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From Your President

Another great tour orchestrated by the Gleason's. A great drive for a hot day. All components hit on high gear. Scenery check, Great Lunch - Check, Abby Stop - Check, and last but not least ice cream. What more could you ask. I don't know where the Gleason's get their great ideas but keep them coming. I ask all of you to think about where our next destination might be for a tour, whether it be local or a longer out of town trek. Each of you has been somewhere others might enjoy.

Our next tour is of the Mosley Automotive Collection. We have tried for many years to tour this great bit of history here in our own back yard. Looks like a informative and great time. Lunch afterwords at Joes in Coal Valley.

The Fall Tour is set. Get your reservations in at the Hampton Inn Dubuque. Phone 563-690-2005 and ask for the Group Rate of \$124 under the Mississippi Valley Antique Auto Club. 15 rooms have been reserved until September 28th. After the 28th the rate goes back to \$179. Also email or call me so that I have a count for the dinner. We must have 20 for the dinner to work and can go up to 32, the trolley capacity. The Dubuque Visitors and Convention Center has promised that this is the peak color weekend.

It is now election time. PLEASE volunteer to be a Board Member or better yet President. It's been a pleasure to be involved in this capacity for 10 YEARS but isn't it time for new blood? The Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at Butterworth Center. PLEASE we need each one of you to help keep this good thing going and so we keep moving forward with fresh new ideas. The antique car hobby now encompasses 1993 so that gives us a lot of leeway. Again it's your club, let's keep us on the move - VOLUNTEER.

My experience for this month has to do with the Geneva, IL Concourse. Of course part of my life revolves around son Fred and his Fiero Collection. He was invited to the Geneva Concourse to display the Prototype 4 seated Fiero and a stock one for comparison. The stock blue 88 GT was chosen by the committee. Fog was so thick at the 4:30 a.m. departure we couldn't seen 10 feet in front but none the less we made good time. It had been many years since I attended a Concourse and they rolled out the red carpet. All the Duesenburgs, Parckards, Masterati, Porsche, Corvettes, and this year featuring Chrysler, big buck cars were represented. And then there was this little blue Fiero. We were parked along side one the Duesenburgs and on the other side a 1940 Ford Convertible. A huge crowd of spectators ogling the Duesey, but an equal amount, to my amazement, so were the Fieros. Come time for the awards a committee member approached Fred to say the Fiero had won an award. His mouth dropped, with all that outstanding iron no award was anticipated. Driving in the winners parade was awesome. In front was a late 30's Packard Limo, V-12 I believe, then comes this peanut Fiero, and behind that the Duesenburg. Two huge cars and this little tiny Fiero. Reminded me of the book Little Engine that Could. It goes to show how the auto world is changing and how we must evolve if we want the hobby to continue to grow and prosper. Mary B See you soon!

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MVR Board Meeting

AACA Board Meeting Butterworth Center, Moline, Illinois September 5, 2018

Present: M. Bartemeyer, A. Ford, G. Gleason, L. Gleason, C. Pearson, D. Perry

Absent: F. Bartemeyer, J. Brewer, J. Conrad, G. Smith, S Hoaglund.

The meeting was called to order at 6:56PM by President Mary Bartemeyer.

Minutes of the August board meeting were approved by Dick Perry and seconded by Clair Pearson.

Treasurer's report was approved and filed for audit. We now have 138 members.

Sunshine – get well card sent to Jim Conrad Roster – note will be sent out asking for any corrections Membership – no report Web Master – no report Historian – no report

Old Business:

Meet behind Penney's at Southpark on Saturday, September 29th at 9:00 and leave at 9:15 for Mosley's Race Car Collection

September $28^{\rm th}$ is the deadline to reserve your room for the Dubuque Fall Tour on October

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Hampton Inn \$124.00 + tax

\$50.00 Progressive dinner and includes touring of 4 mansions More information to follow

New Business:

We are still looking for volunteers to serve as board members and officers for next year.

These are 2 year terms.

Friday, November 16th Banquet at KC Hall in Davenport More information to follow

Coming events:

Saturday, Sept. 29 Mosley's Car Collection

Saturday, Oct. 6 Prospect Park Anniversary – need 1 car from each decade with a total of

8 cars from 10:30 – 3:00 If interested in showing a car, please contact Dick Perry at 309-762-6563

Sunday, Oct. 14 Vintage Football Game, Douglas Park in Rock Island 1:30-4:00

Next board meeting Wednesday, October 3rd at 7:00 PM Motion to adjourn was made by Gary Gleason and seconded by Dick Perry. Meeting adjourned by 7:34PM

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Submitted by LaVonne Gleason, Secretary

September 29th Tour Mosley Automotive Collection

We will meet at the Penny's Parking Lot area of Southpark in Moline at 9 a.m.

for a 9:20 departure to the collection. After the tour, we will cruise to "Joes" in Coal Valley for lunch. If you have questions please call either Clair Pearson at 309-787-0681 or Mary B at 563-340-3266 or



2018 Mississippi Valley Region Fall Tour

Save the dates - October 20th - 21st, 2018

Also email or call Mary so that She has a count for the dinner. We must have 20 for the dinner to work and can go up to 32, the trolley capacity.

John Brewer told me to press 0 when calling for reservations, that will get you to the Dubuque motel instead of the national call center. (but remember, this advice is from John, so....)

Our tour this year takes a picturesque route along the Mississippi River bluffs ending day one in Dubuque, IA. "Prime color weekend!"

Once in Dubuque on the 20th, we will board a trolley for a tour of the town and partake in a Progressive Dinner where we will tour 4 historic structures. While visiting each one they will serve part of our dinner.

A soup course at one

A salad course at another, the main course at a 3rd

And dessert at the 4th. All for just \$50 per person.

Lodging for the night is with the Hampton Inn Dubuque. 15 rooms have been reserved on a first come, first serve basis. Plenty of parking, breakfast included for \$124 plus tax.

You can reserve your room by calling 563-690-2005 and ask for the Mississippi Valley Antique Auto Club Group Rate. This rate is good until September 28th, after that it goes to the normal rate of \$179.

Sunday we will spend time touring the Mississippi River Museum before heading home.

Meeting time and place are yet to be determined. For more info call Mary B at 563-340-3266

August Tour Hosted by GARY & LAVONNE GLEASON

August Tour On August 18, 23 people in 14 cars left Hardee's in Eldridge to travel back roads in Scott, Clinton and Jackson counties headed to the Kalmes Restaurant in St Donatus, IA. Along the way in Elvira, IA the group was joined by Darryl and Deliah Blinkinsop from Clinton. Darryl was invited by Gary Gleason after a conversation at the Buick Heartland Regional show in Cedar Rapids. After a relief stop in Preston the group continued thru Bellevue to St Donatus, a town settled by people from Luxembourg in the 1850's. Peter Kalmes started a bar business that evolved into a bar,gas station and restaurant. The business is still in the family. When lunch was finished it was on to the Our Lady of The Mississippi Abbey. The Trappistine Nuns support their monastery by making and selling candy. Annually they make 70,000 lbs. of caramel products, and 2000-6000 lbs. each of other products (mints, meltaways, and truffels) that they sell worldwide. Several bags of candy found their way back to the cars for the trip back thru St Donatus then cross country thru LaMotte and Andrew to Maquoketa where we had to try out the new replacement for the old Dairy Queen in Maquoketa . It appeared that all enjoyed the good weather and company. *Gary Gleason*







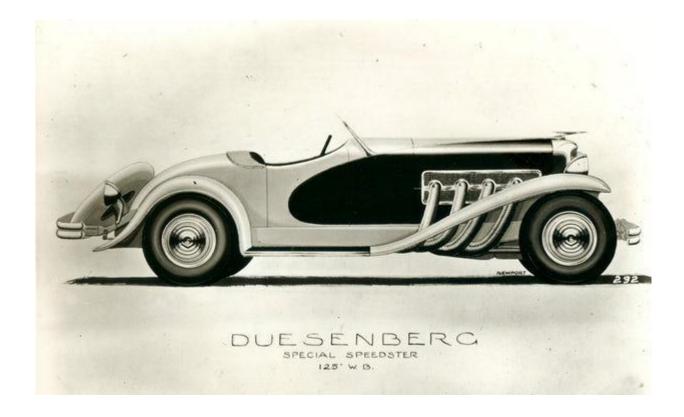








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The Duesenberg model J was chassis built with 289 HP naturally aspirated with bodies by several various coach builders. With a supercharger it was a model SJ with 320 hp.

There were two SSJ built that were super charged with two, two barrel carbs and ram horn manifolds leading into the supercharger yielding 400 HP from a 420 cu in straight 8 with double overhead cams.

The one SSJ # 2594 belonged to Gary Cooper and it just sold at Gooding & Company Pebble Beach auction for 22 million. The other was owned by Clark Gable.

Only one other 400 HP motor was produced and that was for the Morman Meteor that set all the speed records including exceeding 160 mph.

These two short wheel base cars were the fastest prewar production cars and the fastest road cars for two decades.

Floyd DuVall of Davenport had two J Duesenbergs... at the same time..... (submitted by John Brewer)



All pictures for the August drive submitted by Gary Gleason and Jan Brewer

(This editor very much appreciates it!)

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Please contact our Clubs Sunshine Chair, Sharon Hoaglund if you know of a member who needs a little cheering up. SHARON HOAGLUND SUNSHINE