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2025 CALENDAR

- SEP 4:** Membership Drive, 6:00 PM, in the Flory Building at the fairgrounds. Catered meal.
- SEP 18:** Meadowlark Living Center, 4430 Bauer Farm Drive, car show, 12:00 to 2:00. Meal provided.
- OCT 5:** Our car show at Dale Willey Auto, 2840 Iowa, 9 AM-2 PM
- NOV 6:** Regular Meeting, 6:00 PM, Peaslee Tech Center
- DEC 9:** Christmas Party/Meeting, beginning at 5:00 PM, in the Flory Building at the fairgrounds. Meal served and gifts distributed.

CELEBRATIONS

- Sep 1 - Labor Day**
- Sep 7 - Grandparent's Day**
- Sep 11 - Patriot Day**
- Sep 19 - National POW/MIA Day**
- Sep 22 - First Day of Autumn**
- Sep 22 - Rosh Hashanah Begins**
- Sep 28 - Gold Star Mother's Day**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We know it's summer time in Kansas, heat, humidity, and wind, but we are thankful it is not floods, wildfires, and hurricanes. Glad I'm in Kansas. We have several up-coming events that have some changes to take note of:

1. Our SEPTEMBER 4th regular meeting (membership drive - bring a friend /prospective member), will be a catered meal at the FLORY BUILDING at the fairgrounds at 6:00 PM. (NOT AT THE PARK AS PAST YEARS).
2. SEPTEMBER 18 - 12:00 TO 2:00 PM at the MEADOWLARK LIVING CENTER, CENTER , 4430 Bauer Farm Dr. to help them celebrate "National Cheese Burger Day". Guess what, they will be serving us "Cheese Burgers". BRING YOUR CARS.

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LRAACA WEBSITE

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

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(3 year terms)

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SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS

MEMBER'S BIRTHDAYS

Freda Geyer - Sept 16
Ken Filardo - Sept 20
Linda Hayden - Sept 20
Jessica Felton - Sept 23
Norm Kressmann - Sept 23
Jack Todd - Sept 23

MEMBER'S ANNIVERSARIES

Kenny and Donna Tibbits
September 2 - 1983 - 42 years

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR 2025

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 Margaret Barnes for the "Information Form" and return to her. 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).

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Continued from page 1)

3. ANNUAL CAR SHOW, SUNDAY, OCT. 5. Daryl had his hands full. and did a terrific job putting everything together this year. First of all, he was able to get our \$500.00 deposit back from the city. Then arranged with Dale Willey Auto to use their car dealership lot and show room. That will be great, air conditioned show room, registrations, restrooms , etc.

4. CHRISTMAS PARTY/MEETING , December 9 in the FLORY BUILDING at the fairgrounds beginning at 5:00 PM.

The Vinland Fair/meeting/car display/and another good meal was enjoyed by 18 club members and spouses. It was a little warm that day but we all found some shade.

K. L. Homolka
President

LAWRENCE REGION AACA MONTHLY MEETING August 7, 2025

Our club meeting was held at the Vinland, Kansas Fairgrounds and 18 members were present. We were well represented with a variety of classics and all had a good time and fellowship together. There was a little networking about transmission trouble and some discussion about maintenance but no official business was discussed. All-in-all, a very enjoyable laid-back evening with good food and good fellowship.

Our September 4th meeting will be held at 6:00 PM in the Flory building at the fairgrounds and will be a membership drive, so bring a friend or prospective member. **(This is NOT at the park as in past years)**. A meal will be catered.

There was no attendance noted and no door prize.

Respectively submitted,
Margaret Barnes, Secretary



2025 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 7-10 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA

Oct 23-25 - Central Fall Nationals, Galveston, TX

ADDITIONAL EVENTS FOR 2025 - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Oct 5 - Lawrence Region AACA Car Show, Lawrence, KS

2026 SCHEDULED NATIONALS - NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

Feb 5-7 - Annual Convention/National Awards, Chantilly, VA

Mar 19-21 - Special Nationals, Guaynago, Puerto Rico

Apr 9-11 - Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC

May 28-30 - Eastern Spring Nationals, Indiana, PA

May 28-30 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA

JUL ?? - TENTATIVE - Annual Grand Nationals (Senior Cars), Allentown, PA

Aug 20-22 - TENTATIVE - Southeastern Fall Nationals, Oak Ridge, TN

Oct 6-9 - Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA

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Information can be found on the National AACA website:

<https://aaca.org/events/category/aaca-national-calendar>



QUESTION

When did On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) capability begin in automobiles and is there any way to decipher scanned Fault Code readouts?

Answer on page 10

Steve Rossi's Old Car



~For the Trivial Astute~

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CAR SHOWS ATTENDED BY CLUB MEMBERS

BONNER SPRINGS, KANSAS

A small group of the Lawrence, KS antique automobile club members attended a car show at Bonner Springs, Kansas on July 26, 2025. It was hot and muggy, nobody won the big prizes, but they all enjoyed looking at the cars shown and being together. Attendees were Stanley Hayden, Jack and Delores Todd, and Darrell Workman.

VINLAND, KANSAS

Vinland, Kansas held their annual fair on August 7, 2025, with children and adults showing the animals they have raised, booths with various items for sale, fun rides available, games for kids, a demolition derby, great food and delicious pies!! Many members of our club attended and thoroughly enjoyed the fair. Club members exhibited their vehicles at the fair and we have attached photos of the various vehicles.



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LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS

A car show in Leavenworth, KS was held on August 9, 2025. A good show of vehicles cruised in. A little rain in the morning moved out at 10:30, and the weather was sticky in the afternoon. Stanley Hayden won a \$25.00 gift card to a restaurant. Stanley, and Darrell Workman, showed their cars. Jack and Delores Todd came as spectators and sat with them. Nice goodie bags were handed out with treasures, and there were lots of people throughout the day. They all had a good time visiting with car friends that they only see once or twice a year.



Thanks to Darrell Workman for all the photographs.

MANHATTAN AUTO MUSEUM

By Darrell Workman

Last week I went to the Manhattan Auto Museum. It is well worth your time and money. My favorite car was the 1948 Tucker. There were 51 made but only 48 are known to still exist. The car in the picture is the 17th made. The last one sold at auction was purchased for 2.5 million dollars. The government got a law suit against the company and put it out of business. There was a 1988 movie made about the history of the Tucker car.



BRANDS WE STILL KNOW

AMC Theatres was founded in 1920 by Maurice, William, Irvin, Edward, and Barney Dubinsky, sons of Russian Jewish immigrants. They had been traveling the Midwest when they decided to settle down and purchased the Regent theater in Kansas City MO. It was located on 12th Street between Walnut and Grand in downtown, and was originally opened in 1916. Several brothers left the business and Edward, the youngest brother, who changed his name to Durwood, finally took control after a legal fight with the remaining brothers. He renamed the company "Durwood Theaters". Eventually the chain also had theaters in St. Joseph, Jefferson City, Leavenworth and Topeka,

Kansas. In the 1940s the firm branched out into Drive In Movie Theaters. The company is credited with the introduction of the multi-plex theater with multiple screens in the early 1960s and in 1968, the name was changed to American Multi-Cinema, shortened to "AMC".

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Ad for grand opening of the Regent Theater in 1916

Trivia

What is the car and what is the engine?

Answer on page 10

ANSWER

General Motors initiated a new Assembly Line Diagnostic Link in 1980 to support its manufacturing process. The Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) then recommended a universal connector and diagnostic protocol in 1988. The California Air Resources Board (CARB) mandated basic On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) II in 1991, which was followed by a more comprehensive OBD II system for 1996.

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Steve Rossi's Old Car ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ? ~For the Trivial Astute~

Trivia Challenge Answered



Studebaker Golden Hawk with a 275 hp Packard V8 engine.

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INTERESTING FACTS

Pierre-Auguste Renoir and Claude Monet were friends and they often painted together, several of their works were painted at the same time and in the same locations, from different angles.

Michelangelo's talent as a sculptor first drew attention after a failed attempt at art fraud. The Roman Catholic cardinal who purchased his fake antique cupid statue was so impressed with Michelangelo's work that he invited the artist to Rome for a meeting. Michelangelo remained in Rome, and his career flourished.

Bluetooth technology got its name from a tenth-century king - King Harald Bluetooth, who united Denmark and Norway, just like Bluetooth linked computers and cell phones for the first time. The Bluetooth symbol now seen on modern-day computers is a combination of the ancient Norse runes for "H" and "B".

In 1848 gold was discovered at Sutter's Mill, setting off the California Gold Rush. During 1852, the peak year of the rush, an estimated \$81 million worth of gold (not adjusted for inflation) was extracted.

1875 Elizabeth Ann Seton became the first American born Catholic saint when she was Canonized by Pope Paul VI. The three miracles attributed to Seton that are required for sainthood all involved healing individuals who were close to death.

In 1890 Yosemite National Park was established. After environmentalist John Muir noticed parts of Yosemite Valley were being destroyed from domestic sheep grazing, he began advocating to make it a national park. A year later, Yosemite became the third national park in the U.S.

In 1932 Radio City Music Hall opened in New York City. Since its opening, more than seven hundred films have premiered there, but it is now known more as a venue for concerts and stage shows, including the popular Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular.

In 1975 a U.S. Apollo spacecraft docked with a Soviet Soyuz spacecraft, and astronauts from the two countries held the first international meeting in space.

1975 Frank Fools Crow, an Oglala Lakota spiritual leader and Medicine Man, led the opening prayer for a session of the U.S. Senate, making him the first Native American religious leader to do so. He Spoke invocation in Lakota.

A LITTLE HUMOR



"In the old days, your Grandma and I watched TV with rabbit ears."

Me after using a bunch of anti aging creams



A LITTLE MORE HUMOR

A HILLBILLY LETTER FROM MA

Dear Son:

I'm writing this slow because I know you can't read fast. We don't live where we did when you left. Pa read in the paper where most accidents happened within 20 miles of home, so we moved. I won't be able to send you the new address as the last family that lived here took the numbers with them for their next house so they won't have to change their address.

This place has a warshing machine. The first day I put four shirts in it, pulled the chain and have not seen them since. It only rained twice this week - three days the first time and four days the next time. Pa said the coat you wanted to send Aunt Sue would be too heavy to mail with the buttons on so we cut them off and put them in the pockets.

We got a bill from the funeral home. It said if we didn't make the last payment on Grama's funeral, up she comes. Your Pa got a new job. He has 500 people under him. He mows the cemetery.

About your sister Mable, she had a baby this morning. I don't know if it is a boy or girl so I don't know if you're an aunt or an uncle. Your cousin John fell into the whiskey vat. Some men tried to pull him out but he fought them off till he drowned. We creamated him and he burned for three days.

Three of your friends went off the bridge in a pickup. One was driving, the other two were in the back. The driver got out - he rolled down the window and swam to safety. The other two drowned because they couldn't get the tail gate down.

Not much news at this time. Nothing much has happened.

Love,
Ma

PS -I was going to send you \$10.00 but I had already sealed the envelope.

Anonymous

52nd ANNUAL ANTIQUÉ & CLASSIC CAR SHOW

LAWRENCE REGION ANTIQUE AUTO CLUB OF AMERICA

Sunday October 5, 2025

NEW LOCATION:

DALE WILLEY AUTO, 2840 IOWA, LAWRENCE, KS

LAWRENCE ANTIQUE & CLASSIC CAR SHOW CLASSES & AWARDS

Class A - 1900 - 1929, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class B - 1930 - 1939, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class C - 1940 - 1949, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class D - 1950 - 1959, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class E - 1960 - 1969, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class F - 1970 - 1975, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class MC - MODIFIED CARS, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

Class MT- MODIFIED TRUCKS, FIRST & SECOND PLACE

CLASS G- MOTORCYCLE, BEST IN SHOW ONLY

VEHICLES MUST BE 50 YEARS, OR OLDER, IN THE ANTIQUE CLASSES FOR AWARDS

CLASSES A - G, AND MODIFIED TRUCKS AND CARS ARE JUDGED BUT NOT CAR CLUB MEMBER ENTRIES.

MEMBER ENTRIES ARE AWARDED BY PEOPLE'S CHOICE BALLOTS ISSUED TO REGISTERED DRIVERS ONLY. CLUB MEMBERS ARE GIVEN ONE FIRST AND ONE SECOND PLACE AWARD.

DASH PLAQUES TO THE FIRST 140 ENTRIES

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

- 1) Original body shape. No chopping, channeling, nosing, decking or sheet metal changes
- 2) Original chassis and engine sizes available from the factory for the vehicle model and year
- 3) Original wheels and hubcaps available from the factory for the model and year
- 4) Original interior or a fabric change to original interior components
- 5) Original paint colors or other color but no graphics or murals
- 6) Following added safety and accessories:
 - Extra tail or fog lights
 - Rear view mirror
 - Hazard flashers
 - Bumper accessories
 - Disc brakes
 - Seat Belts
 - Custom wheels of original diameter
 - Dual exhaust system
 - Radial tires
 - Some chrome components in the engine compartment, i.e., chrome valve covers and chrome air breathers

FOR INFORMATION

LAWRENCE REGION ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

813-522-8294; GARYL BARNES

Web site: www.lraaca.org

Registration begins at 9:00 AM with Lawrence Region AACA. Plaques & cash presentation @ 2:00 PM

CARS DISPLAY IN DESIGNATED AREAS -

FREE ENTRY FEES, DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

JUDGING BY ASSIGNED JUDGES

NO FOR SALE SIGNS,

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS