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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to thank the previous officers for their outstanding service to the club. I haven't sat up front before but it was great to see a full house.

It is May already. and I'm writing my first column. We winter in the South for five months.

The grass and some weeds are turning green. There's smells of 10w30 and welding smoke wafting from the garage so it must be spring.

The local AACA chapter in South Texas which is located in the Rio Grande Valley

sponsors several car shows every year and one major show that is Rio Grande Valley wide. They have Antique cars, Street Rods, 50's and 60's, and some new car dealers.

Also included outside is an autocross, RC drag

races, and a Swap Meet.

One of the car shows is held in our RV park with our cars and motorcycles and also open to outside vehicles. Their club meetings are monthly and move around the valley so sometimes I would drive 50 miles to a meeting. The club's members age is not much younger than ours.

We have several activities already planned for this summer and the our fall swap meet will be here before you know it. Start thinking how you can help out. Co-president,
Al Meeker

JON'S CORNER

1. In what year was the Olds Motor Vehicle Co founded and where?
2. In what year was an island designated as the East Coast point of entry for immigrants?
3. In what year was the first patent issued for an automobile and to whom?

ULTIMATE MYSTERY



In what model year did Cadillac introduce the first electric sunroof?

JON'S CORNER ANSWERS

1. The Olds Motor Vehicle Co was founded in 1897 in Lansing, MI.
2. Ellis Island was the designated point of entry for immigrants in 1892.
3. The first patent was issued in 1895 to George Selden.

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HISTORICAL VEHICLE



1952 Standard Vanguard Saloon

The Standard Motor Company Limited was founded in Coventry, England, in 1903 by Reginald Walter Maudslay. The first car was powered by a single-cylinder engine with three-speed transmission and shaft drive to the rear wheels. The single cylinder model was soon replaced by a two-cylinder model quickly followed by three- and four-cylinder versions and in 1905 the first six. By 1911, the range of vehicles was comprehensive, and in 1914 Standard became a public company. In the early 1920s, saloon bodies were first offered; previously all cars had been tourers. By 1924, the company as making more than 10,000 cars per year. By the late 1920s, profits had decreased dramatically due to great reinvestment, a failed export contract and bad sales of the larger cars. The importance of standardization was now appreciated and only one model was offered. Through the 1930s, fortunes improved with new models, the Standard Nine and Standard Ten addressed the low to mid range market. At the 1935 Motor Show, the new range of Flying Standards was announced with semi-streamlined bodies. The Flying Standards came to the market in 1936 with their distinctive streamlined sloping rears virtually replacing the existing range of Nine, Twelve, Sixteen, and Twenty. By 1940, Standard's annual production was approximately 50,000 units. In 1945, Standard purchased the Triumph Motor Company. A one-model policy for the Standard marque (alongside a range of new Triumphs) was adopted in 1948 with the introduction of the 2-litre Standard Vanguard, which was styled on American lines. The one-model policy lasted until 1953, when a new Standard Eight small car was added. In 1954, the Eight was supplemented by the slightly more powerful Standard Ten. In 1959, Standard Motor Company was re-named Standard Triumph International Limited and began to put the Triumph brand name on all its products. The Standard name was last used in Britain in 1963, and in India in 1987.

REGION NEWS & INFORMATION

April 6, 2017 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACRA MEETING

The April meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center. Larry Yoder led the Pledge of Allegiance. Judy Ortz presided over the meeting. There were no guests.

Frank Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes of last month's meeting as published in the Moto Meter with a second from Lee Votroubek. Motion approved.

Sylvia Copler read the Treasurer's Report. Pete Bischoff made a motion to approve the Report with a second from Carl Ohrt. Motion approved.

April Birthdays and Anniversaries were recognized.

Shirley Shannon is feeling better. Ray Warren has been in the University of Iowa Hospital. Barb Ohrt is doing better but needs additional treatment.

Carl Ohrt said he could use a few more cars to Kirkwood on April 7. Contact Carl if you want to bring your car.

The Garage Tour is April 22. The meeting place is the Walcott Truck Museum. We will leave at 8:45 AM. So if you are planning on eating breakfast you need to eat earlier. The Spring Banquet is also April 22 at the Amana Brewhouse.

Paul's tour is June 24th more info to follow.

Barb Waterhouse Miller reminded everyone of the bus trip to Volva on April 28 and 29. We will leave at 7 o'clock AM from Sam's Parking lot. Denise and Lee have a conflict so if you are interested see Denise or Lee.

The Meeting on May 4, guest will be Mark Stoffer Hunter, Historian from Cedar Rapids.
Mother's Day pancake breakfast is May 14.

Model A Swap Meet is Saturday April 8. There are a few empty places on the sign up sheet per Jim Smith. Please sign up if you can.

Jon Reynolds reported he and Bruce Platteter were in Palm Springs, California doing judging.

Brenda Juby needs cars for the Moto Meter.

Barb Waterhouse Miller said Evergreen Estate would like cars for May 6 from 11:00 to 1:00. Lunch will be served.

Judy thanked Joan and Dean Kiefer and Jan Wenger for serving treats.

Board Meeting is April 20 at Zio's in Marion.

Pete Bischoff conducted Buy Sell Trade.

Frank Reynolds made a motion to adjourn with a second by Pete Bischoff. Motion Approved.

Teddy Bear Action was held after the meeting with Carl Ohrt as auctioneer.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeri Stout

2017 Twin Rivers Tour

July 31 to Aug 4, 2017

All rooms are reserved under AACA and Neil Rohlena.

You are responsible for making your own reservations. Our block of rooms are released Sat. June 15 to the public.

July 31, Aug 1, 2, 3 and 4	Winterset – Covered Bridge Inn \$77.28 including tax PH – (515) 462-4888
Vermeer Museum, Pella	Pella Vermeer Windmill & Museum
Johnny Carson's birthplace	R & S Classics
Griswold Farmall Country	Drews Quality Chocolate
Iowa Quilt Museum	Greenfield Opera House
John Wayne Birthplace	Ukrainian personal Museum
Pella Historical Museum	Cabbage Patch doll collection
Schildberg car collection	Mike Travis Rumley/Avery tractor collection
Covered bridge bus tour	Freedom Rock tour
History of Fairway Stores	Bierbaum Alice Chalmer tractor collection
Apple Cider winery	Many More !!!!

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Belles on Wheels

Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908 when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother in a church in West Virginia. Anna later resented the commercialization of the holiday and even protested the commercialization at a candy maker's convention in Philadelphia in 1923. Her belief was that people should write letters to their mothers and not depend on store bought cards.

As I think of Mother's Day, my mind goes to my own mother who is 96. Mom has been a rock for me for my whole life and she's been a rock for the family. My mom, early in life, felt God's calling upon her life and earned a Christian Education degree at a school in Chicago and then continued at a seminary. She was sent as a home missionary to a Christian center in Phoenix, AZ, where she worked with the Hispanics and even learned to preach in Spanish. She met my dad in Winslow, AZ--it was a "blind" date organized by some people that she knew who also knew my dad. They were married in 1950 and returned to CA for his last year of seminary. Mom helped support them by teaching at a Christian school and helping him with the small church that he served as a student pastor. In all of the small churches that my dad pastored, mom was there working beside him in whatever capacity needed to be filled--organist, choir director, Sunday School teacher, Women's Mission society president, Girls' Guild director, etc. BUT because of all that was expected of a pastor of a small church, she also filled the role of being both mom and dad because dad was busy with everything that was required of pastors in those days. Mom put up with me inviting people home from church for dinner when we barely had enough to feed our own family--I'm sure that the Bible story of the feeding of the 5000 often came to her mind and she probably breathed many a prayer that the food would stretch! She also fed many a hobo--one church in ND could be seen from the railroad cars coming in to town from the west and we always had hobos stopping for food. There was a story that they marked a tree somehow to let others know that this was a place to stop; I always looked for this mark but never found it. Dad would share Jesus with them and mom would take leftovers that she probably had saved for our lunch to feed them. That was quite a time--mom was somewhat fearful and always kept us inside. Mom was always there to bandage a skinned knee, help us with homework (except for math!), go to parent teacher conferences, guide us through the problems with friends, and make us clothing (often from clothes that had been given to us from others in the church). She taught me how to sew and cook and trusted me to take care of the house when she was gone with the women to

camp for a week. One year, we had company the whole week that she was gone and as a 6th grader, I helped cook for everyone. I was only able to do that because of her teaching (and the fact that at that time, I was the only girl in the family!!).

Last summer, my brother and I went down to OK and helped mom look for a place to spend her remaining years. We found an assisted living center that she was comfortable with and went down another week to move her. This year has been a hard year for her as she has adjusted to the lack of independence, but she has done it with grace. She recently ended up in the hospital and has been unable to go back to assisted living. My brother and I were back over Easter to begin packing up the house so that we can sell it and to try to help her decide what she needed to do regarding nursing care or assisted living. After much thought and flip flopping, mom made the decision to stay in the nursing home in order to receive the care that she needs now and in the future. She has never wanted to be in a nursing home--that's a term that really needs to be changed for those of us yet to hit that. If my 96 year old mom finds it offensive, I think those of us who are younger will also!! Her move and now the emptying of the house represents an end of an era and the end of the family home.

I am thankful for my mom and her testimony over the years, the way that she helped raise us and I am so thankful for her prayers. I love her so much.

I know that you probably have similar stories of your relationship with your mom. My intention was to get quotes from many of you regarding your mothers, but I forgot to do it at the last meeting. If your mom is still living, I hope that you will take the time to write a note to her to let her know how much she means to you. Those notes are cherished--I have boxes of cards and notes that I brought home that we sent to mom and will be dividing them out to everyone in the future. Not only were they important enough for her to save, but the letters that we wrote are timelines in our own family history since we wrote about our children and activities. Happy Mother's Day and God bless those of you who have done the hardest, but most rewarding job in the world--that of being a MOM!

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2017 REGION CALENDAR

Social Night

May 8, 2017	Chrome Horse
June 5, 2017	Harvest Grain
July 10, 2017	TBD
August 7, 2017	TBD
September 11, 2017	TBD
October 9, 2017	TBD
November 6, 2017	TBD
December 11, 2017	TBD

Social Night starts at 6:00 PM. When the weather is good, please drive your cars to social nights. The point of this activity is not only to eat together, but also to advertise the club and have people looking at and appreciating our older cars.

Business meeting

May 4, 2017
June 1, 2017
July 6, 2017*
August 10, 2017
September 7, 2017
October 5, 2017
November 2, 2017
December 7, 2017 - Christmas Party

* July 6 meeting is in parking lot with other car clubs. Starts at 6:30 pm.

All meetings will start at 7:00 PM -Hiawatha Com. Center

Board Meetings

May 18, 2017	Tommy's
June 15, 2017	Scott's
July 20, 2017	TBD
August 17, 2017	TBD
September 21, 2017	TBD
October 19, 2017	TBD
November 16, 2017	TBD
December, 2017	No Meeting

All meetings will start at 6:00 PM

Special Events

- May 6 - Show cars at Evergreen Estate III Care Center 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.(Barb Waterhouse, contact)
- May 11-13, 2017 - AACA Special Spring Meet, Auburn, IN
- May 14, 2017** - CRRAACA Mother's Day Breakfast
- June 3, 2017 - Lions Car Show, Time 9:00 am - 3:00
- June 15-17, 2017 - AACA Grand National Meet - KC Region, Independence, KS
- June 24, 2017 - Tour, Paul Kumley (coordinator)
- July 31-August 4, 2017** - CRRAACA Twin Rivers Tour
- August 17-19, 2017 - AACA Central Fall Meet - Mississippi Valley Region, Bettendorf, IA
- September 17-22, 2017 - AAA Glidden Tour (AACA hosted), NE Region, Hastings, NE
- October 4-7, 2017 - Easter Fall Meet, Hershey Region, Hershey, PA

2017 Treats Schedule

- May - Schminkes and Ohrts
- June - Shannons and Millards
- July - Robertsons and Autermans
- August - Marge and Frank Reynolds
- September - Dan and Judy Ortz, Karen & Neil Rohlena
- October -
- November - Lee and Denise Votroubek
- December - Christmas Party

Editor's Note: I'm sorry for mistakes or repeats from last month's edition. My trip to OK and David's hospitalization again the following week has made it hard to get this edition out. We are hoping that some day, life will be back to normal; when it is, you will hear a huge "Hurrah!" Until then, you will hear me saying, "ARGH!"

FROM ACROSS THE POND

Simple pleasures disappeared with the British roadsters. The Triumph TR6 went missing after 1976 and the Spitfire followed in 1980, while the TR7 (available as a convertible in 1979) and TR8 lasted into 1981. Meanwhile, the MG Midget limped into 1979 with a Triumph engine. The aged MGB lasted until 1980.

With the exception of the TR8, these were not fast cars. Rather, they were desirable for their nimble handling and their open-air motoring. While UK TR6s used a 150-horsepower version of Triumph's 2.5-liter straight-six, Americans made do with only 105 horses.

The MGB's venerable four started out as a powerplant for the 1954 Morris (and the 1953–61 Nash Metropolitan). At its 1.8-liter best, the engine produced 98 horsepower. At its worst, output was down to a meager 62, through a single carburetor.

What made the convertible come back?

The 1983 Ford Mustang was no beauty, either. It was built on the Ford "Fox" platform. Think Mercury Zephyr. Now try to get that thought out of your head. But the Mustang had rear-wheel drive and an available 175-horsepower 5.0-liter V-8. No matter. A couple years into the 1980s, we had the sun shining on our faces again, the operatic aria of wind in place of opera windows and the moon instead of a moon roof. Fun had been revived.

What brought the convertible back was what destroyed it: The automobile industry suffered an oil shortage; economic downturn; ecological consciousness; government regulation; 1970s bad taste; asteroid impact. Drastic climate change caused convertible die-off.

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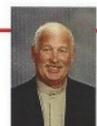
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