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For going on 11 years, I have written a President's Column. Before that I was Secretary and wrote the minutes. For November I was in California, not basking in the sun of Monterey Bay but tending to my sister who had surgery and although that crisis is over, the fact that she is much older than I, her health continues to be front and center. January I had bronchitis, something that has plagued me for years and my care giver was in the hospital with pneumonia – thankfully not Covid. So everyone with the exception of my sister is back on the road to life again.

We have a busy year ahead of us and I hope we will have some fun along the way. It's time to enjoy our cars and smile as we take them down the road. It's time to show our community how much we enjoy them and what a big part of history we are preserving for future generations. With that said we need new members that have the same passion and get them involved. This is your club and one that is comprised of a lot of gray hair at the moment. **WE NEED TO ATTRACT YOUNGER MEMBERS!** You all know them, they are the ones that are glued to their phone. Grab one of them and show them they can survive breathing the open air and maybe looking at the sky with the wind blowing through their hair.

Think about it!!!

-Mary B



## AACA Board Meeting

February 2, 2022

### Present:

Mary Bartemeyer –President

John Brewer – Vice President

Jan Brewer – Secretary

Alan Ford – Board Member

Mark Lousberg – Board Member

Eric Smith – Board Member

### Absent

Gary Gleason – Treasurer

Clair Pearson – Board Member

Fred Bartemeyer – Board Member Gary Smith – Board Member

### Minutes of Last Meeting

The last meeting was in November. Minutes were approved.

### Treasury Report

The treasury report was given and will be filed for later audit. President Bartemeyer appointed J. Brewer as Chairman of the Audit Committee. G. Gleason is ending his duties as Treasurer at the end of 2022.

### Sunshine

One get well card was sent to F. Bartemeyer during the month.

### Roster

J. Patting is in the process of updating and producing our roster.

### Membership

We have one new member, Capt. Stein and several other prospective members.

### Webmaster

Our web is in good shape and being well maintained by D. Cedarbloom.

### Historian

Nothing new.

### Old Business

The January Car Show, where we exhibited two cars, was a big hit. We had many people wanting to know more about the cars and have several new prospects interested in joining. Members who came to the show were reimbursed \$5 of their admission cost. Forty-five dollars was refunded.

### New Business

We are in the process of re-assessing our By Laws. J. Conrad was present to present an opportunity to be part of the Bier Stube's cruise ins. We are waiting to see on a date to make sure it won't interfere with the Central Fall National meet. Cars & Ice Creas will be the last Sunday of the month May thru September. A trip is in the workings to the Volo Museum in Chicago. It would involve a bus trip and a couple of meals out. Watch for further information. A minimum of 24 people is needed to rent the bus. A motion was made to take on a Grand National meet in 2023 by J. Brewer, seconded by M. Lousberg. Motion approved. Motion was also made to accept the following: 1 new board member (Eric Smith) and secretary (J. Brewer) Motion made by John Brewer, seconded by M. Lousberg. Motion approved.

### Monthly Activities

Feb. 19 Show N Tell – Lunch Buffet – Riverfront Grill, Rock Island - \$13.95

March Bus Trip to Viola – tentative

April Tour of I-80 Truck Stop Museum – new addition.to museum

May TBA

June 11 Family Fun Day – West Lake

July 17 Caravan to Antique Car Museum – Guest speaker – lunch stop at Power House

August 11-13 Central National Meet

September Garage Tour

October TBA

November Annual Banquet – Riverfront Grill, Rock Island

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:22 by John Brewer, seconded by M. Lousberg. Motion approved.

Jan Brewer, Secretary

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**Meet Your Newly  
Appointed Board Mem-  
bers and Secretary.**

**Board Members**

**Allan Ford**

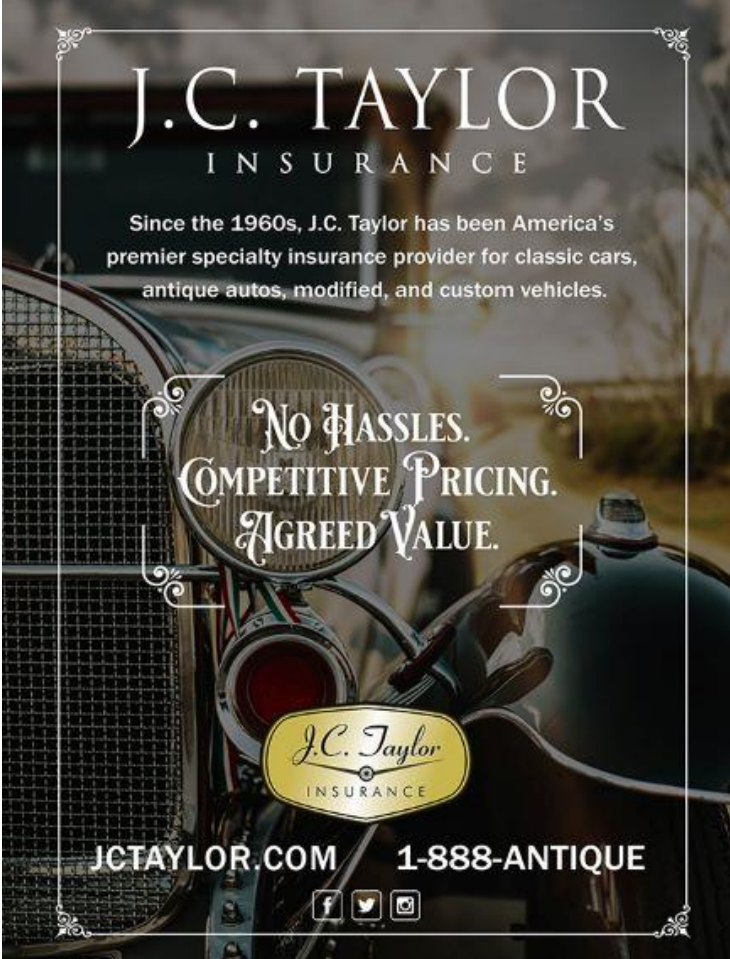
**Eric Smith**

**And**

**Secretary**

**Jan Brewer.**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

***Old Cars at a NEW Car Show?***

The Quad City Auto Show wants to feature cars manufactured in the Quad Cities. Club member KV Dahl connected the Auto show organizers with the MVR and the word got out! MVR Member Clair Pearson volunteered his 1922 Velie as did Neil West with his 1917 Velie Touring car. Meanwhile member Eric Smith contacted the I-80 Truck Stop to ask if they would bring their Velie truck. Larry Anderson, owner of East Moline Glass and the purchaser of the 1922 R&V Knight agreed to make his car present for the show as did former MVR Member Pat Flaherty with his Velie Roadster. (Pat joined again!)

Be sure to go down and see the display of Cars Made in the QCA! Auto Show dates are March 4-6 at the Bend XPO, East Moline, IL.



## New Member Spotlight

The MVR community welcomes Captain Matthew Stein. Captain Stein is an active duty Army Officer assigned to the Rock Island Arsenal and already a member of the National. I asked Matt to describe himself and tell me a little about his vehicle. Here is what he wrote.

*I am 30 years old and live in Bettendorf. I'm from Pennsylvania and I'm an active duty Army officer stationed at Rock Island Arsenal. I've been in the army for 13 years.*

*My Jeep is a 1944 Willys MB. It's Army technical model number is G503. I did most the work myself but have gotten work done when I needed it.*

*The Jeep is in honor of my grandparents who met during World War Two.*



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Former member Patrick Flaherty has rejoined the club.  
Let's give a big **WELCOME BACK** to **Pat!**



*Pat has 1919 Velie Coupe, A  
28 Chevrolet National, 1930  
Model A and a 1930 Dodge.*

Glad to have you back with us.



Once again the MVR showed off it's style to crowds of auto enthusiasts. The **2021 Dwyer & Michaels HotRod Show**. Three members brought 4 cars: Eric Smith and his 1917 Studebaker, Steve LeMaster brought his 57 and 31 Chevrolets while Mark Lousberg brought a 38 Plymouth.



Our presence didn't end there, we had 26 members attend the show.

### Check out the Quad Cities Rod & Custom Show before it hits the road

Local News / 7 hours ago

Sandy and Dick Perry

John Brewer

Wayne Scherer

Mike Fiedler

Stu Etheridge

John O'Neil

Bob Chambers

Short

Steve & Cheryle LeMaster

Fred Bartemeyer Jr.

Mark Lousberg

Mark Copeland

Steve Sabbe

Scott Johnson

Val & Kent Reedy

John & Mary Hazen

Clair Pearson

Alan Ford

Jim Conrad

Eric Smith

Mary Bartemeyer

Thank you to all who came out!



# CENTRAL FALL NATIONAL MEET COMMITTEE MEETING

## JANUARY 26, 2022

Present: Mark Lousberg, Mary Bartemeyer, Fred Bartemeyer Jr., Annette Bartemeyer, John Brewer, Alan Ford, Clair Pearson, Eric Smith, Dick and Sandy Perry, Gary Gleason

Dash plaque design options were presented by Annette. Design #4 was chosen with the request to try red ink on some of the lettering for better visibility.

John Brewer's revised parking layout for the XPO inside provides for 236 parking spaces 8' x 17' with 5' on either side, making each row 10' wide. The design can be modified as registrations arrive. Spaces will be marked at the center of the vehicle. Outside parking areas were also clearly defined. Plastic needs to be provided under every car. Every entry packet will include a mirror tag with matching numbers to spaces on the floor. John urged other car clubs be invited to participate.

The magazine ad will replicate the dash plaque design with additional contact information for Mary or Mark under the design itself or hotel information. Must be submitted by Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Speedster information about our meet is being supplied/updated by Mark.

The Registration card was updated to include information RE Swap Meet and Car Corral charges. A total \$ line will be added. Card approved for submission to AACA by 2/1/22.

MVR Web Page has included national meet information since June and is being updated by Mark.

Swap Meet – Alan Ford will prepare a list of acceptable of sale items that cannot be displayed or sold during the flea market or car corral. Each vendor will be forwarded a copy by the Registrar that must be signed and returned before admission to their space.

Communication during meet will be handled with small 2-way radios Clair will borrow from Snowstar Ski Resort.

John Brewer proposed an incentive for MVR members to participate in the meet with their vehicle by offering a one-year free club membership.

Mary and Mark will work together to get all required items sent to AACA officials by 2/1/2022.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30p.m.  
Submitted by Sandy Perry



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