

# PIONEER AUTO CLUB NEWSLETTER



## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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The Elks 1199 Roosevelt Bar area was our meeting site for March which just happened to land on St. Patty's Day. We greeted the Miller's as new members and were treated by the Doctor's with some green St. Patrick's chocolate to celebrate one of their many anniversaries.

There is a new old car at Buckstop Junction. It is a 1921 Cadillac coupe with some unique features. John DeRouche made mention of the car in his report. Pat Fricke pointed out the high beam feature which consisted of a mechanical linkage that would move the headlight up and down for low and high beam. It also has a fold away steering wheel for easy entry. We will see more of the car at Buckstop this summer.

It was mentioned that Wayne Martineson had surgery and Rick Setterlund is also recovering from surgery. A quick call or text message to them would be appreciated.

The main point of discussion was the news that the Medora Car Show has been permanently canceled. According to Carl Larson, the Western Dakota Car Club of Dickinson made the decision at their monthly meeting, March 13, 2022. Mark Shields resigned as committee chair due to health concerns and the membership felt it was time to end the show. Their membership didn't feel they had the resources any longer to sponsor the event. So, we must say good-bye to the historic Medora Car Show. A letter of appreciation will be sent to Western Dakota thanking them for their 43 years of service.

On June 18, the PAC will have a burger burn at the Junkin' at the Junction. Diana Roloff will host the PAC Junkin' table and ask that anyone who has an item should contact her at 471-8860 for the right item name and approximate cost that you think the item is worth. All item proceeds will go to the PAC. We will have a table set up by the gas station for the junkin' items.

The Great Race finish line in Fargo will be between 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. We have a PAC contingent going to the event on Sunday, June 26. We are staying at the Wingate by Wyndham Fargo. Call 701-281-9133 if you want to join us and be part of a historic event. We are considering getting into the car season by scheduling a visit to a care facility in June. Laura has a list of several facilities and will make calls to finalize a location. Mark has volunteered to construct some shelving in the PAC garage to better organize totes and other items. We voted to set aside \$200 to cover the costs. Thanks, Mark for getting this done.

The April 12 dinner cruise will be at Rock N 50's. The dinner cruise falls on Carol Fricke's birthday. Bring candles, we will need ALL of them for a birthday wish.

Joe LaFave (per Charlie) will write a car article for April. Mark Sundquist will have an article for the month of May. Thanks everyone for keeping the stories alive.

See who joined the PAC in March in 1987. Check out the Historical Corner article and find out.

Jennifer Farley has offered to host the April PAC meeting at the DeWise-Perry Funeral Services located at 42211 Old Red Trail, Mandan, ND on April 21, 2022. The PAC voted to sponsor pizza for the meeting. Join us for the meeting and tour a great new facility in Mandan while enjoying a piece of pizza.

See you all next month.

# MINUTES - March 17, 2022



Greetings, welcome any new members and guests.

A. **Secretary's Report:** Laura Engwicht as printed in the newsletter 1st by Pat Fricke, 2nd by Dave Schmitz passed

B. **Treasurer's Report:** Reported by Don Roloff that Steve Ellefson sent Accepted 1st by Pat Fricke 2nd by Joe LaFave passed

## Committee Reports

1. Buckstop Junction: John DesRoches not much happening missed the last meeting.
2. Historical Corner Committee: Pat Fricke has been scanning stuff and Jo and Kathy have been putting it on the website. Check it out lots of pictures.
3. Buggies and Blues: Pat Fricke not much change they are having a big band on Saturday.
4. Communications: Please look at our Facebook page and ND Car Show Facebook page for car shows.  
Toppers car Show Fargo, March 26 and 27  
McClusky asked us to come back on Aug 6th
5. Medora Car Show: Dakota West Car Club has canceled the 2022 show.
  - a. Mark Shields comments to Steve Ellefson
  - b. Report on Medora Foundation

## Old Business

1. PAC Virtual Car Show - Send anything you would like added to Don or Laura.
2. Articles - Joe LaFave is writing a story for us. If you have one to share please send it to us.
3. Dinner Cruises scheduled Tuesday April 12th 5:30pm between Arbys & McDonalds. We will go to Rock n 50s.

## New Business

1. 2022 Great Race June 18-26, 2022 Update - Dave Owens  
We are staying at Wingate by Wyndham Fargo 701-281-9133 4429 19th Ave SW on the June 26th
2. Advertisement Information/Forms update - Jolene
  - a. New advertisers are: Northern Improvement, Benco, Centennial Collision
3. Eastern Tour Adjustment - Steve and Jo Not real sure where we are going, still working on it.
4. Mark would like to build shelves in the garage at Buckstop. Joe LaFave moves we give him \$150 Pat Fricke upped it to \$200 2nd by Micheal Farley members passed it
5. What do we think about a meeting at a Nursing Home this summer? Mark will call and find one.
6. Junkn' at the Junction June 18, the PAC will have burgers, brats, & hot dogs. Stay tuned for more info.
7. Dinner Cruise April 12th 5:30pm going to Rock n 50s meet at Arby's parking lot
8. The PAC meeting on April 21st will be at DeWise-Perry Funeral Services, Jennifer Farley contact, 4211 Old West Trail, Mandan, ND at 7:00 pm. We will be serving pizza about 6:15pm.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm 1st by Kevin Schatz 2nd by Micheal Farley

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## Member Birthdays

Sam Wangler  
Ron Pickar  
Terry Brosseau

## Spouse Birthdays

Carol Fricke  
Karen Martineson  
Karen Lalonde  
DaLana Mayer Erickson  
Tracy Yanke  
Karen Horan  
Sandi Hillig

## Anniversaries

Dave & Patty Owens  
Bill & Alvina Schwehr

## PAC NEWS



### **CRUISE NIGHT - Second Tuesday of each month**

The next dinner cruise will be to Rockin 50's in the Gateway Mall on April 12th. Meet at 5:30 pm in the Arby's parking lot.

### **MARCH DINNER CRUISE**

The PAC group met at Station West in Mandan for the March dinner cruise. I know some snowbirds who are anxious to join up in the fun!



## ROADSIDE FIND

We were heading to Aberdeen, SD on I-94. We turned south on Highway 281 about ten miles when we noticed a 50's vintage Buick on the side of the road.



The Buick was a two-door hardtop with a Dyno Flow transmission. It appeared to have all original parts on the car and the interior was also complete. This would be a good restoration project car revitalizing this rare find.

It appears to be a 1950-52 Special or Super distinguished by its three "ventiports". The Roadmaster would have sported four ventiports to distinguish itself as a top-of-the-line Buick. This car would be a Riviera hardtop. These cars were "built", hoods would clang down like a manhole cover. It was said that the dash of a Buick had more steel in them than an entire Subaru car.

The car is located at Highway 281 and 41<sup>st</sup> Street. If interested, take a road trip to Jamestown, ND and turn south to 41<sup>st</sup> Street and the car is on the east side of Highway 281.



*Note: We would LOVE to hear your 'car story' ... please submit your story to Don Roloff at [rolnon@bis.midco.net](mailto:rolnon@bis.midco.net) and we will publish it in the newsletter as soon as we are able!*

## PAC HISTORICAL CORNER

### Excerpts from March 1987

Greetings from Rev. Sullivan. At the last meeting of the very good ole' boys, several items were discussed, including the Model T Project for Band Day. We're looking for a flatbed trailer bigger than a car trailer for the parade. If anyone has one available, let us know by the next meeting. The first of several "practice" sessions for the Model T Project will be at Steve's house.

The swap meet was discussed. The 1987 swap meet treasurer's report:

INCOME:	dues from last meet	\$ 80.00
	Vendor Fees and Gate	\$433.00
EXPENSES	For Swap Meet	-\$351.09
TOTAL BALANCE		\$699.80

A survey conducted at the door produced a grand total of 186 people surveyed. Our most effective advertising seems to be our poster mailing from the vendor list I've prepared. Word of mouth also is doing us a great deal of good, then radio and TV ads follow.

The meet was a good one, with a decent mix of vendors and buyers. Money changed hands, and we have several commitments for next year's meet.

Discussed the Model T Race...this year, plans are to not run the race to Medora, but some other point, and Garrison was mentioned. More on that as plans progress.

Big thanks to the Larsons for a terrific feed at the last meeting. We may change the name of our club to the Pioneer Gourmet Cooking Car Club...

Have received a request for the Pioneer Club to furnish some cars for an Indoor Mall Show at the Gateway Mall on June 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>. Everything tentative so far. Will report more info as I receive it.

Welcome to several new members...Joe LaFave and Terry Brusseau of Bismarck, both part owners of a 1957 Chevy that some of us remember a classmate driving to B.H.S. back in the late 50's and early 60's. Welcome back to Sandy Bowman and we are glad your health is much better!!!

The next meeting: Ron Knights home #11 Captain Leach Dr. which is located north of Anderson Marine under the Memorial Bridge.

April 16, 7:30 pm

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*Historical corner minutes submitted by Don Roloff*

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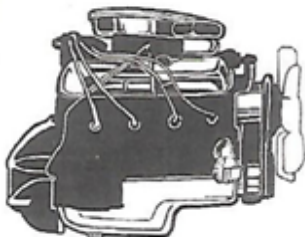


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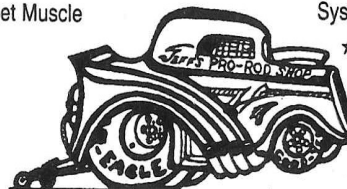
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## Upcoming car shows & events ...

### Upcoming events

April 5th Drag Main  
April 12th PAC Dinner Cruise  
April 21st PAC Meeting  
May 3rd Drag Main  
May 10th PAC Dinner Cruise  
May 19th PAC Meeting  
June 3rd Devils Run Devils Lake  
June 7th Drag Main  
June 14th PAC Dinner Cruise  
June 16th PAC Meeting  
June 26th Great Race Fargo  
Aug 6th McClusky Car Show

