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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This year is the 100th birthday of the city of Kennewick. The sister in law of our own Jack Yale put together a **GRAND** program. She did all of the art work for the programs and advertisements, wrote and directed all the skits, arranged and directed the music, arranged the entire program, and most harrowing, she kept over 500 participants in line. She worked on this program for more than a year. This was a once in a life time experience, unless you plan on living 200 years. If you missed it, you missed a fantabulous event. Our club was represented by Bob Rupp, acting in a skit and singing, Ginger Vetrano, dancing with the Seasoned Steppers, Bob Ilten, Singing with the choir, and Dennis Jackson, acting out the part of Meryln Church who started what is now Welch's Grape Juice



Lola Yale

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Factory. We were further represented by bringing 6 of our cars to put on display. There were so many great skits and songs and stories that to list them all would take up the entire newsletter, but one group deserves notice. The Washington State Fraternal order of police Honor Guard were there to present the colors. They missed the first night because they were in Washington DC competing against 21 other finalists. They came back in time to present the colors the second night, and they brought with them a First Place Trophy and 8 Gold Medals. The entire program was captured on video and DVD. You can purchase these from Video Ventures or contact Jack Yale at 586-4933. Video ventures can be found on the internet at Video Ventures .biz.



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Things to do in June

- 4th Shiw off your car at the Elder Day Care on the corner of Canal drive and Washington st Six cars are needed for 1 to 2 hours starting at 10:45.
- 5th Richland City Parade at 9:30 am. Assemble in the parking lot across the street from the Federal Bldg.
- 12th Kennewick High Reunion 2 to 6 pm at the fairgrounds. Enter from the east gate. They need as many cars as possible.
- 19th Callaway Gardens would like 2 cars to entertain the residents from 2 to 4 pm. Free Ice cream !
- 19th Display cars at the opening of the new convention center, also shuttle guests from parking lot to the Convention Center.

People over 35 should be dead!

Here's why

According to today's experts and bureaucrats, those of us who were kids in the 40's, 50's, 60's, and 70's should not have survived.

- Our baby cribs were covered with brightly colored lead-based paint
- We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors, or cabinets, and we rode our bikes with out helmets.
- As children we would ride in cars without child seats, seatbelts, or air bags.
- Riding in the bed of a pick up on a warm day was always a treat.
- We drank water from a garden hose and not from a bottle.
- We ate cupcakes, bread and butter, and drank soda pop with sugar in it, but we were never overweight because we were always outside playing.
- We shared one bottle of soft drink with 4 friends from one bottle and no one actually died.
- We would spend hours building go-carts out of scraps and then rode down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes, after running into the bushes a few times we learned how to solve the problem.
- We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were home when the street lights came on.
- We did not have Play station, Nintendo 64, X Boxes, no video games at all, no 99 channels on cable, video movies, surround sound, personal cell phones, personal computers, or internet chat rooms.
- We had friends! We went outside and found them.
- We played dodge ball and sometimes the ball really hurt.
- We fell out of trees, got cut and broke bones and teeth, and there were no law suits. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us.



Our executive committee



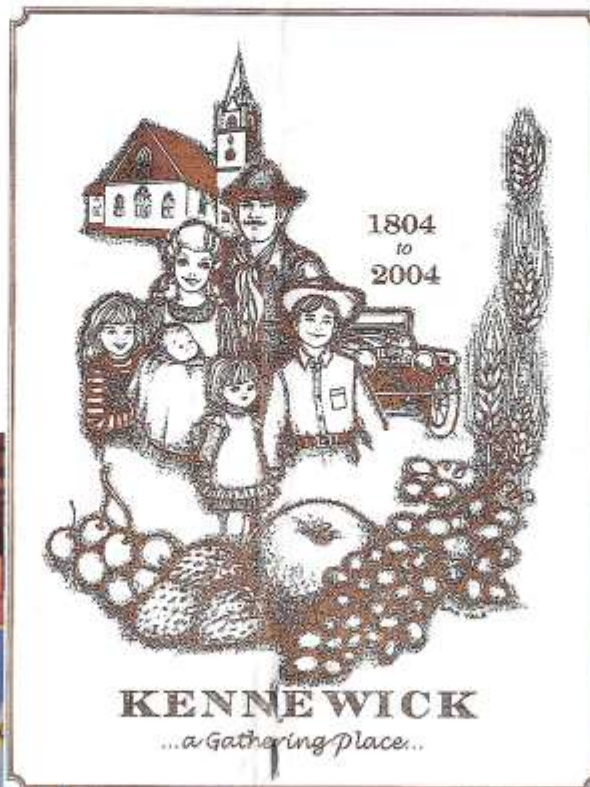
Bob Rupp is the confused looking one facing the Camera



The derbied Duo!



This woman (Olga Keller) is 100 years old also.



Some of Lola's art work!



Ginger Vetrano is in there somewhere

- We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it.
- We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and ate worms, and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.
- Little league had try outs and not every one made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment.
- Some students weren't as smart as others. So they failed a grade and were held back.
- Tests were not adjusted for any reason.
- Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected.
- The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke a law was unheard of. Parents actually sided with the law.

Yet, these generations produced some of the best risk takers and problem solvers and inventors, ever. The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all.

And if you are one of us **Congratulations !**

You have had the good fortune to grow up as kids, before lawyers and government regulated our lives, our own good !!!!



The "NEW" MODEL "T" FORD

Old car enthusiasts will undoubtedly be surprised to hear that the Model T Ford is back in production after seventy three years. Two of the "new Ts" have been photographed working as taxis in Havana, Cuba. Close inspection reveals some updating of the original design as the new T boasts four forward speeds, four springs and four brakes. As owners of the old T will be aware the original was blessed with just two of the above items per car. The luxury specification of the new "T" is further enhanced by a diesel engine equipped with its own electric starter.



With the success of the new VW Beetle and the current vogue for retro styling



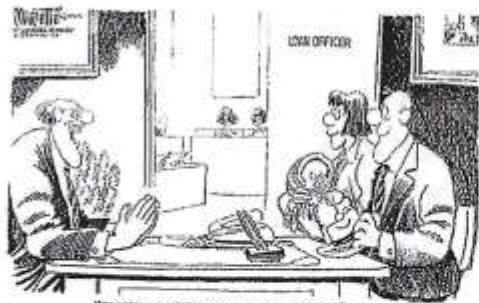
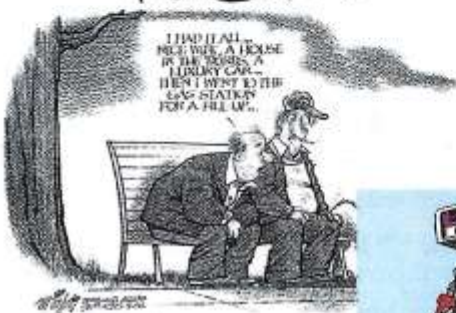
it is confidently predicted that the new T will be the "in" car of the future and will no doubt be seen where ever rich and influential members of society gather. I personally see no reason why production of the new T should not be sufficient to enable the Model T to regain its status as the world's number one production car taking the twenty first century by

storm as well as the twentieth. This is all providing that the Cuban's do not run out of old Russian tractor engines, welding rods or gear boxes and back axles culled from various unlikely vehicles. Time will be my judge on this one!

FUNNY ???



POLICE ARTIST SKETCH OF ROBBERY SUSPECT



"No, they left the money, but, they siphoned all our gas..."

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 4th Eli Kaczynski
- 5th Jane Armstrong
- 9th Earnie Oeder
- 14th Linda Kehl
- 14th Jim Stafford
- 20th Ruth Ilten
- 26th Russ Duffield
- 26th Bob McClary

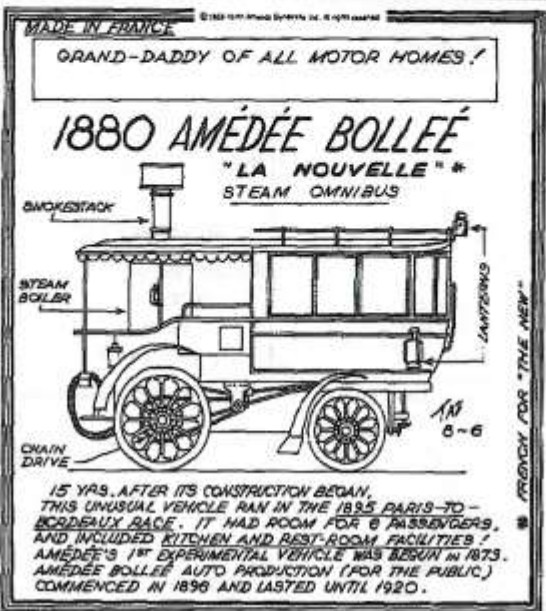


JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 2nd Gil & Odetta Linden
- 5th Jeff & Penny Newgard
- 6th Joe & Jolene Kuhns
- 6th Jeff & Sheila Schroeder
- 7th Roy & Sharon Holmes
- 10th John & Mary Ellen Nelson
- 11th Scott & Sandy Klipper
- 12th Floyd & Barbara Harrow
- 12th Richard & Marlene Kuch
- 18th Gary & Mercedes Stredwick
- 18th Walker & Kay Young
- 21st Dale & Kathie Petty
- 26th Frank & Lindell Smith
- 27th Russ & Helen Duffield



MAY JUNE



1880 Amédée Bolleé Omnibus

Back in the 1880s, self-propelled vehicles were usually railroad locomotives, and all were steam-powered. Electric and gasoline-powered automobiles had not yet reached the market. This 1880 Amédée Bolleé steam omnibus was the predecessor of the modern-day motor home, because it was equipped inside with both kitchen and toilet facilities. In 1895, it was entered in the 1,200-kilometer Paris-to-Bordeaux race in France, and it was named La Nouvelle (the new), even though the vehicle was already some fifteen years old. It finished the race in ninth place.

This oddity may remind some of a cross between a locomotive and a stagecoach. In those days, bodies of such vehicles were constructed of wood, though the steam boiler and most mechanical parts were of steel, iron,

brass, etc. Notice that the drive wheels (powered) are larger than the dummy wheels (unpowered).

Ninety-seven vehicles were originally signed for the race, but only twenty-two actually started. Of that number, only nine actually managed to finish. This La Nouvelle omnibus was the only one of the steam-powered vehicles that completed the race.

Coming in first was a Panhard & Levassor, but a Peugeot won on a technicality. The Amédée Bolleé La Nouvelle would have done much better if it hadn't had trouble with a tight connecting rod that overheated. Wet rags were applied to keep the rod cool, but the rags became entangled in the mechanism, causing several stops for repairs. A powerful steamer, this vehicle had been ahead of the others in the early part of the race.

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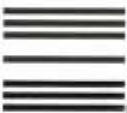


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