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#### JON'S CORNER

- 1. What year was a pace car first used at the Indy 500?
- 2. What was the pace car in 1932?
- 3. Who was the pace car driver in 1932?

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President's Message

Well here we are in 2025 and our club is 63 years young. After reflecting on being a member for 50 years, it's important to note that we are made up of many great and loyal members. Looking back, I remembered being president in 1982 and at that time I was learning from so many outstanding past members who helped to set the ground work for where we are today.

First of all, I would like to thank John Williams for his superb job as President for the past 4 years and also add that no one can spin a yarn in his message like he can. It was a pleasure always reading his President messages.

2025 brings a new and interesting challenge for our club and its members. I'm talking about our opportunity to bring our 47<sup>th</sup> Swap Meet back to Hawkeye Downs where we originally started having these meets. It's a pleasure to be having our Swap Meet on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at Hawkeye Downs as they celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. We will have more information at the January 13 meeting and we will have sign up sheets for team captains and workers to help us make this Swap Meet a great success. Please commit to helping because our club will need all the help we can get.

Jack Harville

#### CRRAACA Christmas Party December 9th 2024

We had a great crowd and a lot of great food for all to enjoy and Lots of conversations that we don't have time for during our regular meetings.

We were told that Sam Shannon passed about 2 weeks ago. He had Pneumonia and never seemed to recover. Sam was a long time member and even kept in touch with us when his health was failing in the last few years. He was able to see his beloved collection auctioned off before he passed. I am sure that was real hard as any of our members with their own treasures can attest to.

It was great to see so many happy faces at the Christmas Party.

Everyone had a chance to enjoy all the great food brought by the members. There is always a great abundance and variety of food to choose from. Nobody should have gone away hungry. Pat Sanford passed around a sign up sheet for Sharon for the Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lights tour. Thank you Pat! It helped Sharon when she was cleaning the tables and trying to put the room back into order after all the food was removed. There were a number of members that signed up and hopefully more will show up on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

It was great to see everyone enjoying the time together before the Holiday and New Year.

The officers were told that we would not have a Board Meeting this month because of the Holiday and there wasn't anything urgent to discuss.

Jack Harville told us there will be a Swap Meet committee meeting at the Hiawatha Library January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR Have a great Holiday season!

Respectfully submitted Sharon Schminke Secretary.

THANK YOU to everyone that was able to make it on our rescheduled Christmas Lights Tour last Sunday!! We had a rough time getting it in because of the weather the weekend before but we had really great weather Sunday for the tour. It was too bad that some of the lights were not on when we went by but all in all we had lots of great views of hours and hard work put in by many homes to give us beautiful displays. We didn't lose anyone and we had a great time visiting afterwards at Culvers. Thank you so much to all that could attend and I am sorry that it didn't work out for all that signed up but the ice the week before made it impossible. THANK YOU again. Thank you also to Neil for making our directions up even though he wasn't able to go on the trip with us. Sharon

### Dec. 9th Christmas Party



## Dec. 21st Christmas Lights





# **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS**

2025 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

**Upcoming Events January 2025** 

Jan 13th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

Jan 20th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Jan 22nd Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Starlite-3300 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE/CR

**Upcoming Events February 2025** 

Feb 10th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

Feb 17th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Feb 19th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Tornado's Grub & Pub-1600 3<sup>rd</sup> St SE/CR

Feb 22-23<sup>rd</sup> 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Rod & Custom Car Show at Monticello Berndes Center-766 N. Maple St., Monticello

#### JOKE OF THE MONTH

Three drunk men get into a taxi. The driver knew they were drunk so he started the car and turned it off. The first man gave him the money, the second thanked him, but the third man slapped the driver. The driver was surprised that he noticed so he asked why & the third man replies with "Why did you drive so fast?"

I didn't realize how bad a driver I was until my satellite navigator said "In 400 feet do a slight right, stop, and let me out."



#### Jon's Corner Answers

- 1. The first pace car was used in the 1911 Indy race.
- 2. The pace car in 1932 was a Lincoln.
- 3. The driver of the pace car in 1932 was Edsel Ford.

#### **TREAT SCHEDULE**

Jan. - Sharon Schminke

Feb -

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