

The Generator



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Trivia

What was this Dodge known as?



President's Message

There has been a lot going on since my last message and it has all been good. Follow up on the activities later in this issue. I missed the Atkins-Johnson show due to rain, but as the only representative of Mid-America, attended the show at the Little Blue Baptist Church on Noland Rd.

Given the opportunity to appear in a documentary for the Historical Society of Olathe, Tom Imig, Al Prothe, Tom Robson and I had a wonderful experience. Hearing "take 1" "action" and "cut" made it a real filming occasion.

I also had the joy of celebrating my birthday six times!!

Stay cool and I'll see you next time.

Bonnie

*To be happy ourselves is a most effectual contribution
to the happiness of others.*

- Author unknown

July Activity

Mid-America Event

Sunday July 26 2:30pm
Jim's Car Collection Garage Tour

Steve Hartwich will be leading our club caravan to the tour. Steve's message.

Following are directions to the meeting place (parking lot) for our tour to Jim's car collection. I'll hand out a map and directions at the meeting place to Jim house but we'll be in a caravan which I'll be leading anyway. We need to keep cars together so we don't lose anyone in the caravan on the way. Any questions, feel free to email me or ask me at the July 19 meeting. Hope you can make it! Thanks! Steve.

Directions to parking lot meeting point for Jim's Tour, July 26 2026

Nall Avenue Exit 77B from I-435. Destination for meeting point, Andretti Karting Parking lot, 11610 Nall Ave. 66211. 230 PM. Link to I-435 & Nall Ave., Exit 77B. <https://maps.app.goo.gl/9UypHo7ajmr5GEzH7>

South on Nall for about 1 mile. Stay in right lane. Go past light at 115th St. You're turning right at Andretti Kart racing building, 11610 Nall Ave. **Says Andretti on the building, right side of street.**

Link to Andretti Karting -<https://maps.app.goo.gl/Pj8McRg8Jfra9hEp8>

We'll meet in the parking lot and proceed to Jim's house from there as soon as everyone arrives. I will lead the caravan south on Nall Avenue to his house. You must caravan with us to Jim's as his property has a gate and you can't gain access to it without me. To preserve Jim's privacy this Tour is for club member's only.



Send me an email between now and the July 19 meeting letting me know how many in your party and if possible what vehicle you'll be driving. You can also sign up at the meeting which is the cut-off date.

If for some reason you need to cancel, please let me know so I can take you off the spreadsheet and we're not waiting for you in the parking lot. Steve's email: 65buicks@gmail.com

2026 Mid-America AACA Member Meeting Dates

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



July 19	Club meeting at Your Classic Ride, Olathe Naval Station CD will be viewed
August 16	Club meeting at Your Classic Ride
Sept. 19	Meeting will be held at our annual picnic at Tammy and Dan's home.
October	Meeting date and place to be determined.
November	Meeting date and place to be determined.
December	No meeting. Christmas Party

Lawrence Swap Meet

On Saturday, May 2, 2026, the following club members volunteered to collect money for parking at the Lawrence Swap Meet:

Gary Crispin
Bonnie Johnson
Dan McGrath
Tammy Suddeth

Paul & Meredith Williamson
Neil & Debbie Steiner
David Schall
Jon & Martie Kernodle

The day started off chilly, but began to warm up by noon. Thankfully this year there wasn't any rain. Lawrence AACA provided our team with breakfast items, which was appreciated. As always, we were very busy collecting as shoppers drove in. You can tell from the photos that all of us had a good time too.



Tammy Suddeth



Bonnie Johnson—David Schall



Fred Hall, Dan McGrath, Gary Crispin



Meredith Williamson—Toni Hall



ni Hall



Meredith Williamson, Toni Hall, Paul Williamson



Jon & Martie Kernodle

Story & Photos: Martie Kernodle

Mid-America AACA May Club Meeting

On May 17th, 11 members attended the club meeting. After the business meeting, eight members brought their favorite hat(s) and shared their hat story.



Mike Frederico's hat is 20 years old. It was a gift from his wife. Mike says he wears it all the time.

Norm Kressmann purchased his Tyrolean hat in Germany 1996. He had several pins on the hat and he shared the significance of each.



Gary Crispin brought his uncle's 1950's Stetson hat.



Paul Williamson had a Cadillac cap he received at a Cadillac Grand National.

Steve Hartwich brought a hat from a 1980's Indy 500.





Dan McGrath brought a special collection of hats that commemorate events for him.

Bonnie Johnson brought 2 hats—a Stetson which was her Dads and her Grandma’s woven straw hat that Bonnie wore as Bess Truman.



Meredith brought a purple cloche which she had worn with a purple coat that matched and purple gloves.

She also brought a large beige hat that she had worn at her wedding with a veil that had belonged to Mary Duke Biddle (whose family endowed Duke University) and had been worn by all the women in her family.



This was a fun, interesting event.

*Story from Meredith Williamson’s May meeting minutes.
Photos: Bonnie Johnson*

Big Shoal Vintage Car Show

On June 13, the car show was held at Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum. This was the 3rd annual show hosted by the Atkins-Johnson Farm and Mid-America AACA. Early morning it was raining which reduced the number of attendees. Around 11:00am it began to clear off. Photos following show some of the beautiful cars.





Rich Fielder



Gary Crispin





*Best of Show Winner, Russ Andreas with his
Red 1938 Ford Truck*



Thank you Gary Crispin for creating and managing this show for Mid-America AACA with the Atkin-Johnson Farm & Museum.

*Story: Martie Kernodle
Photos: Gary Crispin*

The Price of Gas and other Fun Stuff

Bonnie Johnson reporting:

I was thinking of the high price of gasoline, so I began researching and found how gas prices have risen and some other fun facts

1936 - President Franklin D. Roosevelt

- gas - 10 cents a gallon
- best selling auto - Ford Model A
- John & Horace Dodge built the engines
- Jesse Owens won 4 gold medals at the Olympics
- music - "Pennies from Heaven" Bing Crosby



1948 - President Harry S. Truman

- gas - 16 cents a gallon
- best selling auto - Ford Super Deluxe
- NASCAR first race for modified cars
- Porsche is founded
- music - "Buttons & Bows" Dinah Shore



1955 - President Dwight D. Eisenhower

- gas - 18 cents a gallon
- best selling auto - Ford F pick-up truck
- Chrysler New Yorker \$4,347
- McDonalds founded by Ray Kroc
- music - "Rock Around the Clock: Bill Haley
- TV - "I Love Lucy" and "Twilight Zone"



1960s - Presidents Dwight D Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson

- gas - 30 cents a gallon
- best selling autos - VW Beetle, Pont. GTO, Ford Mustang
- Vietnam War
- music - "Are You Lonesome Tonight?" Elvis Presley
- TV - "Gunsmoke"



1970s - Presidents Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, James Carter

- gas - 36 cents a gallon
- best selling autos - Mustang Mach 1, Camaro, Charger, Cutlass
- Vietnam War comes to a close
- music - "My Sweet Lord" George Harrison
"American Pie" Don McLean
- TV - "Laugh In", "Happy Days"



1980s - Presidents Ronald Reagan,

- gas - \$1.15 a gallon
- best selling autos - Olds Cutlass, Ford Escort, Honda Accord
- Soviet Union collapsed
- music - by Michael Jackson, Madonna
- TV - "Dallas"



1990s - Presidents George H.W. Bush, William Clinton

- gas - \$1.18 a gallon
- best selling auto - Honda Accord, Ford Taurus, Toyota Camry
- launch of Hubble Space Telescope
- music -Boyz II Men (50 weeks on Billboard)
- TV - "Seinfeld", "Friends"



2000s - Presidents George W. Bush, Barack Obama, Donald Trump

- gas - \$2.22 a gallon
- present day gas \$4.41 a gallon
- best selling autos - Ford F series, Chev Silverado
- September 11, attacks on World Trade Center
- music - by Usher
- TV - "Survivor"



All information may vary depending on where you search, but this is to the best of my ability.

- Bonnie

*Research & story: Bonnie Johnson
Internet photos: Martie Kernodle*

BeeHive Homes of Grain Valley Car Show

On Thursday June 18, BeeHive Homes of Grain Valley hosted a car show for the residents and their families. BeeHive Homes is an assisted living and memory care facility owned and operated by Cal and Malonda Hutson -pictured along with Amy, the Activities Director.

Also invited were 24 children from a local daycare school. The kids brought homemade cards to hand out to the residents. Lunch was provided for all; they had grilled hot dogs, chips, cookies, and cotton candy.



The cotton candy machine was a hit. It had been a few years since I had cotton candy, and I really enjoyed it. Bonnie said she hadn't had cotton candy in over thirty years! Fred ate at least three.



Bonnie Johnson

Fred & Toni Hall



The threat of dark rain clouds may have kept a few cars from coming. There were thirteen cars, five of which represented our club. We had a few sprinkles off and on but not too bad. A solid rainfall hit as things were wrapping up. Some of us hung out inside until the rain passed through.

Those in attendance from our club were Bonnie Johnson, Norm Kressmann, Michael Williams, his wife Thelma, and son Mikey, Neil & Debbie Steiner, and Fred & Toni Hall.



Norm Kressmann



Bonnie Johnson

Neil Steiner





*Mike & Thelma Williams
Son, Mikey, sitting by the Bentley*

*Fred & Toni Hall's car, nostalgia
and trunk of 1960 memorabilia*



The residents enjoyed looking at the cars on display and most importantly I'm sure the cars brought back some memories.

Story & Photos: Toni Hall

This and That



May/June Birthdays

Alice Ferrante	5/9
Tom Ricker	5/14
Jerry Cygan	5/17
Konnie Crispin	6/8
Juanita Hedburg	6/10
Cindy Roberts	6/19
Bonnie Johnson	6/22
Martie Kernodle	6/25



Charles & Loretta Sharp	6/17
Stephen & Alice Ferrante	6/28

From Steve Hartwich May 27th: I was watching the news and spotted Tom Imig's 1948 Cadillac at the celebration of the 18th & Vine Jazz district \$400 million revitalization. Nice surprise.



Trivia Challenge Answered

What was this Dodge known as?

The Superbee



The Superbee was produced between 1968 and 1971 by Dodge. It offered comparable performance to the brand's more expensive cars at a better price point and was known for its attractive design and peppy engine.

This and That

I got myself a seniors' GPS. Not only does it tell me how to get to my destination, it tells me why I wanted to go there.

CHILDHOOD INJURIES:
FELL OFF MY BIKE
FELL OUT OF A TREE
TWISTED MY ANKLE

ADULT INJURIES:
SLEPT WRONG
SAT DOWN TOO LONG
SNEEZED TOO HARD

The distance it takes for me to forget a number between 1 and 10



50 YEARS OLD



**STILL LOOKS BETTER THAN
ANYTHING MADE TODAY**

*The older I get,
the earlier
it gets late!*

I'm at that age where my mind still thinks I'm 29, my humor suggests I'm 12 while my body mostly keeps asking if I'm sure I'm not dead yet.



Upcoming Events

Mid-America AACA Official Event

Sunday, July 26th SAVE THE DATE!!!

Steve Hartwich has set up and is handling a very interesting Garage Tour for club members only in Johnson County, KS.

See page 3 of this Generator for details.

**Saturday, September 19
SAVE THE DATE!**

Mid-America AACA picnic
Dan McGrath and Tammy Suddeth's home
Details will follow

blue text—new info or event
red text—your action is
needed
black text—info is the same

Other Events

**Saturday July 11. Pleasant Hill, MO:
VFW Post 3118 Auxiliary Car Show.**

1701 Country Club Drive, 64080.

Registration (\$20) starts at 10:00 AM.

Show Hours 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Awards at 1:30 PM.

Concessions available. Free spectator admission and free spectator parking with shuttle.

**Saturday July 18. Independence, MO:
Independence 76 Fire Co. Fire Fest 2026.**

Cable Dahmer Arena, 19100 E Valley View Parkway, 64055.

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Fire trucks, classic cars, trucks, tractors. Water display. Kids games.

FREE; donations appreciated.

Contact President Rick Webb at 816-520-8510 for additional information.

**Saturday, July 25. Independence, MO:
Jackson Creek Memory Care.**

19400 E. 40th St Ct, 64057. 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM.

FREE event.

Trophies will be awarded.

A cookout will be hosted. Judging will be by residents, if you wish to participate. **Please RSVP**

to crystal.marron@jacksoncreek-mc.com or call 816-456-8999 or 816-203-8550.

**NOTE: FOR SHOW FLYERS, GO TO
kansascityauto museum.com and click on
ACCKC event finder**

2026 AACA National Meets & Tours

July 18

**72nd Annual Long Beach Model T Club
Swap Meet
Long Beach, CA**

July 31—August 2nd

**Ontelaunee Region AACA's Das Awkscht
Fescht
Macungie, PA**

August 1

**35th Zooland Region Antique Car Show
Asheboro, NC**

September 9-14

**Founders Tour (1932-2001)
Williamsburg, VA
Hosted by Historic VA Peninsula Region**

September 13

**Chesapeake Region's Annual Autumn Har-
vest
Manchester, MD**

September 19

**50th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet
Manassas, VA**

September 20

**Anthracite Region AACA Annual Car
Show and Flea Market
McAdoo, PA**

November 1

**TCVCC Cars of Our Lives (COOL) Show
Stuart, 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. editormidamerica@gmail.com

Toni Hall's Caramel Pecan Monkey Bread

Ingredients

1 pkg Rhodes small frozen dinner rolls (18 rolls)
1 small pkg Butterscotch pudding Cook & Serve (not instant)
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup white sugar
1 1/2 tsp cinnamon
1/2 cup chopped pecans
1 stick margarine

Step 1

Toss frozen rolls in a bundt pan sprayed with cooking spray.

Step 2

Mix dry ingredients and spoon over rolls

Step 3

Melt 1 stick margarine; drizzle over all. Cover and let set overnight (8-10 hours)

Step 4

Bake @ 350 for 30 minutes (covered with foil the first 20—25 minutes)

Step 5

Turn out on plate (pizza pan works well.)

Best when right out of the oven, but leftover helping heats up well in the microwave.



Blue Cheese, Port and Walnut Spread

Ingredients

1 lb Blue Cheese
1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened
1/3 cup port wine
1 1/2 cups chopped walnuts

Step 1

In a food processor blend together the cheese, butter and port wine until the mixture is smooth.

Step 2

In a bowl, combine the cheese mix and the walnuts. Chill.

Note: *This spread keeps for 3 weeks if refrigerated. Make to serve with bread or crackers.*

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.

Bonnie Johnson recommends:

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

Lloyd the King of HVAC & Plumbing

A great source for classic car air conditioning repair.

1823 W. 39th Street
Kansas City, MO 64111
913-488-9434

David Gonzales at Your Classic Ride (does not paint)

Please email me your recommendations—editormidamerica@gmail.com

*Note: Newly added recommendations are in **Blue**.*

Mid-America Member May Meeting Minutes

Mid-America AACA Club Meeting Minutes May 17, 2026

Attendance: 11

The meeting was called to order.

The pledge of allegiance was said by all.

Approved last month's minutes.

Treasurer's Report was given and approved.

There was a sign-up sheet for the Big Shoal Vintage Car Show on June 13th which runs from 10 until 3:00. We should show up at 9:30. They are building a new barn and there may be a market in there for the show.

A review of the Peculiar car show was given. The turnout was twice what we had last year. We had 52 cars attend. The trophies were great and the 50/50 raffle made us \$85.00 Toni Hall suggested that a better sound system be used. Less prizes and a whiteboard to list ticket numbers. Everyone agreed about the sound system, but no one thought we should have less prizes. Even though some thought the burgers weren't as good as what the Boy Scouts prepared, we agreed we were fortunate to have food (both breakfast and lunch) provided. The minister loves having the car show there.

Norm Kressmann announced that the KC Auto Museum car of the month for June is cars built at the Leeds Plant. He also announced that the Kansas City Auto Show is at the Overland Park Convention Center June 4-7. The cars are being moved in June 3rd from 4-7.

Muscle cars are at the Car Museum this Month (May).

We won't have a June meeting because of Soccer tournament.

Jim's Garage is scheduled for July 26th which is at 181 st and Nall. Steve Harwitch will find a place to eat afterwards.

At the moment we don't have an activity for August. Suggestions are welcome. September is the Picnic at Dan and Tammy's and they may have new puppies to show us. (At least 1).

Other car shows:

June 6 – Little Blue Valley, Noland Road

June 5-7 – Old Shawnee Days – They need cars to drive dignitaries. Mike Frederico will follow up.

- ♦ June 20, 2026 - there was a request for cars from the 30's, 40's, early 50's. Steve Moskowitz black flagged everything but Bonnie said she had been involved with the person filming before and he did a wonderful job (Olathe the Beautiful – can see the documentary on You Tube) and recommended being involved. Paul is contacting the Warrensburg VA about a car show for more information. Bonnie announced there is a mustang coupe for sale. Red on red. She doesn't know the price but can give you contact information if interested.
We broke for snacks and then returned for the hats.
- ♦ Mike Frederico had a hat which he has had for 20 years that his wife gave him. He wears it all the time.
- ♦ Norm had a Tyrolean hat which he bought in Germany when he was there in '96. He told us about the pins he had on his hat and what the significance was of each.

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- ◆ Gary brought a Stetson hat that was his Uncle's from the '50's.
- ◆ Paul had a Cadillac cap which he received at a Cadillac Grand National (can't remember which one).
- ◆ Steve Hardwick brought a hat from the Indy 500 in the '80's.
- ◆ Dan McGrath brought a special collection of hats that commemorate events for him.
- ◆ Meredith brought a purple cloche which she had worn with a purple coat that matched and purple gloves. She also brought a large beige hat that she had worn at her wedding with a veil that had belonged to Mary Duke Biddle (whose family endowed Duke University) and had been worn by all the women in her family.
- ◆ Bonnie brought 2 hats as well. She brought a Stetson which was her fathers and woven straw hat which was her grandmother's.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Meredith Williamson in place of 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.

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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, Webmaster 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, Webmaster 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 , Webmaster 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.

Section 8. Webmaster of the Region shall update and maintain our Club's web site www.midamerica.aaca.com

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 meetings so called.

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Mid-America AACA By-Laws (cont.)

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.

Mid-America AACA Mission Statement

Mid-America AACA mission is to:

- 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
- follow the guidelines of National AACA
- have fun together!

Advertising space is free to Mid-America AACA members.

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