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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello fellow PAC members. Our last meeting was held at Buckstop in our shop. The meeting was preceded by a group of members who helped dig our Model T out of the corner of the garage and get it loaded on the trailer for Tom to take to his shop at Riverwood RV. Now comes the process of making it run after disassembling and reassembling it at a very rapid pace by a group of talented car guys. (if all goes as planned). The dates have been set as June 1st, 15th, and 29th at 6:00 pm at Riverwood RV for those who can participate in this Practice Makes Perfect event. The plan is to take this operation on the road to the America 250 Auto Show on July 3rd at the Capital and perform this amazing display of Men versus Machine assembly and drive away performance for the public. Several volunteers are needed to make this happen so please lend a hand.

In addition to the Model T, the PAC has a 1918 Model TT fuel truck and a very old horse drawn fuel wagon currently in our garage. These Historic vehicles have been selected by the America 250 committee to be on display at the capital on July 3rd in the historic area of the featured lot. I am looking for anyone who would be willing to help get these vehicles cleaned up and hauled to and from the capital for the event. Without some help I cannot make this happen, so please let me know if you could help with this task. Joe LaFave has graciously volunteered the use of his trailer for hauling the units to and from the event.

On Saturday June 13th, 2026, the Classtique's Car Club will be having their annual car show at Scottie's Drive In and will be using the PAC valve cover racetrack for the kids and adults alike to enjoy some friendly competition throughout the show. Aaron Heibuck has volunteered to haul the racetrack and Don and Diana volunteered to help run the show and could also use some assistance.

Other events include Cruise Main night on Tuesday June 2nd, and the Main Bar will be hosting a free will donation meal again, with proceeds going to Quilts of Valor.

Dinner Cruise Tuesday June 9th, meet at N Arby's at 5:30 pm and we will be cruising to Flash's Place in Sterling and enjoy a meal and a cool beverage of your choice.

Sunday June 14th, Buggies & Blues Mandan – Stage from 7:30 to 8:00 am 1st St. NW & 4th Ave. NW. Attached is a B-n-B flyer with more info in this newsletter.

BLT breakfast Tuesday June 16th, meet at Buckstop at 9:00 am - Stop at Rustic Petals before breakfast at Rockin 50's Restaurant.

Saturday June 20th, Mark will lead the PAC to Mercer's annual car show, leaving from the north Arby's parking lot at 9:30 am. Registration is at 10:00 am. Show starts at noon. See flyer in this newsletter.

Sunday June 21st, Roughrider Chevy Club Car Show 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Bismarck Elks. See flyer in this newsletter.





- A. Greetings and Welcome – Pledge of Allegiance
- B. New Members: none
- C. Secretary Report – Laura Engwicht. 1st Joe Lafave 2nd Don Roloff
- D. Treasurers Report – Steve and Jo Ellefson. 1st Pat Fricke 2nd Joe Lafave
- E. Committee Reports
 - a. Buckstop Junction – John Des Roche let us know what's all going on out there. There will be no Corn Feed in August this year.
 - b. Buggies & Blues – Darrell June 14th Stage starting 7:30am, enter show area at 8am Stage area at 1st St. NW and 4th Ave NW Mandan. Enter the show area at 1st Ave NW.
 - c. Model T Build Update - Tom Freidt got it loaded up with lots of help. Meet at Riverwood RV on June 1st, 15th, & 29th if you would like to help practice putting it together for the 250 Car Show.
- F. Old Business
 - a. We continue to look for car stories. Send it to Don, Laura or Kathy. Car Pics for VCS-Don will take pics if you would like assistance.
 - b. Thank you card - Tuesdays Cruise Main - Joanna sent us a card thanking us. Tom Freidt also thanked the club for the care package.
- G. New Business
 - a. Upcoming car shows - Jolene has been busy updating the website with all that she gets told about. Thank you for that Jolene.
 - b. America 250 Car Show Decades Selections Update – Pat, Darrell, Dave. Lots going on that day.
 - c. America 250 Car Show – PAC 2 representative cars for the feature lot. PAC members voted on nominated cars and Marc Sudquist and Rick Setterlund will be in there.
 - d. America 250 Car Show volunteers. Need lots even if you can only help a few hours.
 - e. Mercer Car Show – Featured Vehicle. Mark set up for us to leave at 9:30am at North Arby's.
 - f. Diana Roloff – Quilt of Valor Nominations - Contact Diana and she will help you. Main Bar is serving supper on June 2nd and proceeds going to Quilts of Valor.
 - g. Classique's Car Club request to use our Valve Cover Racetrack at Scottie's Car Show. Aaron will pick up and deliver. Don & Diana will work it but if anyone else wants to help stop on over there.
 - h. Annual Steak Fry - Date Sept 13th at Tom & Cherie's home. More to come.
 - i. PAC Car Show at Buckstop - on hold
 - j. Missouri Slope Car Show - Mark Engwicht is contacting them to see what they want to do.
- H. Dinner Cruise – June 9th 5:30pm at North Arby's going to Flash's Place in Sterling.
- I. Breakfast Lunch Together (BLT) – June 16th 9am at Buckstop.
 - a. Ideas for Location Rock n 50s Bismarck
 - b. Advertiser Tours – possible businesses to tour? June will be
Rustic Petals 1929 N Washington St Bismarck
- J. Next Meeting – June 18th 7pm Buckstop Junction
- K. Other
- L. Adjourn 8:30pm 1st Tom Freidt 2nd Joe LaFave

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Member Birthdays

John Baepple
Lynn Best
John Des Roches
Steve Ellefson
Bernie Miller
Ed Movchan
Dennis Naasz
Steve Thilmony

Spouse Birthdays

Susan Schneider
Pam Speckmann
Becky Thilmony
Sheila Zimmerman



Anniversaries

John/Pam Des Roches
Mark/Laura Engwicht
Tom/Cherie Freidt
Curt/Bev Goehring
Blaine/Mary Jo Hellman
Mike/Karen Horan
Mark/Melva Morris
Dennis/Byrdi Naasz
Clark/Theresa Roth
Dan/Lisa Rouse
Dalles/Susan Schneider

PAC NEWS

DINNER CRUISE NIGHT - Second Tuesday each month

Our next dinner cruise will be Tuesday, June 9th. We will cruise to Flash's Place in Sterling. Flash is making us pulled pork sandwiches and a salad. Be ready to leave from Arby's North in Bismarck by 5:30 p.m.

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

We continue to invite members to the Breakfast and Dinner cruises. The next BLT will be Tuesday, June 16th. Meet at Buckstop Junction at 9:00 am to tour Rustic Petals, 1929 N Washington Street in Bismarck as a group and then we'll head to Rock n 50's Restaurant for breakfast.

PAC MEETING- Third Thursday each month

The next Pioneer Auto Club meeting will be held Thursday, June 18th at Buckstop Junction. Don't forget to bring a chair!

PIONEER AUTO CLUB WEBSITE!!



Pioneer Auto Club www.poneercarclub.com. Check out the Newsletters, Pictures, Car Stories and Events! Reminder that we continually look for you to show off your car using the Virtual Car Show. You can find the VCS on our website. Keep taking a few great pics of your car this summer and send them to me. We will take a pic of you and your vehicle if needed!

PAC NEWS - AMERICA 250th AUTO SHOW

America 250 Auto Show

3-Jul-26

Decade Sselections

Decade	Original			Total Entries	Modified			Total Entries
	Owner / City	Vehicle - Model	Club		Owner / City	Vehicle - Model	Club	
Pre-1900	Horse drawn Wagon		Buckstop Junction					
	Horse drawn Fuel tank		Pioneer Auto Club					
1900 - 1910	None			0				
1910 - 1919	Dan Caswell Minot	1917 Oldsmobile	Magic City Antiques	3				
	Don Laschkewitsch Bismarck	1912 Ford T	El Zagal Dusters					
1920 - 1929	Carl & Esther Larson Dickinson	1926 Ford T Coupe	Dakota Western Auto	5	Jeffrey Wultchik Bismarck	1923 Ford T Bucket	Scrap Daddies	1
1930 - 1939	Steve & Jolene Ellefson Bismarck	1932 Ford Phaeton	Pioneer Auto Club	2	Greg Cunningham Washburn	1938 Chevrolet	Roughrider Chevrolet Assn.	5
1940 - 1949	Larry Klemin Bismarck	1949 Ford Custom Convertible	Pioneer Auto Club	1	Don & JoAnn Bergsgaard Cavalier	1947 Chevrolet Areosedan	Valley Cruisers	2
1950 - 1959	Lanny Moore Grand Forks	1952 Oldsmobile 98	???	4	Donovan Wagner Bismarck	1958 Chevrolet Belair	Roughrider Chevrolet Assn.	3
1960 - 1969	Harold Zimmerman Bismarck	1968 Plymouth GTX Convertible	???	8	Rick Steinert Regan	1969 Chevrolet Chevelle	Roughrider Chevrolet Assn.	5
1970 - 1979	Pat Heinert Bismarck	1970 Chevrolet Chevelle	Roughrider Chevrolet Assn.	4	Kelly & Lori Belgarde Mandan	1979 Ford Bronco XLT	Mustang & Fords of Dakotas	1
1980 - 1989	Jim Simmers Bismarck	1988 Chevrolet Monte Carlo	Corvettes of Dakota Territory	2	Cat Anderson	1980 Chevrolet Pickup	Camaro's of ND	1
1990 - 1999	Morgan Berg	1995 F250 XLT		1	None			0
2000 - 2010	Doug Jensen Bismarck	2003 Chevrolet Corvette 50th Anniv	Corvettes of Dakota Territory	2	None			0
2010 - 2019	Kelli & Lori Belgarde Mandan	2018 Ford Mustang GT	Mustang & Fords of Dakotas	1	Rocky Rakow Bismarck	2016 Chevrolet Corvette	Corvettes of Dakota Territory	1
2020 - 2026	Darold Martel	20224 Chevrolet Camaro	Camaro's of ND	1	None			0
Total				34				19

The "Parking Committee" met Wednesday, May 20 and made the decade selections contained in the above file. We still have "four" decade vacancies to fill plus both of the 1900 groups.

I trust those of you who represent car clubs will have informed the club members who were selected to represent a decade group and also informed those who were not selected. Staging for the featured lot will be in the DOT parking lot "E" just east of the DOT building and should be available by 11:00AM on July 3, 2026.

We need to inform those selected for the decades that they are also invited by the Mandan Progress Organization to participate in the Mandan July 4th parade. Staging begins at 8:30AM at Midway Lanes and is scheduled to depart Midway Lanes at 9:45AM.

I have contacted the following from the list: Dan Caswell, Mark Schields (Larson), Larry Klemin, Lanny Moore, Kelli Belgarde, and Don Bergsgaard.

See you all June 3 at 7:00PM at the Bismarck Elks club.

America 250th Auto Show
Celebrating America's Semiquincentennial

Friday July 3rd, 2026
4pm to 8pm

ND State Capitol Grounds, Bismarck

Join us for a Once-in-a-lifetime Automotive Celebration!

Featured attractions:

- * Car Club Featured area
- * Classic, Muscle, Modern, and Exotic Autos
- * Historic Fire, Police & Military vehicles on display
- * Live Music including the NDARNG
- * Food Vendors

*All registered cars receive a commemorative dash plaque

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Follow us on for Event updates: America 250 Auto Show ND

CAR SHOWS/EVENTS

Check out [Car Show Calendar North Dakota](#) FB page for up to date car show events

BUGGIES N BLUES
JUNE 12 - 14, 2026
Presented By **SCHWAN**
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MANDAN, NORTH DAKOTA

COMMUNITY EVENTS

FRIDAY - JUNE 12
Food Truck Festival, Beer Garden & Music, Mandan Dirt Series
Dyckshoorn Park 4-10 PM
Dacotah Centennial Park 7 PM

SATURDAY - JUNE 13
Scotty's Show & Shine, Scotty's Drive In
10 AM - 3 PM
Dacotah Mandan Lions Klub Fry, Mandan Middle School
10 AM - 3 PM
Food Truck Festival, Beer Garden & Music, Dyckshoorn Park
11 AM - 11 PM
Mandan Cruise Night, Main Street, Mandan
6 PM

SUNDAY - JUNE 14
SUNDAY CLASSIC CAR SHOW, Main Street, Mandan
11 AM - 4 PM

SATURDAY NIGHT BLOCK PARTY
HEADLINER THE PORK TORNADOES
8:30 - 11 PM || DYCKSHOORN PARK

COMPLETE MUSIC LINEUP
ALL MUSIC WILL OCCUR IN DYCKSHOORN PARK

FRIDAY - JUNE 12
4:00 - 5:30 PM Randy James Band
6:00 - 10:00 PM Shirts & Skins

SATURDAY - JUNE 13
1:30 - 3:30 PM Avantide
4:00 - 6:00 PM Unleashed
6:30 - 8:00 PM The Dreamboats
8:30 - 11:00 PM The Pork Tornadoes

SUNDAY - JUNE 14
10:30 - 1:30 PM Moments Notice
2:00 - 4:00 PM Stella

SUNDAY CLASSIC CAR SHOW
11 AM - 4 PM MAIN STREET
CLASSIC CAR SHOW Main Street
DAKOTA IRON TRACTOR DISPLAY East Bravera Bank Parking Lot
FOOD, BEER & LIVE MUSIC Dyckshoorn Park
BUGGIES-N-BLUES CRAFT SHOW Heritage Park
SWAP MEET West Bravera Bank Parking Lot

FEATURED DISPLAY 1984 CHEVY K10

MOTOR TO CAR SHOW
SATURDAY JUNE 20
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SHOW STARTS AT **NOON** \$10 PER VEHICLE
REGISTRATION 10AM

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Capital A'Fair
August 1, 2026

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11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Registration 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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· Limited Space Available
· Dash Plaques & Prizes

All Classic Cars Welcome!

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Father's Day Car Show
June 21st, 2026
11am - 3pm

Bismarck Elks Lodge
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Dash Plaque First 130 Cars
Awards for Top twenty Vehicles

Ian, with the Bismarck Larks, has invited anyone that would like to be in their car show on June 26, 2026 to sign up on the Lark's webpage. They have room for 40 to 50 cars filled on a first registered/first in basis with the first 40 cars receiving 2 game tickets and 2 meal vouchers. They will do a video with each owner to document the history with their car. Ian's phone 708-870-4777 for more info or go to: [2026 Clark's Cruise-In - Bismarck Larks](#)

Bismarck Larks
CLARK'S
CRUISE-IN

CLASSIC CAR SHOW
JUNE 26 | 7:05 PM

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WHO HAS BEEN TOUCHED BY WAR FOR A QUILT OF VALOR**

- Relationship to Recipient*
- Self
- Family Member (husband, wife, son, daughter, etc.)
- Friend
- Coordinator of a Group Award

----- **RECIPIENT INFORMATION** -----

Recipient Legal Name (no titles or nickname)*

First _____ Last _____

Recipient Nickname or Other Name (optional) _____

Male/Female*

- Male
- Female

Recipient Address* _____

Recipient County (will be used to locate a local QOVF volunteer to coordinate the award) _____

Recipient Email* (if not available, use your email address) _____

Recipient Phone Number* (if not available use your phone number) _____

Current Status*

- Active Duty
- Veteran

Branch of the US Armed forces (check all that apply)*

- Army (including activated Army National Guard/Reservists)
- Marine Corps
- Navy
- Air Force (including activated Air Force National Guard/Reservists)
- Coast Guard
- Space Force
- Air Force Mortuary Affairs Office (AFMAO), Dover Mortuary
- Merchant Marines (1941-1945)

Dates of Service (from year to year)* _____

Rank at Discharge or Current Rank _____

Where did the service member or veteran serve? (Check as many as applicable)*

- World War II (1941-1946)
- Korean Conflict (1950-1955)
- Vietnam era (1961-1975)
- Persian Gulf War (1990-1991)
- Cold War (1947-1991)
- Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) (2001-2014)
- Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) (2002-2011)
- Operation New Dawn (OND) (2010-2011)
- Gulf War including Desert Shield and Desert Storm (ODS) (1990-1991)
- Other (comment required) _____



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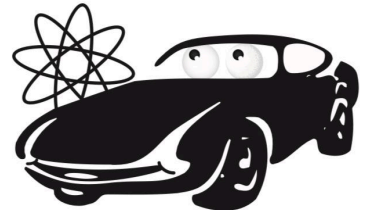
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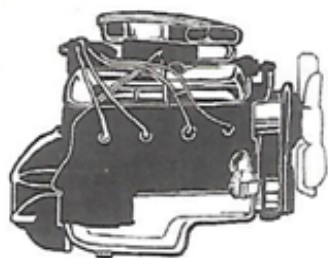


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Upcoming car shows & events **For a complete list of events, visit www.pioneercarclub.com**

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