



# Bow Tie

May, 2015



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## Director's Notes

I want to thank everyone that brought a sweet to share for the April meeting.

We had a good discussion about the judging process at the upcoming Middle West Meet.

It was decided that we will try meeting at Waukesha State Bank in Sussex for the Fall Meetings. If anyone has another place, please contact a board member.

Our next event is the Fish Fry. See the Bow Tie for more information.

Kyle talked about the Andrew Show in June. We can always use help that day with parking and registration. It's a fun time and nice to see some great cars.

Your director, *Bob Swanson*

**TIME TO GET THOSE OLD  
CARS TUNED AND SHINED  
UP TO GET ON THE ROAD!**

## New Meeting Location

We all enjoyed some tastee treats at the Waukesha Bank. The facility is well maintained and the lighting is much improved. It is cozier, which brings our members a bit closer together. The plan is to start meeting there again in October.

By all means if you have a suggestion for an economical place where we can hold our meetings, please contact one of our board members.

To all of our  
Members  
who are  
mothers,  
we wish



**HAPPY  
MOTHER'S DAY!**

you a most pleasant  
Mother's Day.

## Cruise Night / Fish Fry May 15th

Our cruise this year will take us to Schwefel's Restaurant in Oconomowoc.

For those that wish to cruise along, we will be **meeting in the Kohl's parking lot in Sussex at 6:00 p.m.** If you plan to attend and had not previously signed up or talked to Gene, please call him.

If you have already signed up but plan to meet us at Schwefel's, please let the Caspersen's know as well. This is so they have an accurate count at Kohl's of those that plan to cruise with us.

Fish Fry \$12.95  
Chicken \$12.95  
Chicken & Fish \$12.95  
All you can eat \$15.95

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## American Orphan Car Manufacturers

Many car manufactures have come and gone but Chevrolet has stayed strong. Here are a couple of orphans you may or may not remember.

The number of vehicles built is based on post-war figures.

### AMC 1966 – 1987 production - 5 million

Unusual body styles may have been how they managed to survive or was it the reason for its downfall? Remember the Pacer, Gremlin, Marlin, Matador and the Eagle? The Javelin and the AMX were a couple of their more positive memorable models and the Eagle four wheel drive wagon actually stayed on for several years after Chrysler took them over.

### Avanti 1965 – 1990 production - 3,500

Rescued from Studebaker, this fiberglass bodied vehicle kept its niche for several more years partially due to the addition of a Chevrolet V8. There even was a 4-door convertible that was produced for a short time.

### Bricklin 1974 -1976 production 2,854

Gull wing doors, sporty colors were eye catching but not enough to keep this car maker going. The doors often failed, the car was under powered and sales were only about a tenth of what the manufacturer estimated in its first year. Support from the Canadian government waned and so did the car.

### Checker 1922 – 1982 production 20,000

The Marathon was the staple for the taxi cab business for two decades. The vehicle did not change much from its 1950's styling as other manufactures worked their way in. Checker continued to supply parts to the big three until 2009 before it finally closed its doors.

### Crosley 1939 – 1952 Production 71,000

Although this 13hp air cooled vehicle was very economical to operate during war time gas rations, it was plagued with quality issues. A person could buy a Ford for less than \$200 more. Crosley revamped their motor, doubling its horse power, but it had major flaws.



## BIRTHDAYS

11<sup>th</sup> *Edgar Denzin*  
11<sup>th</sup> *Marie Romppainen*  
15<sup>th</sup> *Gary Peil*  
26<sup>th</sup> *John Romppainen*

## WI Region VCCA Calendar of Events

May	15	Cruise Night / Fish Fry Schwefel's Restaurant	Oconomowoc
June	8-12	39 <sup>th</sup> Middle West Meet We will be assisting with field entrance checks	Egg Harbor
June	28	Andrew Chevrolet Car Show	Glendale
July	4	Brookfield July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade	Brookfield
July	12	Sussex Lions Daze Parade	Sussex
August	2	Annual Picnic (Rotary Park)	Menomonee Falls
August	21-23	Tri- Tour (hosted by us, the WI Region)	Elkhart Lake
October	18	Meeting & Nominations	TBA
November	15	Meeting & Elections	TBA
December	13	Meeting & Christmas Party	TBA



Meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. typically on the third Sunday during October, November, December, February, March and April.

The deadline for the June Bow Tie is May 26<sup>th</sup>. Please send any information you have for this issue by then.

*Thank you!*



**We expect to officially open this page around July 1, 2015**

*(Please mark it on your calendar and check back for additional updates.)*

A 20 page overview of the Meet can be found in two formats at the following website:

<http://vcca.org/2016/>

For those receiving your Bow Tie electronically, you can click on the link above.