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DEC 5: Christmas dinner/installation of officers, 6:30 PM, East side of Flory building. Catered dinner and entertainment will be provided.

JAN 6, 2022 - Monthly meeting, 6:30 PM Peaslee Tech Center. All 2022 meetings will be at the Tech Center.



EDITOR'S NOTE DUE DATE FOR ARTICLES

Just a friendly reminder - all items for our newsletter are due by the 15th, monthly. Thank you.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with a little sadness and some joy that this will be my last President's Message for LRAACA. I am looking forward to sitting back and letting Darrell and Jack take over. They are experienced hands and know a thing or two, so it will be a fun ride.

Just a note: I hope you all are aware by now that the December meeting will be on December 5th at the Flory Meeting Hall at the Douglas County Fairgrounds at 6:30 PM. This is our annual Christmas Party celebrating all the hard work that went into the Swap Meet. Please come hungry and with good cheer. Santa will be there and the catered meal will be provided by the Worden Church ladies. I have to tell you that they make the most delicious pies. The entertainment will be the Lawrence High School Choir and they do such a beautiful job. It is coming up fast but plan on joining us for a wonderful event to start off the holiday season with joy, hope and peace.

Please feel free to invite former members that you know about. There will be plenty at the table and the more the merrier. If anyone needs a ride or anything, just let me know. I am more than happy to pick up.

May you all have joy and peace throughout the coming year.

Lots of Love.
Margaret

2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Margaret Barnes
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(785) 979-4562

2023 Board: Roscoe Yoder
(913) 710-7720



MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

Pete Maxon - December 5

Carl Peer - December 18

MEMBERS' ANNIVERSARIES

Charles & Phyllis Eberhart
December 14, 1956 - 65 years

Ken & Virginia Filardo
December 19, 1998 - 23 years

George & Marceil Lauppe
December 2, 1955 - 66 years

EDITOR'S NOTE

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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Please use the above email as it goes directly to the Club's computer.

Shirley Cormack, Editor

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2021

CAR SHOW - Daryl Barnes

SWAP MEET - Joe Arneson

SCHOLARSHIP - Tony Mitchell

TRAILER - Joe Arneson

SUNSHINE - Barb & Dave Maycock

CONTRIBUTIONS - Pete Maxon

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MEMBERSHIP - Margaret Barnes

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[Here you can find information on being a member, upcoming events & general information about the club.](#)



A TREE HUGGER

Editor's note:

Have you noticed the weather's getting a little colder, the pumpkins and ghosts have all disappeared, and the turkeys have been hiding? Well, Thanksgiving and Christmas will soon be upon us. Thanksgiving is one of our family's favorite days because we get most of our family here just to enjoy good food and spend- ing time together. Christmas Day is when we go the Zoom route with everyone enjoying Christmas with their families in their own homes. But with Thanks-giving now, and Christmas just weeks away, it's time to get your antique cars winterized, whether put away for awhile and letting them rest, or getting them ready for the cold and snow. So, be thankful for what we have, everyone, and enjoy the holidays.

Shirley



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, Cape Canaveral Region 717-534-1910

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

April 7-9 - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC. Hornet's Next Region, 704-847-4215

April 21-23 - Special Winter Nationals and Special Grand Nationals, San Juan, PR, Puerto rice Region 305-978-8037 **(RESCHEDULED)**

May 5-7 - Central Spring Nationals, Auburn, IN 717-534-1910

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

June 16-18 - Eastern Spring Nationals, Beckley, WV, White Water Region 681-220-8186

August 11-13 - Central Fall Nationals, Bettendorf, Iowa, Mississippi Valley Region 319-373-2169

October 4-7 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey PA, Hershey Region 717-566-7720

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ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2022

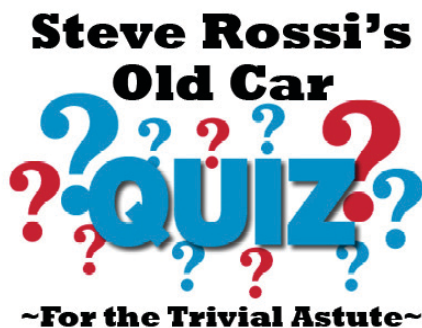
March 18-19 - Chickasha, OK Pre-War Swap Meet, Grady Co. Fairgrounds

April 28-30 - Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Fort Worth, TX

April 29-May 1 - Lawrence Region AACA Annual Swap Meet, Lawrence, KS

June 2-7 - Midwest Regional, Plain Ol' A's, Embassy Suites, Olathe, KS

Oct 2 - Lawrence Region AACA Car Show, Lawrence, KS



QUESTION

What was unique about the 1953 to 1966 Buick VD engine that earned its name..... "Nailhead"?

Answer on page 8

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TIME TO PAY YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES

LRAACA dues: \$3 for individual, \$6.00 per family

Please give to our Treasurer (Pete Maxon)
at the Christmas Dinner

OR
mail to:

Pete Maxon
1111 Brynwood Court
Lawrence, KS 66049
CHECKS PAYABLE TO LRAACA

Please note:

AACA Dues: \$45.00

Mail check to:

AACA
800 W. Hersheypark Drive
Hershey, PA 17033

FRIENDLY REMINDER:
MEMBERSHIP IN AACA NATIONAL
MUST BE RENEWED **BEFORE**
RENEWING LRAACA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2022

Memberships are for Jan 1 - Dec 31, 2022



LRAACA MEETING MINUTES
Nov 4, 2021 Peaslee Center

Meeting called to order by President Barnes at 6:30 P.M.

MINUTES: Oct. 7 minutes presented in last month's Club Chatter.

ATTENDEES: Daryl & Margaret Barnes, Joe Arneson, Pete Maxon, Norm Kressmann, Harlan Woodring, Darrell Workman, Jack Todd, George Laupee, Bill McCollum, Tony Mitchell, Virginia & Ken Filardo, Dave & Barbara Maycock, Tim Cragg, K. Homolka, and new member Jeff Lundry

WELCOME: President Barnes introduced and welcomed JEFF LUNDRY as our newest club member.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS : President : Darrell Workman
Vice-President : Jack Todd
Treasurer : Pete Maxon
Secretary : K. Homolka
Board members:
Roscoe Yoder (2023)
Carl Peer (2024) fill in for Darrell Workman term
Tony Mitchell: (2025)

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank you letter from Bent Nickel, Eagle, Nebraska (Longest distance award at car show) returned our \$15.00 check, thanked us and asked us to use it as we see fit.

Thank you from 4-H club

Thank you from the Dean Weller family

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Christmas Dinner, December 5, at 6:30 PM in the A41East Side of Flory Building. All future meetings will be at Peaslee Center

THANK YOU: President Barnes thanked Shirley for the great job she did on the pictures/names of all the winners at the Car Show in the Clutch Chatter.

Any corrections/additions welcomed.

K. Homolka, Secretary



Have We Got A Deal For You At Two 1950s New Car Dealers Promotions

For over one-hundred years new auto dealers have relied on factory promotions, concept and show cars, and their own sometimes cheesy efforts to get prospective car buyers on the lot or in the showroom. Today's feature contains images of the 1954 Buick Wildcat II Motorama concept car. In addition, there are photos of a tacky DeSoto and Plymouth Dealers "Sell-A-Thon."



The lead image and the photo above shot at Skinner Buick in an unknown location feature the 1954 Buick Wildcat II Motorama concept car constructed by the Buick Division of General Motors. This unique show car was constructed on a Corvette chassis equipped with a supercharged Buick V-8. The Wildcat II fiberglass body shared the cutaway front fender styling cue with the 1954 Buick Skylark and utilized a one-piece Wildcat II hood and fenders with the headlights mounted on the bumper.



This pair of press photos were taken by a "St. Louis Post-Dispatch" photographer circa 1957 at a Beyer Motors DeSoto-Plymouth "Sell-A-Thon" in St. Louis, MO, at 3435 S. Kingshighway. The second photo below contains a period advertisement placed by Beyer Motors in the "Post-Dispatch."



Thank you to theoldmotor.com for sharing their story with us.
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PERSPECTIVE

For a small amount of perspective at this moment, imagine you were born in the year 1900. When you were 14, World War I starts, and ends on your 18th birthday with 22 million people killed. Later in that year, a Spanish Flu epidemic hits the planet and runs until you are 20. Fifty million people die from it in those two years. Yes - 50 million

When you're 29, the Great Depression begins. Unemployment hits 25%, global GDP drops 27%. That runs until you are 33. The country nearly collapses, along with the world economy.

When you turn 39, World War II starts. You aren't even over the hill yet.

When you're 41, the United States is fully pulled into WWII.

Between your 39th and 45th birthdays, 75 million people perish in the war and the Holocaust kills six million. At 52, the Korean War starts and five million perish.

At 64, the Vietnam War begins, and it doesn't end for many years. Four million people die in that conflict. Approaching your 62nd birthday, you have the Cuban Missile Crisis, a tipping point in the Cold War. Life on our planet, as we know it, could well have ended. Great leaders prevented that from happening.

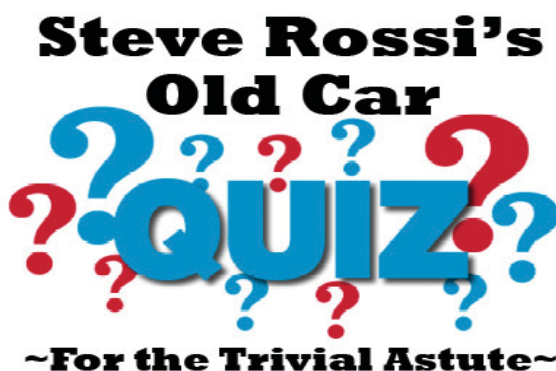
As you turn 75, the Vietnam War finally ends. Think of everyone on the planet born in 1900. How do you survive all that? A kid in 1985 didn't think their 85 year old grandparent understood how hard school was. Yet those grandparents (and now great grandparents) survived through everything listed above.

Perspective is an amazing art. Let's try and keep things in perspective. Let's be smart, help each other out, and we will get through this. In our world's history, there has never been a storm that lasted.

This, too, shall pass.

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ANSWER



The Buick "Nailhead" was an overhead valve V8 with the valvetrain located at the outboard extremities of the cylinder head. This was achieved by underside rocker arm actuation, instead of being on top, which allowed the valves to be vertically placed. With long stems and small heads, they looked like a row of nails in a board when installed.

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BRANDS WE REMEMBER
YARDLEY SOAP AND PERFUME

1929 AD

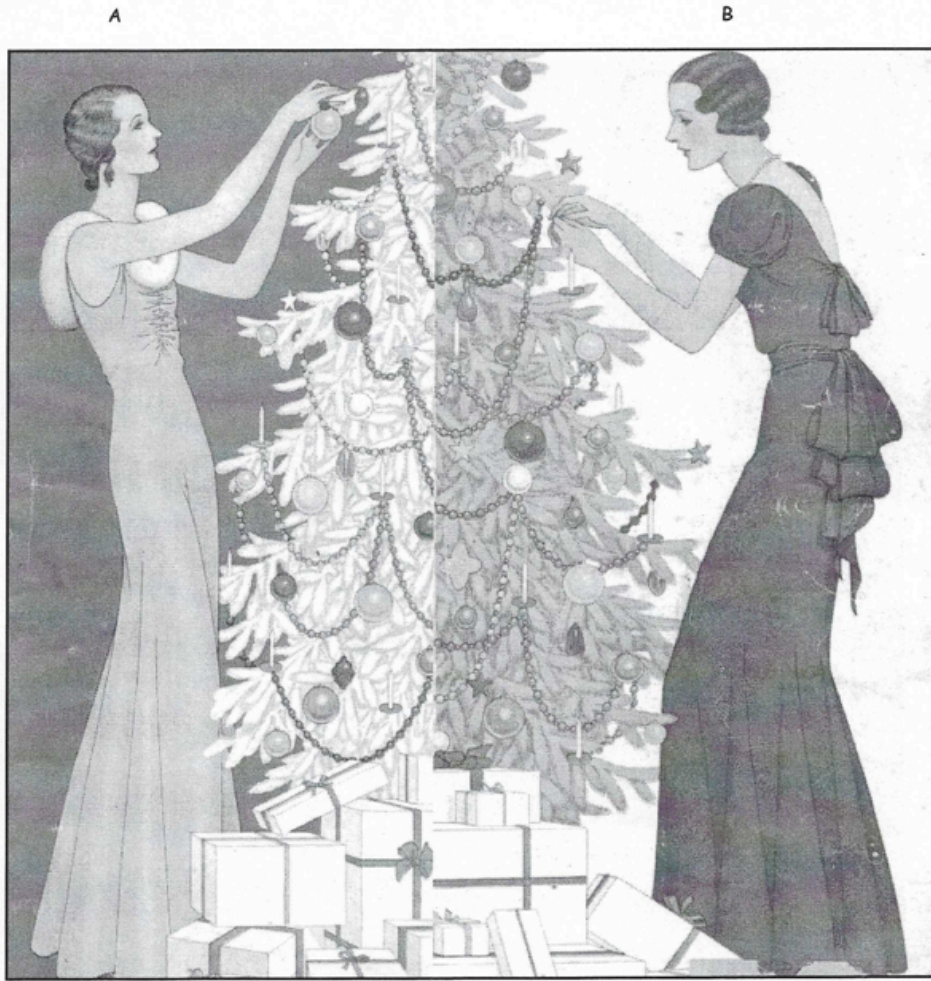


Yardley Soap and Perfume has a long history. Jonathan Yardley secured a royal warrant for the provision of soap to the City of London in the 1600s. Unfortunately, the documentation was lost in the Great Fire of London in 1666. Later, Samuel Cleaver officially registered the business in 1770. William Yardley bought the company back into the original family in 1823. The company sold perfumes, soap and other toiletries. English lavender became the signature fragrance of the company in 1873.

Yardley received its first royal warrant in 1921, being appointed as perfumers and fine soap makers to the Prince of Wales. In 1932, the company was granted a Royal Appointment as Perfumer to Queen Mary. Interesting note: In 1967, British model Twiggy became the face of Yardley. The company sold "Twiggy Eyelashes", "Twiggy Paint" and other cosmetics.

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Evening and Formal Wear



- A. This sleeveless dress has a princess silhouette with a tucked front bodice. The round neckline is accented with a white fur collar. c. 1931
- B. A formal gown with full heavy bows at the bottom of the bare-back and at the sash. The front is plain with a high V-neckline and puff sleeves. c. 1931

From A Book of Fashion Facts, page 99
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REMINISCING, 2006 - Part 1

Collage of club members at Swap Meet Appreciation Dinner at the Long Horn Restaurant in Lawrence, June 8, 2006, for the July newsletter. A good time with many friends, and missing those not still with us.



Start at upper left: Norm and Margaret Kressmann, various cars, Ray and Ruby Freels, Bill Bunce, Curtis and Cleda Dalton, Betty Bunce and Ken Humm looking at cake, with Joe and Janice Arneson, Raymond and Robin Russell, Mary and Bob Taylor, Linda and Jon Heaven, Cleda and Betty again, Kermit Schrenk, Ted Crady and Dave Ross, Rocky Russell.

REMINISCING, 2006 - Part 2



Starting at upper left, Shirley Cormack, Merle Geyer, Delores and Jack Todd, Dave Tenpenny and friend, George Lauppe (with unidentified men with their backs to the camera) and Jack Todd again, Ruby Freels and Mary Haid, Elton Haid and Vic Hamersky, Phyllis and Charles Eberhart. I don't know the Long Horn's name.

A LITTLE HUMOR

KEYS LEFT IN CAR

They weren't in my pockets. Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the parking lot. My husband has scolded me many times for leaving my keys in the car's ignition. He's afraid that the car could be stolen. As I looked around the parking lot, I realized he was right. The parking lot was empty. I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car and that it had been stolen.

Then I made the most difficult call of all to my husband. "I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen". I thought that the call had been disconnected but then I heard his voice.

"Are you kidding me? I dropped you off" he barked.

Now it was my turn to be silent. Embarrassed, I said "Well, come and get me."

He retorted "I will as soon as I convince this cop that I didn't steal your car!"

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BIKE RIDING - GOOD, HEALTHY EXERCISE

A man was attempting to ride his bicycle from Phoenix to the Grand Canyon. He made it across the desert without incident, but when he reached the mountains, the steep grade wore him down. So, he decides to hitchhike.

Some time later, a car approaches and offers the cyclist a ride, but admits, "Your bicycle won't fit in the car." So, he opens his trunk and takes out a piece of rope. Then, he ties one end of the rope to the bicycle and the other end to his bumper. "You've got a horn on your bike... If I go too fast, honk your horn and I'll slow down."

This scheme worked well for several miles, until another car zooms past. Not to be outdone, the man takes off in pursuit with the bicycle in tow.

Both cars fly through a speed zone and a trooper's radar gun clocks them traveling at 120 mph. The trooper radios ahead to another officer and says, "You've got two vehicles headed your way and they're both doing over 120 mph." "10-4 good buddy," replies the fellow trooper.

The first trooper hesitates a moment, then adds, "And, you're not going to believe this... there's a guy following on a bicycle and he's honking to pass!"

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*From our family to yours,
Merry Christmas!*



*A Happy
New Year*



Leaves two line or message - or not.

