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BUCKSTOP JUNCTION

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Well wouldn't you know, spring time and driving season have actually arrived. However with all the wind that we've been experiencing it takes some of the fun out of being out and driving for me, but this too will pass and we will be left with a wonderful show and driving season. Recently Kari and I were at the Toppers show in Fargo and were there some beautiful cars there. It really got me excited to get out and see the cars and the people throughout the summer.

The board at Buckstop has asked if the PAC would be interested in grilling burgers and brats for a new event out at Buckstop Junction. The event is called Junkin' at the Junction. From what I understand this event will be similar to a swap meet or flea market with antiques and other type vendors. The club will get to keep all profits made from selling food. At the meeting it was decided to do the event as a fund raiser. The date for Junkin' at the Junction is June 13th and we are also allowed to bring our cars for show at the event.

We will be doing Motor to Medora again this year and it will be the Friday of the Medora show as was last years. The event will be very similar to last year but with the hope that we can actually do the run this year with all the planned events along the way and give away the prizes that we had for last year's run. The other change for this year is to be more organized and to keep the group together better. I was happy with our first attempt last year but we did notice some issues but hope to remedy them this year. I'm sure this year will once again be a success and will be much better than last year. We took flyers for the run with us to the Toppers show and had a lot of interest from folks on the eastern side of the state, I hope to see some of them come out and participate with us this year.

Finally I would like to thank Ken and Gale for hosting that March meeting, as always it was a wonderful time and Gale put out a great spread of wonderful food for us. Our April meeting will be held at Steve and Jo Ellefson's house and if all goes well the plan for right now is to work on the assembly build T and maybe have Steve tell us a little bit about how a T works and how the transmission works. At the meetings for this year if a member would like to tell us about their car and its unique features we will have set time aside during the meeting to check out your ride.

Hope to see you at the meeting at Ellefson's 7:00 on April 16th.

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MINUTES – PAC meeting, March 19, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by President Jerome Zimmerman at Ken & Gale Welch's house.

Secretary's Report: Approved as printed, Sam Wangler, 2nd Don Roloff, voice carry.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Ellefson gave report. Accepted by Kevin Schatz, 2nd Don Erhardt, voice carry.

New Business.

1. Dinner Cruise: April 14 to Wilton Sportsman Grill - Meet at Kmart at 6:30pm
2. Bismarck Eagles is discussing hosting a car cruise-in on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the summer months. Tuesdays they have a burger and pizza special along with pitchers of beer
3. Gee Williquors is hosting a grand opening cars show on Saturday, April 25th from 11am - 2pm. Participants get 10% discount on purchase that day.
4. Christmas party: Les Linssen reserved Comfort Inn for Thursday, Dec. 17. Woodhouse will cater.
5. Upcoming events are on the website.

Old Business

1. Audit committee: Kevin Schatz, Pat Fricke, Kari Zimmerman. Steve E. will get record to committee.
2. Acres of Iron: May 16 - Coordinating shows again with Roughrider Chevy. Gateway Mall is hard to get confirmation. Jerome Z. had talked with Eagles. Don Roloff moved to check with the Eagles and plan the show there, 2nd John Des Roches, voice carry.
3. Sweethearts Dinner: Bar M was a nice location and good food. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.
4. Buggies-N-Blues: June 7 - No meetings recently. Updated Model T pictures were sent to Del and graphic artist for T Shirts.

Committee Reports

1. Communications: March printed newsletters were returned with postage due. Newsletter was same 8 pages it usually is.
2. Model T Build: Steve Ellefson, chair. Buggies-N-Blues and Medora are scheduled.
3. Gas Truck: Steve Ellefson, chair.
4. Grill Truck Project: Will let membership know what day for a tear apart session.
6. Buckstop Junction: Jerry Zimmerman. June 13 - Junk'n at the Junction. PAC will cook brats and burgers. Possibly host a swap meet?
7. Used Car Lot: Roloff, chair. Don brought printout of sign for used car lot building. Dale can donate OK Used Cars sign as well. Could put one above the door and one on the east side of the building. Building still needs a second coat of paint this spring/summer. Need to ask Buckstop Junction to move farm equipment.

Next meeting will be April 16, 2015 at Steve & Jo Ellefson residence, 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm. 1st Betty Baepple, 2nd John Baepple, voice carry.

Coming up at farm auction April 10th...will sell!

1952 Studebaker Champion, 4 dr sedan 99% complete, missing some rear tail light parts, stored on the farm.

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This Month's Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Ida Miller
 Pat Heinert
 Ron Pickar
 Sam Wangler
 Terry Brosseau
 Thomas Hopkins
 Mike Conmy
 Les Linssen
 John Birkholz

Spouse Birthdays

Carol Fricke
 Gayle Bakken
 Renell Block

Anniversaries

Delmar & Debbie Markel
 Les & Ellie Linssen
 Pat & Lynn Heinert
 Bill & Alvina Schwehr
 John & Diane Birkholz



Apr 14 - PAC Dinner Cruise - Wilton Sportsman Grill - Meet at Kmart at 6:30pm
Apr 16 - PAC Meeting - 7:00pm - Ellefson's Residence
May 16 - Acres of Iron Car Show
May 17 - Roughrider Chevy Show & Shine
May 21 - PAC Meeting - 7:00pm - Buckstop Jn



YEARLY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE PIONEER AUTO CLUB

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 Spouse's Name _____
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 Body Style _____ Color _____
 Other _____

Yearly dues are \$20.00 effective January 1 through December 31 each year. Send application and dues to:
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Auto Trivia

- 1. What was introduced in 1937 that would remain until 1952 on Ford automobiles?**
 - a) Two-piece windshield
 - b) Four-wheel brakes
 - c) Electric starter
 - d) Fender Skirts

- 2. What 1929 automobile was dubbed "the 1 1/4" inch bulge that killed a car"?**
 - a) Buick
 - b) Model A
 - c) Model T
 - d) Packard

- 3. What year were demountable tires introduced?**
 - a) 1900
 - b) 1915
 - c) 1929
 - d) 1934

- 4. How many taillights did the Stingray have in the song "Dead's Man Curve"?**
 - a) 2
 - b) 4
 - c) 6
 - d) 8

- 5. Which type of plating was used on radiators and lamps in 1921?**
 - a) Nickel-plating
 - b) Brass-plating
 - c) Chrome-plating

- 6. Who introduced laminated safety glass in 1926?**
 - a) Ford
 - b) Packard
 - c) Rickenbacker
 - d) Duesenberg

- 7. What was Buick's first car, the Model-A or Model-B?**
 - a) Model-A
 - b) Model-B

- 8. Where was the first National Automobile show held in 1900?**
 - a) Chicago
 - b) San Francisco
 - c) New York
 - d) Denver

- 9. What automobile did the Red Cross choose for its ambulances in 1915?**
 - a) Ford
 - b) Buick
 - c) Mack
 - d) White

"Trävit"

Chassis: 1985 Fiero.

Engine: Cadillac Northstar V8.

Body: hand formed wood and Kevlar.

Interior: Baltic birch and leather. Other: the usual hot rod goodies - lowered springs, free flow intake and exhaust, big brakes.

Definitely not socially responsible. Marita not allowed to drive for fear of losing license, so it sits in our garage."

Trävit means unpainted wood, in this case Atlantic White Cedar which is light, relatively

rot resistant, and easy to bend. The individual strips are edge glued with 'Titebond 3' waterproof glue and the backs of the panels are finished (coated) with epoxy over fiberglass for additional strength.

Design is 'generic' European '60's sports/touring, with cruising comfort rather than maximum acceleration a goal. Some details, like the depth of the front apron in Kevlar, were determined entirely by the dimensions of the available material. The finish is soft and I expect to collect some 'road rash' in use. This anticipated patina is a conscious design choice. The exterior finish is in a resin-rich penetrating oil with touch-ups done in standard teak oil.



A major design challenge was getting the door openings cut so the doors would actually open. There's a labor intensive trick, but the magician doesn't tell how his tricks are accomplished. A major problem -, wood is an agricultural material and 'lives' according to prevailing humidity. The front door edges should be re-radiused to create an even gap all around, but that's hard unless you live in a controlled humidity

environment. Coating the panels with epoxy on both sides during construction would have eliminated most the problem, but then I wouldn't have gotten the appearance I was aiming for.

I have no idea how long it has taken - several processes involved one small step followed by 12 hours waiting the the epoxy to set up. The most recent addition was a GPS speedometer.





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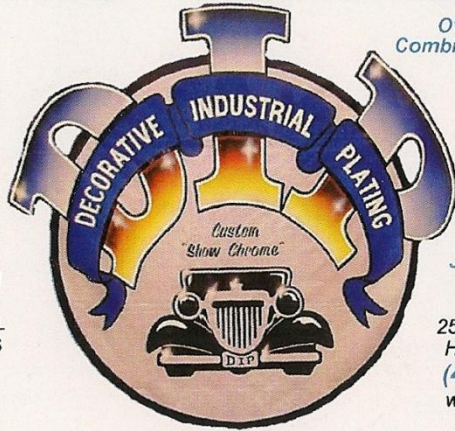
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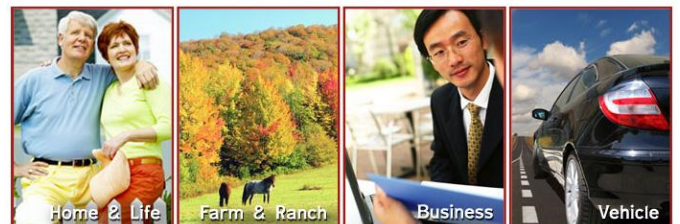
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Upcoming events ...

April

- Apr 11 - 33rd Annual Prime Steel Car Show - Grand Forks, ND
- Apr 16 - PAC Meeting - 7:00pm - Ellefson Residence
- Apr 25 - Gee Williquors Grand Opening Car Show - 11a - 2p

May

- May 16 - Acres of Iron - Bismarck, ND
- May 17 - Roughrider Chevy Show & Shine - Elks - Bismarck
- May 29 - 24th Annual Devils Run - Devils Lake, ND
- May 31 - Suedes Swap Meet - Sabin, MN

June

- Jun 5-6 - Classtiques Rod Run - Bismarck/Mandan
- Jun 7 - Buggies-N-Blues - Mandan, ND
- Jun 19 - Back to the 50s - St. Paul, MN
- Jun 26 - Motor to Medora - Mandan to Medora, ND
- Jun 27 - Medora Car Show - Medora, ND

July

- Jul 4 - 1st Annual Pembina Hills Show & Shine, Walhalla, ND
- Jul 17-18 - Prairie Cruisers Rod Run - Dickinson, ND

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