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Feb 4 - Peaslee Tech Center, 6:30 PM
Election of officers. Zoom will be available.

Mar 4 - TBA

EDITOR'S NOTE

DUE DATE FOR ARTICLES

Just a friendly reminder - all items for our newsletter are due by the 15th, monthly. Unfortunately, waiting for items after that delays us, and members living out of town do not receive it before the next meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear members: It is my prayer that each of you are healthy and safe. What a year 2020 was and how this year is beginning to play out. It was with very sad news that we will not be able to have the Swap Meet again, but we will forge ahead. I think there are some options being explored of maybe having it postponed till later, but we shall see. It seems our life is on hold and plans seem to be one-day-at-a-time.

Looking on the bright side we would like to have a slate of officers to present for election on Feb 4th. I am looking forward to passing the baton to those that want to see the Lawrence Region AACA move forward with new ideas and goals. I know there are some of you out there itching to see some of your ideas in play and leadership is the way to start. Just give the Board of Directors a quick email if you are interested and we thank you for volunteering.

I certainly appreciate the few opportunities we had last year to get together, cruise or just park and chat. Thanks, Darrell, and all for letting us briefly get together. I look forward to more gatherings like this when winter is over and spring is in the air.

Please remember, keep in touch with your current projects or old projects that had lessons-learned to be shared. Shirley is working very hard to keep us together, so send articles of interest or personal articles to her by the 15th for the Clutch Chatter.

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MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

Bill Bunce - February 4

MEMBERS' ANNIVERSARIES

Norman & Margaret Kressmann
February 24, 1996 - 25 years

Editor's apology for missing this date:

Russ & Rosie French
January 11, 1997 - 24 years

If we have missed anyone, it is because we do not have the information. Please ask K. L. Homolka for the "Information Form".

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SWAP MEET - Joe Arneson
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Here you can find information on being a member, upcoming events & general information about the club.

BY-GONE DAYS

BY GEORGE LAUPPE



10 YEARS AGO - FEBRUARY, 2011

President Jack Todd's message stated "Well, here it is January and we're getting ready for the February meeting. I hope this bad weather with it's cold temperatures and snow is not getting you down. Joe had to cancel the swap meet meeting and have it a week later and it did not hurt my feelings. Two things to talk about this time are the web page and the budget. We updated the web page with current swap meet flyer and a new map of the fairgrounds. Now the second item, the budget. Our board meeting was also cancelled and we will reschedule later." January club minutes report the meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm on January 6 in Watkins Museum by President Jack Todd. Twenty-four members answered roll. Traditional January door prize is national AACA and local dues are paid by the club. George Lauppe's name as called. Joe Arneson and Ralph Reschke reported about a meeting with Douglas County Fairgrounds officials about installing a pipe in the ditch so we would have access to the north field of the fairgrounds. A motion was approved for the club to establish an annual budget. Motion carried 11 to 9. George invited members to the Second Saturday event which was scheduled to view restoration of his cars in his garage.

20 YEARS AGO - FEBRUARY, 2001

President Jack Todd wrote "Although I don't make regulations, I do set goals. My goals for this year include doing the best I can do to be a good President for LRAACA. I look forward to productive business meetings, fun and fellowship at our socials, and a successful swap meet and car show. As a group, we also have some decisions to make. One is to decide whether we want to proceed with the restoration of the fire engine". January minutes reveal 23 members answered roll by naming their first dream car. Twenty-four members attended the club's breakfast at Hy-Vee in January. February meeting program was Steve Jansen, annual program speaker. February plans included going to Glen Opry in Tonganoxie on the 10th. Lauppe reported on a Model A transmission repair seminar held in Dean Weller's shop in DeSoto, Kansas.

30 YEARS AGO - FEBRUARY, 1991

Minutes record the February 7th meeting had 28 members in attendance when the club convened at 8:13 pm. A motion was approved for the club to use Co-op Farmland, adjacent to the east side of the fairgrounds, for public parking for

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the 1991 swap meet. A motion was approved for the club to pay up to \$500.00 for moving the east fairgrounds fence. That \$500.00 was to be the club's donation to the fairgrounds for 1991.

40 YEARS AGO - FEBRUARY, 1981

Lauppe, Swap Meet Chairman, reported 74 spaces had been sold to 38 vendors. He also read a letter from Obsolete Ford wanting to know why we had a swap meet the same date as in Texas. (That was our first time to be aware that Pate Swap Meet conflicted with our swap meet. Our swap meet was older than Pate. Their meet starts the last Friday in April, which conflicts every five years with our meet.) Lauppe reported a 30 foot long WELCOME banner, to be used at the fairgrounds during swap meets and car shows, would cost \$150.00. The board voted to move the May meeting to April 30th.

50 YEARS AGO - FEBRUARY, 1971

The Topeka Region AACA's SIDELIGHTS issue report for February 1971 stated, "Dues must be paid by the February meeting to get your name to be included in the National roster". At that time only \$6.00. (The Lawrence club was still a chapter of the Topeka Region AACA, at that time which we members of the Chapter were required to pay national dues, Topeka Region AACA dues, and local chapter dues. Hence local dues were set at \$3.00 and have not changed.) The February meeting of the Lawrence Chapter was canceled due to a blizzard which caused severe driving conditions and left snow hubcap deep to a Motel T Ford.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued from page 1)

I really appreciate what Shirley and company are putting together every month. And I would love to hear more of your stories. Net working is one of our greatest benefits in belonging and I don't know what I would do if I hadn't had a lot of input from our many friends coming to the rescue. When the Mustang pulled into Jack and Delores's drive, Jack had an extra coil that fit. Joe and Don have had to come to the rescue too many times with hard labor and advise I can't count. Carl and Dave and some many others are our greatest friends that we turn to in times of need. The list goes on and on and each of you are very appreciated.

Next meeting will be February 4, 2021 at the Peaslee Tech Center for election of officers for 2021 and a Zoom link will be available for those who can't get out.

God bless and keep you, Margaret

Margaret

Please see additional comments on page 7

LAWRENCE REGION AACA MINUTES FOR JANUARY 7, 2021

Call to Order: President Barnes, 6:45 P.M. (Meeting held via "Zoom")

Attendance: Daryl & Margaret Barnes, Joe Arneson, Dave & Barb Maycock, Pete Maxon, Tony Mitchell, Shirley Cormack, Carl Peer, Darrell Workman, Norm Kressman, Kent Oochsner, Jeannie Spradling, K. Homolka

Joe discussed the Swap Meet: It is doubtful if the fairgrounds will be open and available this Spring. They will advise if things change. Darrell suggested we may consider having it with the car show in the Fall (if it is open then). Joe is sending postcards to vendors advising of our situation and asking for their understanding and comments.

Daryl advised ordering dash-plaques for this year is on "hold" for now.

Pete advised that the Annual Report was sent out in Totals. If anyone wants details, give him a call. He encouraged you to send your "club" dues to him soon. We need this by the end of January to complete our Annual National Membership & Roster paperwork. Pete's address is: Pete Maxon, 1111 Brynwood Ct., Lawrence, Ks. 66404 Dues are \$3.00 each or \$6.00 per couple. Motion made to cancel old web site/administrator. Carried. The new website includes Club Chatter, etc.

Executive meeting will be the last part of January (Margaret to advise date) to prepare a slate of officers to be voted on, at our Membership meeting Feb. 4. (Probably at Peaslee Center).

Sad note: Member Arnie Morgison passed away. He will be missed by all of us. Good news: Shirley is recovering from her shoulder injury.

We received very nice "Thank you's" for our gifts to "Just Foods", "Senior Group", and "Peaslee Center".

Adjourned: 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
K. L. Holmoka, Secretary.

THE WAY IT IS

I'm on two diets - I wasn't getting enough food on just one.

Don't irritate old people. The older we get, the less "Life in prison" is a deterrent.

I really don't mind getting older, but my body is taking it badly.

It turns out being an adult is mostly just googling how to do stupid stuff better.

Ever get up in the morning, see a mirror and think, "That can't be accurate"?

I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.

I thought getting older would take a lot longer.

DID YOU KNOW???

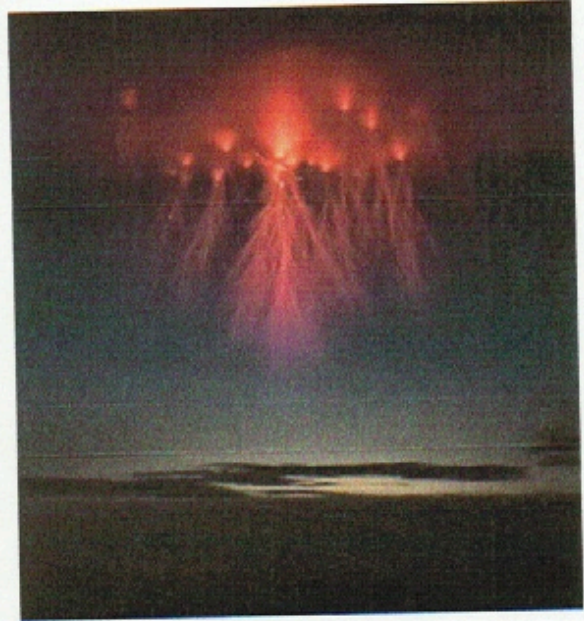
On October 12, 2020 astronomers witnessed a star undergoing spaghettification. That is, the star is being ripped apart as it falls into a supermassive black hole, in a galaxy only 215 million light-years away. The astronomers captured the star's last moments as it was being ripped apart by the black hole, in what they call a tidal disruption event. This event created a flare of light which they said is the closest such flare recorded to date.



Scientists with NASA's Juno mission say they have detected sprites or elves, electrical phenomena above thunderstorms on Earth, in the clouds of Jupiter for the first time. Unlike the red-colored earthly ones, however, the Jovian ones are blue. Lightning sprites are fleeting but powerful electrical discharges high up in Earth's atmosphere, above thunderstorms. They're called *transient luminous events* or TLEs by scientists. They are eerily beautiful and not easy to capture on film, and it wasn't that long ago that scientists were debating their existence in Earth's atmosphere. Now they're a confirmed nature phenomenon on Earth - the subject of much study by meteorologists and nature photographers sometimes capture them. And now NASA has found the first evidence of sprites and/or elves, rapidly expanding disk-shaped regions of luminosity, lasting less than a thousandth of a second - somewhere other than Earth. They've found them in the turbulent upper atmosphere of our solar system's largest planet, Jupiter. Sprites on Earth are rather bizarre looking, sort of like a jelly-fish with a central diffuse halo and long tentacles descending downward. They tend to occur up to 60 miles above thunderstorms, and only last a few milliseconds, quicker than the blink of an eye, which explains why they had been rarely seen until pilots started reporting them.

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Captured fleeting lightning sprite July 2, 2020 from McDonald Observatory in West Texas. Taken from *SearlySky.org*, with permission.

Additional President's Notes

has come again as we would like to have the election at the upcoming February 4th meeting. I am asking each of you to consider adding your leadership skills to our officers. We need to elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and one board member. Please consider adding your expertise and step up and volunteer. My goal has always been for us to have a legitimate election with candidates expressing their goals and hopes for the LRAACA membership.

If you would consider running and holding an office would you please respond to board members by Jan 27th, so they can present a slate for voting at the Feb. 4th meeting, which I hope will be held at Peaslee Tech at 6:30 PM.

Here is a list of Board members that you can send your volunteering to:

Dave Maycock = maycock1@earthlink.net

Roscoe Yoder = roscoeyoder@yahoo.com

Woody Woodring = harlanwoodring@gmail.com

or text Darrell Workman @ 785-979-4562

Again, I thank you for volunteering and look forward to your consideration.
Margaret

2021 SCHEDULED EVENTS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

March 19 - Special Grand Nationals, San Juan, Puerto Rico

April 8-10 - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, N.C. *Hornets Nest Region 704-847-4215

April 15-17 - AACA Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA 717-534-1910 **(RESCHEDULED FROM FEBRUARY 11-13)**

April 21-23 - Special Winter Nationals & Special Grand Nationals, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Puerto Rico Region 305-978-8037 **(RESCHEDULED FROM MARCH 17-20)**

Apr 30-May 2 - Lawrence Region AACA Annual Swap Meet, Lawrence, KS (Temporary date)

June 17-19 - Eastern Spring Nationals, Saratoga Springs, NY, Saratoga Region 585-474-2406

June Dates TBA - Midwest Region, by Plain Ol' A's, Kansas City, MO

July 1-3 - Central Spring Nationals, Auburn IN 717-534-1910 **(RESCHEDULED FROM MAY 6-8)**

July 22-24 - Annual Grand Nationals, New Ulm, MN, Minnesota Region 320-290-4285

August 13-14 - Western Fall Nationals - Loveland, CO

September 9-11 - Southeastern Fall Nationals, Greenville, SC, South Carolina Region 717-534-1910

October 3 - Lawrence Region AACA Car Show, Lawrence, KS (Temporary date)

October 6-9 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA, Hershey Region 717-566-7720

November 4-6 - Special Western Nationals, Phoenix, AZ, Phoenix Region 602-999-6594

2022 SCHEDULED EVENTS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

February 10-12 - AACA Annual Convention, Philadelphia, PA 717-534-1910

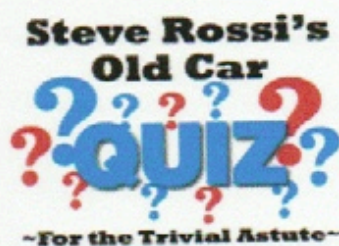
February 24-26 - AACA Winter Nationals, Melbourne, FL 717-534-1910

March 10-12 - Western Spring Nationals, Las Vegas, NE 717-534-1910

April 7-9 - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC, Hornets Nest Region 704-847-4215

May 5-7 - Central Spring Nationals, Auburn, IN 717-534-1910 (tentative date)

May 19-21 - Annual Grand Nationals, Virginia Beach, VA, Tidewater Region 618-363-6730



QUESTION

Once upon a time, an old-school automotive aftermarket product came to the rescue when the Nautilus submarine sprung a leak at sea off the West Coast.

What was it?

ANSWER ON PAGE 10

Jabots and Bertha Collars Add Era Flair to Modern Dresses

By Laurie Elliott, Santa Clara Valley Chapter

When looking at women's afternoon and evening wear of the Model A era, you'll notice all sorts of drapes, flounces, ruffles, ties and streamers that you generally don't see in modern clothing. This can be a bit perplexing when trying to recreate an era look. How do you achieve this without the work of sewing an entire garment? Try adding a jabot or bertha collar to your modern dress.



Do you have a fancy handkerchief just sitting in a drawer? Can you cut out and machine stitch a modern capelet pattern? Then you're on your way all ready.

Using examples of era fashions and tips included in this article, you might be able to short cut your way to a standout dress for your next Model A afternoon tea or banquet.

Read the full article on the MAFCA website at: http://www.mafca.com/ef_articles.html



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**Steve Rossi's
Old Car
Quiz**
-For the Trivial Astute-

ANSWER

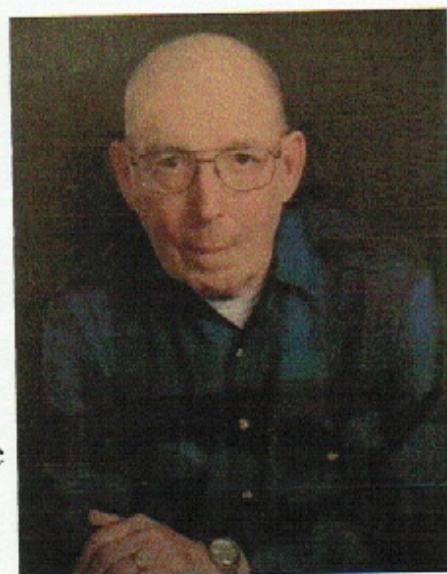
In 1958, the USS Nautilus, the world's first nuclear powered submarine, made it's historic journey and ran into a major system failure which threatened the entire mission. The crew of the Nautilus determined there was a leak in the Nuclear Submarine Condensing System. For many hours the crew searched to locate the leak with no success. Commander Anderson came up with an idea that could possibly stop the leak!

After consultation with Washington, the Commander sent his crew into Seattle wearing civilian clothing in order to buy several jars of 'that stuff you pour into automobile radiators to stop leaks.' He continued... 'What do they call it...BAR'S LEAKS?' Later the crew returned with 140 quarts of Bar's Leaks Radiator Stop Leak. After introducing Bar's Leaks into the condenser system of the USS Nautilus, the leak was stopped. The mission was saved!

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ARNIE MORGISON

Arnie was born Oct 18, 1938 in Clay Center, KS the son of Fred and Lena (Chaput) Morgison. He graduated from Clay Community high school and worked at an auto parts store and as a projectionist at Rex Theater. He married Bertha "Bert" E. Yeager on Nov 12, 1958. They moved to Lawrence in 1964 where he worked as a machinist at Pipperts, then he managed a Texaco gas station and retired after 26 years as a foreman at the KPL power plant. Arnie's Boat Sales and Service was established in 1971 in the driveway of their first home in Lawrence and later moved north of Lawrence where it still is today. Arnie's son Keith took over the business in 2015

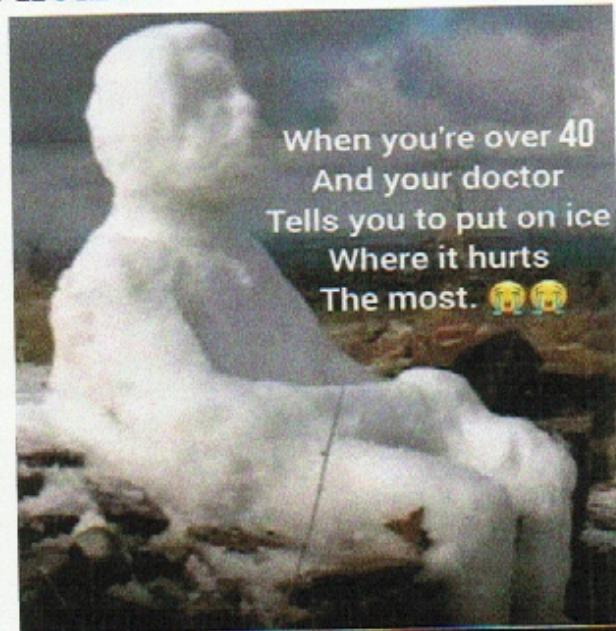


Arnie was a member of the Mid America Falcons Chapter of the Falcon Club of America, Lawrence Region Antique Automobile Club of America, Cougar Club of America, Knights of Columbus, Elks Ottawa Lodge. His hobbies were restoring his 1968 Mercury Cougar and 1960 Ford Falcon Ranchero, which he entered in car shows winning many award trophies. He also enjoyed playing poker with

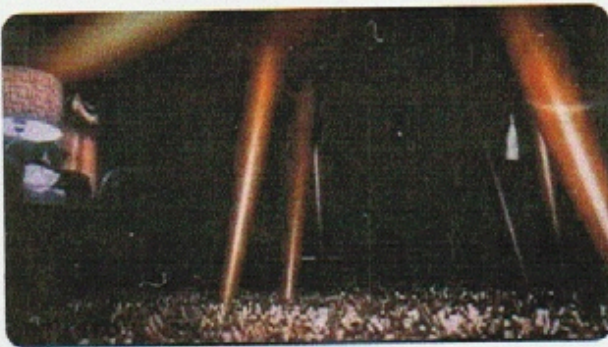
his friends.

A LITTLE HUMOR

Did you wash your paws?



Do you remember going to raves?
Me neither. This is a rug under a
coffee table



**FIRST THE ONION MADE ME CRY,
NOW THE PEPPER IS YELLING AT ME**



**EATING VEGETABLES IS JUST
TOO EMOTIONALLY DRAINING**

When your Jeep is just as upset as
you are about the weather





When you turn a stormtroopers helmet upside down they are much less serious looking

