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October 2023 President's Column

Hershey – What more can I say. Some years I attend and buy nothing or see nothing new and other years the car is full and you have a really good time. This was a good year. Fred and I left on Saturday and headed to Bowling Green, KY to drop off parts. While there, the Corvette Museum was calling so we had to spend a few hours there drooling at the new and enjoying the history. I added a new Z06 to my Christmas and Birthday list but did not get much rise out of my son. On to Hershey where my Board of Directors Meeting was Monday night. It was a good night for the Mississippi Valley Region and its Grand National. It is a bench mark that others will have to strive for. Tuesday was the Library Sale. Since the purchase of the Philadelphia Library Collection and the continuing donations from Smithsonian and personal collections, there are constantly duplicates. The best is saved and duplicates sold once a year. Wednesday, we shopped all day, 4 plus miles for me and 6 for Fred so the step counter on my phone said. The 1909 Moline was missing its brass acetylene generator and with the help of many, it was found. The rest was icing on the cake, a couple of hubcaps for the 66 Nova, a whole bunch of GM original packaged screws, molding clips, etc. Oh yes... a front facia for a Fiero. Yep, we were driving a sedan again. Thursday was Judges training and we helped the Hershey Region put their judging packets together. On show day there was rain early in the morning but it cleared. 984 vehicles were registered, haven't heard the no show numbers.

Saturday, we stopped at the Pennsylvania Railway Museum and on to New Jersey to visit friends with health problems. Going out on the southern route, the trees were green. The mountains were still great but coming back we went the northern route and the Poconos were absolutely gorgeous. Another great Hershey!

Today was our Fall Drive. It was a little damp and there was a chill in the air, but the pork chop sandwiches and fixings were fantastic. A great round of applause goes to Mark Lousberg and crew for a great day and scenic drive. We need the rain but it could have waited one day. Don't forget to get your reservations in for the Fall Banquet. Prime Rib for \$10, unheard of!!!!

-Mary B



I wish to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and personal visits while in the hospital and rest home. It was very much appreciated!

-Wayne Scherer

AACA Minutes

October 4, 2023

Present: J. Brewer, V. Pres., G. Gleason, Treas., J. Brewer, Sec.

Board Members: M. Flaherty, M. Lousberg,

Absent: M. Bartemeyer, F. Bartemeyer, S. Etheridge, E. Smith

Guest: Justin Landwher

Minutes: A motion was made and approved to accept the September minutes as printed.

Treasury: A treasury report was given by G. Gleason and will be filed for audit.

Sunshine: Nothing.

Roster: Nothing

Membership: Nothing

Web Master: Grand National Meet info has been removed from site.

Historian: Nothing

Old Business:

There was some discussion to wrap up all business from the Grand National Meet.

We had approx. 8 vehicles from our club show up at the Butterworth Porch Party.

The board decided to continue to be involved in Cars and Ice Cream in 2024.

New Business:

A motion was made and approved to declare a member our Member of the Year. It will be announced at the Fall Banquet.

Stamped postcards will be sent out for election of board members.

A form will be in the Autograf to sign up for the Fall Banquet. The meal price went up this year from \$26.50 to \$28.50 per person. A motion was made and passed to charge members \$10 per meal and guests will pay 28.50. The club will subsidize \$18.50 for each meal from the Grands National profits.

National dues can now be paid online and by credit card. You can also pay by sending in the form you receive in the magazine.

By-Laws were gone over and updated to catch up with the times. A motion was made and passed to present these changes to the general membership for clubs approval. This will take place at the fall banquet.

Monthly Activities

October 14 - Fall Drive arranged by M. Lousberg. Ford Club has been invited. See article for further information.

November 11 - Annual Banquet arranged by Brewers. We will have an auctioneer this year and skip the silent auction.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50.



MVR Members Out-and-About

On Saturday September 23rd Dixon Illinois had a car show that was attended by MVR Members Steve LeMaster, the Kents, Eric Smith and the Brewers.



The Brewers and the Reedys received Top 100 plaques.



Sunday September 17, 2023 Deere-Wyman and Butterworth Homes celebrated with Open Houses for their annual **Porch Party Event .**

MVR members presenting and their cars for the event were: Justin Landwehr (1955 Thunderbird); Dave Husted (1968 Camaro); John and Jan Brewer (1932 and 1978 Auburns); Mike Flaherty (1914 Model T); Joe Grant (1965 Chevelle); Jim Conrad (1975 Nova); and Tim Drain (1969 Jaguar).

The Quad Cities Antique Ford Club was represented with an original 1931 Model A coupe; 1932 Model A street rod; 1935 Ford convertible with rumble seat; 1989 Mercedes convertible (Alice and Allen Benson); and 1933 Model A sedan.

Jim Conrad.



Elections are coming up in November.

VP John Brewer, Secretary position, Board members Eric Smith and Stu Etheridge are up for re-election The term is two years, 2024-2025.

We also have a vacant board seat for the next two years.

The September Cars and Ice Cream

The last Cars & Ice Cream for 2023 was a lot of fun. It was a small group of dedicated MVR members who enjoy ice cream and the bond of friendship developed through our cars.



October Driving Event



The MVR October Driving Event consisted of a restored gas station tour followed by a country drive to a State Park where a cookout was held.

In Moline, a large group gathered at a 1932 Skelly Station owned by Felix Vallejo. Felix grew up two houses down and now lives right across the street. After years of looking at the derelict building, he decided to buy and restore the station. He invited the MVR in for a visit, graciously supplying coffee and donuts to start the day.

The interior of the station features station memorabilia correct for the period. There is also a loving tributer to his father on the East side of the office. Felix's father was on a troop transport in WWII crossing the English Channel when it was torpedoed. Luckily his father survived. The station is named in his father's honor.





Photo by Craig Sommers



Photo by John Brewer



Photo courtesy of Craig Sommers



Mike Flaherty braves the cool morning in his 1914 Speedster. -Photo by Craig Sommers



Heading South on Route 94 , Sugar Grove Crossing. Photo by Emily



MVR member Wayne Schearer was back with the group!

Angela Kerr was the adventurous MVR member who hiked down to the river's edge while the charcoal was heating up. - Photos by Angela Kerr



2023 MVR AACA Club End of Year Banquet

We want your input on any changes you would like to see in your club that will lead to more participation and membership. This is YOUR club and we all have to take a role in maintaining its future.

So please plan on attending. You can't beat the prime rib dinner cost, and we will have an open discussion of ideas. Please bring items to contribute for our Live Auction!!!

National dues are \$45.00. You can renew the old way by sending in the card that was included in the last National magazine, or now you can renew online with your member and pin number.

Banquet at Riverfront Grill 4619 34th St. Rock Island IL

Main Banquet Room Overlooking the Rock River, Saturday November 11th, 2022 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Prime Rib, Baked Chicken, a Vegetable, a Potato, 3 Salads,

Roll and Butter, Coffee, Tea, Lemonade and Desert

Member: \$10.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Guest: \$28.50 x _____ = \$ _____

2024 Membership Dues:

Local Membership Dues: (due by Jan.1) Single \$14.00 Couple \$ 18.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Member Names: _____

Guest Names: _____

Current E-Mail Address: _____

Please return Dues and Reservation before November 5th

Make check out to MVR AACA and send above to: Gary Gleason

123 Short St.

Bettendorf, IA 52722

MVR Banquet November 11, 2023

LIVE AUCTION EVENT

Please start putting aside items you know you can do without and can donate to the fun Auction.

Items do not have to be auto related.

Featuring Worldwide Professional Auctioneer: Eric Smith



In the 1930s a Shell distributor, Quality Oil owned by Joe Glenn and Bert Bennett built seven shell shaped stations in Winston-Salem and one in the nearby town of Kernersville.

The only remaining station of the seven sits on the corner of the Peachtree St. and East Sprague St, Winston-Salem.

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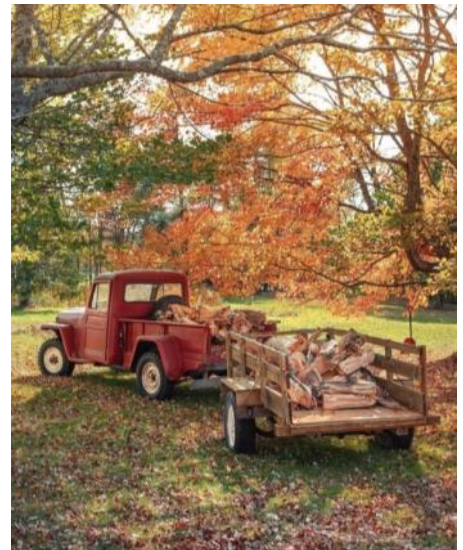
Upcoming MVR Events

Annual Banquet Saturday November 11, 2023
Riverfront Grill, 4619 34th St. Rock Island IL
5:00PM

MVR Secretary

Your Club is in need of a secretary to take notes during the board meetings 11 times a year on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings are typically an hour in length held at the Education Center at Butterworth. Many have served in this position for many years so here is your opportunity to help your club out and fill this important position. This is not a gender specific position!

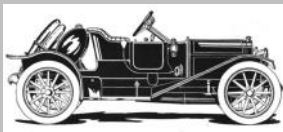
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Automotive History in October

October 1, 1908, Ford Motor Company introduced the Model T

October 2, 1959, Chevrolet introduced the Corvair

October 7, 1913, Introduction of the assembly line by Henry Ford using a rope-and-winch system

October 10, 1833, Birth of John Mohler Studebaker, founder of the car company

October 15, 1924, Lee Iacocca is born

October 25, 1864, John Francis Dodge is born



Original 2 door 4speed 427 impala.
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motor is rock solid
has light rust that buff right out
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