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COMING SOON..



June Region Board Meeting at Yorkville Public Library

The **AACA REGION BOARD MEETING** hosted by Silver Springs will be held on Saturday, June 12th at the Yorkville Public Library. The library is located at 902 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560. Doors open at 10am. Meeting will begin at 10:30 A.M. Members are welcome and encouraged to come. No Food will be served, but water will be provided.



Upcoming EVENTS

NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National and other events see aaca.org

June 12 - REGION BOARD MEETING
hosted by Silver Springs. Yorkville Public Library 902 Game Farm Road, Yorkville, IL 60560. Doors open at 10am. Meeting will begin at 10:30 A.M. Everyone Welcome. No Food, water will be provided.

July 3 - Fourth of July Celebration Car Show, Carpenters Park, Carpentersville, IL. See page 12.

August 1 - Waukegan-North Shore ILLINOIS RR MUSEUM TRANSPORTATION EXTRAVAGANZA SHOW, Union, IL. More information to come.

2021 Nationals & Tours

July 1-3 - Central Spring Nationals - AACA National - Auburn, IN

July 22-24 - Annual Grand Nationals - Minnesota Region - New Ulm, MN

October 6-9 - Eastern Fall Nationals - Hershey Region - Hershey, PA



Other Events of Interest

June 4-6th - CCA's THE GRAND EXPERIENCE and Michigan Grand Classic at the Gilmore Museum. Featuring GM cars from 1915-1970. - **CANCELLED**

June 5th - Glen Ellyn Auto Fest. Glen Ellyn, IL.

June 13-19th - Packard Automobile Classics 55th National meet. It will take place in Brookfield WI. **CANCELLED**

June 26th - Classic Collector Car Show, Downtown Barrington. More information @ www.barringtonchamber.com.

June 26th - Swedish Days Classic Car Show hosted by GIRCCCA, Geneva Commons, Geneva, IL. 10am-3pm. (See page 13 for flyer.)

July 13-17th Nash Nationals, Frankenmuth, MI.

August 22nd - Geneva Concours, Geneva, IL.



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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

No one knows what the future holds. I've been thinking about the future of our hobby and our cars. Reason being, I recently purchased a 1966 Chrysler 300 convertible. This is one of the cars on my bucket list, it is a pretty long list. There are parts that I need for the car. In my search for automotive recyclers, they were called junkyards when I was younger; I came across a yard that specialized in Mopar parts. It was located relatively close, in Oregon, IL. I called the yard and spoke to the owner and made an appointment to purchase some parts. Upon my arrival, I met the owner, a gentleman named Larry and he has owned the junkyard for a number of years. We spoke for a while and he told me of his situation, Larry is 80 years old and may be closing the yard with the cars being sold for scrap. Reason being he cannot find a buyer or someone to take over the yard.

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Monthly Recipe



Barbecue Season is upon us. Here's an all-in-one meal for the grill.

Sausage, cheddar, broccoli foil packs



Ingredients

- 8 cups broccoli florets
- 1 (14 ounce) package Johnsonville Andouille Smoked Sausage or Kielbasa
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- salt and pepper to taste
- if you'd like mini potatoes or diced may be added. Cook time may vary.

Instructions

1. Heat gas or charcoal grill to high heat, about 400 degrees. Cut 4 (12x12-in) sheets of heavy-duty foil.
2. Fill each foil pack with 2 cups broccoli and 1 cup of chopped sausage. Add salt and pepper to taste.
3. Bring up 2 sides of foil so edges meet. Seal edges, making tight 1/2-inch fold; fold again, allowing space for heat circulation and expansion.
4. Place packs on grill, cook 7 minutes. Flip foil packs and cook 7 more minutes.
5. Carefully open packs and sprinkle each pack with 1/4 cup of shredded cheddar cheese. Using tongs tent the foil pack over the foil pack allowing the cheese to melt. Cook 2-3 more minutes and remove from heat.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued...)



The yard holds about 400 cars and the building has a huge inventory. Mopars from the 50's forward. I politely told him you can't do that, the parts are irreplaceable. He looked at me as saying "What am I going to do?" The people that love and cherish these cars are becoming fewer by the day. Most of the younger generations don't have the same feeling nor seem to care about many of the things we care about. What is going to happen to all these wonderful old cars? No one knows what the future holds.

Anyway, things are happening, cruise nights are opening up and the show schedule is filling up. We will be having a board meeting on Saturday, June 12. There will be more information in the newsletter. All members are invited and encouraged to join us. There are chapter tours in the works, information will be coming out soon.

So, let's go out and enjoy our wonderful old automobiles.

Dan Sobczyk

President of the Illinois Region AACA

Region News:

In Memoriam of **Paul K. Marcotte**

Paul K. Marcotte, 79, of Momence, IL, died on Saturday, May 8, 2021, at the Amita St. Mary's Emergency Room, in Kankakee, IL. He was born on September 24, 1941 in Kankakee, IL, the son of Clarence and Florine McCullough Marcotte. He was raised by his father and step-mother, Ruth E. Reiners Marcotte. Paul married Jeanne Sindelar on August 24, 1962, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Momence, IL. She survives.



Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law: David and Diane (Sypult) Marcotte and Brian and Dianna (Roark) Marcotte, one daughter and son-in-law: Sharie (Marcotte) and Brian Smart. Paul has one surviving brother and sister-in-law: Steven and Rosemary (Schultz) Marcotte Also surviving are six grandchildren: Rachelle (Marcotte) and Justin Fisher, Amy (Marcotte) and Eric Hagenow, Alyssa Marcotte, Emma Smart, Erin Smart, and Haylie Smart. Paul has four great-grandchildren Ally Fisher, Ryder Fisher, Paxton Fisher and Harper Hagenow. Paul was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and sister-in-law, Eldon and Loraine Marcotte.

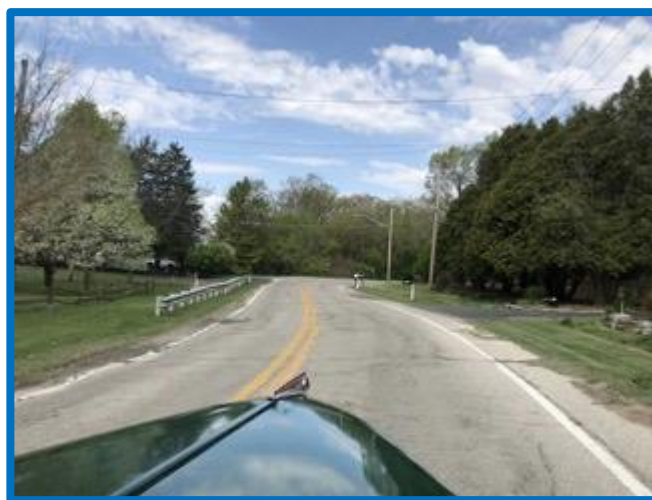
Paul was a life-long farmer and was the owner of Marcotte Trucking. He was a member of the Illinois Corn Growers Association, Kankakee County Farm Bureau, Vintage Street Rod Association, Midwest Truckers Association, former School Board Member, Momence Chapter AACA, the Illinois Region Car Club, Past Chairman of the Gladiolus Festival Antique Car Show and recipient of the Larry Martin/Chrome Shop Mafia Lifetime Achievement Award. Paul enjoyed antique cars, Semi Truck Shows and Hot Rods.

Region News:

Tiptoeing Through the Tulips – by Jo Ann Flynn

It's finally Spring and now it's time to hit the road again in our favorite vehicles. The Waukegan North Shore Chapter's Dust Off Tour was Saturday May 1st. Everyone must have been itching to be back in their cars as we had 48 people in 23 cars participating.

We started off at Bobby's Barrel Inn, a charming local restaurant in Volo, where some of us enjoyed a delicious breakfast. Then a quick turn around the block and past Volo Car Museum. We didn't need to stop there as we had our own rolling car museum! We traveled up Fish Lake Road, which was newly paved for us, down Nippersink Road, across Big Hollow Road. I just love these road names!



Over the Fox River, down Ringwood Rd on to Bull Valley Road where we passed many big, beautiful homes such as this one.

Halloween may be long past, but this "Ghost Rider" on Greenwood Rd was still ready to roll!



Region News: Tiptoeing through the tulips (continued...)



Past Galt Airport

On Kuhn Rd. When Chris' directions say, "Dodge potholes", he really means it.



46 miles later, we arrived at Richardson Farm.

Just some of the cars on the trip



Region News: Tiptoeing through the tulips (continued...)



Dale and Cheryl Woolsey's 1966 Plymouth Valiant.



Bob and Donna Hanselman's 1951 MG.



The Hanselmans, Betty Klafta and Tom Barosso in the gift shop at Richardson Farm.

Melanie, Bibi and Humberto Garcia enjoying the wine tasting.



Region News: Tiptoeing through the tulips (continued...)



Joan and Jerry Bodden and Gerry and Karen Mears.

Pat and Bob Markert



And finally, the TULIPS! and yes, they are blowing in the wind.



and more tulips!



Region News: Tiptoeing through the tulips (continued...)



300,000 of them in every color



Chris Schurrer, John Palka, Ed Flynn



Even this friendly Husky loved the Tulips!

Region News: Tiptoeing through the tulips (continued...)



So fitting for our group - The Richardson Farm Truck.

After the Tulip Fest, we traveled along Wilmot, Ringwood, Barnard Mill and Allendale Roads to come to Alden, Illinois and it's antique shops. Then on to Hebron and more antique shops and this beautiful classic home.



It was an interesting day weatherwise. We had a few rain drops early, then sun, then clouds and a lot of WIND. On this road in Richmond, we were engulfed in the wind-swept corn chafe from the plowed fields along the road.

By the time we all came back home, I'm sure everyone's vehicle looked like ours, with enough dust on it to write your name!

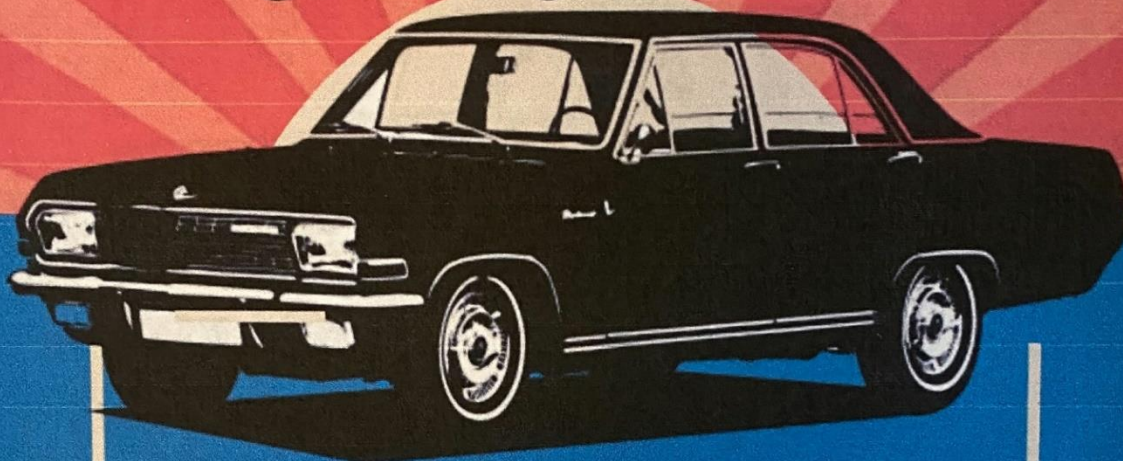
But braving the wind and the dust was worth it to be on the road again, Tiptoeing through the Tulips, with our AACA friends.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA

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JULY 3 2021

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Swedish Days Family Fest

at GENEVA COMMONS



Saturday June 26 • 10:00am-3:00pm

Classic Car Show

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Dog Adoption Event with Hopeful Tails

Craft Activities with Color Me Mine

Author Readings with Rising Lights Project

Balloon Artist • Food Trucks • And More!

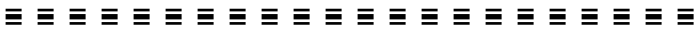
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