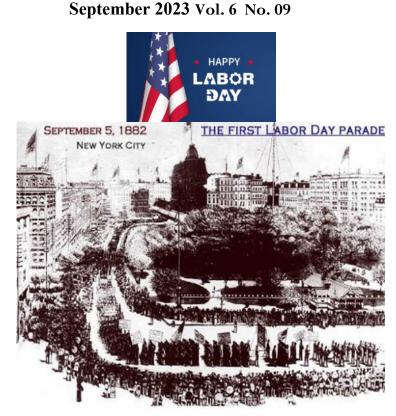
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The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883.

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Trivia Challenge

What year was the first speeding ticket given in the USA, how fast was the automobile going, and what was the speed limit?



President's Message

As you read this you are probably thinking "this does not sound like our president." One of my magazines arrived this week with a bold statement on the cover saying "Fall into Some-thing New."

I'm saying NO, I do not need or want anything new. I want my old ways back. Pick up a phone when it rings and hear a real voice. Send a card to a friend who is ailing and know that the post office will deliver it. Buy fresh vegetables and be sure they have not been sprayed with insecticides. Get in my old 1940 car and not hear bells and see flashing lights and doors that lock me in and out. Pay the grocery checkout with actual cash and not worry if my account has been compromised.

I am known and seen as a happy positive person, but lately it appears there are a lot of negatives. My family, my friends my church and faith, and my Mid-America members are the bright lights in my life and I treasure them all more and more each day.

Stay safe and enjoy each sunrise,

Bonnie

"I predict future happiness for Americans, if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them."

- Thomas Jefferson

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September Activities & Meetings

Mid-America AACA Official Event

Please mark your calendars for September Mid-America Official Event

September 16, Saturday, 11:00 am Club Member Picnic Dan McGrath & Tammy Suddeth's home 11404 East 243rd St. Peculiar, MO 64078

Club will provide and Dan will be grilling hot dogs, Brats and hamburgers. Condiments, buns, paper goods also provided.

Please bring:

- an appetizer, salad, side dish, or dessert to share
- your drinks
- your chairs

PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE TO DAN McGRATH ASAP 913-787-4418 or email: danscargarage@gmail.com

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



September 10, Sunday *MEETING IS CANCELLED AT YOUR CLASSIC RIDE*— a short member meeting will be held at the picnic on September 16th.

October 15, Sunday Dan McGrath will present the October program based on a bike ride he rode on the Oregon Trail in his earlier years.

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

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Purple Peace Foundation Car Show

On Sunday, August 6th, the Purple Peace Foundation put on their Cruise for Epilepsy Awareness Show in Grain Valley. They had a DJ, food trucks, giveaways, an auction, 50/50 drawings and lots of awards.

Those attending from our club were:

Rich Fielder, 1934 Pierce Arrow, Bill and Bonnie Johnson, 1940 Plymouth and Jerry and Sharon Cygan,1956 T-Bird.



Bonnie and Sharon display our club flag



Bill Johnson and Jerry Cygan



Rich Fielder

It started out as a rough morning with it taking two hours for Jerry and Sharon to get their T-bird to decide to start. There were lots of cars to see and many families out to view the cars.





Family loves Cygan's '56 T-Bird

Our own Bonnie and Bill won the first-place award in their category of 1940 to 1949 cars. It turned out to be a beautiful fun-filled day.





Story & Photos: Sharon Cygan

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August Member Meeting

On August 20, 32 members and one guest met at Your Classic Ride.



Simon and Jennifer Curzon, spoke 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. Jennifer manages the office. It was a fascinating and very interesting presentation.



Simon & Jennifer brought a Rolls Royce that they had just purchased that day. What a beauty!

Story & photos: Martie Kernodle

Lone Jack High School Car Show

On August 20th Fred and I attended the Lone Jack High School "Built To Perform" car show. This show is sponsored by the Lone Jack Booster Club with proceeds going to the Lone Jack Athletics.

We enjoy participating in this show, which is only a five-minute drive from our house. This "rain or shine" show was scheduled for August 13th, but due to relentless rain and only 20 some cars showing up that day (including our 1963 Ford Galaxie 500 XL convertible), the show was called off after about an hour and rescheduled for the 20th.

It was a rain free day; however, it was one of the hottest days so far this summer with the temperature hovering around 100 degrees. It was a good turnout though. We walked around to look at all the cars and sat by our car for a short time but spent a good part of the time inside the school. There were food and craft booths indoors. Outdoors there was music and lots of door prizes throughout the day.

Enjoy some of the beautiful cars at the show!





Awards included Principles choice, Athletes choice, Best Paint, Loudest Car, and Top 25 Favorites. Our '63 Galaxie won a Top 25 award.



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Congratulations AACA Zenith Award Winner

The AACA Grand Nationals were held August 10th—12th in Bettendorf, Iowa. Our Mid-America AACA Region members, Ronald & Sarah Jury, took home 3 Grand Nationals and an AACA Zenith Award.



Ron Jury receiving the Zenith award from AACA National President, Fred Trusty. Standing in the photo background is Steve Moskowitz, Chief Executive Officer.

Beautiful 2023 Zenith Award winner and 2023 Grand National winner



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Zenith Judges

Zenith Award nominees



1956 Chevrolet Bel Air 2023 Grand National winner

1957 Chevy Bel Air 2023 Grand National winner (Also won 2018 Venus Award)

Story & Photos: Sarah Jury

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The Things You Can Learn at a Car Show

Editor note: At the World War I Memorial, while the cars are the stars, the conversation with club members tends to be the most interesting. In our tent, we started sharing snacks. I pulled out the long pretzel sticks to share. When Heiko DeWald saw the pretzels, he said that in the US we changed the German name from "Brezel" to "Pretzel." And he proceeded to tell us, and then shared the story for the Generator, the real story of why the first Brezel made.

Since we've been in the US, one thing really, really makes me cringe. I'm talking about what you call - Pretzel. For Germans it is as if we spelled a traditional American car brand: Cheffroulet. Since we are originally from the region that claims to be the true and only area where this legendary baked bread-like deliciousness was invented, we know its true spelling: Brezel! There are different legends where the Brezel comes from which go even farther than the 15th century but, we believe that our source is the most reliable and historically accurate.

The Legend of the Brezel

Back in the days around 1473 in the Swabian town of Bad Urach (20 miles south of Stuttgart) there was a Regent called Count Eberhard im Barte (Eberhard with the beard).

One day Eberhard sent his favorite baker Frieder to prison and sentenced him to death because Frieder was maliciously gossiping about the Count. Hearing that her husband was in prison, the baker's wife went to the Count and asked for pardon for her husband. Since Eberhard really appreciated Frieder's baking skills he said: "Frieder, if you can create a bread where the sun shines through it three times, and tastes better than everything I've had from you before, I'll spare your life."

The baker and his wife were very thankful and Frieder started immediately. 2 days passed and Frieder had no idea what to do. On the third day he prepared a salty yeast dough and when he saw his desperate wife with her arms crossed, he had the idea of a loaf of dough with a thicker part in the middle like a body and

two thinner ends crossed like arms. Looking at the shape he even saw the sun shining through it three times.

While firing up the oven to bake it, the baker's cat jumped on the plate with the doughlings (= the little pieces of dough ready to be baked = that's a cool word that I just made up) and pushed them in a bucket with lye which was there to season pastries with it. Since time was running out, Frieder and his wife decided to take the doughlings and bake them as they were with the lye solution on them. To cover and for decoration they put some coarse salt on top of the little pieces of dough ... and waited full of fear by the oven. When the baking time was up, and they pulled the pans from the oven they were relieved and very surprised. The pieces of dough with the lye solution were nicely baked, the middle was lightly cracked with crisp arms and a delicious, soft body.



And that is how the Brezel was born!

Story and photo: Heiko DeWald

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Mid-America Garage Tour

On Saturday, August 26, 29 club members and 2 guests, attended the JB Hodgdon Garage Tour in Shawnee, Kansas.

Boyle, Jack and Penny Crispin, Gary & Konnie Ferrante, Steve Fielder, Rich Gustafson, Jim Hartwich, Steve Hemley, Mike Houck, Merle Johnson, Bill & Bonnie Kressmann, Norm Kernodle, Martie & Jon McGrath, Dan & Tammy Suddeth McLain, Jerry & Elizabeth Prothe, Al Robson, Tom & Romona Schell, Dave Wedbush, Tom Wehr, John Williamson, Paul & Meredith Yoder, Roscoe Zeff, Tom 2 guests, Bob & Darla Lewis

It was an amazing tour, with 47 cars. A splendid variety of years, makes, and models. Enjoy the photos:



Group photo doesn't include all attendees

Max Holt takes care of the cars.



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Bonnie & Bill Johnson talking with Tom Wedbush







Tammy Suddeth

1990 Dodge Dakota Factory Convertible 1 of 909 built 3.9 V-6 Automatic Rare SE Chrome Trim—only 1 of 2 like this.

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This 1954 Kaiser Darrin was so perfect!





Back: Gary Crispin

Front: Jon Kernodle asked which model looked the best since they were both born in 1941. By the expression on his face, you can see the answer. It wasn't him..

1941 Lincoln Continental Convertible. The Continental was Edsel Ford's flagship model for the Ford Motor Company and proved to be such a timeless design that it would remain unchanged through the postwar years. Its impact on the automotive world can still be felt today. Edsel's insistence on a rear mounted spare, spawned the phrase "Continental Kit."



Roscoe Yoder

Max & Jim Gustafson

Rich Fielder



Others on a separate tour were talking about where the Coachbuilder named was placed on the Mercer We found out later from Roscoe Yoder that it was not an original. Now who could design an almost perfect duplication of this Mercer 2—Dean Weller, of course. The frame, engine and driveline are from a 1930 Pontiac. While he was a master at design, usually Dean had a car to look at to ensure each detail was correct. Not this time! Dean literally drew up the plans for the body and the interior from a photo. JB Hodgdon supplied the wheels for this beauty.



Norm Kressmann's surprised look when called by a loud, "NORM!"



Jon Kernodle walks by a 1948 Oldsmobile Woody Series 66 Deluxe wagon





JB came out to the garage and answered many of our questions



Bonnie & Bill Johnson were surprised to find this 1950 Ford Crestliner at the garage. This was the same year, and color of Bill's car when they first met.



Bill's 1950 Ford Crestliner

Bonnie in September 1955

We concluded the tour around 11:30 and then it was off to Callahan's Sports Bar and Grill for lunch. Around 18 came to the lunch.



Tammy, Meredith, Paul, Bonnie, Bill

Gary Crispin

Right closest to front Bonnie & Bill, Paul

It was such a fun day! A special "thank you" to Roscoe Yoder for arranging this tour.

PLEASE NOTE:

If you attended the garage tour, please send a "Thank You" card to

JB Hodgdon 23803 West 83rd Terrace Shawnee, KS

Story & Photos: Martie Kernodle

Mike Hemsley looking at camera

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What's Happening at the Museum

The heat is gone, at least for a few days

Fall weather's is almost here.

That means the snow is too darn near!

That also means Museum September car swap.

Out go the Modified Corvairs and in come the supercars. You know, the exotic stuff that moves REALLY fast and handles REALLY well.

Aston Martin, Pantera, Ferrari--no Vegas, no Pintos. Just a lot of horsepower and MPH.

Stop by and see them while they're standing still. Might be the only chance you ever get to see one that's not just a roar and a blur!

We look forward to seeing you.

Roscoe Yoder, Curator

P.S. New stuff coming up front, too......

Story & Photos: Martie Kernodle

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** <u>dkallison45@gmail.com</u>.



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McPherson College Endowment Breaks Record



McPherson College Exceeds Double Match Challenge – Establishing A Future \$1,592,000,000 Endowment – Largest in U.S. For A Small Liberal Arts College

McPherson College in Kansas announced today that it has met the match on its historic \$500 million endowment double match challenge. Additionally, the anonymous donor surprised the college community by committing an additional \$500 million estate gift for a total commitment of \$1 billion.



Article and photos provided by Jack Boyce. Thank you, Jack!

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This and That

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



September Birthdays

Terrence Nygaard	9/5
Jane King	9/8
Jack Boyle	9/19
Norm Kressmann	9/23



Trivia Challenge Answered

In 1899, a New York City taxicab driver became the first person in the United States to be cited for speeding while driving an automobile. The car was known as an Electrobat, a fully electric vehicle invented in 1894. The speed limit was 8 miles per hour when traveling in a straight line and 4 miles per hour when turning a corner. The driver was traveling at a speed of 12 miles per hour.



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This and That

A wonderful senior moment.

An elderly lady goes to the bank to withdraw some money...

She hands her bank card to the teller and says, "I would like to withdraw \$20, please."

The teller tells her, "For withdrawals less than \$100, please use the ATM."

The elderly lady asks why...

The teller returns her bank card and irritably tells her, "These are the rules, please leave if there is nothing else..." "There is a line of customers behind you."

The senior lady remains silent for a few seconds, then hands her card back to the teller and says, "Please help me withdraw all the money I have."

The teller is astonished when she checks the account balance...

She nods her head, leans down and respectfully tells her, "You have \$3,000,000 in your account, but the bank doesn't have that much cash currently..."

"Could you make an appointment and come back again tomorrow?"

The senior lady then asks how much she could withdraw immediately...

The teller tells her any amount up to \$10,000.

"Well, please let me have \$10,000 then," says the lady. The teller, with a kind smile, hands \$10,000 to her. The lady puts \$20 in her purse and then says, "Now..." "Please deposit this \$9,980 back into my account."



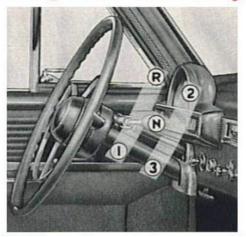
When you bought a car, you asked how many you could fit in the trunk so you would know how many you could sneak into the drive-in



We had Road Maps.



Many of us over 45 have driven a 4 on the floor - but how many have driven a '3 on the tree.. Have you?



Upcoming Events

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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

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 <u>https://</u> www.desotodays.com/car-show Show Flyer

September 3rd Blue Springs6:00pm – 8:30pm Blue Springs Christian Church Display of Cars 7920 South 7 Hwy, Blue Springs, MO FREE Food, activities, live music, fireworks

September 9 Basehor, KS Basehor-Linwood High School

2108 N. 155th Street, 66007. Registration (\$25) from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Dash plaques, grab bags (first 150 registered entries). Door prizes, food vendors, raffles, 50/50 pot. Call Rich at 208-406-9429 or

email <u>basehorcarshow@gmail.com</u> All proceeds benefit Basehor-Linwood Education Foundation and Basehor VFW Post #11499. <u>Show Flyer</u>

September 9. Independence, MO: American Legion Car Show. Tirey J. Ford Post 21, 16701 East US 40 Highway, 64055. 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Breakfast (biscuits and gravy) 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM; lunch 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. 50/50 drawing. Midwest Poppies for Patriots will be featured. Call 816-830-0758 with questions. Show Flyer

Roscoe Yoder, asked anyone interested to get in touch with him for a Car Display on September 10th at Mission Square Independent Retirement Living Center. 913-710-7720 or email: roscoeyoder@yahoo.com

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Upcoming Events

Other Events

September 9. Merriam, KS: Turkey Creek Car and Motorcycle Show. Merriam Marketplace, 5740 Merriam Drive, 66203. 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Parking lot opens at 7:30 AM. Registration and pre-registration opens at 8:00 AM and closes at 2:00 PM. Pre-registration \$25 (dash plaque, tshirt and car show calendar will be given). Day of event entry \$35, subject to availability. Preregistration available the Merriam Community Center at 6040 Slater Street or online at: <u>https:// www.merriam.org/Government/Departments/ Parks-Rec/Events/Turkey-Creek-Car-and-Motorcycle-Show</u> Show Flyer

September 10. Mission, KS: Show-and-Shine Antique, Vintage and Classic Car Show Celebrating Grandparents Day. Mission Square Independent Senior Living, 6220 Martway, 66202. 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM. All proceeds from food donations go to the American Stroke Foundation. Live music, burgers, Dole Whip truck. To pre-register, call 913-403-8200 or send email to <u>Vicki.hutchens@transformingage.org</u> <u>Show</u> <u>Flyer</u>

September 10. Shawnee, KS: Shawnee Town Wheels & Dreams Car, Truck & Bike Show. Shawnee Town 1929, 11501 West 57th Street, 66203. 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Registration forms are available at the Visitor's Center, 11501 West 57th Street or call 913-248-2360 and one will be sent to you. Proceeds benefit Shawnee Town 1929. Live music, food trucks, vendors, sponsor areas and more.

September 16-17. Ottawa, KS: 36th Annual Ol Marais River Run Car Show. Forest Park, 400 N. Locust Street, 66067. <u>www.olmarais.com</u> <u>Show</u> <u>Flyer</u> <u>Entry Form</u>

Other Events

September 22. Kansas City, MO: 2nd Annual Classic Car Show. St. Anthony's Senior Living, 1000 East 68th Street, 64131. 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM. No entry fee. Limited parking (25 cars). Live entertainment, food and beverages to entries. Trophies for top three cars. RSVP to Megan Simon at 816-846-0870. <u>Show Flyer</u>

September 28-29. Lee's Summit, MO: MCC -Longview Automotive Experience Days. MCC-Longview, 500 SW Longview Road, 64081. Vintage Car Show featuring hot rods, motorcycles and more.. Rain or shine. Tour automotive training facility. Experience hands-on automotive lab activities. Spaces are limited; preregister (FREE) by September 14. Judging from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Trophies awarded. O'Reilly Auto Parts is providing lunch (12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM) both days. Call 816-604-2215 or email <u>lv.admissions@mcckc.edu</u> for more information. <u>Show Flyer Entry Form</u>

(Note: Please let Dan McGrath know if you plan to attend and we will send a club registration to the college. An email will be sent out on time and where to meet at the college.

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Lawrence Region AACA Car Show Details will follow

PLEASE LET DAN KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND ANY OF THE OTHER EVENTS AND HE WILL GET A LIST OUT SO YOU WILL KNOW CLUB MEMBERS THAT WILL BE AT THE SHOW.

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2023 AACA National Meets & Tours

AACA Central Divisional Tour

September 13—15 Sponsor: Southern Chapter of Ohio Region

7th Annual Coatesville Invitational Vintage Grand Prix September 16

Bull Run Region's 47th Rohr Memorial Car Meet September 16

Manasseh Lodge 182 Manasseh, VA

Anthracite Region AACA 37th Annual Car Show September 17 McAdoo, PA

Chesapeake Region's Autumn Harvbest Collector Car Show September 14 Manchester, Maryland

AACA Western Divisional Tour September 25 - 29th California Central Coast

2023 Eastern Fall Nationals October 3– 6 Hershey, PA

58th Annual Grand Ole Tour October 11—14 San Angelo, TX

Exmore town Park Auto Show October 21 Exmore, VA

TCVCC Cars of Our Lives Show November 5 Stuart, FL

Ancient City Auto Club Car Show November 11 St. Augustine, FL

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.

David Schall's Easy Cucumber Salad

Ingredients

2 English cucumbers, thinly sliced, best with a mandolin

- 1 tsp salt
- 1 red onion thinly sliced
- 1 cup distilled white vinegar
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 2 TBL fresh dill minced

Instructions

Step 1

Season cucumbers with salt in a large bowl and let sweat for 1 hour. Drain liquids and toss cucumbers with onions

Step 2

In a small saucepan over high heat, pour white vinegar and water and stir in sugar until dissolved and liquid turns clear, 3-5 minutes

Step 3

Pour over cucumbers and onions. Stir in dill. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate, 1 hour

Note: Serve hot or cold

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



Meredith Williamson's Fish Stick Tacos

Ingredients

16 frozen fish sticks, about 1 lb.
4 cups shredded cabbage (about 12 oz)
1 cup refrigerated sauerkraut
1 TBL apple cider vinegar
3/4 tsp kosher salt
8 small flour or corn tortillas

Instructions

Step 1 Bake the fish sticks according to directions

Step 2

While the fish sticks are cooking, combine the cabbage sauerkraut, vinegar and salt. Toss well and let sit until ready to serve, tossing occasionally

Step 3

Place 2 fish sticks on each tortilla and top with some of the cabbage mixture. Add sour cream, hot sauce, radishes, and/or cilantro, if desired.

Serve the remaining cabbage mixture as a side salad.

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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

Absolute Upholstery

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

Grisham Auto Service

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

Bonnie & Bill Johnson recommend:

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

Steve Hartwich recommends:

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

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.

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

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

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

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



Minutes of Member Meeting

Mid-America AACA Member Meeting

August 20, 2023

Attendance: 32 Members and 1 Guest

The Meeting began with the members reciting The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Sharon asked for a motion to approve the corrected minutes from the July meeting. The Minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report was given and approved. It was noted \$100 was donated from the club to FISH and Harvesters. The Harvester's donation was doubled due to a program they had going.

Dan talked about upcoming activities

Official Mid-America activities:

August 26th a tour of J.B. Hodgdon's Garage with lunch to follow at Callahan's Grill West

September 16th a club member picnic at the home of Dan and Tammy. The club will provide hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, buns and condiments. The members are asked to bring their own drinks and a dish (side, appetizer, salad or dessert) to share. Tammy asked members to please bring their own chairs. Dan will need a count for the picnic to have enough food prepared. Please contact him if you plan to attend.

October 28th Independence Halloween Parade

November 19th Chili Lunch and meeting

December 17th Christmas party

Unofficial activities:

September 2^{nd} Dean Weller Memorial car show DeSoto, Ks. September 3^{rd} Blue Springs Christian Church Display of Cars 6 - 8:30September 10^{th} Shawnee Town Show

September 28th Heritage Center Jewish Community Display of Cars September 29th MCC Longview Automotive School Car Show

October 1st Lawrence AACA Car Show

Bonnie asked we pre-register for the Longview Car Show soon and submit as a group

Roscoe asked anyone interested to get in touch with him for a Car Display on September 10th at Mission Square Independent Retirement Living Center.

Dan would like anyone interested to sign his sheet for him to email about events that they or other members may be attending so you could decide if you would like to go also.

Our September meeting will be a short meeting at the picnic. No meeting in September at Your Classic Ride.

Gary had nothing to discuss for today.

Martie needs Trivia and Recipes for the Generator. Jim Gustafson answered the Trivia question correctly today.

Bonnie said the following people had August birthdays: Fred Hall, Tom Wedbush, Sharon Cygan, Lois Barton, and Vicky Hemley. Anniversaries for August were Jack and Lois Barton, Dennis and Cindy Roberts, Gregory and Rhonda Riggen, Bob and Connie Wollenman and Frank and Kitty Block.

Jack Boyle asked about the list of cars of club members. If you haven't sent your information to Tom Wedbush, please send the information and a picture of your car for our website. No names or personal information is included on the website.

Bonnie announced that Rick Fielder's Pierce Arrow will be on a calendar for 2024.

She has attempted to contact MindDrive to arrange a time for members to take their cars for the students to see but has not heard back yet.

Ron and Sarah Jury attended the Mississippi Valley Region Grand Nation and Zenith Award Event at Bettendorf Iowa. Their 1958 Chevrolet Bel Air Impala was one of the Zenith Award Nominees. Their 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air and their 1959 Chevrolet Impala received Grand National Awards.

The meeting was adjourned.

Simon and Jennifer Curzon gave the program about Rolls Royce judging and the relationship between the Rolls Royce club 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.

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 he 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 print-ed 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 ¹/₄ 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 chargers 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, 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 of 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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