#### LAWRENCE REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

A DIVERSE GROUP DEDICATED TO THE RESTORATION/PRESERVATION/ENJOYMENT OF OLD CARS



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#### **CALENDAR**

**MARCH 3** - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M. Peaslee Tech Center

**MARCH 9 -** Swap Meet meeting, 6:30 P. M. Perkins Restaurant

**APRIL 7** - Monthly meeting, 6:30 P. M.

Peaslee Tech Center

MAY 6-8 - LRAACA Swap Meet, Douglas County Fairgrounds, Lawrence, KS

#### WHAT IS MARCH KNOWN FOR?

March 2 - Ash Wednesday

March 13 - Daylight Savings Time March 17 - St. Patrick's Day March 20 - First Day of Spring

March 29 - National Viet Nam War Veteran's Day



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On February 3, 2022, we had our second meeting for the year with twelve people in attendance. It was another bad weather evening to be out, being only six degrees with snow on the ground.

Jack brought a new printed map of the fairground space for the swap meet. He also had flyers with him.

Jack is trying to set up more activities to do this summer. He is checking into a cruise to an antique auto collection North and West of Lawrence, and several others for the club.

I reported on a trip a friend and I took to Chanute, Kansas to an antique car museum called Howard Toys for Big Boys Antique Car Museum, at 216 Main Street in Chanute, KS 66720. This is a very good day trip. If you have any interest in automobile history, don't pass up this trip in the future.

Remember if you have not paid your Club dues and National dues get them sent in very soon.

Our next meeting is March 3rd. The Board Members are to meet One Hour before the regular meeting at Peaslee Tech Center.

Darrell Workman

#### **2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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MARCH CELEBRATIONS

#### **MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS**

Tony Mitchell - March 17 Dave Maycock - March 20

#### **MEMBERS' ANNIVERSARIES**

K. L. & Jeanne Homolka March 21, 1961 - 61 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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#### **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

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

# LAWRENCE REGION AACA MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 3, 2022 PEASLEE TECH CENTER

President Darrell Workman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Eleven members were present: Joe Arneson, Jack Todd, Kenny Tibbits, Bill McCollum, Russ French, Jeff Lundry, Pete Maxon, Barb and Dave Maycock, Darrell Workman, and K. Homolka.

MINUTES: Reviewed, motion to approve by Dave Maycock, second by Jack Todd, and approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- \$1,464.00 New Computer for Shirley's work
- \$ 168.00 Annual Swap Meet buttons
- \$ 146.00 Perkins Swap Meet meeting/meal Plus normal monthly bills

SWAP MEET REPORT: Joe has presented this year's buttons, and informed us that he has arranged for a box-van truck, furnished by Wes Alexander (Cordoba Motors of North Lawrence) at no charge, for the registration crew. The next Swap Meet meeting will be in late March.

Jack passed out the new flyers and the updated, greatly improved swap meet vendorf area maps. This will make our jobs much easier assisting vendors finding their spot. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Scholarship information is going out to all area High Schools
- 2. Next swap meet meeting in March, dated TBA, probably at Joe's barn.
- 3. Some discussion about Spring/Summer cruise, museum visits, etc. Jack suggested at least one a month.
  - 4. BOARD MEETING: Thursday, March 3, 5:30 P. M. at the Peaslee Center. Regular membership meeting at 6:30 P. M.
  - 5. March refreshments K.

Motion to adjourn by Joe, second by Dave, carried....adjourned at 7:35 P. M.

Respectively submitted, K. Homolka, Secretary

#### **AUTOMOBILE TRIVIA**

What is the only car to appear simultaneously on the covers of Time magazine and Newsweek magazine?

Answer on page 11

Submitted by Tom Wedbus

#### 2022 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

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

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

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

**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, East Moline, IL, 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

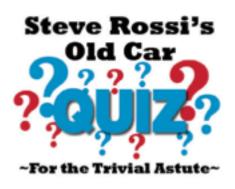
May 6, 7, 8 - Lawrence Region AACA Annual Swap Meet, Lawrence, KS

May 12-14 - Chickasha Spring Swap Meet, Chickasha, OK

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

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

#### **QUESTION**

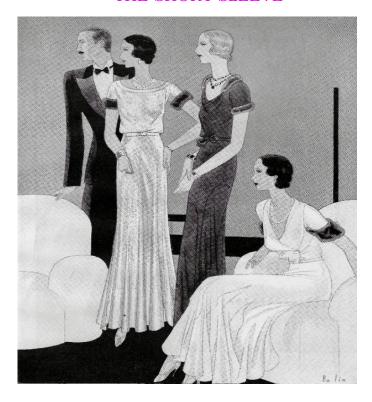


Once upon a time there was an Ohio engineering student who wired his Lehigh University dorm room so he could close the window electronically to avoid getting up out of bed. He would go on to become a prominent electrical goods manufacturer and then set his sights on the then fledgling automotive industry... due to dissatisfaction and then a dare, after buying his first car in 1898. Who was this early automotive entrepreneur?

Answer on page 10

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### FUR EDGES THE SHORT SLEEVE



- The debutante and every one else, too, is wearing the dress with a short furedged sleeve. This is a purely American fashion for informal evenings, and the dark fur has a way of bringing out the beauty of shoulders and arms. The silver lame dress (above, left) has sleeves bordered with mink; Milgrim.
- The bright dark green velvet dress in the center also uses mink on its sleeves and around the modest neckline; Bergdorf Goodman.
- Wide bands of chinchilla encircle the brief sleeves of the unusual evening dress worn by the debutante seated at the right. Silver lame is the fabric, the four-buttoned blouse has wide revers, and the skirt is gracefully full; from Gervais.

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#### A LITTLE HUMOR

#### The Puzzle

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle and I can't figure out how to get started." Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?" The lady says "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster". So her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle.

She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table. He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box and turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster".

He takes her hand and says "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea and then", he said with a deep sigh......"let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."

When you're dead,
you don't know
you're dead. The pain
is only felt by
others.

THE SAME THING HAPPENS WHEN YOU'RE STUPID.

I always knock on the fridge door b4 opening...just in case there's a salad dressing.

I'VE FOUND THAT
GROWING UP IN THE
SIXTIES WAS A LOT
MORE FUN THAN
BEING IN MY SIXTIES

WHEN ONE DOOR CLOSES OTHER THAN THAT, IT'S A PRETTY GOOD CAR.

Don't expect me to stop when you're broken down by the side of the road. You were offered an extended car warranty several times.....



A microwave on its side

#### THE PERSONAL CARS OF HENRY FORD

According to Leslie R. Henry, (curator of the Henry Ford Museum) and Greenfield Village, Henry Ford had several personal cars that were his favorites.

One of his earlier cars that he drove was a 1919 Ford Coupe, which he drove until 1927. It was especially upholstered, had wire wheels, was striped, and had special door handles, and a nickeled radiator shell. The car was rebuilt from time to time.

At the time he stopped driving it, the car had a 1927 engine and chassis.

The next car was a 1929 Model A coupe. It also had special upholst.

The next car was a 1929 Model A coupe. It also had special upholstery, cowl ventilators, and experimental brake drums. It also had a socket in the rear window shelf to hold a bottle of Vichy mineral water which Henry Ford used for his health.

The last car that was a favorite of Henry Ford was a 1942 Ford V-8 sedan. He drove it up to the day before he died April 7,1947. The car had leather upholstery and a two-way radio which was used to maintain communications in his huge plant. This car was also updated and had many 1946 parts.

These cars are on display at the Henry Ford museum.

Although Henry Ford could have had any car and had it customized to any extent, he preferred products that he produced.



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#### BRANDS WE STILL KNOW

Reverend Ira Weaver planted 10 acres of popcorn in 1927 to help increase his income. By 1928, he was shucking and bagging the popcorn by hand, and also

delivering it in a horse-drawn wagon.

Popcorn was a popular treat commonly found at a circus and as a street food and the Great Depression made it even more sought after as a cheap indulgence. It was also at this point in history that movie theaters that previously banned popcorn realized that they could make money from providing popcorn rather than banning it and having patrons bring it in from outside anyhow. The invention of the electric popcorn popper at this time also made it a great moneymaker. The quality popcorn sold by PoP Weaver quickly became a commodity. Today, Weaver popcorn is the largest bulk popcorn seller in the world.

Interesting note: Orville Redenbacher once worked for Weaver Popcorn in Indiana before starting his own popcorn company.

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#### YOUNG VERSES OLD DRIVERS - NO CONTEST

Elsie, an elderly lady, stopped to drive into a parking space when a young man in his brand new red BMW drove around her and parked in the space that she had been waiting for. Elsie was so angered that she approached the young fellow and stated, through gritted teeth, 'I was about to park there.'

The man looked at her with disdain and replied, 'That's what you can do when you are young and bright.'

This annoyed Elsie even more, so she got back in her car, backed it up and then she stamped on the accelerator and rammed straight into his BMW.

The young man ran back to his car and shouted in a stunned voice, 'What did you do that for?'

Elsie smiled at him and said, 'That's what you can do when you're old and rich.'



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#### **INTERESTING FACTS IF YOU WERE BORN 1930-1946**

You are the smallest group of children born since the early 1900s.

You are the last generation, climbing out of the depression, who can remember the winds of war and the impact of a world at war which rattled the structure of our daily lives for years.

You saved tin foil and poured fat into tin cans.

You saw cars up on blocks because tires weren't available.

You can remember milk being delivered to your house early in the morning and placed in the "milk box" on the porch.

You are the last to see the gold stars in the front windows of grieving neighbors whose sons died in the War.

You saw the "boys" home from the war, build their little houses.

You are the last generation who spent childhood without television; instead, you imagined what you heard on the radio.

With no TV until the 50s, you spent your childhood "playing outside".

There was no little league. There was no city playground for kids.

The lack of television in your early years meant that you had little real understanding of what the world was like.

On Saturday afternoons, the movies gave you newsreels in between westerns and cartoons.

Telephones were one to a house, often shared (party lines) and hung on the wall in the kitchen (no cares about privacy).

Typewriters were driven by pounding fingers, throwing the carriage and changing the ribbon.

INTERNET and GOOGLE were words that did not exist.

Newspapers and magazines were written for adults and the news was broadcast on your radio in the evening. As you grew up, the country was exploding with growth.

The government gave returning Veterans the means to get an education and spurred colleges to grow. Loans fanned a housing boom.

Pent up demand coupled with new installment payment plans opened many factories for work.

New highways would bring jobs and mobility.

The Veterans joined civic clubs and became active in polities.

The radio network expanded from 3 stations to thousands.

Your parents were suddenly free from the confines of the depression and the war, and they threw themselves into exploring opportunities they had never imagined.

You weren't neglected, but you weren't today's all-consuming family focus. They were glad you played by yourselves until the street lights came on. They were busy discovering the post war world.

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#### (Continued from page 9)

You entered a world of overflowing plenty and opportunity - a world where you were welcomed, enjoyed yourselves and felt secure in your future though depression poverty was deeply remembered.

Polio was still a crippler.

You came of age in the 50s and 60s.

Only your generation can remember both a time of great war, and a time when our world was secure and full of bright promise and plenty.

You grew up at the best possible time, a time when the world was getting better.

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#### **HETERONYMS** - Words spelled alike but with different meanings

The bandage was wound around the wound.

The farm was used to produce the produce.

We must polish the Polish furniture.

He could lead if he would get the lead out.

The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.

Since there was no time like the present, it was time to present the present.

A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.

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### ANSWER Quiz on page 4

James Packard created his four-wheeled namesake after buying the 13th Winton made on August 13, 1898. He tried to have Alexander Winton make good on what proved to be a problematic product, and after what escalated into an argument, Winton told Packard, "If you're so smart why don't you make your own car?" So he did. His (and his brother William Doud's) original electrical component company became the Packard division of General Motors. It ended up under the Delphi umbrella, which was spun off from GM in1999 and later acquired by Borg Warner in 2020.



### **CAR QUIZ**

What was the last year each of these cars were made?

1. Auburn	14. Nash
2. Austin	15. Oldsmobile
3. Cord	16. Overland
4. Datsun	17. Packard
5. DeLorean	18. Plymouth
6. DeSoto	19. Pontiac
7. Edsel	20. Rambler
8. Geo	21. Reo
9. Hudson	22. Saturn
10. Hummer	23. Studebaker
11. Imperial	24. Stutz
12. Kaiser	25. Tucker
13. Mercury	26. Willys

Thanks to K. L. Homolka for the quiz and answers on page 13

#### **TRIVIA ANSWER**

Quiz on page 3



The Mustang!



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#### **CAR QUIZ ANSWERS**

Quiz on page 11

What was the last year each of these cars were made?

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2. Austin - 1987

3. Cord - 1937

4. Datsun - 1986

5. DeLorean - 1983

6. DeSoto - 1961

7. Edsel - 1960

8. Geo -2001

9. Hudson - 1954

10. Hummer - 2010

11. Imperial - 1983

12. Kaiser - 1953

13. Mercury - 2010

14. Nash - 1954

15. Oldsmobile - 2004

16. Overland - 1926

17. Packard - 1956

18. Plymouth - 2001

19. Pontiac - 2009

20. Rambler - 1983

21. Reo - 1936

22. Saturn - 2009

23. Studebaker - 1966

24. Stutz - 1987

25. Tucker - 1948

26. Willys - 1955

#### BECAUSE IT'S FEBRUARY AND WINTERTIME

There's always one:



# I was cooking bacon and looked down - I thought my teeth had fallen out!!!



