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MVR February Event

February 22 – 12:00 Noon

Lunch/Show & Tell

Hickory Garden Rest.

3311 Hickory Grove Rd, Davenport, IA

From Your President

15 hearty members tramped out in questionable weather for out Sloppy Joe Lunch and Auto Assembly. A good variety of food was enjoyed and some wrangling was had over Gary Smith's Lemon Meringue Pie, our only desert. After some great discussions, 4 Revell Snap Together 2018 Mustang Models were assembled. Lots of laughter, many furrowed brows, but great feelings of accomplishment were had by the teams. After all these models were rated for ages 6 and over.

Master Modeler Bob Kerr came in first with a total input of 15 minutes. The all women team of Angie Kerr and Kathy Etheridge did well after they read that all pieces had to be snapped together. Team Conrad/Ford and Gary Smith/Stu Etheridge had great trouble getting theirs to roll. It is amazing that members from out of town almost out numbered those of us from town.

Lots of leftovers were enjoyed by those in attendance.

Mary B







MVR Board Meeting

MVR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 5, 2020

Present: John Brewer, Jim Conrad, Gary Gleason, Alan Ford, Sharon Hoaglund, Dick and Sandy Perry

Absent: Mary and Fred Bartemeyer, Mark Lousberg, Gary Smith, Claire Pearson

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Butterworth Center, Moline by John Brewer. Mary, Fred and Mark are at the AACA Annual Meeting in Philadelphia.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved with minor corrections on the event schedule.

Treasurer's Report was approved and filed for audit. Dues reminders sent - no further reminders will be sent, so members should pay 2020 dues ASAP to prevent removal from active membership list.

Sunshine: Sympathy card to Alan Ford and Friendship card to Resetich family.

Membership: 111 Active members. New member application from Darrell Blinkinsop, Clinton, IA who owns a '37 Buick.

Roster, Webmaster, Historian – No reports

OLD BUSINESS:

January 18th sloppy joe lunch event was attended by 15 members who enjoyed assembling 2018 Mustang models during a cold Saturday. Thanks to Mary Bartemeyer for hosting this unique event.

Rod & Custom Auto Show held Jan 24-26 was busy with much interest in the 1917 Brewster and '52 Chevy Pickup, thanks to Stu & Kathy Etheridge and Mark Lousberg.

NEW BUSINESS:

2020 Budget was reviewed and approved with no changes from 2019 budget

Goal is to identify all area car events for 2020 in order to encourage attendance with other groups and possible recruitment for MVR. Please share car event info with Board members.

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March 28 – Lunch and Tour of the Bend Hotel Complex – E. Moline, IL. – Alan Ford, Host

April 18 – Lunch (location TBD) and Tour of the Augustana Fryxell Geology Museum, R.I. (Perrys, host)

May 16 – Joint tour with Cedar Rapids AACA Region – Maquoketa drive/dinner @ Decker House (Mary)

June 21 – Annual Father's Day Breakfast – West Lake Park, Dav. (Board members, host)

July 10 – National Collector Car Day – meet at UTHS Auto Restoration Garage, E. Moline (no tour)

July 18 – Driving Tour & picnic – Scott County – (Gary Gleason, host)

August ? – Garage Tour – Date and locations TBD (John Brewer, host)

September 12 – Geneseo Planes, Trains and Automobiles show & lunch – (Scott Johnson, host)

September 20 – Butterworth Center Porch Party/Car Display – Moline

October – Event TBD

November 14 – Year End Banquet – Riverfront Grill – Rock Island

OTHER:

UTHS Scholarship Application still being written

Submitted by Sandy Perry

2020 Mississippi Valley Event Calendar

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Mary B. Coordinator

March 28 – Tour of the Bend Hotel, East Moline, including lunch –
Alan Ford Coordinator

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Rock Island
Dick and Sandy Perry, Coordinators

April ? – Date TBD – Bring select cars to UTHS Auto Restoration Shop for
students to examine/study.

May 16 – Joint meet with Cedar Rapids Region. Could include lunch and tour
of Iowa Antique Car Museum in Coralville, IA. Mary will coordinate.

June 21 – Annual Father’s Day Breakfast at West Lake Park, Davenport –
John Brewer Coordinator

July 10 – National Car Collector Day – MVR members and others clubs will gather at UTHS
Car Restoration Shop with students. We will coordinate & market to get good publicity and
participation.

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Thanks, John Brewer



Why would you want a faucet attached to your spark plug? Early gasoline formulations had a problem with volatility, especially at low temperatures. That made starting difficult on a cold day. The Primer Spark Plug permitted you to prime your car engine prior to starting it. You would open those faucets on each of the spark plugs and, using a small funnel, pour gasoline or, better, more volatile liquid ether, into each cylinder. You could easily buy the ether in small screw top tins at any pharmacy. After closing the valves on the spark plugs you could start the car using that primer fluid. (submitted by J. Brewer)

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MVR AACA End of Year Banquet

This years Banquet was at a new location, Riverfront Grille in Rock Island overlooking the Rock River. The Club subsidized \$12.00 for each member to bring the cost down to \$10.00 that you can't beat for Prime Rib, Chicken and all the rest!

We made the change from the Knights of Columbus due to the unreasonable increase in costs to our members. From comments we received this new location and meal was great so looks like we have found a new home for this event. We had 55 members attend and hope to have more next year.

Updates to the clubs By-Laws were read and adopted by membership.

From the board a recommendation was passed to donate \$350.00 to the AACA Library.

We heard many good ideas for added activities this year to increase member involvement.

We had a great video presentation of the discovery and restoration of a "barn find" Model T. This was commissioned by Craig Beek, filmed and edited by Jim Meeker former president of the QC Cinema Club.

Many members donated items for the Silent Auction which brought in \$100.00.

Next years Banquet will be the same location on Saturday, November 14th. 5-9. If you have any entertainment ideas let us know. Please put aside and save items you come across this year for the Silent Auction.

John Brewer



Early hard tired GMC truck (J. Brewer)