust anywhere. Asking price \$19,500.

Text before you call. Steve Feldmann 319-361-1556.



TREAT SCHEDULE 2021

June 8th- Jane and Harry Hawley

July 13th - John and Agnes Williams

August 10th - Dan and Judy Ortz, Neil Rohlena

September 14th- Jeff Fossum

October 12th- Ken and Judy Robertson/Joan Auterman

November 9th -

December 14th - Pete and Pat Bischoff



SAVE THE DATE

LAWN PARTY

AUGUST 7, 2021

TIME: MEET AT 3 PM AND EAT AT 5 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

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

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

June 27-American Legion Car Show-Marion 1-5pm

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, NY

October 2 AACA Swap Meet Central City Fairgrounds

October 6-9 - Hershey PA Swap Meet

Upcoming Events June 2021

AACA Club meeting June 8th at 7 pm. Program: TBD

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

Ladies Luncheon June 16th at Betty's Breadbasket in Manchester at 11:30 AM.

Twin Rivers Tour June 26-29th with Sharon & Virgil Schminke.

Upcoming Events July 2021

July 4th Picnic. Ely. Meet at 3pm & eat at 5pm. Chicken furnished-bring 1 side dish per person, drinks , and table service

AACA Club meeting July 13th at 7 pm. Program: Fred Horn/Horn Automotive

Board meeting July 20 6pm at Scott's Restaurant

Ladies Luncheon July 21 Big Grove Brewery in Solon at 11:30 AM

Upcoming Events August 2021

Lawn Party Aug. 7th at Neil Rohlena's. Meet at 3pm & eat at 5pm

AACA Club meeting Aug. 10th at 7pm . Program: Recap of Twin Rivers Tour

2 day tour: Keosauqua Aug. 14-15. Stay at Hotel Manning. More info to follow.

Board Meeting Aug. 17th at 6pm at Scott's Restaurant

Ladies Luncheon Aug. 18th Okoboji Grill in Independence at 11:30 AM.

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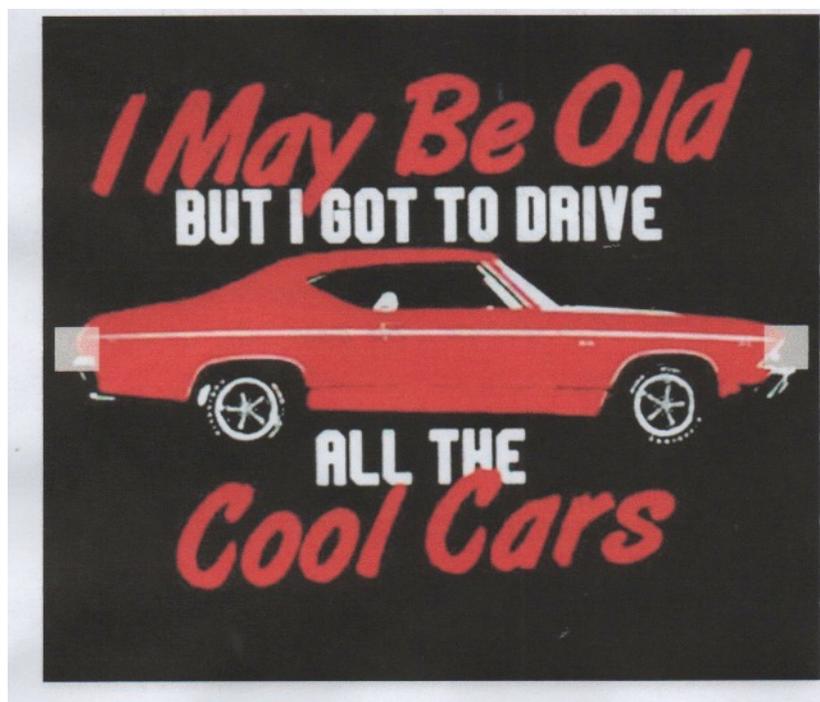
Joke of the Month:

A blonde got lost in a snow storm. She remembered what her dad had once told her. "If you ever get stuck in a snow storm, wait for a snow plow and follow it." Pretty soon a snow plow came by and she started to follow it. She followed the plow for about 45 minutes. Finally the driver of the truck got out and asked her what she was doing. She explained that her dad told her if she ever got lost in the snow to follow a plow.

The driver nodded and said "Well I'm done with the Walmart parking lot, now you can follow me over to Target."

JON'S CORNER ANSWERS

1. The Adams-Farwell was manufactured in Dubuque, Ia in 1898-1913.
2. The American flag had 45 stars in 1909.
3. The first Dodge automobile was manufactured in 1914.



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