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CALENDAR

2022

Dec 4 - Christmas dinner and Officer Installation, 5:00 PM, Flory Building, Douglas County Fairgrounds

2023

Jan 5 - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M. Peaslee Tech Center

Feb 2 - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M. Peaslee Tech Center



WHAT IS DECEMBER KNOWN FOR?

Dec 7 - Pearl Harbor Day

Dec 18 - Hanukkah Begins

Dec 21 - First Day of Winter

Dec 25 - Christmas Day

Dec 26 - Kwanza

Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Day

EDITOR'S NOTE

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Lawrence Regional car club meeting was on November 3, 2022 at Peaslee Technical Center. We had 17 members present. We had our election of officers and we will install them on December 4th, 2022 at the Christmas Dinner in the Flory Bldg. The Veterans Day Parade is Saturday November 12 at 11:00 AM. The organizers will like the club to be there by 9:30 if possible to line up for the parade. Margaret is trying to schedule a caterer for food for the December meeting of installing officers. Jack is trying to get the music, games and door prize lined up for that date.

We had a good time at the Halloween party at Ken and Virginia's home on October 29th with great food, music, conversation and movie. It's very interesting to visit with all the people that were there. I would recommend it if they have one next year to go to it.

Darrell Workman, President

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Here you can find information on being a member, upcoming events & general information about the club.

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2023 Board: Carl Peer
(913) 856-7481

2024 Board: Tony Mitchell
(785) 840-4947



DECEMBER CELEBRATIONS

MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

Pete Maxon - Dec 5
Craig Stoll - Dec 14
Carl Peer - Dec 22
Virginia Filardo - Dec 25

MEMBER'S ANNIVERSARIES

Charles & Phyllis Eberhart
Dec 14, 1956 - 66 years
Ken & Virginia Filardo
Dec 19, 1998 - 24 years
George & Marceil Lauppe
Dec 27, 1956 - 66 years



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COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2022

CAR SHOW - Daryl Barnes

SWAP MEET - Joe Arneson

SCHOLARSHIP - Tony Mitchell

TRAILER - Joe Arneson

SUNSHINE - Barb & Dave Maycock

CONTRIBUTIONS - Pete Maxon

HISTORICAL - Vacant

MEMBERSHIP - Margaret Barnes.

PROGRAMS - Jack Todd

REFRESHMENTS - Daryl Barnes

EDITOR'S NOTE

If we have missed a birth or anniversary date it is because we don't have the information. Please ask K. L. Homolka for the "Information Form" and return to him.

This will provide the dates to be in your newsletter at the appropriate time.

Your Editor needs articles to put in the newsletter, so please send anything you have that you'd like to share. Send items to kstrunkguy@yahoo.com (by email).

**LAWRENCE REGION AACA
MONTHLY MEETING OCTOBER 3, 2022**

CALLED TO ORDER: President Darrell Workman called the meeting to order at 6:30 P. M. at the Peaslee Tech Center.

ATTENDANCE: (17) Daryl & Margaret Barnes, Mark & Patti Ryan, Robert & Karen Lagerstrom, Norman Kressmann, Russ French, Harlan Woodring, Carl Peer, Pete Maxon, Ken Filardo, Stanley Hayden, Shirley Cormack, Jack Todd, Darrell Workman & K. L. Homolka.

MINUTES: Bob Lagerstrom moved to approve last months minutes as printed. Seconded by Norman Kressmann, carried.

TRESURER'S REPORT: Pete Maxon stated there was no change or activity since last month.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Following were elected to serve another one year term:

Darrell Workman – President

Jack Todd – Vice-President

Pete Maxon – Treasurer

K. L. Homolka – Secretary

Dave Maycock – Board of Directors (3 year term)

OLD BUSINESS: Jack is working on plans for entertainment, door prizes, etc. for the Christmas Party.

Several members thanked Ken & Virginia Filardo for the Halloween Party.

NEW BUSINESS: Veteran's Activities:

1-Club members (8) signed up to drive our cars in the Veteran's Day Parade Nov 12.

2-Margaret mentioned a Veteran's Day dinner and speech by Murl Ridel in Vinland.

Jack made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the "Sweats For Vets" program, seconded by Russ French, approved.

Jack then amended his motion to read: "Donate \$100.00 plus one (1) club jacket to Sweats for Vets' through Margaret Barnes's program". The amendment seconded by Carl Peer, carried.

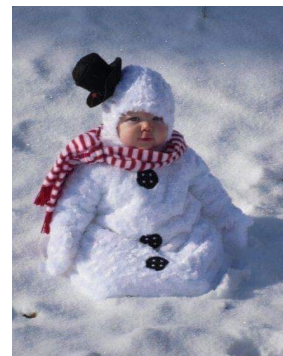
3-Beginning at the January meeting, we will begin having a door prize drawing each month as we have done in the past.

REFRESHMENTS: January refreshments will be furnished by Mark and Patti Ryan.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted
K. L. Homolka, Secretary

A snow baby



2023 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Jan 26-28 - Winter Nationals, South Florida Region, Miami, FL
305-992-5902

Feb 9-11 - AACA Annual Convention - **LOCATION CHANGE - Williamsburg, VA**
717-534-1910

Apr 13-15 - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Hornets Nest Region, Charlotte, NC
704-847-4215

May 18-20 - Eastern Spring Nationals, Gettysburg Region, Gettysburg, PA
717-582-3209

Jul 26-29 - Special Eastern Summer Nationals, Rolling Antiquers Region,
Norwich, NY
607-334-2907

Aug 10-12 - Grand Nationals, Mississippi Valley Region, Bettendorf, IA
309-373-2161

Oct 3-6 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey Region, Hershey, PA
CHANGE: Flea market set-up is Monday; show date is Friday
717-566-7720

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ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2023 - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Mar 17-18 - Chickasha Pre-War Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK

Apr 28-30 - Pate Swap Meet, Texas Motor Speedway, Forth Worth, TX

May 11-13 - Chickasha Spring Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK

Jun 14-17 - Petit Jean Swap Meet, Petit Jean, AR

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

Oct 3 - Hershey Region AACA Swap Meet, Hershey, PA

A SPEECH THAT WON'T OFFEND ANYONE

Well to be perfectly honest, in my humble opinion, of course without offending anyone who thinks differently from my point of view, but also by looking into this matter in a different perspective and without being condemning of one's view's and by trying to make it objectified, and by considering each and every one's valid opinion, I honestly believe that I completely forgot what I was going to say.

The Snowman's Birthday



What do you sing at a snowman's birthday party?
"Freeze a jolly good fellow".





ERA FASHION

Stylish Fashions from Yesteryear *1909 Edwardian Gown*

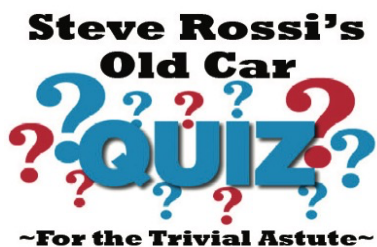
The Edwardian party gown features a narrow silk sheath adorned with jeweled metallic trim befitting royalty. Lace kimono sleeves cover the shirred bodice. A dark sash secures the high waist and ties on the right side of the body.

The knee-length side panels softly cascade in soft drapes and are attached to the high-waisted bodice.

Elegant and feminine, one of the most photographed ladies at the turn of the nineteenth century, Miss Lily Elsie was a very popular English Actress and singer.



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QUESTION

In 1943, Columbia Pictures released the first Batman theater film serial which was inspired by the DC Comics character. Then, a Batman and Robin series followed in 1949.

What were the original Batmobiles used by Columbia?

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VETERAN'S DAY PARADE 11-Nov-22

Several of our club members attended and participated in the Veteran's Day parade on Saturday, November 12th, in downtown Lawrence, Kansas. Their beautiful cars were really a hit and appreciated by the large crowd.



Military personnel lining up to lead the parade.

1985 GMC Caballero
Darrell Workman



1983 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme
Joe Arneson

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1963 Ford Fairlane
Stanley Hayden

1974 Hurst Oldsmobile
Robert Langerstrom



1971 Dodge Charger Super Bee
K. L. Homolka

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1960 Chevrolet Corvette
Pete Maxon

1965 Ford Mustang
Daryl Barnes



Thanks to Darrell Workman and K. L. Homolka for the photographs.



A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR



From member Tim Cragg

WOULD YOU WANT THIS IN YOUR CAR?



ANSWER

Batman originally romped around in a 1939 Cadillac Series 75 convertible sedan, which was often chauffeured by Alfred, the butler. The dynamic duo went on to also fight crime behind the wheel of a then more contemporary 1949 Mercury convertible in the second series.

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

MOM RENEWS HER DRIVER'S LICENSE

My Dad's health was failing, he needed a walker to get around, and his heart and lungs were no longer up to par. When we lost dad two years ago, we realized how much Mom depended upon us. We picked her up for her weekly hair appointment. And grocery shopping. And to come over and spend time with the grand-kids, Lucy, Mike, and Tommy. But, she still wanted to drive. She said still having "her car" brought her independence. She realized driving at night, or in the rain was no longer wise. And a conversation about snow was no discussion. She would stay home or ask for a ride.

Then about 3 months ago, my sister Amy and I were somewhat pleased, yet still anxious. Her driver's license was expiring. We hoped she would fail her driving test, and we would not have to be "the bad guys". Mom announced she would drive herself to the Department of Motor Vehicles mid-morning on a Wednesday. Because she said traffic would be lighter. What happened after that was not completely clear. At the time. What we did know, was Mom's driver's license was renewed, and despite our concerns, she is still driving herself short distances on sunny days.

After several months of driving freedom, Amy and I were having lunch with Mom. Conversation about her driving was still awkward, but we just had to know. So asked her, "Mom, you know we are worried about you driving by yourself. And we were somewhat surprised they renewed your driver's license back in April. What happened? I mean at the DMV?" She smiled. Was that a half wink?

"Well I did all the things they asked me to do. I showed them which pedal was the brake, which one was the gas pedal, and how to use the parking brake. They were very impressed and I drove around the parking lot like they asked."

Not convinced, Amy said: "Mom, did you drive within the lines? Did you start and stop within the painted lines and boxes like you were supposed to?"

Mom replied, "Not exactly. I started out okay, and the inspector did flinch when I ran over the first orange cone. He jumped even more when I hit the next two, and especially when I barely stopped at the bumper of the patrol car."

"Mom!" I exclaimed. "If that was your driving, how did you pass your driving test?"

"Oh, I'm not real sure about it myself." Said Mom. "The inspector was such a dear. He was very patient with me. I wonder if he was distracted by the dozen home baked chocolate chip cookies and tumbler of milk I gave him when I first got in the car with him."

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EVERYONE HAS A FRIEND (OR A FRIEND OF A FRIEND)

By Phillip Cole, Vice President - Publications

There was an outreach model in the latter days of the 20th century, which was used by many volunteer organizations to promote growth. It was (and still is) called the FRAN Model. FRAN stands for friends, relatives, acquaintances and neighbors. The basic premise of FRAN is virtually everyone can look around and find someone who might be interested in their volunteer organization and its purpose. Obviously, AACA membership brings us into contact with people who are interested in old cars. Let's use the FRAN Model to think about how you and I can promote AACA.

Friends. Car shows, tours, cruise-ins, swap meets, monthly meetings, etc. are all ways we enjoy our hobby. Take a moment to think about your friends who might enjoy all these activities, as well. Consider inviting them to any and all of them. I do realize what some of you are thinking right now, "All my friends are already members of our chapter or region!" Okay, but when I came home from my first AACA Board meeting, I had four free membership applications in my hand. I sat down with my wife and within three minutes we were calling four families that we had known for years. They happily joined AACA.

Relatives. Yes, a decade ago, I would have said no one in my family is interested. In the last several years, however, two of my cousins have bought beautiful classic cars, both of my daughters currently drive AACA eligible cars, and my grand daughter is a student member of AACA. Who knew?

Acquaintances. Think about people at work, people you see at social events or who are friends of your close friends. Two of those four families which I mentioned above, were actually acquaintances at first. I got to know both families because they owned storage facilities, where I have stored our cars. As we became friends, I came to realize that both families owned AACA eligible cars. Next month one of those families is planning on showing their car at our regional event and the other plans to attend. It was only a matter of time and encouragement.

Neighbors. Earlier this year a lady from another region told me about a neighbor's little girl who ran up to look at her pre-war car. This lady took the time to talk with the girl about cars and let her sit in the driver's seat. A few minutes later both of the girl's parents came over to see what was going on. After a brief conversation the whole family was taking a ride around the neighborhood and wanted to know if they could go to her chapter's next cruise-in.

The purpose of the AACA is to promote the old car hobby. According to the FRAN Model you just need to look around!

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The Night before Christmas



'Twas the night before Christmas, the clock struck eleven. Everyone else was in bed; they'd be up long before seven. Milk and cookies for Santa, carrots for the reindeer. Set out for the visitors they hoped would soon be here. I turned off the lights as I walked through the house, chuckling as I thought of the proverbial mouse.

I looked out the window into the bright starry night, and grumbled as I saw he'd forgotten the garage light. I put on my coat, boots, mittens and hat. You can bet in the morning he'd hear about that. I walked to the garage, and as I got near, some movement and a voice inside I could hear.

I crept to the window and scraped off the frost. Looked inside to see some elves and, of course, Santa Claus. Elves on the running board, trunk and spare, I stood still, couldn't move, didn't dare. I listened as he spoke to them, smiling as he did. He talked about the Model A, his car when he was a kid.

"This vehicle is a piece of the past, this standard Fordor car, it made the world a smaller place, so men could travel far. This car gave every man a chance to step beyond his home. To leave his land, his town, his state, and go and go where he would roam. It opened up the world to every man, this little Model A Ford. The average man could buy this car - he couldn't afford an L-29 Cord.

"This car you see here, this chicle and copra drab Model A. Is sixty-four years old, if it's even a day. It is cared for and loved by the family who lives here, who get pleasure and enjoyment with it, all through the year. It makes my heart glad and me, happy to see, that a simple thing can be a joy to a family."

He shined the motometer and patted the hood, then he commented, "Even the body is framed with wood." He gathered his elves and went to his sleigh, and went off of the roof, up, up, up and away. I walked back to the house and went up to bed, with the vision of Santa Claus still in my head.

I dreamed of Santa and elves all night. And woke the next morning to the sounds of delight. The children were up, down by the tree, looking at their stockings to see what they could see. The carrots, milk and cookies were gone, the pace was clean, Santa, his elves and reindeer had made the scene.

There was a note from Santa to all the family "Merry Christmas to all, and save a ride for me!" they all looked puzzled, wondering what did this man? As I smiled to myself, my eye had a gleam. I knew what he meant, that wonderful man. Model A Ford people have fun, as no one else can.

- *The Running Board*
Northwestern Connecticut A's

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MY PURSE WHEN WE GO
CHRISTMAS SHOPPING





***MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!***