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COMING SOON.....



Your Dues are due! Deadline is December 31st!
Ballots are also Due!

**We wish you
Happy Holidays
and a
Wonderful New Year**



Upcoming EVENTS

NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National events see aaca.org

December 8 - Waukegan-North Shore
CHRISTMAS PARTY at Jerry's Parkway on the
Lake, Ingleside, IL . For more information,
contact Harold Flood at car4464@aol.com

February 6-8 - Annual Convention -
Philadelphia, PA



DUES ARE DUE! Reminder - If you have not already done so, please return your 2020 membership renewal form with your Illinois region dues (\$23.00 Cheap!) as soon as possible. The deadline for inclusion in the official roster booklet is December 31st.

A membership form is appended to this newsletter on pages 13 & 14. The form shows the address of the membership chairman. Thanks much!



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The Illinois Region serves northeastern Illinois. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of odd numbered months at various locations.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



You all should have received the Illinois Region ballot by now. This ballot is to elect fellow members to the Illinois Region board for a term of three years. We have many good candidates to choose from, and it is important to get your vote back to the Committee. These candidates will help shape our Region including some of the events we hold for the upcoming three years. They are doing a great service by stepping up and willing to help, and I appreciate each of their efforts. Please take a moment of your time to complete the ballot and mail it back today.

See you further down the road.



Monthly Recipe



A great Holiday Treat that goes fast.

RAZZ-A-TAZZ BARS



INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter or margarine
- 2 cups (12-oz. pkg.) **NESTLÉ® TOLL HOUSE® Premier White Morsels**, *divided*
- 2 large eggs
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 1/2 cup seedless raspberry jam
- 1/4 cup toasted sliced almonds

INSTRUCTIONS

PREHEAT oven to 325° F. Grease and sugar 9-inch-square baking pan.

MELT butter in medium, microwave-safe bowl on HIGH (100%) power for 1 minute; stir. Add 1 cup morsels; let stand. Do not stir.

BEAT eggs in large mixer bowl until foamy. Add sugar; beat until light lemon colored, about 5 minutes. Stir in morsel-butter mixture. Add flour, salt and almond extract; mix at low speed until combined. Spread 2/3 of batter into prepared pan.

BAKE for 15 to 17 minutes or until light golden brown around edges. Remove from oven to wire rack.

HEAT jam in small, microwave-safe bowl on HIGH (100%) power for 30 seconds; stir. Spread jam over warm crust. Stir *remaining* morsels into *remaining* batter. Drop spoonfuls of batter over jam. Sprinkle with almonds.

BAKE for 25 to 30 minutes or until edges are browned. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars.

Archive's Most Wanted

Calling all cars, be on the lookout for the following items which have eluded the Illinois Region Archives to date.

We are searching for the tour sheet of the 1989 Illinois Region Spring Tour based in Baraboo, WIS which was hosted by the Nickle Plate Chapter. Its accomplice, the flyer and registration form are also wanted.

Lastly the dash plaque for this tour has so far absconded archival justice. An artist's sketch has been made. It is described as white letter on a blue base.

Anyone with information leading to the acquiring or viewing of these items or to be able to make photocopies thereof please contact Christopher Schurrer, at the Region Archives, Warrant Division at (815) 382 - 0238 or hpdog259962@gmail.com .



**PLEASE READ:
IMPORTANT
MESSAGE**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AACA MEMBERS

We are recommending membership print out the Illinois state statute that concerns them (AV plates are below, EA are on the following page) and keep them with their state issued plates to resolve any concerns of using year of manufacture plates that may arise.

AV Plates:

(625 ILCS 5/3-804) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 3-804) Sec. 3-804.

Antique vehicles. (a) The owner of an antique vehicle may register such vehicle for a fee not to exceed \$13 for a 2-year antique plate. The application for registration must be accompanied by an affirmation of the owner that such vehicle will be driven on the highway only for the purpose of going to and returning from an antique auto show or an exhibition, or for servicing or demonstration and also affirming that the mechanical condition, physical condition, brakes, lights, glass and appearance of such vehicle is the same or as safe as originally equipped. The Secretary may, in his discretion prescribe that antique vehicle plates be issued for a definite or an indefinite term, such term to correspond to the term of registration plates issued generally, as provided in Section 3-414.1. In no event may the registration fee for antique vehicles exceed \$6 per registration year. Any person requesting antique plates under this Section may also apply to have

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED...)

vanity or personalized plates as provided under Section 3-405.1. (b) Any person who is the registered owner of an antique vehicle may display a historical license plate from or representing the model year of the vehicle, furnished by such person, in lieu of the current and valid Illinois antique vehicle plates issued thereto, provided that valid and current Illinois antique vehicle plates and registration card issued to such antique vehicle are simultaneously carried within such vehicle and are available for inspection. (Source: P.A. 91-37, eff. 7-1-99.)

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs4.asp?DocName=062500050HCh%2E3&ActID=1815&ChapterID=49&SeqStart=34900000&SeqEnd=67200000> Accessed 11 / 18 / 2019

EA Plates:

(625 ILCS 5/3-804.01) Sec. 3-804.01. Expanded-use antique vehicles.

(a) The owner of a motor vehicle that is more than 25 years of age or a bona fide replica thereof may register the vehicle as an expanded-use antique vehicle. In addition to the appropriate registration and renewal fees, the fee for expanded-use antique vehicle registration and renewal, except as provided under subsection (d), shall be \$45 per year. The application for registration must be accompanied by an affirmation of the owner that: (1) from January 1 through March 31 and from November 1 through December 31, the vehicle will be driven on the highways only for the purpose of going to and returning from an antique auto show or an exhibition, or for servicing or demonstration; and (2) the mechanical condition, physical condition, brakes, lights, glass, and appearance of such vehicle is the same or as safe as originally equipped. From April 1 through

IMPORTANT INFORMATION (CONTINUED...)

October 31, a vehicle registered as an expanded-use antique vehicle may be driven on the highways without being subject to the restrictions set forth in subdivision (1). The Secretary may prescribe, in the Secretary's discretion, that expanded-use antique vehicle plates be issued for a definite or an indefinite term, such term to correspond to the term of registration plates issued generally, as provided in Section 3-414.1. Any person requesting expanded-use antique vehicle plates under this Section may also apply to have vanity or personalized plates as provided under Section 3-405.1. (b) Any person who is the registered owner of an expanded-use antique vehicle may display a historical license plate from or representing the model year of the vehicle, furnished by such person, in lieu of the current and valid Illinois expanded-use antique vehicle plates issued thereto, provided that the valid and current Illinois expanded-use antique vehicle plates and registration card issued to the expanded-use antique vehicle are simultaneously carried within the vehicle and are available for inspection. (c) The Secretary may credit a pro-rated portion of a fee previously paid for an antique vehicle registration under Section 3-804 to an owner who applies to have that vehicle registered as an expanded-use antique vehicle instead of an antique vehicle. (d) The Secretary may make a version of the registration plate authorized under this Section in a form appropriate for motorcycles. In addition to the required registration and renewal fees, the fee for motorcycle expanded-use antique vehicle registration and renewal shall be \$23 per year. (Source: P.A. 100-956, eff. 1-1-19.)

<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs4.asp?DocName=062500050HCh%2E+3&ActID=1815&ChapterID=49&SeqStart=34900000&SeqEnd=67200000> Accessed 11 / 18 / 2019

Recent Events:

BRIGHTON RUN!

BY CHRIS SCHURRER

Our last driving tour of the year mimicked our first, as a crowd of over 60 vehicles congregated in Gurnee for the start of the Brighton Run. The day began as cooler and overcast, but clear after several days of snow a few days prior. Spirits were high as we departed in separate groups for the sights and sounds on Northern Lake, Kenosha, and Southwestern Racine Counties. It could have been the start of our engines that was used as the call of the hunt, since within a few minutes, we encountered equestrians led by hounds on their search. Our search though, was for nice touring roads and our hosts most certainly found them. We traveled into Wilmot for a quick pit stop and then traveled through the twisty-turny roads along the Fox River. Things haven't changed much in a hundred years from the looks of some of the homes, barns, and buildings tucked away in the Southwest corner of Racine County. From there we headed west for a stop at the Veteran's Cemetery in Union Grove. From there it was south to that wonderful bustling metropolis that is Brighton. Participants visited with each other, and admired the fine examples of automobiles present on the tour. From there some went into Jeddy's Bar, homebase in Brighton. Some others meandered south to St. Xavier Church for their turkey dinner served family style with all the fixins. Thanks are well deserved for Bob & Renee Grutza, Bob Wenderski, Gary Smithe, Dick Murray, and everyone for putting on such a good run together. It was a great tour to look back on while our cars hibernate for the winter.

Recent Events: (Brighton Run Pictures...)



John Otto, left, and Chris Schurrer, right in the Executive Offices of the Stutz Factory.



One of the rows of cars while having our rest stop in Union Grove. There were a nice mixture of automobiles there, even with how the weather had been prior.



A wagon fan such as myself can certainly appreciate this nice restoration.



Horses with the fall backdrop really helped us immerse ourselves in a British feel.

Vintage Photographs: By John Halloran

The photo of the 1920 era Buick was taken by a photographer in Demopolis Alabama. That's roughly eighty miles west of the state capitol, Montgomery and not too awful far from Selma. I intend to do a Google search to see if we can't find out the event. The driver and probable owner is William Andrew Smith. The young lady with the bouquet is identified as Anne Louise Smith Wedgeworth. She's nicknamed 'Weezie' by the captioner. I'll hazard to guess she's Mr. Smith's daughter, and Wedgeworth later became her married name,

since we don't know when the photo was captioned except it was done in ballpoint on the back, and ball point didn't come around 'til the '50s. The young lady on the left is Eula Lee, though the captioner qualified this with a question mark. We'll go with Eula Lee. The girl in the light color dress is Louise Fields. The gal on the right is Maude Kimball. We can't make out the writing on the side of the touring car. It appears to read something IIIISS over the number 9 over the word Rage. Short for Courage? Weezie is listed in ballpoint ink as being the 'Queen'. Presumably of the event. The trees and tents in the background look like they are on the town square. I bet when I google earth this, the square is still there.



The young ladies are looking at us from the back of a Ford brass T touring. Other photos I have shown the car to have Ontario Canada license, though we don't know where the photo was taken. The car is parked on a steel bridge. This wasn't uncommon in the early days of no traffic. We have pictures of people working on their cars in the middle of a road. Not this car. It's one of my favorite photos. If I publish a book this is going on the back cover.



Vintage Photographs: (continued...)



The Hudson Super Six touring car was photographed on 76th Street in Chicago east of Cottage Grove. Police are present. Was this a crime scene? The date is April 4, 1922 and I bet a newspaper from the following day would provide some light on this situation.

The last photo was acquired from E-Bay recently. The car is a 1950 Hudson Commodore sedan. The license is 1950 Illinois, so we know the car is brand new. The photo reveals the passenger side of the front bumper is curled. This is where the car was hit. The location is not identified, but an address on the electrician truck in the background reads 13783 Leyden, with no town. I used to work in Leyden Township near Franklin Park, but the address was not familiar. Leyden is a Dutch name, so I started looking south towards South Holland.



From my truck driving days in the 1980s I recalled a Leyden around Riverdale, and Google earth found it for me. The name on the building is William Maurer Real Estate and Insurance. I tried looking this up in the Riverdale Public Library website, but this wasn't helpful. Then I looked up Maurer in a 1938 Chicago Yellow Pages that I own. Bingo! The photo was taken in front of 13786 Leyden Avenue, Riverdale. So, Maurer was in business there a number of years. The Google Earth page shows this is right on the corner of busy 138th Street. Leyden is an angle street. So, the Hudson got clocked at the intersection and ended up here. I hope to get to the south 'burbs to go through the newspaper stacks from 1950, if they still have them. Then we'll know more about this story. The building is no longer standing. I don't know how wonderful the neighborhood is nowadays, but we'll be close by here next summer on Chris Schurrers' Secret Tour. Some of the young guys in the photograph are probably still alive, and someone out there remembers this wreck first-hand. Isn't history great?

2020 ILLINOIS REGION RENEWAL FORM

❖ Dear Region Members:

❖ **It is now time to renew your Illinois Region dues.** You must be a **PAID MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL** to belong to the Illinois Region. Please check inside the wrapper of the *AACA Antique Automobile* (Sept/Oct) magazine for the NATIONAL RENEWAL NOTICE.



Since this information is used to compile the *ILLINOIS REGION ROSTER*, please complete this form carefully and accurately.

Please check ONE below:

Illinois Region Dues – Sidelights received by email \$23.00 _____

Illinois Region Lifetime Membership \$300.00 _____
 (Must be National Lifetime Member – Dues for National
 Lifetime membership dues are now \$700.00)

Current paid Illinois Region Lifetime Member? Yes _____

Chapters:

Fox Valley Chapter \$5.00 _____

Waukegan-North Shore Chapter \$8.00 _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Make check payable to the *Illinois Region* and mail it to:

**Andy Voss
 2588-B Rock Creek Road
 Plano, IL 60545**

AACA NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: _____

LAST NAME _____ FIRST _____ SPOUSE/
 PARTNER _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

(Necessary to receive Region mailings by email)

Dues must be received by DECEMBER 31, 2019 to be included in the 2020 Roster.

Would you like the 2020 Roster sent to your e-mail address instead of by U.S. mail? Yes ___ No ___

Put a check mark in front of the chapters to which you belong:

_____ Des Plaines Valley

_____ Silver Springs

_____ Fox Valley

_____ Waukegan-North Shore

PLEASE COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE OF FORM ONLY IF THERE ARE CHANGES!

ANTIQUUE VEHICLE INFORMATION

_____ Check here if the vehicle information is the same as last year; then you do not need to fill in the chart below.

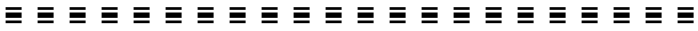
Classic Cars must be 25 or more years old

Add Cars Acquired Since Last Year

Year	Make	Model

Delete Cars that you no Longer Own

Year	Make	Model



FOR SALE!

New in the box: Torin Big Red 3.5 Gallon Model#T-10035 Bench Top Parts Washer. w/110v electric pump. Approved for use with mineral spirits or biodegradable cleaner. \$60.00 or best offer. John at 847-370-6902. Email: palka@att.net.

One, new in the box Menards Performax Air Filtration system, table or ceiling mount 3 speeds w/remote control. perfect for woodworking area, traps 1 micro inner, 5 microns outer filters, w/timer. \$125.00 OBO Contact John Palka cell 847-370-6902 or e mail palka@att.net



1968 Cadillac DeVille Convertible



The time in my life has come, for a change in our lifestyle and priorities that we have. Diane and I have come to the conclusion and sad realization that we should sell the Cadillac.

The Hobby and the people involved, has bestowed on us adventures, memories and very enjoyable times. So, I would like to pass on these thoughts to the new owner, if they are new in the Hobby. Join a car related club, and it will open a whole new world for you, access to information and parts if needed for This Eye catching cruiser.

This Cashmere Ivory colored vehicle, with a Black

fabric convertible top, with a Glass rear window is ready for the road. It has Black Leather Seats and Interior. No problem with the A/C on during the summer. It was converted to 134a by the previous owner. It sports New white wall tires, around 1,000 miles on them. the Automatic transmission was rebuilt by AAMCO around 3,000 miles ago. The car was Z Barted by a previous owner. The Chrome and Bright work are in very good condition.

I consider this garage kept well maintained nice "20-footer" Fun to drive, touring car worth the top end of the spectrum of The Old Cars Price Guide

#1 value of this example is \$41, 700. But this nice yellow "20" footer touring car is considerably less, and affordable, it can be yours for considerably less

for only \$17,000. I feel this is a fair retail price for this well maintained, fun to drive 80,000 mile automobile. If you are really interested contact me (Alan Benning) at

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