

# Capital Carriages Car Club

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DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION OF ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLE MOTOR VEHICLES

Helena Chapter of the Montana Pioneer & Classic Auto Club, Inc.

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## Upcoming Events (Partial list, see CMYRYD.com for full listing)

If you have an event you would like to list, let me know. *Darrell*

**March 17**—St. Patrick's Day parade, Cathedral parking lot 11 am, parade at noon.

**March 31**—Office Bar Ice Breaker Car Show, Vaughn. 406-965-9982

**April 17**—National Mustang Day, Great Falls. 406-868-5317

**April 27, 28**—MPCAC Swap Meet, Great Falls. Mary, 406-761-1643

**May 19**—Tentative date for club garage sale. Darrell, 439-3821

**June 15, 16, 17** - MPCAC Spring Tour in Hamilton. Joann 406-363-1509

**June 29,30, July 1**—13th Annual Blast from the Past, Helena. Chad, 406-202-4699

**July 5,6,7,**—57th International Auto Meet in Great Falls. John, 406-788-4891

**September 7,8,9.** MPCAC Fall Tour in Helena. Darrell, 406-439-3821

**Sept. 30**—Stu's Cruz, Great Falls to Belt. 406-899-2967

**October 7**—Townsend Fall Fest Car Show, Laura 406-980-1648



When parking meters were installed, some people insisted on putting their money into them and tying their horses to them.

The following is a review of the minutes of the last club meeting which was held on February 11th. The full report will be read at the March 11th meeting.

The February meeting was held at Jorgenson's Restaurant on February 11th. There were 11 people attending. Belva won the drawing for February. The minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved. Sharon stated that we had a balance of \$1,329.94 in the checking account. We have 3 people signed up for the fall tour, which is tracked separately and not reflected in our checking account.

Paul stated that he visited with the president of the Bozeman club, and they are possibly booking Sparky's in Butte for the Bozeman/Butte/Helena get together. This event is held instead of the April meeting. He also wanted to know who was going to the spring swap meet and/or banquet in Great Falls, as he might have room if someone wanted to ride along.

Tours: Be sure to get your motel reservations for the spring tour, and get your registration in as soon as possible.

Some discussion about the June meeting and BBQ, and where to have it. No decision was made, but some recommendations made including the Fort again, which was well received, even if the BBQ was hard to light.

The subject of a scholarship was brought up, and that the money raised from a BBQ, pedal car or garage sale might be better spent on a scholarship instead of the Big Brother/Sisters. The secretary will look at past minutes to look at fund raising activities.

We wanted to know what to bring to the spring garage sale. He stated that he has a model of a 1934 Alpha Romero, to either put in the garage sale or silent auction. It a very large kit that needed to be put together. Darrell stated that there was no restriction or requirement what you brought to the garage sale, only that if it does not sell, you take it home with you.

Copies of the club pamphlet were passed around for possible changes. It was asked that you review and at the next meeting changes will be discussed.

Meeting adjourned 2:55 pm.

## *Bulletin Board*



The St. Patrick's day parade will be held on Saturday the 17th of March. Bring your vehicle, and plan on showing up around 11:00 am, line up will occur around 11:45 and then the parade starts at noon. After the parade we normally head out to East Helena to have lunch at Smith's. Even if you are not participating in the parade, you can meet at Smith's to enjoy a lunch. Hopefully the weather will co-operate this year.

*Darrell*

## Coffee/Breakfast



Every Friday morning there is a get-together at Super 1 Foods grocery at 9 am for coffee/ donuts/ biscuits and gravy or whatever! Lots of room to meet and visit, and you can shop for groceries afterwards!



### Pedal Car

If you have not already done so, don't forget to get some tickets to sell from Jerry. Tickets that have been sold, can be given to Sharon of Jerry at a club event or meeting. During the year, we plan on displaying the car at events and selling tickets.

A bridge over the Missouri River near Craig, Montana was the scene for the climactic shootout between FBI men and the gangsters in "The Untouchables" movie starring Sean Connery and Kevin Costner. In the movie, the bridge spanned a river between the US and Canada.



### FOR SALE, TRADE OR WANTED ITEMS

If you have anything you need or want to sell, trade, or give away, please let me know and I will include in this area

### REMEMBER WHEN?

I would like to have a column to reminisce about old times with vehicles. Please submit your stories and photos, and I will share with others! Also, if you have an interesting story about the vehicle you have, or have had in the past, write it up and Email to me, or give to me at a club meeting.

### Cruising

Meet at destination 6:00 pm



March 8—La Casa Fiesta on Cooney

March 22—Legal Tender in Clancy

Club caps, jackets, etc. can be purchased from:

*Quick Signs and Creations*  
739 Getchell St. in Helena



*The club treasurer has door magnets, decals and stickers, the secretary has vehicle placards, extra Antique and Classic Times and Rosters.*

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Three workers died during the construction of the precarious going-to-the-sun road, which is 52 miles long. The employee turnover rate was 300 percent.

In the late fall of 1932, after three decades of construction and more than \$2,000,000, the first automobile passed over the entire 51 miles of the Going-to-the-Sun Road. Glacier National Park formally opened the Going-to-the-Sun road in a special ceremony on July 15, 1933. Over 4000 people gathered on Logan Pass for an afternoon filled with congratulatory speeches extolling the hard work of the past 20 years.

