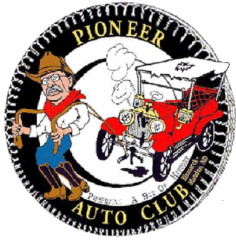


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## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

January ushered in 2024 with Esther and Marc Sundquist hosting the meeting at their shop condo. Esther served some culinary delights while Marc showed his Willys and Torino. The loft had memorabilia displayed which included a foosball table and pinball machine. Over twenty members enjoyed the condo's ambiance before the meeting began. Some of the guys thought this would be a great place for an overnight party but...Marc was short on beer and Esther didn't agree with that idea. Besides, the guys that brought it up would have been snoring by 8:30 anyway!

The Valentine's party is set at Jack's Steakhouse with roses being available again for the ladies in our club. There was some discussion of upcoming car shows. Devils Run, The Mercer Car Show, The Rebel Customs Car Show in Taylor just to name a few. If anyone would like to experience some nostalgia from our time, then join us for a drive-in movie and tour hillsides full of old cars. That is one of the ideas discussed. We are still kicking around a Northwest Tour taking in the sights of the Missouri, Lake Sakakawea, historic Lewis and Clark sites along with the new Native Interpretive Center in New Town.

We need to gear up for this season by checking if your membership dues have been paid. In 2023 we had 98 members. However, 25 have not paid to date. We don't want anyone to miss out on some great summer cruising. Our advertisers are doing well with updating their advertisements with only one remaining to pay.

Pizza and beer are important parts of the car culture. So, the March 21st meeting will be held at A&B Pizza North. Stop by around 6:15 for a slice and a brew before the meeting. The PAC is buying the Pizza!

***Words of Wisdom: Bread is like the sun. It rises in the yeast and sets in the waist!!!!***





## New Business

1. Greetings and Welcome 7:00pm Thank you Marc & Esther
2. Secretary Report - Laura Engwicht As printed in the newsletter 1st Joe LaFave & 2nd Sam Wangler accepted
3. Treasurer's Report - Mark Engwicht
  - a. 1st Pat Fricke 2nd Joe LaFave accepted

## 4. Committee Reports

- a. Buckstop Junction - John Des Roches and Wayne Martinson Not much happening with winter
- b. Buggies n Blues - Pat Fricke nothing on it yet

## 5. Old Business

- a. Who has a car story? Could use one for the newsletter, send to Don, Laura, or Kathy.
- b. 2023 Christmas Party Report
  - i. 46 members submitted RSVP
  - ii. Party went well, positive responses

## 6. New Business

- a. 2024 Advertisers
  - i. 24 Advertisers
  - ii. 3 Advertisers haven't paid to date
- b. 2024 Membership
  - i. A number of members haven't paid 2024 dues
  - ii. First reminder sent out last week in December
- c. Pic Person - Discussion if we should request a volunteer to be the designated pic person for our events. Not much thought about it.
- d. Invitations for Upcoming Car Shows
  - i. Motor to Mercer, Mercer -June
  - ii. Rebel Customs Classic Car Show, Taylor - September 8
  - iii. Other

7. Devils Run May 30th we leave. Staying at Fireside Inn and Suites Devils Lake

8. February 15 meeting - Valentine's Day held at Jacks Steak House social 5:30pm order 6:15pm

- a. Mark made a motion to buy roses, John DesRoches 2nd it passed. Laura ordered & Owens will pickup.

9. Dinner Cruise - March 12th meet at Arby's North at 5:30pm going to Tumbleweed in Lincoln

10. Next March 21st meeting 7pm at A&B Pizza North Ron Pickar made a motion for the club to buy pizza, 2nd by Dave Owens, passed. Come have a piece of pizza before the meeting.

11. Meeting adjourned 7:35 pm

# FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

## Member Birthdays

Craig DeGree  
Micheal Farley  
Tom Freidt  
Rollin Mehlhoff  
Jeremy Rudnick

## Spouse Birthdays

Tiffany Galpin  
Mary Haas  
Juliann Orman

## Anniversaries

Greg/Jackie Dockter  
Josh/Brittany Lindenberg  
John/Linda Ohlsen

How do vampires know if they had a successful Valentine's Day? "If it's love at first bite."  
Why should you date a goalie? "He's a keeper."  
What did the painter tell his girlfriend? "I love you with all my art."  
What did the man with the broken leg tell his Valentine? "I have a crutch on you."



## PAC NEWS

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

The next Dinner Cruise will be on March 12th. Meet at Arby's North at 5:30pm. We are headed to the Tumbleweed in Lincoln.

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

The BLT cruise will resume in March or April of 2024.

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

The next Pioneer Auto Club meeting will be held February 15th at Jack's Steakhouse from 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm. This will be our PAC Monthly Meeting and Valentines Party. Roses will be handed to all ladies from our club.

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

Visit our website at [www.pioneerautoclub.com](http://www.pioneerautoclub.com). Check out the Newsletters, Pictures, Car Stories and Events!

## 2024 RENEWAL DUES



If you have not paid your membership dues for 2024, please mail them to: Pioneer Auto Club, PO Box 3163, Bismarck, ND 58502. A personal reminder email will also be sent to those members.

## DID YOU KNOW - by Don Roloff

Going to Car shows is second nature to those of us who grew up with all those cars we should have kept. The reason so many of us keep wandering through so many car shows is to see if you can find one of those “I Should Have Kept That One” cars.

Another reason is visiting with all those car enthusiasts that are proud of their project car. I happened to stop by one of those older guys who was proud of his 1940 Chevy Coupe. It was well done but you can tell he did most of the work. However, there were some unique features that this 1940 Coupe had that no other model had.

Most cars of that era had an outside sun visor which ran the full length of the windshield. It was effective in keeping out the sun but this sun visor was huge and restricted any view of stop lights at any intersection. I had asked him what that large round plastic device was in front of the steering wheel. He made mention of the restricted view and said that device compensated for that inconvenience.



The device worked like a prism. Looking into the lens allowed one see ahead of the sun visor revealing the streetlight. Very ingenious.

He also showed me one other ingenious idea. He asked if I wouldn't mind opening the trunk. The rear bumper guard was in front of the trunk handle making it very inconvenient to open the trunk.



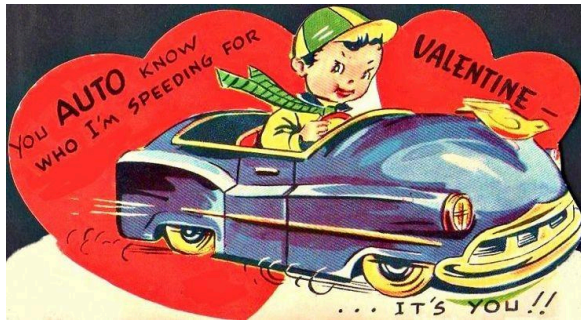
The answer to the inconvenience was to be able to tip the bumper guard rearward to have better access to the trunk lid handle.

Again ingenious. Great ideas for the time making life a little easier for the driver. Maybe engineering should have visited with the body designers!





# SOME VALENTINE'S FOR YOUR SWEETIE!



## SWEETHEARTS' CANDIES STARTED OUT AS LOZENGES

The iconic chalky heart-shaped candies that have been passed out lovingly every Valentine's Day started out as lozenges. According to the Food Business News, pharmacist and inventor Oliver Chase created a machine that would quickly create the lozenges before switching to using the machine to create candy—later known as Necco Wafers.

Chase's brother came up with the idea to print messages on the candy in 1866, and the candies got their heart shape in 1901, appealing specifically to Valentine's Day sweethearts.

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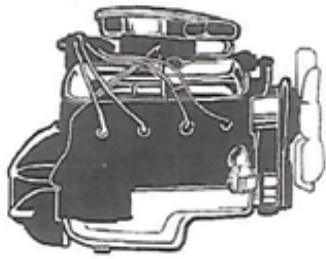
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## Upcoming car shows & events For a complete list of events, visit [www.pioneercarclub.com](http://www.pioneercarclub.com)

### Upcoming events

February 15 - Valentines Supper at Jacks  
February 15 - PAC Meeting  
March 2-3 El Zagal Dusters Car Show  
March 21 - PAC Meeting A&B North  
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