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Trivia Challenge



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

President's Message

When the charter members chose "Mid-America" as the regional name, it was primarily to include car enthusiasts from both sides of the state line.

There are now weather alerts of heat, floods and windstorms from all four regions in the United States. Think of how fortunate we are to be in mid-America even as we are forced to remain in the comfort of air conditioning.

Let us hope we will be able to enjoy some car events when it finally cools off!

Stay safe, think of family and friends,

Bonnie

Thought of the day:

A wise man can keep a secret, but he is not nearly as wise as a man who has no secrets.

August Activities & Meetings

Mid-America AACA Official Event

August Mid-America Official Event

Saturday, August 26, from 10am-noon
JB Hodgdon Garage Tour
23803 West 83rd Terrace
Shawnee, KS

Lunch after the tour:

Callahan's Grill West
22917 West 83rd Street
Lenexa, KS

Please mark your calendars for September Mid-America Official Event

September 16, Saturday *time TBD*

Member Picnic

Dan McGrath & Tammy Suddeth's home

11404 East 243rd St.

Peculiar, MO 64078

Details will follow

2023 Mid-America AACA Member Meeting Date

Club meetings are held at Your Classic Ride, 2711 Warwick Trfway, KCMO at 2:00 pm, on the 3rd Sunday of each month, unless otherwise noted



August 20, Sunday Simon Curzon, will speak about Rolls Royce judging and the relationship between Rolls Royce and AACA. Simon is the Head Judge for the Rolls Royce Owner's Club. He restores and works on Rolls and Bentleys. Cars are shipped to him from all over the United States and some internationally.

September 10, Sunday (*note change from 9/17 to 9/10*) Watch your email for meeting details!

October 15, Sunday

November 19, Sunday Meeting & Chili party

December 17, Sunday Christmas Party at Stonehaus Farms Winery, 24607 NE Colbern Rd. Lee's Summit, MO (*no meeting this month*)
Please mark your calendars—details later

July Member Meeting

The "Show and Tell" meeting on July 9, gave members the opportunity to share their hobby or skill and gave others the opportunity to know each other from a different view.

We had historians, radio repairman, a hand grenade, miniature models of antique cars, big boy toys, a hat signed by Hollywood actors, antique football equipment, WWII whistle and did you know there was such a thing as a kerosene branding iron? Enjoy the photos!



Members getting ready for "Show & Tell"



Gary Crispin—Antique football face protector



Michael Williams—the history of his Bentley



Dennis Roberts—"crawler" car— he has a 40x40 ft track



Dan McGrath—Longmire western television crime drama books and hat signed by actors

Right: Tom Robson—kerosene branding iron



Paul Williamson—miniature antique models.



Sharon Cygan—Cherished Teddie's Collection



Jerry Cygan—Grenade from Vietnam



Bonnie Johnson—30 years of GM tie tacks 1962-1992 and around Bonnie's neck—a WWII artillery battery whistle



Jack Boyle—"Steam Punk" WWII Craftsman Sander



John Weir—Collectible and rare Beer cans from his collection of 300



*Merle Houck
Stage Coach radio*



1951 Silvertone radio



Cadillac radio



*Steve Hardwich—car memorabilia
Car windshield cards from car shows*



Barry Herbert—wood shaft golf clubs



*Norm Kressmann—History of the Jordan
Motor Car Company 1916-1931*

This meeting was so fun and interesting. I am sure more members have something special to share – we must do this again.

Story: Bonnie Johnson, Photos: Bonnie Johnson & Stephen Ferrante

Mid-America Official July Event

On Sunday, July 16, 15 club members and Tom Robson's friend, Chris Webb, met at Your Classic Ride to caravan into The Great Car Show at the WWI Memorial. Members attending were:

Tom Wedbush	1957 Chevrolet
Bill & Bonnie Johnson	1940 Plymouth
Gary Crispin	1969 Dodge Coronet
Rich Fielder	1934 Pierce Arrow
Heiko & Christa Dewald	1995 Firebird Formula
Jack & Penny Boyle	1955 Chrysler
Sharon & Jerry Cygan	1956 Ford Thunderbird Convertible
Frank & Kitty Block	1950 Overland Willys Jeepster
Jon & Martie Kernodle	1971 Rolls Royce Convertible
Friend, Chris Webb	1912 Model T Hearse

We also, found club members, Paul & Meredith Williamson, parked with the Cadillac Club and Norm Kressmann parked in the exhibit area. We even saw Roscoe Yoder, zipping around on a golf cart, working the car show. Mary and Tom Zeff were also there, working at the Registration tent.

While the weather was slightly overcast with a weather prediction of rain after 2:00 pm, we put up our easy-ups and were ready for a fun day.



Above: Bill Johnson

Right: Standing - Meredith & Paul Williamson with Jack Boyle holding onto cables wrapped around the easy-up, as the wind picked up



Once we were settled, it was time to grab the camera and snap some photo of members and their cars. Many of us headed out to take a walk around the show field. The years, makes, colors of the cars were so varied and interesting. While the forecast of rain kept the show smaller than usual, it was still a spectacular gathering of beautiful cars.

Following are photos of our members and their cars.



Tom Wedbush



Jack & Penny Boyle



Rich Fielder



Jon & Martie Kernodle



Christa & Heiko Dewald



Bonnie & Bill Johnson



Frank Block



Sharon & Jerry Cygan



Gary Crispin



Chris Webb



Norm Kressmann

Sorry no photo of Paul & Meredith Williamson and their Caddy, parked with the Cadillac Club

Roscoe Yoder giving Penny Boyle a lift



While this has been a crazy summer, with record-breaking heat, drought, popup thunderstorms and 60-80 mph wind, we shouldn't have been surprised when it started to rain about 9:50am and by 10:00am it was pouring. Wisely the Blocks had left before the rain hit as their Jeepster is open air. They were the smartest ones of all.

We huddled in our easy-ups until the wind started blowing and lightning sparking, with thunder rolling. We decided it might be a good idea to get out from under the tents with metal poles and sit in our cars until the rain passed. By 11:00am, the show field started to shrink as cars headed home. The Kernodles left and then later we heard that other club members, too, headed home. The Johnson didn't have working wipers, but fortunately Rainex saved the day and the Cygans have vacuum windshield wipers, which many of us know are not the best for driving in torrential rain. Fortunately, all our members made it home safely.

So... here are a couple of photos of how our day, or actually our morning, ended.



Now this guy really loves his car



The Kernodle's view from their car!

And finally, this darling boy came prepared. Our guess is that one day he will enter the Great Car Show, driving his classic!



Story & Photos: Martie Kernodle

Avenue 81 Senior Living

On Wednesday July 12, club members and their cars were invited to Avenue 81 Senior Living. Members attending were:

Gary and Konnie Crispin, 1969 Dodge Convertible
Paul Williamson, 1969 Cadillac Convertible
Norm Kressmann, 1962 Ford Galaxie 500/XL
Charlie Sharp, 1957 Chevrolet
Tom Robson, 1929 Chevrolet

Ms. Hunter Jones, in charge of the activity, brought us water and shared that residents would vote for their favorite classic ride. Although it was a hot day, many residents came out to visit with us about our cars.



Tom Robson by Crispin's '69 Dodge

Charlie Sharp's 1957 Chevrolet and Paul Williamson's 1969 Cadillac



L-R Paul Williamson, Konnie Crispin & Tom Robson



L-R: Charlie Sharp, resident, Norm Kressmann



Robson's '29 Ford & Kressmann's '62 Ford Galaxie



Paul Williamson

Hunter Jones invited us all to lunch in the dining room and we were told to order whatever we liked.

When we finished eating, Hunter brought over a gift bag and shared the residents had chosen Paul Williamson's Cadillac as their favorite car. Congratulations, Paul!



Left around the table: Gary Crispin, Paul Williamson, Norm Kressmann, Charlie Sharp, Konnie Crispin, Tom Robson



Hunter & Paul



Paul Williamson

We had such a good time talking with the residents and we are ready to do it again next year!

Story & Photos: Gary Crispin

Heiko & Christa Dewald's Great Adventure

Feature article

Car: 2017 Chevrolet Camaro V6
Distance: 3600 miles
Left: March 31st 5:15 pm, back April 8th 10pm.
Mileage: ca 32mpg, best 50 miles: 47mpg!! Worst: 24mpg
Conditions: a lot of sunshine no rain! heavy winds, gusts up to 70mph in Arizona before Flagstaff, sand and dust storms in California, Arizona, New Mexico. Snow on the side of I17 Flagstaff, max temp 82F in Surprise near Phoenix.

Route: I35 Overland Park to Emporia, Hiway 50 to Hutchinson, we spent the first night in the Hampton Inn in Hutchinson near the Cosmosphere. Continued route 50 towards Dodge City, from there route 56 and 412 following the Santa Fe trail: not much to see besides little villages that all look the same: big silos on the right at the railway, some buildings on the left. We were leaving Kansas for Northwest Oklahoma. There is a Santa Fe rail/ trail museum in Boise City, which was closed but some artifacts were outside. among others: an old AA canon and a railway wagon.

Leaving Oklahoma into New Mexico, but made a brief stop at the tri state landmark: Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas (*Christa is looking at the marker.*)

We were entering New Mexico, still on 412 and merged in Springer on I25 towards Albuquerque. On the way we reached roughly 7500 ft elevation.

Got to Santa Fe in the evening checked out the plaza and the famous churches and went back on I25 towards Albuquerque.



Unfortunately, we couldn't get a hotel room near Albuquerque, so we went further on I40 towards Flagstaff and spent the night in a Holiday Inn in Grants.

Next day we entered Arizona on I40. On the way to the meteor crater there was a traffic jam due to, what we think, an accident. Nothing moved. Lucky us, we were close to an exit and the GPS suggested going 6 miles back and make a "slight" detour of approximately 100 miles through the Navajo and south of the Hopi reservations where we were rewarded with unbelievable beautiful scenery on very small roads. We went back on I40 west and reached the meteor crater in the afternoon where we had wind gusts up to 70mph. We drove farther on I40 west and had dinner at the Twin Arrows Navajo casino Resort.

Loretto Chapel in Santa Fe, NM, a former Catholic church that is now used as a museum and a wedding chapel. Commissioned by Sisters of Loretto in 1878.

Before Flagstaff, we went on I17 towards Phoenix. The street was bad after Flagstaff, and we had snow areas left and right of the street. The only possibility to go with the Camaro unharmed over the potholes and road canyons was, with nearly 100 mph following the crowd, to switch lanes when it got too bad in the lane. The GPS suggested not to leave the interstate and not drive through Phoenix. So, we passed Phoenix on our left side on highway 303 and 60. And found the Hampton Inn in Surprise, AZ on highway 60 in the late evening.



Next day we followed highway 303 and merged into I10 for a few miles before we took highway 85 to Gila Bend. In Gila Bend we passed the Best Western hotel that looks like a UFO. From there we took I8 towards San Diego and Carlsbad. MarBrisa resort which was our destination. *Meteor Crater*

On I8 we passed Yuma where we entered California and shortly after that we saw the Mexican border and border control posts.... and came into a light sandstorm where we were afraid that the sand would sandblast the car from its color.

We went on I8 over the Laguna mountains which surprisingly elevated us up to 4400 ft. The temperature dropped to the mid-40s, and we had cold and heavy winds in the 50 mph range sustained. Since check in at the resort would have been not before 4pm, but we were in San Diego before 2pm, we decided to visit the USS Midway, a WWII aircraft carrier next to the maritime museum. We stayed until they kicked us out at 5pm. From San Diego we drove on I5 to Carlsbad to the MarBrisa resort and checked into our room.



Next day: Breakfast at Ruby's Diner a 50s' style diner excellent location and cuisine!!!

Then we listened to a presentation to sell us a time share. Compliments to Christa who confused the sales guy with weird dream destinations. So, no, we didn't buy a time share.

After that, we went to Oceanside for a walk on the beach. Due to temperatures in the 60s we decided not to swim.

After that we had a late lunch at Heroes in Oceanside and visited a filming location in Oceanside of the Veronica Mars TV show. And we did some grocery shopping because the resort didn't have breakfast and only very expensive restaurants.

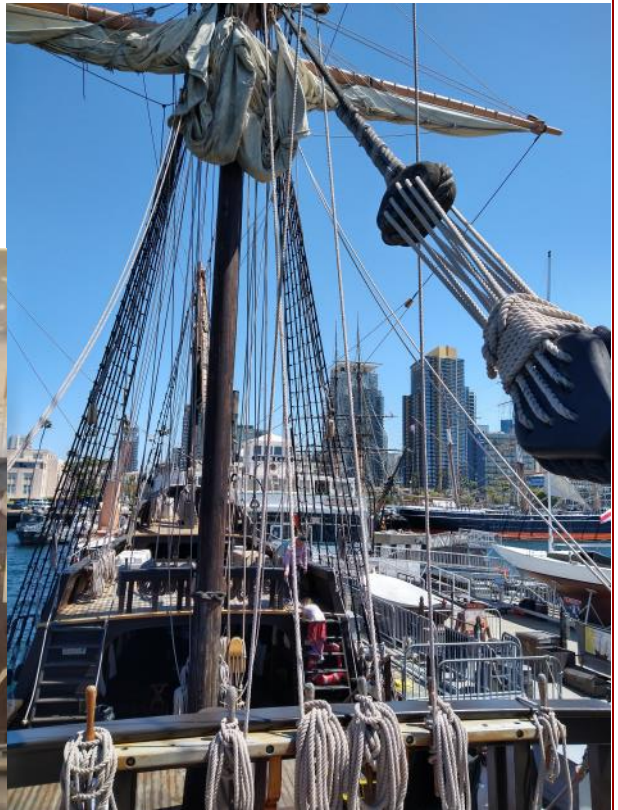


Christa in still cold Pacific water

The next day we went to the Maritime Museum. On the way from the parking spot to the museum I saw a young girl in a t-shirt of the soccer team from the city we are from in Germany and learned that she is indeed from our region.

The maritime museum contains several ships, and we learned a lot about them. There was also the possibility to go out with some of the ships as well, but we only had 3 hours on the parking meter for the museum and, of course, we extended it and got a parking ticket.

After that we went to the San Diego Hard Rock Hotel and Casino and got some souvenirs. From there we drove to the sunset cliffs which seems to be famous for the most beautiful sunsets in the San Diego area and that was also a filming location of Veronica Mars. Then we went to Breakwater Brewery



We went to a restaurant in Oceanside for dinner, where we met a friend ,who lives in Los Angeles and who drove 2 hours to meet us.

The next day we had to leave the resort. By 9am we were on our way towards Roswell NM. Back over the Laguna mountains which were a little bit friendlier this time with less wind and a tad higher temperature. Still not my favorite place! We drove I5 and merged on I8 and stayed on I8 for more than 300 miles (324 to be exact).

On our way to Tucson AZ, we realized the temperature gauge of the car didn't work and neither did the AC. In Casa Grande, south of Phoenix, we found a Chevy dealer with service and a very nice guy explained that the temperature sensor might have been compromised. So, the car thinks it's overheating and doesn't switch on the AC. Means it could be a hot ride! We had lunch at Miamigo Roberto: a super friendly and excellent Mexican restaurant with the best burritos ever! In Casa Grande I8 merges into I10 and we passed Tucson and found out that around Tucson there is a lot to see, so we decided to do another road trip in the future and check out the parks and caverns and, of course, Tombstone with the famous gunfight. This night we stayed in a Days Inn in Wilcox AZ.

Friday, we started early still on I10 towards Roswell NM. We passed another Border Patrol Post before we left I10 and drove highway 70 and entered the Mescalero Apache reservoir that elevates to more than 7000ft. At a gas station we bought some snacks and a handmade Longhorn Cheese. Farther down the road we passed some Casinos and nice areas and landmarks, and stayed in Portales near the New Mexico, Oklahoma border in a Holiday Inn.

Among others, the region where Billy the kid became famous. We passed the rocket testing range white sands before we reached Roswell and the UFO museum at 3:30, where they kicked us out at 5pm.

We got some souvenirs and a good dinner at the local buffalo wings restaurant and decided to drive a little bit farther towards Amarillo and stayed in a Holiday Inn in Portales near the New Mexico, Oklahoma border.

We left around 9am local time and drove on highways 70 and 60 towards Amarillo. We visited the famous but overrated Cadillac Ranch and got some souvenirs at the nearby Cadillac Ranch souvenir shop which is in my opinion a bigger attraction than the Cadillac ranch itself.



Heiko meets new friends at the International UFO Museum and Research Center



Cadillac Ranch



We moved on to I40, passed Amarillo and towards Oklahoma City we crossed the old route 66 several times. In Elk City we stopped at the biggest Route 66 sign in the world and took some pictures of the local route 66 museum and the classic cars at a nearby classic car dealer.

In Oklahoma City we got on I35 and reached Overland Park around 10pm local time.

Attractions and places visited:

Second day:

Dodge City KS: Miss Kitty's tavern, Marshall's office and museum from the outside
Boise City OK: Santa Fe Trail / rail museum
Tri State marker: OK, NM, TX
Santa Fe NM: churches and plaza.

Third day:

Navajo and Hopi reservations AZ
Meteor crater where they also filmed the movie Starman AZ
Twin Arrow Casino

Fourth day:

Gila Bend AZ: Best Western UFO hotel
Acorn Casino CA
USS Midway aircraft carrier
MarBrisa resort.

Fifth day:

MarBrisa resort
Oceanside beach
Filming location Veronica Mars: Highschool in Oceanside

Sixth day:

Maritime museum San Diego
Hard Rock Casino and hotel in San Diego
Sunset Cliffs and Sunset Inn filming location of Veronica Mars TV show.
Oceanside Breakwater Brewery restaurant

Seventh day:

Casa Grande and passing some POI

Eighth day:

Mescalero Apache reservation, White Sands rocket testing area
Roswell UFO museum

Last day:

Cadillac Ranch
Elk City Route 66 sign
Local car dealer with classic cars.

What a fun and interesting trip we had!



Story and photos: Heiko & Christa Dewald

Can't Find Your Keys by Dorri Partain



Can't find your car keys?

The earliest models of automobiles had neither doors, roofs, nor keys. With the earliest designs based on carriages, the term "horseless carriage" was quite accurate. Engines were started by manual cranking, and without doors, there was certainly no need for a key.

Henry Ford (1863-1947) began production of his most popular series, the Model T, in 1908 and all models were doorless. While still not common, driver doors began appearing in 1912. Nearly all models had locking doors by 1923.

Locking devices were first invented by the ancient Egyptians and Babylonians and crafted from wood. Years later, the ancient Romans molded locks and keys from iron and bronze; those keys resembled the skeleton key, a style that changed little over centuries.

At his locksmith shop in Newport, New York, Linus Yale Sr. (1797- 1858) invented the pin tumbler, which used a flat key with carved indentations. Designed for bank vaults and drawers, his designs were patented between 1843-1857. This new style was more secure, more versatile, and eventually replaced the skeleton key.

By 1910, automakers began producing cars that needed keys to unlock the ignition, but the engine still needed to be cranked manually. Ignition keys that would start an engine first appeared in Chrysler models introduced in 1949.

To differentiate ignition keys from door and trunk keys, the head of the key was shaped differently. Barely two inches in length, they were also single-cut and could only be inserted one way and open one door at a time.

Ford Motor Company introduced the double-sided key in 1965. Not only did this ease the entry or ignition speed, but the double-cut also increased security. Again, keys were differentiated for door or ignition.

Remote control door locks first appeared in 1987 in models produced by Cadillac and AMC.

Power door locks made entry easier since all doors could be opened at the same time.

New developments in auto technology such as proximity keys, remote start, and smartphone apps may soon make auto keys obsolete and the collector item of the future.

This key set features the Ford Motors crest emblem designed by L. David Nash and appeared on various models from 1950 to 1956.

Dorri Partain
Contributor

Permission for republishing was granted on July 31st by the Ms. Partain of the Northeast News.

Editor note:

This newspaper is published about Northeast Kansas City weekly. Check it out at www.northeastnews.net . Thank you Steve Ferrante for sending the link to this story!

Members Recommend Car Repair Shops

Many of you have mechanics, upholsterers, suppliers, restorers, detailers, etc. whom you trust and would recommend as a source for members. At a member meeting, several of you said that it would be most helpful if these trusted sources were listed in *The Generator*. So, here is a start:

Martie & Jon Kernodle recommend:

Santa Fe Garage
407 West Lexington
Independence, MO 64050
816-977-1020
greg@santafegarage.com
Billie and Greg, owners

Did work on our 1960 Metropolitan. Works on classics and others. Great couple. Reasonable, outstanding work.

Billie handles phone and office, while Greg, her husband, does the work with garage staff.

Absolute Upholstery
3011 M 291 Frontage Rd
Independence, MO 64057
816-694-9936
Ricky Jones, owner

Great upholstery job on headliner of 60 Metro. He does a lot of classic cars, boats, but not furniture.

Grisham Auto Service
4001 Prather Road
Kansas City, MO 64166
816-455-5800
Tim Grisham, owner

Tim is owner. Has worked on our 1957 and 1966 T-Birds. Honest, fair, reasonable, great work—in the Northland

Bonnie & Bill Johnson recommend:

Tommy's Custom Interiors
1308 South Cedar Ave.
Independence, MO 64052
816-226-0654
Tommy, owner

Tommy worked on Danny Johnson's Jeep and his 1968 Mustang

Steve Hartwich recommends:

AA Wheel & Truck Supply
717 E 16th Ave
NKC MO 64116
816-221-9556

For the DIY mechanic this place takes care of your old car brake and brake drum needs. They also rebuild water pumps. **Call and talk to Denny.** *This is not a shop where you take your car.* You take the parts there and they do the machine work like relining old brake shoes, turning brake drums and arcing the shoes to the drums. No one in KC does this anymore but it's highly effective and successful for safe brake operation.

Please email me your recommendations—editormidamerica@gmail.com

Thank you,

***Denotes new recommendation**



What's Happening at KC Auto Museum

Hello, museum watchers!

Time marches on, as did most of these owners. The last day of July was Monday, and the military vehicles have already redeployed to the next post. Always sorry to see them go, and a salute of thanks to them on their way out. Rolling into replace them is the next display for one month--**CORVAIRS MODIFIED!**

Last year we saw factory Vairs, which raised a cry from owners of modified cars. It seems that Corvair was such a simple and small car that owners just couldn't resist the urge to tinker. And tinker they did. (Almost) all of these cars have been modified from the subtle to the EXTREME, each with its own story. Quite a novel few, and certainly worth a visit, as you'll not likely see these again anywhere else. Something for the kiddie cartoon-watchers to the oldies--something for everyone.

We're waiting to welcome you....

Roscoe Yoder
Curator

Just a few modified Vairs you'll see this month.



For Sale! Best Offer! 1928 Buick

1928 Buick Two-Door Sedan (Model 28-20)

Owner recently died and his family wishes the Buick to go to someone who would use it for restoration purposes. Car is located in the KC area. Contact Dal Allison at dkallison45@gmail.com.



This and That

PLEASE SEND AN E-MAIL TO PAUL WILLIAMSON @ pawmew54@GMAIL.COM if you would like to share your birthday or anniversary.



August Birthdays

Fred Hall	8/3
Tom Wedbush	8/3
Sharon Cygan	8/14
Lois Barton	8/8
Vicky Hemley	8/25



Jack & Lois Barton	8/13
Dennis & Cindy Roberts	8/14
Gregory & Rhonda Riggen	8/15
Bob & Connie Wollenman	8/22
Frank & Kitty Block	8/26

Trivia Challenge Answered

Which of the Chrysler “letter cars” sold the fewest amount?



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

This and That

Ha! Ha!

humor by the book.com
I JUST GOT A FULL TANK OF GAS FOR \$22! GRANTED, IT WAS FOR MY LAWN MOWER, BUT I'M TRYING TO STAY POSITIVE... 😎

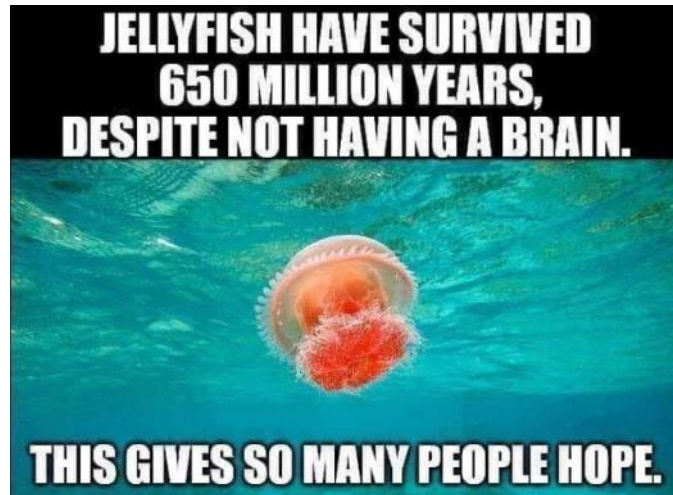


Be honest, if people heard what you are thinking half of the time, you would either be in jail or a mental hospital.

Once upon a time, this is how we bought shoes.



The emotional support dog after I get done telling it my problems.



Cop: You were going fast.
Me: I was just trying to keep up with traffic.
Cop: There isn't any.
Me: I know! That's how far behind I am.

Upcoming Events

Mid-America AACA Official Event

Saturday August 26, from 10am-noon
JB's Garage Tour
23803 West 83rd Terrace
Shawnee, KS

JB's Garage is in western Lenexa, West of K7 off of 87th Street.

September 16, Saturday time TBD
Member Picnic

Dan McGrath & Tammy Suddeth's home
11404 East 243rd St.
Peculiar, MO 64078
Details will follow

October 28, Saturday
Independence Halloween Parade and lunch
Details shared when available

November 19, Chili Party
Your Classic Ride
2711 Warwick Trfway, KCMO

December 17 Sunday 2 pm
Christmas Party Stonehaus Farms Winery
24607 NE Colbern Rd.
Lee's, Summit, MO
More detail to follow later

EDITOR'S NOTE: Activities posted in **blue** text mean new activities or message. **red** text—you need to take some type of action, **black** text—activity reminder

For Car Show Flyers go to:
www.kansascityautomuseum.com/event-finder

Other Events

August 4. Kansas City, MO: Collection Tour @ The Underground. 600 West 31st Street, 64108. \$5 admission per person. 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM. For additional information, call 816-492-7147 or email Underground@KCAutoMuseum.com

August 6. Grain Valley, MO: Purple Peace Cruise for Epilepsy Awareness. Grain Valley Community Center, 713 Main Street, 64029. 11:00 AM Live and silent auctions. Raffles and fabulous food trucks. Register online- at www.PurplePeaceFoundation.org [Show Flyer](#) [Entry Form](#)

August 6. DeSoto, MO: AMVETS Post 48 26th Annual Car Show. 1075 Amvets Drive, 63020. Registration (\$20) 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Call 636-586-1750 with questions.

August 13. Independence, MO: Jackson County Historical Society Car Show. On the Square. 9:00am to 2:00pm. \$20 entry fee (goes to the historical society). If you attended the June 11th show which got rained out, **you will not need to repay the entry.** Contact Erin Gray at 816-252-7454 or email her at erin.gray@jchs.org

August 19. Kansas City, MO: Sallas Auto's 30th Anniversary Car Show & Shine. 11110 Hickman Mills Drive, 64134. 10:00am to 1:00pm Registration: \$20 donation (goes to local police department). NAPA is cooking free food. Awards and raffle prizes.

August 19. Leavenworth, KS: 37th Annual Car & Bike Show. Ray Miller Park, 4101 S. 4th Street, 66048. Pre-registration \$15 (postmarked by August 1); \$20 day of show. 8:00 am to 11am. Silent auction, raffles, food, vendors, t-shirts. First 200 registered receive a dash plaque. Hosted by Leavenworth Cruisers, Inc. [Entry Form](#)

August 26. Bonner Springs, KS: Tiblow Days K-9 Car Show. The Fuel House, 611 West 2nd Street, 66012 Registration (\$25) at 8:00am 9:00am to

September 2. DeSoto, KS: Dean Weller Memorial Classic Car Show. City Hall, 32905 W 84th St, 66018. \$25 entry fee. 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Registration may be done online at <https://www.desotodays.com/car-show> [Show Flyer](#)

2023 AACA National Meets & Tours

55th Annual Richmond Collector Car Show and Swap Meet

June 10
Richmond, VA

47th Annual Antique Auto Show

June 11
Waterford, PA

Exposition of Elegance: Classic Cars at Cheekwood Estates

June 17-18
Nashville TN

2023 Eastern Divisional Tour

June 24—June 28
Denver, PA

AACA Central Spring Nationals

July 5—July 8
Waterloo (Auburn), Indiana

AACA Founders Tour

July 16 - 22nd
Ontario & Quebec

AACA Special Eastern Nationals

July 26 - 29th
Norwich New York

AACA Grand Nationals

August 10 - 12th
Bettendorf, Iowa

2023 AACA Vintage Tour

August 16—August 19
Aroostook County, ME

Anthracite Region AACA 37th Annual Car Show

September 17
McAdoo, PA

AACA Western Divisional Tour

September 25 - 29th
California Central Coast

AACA Western Divisional Tour

September 25 - 29th
California Central Coast

Eastern Fall Nationals

October 3 - 6th
Hershey, PA

Chef's Corner



At meetings and special events, when we have brought food to share, the one thing we know is that we have some fabulous cooks. So this new page has been added based on member requests,

PLEASE send recipes to your editor to share.

Meredith Williamson's Lemon Cheesecake Crescent Rolls

Ingredients

Rolls

1 pkg 8 count refrigerated crescent rolls
4 oz cream cheese cold
2 Tbsp. granulated sugar
1/4 lemon extract
zest of 1/2 lemon

Glaze

1 c. powdered sugar
1 1/2 Tbsp. lemon juice
zest of 1/2 lemon

Instructions

Step 1

In a medium mixing bowl, combine cream cheese, granulated sugar, lemon extract and lemon zest. Beat on medium speed until mixture comes together.

Step 2

Unroll crescent roll dough into triangles; spoon cream cheese filling onto the wider end of the triangle. Gently roll the dough, starting with the wider end and tucking the corners, into crescent shapes.

Step 3

Place 2 inches apart on a lightly greased or parchment-lined baking sheet.

Step 4

Bake at 375 degrees for 12-14 minutes or until golden brown.

Step 5

Let rolls cool on a wire rack. Once cooled, prepare glaze by combining all ingredients until smooth. Drizzle glaze evenly over rolls.

Thank you to those who responded to the call for recipes. Keep them coming!



Sharon Cygan's Tangy Mustard Cauliflower

Ingredients

1 medium head of cauliflower
2 Tbsp. of water
1/2 cup mayonnaise or salad dressing
1 tsp. finely chopped onion
1 tsp. prepared mustard
1/2 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Instructions

Step 1

Place cauliflower in 1 1/2 quart glass casserole. Add water, cover glass lid with plastic wrap

Step 2

Microwave on high 8-9 minutes or until tender crisp. Drain water before putting sauce on.

Step 3

Combine mayonnaise, onion and mustard in a small mixing bowl. Spoon mustard sauce on top of the cauliflower. Sprinkle with cheese.

Step 4

Microwave on roast for 1 1/2 to 2 minutes to heat topping and melt cheese. Let stand 2 minutes before serving

Please send your favorite recipe to your editor—editormidamerica@google.com



Minutes of Member Meeting

Mid-America AACA Car Club Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2023

Members in attendance 30

The meeting began with the members reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The June minutes as published in the Generator were approved as written.

The Treasurer's report was given and approved.

Dan talked about the upcoming July event-The Great Car Show on Sunday, July 16th. Those going will meet at Your Classic Ride at 8am to caravan in together. So far, 11 members have signed up to attend. The Longview Community College Show will be Thursday, September 28th and Friday, September 29th. Details to follow.

Club Activities in the future will be: JB Garage Tour in August, the picnic in September at Dan and Tammy's home, the Halloween parade in October, Chili dinner in November and the Christmas party in December.

Members talked about attending some local shows: Mike Williams talked about a show at the Legends. Tom Wedbush talked about attending The Great Race. Gary talked about a cruise he attended sponsoring the Children's Miracle Network. The Mustang cruise night in Bonner Springs was mentioned. Merle Houck talked about touring garages in Clinton. Sharon talked about the Blue Springs Cruise night.

Michael Hemley, one of our members, has been in the hospital and is at home now.

Tom Wedbush talked about F.I.S.H. and Sharon Cygan talked about Harvesters. Sharon asked for a motion to approve the club donating \$100 to each of these organizations. The motion was approved.

Bonnie talked about the Avenue 81 Retirement Home cruise on Wednesday, July 12th.

At the August 20th meeting, Simon Curzon, who is a Rolls Royce Chief Judge, will be giving a talk about Rolls Royce judging and the relationship of the Rolls Royce club to AACA. Bonnie mentioned the Christmas party on December 17th. Details will be provided later.

Bonnie listed the people with birthdays for the month of July and the members sang Happy Birthday to them---Michael Williams, Neil Steiner, Margaret Kressmann, Stephen Ferrante, Tammy Suddeth, Michael Hemley, Mark Edmondson, Jody Fielder, and Tom Zeff. July anniversaries are---Rick and Jody Fielder, Tom and Marsha Norman, Mark and Cathy Edmondson, Tom and Mary Zeff and Michael and Cynthia Frederico.

The trivia question was asked "What was the important ingredient in the recipe that Norm Kressmann sent into the Generator"? Tom Wedbush had the answer. Norman read his recipe to the group to the delight of all. Be sure to go back to the Generator to view the recipe.

Bonnie said she had the foam boards for us to take to car shows with the Mid-America AACA logo on them for sale after the meeting.

Members then began showing their collections:

Barry Herbert showed us his antique wood shaft golf clubs.

Norman Kressmann talked about the Jordan automobile and the book he is making for his grandson, Jordan, to be given to him when he turns 21.

Steve Hartwich showed his albums of car memorabilia and his large collection of windshield posters.

Jack Boyle showed us a 1940 craftsman orbital sander in perfect condition that his grandson talked him into buying.

John Wehr showed us a few of his beer can collection.

Merle Houck showed us a 1951 Silvertone radio and several model cars that are radios.

Tom Robson showed us a kerosene branding instrument.

Jerry Cygan showed us his Super Bowl ring and a grenade, like the live one, they pulled from a man's jaw while he was in Viet Nam. He had to put the man to sleep so they could get it out.

Mike Williams showed us some pictures of his Bentley and an album showing the various stages of working on the car.

Dennis Roberts showed us his radio-controlled Crawler that he and his family have fun challenging each other over various obstacles.

Sharon Cygan showed a few of her Cherished Teddie's collection.

Paul Williamson showed us 15 of his matchbox models of old cars.

Dan McGrath talked about and showed us some Longmire books and a Longmire hat signed by all of the actors on the series.

Gary Crispin showed an very old football, nose mask mouthpiece.

Bonnie showed and demonstrated a World War II whistle from her Father called a Thunderer. It was used in the field artillery. She also showed her tie tack collection dating from 1962 through 1992, her 30 years at GM.

It wasn't just seeing what the members brought for "show and tell", it was our members talking about their interests, which helps us to know them better. It was an interesting and very fun activity!!!

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Sharon Cygan

Mid-America Member Recruiting Process

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITING

Mid-America AACA

New Member Packet

AACA Brochure

AACA National Application

Mid-America AACA Application

(Meredith Williamson, Membership Chair, has the packets)

New Member Process

Please put your name as sponsor along with your AACA membership number on the National Application. If you sponsor a new member, National will send you a sponsorship pin. *At the bottom of the Mid-America AACA Application, please put your name, email address, and phone number in case your sponsored new member has any questions.*

Your applicant must first join National, \$45.00 and secure their Membership Number before sending in the Mid-America AACA Application and \$25.00 to Treasurer, Paul Williamson. This can be accomplished two ways:

1. They can call National Headquarters at 717-534-1910, ask for the Membership Department, pay the annual dues of \$45 with a credit card. Membership will start the process and will email their AACA number to them prior to sending out their AACA membership card in the mail.
2. They can mail in their National Membership Application to headquarters and wait for their membership card to be sent to them.

Once the member has their National AACA number, fill out the Mid-America AACA application and send with a check or money order payable to Mid-America AACA to:

Paul Williamson, Treasurer
Mid-America AACA
4525 N. Baltimore Drive
Kansas City, MO 64116

Full-year/Half-year memberships

On July 1 of each year, you may offer Half-Year Memberships

AACA National annual dues are \$45.00

AACA National half year dues are \$25.00 from July 1 through December 31.

Mid-America AACA annual dues are \$25.00 January 1 through June 30.

Mid-America AACA half year dues are \$12.50 July 1 through September 30.

Mid-America AACA dues October 1 and later are \$25.00 and will include the following year.

There is no proration made throughout the year. Half-year memberships are for first time members only.

March 2023

Mid-America AACA By-Laws

BYLAWS MID-AMERICA REGION OF THE ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

MID-AMERICA AACA MISSION STATEMENT

Members will commit to:

- follow the guidelines of National AACA;
- share our hobby and love of classic cars with fellow club members;
- promote our club to others who share our interest in classic cars;
- promote and organize outings to car shows and other functions;
- build the interest of youth in our hobby;
- support charitable organizations;
- have fun!!

Article I-Name and Purpose

Section 1. This region shall be known as the Mid-America Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America

Section 2. The purpose of this Region shall be to support the activities of the Antique Automobile Club of America and to provide mutual enjoyment for members.

Article II-Executive Board

Section 1. The Executive Board shall consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Board Member at Large.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall have the power to proceed in any manner as may, in their judgment, serve the interests of the Region. The decision of the majority of the Executive Board on any question shall be binding until the next regular or special meetings of the Region, when such decisions may be approved, nullified or amended, as provided for hereinafter.

Article III-Officers, News Correspondent and Membership Chairman

Section 1. The elected officers of this Region shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board Member at Large. The President and Treasurer will be elected in even years for a two-year term. The Vice President and Secretary will be elected in odd years for a two-year term. The Member at Large will be elected for one year. The News Correspondent and the membership Chairman shall be appointed by the Board for a term of one year. These terms will remain until their successors are duly elected and inducted. Additional officers may be created by the Executive Board as the need arises or in the event of the resignation of one or more officers. These may be filled by election or volunteer which would need approval of the members or operate without said office until the next election.

Section 2. The manner for the election of officers may be prescribed by the Executive Board of the Region. To run for an office, a member must be in good standing, have attended at least 3 or more meetings or events and have been on the club roster for one calendar year. All members of the Region in good standing and who have attended at least 3 meetings or events within the calendar year shall be given proper notice and opportunity to vote. Voting for officers will be taken by a paper or electronic ballot and compiled by a committee.

Section 3. Officers will be nominated in October, the vote will be in November and they will be inducted in December.

Article IV-Duties of Officers and News Correspondent and Membership Chairman

Section 1. President – The Region President shall preside at all meetings of the Region members and of the Executive Board. In his/her absence, the Vice President shall preside at any such meeting.

Section 2. Vice President – In the absence of the Region President, the Vice President shall assume said duties. The Vice President shall also be the Chairman of Events which requires forwarding information to the Secretary and News Correspondent.

Section 3. Secretary – The Secretary shall handle all correspondence of the Region and shall keep minutes of meetings of the Region members and of the Executive Board. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board and those that pertain to the office.

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Section 4. Treasurer – The Treasurer shall manage the financial affairs of the Region and shall be custodian of the Region funds. The Treasurer shall render a financial report at regular meetings of members and whenever the President or Executive Board shall request a report. The Treasurer shall collect all dues payable by Region members and require the showing of a valid National membership number. Form 8822-B (IRS) shall be maintained by the Treasurer and signatures to be updated on newly elected officers (if changed) at each election.

Section 5. Board Member at Large – The Board Member at Large shall attend Board Meetings and have voting rights as given officers.

Section 6. News Correspondent – The News Correspondent of the Region shall report monthly doings of the Region to members and directly to National AACA website, as directed by AACA. News Correspondent shall attend Board meetings and in the absence of any officer have voting rights.

Section 7. Membership Chairman – The Membership Chairman of the Region shall be responsible for helping the club obtain new members and follow up with current members. They may be requested to attend Board meetings as necessary. They shall assemble new member application forms for National and Regional and any brochures or printed marketing aids offered by National. Said materials to be distributed to all members.

Article V Club Finances

Section 1. All club finances shall be handled by the Treasurer. There shall be three signers on the Mid-America checking account, the current Treasurer, current President and current Vice President. Any individual check needs to be signed by only one of the three.

Section 2. Upon the election of a new Treasurer, an audit of the Mid-America Region shall be completed prior to the new Treasurer taking office. The Executive Board shall appoint a committee of at least three club members to act as auditors for that purpose.

Section 3. Any request for reimbursement must be accompanied by a receipt(s) before a check will be issued. Expenditures exceeding \$50 are required to be pre-approved by the Executive Board. Expenditures exceeding \$250 must also be pre-approved by the general membership. Anyone making unauthorized purchases shall be held personally accountable.

Section 4. Donations/contributions by the club are not to exceed 10% of the treasury per year.

Article VI Members

Section 1. Members in good standing of the Antique Automobile Club of America may become members of this Region.

Section 2. Upon receipt of a properly executed application and a valid National membership number, new members shall be accepted or rejected by the Executive Board and ¼ of members present.

Section 3. Dues – The amount of dues payable to the Region Treasurer shall be fixed by the Executive Board from time to time at its discretion. All payment of dues shall be made to the Region Treasurer.

Section 4. Termination of membership – The membership of any Region member may be terminated by a majority vote of the Executive Board of the Region for conduct unbecoming a member of the American Antique Automobile Club or other cause upon giving the member in question full opportunity to hear and to reply to the charges or reasons for such actions.

Section 5. Resignation of membership. Any Region member may resign by tendering his/her resignation in writing to the Executive Board, but such resignation shall not relieve the member from payment of any dues in arrears.

Section 6. Dues are payable on January 1, each year. Any member that does not pay their dues by January 15th, will no longer be considered a member of the Region.

Article VII Meeting of the Members

Section 1. Region members shall hold at least six meetings annually, one meeting designated for the election of officers and the transaction of the business of the Region. Special meetings may be called by the President or upon signed request of three members of the Executive Board or any six members of the Region. At least two weeks' written notice shall be given to all Region members of all members so called.

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Section 2. For purposes of conducting business at regular or special meetings of the Region, $\frac{1}{4}$ shall constitute a quorum of those present. A vote of a majority of such quorum shall be sufficient to approve, nullify or amend Executive Board decisions, to elect officers, and to deal with such other items of business as may come before such meeting.

Article VII Region Requirements by AACA

Section 1. The members of any Region shall not as a group, use the name of the Antique Automobile Club of America in connection with a commercial or charitable project.

Section 2. A region shall not hold any activity in conflict with a National event of the Antique Automobile Club of America.

Section 3. Announcement of Regional activities (National to define "activity" and parameters) must be sent to the AACA Vice President – National Activities.

Section 4. The names and addresses of all Regional officers and members must be sent to AACA National Secretary-Treasurer each year before January 31st.

Section 5. The Antique Automobile Company of America is a nonprofit organization; the members thereof shall not be entitled to any individual or collective interest, participation, share, right and/or property right in and to the assets of the Club or Region; but said assets shall be the individual property of the Club or Region, therefore; no dividend, pecuniary profits, stock dividends or payments of like manner shall ever be declared or paid to the members of the Club or Region thereof.

Article IX Amendments or Additions to Bylaws

Section 1. No amendments shall be made that nullify or alter any part of the National Constitution or Bylaws.

Section 2. Other amendments may be made from time to time by a majority vote of the Region members in good standing upon at least two weeks written notice to all Region members stating the proposed changes.

Article X Liability

Section 1. Neither the members of the Mid-American AACA Region, nor the Officers, nor the AACA officers present or future shall be liable for any claims, damages, or debt against the Mid-America AACA Region or its members.

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- promote and organize outings to car shows and other functions
- build the interest of youth in our hobby
- support charitable organizations
- follow the guidelines of National AACA
- have fun together!

Advertising space is free to Mid-America AACA members.

Non-members, ad rate pricing is on our web site

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