

LAWRENCE REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

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CALENDAR

Sep 7 - Club picnic, Centennial Park, 6:00 pm. Beimer's BBQ. Bring guests for hopefully new members.

Oct 1 - LRAACA car show, Broken Arrow Park

Oct 5 - Monthly meeting, 6:30 PM. Peaslee Tech Center

WHAT IS SEPTEMBER KNOWN FOR?

Sep 4 - Labor Day

Sep 10 - Grandparents Day

Sep 11 - Patriot Day

Sep 13 - International Chocolate Day

Sep 23 - First Day of Fall

Sep 27 - National Day Of Forgiveness

EDITOR'S NOTE

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On Thursday, July 27th, we went to the Meadowlark Estates. There were 10 vehicles there. We all sat around outside and visited. They served us lunch and it was very good. After lunch and showing some residents our cars, we went home.

The Vinland Fair is August 3rd. We have been invited there again this year. I hope to see a big turnout.

Darrell Workman
President



*Labor rids us of three great evils:
Tediumness, vice, and poverty.*

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

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SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

Ken Filardo - Sep 20
Linda Hayden - Sep 20
Norman Kressmann - Sep 23
Patti Ryan - Sep 23
Jack Todd - Sep 23

MEMBERS' ANNIVERSARIES

Kenny & Donna Tibbits
September 3, 1983 - 40 years

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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 2023

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
MINUTES FOR JULY 27, 2023 MEETING**

Our club was invited to Meadowlark Estates to display our cars for the residents to see. We had 12 cars and Don's motorcycle on display. They served us a nice lunch.

ATTENDANCE: (13) Joe Arneson, Shirley Cormack, Don Fornelli, K. L. Homolka, Robert Lagerstrom, Doug McNichols, Ralph Reschke, Mark Ryan, Ken & Donna Tibbits, Jack & Delores Todd, and Darrell Workman
Howard Smith (Meadowlark resident and owner of Smith Motors) attended our show, bringing his "Plymouth Prowler" and a large picture notebook full of various old and unusual cars he had sold. Mark Ryan brought a guest, his grandson, Robert Ryan. The fair and car show were enjoyed by all.

REMEMBER

**VINLAND FAIR MEETING/CAR SHOW
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 6:00 PM
CLUB FURNISHING THE MEAL
SEE YOU THERE**

Respectfully submitted,
K. L. Homolka, Secretary

**LAWRENCE REGION AACA
AUGUST MEETING MINUTES**

The club and members were invited to the Vinland Fair on August 3rd, and requested to show our cars. 12 cars and one motorcycle were in attendance. Although it was hot, the food was good, and it was nice seeing friends again; however, we did not have an official meeting, so there will be no meeting minutes for August.

Car photos will be in the next month's newsletter.

Shirley Cormack
Editor

I was so excited to hear Apple might start selling its own cars. Then I learned they wouldn't support windows.

2023 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 3-6 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA

Change: Flea Market set-up is Monday; show date is Friday

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ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2023 - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Sep 3 - KOA will have a cruise-in at 2:00 PM on their campground. Shaded tables and food will be available. Put on by Ralph Newell. A good opportunity to view vehicles, buy some eats, and enjoy all.

Oct 1 - Lawrence Region AACA Car Show, Lawrence, KS

2024 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Feb, 2024 - AACA Annual Convention, Dulles, VA

Mar 21-24 - Winter Nationals, Guaynabo, Puerto Rico

Apr 4-6 - Southeastern Spring Nationals/Grand Nationals, Charlotte, NC

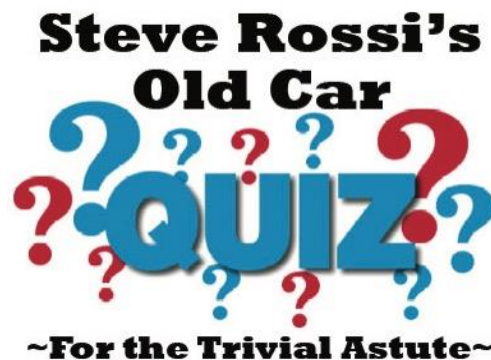
Apr 18-20 - AACA Western Spring Nationals, Tucson, AZ

QUESTION

What did the demise of the high-wheeler "Ordinary" bicycle have in common with the arrival of the self-starter and demountable wheel rims?

ANSWER on page 9

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WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT

A \$300 dollar watch and a \$30 watch tell the same time.

A Michael Kors wallet and a Forever 21 wallet hold the same amount of money.

A \$300,000 house and a \$100,000 house host the same loneliness.

A Ford will also drive you as far as a Bentley.

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McPHERSON COLLEGE GETS A BILLION DOLLAR DONATION

A while back, an anonymous benefactor promised to donate \$500 million if the college could raise half that amount by June 2023. With the help of supporters as varied as Jay Leno to multiple small clubs like ours, this goal was accomplished as of June, 2023, and the donor actually doubled their matching funds, resulting in a 1 Billion dollar donation!



Why does this matter to you and me? McPherson College is the only place in America that offers a four-year degree in automotive restoration, including historic automotive tech. The graduates from this school spread worldwide. Currently, only a very limited number of students can be accepted into this program. With the boost in funding, it is hopeful that the number of students accepted into this field of study will be able to expand in the near future!

Our club voting this spring to donate money to this cause has helped make an historic difference in the amount of trained restoration specialists for the future. For the Model A hobby, and indeed all vintage and antique car enthusiasts, that is exciting news and hope for the future of our cars.

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Congratulations to McPherson College and all the car clubs who participated in reaching the million dollar goal which was boosted to one billion dollars and presented to the college. It's going to be so interesting to watch the changes that will be happening to the college and surrounding areas. Our club, by participating in the donation, should be proud that we helped McPherson in this endeavor.

Shirley Cormack, Editor

THE PHONES ARE SMARTER THAN WE ARE

Son: So how's your new phone, Mom?

Mom:

Son: You finally have a smartphone.

Mom:

Son: Mom? Why aren't you answering?

Mom: howdoyoudoospace

CAR SHOW AT MEADOWLARK ESTATES

Thursday, July 27, 2023



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EDITOR'S NOTE: The participants' vehicles at the Vinland Fair will be shown in the next newsletter.

BRANDS WE STILL KNOW

By Sherry Winkinhofer and The Road Runner

Leo Hirschfeld, an Austrian immigrant who worked at a candy factory in New York City, developed a chocolate tasting candy in 1907. This new candy didn't melt in the heat like many candies of the time did. Often described as taffy or caramel like, it was something in between. Hirschfeld patented a new technique that gave tootsie rolls their unique texture. He named the new candy after his daughter Clara whose nickname was Tootsie. It was an immediate hit. Hirschfeld eventually became Vice-President of the company, which changed its name to "The Sweets Company of America" in 1917. Shortly after that Hirschfeld left the company. In those early years, you could also buy tootsie rolls with nuts, caramel or fudge. Today's tootsie rolls are nut free.



1920 Ad

Interesting note: The company's website says the recipe today still calls for including some of the previous day's batch, stating this is "a graining process that Tootsie continues to this day. As such, there's (theoretically) a bit of Leo's very first Tootsie Roll in every one of the sixty four million Tootsie Rolls that Tootsie produces each day."

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TRIVIA CHALLENGE

Which of the Chrysler "letter cars" sold the fewest amount?

Answer on page 9



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SUSPENDERS!

Suspenders were designed to distribute weight evenly across the body, and hold the pants up securely. In our era, they came in many bright colors and were considered a stylish accessory. There was no one design for these helpful accessories. The straps could be thick and strong for hefty men or lighter weight for young men. The web fabric they are made of could be made of elastic or non-elastic webbing, with a few models adding springs to the straps. The non-elastic model A's often had an elastic insert on the back to add the needed flexibility. The ends and trim could be leather or cording. In one instance, they used chain! Backs could cross over, or come down to one strap. A few were self-adjusting in length.



Colors were all over the gamut, and stripes, dots, checks and brocades could all be found. A few novelty versions in a different catalog included an aviation design, and a modernistic dancer!

All pictures are from a 1929 Montgomery Wards Fall and Winter catalog.

We Pay Postage

Heavy Police Style
35 G 246—LENGTH: 40 inches.
35 G 248—LENGTH: 42 inches.
We Pay Postage.
Assorted colors. Heavy elastic webbing for durability. Leather ends; cushion back. Adjustable slide buckles.

50¢

Rugged Hercules
35 G 277—Assorted colors.
LENGTH: 40 inches. We Pay Postage.
The famous Hercules Brand "rugged work" Suspenders stand the greatest strain you'll give them. Cross back style with heavy leather ends and webbing.

79¢

Heavy Web
35 G 226—LENGTH: 40 in.
35 G 228—LENGTH: 42 inches.
We Pay Postage.
Assorted colors. Strong quality, heavy web; crossback Work Suspenders. Good elastic webbing; leather ends.

49¢

Real President
35 G 233—Assorted colors.
LENGTH: 40 inches. We Pay Postage.
Constructed of good quality webbing for greater durability. Self-adjusting, a very popular feature, and convenient. Cord end style. Excellent quality.

49¢

Spring Suspenders
35 G 242—Assorted colors.
LENGTH: 40 inches. We Pay Postage.
Durably made of finely woven non-elastic web, with cord ends and brass trimming. Concealed springs assure plenty of stretch and long life.

39¢

89¢ **New Style**
35 G 282—LENGTH: 40 in.
COLORS: Maroon and white; blue and white; green and white; black and white. State color. We Pay Postage.
New style, striped patterns. Non-elastic web. Chain ends. Priced very low for this style.

50¢ **Non-Elastic Web**
35 G 271—Assorted colors.
LENGTH: 40 inches.
35 G 278—Assorted colors. LENGTH: 42 inches. We Pay Postage.
For men who prefer non-elastic Suspenders; heavy elastic insert in back. Adjustable slide buckles. Woven ends.

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TRIVIA CHALLENGE ANSWER

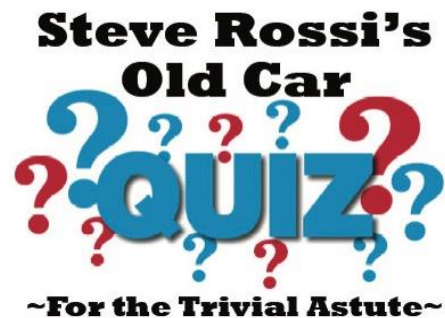


Only 400 1963 300 J's were sold
(they skipped "I" because it looked
like the number 1).

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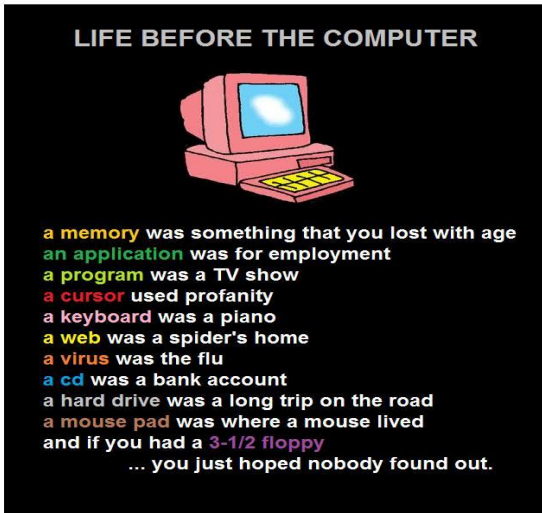
ANSWER

The high-wheeler “Ordinary” was superseded by the low-slung, user-friendly “Safety” bicycle. Like the self-starter and demountable wheel rims, all three served to liberate women and make both two and four-wheeled transportation more accommodating to their physical needs.



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A BIT OF HUMOR



How to lose weight



The emotional support dog after I got done telling him all my problems.

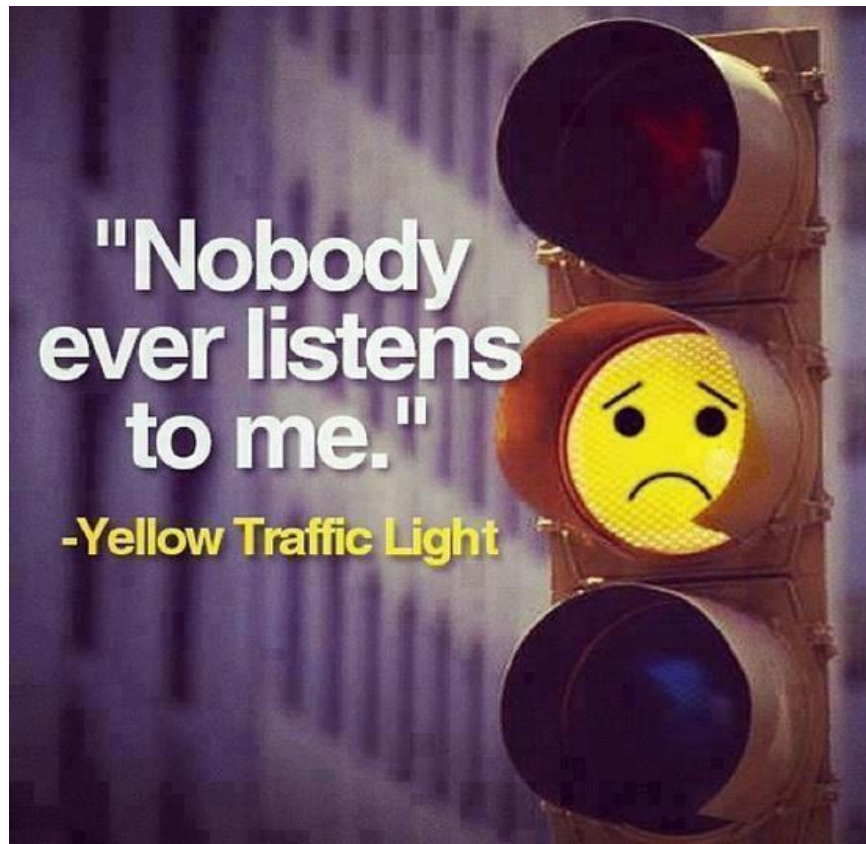


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FOR THOSE THAT HAVE
NEVER SEEN A
CATFISH !!



Almost a foot of sun at my place.
Probably not gonna make it to work.
Ya'll stay safe out there!



When I get stressed out in life, I always remember the 50 lane highway in China 🇨🇳 which merges into 4, and not being there, brings me some comfort & peace 🙏



Found on the Internet

ALL ABOUT K. L. HOMOLKA

Name _____ K. L. Homolka _____ Spouse's Name _____ Jean _____
Date of Birth _____ June 14 _____ Date of Birth _____ July 27 _____
Anniversary date _____ March 22, 1961 _____

I was born in _____ Munden, Kansas _____ and grew up in _____ Munden, KS (Republic County) _____
When I was a kid, I wanted to grow up to be _____ Farmer, Hiway Patrolman _____
My profession is/was _____ Manager/Owner Tire and Auto Repair Shop _____
I've been a member of this club since _____ March, 2008 _____
Children/Grandchildren? Names/ages _____ 3 children: Terri - 60, Jeanna-56, and Dennis _____
_____ 10 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren _____

First Car I owned was _____ 1954 Ford Victoria _____
Most recent car I owned was _____ 2016 Chrysler "200" _____
Favorite car I've ever owned was _____ 1970 "Cuda" 440-6 Pack (Plymouth Barracuda) _____
The car I wish for but never owned _____ DeLorean _____

The craziest thing that ever happened to me in an antique car was _____ In a 4th of July parade,
my car overheated. I had to pull out of the parade. During the awards ceremony, I received a
"Tuff Luck" trophy. _____

There's something about me that most club members don't know, and that is _____ (except for one grand-
daughter's family) the rest of the family lives within 50 miles of home. That makes a house full when
we have a gathering (Christmas, birthdays, etc.). _____

K. L.'s beautiful 1971 Dodge Charger
Super Bee



LAWRENCE REGION AACA ANTIQU & CLASSIC CAR SHOW

50TH ANNUAL

LAWRENCE KANSAS

Sunday October 1, 2023

BROKEN ARROW PARK, 31st & Louisiana, Lawrence, Kansas

THIS YEAR FEATURING ALL CHEVROLET CORVETTE MODELS

VEHICLES MUST BE 30 YEARS OR OLDER TO RECEIVE AWARDS

LAWRENCE ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW CLASSES & AWARDS

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|---|---|
| •Club Participation | 1st place - \$50.00; 2nd place -\$30.00 |
| •Longest distance travel - driven- to show: | Cash award of \$15.00 |
| •Class A Automobilia display | Cash award of \$30.00 |
| •Class B Trucks | 1st /2nd place BS and BM |
| •Class C Feature make vehicles | 1st/ 2nd place CS and CM |
| •Class D Passenger car 1943 & earlier | 1st /2nd place DS and DM |
| •Class E Passenger car 1945-1954 | 1st/ 2nd place ES and EM |
| •Class F Passenger car 1955-1964 | 1st/ 2nd place FS and FM |
| •Class G Passenger car 1965 -1974 | 1st/ 2nd place GS and GM |
| •Class H Passenger car 1975 – 1992 | 1st/ 2nd place HS and HM |
| •Class J Foreign vehicles 1992 and earlier | Class 1st/ 2nd place |
| •Peoples Choice (most overall votes) award; | |

Ribbons and dash plaques to the first 150 cars

SPECIAL DISPLAY; antique toys, model cars, auto related items

All vehicles must carry liability insurance, name of carrier on registration form

BS= class B stock: BM = class B modified (same for classes with stock & modified)

STOCK VEHICLE GUIDELINES ARE AS FOLLOWS: ALL OTHER VEHICLES SHALL BE CONSIDERED MODIFIED

- 1.1) Original body shape. No chopping, channeling, nosing, decking or sheet metal changes
- 2.2) Original chassis and engine sizes available from the factory for the vehicle model and year
- 3.3) Original wheels and hubcaps available from the factory for the model and year
- 4.4) Original interior or a fabric change to original interior components
- 5.5) Original paint colors or other color but no graphics or murals
- 6.6) Following added safety and accessories:

- Extra tail or fog lights
- Rear view mirror
- Hazard flashers
- Bumper accessories
- Disc brakes
- Seat Belts
- Custom wheels or original diameter
- Dual exhaust system
- Radial tires
- Some chrome components in the engine compartment

FOR INFORMATION

LAWRENCE REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

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Registration begins at 9:00 A.M. At Lawrence Region AACA Trophy presentation @ 2:00 P.M.

CARS DISPLAY IN DESIGNATED AREA FREE ENTRY, DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED
NOT A SWAP MEET, JUDGING BY THE PUBLIC, NO FOR SALE SIGNS,

**NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS**

BEST FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL PHOTO EVER!



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