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Jim Pittman

Sorry for the delay in getting a newsletter out to you. We have been in transition with the newsletter. David Twombly has agreed to put out the newsletter with everyone's help. David has a new computer and will be taking an adult education class, in the near future, to learn all the tricks of the trade for making a good newsletter. We all owe Nancy Kirstein a big thank you for all the hours and good work she did over the past year in getting a newsletter put together.

It seems like not much has happened since my last column, but then I stop and give some thought to what has happened, and I guess I have been quite busy with CLC matters. As many of you know we had a wonderful time at the Olmsted House on February 16 (see Karen's article).

Karen and I were in Scottsdale in January for the winter board meetings of Cadillac & LaSalle Club and the Cadillac & LaSalle Museum and Research Center. The CLCMRC meeting was held on January 17 and the CLC meeting on January 18. An individual from the Potomac Region did a great job of writing a summary of the CLC meeting, so rather than repeating please go to www.clcpotomacregion.org.

The CLCMRC meeting was very important in my opinion. The newly appointed "governance committee", of which I am a member along with 7 other members, presented their recommendations for new committees and for strengthening some existing ones. However, the major item recommended and accepted was the need for a special meeting at a neutral site with an outside professional facilitator to discuss what kind of museum do we want, where should we consider locating a more permanent site. This meeting is scheduled for April 18 & 19 in Chicago and I will be attending. If you have any suggestions for this meeting please give them to me. I will give you an update from this meeting at our April meeting.

I hope we will begin to see some nice days soon and we will be able to get our cars out of storage and enjoy them once again

Until Next Time

Jim

VALENTINE LUNCHEON AT THE OLMSTED HOUSE

Karen Pittman

Saturday, February 16, was a beautiful winter day. One of the rare ones that we have had this winter, I might add. The sun was shining bright. It seemed like a heat wave, with the temperature hovering near 30 degrees. The roads were clear so travel was not a concern.

Inside, the Olmsted Houses was cozy and comfortable. As we opened the door, the aroma of “home cooking” had filled the air. We were served a wonderful lunch consisting of; a tossed salad, scalloped potatoes, ham balls, hot rolls, chocolate cake and sherbet, and our choice of coffee or tea.

Our ladies were pleasantly surprised with long stemmed red roses, compliment of the club. In turn the ladies surprised their valentine with a poem:

Roses are red
Violets are blue
You love old cars
And we love you

A short business meeting and discussion of activities for the coming year followed. It was so good to see everybody and to have a time of fellowship once again.

We look forward to seeing you at the March 30 meeting. Remember, SPRING is just around the corner.



CALENDER OF EVENTS FOR 2008

Karen Pittman

I have been working on the calendar of events for the next year. PLEASE let me know what you would like to do and any ideas that you might have. Here are some that have already been scheduled and suggestions for others.

April-13	Potluck at Friday's with the British Car Club-3:00PM viewing of cars, eat at 5:00PM
May-31	City Tour and lunch-Details at a later date
June-29	Ice Cream Social - Olmsted House
July-26	Boone Scenic Valley Railroad-Dinner/Ride
August	Greenfield Car Collection-Date to be determined
September-7	Salisbury Car Classic-We plan to attend as a dub. Some members maybe showing their cars.
October	Winterset Cover Bridge Festival-Date to be determined
November-15	Thanksgiving Potluck-Karen and Jim hosting
December	Christmas Party-Date yet to be determined

MEMBER NEWS

Nothing to report this month

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APRIL 13, 2008 MEETING

We are looking forward to the April 13 joint meeting of the CLC and the British Car Club (BCCI) at our house. Plans are to gather about 3:00 p.m. to see the car collection followed by a potluck supper at 5:00 p.m.

Potluck details are:

The main dish will be provided.

Would everyone please bring a side dish, i.e., salad, vegetable or dessert.

Since we need to know the amount of main dish to prepare, please call or email your plans to attend by April 8. Email is nkirstein@mchsi.com

Our address is 517 South Main (Highway 69), Osceola, Iowa.
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CHRISTMAS 2007

The Iowa CrossRoads members enjoyed a Christmas Party on December 15th. After having a fire at the restaurant where the original party was suppose to be held we were able to keep the same date at another location. The evening began with everybody gathering at the home of Jim and Karen Pittman for appetizers and wine. Karen had prepared a lovely table of food in their home which was beautifully decorated for the holidays.

After good fellowship, food and drink we went to Mama Lacona's for our Christmas dinner. It was very enjoyable as we met in a private dining room and we had more delicious food. At the close of the evening, everybody was presented miniature boxes of chocolates as their Christmas treat. Everyone exchanged holiday greetings and departed for a safe trip home.



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Please remember . . . The success of our newsletter is dependent upon the contributions made by our members

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