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From Your President

Let's hope that the rest of the summer dries out. Our May Tour carefully arranged by the Smith's was a great tour to Kalona, IA. A calculated route that took us through the wet and soggy countryside. 26 hearty soles and even more impressive 6 antique cars showed how hearty we are. Thanks to the Smith's for the time and effort. On the down side, Bev had a massive stroke on the Monday after. She is recuperating in Iowa City as I write this. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Smith's.

Our next outing was to Andover for many of you. A tour lead by Clair Pearson and his 1948 Seagrave Fire Truck. What a site that must have been. Hope all that attended had a good time. As for me I was in Auburn, IN for the Grand National.

387 cars were in attendance and lots more if you cast a bid at the RM Auction.

This year we partnered with the Rolls Royce Club of America. A great turn out on a beautiful day. Congratulations to Ed York for winning a Second Grand National with his 1985 Pontiac Fiero PPG Pace Car Prototype.

We have two great events coming up:

The Annual Father's Day Pancake Breakfast – June 16 th serving from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Please note that we had to change shelters due to flooding. We are now at the West Riverside Park Shelter, right behind the Riverside Aquatic Center, 3300 5th Ave, Moline, IL. FREE to members, guests a meager \$5. What a deal! Help is always needed so prep starts at 7:30 and clean up immediately after. Bring a lawn chair so that you can stay on and catch up with everyone.

National Collector Car Day Scholarship Cruise In and Display July 12 th from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. If you want to cruise we start in Bettendorf at Faye's Field beginning at 5. Last car to leave will be at 5:30 driving through Bettendorf's River Drive, Davenport's 4 th Street, and ending at UTHS high school. All proceeds go to a UTHS Scholarship to help a student further their education in the automotive field. We are the sponsor so please volunteer to either help at UTHS or Faye's Field. UTHS students will be parking but we need people to watch the door prizes, silent auction, collect donations etc. At Faye's Field people will be needed to lead the first group, hand out maps, etc. Neither place will be that physically taxing.

Those who attended our January Meeting at UTHS were impressed with the automotive program and decided that we should help in any way possible. This is what they thought would help. See our website for more details. The silent auction will be an antique vehicle.

Keep in the back of your mind that we have decided to hold a National Meet in 2022. Looks like the second week in August is available but we must submit our Committee Listing soon. We have Mark Lousberg as Meet Chairman, Fred Bartemeyer Jr as Chief Judge, Gary Gleason as Treasurer, and the illusive Registrar position is still available. Remember the Scott's have said they will mentor. The more help, the merrier. There's something for everyone.

Hope to see you soon! *Mary B*



MVR Board Meeting

AACA Board Meeting

Butterworth Center, Moline, Illinois

June 5, 2019

Present: M. Bartemeyer, J. Brewer, F. Bartemeyer, J. Conrad, A. Ford, M. Lousberg, C. Pearson, D. Perry

Absent: G. Gleason, L. Gleason, G. Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by President Mary Bartemeyer.

Minutes of the May board meeting were approved by A. Ford and seconded by D. Perry.

Treasurer's report was handed out and will be filed for future audit.

Sunshine - numerous cards sent this month.

Roster - no report

Membership - A motion to accept membership for Jeffrey and Pepper Trahan was made by M. Bartemeyer and approved by all.

Web Master - no report

Historian - no report

Old Business:

Twenty-six people attended the May tour and a good time was had by all.

New Business

In honor of National Car Collector's Day, we have coordinated a cruise in conjunction with UT High School. Donation of door prizes is needed. UTHS would like to make this an annual event. The school printed up 400 flyers for us to distribute. All proceeds except rental of porta potties go towards a scholarship for graduates to continue an education in the automotive field.

A brief meeting will be held to finalize the cruise on July 2, 7 p.m. at Hauberg

Father's Day breakfast will be held at a shelter located behind the pool in Riverside Park. Arrive at 7 a.m. to help set up, breakfast will be from 8 to noon, with the last serving at 11 a.m. Members are free and guests are \$5.00 and a discount for small children.

The Auburn event had 387 vehicles and a banquet of 700 people.

A motion was made at 7:52 p.m. by D. Perry to close the meeting, seconded by M. Lousberg.

Submitted by: Jan Brewer
(in the absence of L. Gleason)



Annual Pancake Breakfast June 16th, 2019

Please note that we had to change shelters due to flooding. We are now at the West Riverside Park Shelter, right behind the Riverside Aquatic Center, 3300 5th Ave, Moline, IL.

Car Display from 8 a.m. to 12 noon - Serving stops at 11.

Bring a lawn chair, relax, and enjoy the morning!
Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee, Juice and Milk as always

MEMBERS FREE, guests \$5, kids 4 to 12 - \$3

Come help set up at 7 a.m., help cook pancakes starting at 8 or stay to help cleanup.
The more the merrier.

JULY 12th — Collector Car Day is a Congressional House Resolution to honor our hobby. The Quad Cities will celebrate this day with a Cruise In and Display to further the education of a UTHS (United Township High School) student into the automotive trades.

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE UTHS AUTOMOTIVE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. We will leave Faye's Field, 2850 18th Street, Bettendorf, IA in 5 car increments with the last group leaving at 5:30.

Route – Down 18th Street – Turning right on Grant Street – Following River Drive to 4th Street – Left on 4th Street to Gaines – Across the Centennial Bridge – straight to 7th Ave. – Left on 7th – Follow 7th through Rock Island and adjoining Moline's 6th Avenue – Follow to 26th Street – Turn right on 26th Street to Avenue of the Cities – Turn left on Avenue of the Cities to UTHS, 1272 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL. ALL DRIVING RULES OF THE ROAD WILL BE FOLLOWED!

July Poker Run hosted by Gary & LaVonne Gleason

Sunday, July 28th

Meet at the Davenport Airport at 1:00

First car will leave at 1:15

It's best if you have a passenger as cars will be leaving separately, so you need to follow the directions to pick up your remaining cards.

For those interested we will go to supper at approximately 4:30 at Riverside Grill in downtown Bettendorf.

The run is approximately 40 miles

Contact Gary and LaVonne Gleason if you are planning on joining us for supper as the restaurant would like a count by Thursday, July 25. (563)386-4649 or glgleason@aol.com

Fall Tour hosted by LaVonne & Gary Gleason

Sat. & Sun. Sept. 21 & 22

Destination: Freeport, Illinois

Meet at Brothers Restaurant, Rapids City at 7:15 and leave at 7:30

Hotel: Country Inn and Suites \$105.00 + tax

Hot breakfast, high speed wi-fi, freshly baked cookies, indoor pool and whirlpool

Make your own reservations at 815-233-3300 mention AACA for group rate. After August 21st all unbooked rooms are released back to the hotel.

Approximately 85 - 90 miles one way

Contact Gary and LaVonne Gleason at 563-386-4649 or ggleason@aol.com after you make your hotel reservation, so we know who's going to join us.



- 10:30 AM** Lincoln—Douglas Debate Debate Square
120 E Douglas Street, Freeport
- 11:30 AM** Lunch at Union Dairy
Next to Debate Square
- 1:00 PM** American Garage Art - Stevens & Henney
22 W. Spring Street
- 2:00 PM** Stephensons County Historical Society
1440 S. Carroll Street
- 3:30 PM** Silver Creek Train Museum
2954 S. Walnut Street
- 4:00 PM** Steam Train Ride
- Time to Check-in to Hotel
Country Inn & Suites, 1710 S. Dirck Drive
- 6:15 PM** Dinner at Logan's Bar & Grill
1805 S. West Avenue

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY AUGUST 21
COUNTRY INN & SUITES - 815-233-3300
ROOM BLOCK RATE \$105**

SATURDAY MAY 11 2019 Hosted by Bev & Jim Smith

TOUR FROM DAVENPORT TO KALONA on Hy. 6 and others. Visited Strigtown Grocery and Kalona Creamery and then we had lunch at Kalona Brewing Company .



Andover's "MORE FUN ON 81" Festival on June 1 Saturday
Organized by John Brewer. Executed by Steve Sabbe.

Those leaving from Office Max:
Clair Pearson in '48 Seagrave fire truck
Perrys in '63 Studebaker
Wayne Scherer in '30 "A" Ford coupe
Gary Smith in 97 Lincoln
Mark Lousberg in '52 Chevy Truck
Steve Sabbe in '63 Buick Riviera
Jim Conrad in '75 Nova

Joining us there
Stu & Kathy Etheridge in '25 Willys Knight
Tom Durbin in "A" Ford

Non-members:

Ron & Kathy Kessell in '27 Hupmobile (they are friends of Perrys and Etheridges and live in Milan) Trying to get to join club

Guy from Cambridge with muscle car

Spectators: Jim & Kay Scott (hurrah)

Sonja and Bob Sterling - former members who live in Andover and own many MG Racers
We had a good time! No rain - overcast - breezy - had a craft & vendor fair going on - food & drink avail. in shelter. Decent crowd there.

Sandy Perry



Andover's "MORE FUN ON 81" Festival on June 1



RM Sotheby's Guyton Collection

Jan and I attended the May 4th auction. Being pre-registered we arrived and picked up our credentials and looked around. Fred Guyton had passed away and his vast collection was all on display in his non-descript huge building in St. Louis. He was in partnership with the architect firm he founded who did work in this country and around the world. I had talked with him many times at CCA events and knew him thru Floyd DuValls 30 Ruxton and Ron Gottschalks 32 Nash. He collected not only prewar cars but auto related items along with toy soldiers and war collectables. Bidding started at 10:00 with all the small stuff including a V-12 Rolls-Royce Merlin motor. Cars started in around 2:00 with a Budweiser wagon. The list of his vast collection can be viewed on line at RM but briefly includes prewar Cadillac, Mason, LaSalle, Model T, Model A, Wills Sainte Claire, Pierce Arrow, Packard, HCS, Rolls-Royce, Stutz, Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg, Bugatti, Marmon, Hispano-Suiza, Jensen/Ford V-8 Flathead (replaced with a Nash 8), Oakland, Du Pont, Lincoln, Mercury and Ford. Now many of these brands he had several models as with Duesenberg, a Model A, X and J. 90% were all show quality no rust in this collection!

After Fred acquired Ron's 32 Nash it underwent an extensive restoration to concourse quality with over \$400,000.00 charged and included a law suit with the restorer with it finally being finished by another restorer. Being the only Nash in a sea of upper crust cars I was hoping there may be little interest in the Nash. This Nash model 1093 is the highest prized Nash model (Kenosha Duesenberg). As Floyd told me "that Nash can stand quite proud right next to a Duesenberg...." When it came up I started the bidding but quickly fell by the way side with my shallow pockets. It was aggressive bidding between two and finally arrived at a hammer price of \$300,000.00. It and another car both got the loudest applause. Anyway after congratulating the winner and getting him to join the Nash Club watched the rest of the event.

Floyd DuVall's Ruxton Roadster was acquired by Fred and about to come up. Floyd was quite a little guy.... He had two J Duesenberg's at the same time, two 37 Cords at the same time and two Auburn Speedsters but none of them collectively together. Quite a guy who pushed my interest in these cars. Now the Ruxton who was originally owned by Mr. Kissel where it was built in the Kissel factory, may have been restored at one point many years ago but was passing for a believed worn original with chipping and missing paint (yes Wayne just like my Elcar...) it had things that were not correct as my friend from Texas, Jim pointed out. He has 10 Ruxtons including 3 Roadsters and wrote a book on the marque. The Ruxton had a final hammer price with bidders fee of \$748,500.00.... Floyd would have fainted and probably have said "all that for a used car?" This was the other loudest applause and both from top cars previously owned by local area people.

Two cars exceeded 1 million being a J Duesenberg, of course, and a Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost. There were some cars that were quite a bargain like a 37 Cord Armchair Beverly that hammered at \$50,000.00, a perfect Model T touring at \$6,000.00 or V-12 seven passenger Packard at \$39,000.00.

Final tally was 11.7 million auction results from Fred's organized hoard. Always good to take your significant other along so they can see your meager little hoard is not so bad..... *John Brewer*

(Thanks John. Another great Newsletter submission!)





Lot # 382 1930 Ruxton Model C Roadster, Body by Baker-Raulang; S/N 11005; Engine # 18S162; Light Yellow, Green accent/Brown leather; Beige cloth top; Estimate \$350,000 – \$450,000; Older restoration, 4+ condition; No Reserve; Hammered Sold at \$675,000 plus commission of 10.74%; Final Price \$747,500 picks. – Dual cloth covered sidemounts with mirrors, disc wheels, wide whitewall tires, rumble seat, wind wings, Woodlite headlights and matching fender lights, single Pilot-Ray, luggage rack, alternator. – Chipped, dull, scratched and chipped old paint, fair chrome, torn old upholstery. Old, lightly oiled engine compartment. Sleek and slick, but beyond preservation. A complete and straightforward restoration project that was taken out for a long test drive on Friday and returned unscathed and under its own power. – OK, perhaps this Ruxton is not “beyond preservation”? It has provenance (first owned by the ultimate Ruxton assembler Kissel’s co-principal George Kissel.) Later by M.H. “Tiny” Gould and essentially never restored, just given attention when it was needed. It runs and drives, as demonstrated on Friday, and isn’t nasty, just old. That said, it is the most expensive Ruxton ever sold at auction, vastly surpassing similar Roadsters in much better restored condition which reflects a huge premium for the age of its restoration and originality. This should be considered an outlying Ruxton result, but a fabled car unsullied by the restorer’s touch.



Lot # 370 1932 Nash 1090 Advanced Eight Convertible Sedan, Body by Seaman; S/N 520625; Engine # 403925; Blue, Dark Blue fenders and upper body, Light Blue accents/Grey leather; Blue cloth top; Estimate \$125,000 – \$175,000; Concours restoration, 1- condition; No Reserve; Hammered Sold at \$305,000 plus commission of 11.64%; Final Price \$340,500. – 322/125hp inline ohv eight, 3-speed, Light Blue wire wheels, blackwall tires, folding windshield, dual sidemounts, integrated trunk, Glolite headlights, Trippe lights. – Excellent paint, interior, top and major chrome but some trim chrome is weak. The underbody and chassis are better than new. It's impossible to criticize this Nash except to note it's not "fresh." In all other respects it is magnificent. Restored for Fred Guyton in the Naughts and displayed at Pebble Beach in 2010. – This is an extraordinary automobile in excellent condition, a star of the auction. One of two 1932 Nash Eights sold within a week, the other was Frank Spain's at Tupelo, Mississippi last weekend. Also a convertible sedan, Spain's was a 261/100hp 1080 in nowhere nearly this good condition but still brought \$84,000. The bidders here in St. Louis recognized the innate quality of this Nash and its superb restoration and avid pursued it to this exceptional result.

Cruise In and Display

July 12th, 2019

Cruise leaves from Faye's Field

2850 18th St - Bettendorf, IA at 5 p.m. or

Join us along the route or at the destination

United Township High School

1272 Avenue of the Cities, East Moline, IL

Food, Special Silent Auction, Door Prizes, 50/50

**All Proceeds go to
UTHS for an Automotive Scholarship**

Sponsored by:

**Mississippi Valley Region.
Antique Automobile Club of America**

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Yes - the Board has decided that we will hold another National Meet. The first available date that doesn't conflict with other central region meets is Fall 2022. Planning has already begun, Mark Lousberg has agreed to be our Meet Chairman. I will do what I can to help but it's time for our youngsters to carry on. Chief Judge - Fred Bartemeyer Jr, Field Marshall - John Brewer - Treasurer Gary Gleason. But there is one important spot left, that of Registrar. As I will shadow Mark, Jim and Kay Scott have offered to teach the position of Registrar to someone new.

What does the Registrar do?

You get training from the National in Philadelphia (expenses paid) as well as with the Scott's. Print all forms and cards - expenses paid for printing.

Assemble Registration Packets

Schedule Volunteers to help distribute packets

Have general knowledge of the show and city to answer questions when asked.

If you fill that bill and would like to try the task, PLEASE volunteer.

Mary B