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President's Message

Greetings once Again To All You Great Ole Car Folks In The Area! After A Real Jan in Iowa month February has been a REAL Pleasure weather wise! We had a great meeting & it was good to see so many of you there! The board meeting was also Good as we continue to make plans for the year and keep trying to figure out how to save money and maybe even make a Little to keep the club solvent as long as we can. We are looking for any suggestions you folks might have on either account so let me Know if you have any ideas!!!

I've been scratching my noggen trying to think of some ole vehicle I might have messed with that you would like to hear About? I think I've come up with one? It starts out on a farm by Swisher when one of the local farmers decides He needs A new truck. Being a Ford kinda guy He goes to the dealer in CR to see what they have. After some contemplation He Orders a new F100 ½ ton short box with a V8 engine & 3 on the tree! What a nice little truck for the farm. Not only is It practical for the farm, but it makes a great driver as well. That truck worked out so well that it was kept on the farm For 20 years. Along came a friend who was looking for a fun project to work on with his high school aged Son. They Heard about it sitting sadly waiting for a new owner and he purchased it for the father-Son project it was to become. They moved it to their shop and completely disassembled it for the Rebuild/Restoration project it had become. It took several years but was finally finished so it could be used for several years driving to Prairie High. I remember Seeing it around the neighborhood for several years and then it just disappeared? Fast forward a couple more years

And a good friend told me about this old Ford pickup that was languishing in a local barn & could probably be bought Right! After I put 2&2 together, I realized what truck it was so went to look at it. For some unknown reason the father son Project was not appreciated & was left for mice & time to have their way with. As you all know I did not need another Vehicle that needed work when I already several in line! You also know I tend to be weak when it comes to such things! As you might guess – I did buy it- moved it to the farm - & never got to it! Move ahead a few more years & I have a Son & Grandson who likes ole Stuff as well! They liked it so much that they named it. If you are familiar with the grill Of a '55 Ford pickup you can figure out how she got named "Large Marge" I had many chances to sell her, but how could I part with such a neat piece of history with such a Neat Name & who is liked by both Sean & Connor? I gave her to them & even promised to help them restore her back to a nice useful truck! I really hope that they decide to do it and Get Large Marge back on the Road Again?

Thanks For Listening – See you in March – Your President John Williams

JON'S CORNER

- 1. What year was the first Locomobile steam car produced?**
- 2. What was the car that saved the Ford Motor Company?**
- 3. What was the car that first used left hand drive?**

Answers on page 7

February 12, 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

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

VISITORS: None

BIRTHDAYS: Jackie Oliver, Pat Semelroth, Clyde Melvin, Dawna Schminke

ANNIVERSARIES: None

ILLNESSES: Larry Yoder reported that Jerry Stout is fighting Dementia. Sam Shannon is having more trouble with his eyes and his children are thinking that they may have to do something different. He may move to Georgia and live with his son.

DEATHS: None

NEW MEMBERS: Jon Reynolds will have an application from Mike from Hahn Clock Repair. Paul Kumley's son sounds like he might join. Anyone that knows members of the Coralville club that was disbanded are to encourage them to join our club.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the November 14th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Judy Ortz and 2nd by Carl Ohrt.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copley. Motion to approve was made by Sue Melvin and 2nd by Jon Reynolds.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you letters were read from Shirley Votroubek's family and one from Alvin Vondracek's family.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil reported on the Twin Rivers Tour to the House on the Rock. It will be June 1st – 5th. We will also go to Baraboo Wisconsin. Neil also has the dates for the Model A trips this summer so we can plan around them for our monthly 1 day or 2 day trips. Neil encourages anyone willing to set up a 1 or 2 day tour, to do so and let him know.

NEW BUSINESS: It was decided to have the Spring Banquet at the Ronneburg again because we don't have to pay for the room as well as the meal. We discussed changing it from 4:00 PM Social hour and eat at 5:00 PM and the members seemed to find that favorable.

Judy Ortz stated that she, Jack Harville, & Larry Yoder met with Sylvia to do an audit of 2023 records & reported that everything looked good.

SWAP MEET: Jack Harville wasn't in attendance so John Williams talked about going with a Model A member to remove their things from our storage shed. It was discussed to let the shed go and just store what little is left either at the Fairgrounds or elsewhere. Jack said he will let us know when another Swap Meet meeting will be held and we should come with any suggestions we have to make the meet better this year.

OTHER: There was discussion about having the Bass Farms Show, the 4th of July picnic and the Lawn Party. Members were in favor of continuing all of them.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

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

Treats were provided by John and Agnes Williams

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

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

*** Reminder that beginning in January the monthly club meetings will be at the Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

The meeting will be on the **second Monday** each month.

We have received 4 free membership applications from the national AACA. These applications can be used for the recruitment of anyone that has never been a national AACA member. These memberships must be used by September 1, 2024.

If you know of anyone that would be interested please contact John Williams.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

Someone put up an advertisement “Mercedes for Sale \$1.00”. No one believed it, but one man responded and went to see the car. The lady actually sold him the Mercedes which had done just 12,000 kms. for \$1.00. She handed him the papers and the car keys. Deal done. As the man was leaving he said “I would die of suspense if you don’t tell me why this car was sold so cheap.” The lady replies “I am just fulfilling the will of my deceased husband where all money received from the sale of his Mercedes would go to his secretary.”

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events March 2024

Mar. 11th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

Mar. 13th Swap Meet Planning Meeting at 6:30 pm (Mtg. Starts at 7 pm) at Hiawatha Library-150 W. Willman St/Hiawatha. Encourage everyone to come & share ideas so we can have a successful swap meet.

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

Mar. 20th-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Napoli's-2360 Edgewood Rd SW/CR

Upcoming Events April 2024

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

Apr. 16th-Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Apr. 17th-Ladies Luncheon at 11:30 am at Irish Democrat-3207 1st Ave SE/CR

Apr. 27th Spring Banquet at Ronneburg in Amana. Social hour 4pm - eat at 5pm. (See registration insert sheet)

2024 TREAT SCHEDULE

Mar - Clyde, Sue, & Sherry Melvin

Apr - Jack & Kathi Harville

May - Joann & Dean Kiefer

June - Pat & Darrell Sanford

July - Barb Waterhouse



2024 Twin Rivers Tour Wisconsin

June 1 to June 5, (4 nights)

Motel: Don-Q-Inn Dodgeville, 608-935-2321 \$100.00 includes tax

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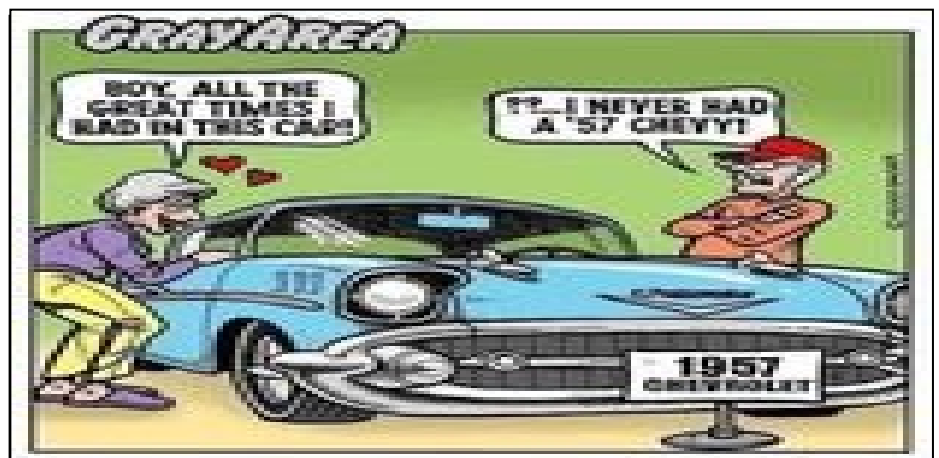
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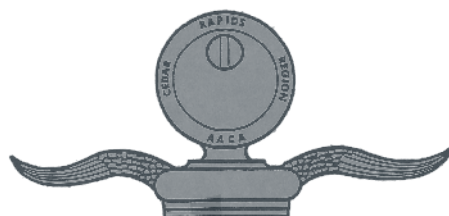
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Jon's Corner Answers

1. The first Locomobile steam car was produced in 1901.
2. The Model A saved the Ford Motor Company in 1903.
3. The Brush was the first American car that used left hand drive.



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