

# THE MOTO METER



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#### 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 & early 6 cylinder Ford?
- 3. Who designed the Ford Model 400 A in 1931?

Answers on page 5

#### President's Message

Greetings To All You Ole Car Folks In the Area! I can't believe this is mess #45 already and summer is almost over. August Was another good month with a good meeting that Some Of You Made It to! We started with an awesome lawn party Made possible by Neil R. We had a good turn out and were having such a good time that many of us stayed around until Evening telling tall stories! Some of us made it to Model A Days and had a Great Time. I took the "12 T that many people Seemed to enjoy after looking at so many As? I think you can have too much of even a Good Thing? As I write this we have Had a chance to go to Edinburgh Days, but I hope it goes well! We are hoping for good weather and especially a Good Turn Out for the Swap Meet!!!

For my car story I'm going to tell about some of our Car Adventures as suggested by Agnes who says that the fun things We have done with our ole cars are just as important as the cars we did them in? I think I've told you about my first useable T that is a ratty ole '26 T touring that was found on a Missouri farm woods in the early 60s. The kid that found it put a diff Engine in it out of one of the original Newton IA taxi cabs that was a 4 door & thus not a good fun machine for a teenager to tear around in! He painted it in primer and wrote white lettering all over it like the kids did in the 1930s. When I got Her there was no top or upholstery, but Dad & I got it running in 1961 or 62. I was told about the T by the guy's cousin who Was selling it for some college money! I found some ole seat cushions that I covered with some old blankets and it made a Useable car. I had some old tires that a neighbor gave me out of his barn & Dad said that they were synthetic rubber from WW2 because they had the red circle on the side wall to let people know that they probably would not last long! We blew Out one on the way to Norway for their big parade in'83. I took her to Iowa State one year for the Veisha celebration and had a Great time driving around campus in our costumes! After we had kids we had some really great times in local parades. We dressed up like the Clampets and went to the Ely, Swisher, Fairfax, Solon and even Williamsburg & North English for the family Connections. I especially remember a big family reunion in North English for the Creamery Picnic Parade when my aunt Jean Got so fired up that she rode in the backseat and held my ole shotgun dad made for me looking just like Granny from the TV Show Beverly Hillbillies! That old T & us had some great adventures & I think it won more trophy's than any of my NICE Cars! I haven't fixed her since I threw a rod years ago, but I think I should get her going for some more GREAT FUN?

Thanks For Listening! Your President John Williams

#### August 12th, 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The August meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center

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

VISITORS: None
BIRTHDAYS: None
ANNIVERSARIES: None
ILLNESSES: None reported
DEATHS: Virgil Schminke
NEW MEMBERS: none

**SECRETARIES REPORT**: Motion to approve the July 8th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Sherry Melvin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dan Ortz.

**TREASURERS REPORT**: Report read by Sylvia Copler. Motion to approve was made by Judy Ortz and 2nd by Jack Harvlle.

**FOURS AND ACTIVITIES**: Sherry Melvin reported on her trip on August 25<sup>th</sup> to Edinburgh Pioneer Village. We leave from the Kwik Star on Hwy 13 across from the Culvers at 10:00AM. This is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Village and there will be a food truck there for visitors also. Neil told us about a one day tour to Mike Malik's Apple Orchard. He will show us thru his wine making procedure and equipment and told us to bring a bucket to pick apples. The tour is set for September 14<sup>th</sup> and there will be more information in the September Moto Meter. **NEW BUSINESS**: The Board talked about the proposal presented by Steven Ciha at the July meeting about partnering with the Historic Preservation Committee to replace the Seedling Mile signs along old Highway 30 that we originally paid for years ago. The original ones that our club helped place there are needing replaced and moved closer to the highway because over the years they have deteriorated and have been covered with weeds. The club discussed this and Dan Ortz made a motion to give \$250-\$300 to help replace them. Carl Ohrt 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The club members voted yes. Motion approved.

**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. We still need people in several spots and for set up on Friday. Sharon Schminke brought the Quilt we are raffling off to raise money and talked about the packets for members to help selling raffle tickets ahead of the Swap Meet. She mentioned that she donated her time and materials so all the profits will go to the club. We will be selling the Quilt raffle tickets and 50/50 tickets at the Swap meet to help the club have a successful Swap Meet. Anyone wanting an envelope for selling the raffle tickets or more raffle tickets contact Sharon at 319-721-5373.

**OTHER**: Carl Ohrt told us he was inducted into the Iowa Hall of Fame for his many years of Square dance calling. Congratulations. Sam Shannon's online auction opened today and will run a week. He is selling all of his treasures.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by John Williams

Motion to adjourn made by Sue Melvin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sherry Melvin

Treats were provided by Dick and Pat Semelroth

Please have your articles to Sylvia by the 10<sup>th</sup> for the Moto Meter

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

#### **SWAP MEET**

The swap meet will be held on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> 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! If you can't work at the swap meet please consider passing out flyers at upcoming car shows-see list under upcoming events-contact Jack for flyers.

#### 2024 TREAT SCHEDULE

Sept - John & Agnes Williams

Oct - Dan & Judy Ortz & Neil Rohlena

Nov - Sharon Schminke





#### JOKE OF THE MONTH

A cop stopped a Mennonite woman in a buggy and starts to write her a ticket. He says "You've got no reflectors on the back & a blanket blocking your slow moving vehicle sign. He also told her that one of the reins is tangled around the horse's testicles so fix it or I'll write you up for cruelty to animals." She gets home and her husband asked what the ticket was for. She says "You need to add reflectors, make sure the slow moving vehicle sign is visible, and sumpthin' 'bout the emergency brake!"

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

#### 2024 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

#### **Upcoming Events September 2024**

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Wicked Creations Car Show in Central City Noon - 4pm. Reg. \$15 starts at 11. Entry fees go to Honor Flight.

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Swisher Men's Club Car Show. Reg. \$15 from 8-11am. Judging 11-1 & awards at 2pm. Trophies to top 60 entries. Rain date Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> Northbrook 1<sup>st</sup> Classic Car Show at 6420 Council St NE/CR; Reg. 8-10am, Voting 10-12, awards at 2pm. Reg. For \$1 or free will donation for activity program & to be eligible for 50/50 drawing.

Sept. 9th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Day trip Leave Perkins on 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave SW at noon. There is 1 ½ mile of gravel to Mike Malik's Orchard. Mike is making lunch for us. We have a tour of the orchard & a tour of the distillery used to make wine. Bring a bucket to pick & take home some apples that he is giving us.

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

Sept. 18th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Local Edition-100 Pearl St/Shellsburg

\*\*Sept. 21st AACA Swap Meet from 8 am - 2 pm at Linn County Fairgrounds

Sept. 28th Cottage Grove Car Show 11 am - 2 pm at 2115 1st Ave SE/CR. Complementary buffet lunch for those displaying a car in Commons Dining Room from 11-1:30. Please Call a couple of days in advance if you wish to have the buffet (319) 297-5592.

Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Car Show for Kids fron 11am-3pm at 3617 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE/CR (Town & Country Shopping Center) Reg. \$20-pre-register at Godfather's Pizza 8/16-9/27

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

Sept. 5th Palo Green Space at Main & Iowa St (behind the old bank), Palo

Sept. 12th Lutheran Church of the Resurrection-3500 29th Ave, Marion

Sept. 19th Duffy's Classic Enterprises-250 Classic Car Ct SW, CR

Sept. 26th Hope Lutheran Church-2736 Bowling St SW, CR

#### **Upcoming Events October 2024**

#### Oct. 8-11 Eastern Fall Nationals in Hershey, PA

Oct. 14th AACA Club Meeting at 7 pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha

Oct. 21st Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Oct. 23rd Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Sally's-Broadway/Springville

#### Car for Sale - contact Jeff Beer at 319-350-3466 / 1949 Chevy Deluxe









#### **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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# August 3<sup>rd</sup> Lawn Party













# Edinburgh Pioneer Village August 25th











