

# The Autograf.

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### February 2023

Well what a New Year this has been. Starting out with taking one of my cars to the Rod 'N' Custom Auto Show and the decision that it would be my 1961 Corvette. That poor car had not moved from it's nest in my basement since 1994. I can't even remember when the cover was last raised, but my son says "Let's see how bad it is." Well I dusted and he polished and low and behold it really shined. I did not think it could possibly look that great. It was restored in 1974.

After that we drove to Miami for the Winter National Meet. Although 22 hours away, it went well especially when the temperature started to raise to the 80's. They had a Backyard Museum Tour on Friday that was just spectacular. A collection of everything prior to WW 1. From cars, a steam engine, stationary engines, to a magnificent soda shop, service station, machine shop, bicycles, women's clothing, general store, school room, bank, post office, and the most impressive music box collection I have ever seen. Did I mention that everything worked! I could have listened to the music boxes all day, but the icing on the cake was the 1926 Wurlitzer Theater Organ. He hired a maestro who tours the country to come play it and show us what a fantastic instrument it was. That alone was worth the 22 hour trip.

Now tomorrow Fred and I leave for Williamsburg, VA for the National Meeting. We are leaving with a car full of brochures for our Grand National in August where they will be displayed in our booth. Although it is only 13 hours this time, I have a Board Meeting on Wednesday so off we go on Tuesday the 7th. Then there is a new project that fell into the picture while we were gone that will need attention.

See you at Show 'N' Tell.

Mary B





#### AACA Board Meeting February 1, 2023

#### Present:

M. Bartemeyer, President F. Bartemeyer, Board Member J. Brewer, Vice-President E. Smith, Board Member G. Gleason, Treasurer M. Lousberg, Board Member J. Brewer, Secretary Vacancy Vacancy M. Flaherty, Absent

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Bartemeyer at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes for January were published in the last newsletter. Motion made for correction; there is 1-1 yr term open

and 1-2 yr term open. Motion made and approved to amend and accept January minutes.

Treasurer Gleason provided the budget information bringing us up to date. Nineteen past due memberships were

sent out and to date have received 7 renewals. It will be filed for future audit.

Sunshine - Nothing to report.

Roster - Nothing to report.

Membership - No new members. Three of our members will hit their 50th year as club members in 2023.

Webmaster - Changes are made to keep us up to date with events so check out our website.

Historian - Nothing to report

Old Business:

We still have 2 open one year board positions and 1 two year position to fill. Eight free memberships were passed out at recent events and waiting for responses.

New Business:

We are changing our High School scholarship to Aaron Hart of Aledo High School since UTHS has shown no interest. Pres. Bartemeyer is sponsoring a teen, Johnny Sparrow who shows great interest in the club. We discussed buying more space at the Rod N Custom Auto show to include more member's cars. The New Auto Show will be in March and they would like 5 cars from our club. Load in date will be March 1. We will have more free memberships available to hand out.

2023 Meet Business:

The meetings for this year's meet are on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. All club members are welcome to attend and needed. Space has been made available for the Zenith cars for all 3 days. The Bettendorf PD will be contacted for notification and traffic control. The internet for the show field has been arranged. The Isle of Capri has decided to allow us to have Country Style serve ice cream for our social event. A new tri-fold is being developed for the event. There was much discussion on utilizing Q codes for our club.

#### Monthly Events:

February 25 - Show and Tell - M. Bartmeyer March 25 - Mike Flaherty will present a program about "Maps." Deere-Wiman Carriage House April - Bus trip to Volo - F. Bartemeyer May - Road trip to Anamosa - G. Gleason June 11 - Family Day at West Park - all board members July - Open August - Grand National Meet - all members needed September - Trains, Planes and Automobiles - Geneseo October - Fall tour and picnic - M. Lousberg November - Annual Banquet Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:16. Submitted by:

Jan Brewer, Secretary

## **Upcoming MVR Events**

### February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Show 'N' Tell

Riverfront Grill

4619 34<sup>th</sup> St

Rock Island, IL 61201

Buffet Lunch starting at 12 noon

Chicken and Ham plus all the sides

### \$15 cash per person

We need a head count so please email me at <u>mbartemeyer@yahoo.com</u> or call 563 340 3266.

**March 3-5** is the Quad City Regional Auto Show and the MVR will have a presence. The Show Organizers asked for antique cars to be on display and five of our members generously volunteered their vehicles. Come down to The Bend XPO and support our members while enjoying the new car exhibits. More information at www.quadcityautoshow.com

Please note this is a cash-less show. Debit cards will be accepted for admission and concessions.

Also mark your calendar for **March 25<sup>th</sup>**, **2023.** Mike Flaherty is displaying and giving us the history of early Road Maps.

1 p.m. – Deere Wiman Carriage House

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# **MVR Garage Tech Sessions**



### February 18 1:00 PM

John Brewer will be valve and seat grinding along with cam timing on a straight 8, 100 hp. Lycoming.

Address is 800 Idaho Ave. Davenport, Iowa 52804.

Motor will be partly assembled with seat grinding demo to take place on the old block. Valve grinding and lapping will also take place.

> Questions? call John 563-370-6902 jwbrew15@aol.com



### March 11th 1:00 PM

Stu Etheridge has a machined 4 cylinder sleeve valve engine ready to assemble. He will have it partly assembled and demonstrate the process.

Address is 203 Bengston St. Lynn Center, IL 61262. Questions? call Stu 309-781-5585 stukathy67@gmail.com

### 20 Years Ago in the MVRAACA

Jan & Feb 2003

By Gary Gleason

The new officers, board and committee chairs were:

President Jim Sullivan	Board	Herb Doden
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- Membership Chuck Hoaglund
- Sunshine Bernice Amundsen
- Historian Gary Gleason
- Web Master Cy Galley

Dues or 2003 were \$14 single or &18 joint.(still the same for 2023)

71 Joint and 13 Single memberships were paid for 2023. 49 members were unpaid.

Each Officer and Board Member selected a month and club members were assigned to each months committee to help plan that month's activity.

President Sullivan had made arrangements to attend the AACA Annual Meeting. The club voted to pay for his travel, meals and registration. He was asked to pay particular attention for ides on how to attract new members and stimulate our current members. (ed note: Sound Familiar?)

The January meeting was the annual Show and Tell at the Deere Wyman Carriage House. Seventeen 17 hardy souls attended even after the weather service warned of inclement weather.

The February event was at the IMAX Theatre in the Putnam Museum in Davenport for a presentation on Lewis and Clark. Prior to the show the group had lunch at Reife's Restaurant in Davenport.

# **MVR Members Out and About.**



### For Sale



1951 Mercury Sedan Rebuilt V-8, Overdrive, 84,000 miles . Rebuilt Engine Perfect Interior Perfect Chrome AACA First Junior

\$29,000

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Due to a severe back injury I can no longer care for my two beautiful classic cars. So sadly I will be selling both of these truly wonderful turn-key classics.

I want these cars to go to people who will not "Hot Rod" these AACA Award winners, but maintain them in their original condition.

Both vehicles stored in climate controlled environment.

Reasonable officers considered. Bob Chambers 309-764-2636 No Text



### 1940 Oldsmobile Business Coupe

All Original Car, original interior and drivetrain with beautiful chrome and paint. Detailed engine bay

First AACA Junior 2022.

Rare Car \$27,000 For Sale:

1937 Graham Supercharger 4 door Model 116.

Original condition with useable interior. Supercharged Continental 199 cu in straight 6 with Graham high compression alum head making 110 hp. Only motor that I know of that has pressurized piston wall oiling. 1/3 Graham cars for 37 were supercharged and one of first cars to put springs outside of frame to lowed car. Has overdrive as standard and with supercharger they won all the Gilmore Mileage records. Fenders and bumpers are currently removed and comes with 2 new headlight lens.

### \$6800.00

John Brewer

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### Automotive History in February

February 2, 1923 Lead was first added to gasoline to reduce knocking and increase performance.

February 4th 1922 Ford Motor Company purchases Lincoln Motor Company for eight million dollars.

February 20, 1909 Hudson Motor Car Company was formed.

February 22, 1923 Chevrolet produced its millionth car.







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