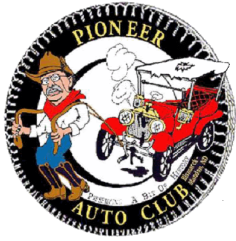


# PIONEER AUTO CLUB NEWSLETTER



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## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We did it! The Pioneer Auto Club painting project is done. It has taken us three work sessions to get the project complete. Kudos are appropriate for all volunteers that helped on the project. Special thanks to Wayne Martineson for bringing his lift and work platform for prepping the high gables and soffits. Blaire Ihmels contributed a lift that was used on the last day for painting all those high areas. John Des Roches brought his paint sprayer which was used for applying primer and painting the higher areas. Look at the pics on the PAC website to see volunteers in action.



The Capital Affair event will include two car shows. The Pioneer Auto Club will be having a Show and Shine on August 5 and the Ford and Mustang Club will be showing cars on August 6. The PAC will start their Show and Shine at 11:00 am and conclude at 3:00 pm. Look at the flyer in this newsletter for more details. The PAC is hosting a steak fry after the Show and Shine beginning at 3:30 pm. All members are invited to the Buckstop Junction Motel for the meal. The cost of the meal is \$15.00. We need a participant count to order enough steaks. Contact Jo Ellefson at 701-391-0578 or [sjellefson@bis.midco.net](mailto:sjellefson@bis.midco.net) with your name and number of steaks you will purchase. Please bring a dish to share.

The BLT Breakfast group had an enjoyable surprise. Steve and Jo Ellefson had their family in town for a visit. They provided a show for everyone by having family members drive some of the Ellefson car collection to the BLT Breakfast. There was a "Home Alone" moment when one grandson was left at home until he was noticed missing. All was good when he was picked up. No movie contract at this point. It was a good time meeting all the family members and visiting with them. Look at the PAC website for pics of the day. Good times.

Looking forward to the PAC Acres of Iron on August 19, the Show and Shine will be held from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Open to all classic makes and models! Car entrants will receive free admission to Buckstop Junction if they come through the north gate and park in the car lot next to the old sales office for registration. This is an opportunity to gain new members and sell the PAC memorabilia. Benco Equipment will be demonstrating a car lift during the day and answer any questions. We will once again have burgers, brats and beverages for sale. Volunteers are asked to meet by the Hollyhock Gas Station by 8:00 am for set up. The Junkin' Rummage sale will also be held. Bring any additional items on that day and give them to Diana Roloff.



## New Business

1. Greetings and Welcome 7:00pm
2. New Members
3. Secretary Report - Laura Engwicht as printed in the newsletter
  - a. 1st Joe LaFave 2nd Sam Wangler
4. Treasurer's Report - Diana Roloff
  - a. 1st Pat Fricke 2nd Dave Schmitz
  - b. Pat Fricke made a motion to purchase 200 regular koozies. John Des Roches 2nd
5. Committee Reports
  - a. Buckstop Junction - John Des Roches didn't make the last meeting and will go to the next one.
6. Old Business
  - a. Who has a car story? Could use one for the newsletter, send to Don, Laura, or Kathy.
  - b. We had a great turn out for the Baptist Car Show. Thanks to everyone that made it.
7. New Business
  - a. Capital Affairs Car Show August 5th, Dave Owens. Show up between 9 & 10 car show from 11-3
    - i. We will have the steak fry that evening after the show at the Buckstop Junction Hotel. Doors open at 3:30pm 4pm Social 5pm Supper
      1. RSVP by August 1st to Jolene and Steve Ellefson
      2. \$15 a steak 701-391-0578 sjellefson@bis.midco.net
      3. Bring a dish to share
    - ii. Acres of Iron Car Show in conjunction with Buckstop Corn Festival, Saturday Aug 19th. Ron & Kathy will be chairing it.
    - iii. Benco has offered to set up a car lift for demo and attractions.
    - iv. We will sell rummage items (leftover from June) you may bring in more items Saturday morning.
    - v. Please come help whenever you can that day. Start setting up at 8am.
  - b. Open "End of Rope Showing" - July 22nd - Dave Schmitz
  - c. Gas Station - Thank you to everyone that helped clean up and refresh the outside.
8. Southwest Cruise Sept 8, 9, & 10 details below - Don 701-471-8861
  - a. Still rooms available
  - b. We have a surprise in Mott stop
  - c. Bowman-Grazers Lunch menu is on the internet
9. Minot Cruiser End of Season Road tour Sept 15th - Dave Schmitz
  - a. [www.dakotacruisers.org](http://www.dakotacruisers.org) go to the bottom of page for registration form
10. Breakfast Lunch Together August 15th meet at Buckstop 9am going to Dakota Farms Restaurant in Mandan.
11. Dinner Cruise August 8th We will meet at 5:30pm at North Arbys going to Rusty's Saloon and Grill in St. Anthony.
12. August 17th, 2023 meeting 7pm at Buckstop Junction
13. Meeting adjourned 8:10 pm

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## Member Birthdays

Darrell Emmil  
Vern Fetch  
Jim Foley  
Curt Goehring  
Tom Kupris  
Dave Schmitz

## Spouse Birthdays

Jan Hetletved  
Brittany Klemisch  
Ann Knudson  
Diana Roloff  
Char Middlestead Rudnick  
Carol Sather  
Elaine Schilla  
Alvina Schwehr  
Judy Wangler

## Anniversaries

Cary/Connie Backstrand  
Kelly/Brittany Klemisch  
Tom/Lisa Kupris  
Rollin/Barb Mehlhoff  
Steve/Juliann Orman  
Ron/Jan Pickar  
Rick/Kathy Setterlund  
Sam/Judy Wangler

## PAC NEWS

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

The August Dinner Cruise is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8. We will be heading south to Rusty's Saloon and Grill in St. Anthony. Meet at North Arby's parking lot, we leave promptly at 5:30! Reminders will be sent out prior to dinner.

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### **PAC BLT (Breakfast Lunch Together) - Third Tuesday each month**

The August BLT (Breakfast Lunch Together) is August 15th. Meet at Buckstop Junction at 9a.m. and head to Dakota Farms Restaurant in Mandan. Add it to your Summer fun calendar.

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### **PAC MEETING- Third Thursday each month**

The next Pioneer Auto Club meeting will be held August 17th 7:00 p.m. at Buckstop Junction.

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### **UPDATED PIONEER AUTO CLUB WEBSITE!!**

It's here!! Our website has a whole new look and it looks fabulous!! Kari Zimmerman and Jolene Ellefson have worked very hard to get the website up and running so go take a peek at [www.pioneerautoclub.com](http://www.pioneerautoclub.com). Check out the Newsletters, Pictures, Car Stories and Events! **A NEW Route 66 section has been added under the Gallery link. Submit any Route 66 photos to Jolene if you would like them added!**

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!!**

**TRIVIA QUESTION** - How many new members have joined PAC so far in 2023 (January - July)?

*Correct Answer will be divulged at the Annual Steak Fry August 5th!!!  
Let's see who read this newsletter and did the research!!*





## PIONEER AUTO CLUB

Bismarck Art & Galleries Association  
Capital A'Fair

# ★ SHOW & SHINE ★

**Saturday**

**August 5, 2023**

- Open to all classic cars
- Free Registration!
- Limited Space Available

Bismarck Capital Grounds  
West Parking Lot  
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Registration 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



## 49th ANNUAL CAPITAL A'FAIR & CAR SHOW August 5, 2023

**CAR SHOW** - Join us Saturday, August 5th for the Pioneer Auto Club Car Show during Capital A'Fair. The car show will be located in the west parking lot of Capitol grounds. Show up between 9-10 a.m. Car show will be from 11-3 p.m.

**PAC STEAK FRY** - Steak Fry for PAC Members will be held at the Buckstop Junction Hotel after the Capital A'Fair Show & Shine. Enter through the north gate. Social at 3:30 p.m. Steak at 5:00. We will have a screen and projection ready for videos, pics and a review of the website by Jolene Ellefson.

The cost of the meal is \$15.00 per person. Bring a dish to share! **We need a participant count to order enough steaks.**



Contact Jo Ellefson at  
701-391-0578 or  
[sjellefson@bis.midco.net](mailto:sjellefson@bis.midco.net) with  
your name and number of  
steaks you will purchase.  
Please RSVP by August 1st.

## ACRES OF IRON CAR SHOW - August 19th - 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Acres of Iron Car Show will be held in conjunction with Buckstop Junction Hootenanny Saturday, August 19th 11:00 a.m - 3:00 p.m. PAC will also be selling brats, burgers, and hot dogs. Bring your classic car for the show! We need volunteers to help, show up by 8:00 a.m. Also, bring ice and a chair!

The Junkin' Rummage sale will also be held. Bring any additional items on that day and give them to Diana Roloff. Proceeds go towards PAC!



## PIONEER AUTO CLUB ACRES OF IRON



Saturday, August 19th - 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Hollyhock Gas Station - Buckstop Junction



The Acres of Iron Car Show will be held in conjunction with the Corn Festival at Buckstop Junction located east of Bismarck on Old Highway 10.

Open to all classic makes & models! You will receive a complimentary drink with purchase of hot dog or hamburger sold at the Hollyhock gas station the day of the event. Two (2) people per vehicle & kids 9 and under will have free entrance with a car at north gate.

**COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR CAR CLUB !!**

# SOUTHWEST TOUR ITINERARY - SEPTEMBER 8, 9, & 10

1. **9-8-23 Leave Bismarck at 8:30 am CT from Elks Parking Lot, Washington Street-no breakfast stop**
2. **Carson, ND – 1 hour travel with a 30-minute stop at Butcher Shop – Leave Carson 9:00 am MT**
3. **Mott, ND –**
  - a. **Arrive 10:00 am MT, View Pedal Tractor Museum and Model Tractor Museum over 1000 models–**
  - b. **Leave 11:00 am MT**
4. **Bowman, ND-Call 701-523-7750 for room reservations-ask for block of rooms for PAC (Room Rates - \$129.00 for Queen, \$139.00 for King)**
  - a. **Arrive 12:00 pm MT, check into Bowman Lodge for room assignments.**
  - b. **12:30 pm MT, Lunch at Grazers Burgers and Beers**
  - c. **Leave 2:00 pm MT**
5. **Marmarth, ND**
  - a. **Arrive 2:30 pm MT, Van Horn Antique and Western Museum – Allow 2+ hrs**
  - b. **5:00 pm MT, Dinner at Past Time Club and Steakhouse-on your own**
6. **Bowman, ND**
  - a. **Arrive 6:30 pm MT, Check into Bowman Lodge Rooms**
  - b. **Meet at Grazers Burgers and Beers for refreshments.**
  - c. **9-9-23 Saturday 7:00 to 9:00 am MT - Free Breakfast at Bowman Lodge**
  - d. **Leave 9:00 am MT for Medora**
7. **9-9-23 Medora**
  - a. **Arrive Medora 10:30 am MT**
  - b. **10:30 am MT , Skills Center - Greeting, Medora Foundation Update, Theodore Roosevelt Library Presentation and Tour Skills Center**
  - c. **Lunch at Buffet 12:00 Noon MT – lunch on your own - \$14.95 – or downtown eateries**
  - d. **Free Time 1:00 pm MT – Suggested**
    - i. **Cowboy Hall of Fame - \$9.00 Adult, \$7.00 Senior (Must See) tickets at the door**
    - ii. **Harold Schafer Museum -**
    - iii. **Ice Cream-several locations – You Pay**
    - iv. **Shopping – You Pay More**
  - e. **Elk Horn Quarters, Check in 4:00 pm Queen Size Only - Call 701-623-4444 for reservations (\$119.99 per night)**
8. **Dinner – On Your Own – Suggested Locations**
  - a. **Little Missouri Saloon**
  - b. **Theodore's Dining Room and TR Tavern**
  - c. **Boots Bar and Grill**
  - d. **Badlands Pizza and Saloon**
  - e. **Medora Uncork'd – new venue featuring wine and beer and food menu**
9. **Medora Musical – Reservations call 701-623-4444 - head to the show by 6:30 pm, showtime 7:30 pm MT – Ask for PAC Group Section 3, Lower Level**
10. **9-10-23 Balloon Festival Sunday 6:00 am MT – view from Medora Musical Hill or Marque Chimney**
  - a. **Check out of Elk Horn Quarters before the Gospel Brunch or by 11:00 am if not going to GB**
11. **9-10-23 Sunday - 9:30 am MT Gospel Brunch-Includes Breakfast-Call 701-623-4444 for reserve (\$54.00)**
  - a. **Leave Medora after the Gospel Brunch approximately 11:30 am MT**
  - b. **Optional Stops on the way to Bismarck - on your own**
    - i. **Dickinson Dinosaur Museum or Taylor Car Show (see flyer on PAC website)**

## SOUTHWEST TOUR - SEPTEMBER 8, 9, & 10 (Cont.)

We have 16 cars signed up for the Southwest Cruise for September 8th through the 10th. I have the tour list of participants below. Please review the list to make certain we have everyone accounted for. Also, we will be having lunch at Grazers Beer and Burgers in the Bowman Lodge. Check the website for the Bowman Lodge and scroll down the page to view the Burgers and Beer menu. Please familiarize yourself with the menu so we can preorder prior to getting there. They will provide us with our own meeting room for lunch.

### SOUTHWEST TOUR LIST - Three Day Cruise Two Day Cruise 🍎

1. Steve and Jo Ellefson
2. Don and Diana Roloff
3. Greg and Jackie Doctor
4. Pat and Carol Fricke
5. Rick and Kathy Setterlund
6. Dave and Linda Schmitz - will not stay in Medora 🍎
7. Michael and Karen Horan - Medora only 🍎
8. Ron and Jan Pickard
9. Joe LaFave - will not stay in Medora 🍎
10. Bill and Alvina Schwehr
11. Gene and Jan Hetletved
12. Ken Stoxen and Carolyn Halvorson
13. Tom and Cherie Freidt
14. Darrel Emmil
15. John and Pam Des Roches
16. Wayne and Karen Martineson



## MORE PAC NEWS!!



“End of the Rope” open-air showing was held on August 22 at the farm where several scenes were shot. The PAC provided five Model A’s to showcase the type of vehicles in the show. PAC members at the open-air showing were in the movie filming on location in Watford City. Members at the showing were; Michael and Jennifer Farley, Dave and Linda Schmitz, Steve and Jo Ellefson, Don and Diana Roloff, Rick and Kathy Setterlund. Pictures are also available to view on the PAC webpage.



# OLDSMOBILE CONVENTION - by Darrell Emmil



The National Antique Oldsmobile Club was formed in 1981 to encourage the preservation, restoration and public display of Oldsmobiles produced from 1897 to 1987.

An annual gathering is scheduled each year at alternating locations with 2023 at the Radisson La Crosse June 28 – July 1, 2023 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The vehicles will be on display Thursday and Friday at the motel and move to Riverside Park for judging and display on Saturday in conjunction with the La Crosse River Days. The club anticipates 75 – 100 vehicles with judging in 36 classes to begin at 10:00 AM.

For the early arrivals, a Tuesday tour of the Dahl Auto Museum is in the works. This museum celebrates the five generations, over 100 years; the Dahl family has been an automobile dealership. Dahl Automotive La Crosse is the eight oldest Ford dealership under continuous family ownership in the United States.



The Display Car for this year was a 1901 Curved Dash Oldsmobile. The Curved Dash Oldsmobile sold for \$650, equal to \$19,120 today. In the years 1903 and 1904 it was the number one selling car in America, and by the end of production in late 1906, over 19,000 had been built. The Curved Dash Oldsmobile was America's first mass-produced, low-priced car.



## ODE TO THE ROAD TO DAWSON

*By Don Roloff*



We were on our way east  
for a hearty feast  
eleven in all fine automobiles there were  
then there were nine that caused a stir  
there was a noise like a big bang  
the tread let go someone sang  
it hit the tail light  
must have been a terrible sight  
the fender had damage

the wiring a mess  
a transport was needed  
the request was heeded  
the car was loaded and taken home  
the rest of the cruisers did go on  
we ate our feast and enjoyed a brew  
the talk about the tire was like in a stew  
the trip itself was flat out awesome  
that trip to the town of Dawson

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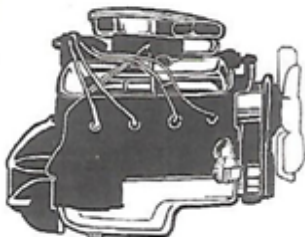
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## Upcoming car shows & events **For a complete list of events, visit [www.pioneercarclub.com](http://www.pioneercarclub.com)**

### **Upcoming events**

August 1 It's a Drag, Main St. Cruise Night Bismarck  
August 3 Touchmark Car Show  
August 4 McClusky Summer Celebration and Car Show  
August 5 Sax Centennial Dickinson Car Show  
August 5 PAC Capital A' Fair Car Show  
August 5 PAC Steak Fry  
August 6 Mustangs & Ford Capital A' Fair Car Show  
August 8 PAC Dinner Cruise  
August 15 BLT  
August 19 - August 20 Corn Festival  
August 19 Acres of Iron Car Show  
September 5 It's a Drag, Main St. Cruise Night Bismarck  
September 8,9,10 - PAC Southwestern Tour  
September 8 - September 10 Southwest Cruise  
September 10 Taylor Car Show  
September 12 PAC Diner Cruise  
September 12 - Liberty Heights/Mandan Golden Age 8th Annual Classic Car Show  
September 15 - September 17 Dakota Cruisers Minot  
September 19 BLT



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