



# SIDE LIGHTS



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# Upcoming EVENTS

**December 4** - Waukegan-North Shore  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY** at Parkway on the Lake,  
Ingleside. See page 19.

## NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National and other events  
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2022 Nationals & Tours



## Other Events of Interest

The Great Lakes Region Chapter of Vintage Chevrolet Club of America will hold the 48th. Annual Swap Meet on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The swap meet will be at the Will County Fairgrounds, Peotone, Illinois, 710 S. West Street, from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM. This swap meet is for all makes and models of cars.

This is a good way to "beat the winter blues" and help support another car club in our area. After the last few years, we all have suffered thru, it would feel good to get out and go to a place that's warm and dry to visit with friends from our car community.



## ILLINOIS REGION

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

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All materials should be submitted by the 20th of the month or sooner.

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##### Through 2022

John Otto  
Dan Sobczyk  
Dale Woosley

##### Through 2023

Bill Vroman  
Jo Ann Flynn  
Chris Schurrer

##### Through 2024

Ed Flynn  
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*Chapter meetings are held the second Friday of the month September through May (excepting December) at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Dr., Grayslake, IL 60030*

# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

As 2022 winds down to a few precious days, we can look back at this year that was filled with great tours, companionship and fun. What a great summer it was. The memory of the Brighton run is still fresh in my mind. The roads we travelled this year on the run were some of the nicest roads in recent memory. Thanks to the Waukegan/ North Shore for such a memorable tour.

Coming up is Christmas Party time. There are not enough weekends to enjoy the various parties on tap. If you have not done so, please remember to sign up for the Waukegan/Northshore party this coming weekend.

Also, this year, we were informed that the go to restaurant for the Fox Valley Chapter, Bohemian Crystal, closed their doors this year. So, the search goes on for a replacement restaurant.

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## Monthly Recipe



### Scones

Submitted by Chris Schurrer

### Ingredients

1-3/4 cups flour  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon salt  
5 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened  
1/2 cup dried currants  
1/2 cup chocolate chips  
1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon milk  
1/4 cup sour cream  
1 egg

### Instructions

1. Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Sift the flour, sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, and salt into a large bowl. Cut in the butter using a pastry blender until it is in sizes like a pea. Stir in currants and chocolate chips.
2. Mix together 1/2 cup of the milk and the sour cream; pour into the dry ingredients. Stir mixture gently until ingredients are thoroughly combined.
3. Pat dough into an 8-inch circle on a floured board; cut with a pizza cutter into eight or more wedges (if you want, you could flatten the dough and cut out circles with a biscuit or cookie cutter). Place scones on a greased baking sheet at least 1 inch apart; set aside. Whisk together the egg and remaining 1 tablespoon of milk. Brush the tops of the scones with the egg wash; let rest 10 minutes. Bake until golden brown, about 15 minutes. Serve warm with butter or clotted cream and a selection of jams.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont...)

If you know of a good Bohemian restaurant, please let me know. Will we find another Bohemian Crystal, we hope so. Those are big shoes to fill.

We all have the Holiday season to look forward to this coming month. May the month be filled with Holiday cheer and good tidings to all.

To all the wonderful members of AACA and their families, I wish you the best Christmas ever and only great and wonderful things for the New Year.

Until next year,  
Dan



## A MESSAGE from the VICE PRESIDENT

Greetings Fellow Members,

Do you find yourself driving solo on tours and would like a fellow member to be a navigator? Are you someone who would like to be a navigator for another member on a tour?

If you said yes to either, we would like to help make that connection easier. Beginning with this year's roster, we will be making a reference list so those drivers who are looking for navigators and willing navigators for drivers can easily find each other.

Please send me a response at [hpdog259962@gmail.com](mailto:hpdog259962@gmail.com) by December 31, 2022 if you fit either category. If you fit both categories (willing to have a navigator while you drive and willing to be a navigator while someone else drives), feel free to let me know that too. You can be listed both ways.

I look forward to seeing all of you along the tour route in the next year.

Regards,

Christopher G. A. Schurrer

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 12, 2022

Hosts: Des Plaines Valley Chapter

Location: Crest Hill Library/ 20670 City Center Blvd./ Crest Hill, IL 60400

## 1. Welcome—President

President, Dan Sobczyk, called the meeting to order at 11:35 am, welcomed the members and thanked Lee and Nancy Nelson and the Des Plaines Valley Chapter for hosting this board meeting.

- Roll Call—Pat Markert took the roll call. Board members attending: Dan Sobczyk, Pat Markert, Lee & Nancy Nelson, Ed & JoAnn Flynn, Rose O'Halloran, Chris Schurrer, Bill Vroman, Bob Wenderski, and Dale Woosley. John Otto had Bob Markert as a proxy, Andy Voss had Chris Schurrer as his proxy. Harold Flood and John Medgyesi were absent. Visitors were Joanna Vroman, Humberto and Bibiana Garcia.
- Secretary report—Pat Markert reported that she did not have additions or corrections to the minutes of the meeting. A motion was made by Nancy Nelson and seconded by Chris Schurrer to accept the Minutes as written. The motion was carried.
- Treasurer report- Bob Wenderski reported the particulars of this months expenses and income. A motion was made by Chris Schurrer and seconded by Nancy Nelson to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

## 2. Standing Committee

- Membership— Chris Schurrer reported for Andy that this year membership renewal form was sent by email. Response has been good. He has already had about 78 memberships renewed. At some point he will send paper copies to those members who have not renewed. A question was raised by Pat Markert asking if recent Region Lifetime members were also Lifetime National members as required by our by-laws. The question will be referred to Andy Voss.
- Legislative- Lee Nelson reported that there is a new Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulas who has promised to clear up the backlog of driver's and road tests. If your license has expired and you are waiting to take your road test, Lee reported that the grace period ends December 1, 2022. So a trip to the divers license office is in order.
- Website- Bill Vroman said that the Illinois Region webpage had 1700 hits in a month. Bill has been exploring finding a way for the club to institute online payments for dues and car shows. Discussion ensued.  
The suggestion was made that it might facilitate matters if the club explored an official 501C non-profit organization. More discussion ensued.
- Archivist- Chris Schurrer said things had been quiet on the Archive front, possibly aided by the fact that he had been out of town for a month in Korea. He has been dealing with some signage left from the Grayslake car shows. He has found suitable homes for some and is working on finding places for the rest.

## 3. Activities

- Election Report— Pat Markert reported that the Ballot Committee has been receiving a steady stream of ballots and as of that morning has had 84 returned. She has sent out some reminders and will continue to do so until the deadline of 12/31/2022.

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- Swap Meet—Bob Markert reported that even though the car dealer location for the swap meet had been sold, the new owners seem to be happy to continue to host the event. One caveat is that GM has ordered that some updates need to be done to the work area which is exactly where we hold the swap. We are hoping to have further information after the first of the year.
- Region Car Show 2023—Bob Markert reported that as usual, Cantigny does not make out its agenda until after the first of the year and we will have more info then.
- Fall Tour 2022—Chris Schurrer reported that the fall foliage tour was a wonderful event. The weather was glorious and, perhaps because of this, there was an impressive turnout of 16 antique cars. The tour visited 2 interesting collections among other attractions.

## 4. Chapter Reports

- Des Plaines Valley-Lee Nelson reported that the Des Plaines Valley Chapter had participated in both the Fall Foliage Tour and the Brighton Run. Now the chapter is going into hibernation until the spring.
- Fox Valley-Dan Sobczyk reported that the chapter had recently visited the Historic Auto Museum in Roscoe, IL in conjunction with the CAATS (Centerville Antique Auto Touring Society). They were able to see Miss Belvidere. In order to celebrate Tulsa, Oklahoma's bicentennial, a brand new 1957 Plymouth Belvidere was buried in the lawn of the courthouse in a time capsule. Unfortunately, the capsule leaked and filled with water. This is what the car looked like when it was unearthed. The restored car is on exhibit at the museum.



He also reported that because of the

closing of Bohemian Crystal where the chap-

ter always had its Christmas party, he and others are currently looking for a new home for this event. He will keep members posted.

- Silver Springs-No report
- Waukegan/ North Shore-Chris Schurrer reported that the Brighton Run had a total of 86 cars attending. This year the run made a stop at an antique mall, drove up to Twin Lakes and back to Brighton. Again we were blessed with great weather.

The Chapter's Christmas party will again be at Parkway on the Lake in Ingleside on December 4.

## 5. Old Business:

- Business cards—Jim Sikora reported that he still working on these and that he will have several examples printed up for the board for the next meeting.
- By-laws changes- Dan Sobczyk asked if anyone had any changes to the by-laws to be discussed. Pat Markert stated that she thought that the Car Show Manager should have a place on the Board as it is normally the biggest fund raiser for the Region. Bob Markert also pointed out that the Car Show involves a greater number of members than any other single event. Therefore Pat Markert motioned that Car Show Manager be added to Article II: Board of Directors, Section 2: Number and Tenure, part A. Dan Sobczyk suggested that instead of Car Show Manager the title should be Car Show Director. There was no objection. Second by Chris Schurrer. Motion was passed.

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This first change caused changes to other areas of the by-laws. First, Article IV: Committees, Section 2: Standing Committees, part A: Definition Pat Markert made a motion to add Car Show Director to paragraph 1. Second Nancy Nelson. Motion passed.

Next change is to Article IV: Committees, Section 2: Standing committees. Pat Markert made a motion to add "G. Car Show Committee: The Car Show Committee **shal** consist of The Director and such other members as may be required to maintain and update the website." Second Nancy Nelson. Motion passed.

Pat Markert made a motion that Article III: Officers and Duties, Section 5: Secretary, part D be removed as the Secretary no longer does the roster. Second Joann Flynn. Motion passed. This changes part E to part D.

Pat Markert made a motion to add "Be responsible for the publication and distribution of the Region's yearly Roster to Article IV: Committees, Section 2, part B, paragraph 2. So that part will now read: "The Membership Committee Chairman shall keep a register of the post office and email address of each member, which shall be furnished by the member. Be responsible for the publication and distribution of the Region's yearly Roster." Second Rose O'Halloran. Motion passed.

Lichtfeld award—Nominations were taken and voted on for the Lichtfeld Award.

Name Tags: After much discussion, it was decided that new members would receive a free name with their first paid year of membership. This is retroactive to 2020 when the name tags were last distributed to all members. Replacement name tags would be paid by the member requesting it. Dan Sobczyk made a motion to enact this, second Lee Nelson. Motion passed.

#### 6. New Business:

- Joann Flynn asked chapter Presidents to update the information currently in the Region brochure.
- John O'Halloran reported that his name has legally been changed to Rose and asked for that name to be used in the minutes of the meeting.
- Dale Woosley suggested that the Region compile a list of drivers usually drive alone on tour who would like to have someone ride with them AND a list of members who would be happy to be a navigator instead of driving alone. Board members were enthusiastic about the idea. Chris Schurrer will be compiling the list.

#### 7. Visitor input: None

#### 8. Next Board Meeting—January 14, 2023

Hosted by the Region Board. Location to be announced.

#### 9. Adjourn

Lee Nelson made a motion to adjourn, second Bob Markert. Motion passed We adjourned at 12:55 pm.



## Region News:

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER!



David Plahuta  
[djplahuta@live.com](mailto:djplahuta@live.com)



**RENEWAL  
REMINDER**

### **2023 IL Region Dues Reminder**

**If you have not paid your IL Region dues, please take a moment to do so now. There is a 2023 renewal form attached to this issue of *Sidelights*. Simply print it, fill out the requested information, and mail it with a check for \$23 (plus payment for applicable chapter dues) to Andy Voss, Membership Chairman, at the address shown on the form.**

**If there are any questions or comments about this procedure, please contact Andy at 630-605-8392 or [andyjanevoss@aol.com](mailto:andyjanevoss@aol.com).**

# Region Events:

## Brighton Run 2022

by Jo Ann Flynn, W/NS News Correspondent

The Waukegan/North Shore Chapter's touring season went out in a blaze of glory, if not exactly a blaze of color. Sunday, November 6th dawned bright and sunny and was the perfect day for a drive through Lake County and Southern Wisconsin. Unfortunately, the rain and wind of the previous week pretty much dropped all the beautiful leaves. That didn't stop our members, family, friends and many non-members coming out for one last drive. We had 80 cars on the tour. If you weren't there, you missed a great tour.

We started at the Panera Bread in Mundelein for coffee, goodies and a crowded Drivers Meeting.

Harold and Carroll Flood signed in the participants. Then Harold and Bob Wenderski discussed the route. The attendees listened closely. Well, most did. I heard a few got a little lost on the route.



These folks were ready to hit the road....

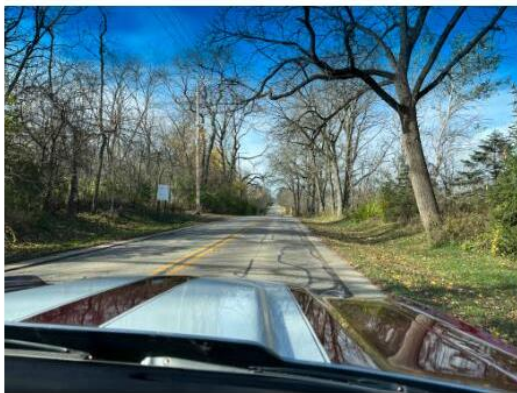


# Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)

And off we go!



The roads were clear, some straight, some curvy. Just following the leader....



# Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)

First stop was the Great Lakes Antique Boutique in Antioch, where many of us found treasures we couldn't leave without.



We took over their parking lot and the parking lot of the business next door. We (almost) needed a traffic cop to get us out and on the road again.



# Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)

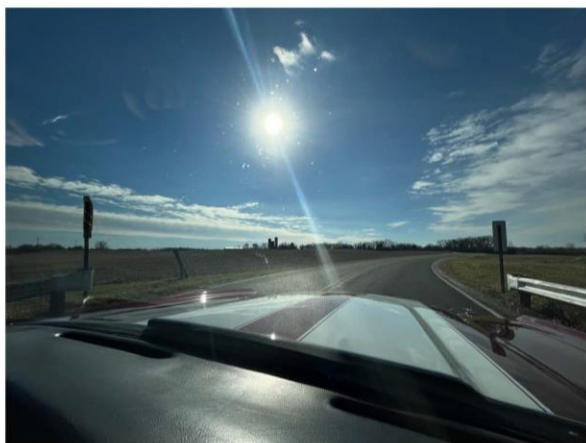
After leaving Antioch, we wandered up and down and around beautiful country roads.



With no leaves on the trees, we could easily see all the beautiful homes along our route. This one looks big enough to host the whole region for a meeting



Wide open spaces!



And finally,  
69 miles later, we arrived at our destination.



## Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)



All lined up perfectly. Bet you don't see this arrangement in a shopping mall parking lot.

I heard "someone" just had to stop to look at a Packard for sale along the route. I think it almost became an addition to "someone's" car collection.



Vehicles of every size, shape, age and color were there!



# Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)

And of course, what would a tour to Brighton be without a stop at Jeddy's Bar.



Surprise, Surprise! The Bears game was on TV!



## Region Events: (Brighton Run cont...)



The cows bid us adieu as we return to our homes and tuck our cars in for their long winter's nap. Spring will return before we know it and we'll be back on the road again.

Thanks to The Garcia Family for sharing their photos.

Special Thanks to  
Bob Wenderski, Bob Grutza, Gary Smithe and Harold and Carroll Flood  
for their efforts in creating this wonderful tour.

**SEE YOU  
NEXT YEAR!**



## 2023 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 No. \_\_\_\_\_

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/  
 PARTNER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

LANDLINE PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/PARTNER CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESSES: Necessary to receive region mailings such a *Sidelights*

MEMBER EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/PARTNER EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues must be received by DECEMBER 31, 2022 to be included in the 2023 Roster.**

**Would you like the 2023 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/NS

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

### ANTIQUÉ 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

**Waukegan/NorthShore AACA**

Invites you to attend our annual

**Holiday Party**

**Sunday, December 4, 2022**

**12:00 Social & Buffet Luncheon 1:00**

**With cash bar**

**@**

**Parkway on the Lake**

**25212 West Lake Shore Drive, Ingleside, IL 60041**

**(847)587-7285**

**Cost: \$14.00 for members & \$28.00 for Guests**

**Club will pick up other half of cost for members**

**Please make check payable to Waukegan/NorthShore Chapter**

**And mail check with those attending to.....**

**Harold Flood**

**33402 Lone Rock Rd.**

**Wildwood, IL 60030**

**By Nov. 28th.**

**847-612-9833 or [car4464@aol.com](mailto:car4464@aol.com)**

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**Reservation Form**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address \_\_\_\_\_**

**Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_**

**Please send \$14 per member, & \$28 for each guest \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

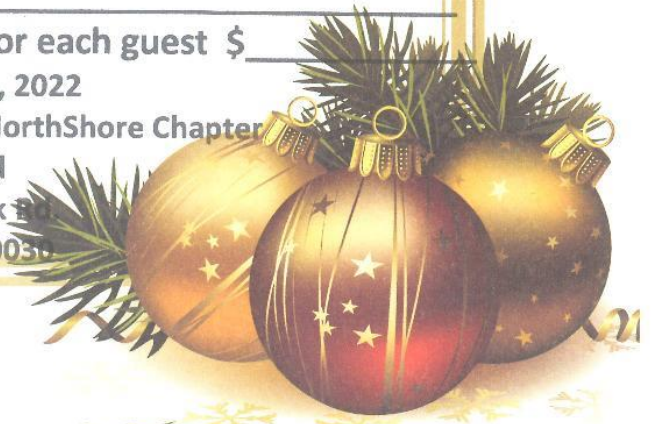
**Mail by Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Check payable to Waukegan/NorthShore Chapter**

**Harold Flood**

**33402 Lone Rock Rd.**

**Wildwood, IL 60030**



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