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Autograph



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear MVR Members:

As I write this the snow is falling outside my window IN APRIL! In spite of this late weather, we are off and running for 2018. We had a very successful booth at the Rod 'N' Custom Auto Show. Thanks to Alan Ford and Sam Jackson for displaying their vehicles. It still never ceases to amaze me at what a crowd we have around the cars.

Our January Meeting at the I-80 Truck Museum was well attended and enjoyed. Since January is traditionally arranged by the President, I was crossing my fingers that the weather would cooperate. I had to cop out at the last minute due to my sisters illness.

Yes I spent most of January in Carmel, CA tending to my sister. Weather great - reason for being there not so much.

February brought a great crowd to Hickory Garden and Show and Tell. Our members sure are creative with their displays. If you

haven't ever attended, you need to and learn what others have to offer.

Gary and LaVonne Gleason did a great job with LaVonne, foot in a boot from a new injury, in the kitchen and Gary that went through lots of photos to present an array of members' cars. So many have been hidden, that it was good to see what our members are hiding.

It has been a long time since we have had a full roster of events this early in the year. Lots to do, see, and hopefully enjoy.

Get those engines running and join in the fun.

Although we love to drive our oldies, don't let that stop you. Come join the fun anyway.

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MARCH AACA BOARD MEETING

March 7, 2018
Butterworth Center, Moline, Illinois

Present:

Mary Bartemeyer - President
Fred Bartemeyer - Board Member
John Brewer - Vice President
Jim Conrad - Board Member
Alan Ford - Board Member
Gary Gleason - Treasurer
LaVonne Gleason - Board Member
Clair Pearson - Board Member
Dick Perry - Past President
Gary Smith - Board Member
Gary Wright - Autograph editor

Meeting called to order at 6:55 p.m. by President Mary Bartemeyer

Minutes:

A motion was made by John Brewer and seconded by Dick Perry to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Gary Gleason reported that 22 members were mailed a final notice for renewal. The report will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

Sunshine - several cards were sent out
Roster - no report
Membership - no report
Webmaster - members need to send information to Jim Scott so it can be updated
Historian - no report



Old Business:

There were 34 members at Show & Tell in February

New Business:

September 22 or 29 we will visit Mosley's private car collection in Coal Valley and then enjoy the steak fry to follow. It is being planned.

Prospect Park will celebrate their birthday on October 6th and they want one car from each era, but no more than 10 cars.

LaVonne Gleason has volunteered to become our new secretary. It was approved by the board.

Sharon Hoagland was approved by the board to fill the empty board seat.

The Father's Day Breakfast was discussed with several options. The board decided to go back to cooking it ourselves with help from club members. It was approved by John Brewer and seconded by Fred Bartemeyer.

Father's Day Pancake Breakfast

June 17th

Ben Butterworth Parkway Shelter

8:00 - 10:00

Members: FREE

Nonmembers: \$5.00 each

Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk, and coffee will be served.

Next activity:

Thursday, March 22 Potluck

Butterworth Educational Center

Bring a covered dish, and your own table service

Drinks will be furnished.

Saturday, April 21 German Heritage Museum

Davenport

10:00 AM - tour museum

11:30 AM - drive to Bierstube Restaurant in LeClaire and order off of the menu.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 pm.

Submitted by *LaVonne Gleason*

Substitute Secretary



APRIL AACA BOARD MEETING

April 4, 2014

Butterworth Center, Moline, Illinois

Present:

- Mary Bartemeyer
- Fred Bartemeyer
- John Brewer
- Jim Conrad
- Alan Ford
- Gary Gleason
- LaVonne Gleason
- Sharon Hoagland
- Dick Perry
- Gary Smith
- Gary Wright

Absent:

- Clair Pearson - Board Member

Meeting called to order at 6:55 p.m. by President Mary Bartemeyer.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Sharon Hoagland and seconded by Dick Perry to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

The Illinois State report has been filed. We now have 134 members. The report will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports:

- Sunshine - several cards were sent out
- Roster - no report
- Membership - new changes have been sent to Jan Patting Webmaster - no report
- Historian - no report

Old Business:

There were 24 present for the March potluck.

We still need one car from each decade for

Prospect Park on October 6th for their 125th anniversary.

The club discussed our September 29th event at Mosley's car collection. The club has discussed that having everyone cook their own steak. More information will follow.

The Father's Day Breakfast is set for June 17th. We still need club members to volunteer to help and we need either griddles or electric skillets to use in cooking the pancakes.

May event has been set for May 27th. We will tour to Bluff Lake for an early supper. They will serve chicken, shrimp, french fries, and coleslaw. More details listed in the Autograph.

The calendar is pretty well set for the remainder of 2018.

New Business:

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the AAAC's building and the Museum.

Next activity: German American Heritage Center, 712 W. 2nd Street, Davenport starting at 10:00 AM. Touring to LeClaire for lunch at the Bierstube Restaurant - ordering off of the menu.

Next board meeting is May 2nd at 7:00 at the Butterworth Center

Submitted by *LaVonne Gleason*

Substitute Secretary



ACTION ITEM!

Dear MVR members:

WE STILL HAVEN'T HEARD FROM MOST OF YOU!

We're sure you wish to know of upcoming events. You will help lighten the load of our MVR Board if you would be so kind to take a moment and fill out this request for contact preferences!

It's easy to forget upcoming events. We are willing to send reminders in the following ways. You are welcome to choose all three if you wish!

- ◆ E-Mail
- ◆ Text Message
- ◆ Robo-call (an automated telephone call that delivers a recorded message)

The first two can be accomplished without cost. The third option (the robo-call, can be accomplished at a small charge, but quite a bit less expensive than a postcard mailing and much less time consuming. Cost is 8¢ per call vs. 34¢ for a postcard mailing, so less than ¼ the cost)!

Option 1:

- I would like to receive a text message reminder of club events, please provide your cell phone number, and check the box next to your cell phone carrier so that I can set up an automated list.

My cell phone number is (do not list a landline): (____) _____ - _____

My carrier is:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> AT&T | <input type="checkbox"/> Boost Mobile | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Cellular |
| <input type="checkbox"/> T-Mobile | <input type="checkbox"/> Cricket | <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Cellular |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Verizon | <input type="checkbox"/> Ptel | <input type="checkbox"/> C-Spire |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sprint | <input type="checkbox"/> Republic Wireless | <input type="checkbox"/> Page Plus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Virgin Mobile | <input type="checkbox"/> Google Fi (Project Fi) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tracfone | <input type="checkbox"/> Suncom | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metro PCS | <input type="checkbox"/> Ting | |

Option 2:

- I am interested in receiving a robo-call prior to upcoming events. Please route the call to this number (cell or landline is permissible):

(____) _____ - _____

Option 3:

- Please send reminders via e-mail only. My e-mail address is _____@_____

Please return this completed for to any MVR board member. Thank you.



APRIL EVENT INFORMATION

MVR Event/Tour/Lunch

Tour Leaders Dick and Sandy Perry

If weather cooperates, we encourage you to drive your antique cars.

Saturday, April 21 - 10:00 AM - meet at German American Heritage Center, 712 - W. 2nd St., Davenport, IA (we might possibly organize a driving tour over for IL members)

10 - 11:30 AM - Tour center including these exhibits:

- "German Foods", "Early Scott County Businesses"
 - "Iowa Immigration"
- We will also enjoy the weekly zither rehearsal upstairs.

11:30 - Drive to Bierstube Rest. in LeClaire, IA for lunch.

Maps provided in case we vary from River Drive to see something interesting. Order from menu.

Meeting - announcements, etc. can be done here while waiting for lunch.



MAY EVENT INFORMATION

MVR OUTING ACTIVITY

Organized by Jim and Bev Smith

Sunday May 27th 2018

BLUFF LAKE 9343 95th Avenue. Maquoketa (near the Maquoketa Caves)

Sunday menu is chicken and shrimp, coleslaw, and fries - \$13.50 all you care to eat.

Open seating tables of 4, 6, or 8 person (no reservations).

Meeting at Hardee's on LeClaire Road, Eldridge Iowa at 12:00 Noon, and leaving by 12:15 PM.

THERE ARE 2.5 MILES OF GRAVEL!

The Caves road is closed for rebuilding, so we will need to enter from the Northwest.

Please reply by Email to James Smith – 387js@mchs.com – or by phone (563) 340-5131 if you are planning to attend with the number and names of the people in your party.

Detailed directions will be passed out at Hardees on the day of event.



WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH DIRECTORY UPDATES!



We are publishing a new roster this year. Take a look at your old listing and update anything that needs adjusting. Look at your car listing, anything new, anything sold? Don't know where your roster is so you don't know what's in it? Contact Jan Patting by email at janpatting@sbcglobal.net, or by phone at (309) 788-6985, or contact President Bartemeyer at mbartemeyer@yahoo.com or 563-340-3266. We are only printing every two years to make sure everything is up to date.

CAR SHOW SEASON IS HERE!

Here are some upcoming shows and cruse-ins, all within an hour and a half of the Quad Cities. For more information on location, times, etc, visit www.rickslist.info:

- April 19 - Classic Enterprises Cruise, 250 Classic Car Court, Cedar Rapids, IA
- April 20 - Levee District Cruise, Target, East Peoria, IL
- April 20 - Jefferson Street Cruise, Jefferson Street, Burlington, IA
- April 26 - Hope Lutheran Church, 2736 Bowling Street SW, Cedar Rapids, IA
- April 27 - Classy Chassy Cruisers Cruise, Coral Ridge Mall, Coralville, IA
- April 28 - QC Cruisers Cruise In, Southpark Mall, Moline, IL
- April 29 - Car Show For The Cure, 2601 E. Lincolnway, Sterling, IL
- April 29 - Relay For Life Car Show, 2712 Mt. Pleasant Street, Burlington, IA
- May 1 - Hot Summer Nites Cruise, Fairgrounds, Dubuque, IA
- May 4 - New London Auxiliary Cruise, 802 East McKinley, New London, IA
- May 4 - Park N Cruise, Chandler Park, Macomb, IL
- May 4-5 - Torque Fest, 14569 Old Highway Road, Dubuque, IA
- May 5 - Q.C. Gearheads Cruise Night, 1578 Hwy. 61 Kartway, Delmar, IA
- May 5 - Autozone Cruise In, Autozone, Canton, IL
- May 5 - Cars & Coffee, Northwoods Mall, Peoria, IL
- May 6 - JC Whitney Car Show, Route 6, West of Route 178, LaSalle, IL
- May 6 - Sterling Main Street Car Show, Downtown, Sterling, IL
- May 10 - Prairie Hill Pavilion, 5680 Kacena Avenue, Marion, IA
- May 10 - Abingdon Road Knights Cruise, Alley Oops Diner Route 41, Abingdon, IL
- May 11 - 20th Century Car Club Cruise, Downtown Mt. Pleasant, IA
- May 11 - Rock Island County Cruise In, 4200 Archer Drive (Fairgrounds), East Moline, IL
- May 12 - SCC Car Show, SCC Campus, West Burlington, IA
- May 12 - Lincoln Highway Car Show, Downtown, Franklin Grove, IL
- May 12 - Berwick Days Cruise In, Berwick, IL
- May 12 - Amana Auto Show, 741 47th Avenue, Amana, IA
- May 12 - LaSalle Peru Career Car Show, 601 Lafayette Street, LaSalle, IL
- May 12 - Sublette Cruise N Show, Downtown, Sublette, IL
- May 12 - Corn Country Cruisers Cruise, Downtown Washington, IA
- May 12 - Alpha Car Show, Downtown Alpha, IL
- May 12 - QC Cruisers Cruise In, Southpark Mall, Moline, IL
- May 17 - Classic Enterprises Cruise, 250 Classic Car Court, Cedar Rapids, IA
- May 18 - Jefferson Street Cruise, Jefferson Street, Burlington, IA
- May 18 - Levee District Cruise, Target, East Peoria, IL
- May 19 - Clinton Humane Car Show, 1473 Main Avenue, Clinton, IA
- May 19 - Veterans' Classic Car Cruise In, Northpark Mall, Davenport, IA
- May 19 - Quad City Camaro Club Show, Jumer's, Rock Island, IL
- May 19 - Coronado's Cruise In, South Main Street, Maquoketa, IA
- May 19 - Heartland Harley Cruise In, 117 S. Roosevelt, Burlington, IA
- May 20 - JDRF Car Show, Riverfront, Muscatine, IA



May 20 - Camp Courageous Car Show, Camp Courageous, Monticello, IA
 May 23 - Ken Nelson Cruise Night, 1100 N. Galena Avenue, Dixon, IL
 May 24 - Hope Lutheran Church, 2736 Bowling Street SW, Cedar Rapids, IA
 May 24-27 - Jeep Blitz, Bushnell, IL
 May 25 - Classy Chassy Cruisers Cruise, Coral Ridge Mall, Coralville, IA
 May 26 - Hot Rods for a Cure Car Show, 18675 13th Street, Fulton, IL
 May 27 - Mount Carroll Mayfest, Downtown Mount Carroll, IL
 May 28 - Poopy's Car Show, 1030 Viaduct Road, Savanna, IL
 May 31 - Prairie Hill Pavilion, 5680 Kacena Avenue, Marion, IA
 June 1 - Park N Cruise, Chandler Park, Macomb, IL
 June 1 - Chandler Classic Car Cruise, 602 South Division, Polo, IL
 June 2 - Best of the Midwest Car Show, 700 South Troy Road, Robbins, IA
 June 2 - Cars & Coffee, Northwood's Mall, Peoria, IL
 June 2 - Strawberry Festival, Main Street, Elmwood, IL
 June 2 - Leaf River Car Show, Downtown, Leaf River, IL
 June 3 - Anna wan Fun Days Car Show, 107 West Front Street, Anna wan, IL
 June 3 - Lyndon Car Show, Richmond Park, Lyndon, IL
 June 3 - Rail Town Rumble, Lincoln Park, Galesburg, IL
 June 5, Hot Summer Nits Cruise, Fairgrounds, Dubuque, IA
 June 5 - Jay's Drive in Cruise, 107 W. Washington Street, Oregon, IL
 June 7 - Abingdon Road Knights Show, Abingdon, IL
 June 8 - 20th Century Car Club Cruise, Downtown Mt. Pleasant, IA
 June 8 - **Rock Island County Cruise In, 4200 Archer Drive (Fairgrounds), East Moline, IL**
 June 9 - Rick Faber Memorial Car Show, 1402 North Main Street, Princeton, IL
 June 9 - **Quad City Cruisers Open Run, South Park Mall, Moline, IL**
 June 9 - Fire Department Car Show, 402 Lucy Street, Dalzell, IL
 June 9 - Cedar Rapids Corvette Show, 6455 E. Avenue NW, Cedar Rapids, IA
 June 9 - Monti in Motion, Downtown, Monticello, IA
 June 9 - Through Joshua's Eyes Car Show, 10463 S. Prairie Grove Road, W. Burlington, IA
 June 9 - Corn Country Cruisers Cruise, Downtown, Washington, IA
 June 10 - **Davenport Elks Car Show, 4400 W. Central Park Ave., Davenport, IA**
 June 10 - Amvets Car Show, Amvets, Richmond, IA
 June 10 - Ashton Lions Car Show, Downtown Ashton, IL
 June 13 - Sundown Bar \$ Grill Car Show, Downtown Williamsburg, IA
 June 14 - Prairie Hill Pavilion, 5680 Kacena Avenue, Marion, IA
 June 14 - Abingdon Road Knights Cruise, Alley Oops Diner Route 41, Abingdon, IL
 June 15 - Levee District Cruise, Target, East Peoria, IL
 June 15 - Canton Cruise, Downtown On Square, Canton, IL
 June 15 - LaSalle County Cruisers Cruise, Downtown, Ottawa, IL
 June 15-17 - **Heartland Nova Reunion, Isle Casino-Hotel, Bettendorf, IA**
 June 16 - Cruise In For Charity, 1050 North 18th Street, Clinton, IA
 June 16 - Help-N-Hotrods Show N Shine, Fairgrounds, Monticello, IA
 June 16 - Jay's Drive In Cruise, 107 W. Washington Street, Oregon, IL
 June 16 - Freedom Fest Car Show, Downtown, Galva, IL
 June 16 - East Peoria Chamber Of Commerce, Levee District, East Peoria, IL
 June 17 - River City Rod Run 48 & Older, 1839 Highview Road, East Peoria, IL
 June 17 - Lions Club Car Show, Park East, Oregon, IL



SAND BLASTER, ANYONE?

This Gravity sand tank, 25' sand and air hose, blasting gun, hard hat, sandblasting hood and jacket belongs to MVR and is available to club members for their use. It currently resides in Jim Smith's garage. He'd really like to redeem the space. If there is a member who could use this, and wouldn't mind giving it a new home, please contact him at 563-340-5131 or by email at 387js@mchsi.com.



AACA VS. THE MUSEUM

This past month members how, no doubt, received correspondence from by the AACA and the “AACA” Museum present two very different views of the current legal battles between these two entities. Fred Bartemeyer shared the article which appears below. We are sharing it here because we believe it would clear up some of the confusion regarding what it taking place.

– the editor

From Where I Sit

By William S. Jackson, The Sun (Hummelstown, PA), March 28, 2018



The elephant in the room this week was the arrival of a March 16 letter from the AACA Museum, signed by every member of its board of directors, bringing to the public that the Antique Automobile Club of America (“The Club”) had “initiated legal proceedings” against the museum in February.



It appears “The Club” is demanding the museum to cease calling itself the “AACA” Museum as it no longer has any formal relationship with “The Club” and has made it clear it is a separate entity not in any way answerable to “The Club.”



In point of fact, it is somewhat inaccurate for the AACA Museum to claim the Antique Automobi9le Club of America has filed suit against the museum. “The Club” is actually responding to a June 2017 filing by the museum to establish “AACA Museum, Inc.,” as its trademark.

A little history... More than two decades ago, “The Club” recognized the need for expanding its function from simply providing a first-class magazine, *Antique Automobile*, which I edited for eight years from 1962-1970, and hosting both regional clubs and national car meets throughout the different areas of the country, the membership was asking for more.

This “more” included establishment of a club-operated research library and some means of displaying the many historical automobiles that were being offered to “The Club” in estate settlements of deceased members.

At the time, “The Club’s” executive director, William H. Smith, encouraged the board of directors to consider purchasing land and building a museum to hose such donations. This it proceeded to do. However, in proceeding with the museum, it found, since at the time the Antique Automobile Club of America was not a non-profit 501 c-3 corporation, the museum would have to be established as an independent 501 C-3 corporation with its own board of directors. This it did as no one at the time ever foresaw a time when it would be anything but branches of the same organization.

The tract of land in South Hanover Township that is connected to Route 39 on which the AACA Museum was built contains, as initially planned, enough acreage to build a new club national



headquarters that would also hold what has become a world-class automotive research library.

That time arrived roughly three years ago and when “The Club” approached the museum to begin the process, the museum presented what it saw as a series of demands, which “The Club” was not willing to accept. This included such proposals that the AACA Museum would: oversee the type of building to be built, would receive \$10 of each \$40 club membership fee and membership would become an “AACA Family” membership; it (the museum) would also continue to receive from “The Club” the current financial support, the museum would receive 50 percent of the funds raised by “The Club” to build its new headquarters/library and the museum would appoint a member to “The Club’s” board of directors, designated by the president of the museum board.

This proposal was rejected by “The Club” back in December 2016 when it was first presented.

Since that time, “The Club” has signed an agreement with Pennsylvania American Water Company to purchase its present corporate headquarters on Hersheypark Drive when its new headquarters on the West Shore is completed.

This latest filing of legal action by “The Club” would require the museum to cease using “AACA” as part of the museum’s name as it creates a false impression the two are connected and the museum is continuing to profit from this misunderstanding by way of financial and vehicle donations by “The Club” members who do not understand the two are now separate.

Unfortunately, it appears the situation had gone far beyond any chance of reconciliation. How sad.

QUIZ

1. What color was the first stop sign?
2. The first stop sign was used in what year?
3. What city was the first stop sign?
4. When was the stop sign we see today standardized?
5. Why is the stop sign red?
6. What city and year was the first electric red and green traffic light?



The first STOP sign appeared in 1915 in Detroit, Michigan. There were a variety of colors used for STOP signs until the late 1920s, when the background color was standardized on yellow for maximum day and night visibility. Remember that this was a number of years before the invention of glass-bead retroreflectors for sign faces, so a red sign looked very dark at night.

By 1954, sign makers were able to use durable fade-resistant red coatings for sign faces, so the background color of the STOP sign was changed to the red color you see today. This change also served to distinguish the regulatory STOP sign from yellow warning signs, and also made the color consistent with that of red traffic signal indications, which for decades had used red to signal "stop".

An electric traffic light was developed in 1912 by Lester Wire, a policeman in Salt Lake City, Utah, who also used red-green lights. On August 1914, the American Traffic Signal Company installed a traffic signal system on the corner of East 105th Street and Euclid Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio.





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