



# SIDE LIGHTS



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## THE WINNERS!

By Pat Markert

At the June Board Meeting, President, Dan Sobczyk, announced that the Region was holding a Photo Contest. Each member could submit up to three pictures. These were to be beautiful, scenic or funny pictures with only one caveat, there must be a vehicle in the picture. He explained that we were not looking for pictures of vehicles, but scenic or artistic shots that happened to have a vehicle in them.

Here are the winners!

1st Place: JENNY RISLEY

First prize is that Jenny's

National and Region dues will be paid for 2024.



2nd Place: CARROLL FLOOD

Harold and Caroll will have their National dues paid for next year.



3rd Place: BIBIANA GARCIA

Humberto and Bibiana will have their Region dues paid for 2024.



Congratulations to our winners!

# Upcoming EVENTS

## NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National and other events  
see [aaca.org](http://aaca.org)

**September 9 - ANNUAL REGION BOARD MEETING** - Saturday, September 9th starting at 10:30 am. The meeting will be at the Gurnee Police Department at 100 N. O'Plaine Rd., Gurnee, IL 60031. Please use the south entrance.

**October 15** - Waukegan-North Shore **PRE-WAR TOUR**. More information to follow.

**October 26-29** - Illinois Region Fall Tour hosted by the Des Plaines Valley Chapter to Marquette, Iowa. See page 15 for more information.

**November 5** - Waukegan-North Shore **RUN TO Brighton**. More information to follow.

**December TBD** - Waukegan-North Shore **CHRISTMAS PARTY** at Parkway on the Lake, Ingleside. More information to follow.

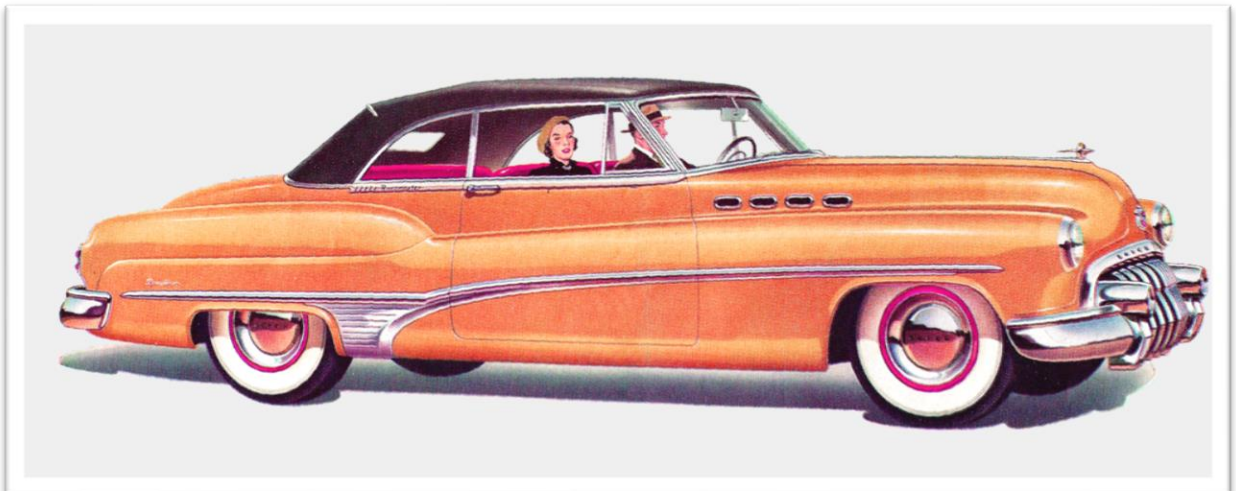
### 2023 Nationals & Tours

#### September

**13-16 AACA Central Divisional Tour - Southern Chapter of Ohio.**

#### October

**3-6- 2023 Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA.**







## ILLINOIS REGION

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

#### BOARD MEMBERS:

##### Through 2023

Bill Vroman  
Jo Ann Flynn  
Chris Schurrer

##### Through 2024

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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,

I don't know about you, but I am excited to see this month's SIDELIGHTS. The reason being the winners of the photo contest are featured on the front cover. The judges had a difficult time deciding the winners due to the exceptional artistic talent that was displayed in the photographs.

Congratulations to the winners. There will be another contest next year. If you did not place in the top three this year, you have a number of months to use your creative talents and take some awe-inspiring photos.

If you have an idea for some type of contest, let the Board know and we will take the idea under consideration. The Board will also be developing an idea for a contest for the dark, long winter months.

I understand the picnic was a great success. Thank you to the Armatys and Vromans for all their hard work.

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## Monthly Recipe



With the Holiday Season coming here are some recipes to make up your own spices to use when baking.

### **Pumpkin Pie Spice Mix**

2 tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp ground ginger

$\frac{1}{2}$  tsp ground cloves

$\frac{1}{2}$  tsp ground nutmeg.

Add ingredients to a sm mason jar and close lid and shake until combined.

### **Apple Pie Spice**

$\frac{1}{4}$  C cinnamon

2 tsp nutmeg

1 tsp allspice

1 tsp ground ginger.

Mix and store in air-tight container or mason jar.

### **Baking Powder**

$\frac{1}{2}$  tsp cream of tartar

$\frac{1}{4}$  tsp baking soda

$\frac{1}{4}$  tsp cornstarch

Mix well and store in airtight container or mason jar.

### **Mulling Spice**

1 C brown sugar

2 tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp ground cloves

1 tsp dried ground orange peel

1 tsp ground allspice

$\frac{1}{2}$  tsp ground nutmeg.

Add ingredients to a sm mason jar and close lid and shake until combined.

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

If you happened to miss it, the Geneva Concours was this past weekend. What a show it was. The featured cars were Springfield Rolls Royce's along with Micro cars. The selection of cars that participate in that show is amazing. If you have not been to the show, please mark it down on your calendar. It is the last weekend in August. Please don't miss it next year.

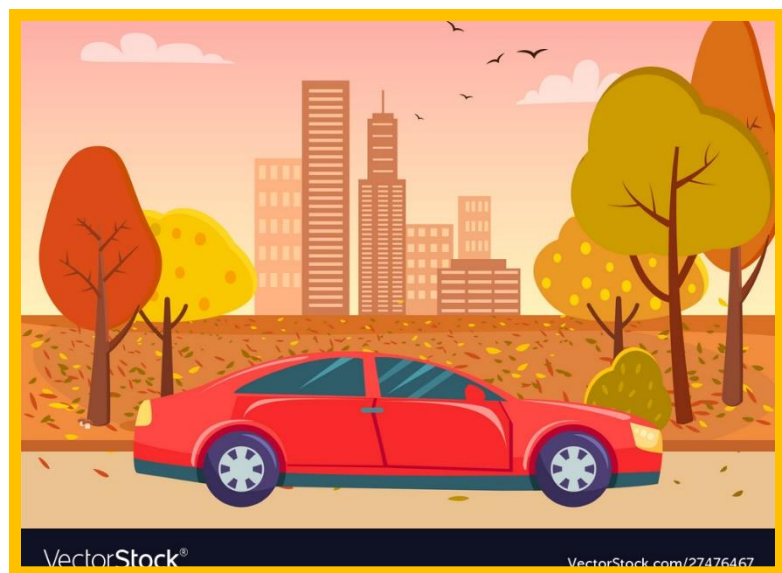
Lastly, some good news. The name tags for the new members are going to be ready shortly. They will be passed out to the chapter presidents and distributed to the members.

Lastly, all members are invited to the Board Meeting that will be on Saturday 9-9.

Information will be in the newsletter.

Until next month,

Dan





# Region Events:

## Sycamore, IL Steam Show August 12, 2023

by Anna Nelson, W/NS member

A large event in the middle of farmland.

Tractors of old and some still blowing their steam and showing of their glory.

At Noon you heard the tractors loud whistles at the same time.

Tractors of all ages on display for viewing enjoyment. Then, peruse through the vendors and antique booths. If you get hungry there was great barbecue and other snacks.

At 1:30pm, the tractor parade was the highlight of the event. Viewing the tractors in motion through the grand viewing stand, listening to their descriptions of each tractor. Viewing the many types of tractors in motion, made it special as they moved past us.

Only two cars made the route and it was the fastest time to get to the event. Chris Schurrer was the lead car, followed by Anna and Richard Nelson. The 30-year old route had many stop lights added to the route.





## Region Events: (Sycamore cont...)

# Sycamore Steam Show

Submitted by Mary Ellen Thielemann

Russ brought a 1973 Citroen DS 23 Pallas to the steam show. Some people knew all about the car and others had never seen one. For more information on this car go to:

<http://www.mycitroen.dk/library/ds/red/hydraulics/Chas'%20Hydraulic%20Course.pdf>



There was a small group of diverse cars at the show. We met an 18-year-old who said his family had 5 model A Fords and a fire truck. He was friendly and was happy to talk about the car and how it required "muscle memory" to drive it. He said that he wished he had never driven a modern car before learning to drive this one.

There was corn, pickles, watermelon, ice cream & brats. Live music and a small flea market. If you've never been, put this event on your calendar.





# Region Events:

## Grand Dominion “Cruisin with the Classics” Car Show 2023

by Jo Ann Flynn, W/NS News Correspondent

What’s better than a beautiful summer day, wonderful classic cars and a chance to support a very worthy charity? Nothing in my book and that’s why I loved attending the Grand Dominion Car Show in Mundelein on Sunday, August 13th. This show brought in over 200 cars and one beautifully restored fire engine. The folks at Grand Dominion, a Del Webb residential community, are very appreciative of the people who bring their cars and opened a nice hospitality space for us, with coffee, water, donuts, and treats. There was music and raffle baskets and a food truck too. All proceeds of the show support the Fremont Township Food Pantry and they raised over \$8,000. that day. Lots of happy people went home with those baskets and lots of happy children (and adults) got rides on the fire engine. And all of the AACA members who attended had a wonderful day.



You don’t see El Caminos every day, but there were 4 of them at this show, including ours!



Ron Wisniewski’s Chrysler Cordoba, another unusual car.



Twin Oldsmobiles!



Russ Rodriguez’ 1973 Citroen, another unusual automobile!



## Region Events: (Grand Dominion Car Show cont...)



Ed Leed's 1974 AMC Javelin



Not a member's car, but I couldn't resist including it as my first car was a 1974 Gremlin and I still love them.



Don Schreiber and his 1931 Ford Model A Coupe



Mike Roach's Stanley Steamer



## Region Events: (Grand Dominion Car Show cont...)



Two of the amazing volunteers enjoy this Nash Metropolitan convertible.



Richard and Anna Nelson's Ford Mustang with a really clean engine!



Chris Schurrer and Ed Leeds reviewing the cars so they can cast their votes.



And here's that restored Mundelein Fire Engine.

A great day, a great show and lots of great people and their cars.



# Region Events:

## Waukegan/North Shore Chapter Picnic 2023

by Jo Ann Flynn, W/NS News Correspondent

August was a busy month for the W/NS Chapter. We were on the road again on Sunday, August 20th, for a car tour and our annual picnic.

The tour started at McDonalds in Mundelein where the club filled the dining area. After Chris Schurrer gave us our driving instructions, we hit the road to wind our way through northern Lake County and up in to Wisconsin. It was a sunny and very warm day and air conditioning in our cars was much appreciated.



We arrived at Hastings Lake Forest Preserve to find a delicious buffet set out for us. As in past years, Bill and Joanna Vroman did a wonderful job of coordinating the event. And Bill was an excellent chef, making hot dogs and hamburgers. They were assisted by Ed and Bev Armatys, Carol Flood and Ron and Mary Wisniewski. Everyone brought goodies to share and we all enjoyed our luncheon.





# Region Events: (WNS Picnic cont...)

Our members.....





# Region Events: (WNS Picnic cont...)

And their cars.....





## Region Events: (WNS Picnic cont...)

THANK YOU

to the amazing group of volunteers who made this day so fun for the rest of us!





It's

## FALL TOUR TIME!

Dates: October 26—29\* This is a change from our usual weekend.

Where: Marquette, Iowa

Hotel: Frontier Hotel

101 S. 1st St.

Marquette, Iowa 52158

563-873-3497

Rate: Thursday \$80

Friday and Saturday \$130 each



The hotel is located right across the street from the mighty Mississippi River. The rooms have all recently been fully renovated and offer all the modern amenities, with the strongest and fastest Wi-Fi of any hotel or motel in the area. Every room has a coffee maker with ample onsite parking for cars and trailers.





# FOR SALE!

1940 Ford Cnvt. DeLuxe Street Rod  
Dark Green, fuel injection Chevy engine, original steel body, auto trans, interior has been redone and new seat frame and springs. 1940 original engine. Paul had this car done. \$40,000 obo. Call Jean Marcotte 815-472-3403



1950 Ford Custom Convertible Flathead V-8 overdrive fully restored. National 1st place winner; AACA 1st and senior awards. **\$45,000**; call Carl Nemec @ 1 (630) 323-9487



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Wanted brass sidelights, stationary farm engines, gambling machines,  
Dave Kolzow 815 246 4545.



# FOR SALE! (continued...)

1991 Corvette coupe for sale. Very good original condition, loaded, runs well, 102 k, meticulous maintenance, V8/auto/ac/ps/pb/ power antennae/radio/lift off top/ extras. Full Service records since new, Drive home. \$9999. Highland Park Il. James Rubenstein Message me through Facebook or email me @ [jrubensteinalert@aol.com](mailto:jrubensteinalert@aol.com)



# FOR SALE! (continued...)

For Sale

## Red 1987 Porsche 944

New tires. New manual steering. Quick release steering wheel (sparkoo). New fuel rail with pleasure regulator. New partial fuel line. New fuel pump with filters. 944 style wheels. All new fluids and spark plugs. Everything is working!



Lots of other small stuff things done on car.



Asking \$8500. Please make an offer. Clean title on hand. Car is registered. Used as a daily driver. Available to see anytime.

Contact

Tom Debicki at 773-936-2428 (cell) or 847-495-0222 (office)

(Tom is a friend of AACA members Ed and Jo Ann Flynn)