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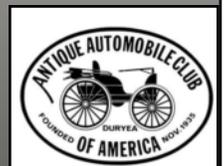
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President's Message

Hi Again To All You Great Ole Car People In The CR Area! Even though Iowa is still giving us part of Winter I think we can see the good old "Light at the End Of the Tunnel"? We had a great Feb meeting & We are working on the swap stuff so Things Seem To Be Progressing! I'm on a roll now and just have to keep on with the Railton Saga! I know you'll wonder why I still Like her after everything she has put me through? Well to continue the Story of the '84 GA Race My team & I got to LA with the Railton on the trailer. We decided we needed to put some miles on and practice our Rally Techniques. We drove around in traffic for a while & decided it was time to hit the interstate. Everything went ok for 5 miles of varying the speed, but not over 55 mph! Then she started to knock so we pulled over & retrieved our broken car with our trailer. It didn't take long in our borrowed garage to pull the pan and find the PROBLEM! We had lost babbit in one rod & found that 4 others had gotten so hot that they had raised bubbles of babbit showing! I called the guy who built the engine & he said that this was a first time issue! He did promise to go right to his shop, rebabbit a rod & deliver it to the airport for next day delivery! We cleaned up the inside of the engine & waited for the rod. It did arrive early the next day so we put it in (missing the opening Race Banquet) and got her ready for the start of the Race the next morning. When we got to the starting line we found out that several other cars had had problems too, but not the Dependable Kind that the Railton was supposed to be! Off We Flew in to History. All through the day We did great & Teds friends told us we were running in the top 5 out of 120 and putting in as good a show as anyone! We felt very confident coming into Vegas in the late afternoon when Disaster struck again! Bang Bang again & back on a trailer for the last 15 miles to the Dunes parking lot in Vegas! Sure as Shooting – one of the other damaged rods had let go!!! Our engine guy promised us 2 more rods for our next stop, but we would have to run on 7 if we were to make the morning start! We didn't know what to do exactly so we took off the rod, put in the piston, pushed to the top (I forgot to mention that this can all be done from the bottom without taking off the head)! Finally we got to bed about 3:00 for a few hours sleep. I don't have to explain that it did not run very smooth with 7/8 of her rods, but it did run! When Robert Gulet waved us off with the front fenders bouncing up & down. Off we went on day 2 running good enough to rally, but trying not to push too hard! We made it over the Hoover Dam & started to pull out of the valley when the block of wood we had jammed under the piston came down & BANG BANG got broken up by the rods & dipper tray!!! Back on the recovery trailer & into the sleeper for some needed Sleep! Kingman AZ provided for a real shop so we could again pull her apart and survey the Damage. So far we had missed 2 whole days of the Race, but we were determined to "Press On Regardless" and stay in the Race as much as we were able!

Thanks for listening Your President John L Williams

JON'S CORNER

1. What is a "crash box?"
2. What was the middle name of W.C. Durant?
3. What do "headers" replace?

February 8th, 2022 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

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

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

VISITORS: None

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: John Maxwell, Jackie Oliver & Clyde Melvin

SPEAKER: President John Williams said the speaker wasn't coming to speak to us about Old Car Insurance, but it was an important topic so he opened it up for discussion. Suggestions were Haggerty Insurance, Grundy Insurance, Farm Bureau Insurance and an agent in Solon that was very good to one of our members in the past.

SECRETARIES REPORT: There was a correction for the January minutes: Dan Ortz said there were 54 members last year but only 47 members renewed their membership this year. Motion to approve the January 11th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Jack Harville and 2nd by Sam Shannon.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copley. Motion to approve was made by Carl Ohrt and 2nd by Sue Melvin. SPRING BANQUET: Neil Rohlena reported on the banquet for Loren Huffaker. He set up the banquet at the Ronneburg Restaurant in Amana. It will be April 30th 6:00PM social eat at 7:00PM. It will include 2 meats & be served Family Style. The sign up sheet will be in your next Moto Meter.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Neil Rohlena has many ideas for tours in 2022 but needs to know when the Model A club is planning tours and they haven't set it all up yet. They should know by March 1st. When we know the dates we want to set up a meeting date for anyone with suggestions and hope that they would help with planning some of the trips.

OLD BUSINESS: We still need one or two people to step up and head the Swap Meet. The date has been changed to August 27th because the National AACA moved their meet to our weekend and a lot of our members will go there and not be here to work our meet. John Williams checked with Linn County Fairgrounds about any date in September but they are all booked. He also tried the second week in October and it was already booked.

OTHER: President John Williams told us about the Great American Race on July 17th 1:00PM. The Coralville Museum is having a fundraising with the Great Grandson of the founder showing pictures and talking to us. It will cost \$10.00.

It was also discussed about where we could gather with our cars to try and draw interest in getting new members especially younger members. Some ideas were tossed around.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Reynolds and 2nd Rich Mishler.

Treats were served by Clyde & Sue Melvin and Shareen Melvin.

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

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2022 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events March 2022

Swap meet planning meeting March 2nd at Hiawatha Library at 6 PM-9 PM.

AACA Club meeting March 8th at 7:00 PM. Program: Sgt Naaktgeboren will discuss "Elder Scams."

Tour planning meeting March 9th at 11:30 AM at Scott's Restaurant.

Board Meeting March 15th at 6:00 PM at Perkins-Collins Rd/CR

Ladies Luncheon March 16th at 11:30 AM at The Lucky Penny 1705 Boyson Rd Hiawatha

Upcoming Events April 2022

AACA Club meeting April 12th at 6:30 PM. Location change: Kirkwood Auto Technology Center 101 50th Ave SW. (Intersection of Hwy 30 and Kirkwood Blvd). Drive your vintage car and tour the facility

Board Meeting April 19th at 6:00 PM at Leonardo's 2228 16th Ave SW

Ladies Luncheon April 20th at 11:30 AM at Brass Fountain 122 E Main St, Solon.

Vintage Torque Fest April 29th and 30th . Dubuque County Fairgrounds

Spring Banquet April 30th at Ronneberg in Amana. Social at 6 pm and eat at 7 pm.

Upcoming Events May 2022

Model A Swap Meet May 7th from 8 am to 5 pm.

AACA Club meeting May 10th at 6:30 PM. (Teddy Bear Auction)

Board Meeting May 17th at 6:00 PM at Perkins -Collins Rd/CR

Ladies Luncheon May 18th at 11:30 AM at Whiskey River -2882 Palo Marsh Rd, Palo

Tipton Car Cruise the Loop. May 21st at 6 pm.

Upcoming Events June 2022

AACA Club meeting June 14th at 7 pm. Program: Dale Lynch "1908 Great Race."

Board Meeting June 21st at 6:00 PM at Leonardo's 2228 16th Ave SW

Ladies Luncheon June 22nd at 11:30 AM at Sally's in Springville.

Car Show Ryan June 25 on Main St. Registration 10 am to noon. Awards at 3 pm.

Treat Schedule

March Joann and Dean Kiefer

April Jack and Kathi Harville

May Tom and Jackie Oliver

June John and Agnes Williams

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It almost seems a miracle all the things a hug can do!

Submitted by Sue Melvin

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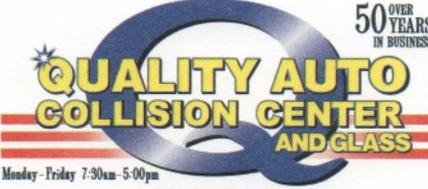


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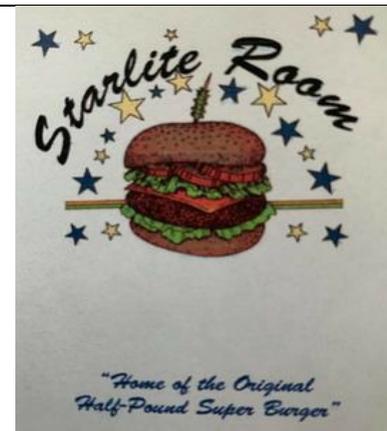
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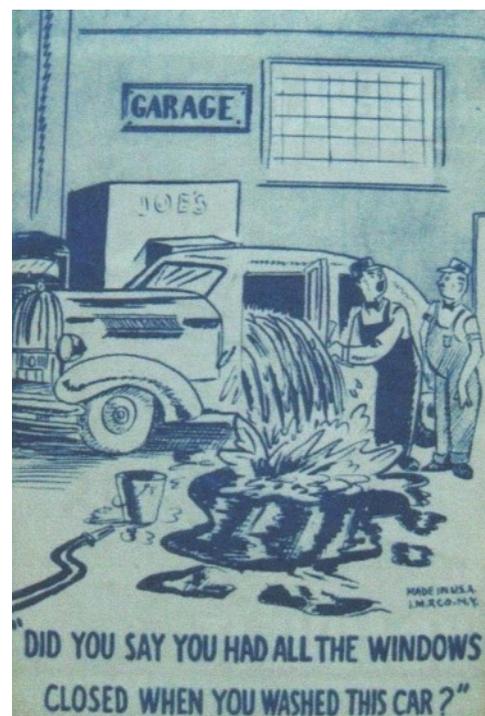
JOKE OF THE MONTH

AT THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE

A gorgeous young redhead goes into the doctor's office and said that her body hurt wherever she touched it. 'Impossible!' says the doctor. 'Show me.' The redhead took her finger, pushed on her left shoulder and screamed, then she pushed her elbow and screamed even more. She pushed her knee and screamed; likewise she pushed her ankle and screamed. Everywhere she touched made her scream. The doctor said 'You're not really a redhead are you?' 'Well no' she said, 'I'm actually a blonde.' 'I thought so' the doctor said, 'Your finger is broken.'

JON'S CORNER ANSWERS

1. A "crash box" is a non-synchronized transmission.
2. The middle name of W.C. Durant was Crapo.
3. "Headers" replace exhaust manifolds



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