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Donation: \$5 at door Swap spaces \$20 each

Weather permitting, we are hoping to have some outdoor spaces, Registration form on pages 13-14

TWO REGION MEMBERS FEATURED IN COLLECTOR CAR MAGAZINE

Volume 68 Number 03

By Pat Markert

Two Region members, Frank Troost and Gary Thomas had their cars featured in the March 2016 issue of *Collector Car* magazine.

In an article titled "An Ill Wind Blowing: America's Independent Automakers and the 'Sales War' of 1954," (pg. 26) author Patrick Foster talks about a sales war between Ford and Chevrolet and how it impacted the independent automakers. One of the cars featured in this article is the 1954 Packard Caribbean owned by Gary Thomas of the Illinois Region.



Because of its custom trim and Packard's biggest engine, the Caribbean entered the specialty car field in the 1950's. Owner: Gary Thomas

In another article titled, "Photo Feature: 1960 Plymouth Fury Hardtop Coupe," (pg. 58) Frank Troost's Plymouth is highlighted. The car is equipped with the second most powerful V-8 engine continued on page 4



MARCH 12 REGION BOARD MEETING at Somonauk Public Library, 700 E. LaSalle St., Somonauk 60552. Meeting at 10:30 am followed by lunch. RSVP to Al Matison, 815-414-1239 or almatison@hotmail.com by March 5.

MARCH 12 WA/NS St. Patrick's Day Party at Hackney's Restaurant, 880 N. Rand Rd., Lake Zurich 60047 at 6:30 pm. RSVP by 2-28 to Chris Schurrer at 815-344-3775

MARCH 13 MOMENCE St. Patrick's Day party at Beef O'Brady's Restaurant in Bourbonnais

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APRIL 9 FOX VALLEY Pizza Party at Aurelio's, 1455 W Lake St unit C, Addison, IL 60101. For more information contact Dan Sobczyk 847-428-0247 or dansobczyk@yahoo.com

April 23- 24 FOX VALLEY & WAUKEGAN/ NORTH SHORE Dust off Tour to Lake Geneva. See pages 15-16 for more information on this overnight tour.

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NATIONAL NEWS

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March 17-19, 2016 Winter Meet Naples, Marco Island Region Naples, Florida



April 7-10, 2016 Southeastern Spring Meet Charlotte, NC Hornet's Nest Region



May 5-7, 2016 AACA Special Meet Auburn, IN



May 19-21, 2016 Eastern Spring Meet - Vineland, NJ South Jersey Region



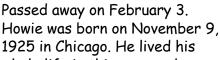
In Memoriam:

MICHAEL WEHLING

Passed away on February 4. Michael was born on September 18. 1931. He and his older brother, Herb, have been members of the Illinois Region since the late 60's. Those of us in the Fox Valley Chapter were used to seeing the two of them together at all our activities. He will be missed. Our condolences to his family.

In Memoriam:

HOWIE SCHOEN





whole life in this area and owned and operated a drapery store for years. He was a member of the Illinois Region since 2006 and his smiling face will be missed.

A memorial service will be held on March 12, from 1-4 at Salerno Funeral Home at 450 Lake St. in Roselle.

Our condolences to his family.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are, our 70th year; the oldest, best, finest, friendliest, busiest, superlative region in the entire AACA!



In 1944 a few auto enthusiasts, including large car collector in the Midwest, contacted AACA headquarters suggesting the formation of chapters in the Midwest. They suggested a Region be formed to guide the chapters. After spending much time working and

They suggested a Region be formed to guide the chapters. After spending much time working and corresponding with headquarters, the Northern Illinois Region was established in January 1946 as the first region by AACA.

The membership and territory growth led in January 1949 to a name change to the Chicago Region comprised of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Later in 1949 the name would change again to the Midwest Region.

In 1951 the continuing rapid growth led to the Region being divided into three separate regions—Illinois-Indiana Region, Minnesota-Iowa Region and the Wisconsin Region.

In December 1953 the Illinois-Indiana Region became incorporated as the Illinois Region of the AACA. Throughout all the development of the Region, the Illinois group spearheaded the establishment and the growth of the club.

To keep this President column short, I chose not to elaborate on all the details of the evolution of the Region's rules, meets, tours and activities. I will save that for another time.

Bob

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...



March is

Women's History month which fit right in with what I wanted to talk about this month. - Alice Ramsey.

Alice was 22 years old when she set off on a history making journey to drive from New York to California. The year was 1909 and women were not encouraged to learn to drive. This did not stop Alice from leaving home and family and embarking on a cross country trip with four female friends who did not drive.

They left on June 9, 1909 from Hackensack, NJ and arrived in San Francisco, CA 59 days later on August 7. Of the 3,800 miles she travelled, only 152 were paved. She drove a brand new green Maxwell 30. However, despite the new car, she had plenty of problems: she changed 11

tires, she changed the spark plugs, & repaired a broken brake pedal. They used maps from the AAA, but navigated primarily by using telephone poles hoping they would lead to a town.



Alice Ramsey

They encountered a manhunt for a killer in Nebraska, a Native American hunting party in Nevada and an infestation of bedbugs in Wyoming.

When they finally arrived in San Francisco, crowds gathered at the St. James Hotel to welcome them.

Ramsey was named the "Woman Motorist of the Century" by AAA in 1960 and in 1961 she wrote and published the story of her journey, Veil, Duster, and Tire Iron. In her book she writes about crossing the Sierra Nevada near Lake Tahoe. It had taken them 8 hours to go 70 miles. Upon reaching the summit, Alice writes: "Majestic sugar pines, Douglas firs and redwoods lined our roads on both sides. What a land! What mountains! What blue skies and clear, sparkling water! Our hearts leapt within us. None of us had ever seen the like-and we loved it."

On October 17, 2000, she became the first woman inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame in Detroit, MI.

COLLECTOR CAR STORY

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that year, the "361-cid 'Golden Commando" of 365 bhp." Many, including Frank, feel the Plymouth



Frank Troost's 1960 Plymouth Fury is a beauty.



Whether it is coming or going, Frank's Plymouth is an attractive car.

with this engine out handles both the Ford and Chevy.

The article finishes up with a quote from the owner: "Troost says he likes to have a car that attracts attention, a car that is often the only one of its kind that someone has seen. His green Plymouth fits the bill."

We agree.



Interior view: Note the rectangular steering wheel.

SILVER SPRINGS BOWLING PARTY

By Chris Schurrer

On Saturday, February 20, the Silver Springs Chapter gathered at the Idle Hours Bowling Alley in Sandwich for a bowling extravaganza.





Allison & Steve Kaminski, new members, chat with John & Carla Baxter

Several pizzas and drinks later, the results of the afternoon's efforts were tallied. Here are the top scores for each game: Game 1 - John Baxter 150/ Rita Dodge 136/ Al Matison 119 Game 2 - Carla Baxter 146/ Rita 142/ John 102 Game 3 - Carla 158/ John 150/ Andy Voss 121



Norm Olson and Andy Voss visit between frames.

FROM THE KITCHEN OF:

LINDA DOLEZAL

This chicken is so easy and so good! I got the recipe from my sister several years ago.

BBQ CHICKEN

1 can cranberry sauce

1 envelope onion soup mix

1 bottle Russian dressing 8 oz.

Chicken breasts

Mix and pour over chicken. Bake 325° for 2 hours. Do not cover



MOMENCE VALENTINE PARTY

By Pat Hart/picture by Ernie Hart

Momence held our annual Valentine party at Aurelio's Pizzeria in Crete. Despite the totally snow covered roads, our hardy club members came together to have good food and warm friendship. After our meal was finished, we had a short Club Member's Meeting, to discuss

the Spring tour. There were many good suggestions of interesting places from which to choose. What great fun this is going to be!

Our next club gathering will be at, Beef O' Brady's Restaurant in Bourbonnais , on Sunday. March 13th, hosted by, Mary Larsen & Beverly Mulroe



Pictured L to R: Judy & Sam Houston, Paul Marcotte, Pat Hart, Bev Mulroe, Rodger & Paula Johnston, Shirley Salm, Colette Sullivan, Jeanne Marcotte, Ted & Barb Griffin.

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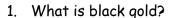
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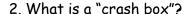
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QUIZ FROM AACA LIBRARY





- 3. What automaker never discloses the horse-power of its engines?
- 4. Who invented the measure of horsepower?
- 5. Where are you supposed to put "fuzzy dice"?
- 6. Where do you hear the phrase: "Gentlemen start your engines"?
- 7. What now defunct early manufacturer built the "Golden Hawk"? Answers: page 11

DON'T FORGET REGION SWAP MEET



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8 am to 1 pm.

Registration form on pages 13-14.

TECH GUYS LIST ADD-ONS

By Pat Markert

I have been contacted by the following who would like to be added to the Tech Guys list. Please enter them into the list in your roster.

Ed Leed

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Email: leedlast@sbcglobal.net Car Makers: Porsche 356 and early Porsche 911 (1965 to 1973) automobiles.

John Brayton

Home: 847-299-5709

Email: johns1936chevy@aol.com

Car Makers Chevrolets from 1915—1950

Fox Valley Tales

FOX VALLEY CHOMPS ON PIZZA

By Don Juday

The 2016 Fox Valley Chapter pizza party will be a command performance on Saturday, April 9 at Aurelio's Pizza, Continental Plaza, 1455 W. Lake Street, Addi-

son. Beginning at 5:00 p.m., the evening promises a generous amount of good food and somewhat exaggerated car stories along with a room full of old car enthusiasts. All of this for the low cost of \$20.00 per person. Of course, members are on their own for alcoholic drinks.

Over 30 Chapter members and guests made for a rousing success last year. Even more people and good times, exceptional food, great stories and cherished friendships are being promised for 2016.

As always the evening will include brief announcements of coming activities and other surprises planned by Dan & Darlene Sobczyk. Information/registration flyers will be distributed as the date draws nearer. Don't miss the food, friendship and fun! Make your reservation as soon as you can.



OX VALLEY

GET WELL WISHES

A few months ago, I mentioned that Bill Baker was ill. Here is an update.



It has been 5 months since Bill has been home (Sept 18). He had a heart attack, 5 by-pass surgery, a massive stroke, 2 infections, pneumonia, choking & passing out, a feeding tube a bowel obstruction that had a 50% chance of death IF the surgeon had to open him up at the stomach. Be-

cause of lots of prayers and Dr. Lang's expert care, he saw a different way to go and only made a small cut under the belly button and brought Bill from death's



doorknob to Freedom's door to eat! Before, he couldn't eat for choking and today he ate roast turkey mashed potatoes & gravy and ate a whole (small) piece of apple pie! Praise the Lord and drunk his favorite "mug root beer"!!!!!!! God is blessing us. When he can get back to therapy and do well perhaps we can bring him home Blessings! Muriel Baker

Editor: Get well wishes may be sent to: 1545 Sir Lancelot Drive Bourbonnais, IL 60914-9625

NEXT BOARD MEETING MARCH 12



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COME BACK KID

An Automotive Story

By Chris Schurrer

An automobile manufacturer is making a comeback. No, not from GM. Nope, not from Ford. Not any of the big three. Let's have a warm welcome for the return of..... Checker!

The original Checker Motors Corporation was founded in 1922 by Chicago clothier Morris Markin when he merged Markin Automobile Body and its customer, an ailing Commonwealth Motors which was on the verge of bankruptcy, to fulfill a remaining order from Chicago cab company - Checker Taxi.

In 1962, 8,000 vehicles where produced by Checker. The last Checker was produced in 1982 and the company was defunct in 2010. The company which produces parts and restoration services for these vehicles, Checker Motor Cars (a subsidiary of police & public safety customization company Adamson Industries) has announced a return for Checker. Although there is no direct tie to the company, the rights to the name and design have lapsed, which has given Vice President Steve Contarino (a friend of the Markin family) and other Checker enthusiasts of the company's management the idea and have secured the trademark for use on automobiles.

The two models being proposed are a 12 passenger, 6 door limo inspired by the Checker



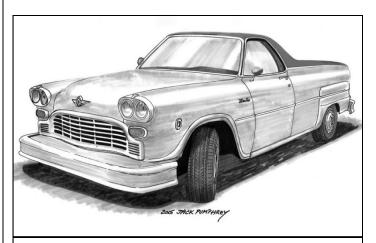
Checker's 12 passenger, 6 door limousine

Aerobus. The second is a two-door pickup truck which has a 1950's car / El Camino fusion flair to it. A four door could join the lineup if enough demand warrants it.

A new production facility for the cars is being built in Haverhill, Massachusetts which will include a viewing area of the complete production floor and a Checker Cab museum featuring a dozen original Checker Cabs owned by the company.

The vehicles will be composed of a steel body and frame with composite outer panels with General Motors E - Rod crate engines. Some possible options will be a V8 engine and a turbo diesel.

Contarino says prototypes could be on the road this spring with production beginning by 2018. Production could be around 400 or 500 a



Checker's 2 door pick up truck reminds one of the El Camino

year with a price tag around \$50,000 to \$70,000.

Checker had been waiting to see if the
Low Volume Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Act
would pass. As a result of the new law, beginning
in 2017, a small automaker will be able to sell up
to 325 turn-key replicas that resemble the body
of a motor vehicle produced at least 25 years

Editors Note: What will this mean for antique car clubs? Will the streets be inundated with replicas of old cars? I guess we will have to wait and see.



Our History



From 1949 August Newsletter of AACA (not yet called Sidelights)

MINNESOTA REGION SPONSORED TOUR IN JULY 24-30, 1949

The rendezvous point for all cars was Hudson, Wisconsin, about 35 miles east of Minneapolis. From there we were escorted by state police

to Stillwater, MN, just north and across the river, where the cars were put on display in the city streets while the drivers and riders were eating a fine lunch at the beau-



Historic Lowell Inn built in 1927

tiful Lowell Inn—guest of the State of Minnesota. While we were eating, a tank truck drove around and filled everyone's gas tank with Mobilgas. We all greatly appreciated the lunch and gas.

After lunch we took off for Minneapolis and again rendezvoused on the north side of the city, after which the cars became part of a parade through the downtown area. Led by a band, we drove slowly out to the Curtis Hotel where reservations had been made for three nights. All the way through town, the sidewalks were absolutely jammed with spectators, about half of whom were taking pictures of the cars as they went by. That evening, the entire group was taken to the Aqua-Follies, a beautiful outdoor show, featuring famous diving stars as well as precision swimming groups.

On Wednesday evening we had reserved seats at the spectacular illuminated Night Parade, in which several of the tour cars participated. Early Thursday morning we were driven out to Lake Minnetonka, where we cruised around in private yachts, after which lunch was served at the Yacht Club. That evening the final banquet was held at the Curtis Hotel, the prizes and awards being presented at that time. By vote of the car owners and riders, the prize for the

"Most Popular Car"
went to Paul Kelsey
of Albert Lea, MN,
for his entry—an
1899 Mobile Steamer
- the oldest car on
the tour!





1899 Mobile Steamer

cars started for home, in small groups. The weather was good all week, although the 92° on Monday and Tuesday caused several stops for water. In retrospect, there were plenty of amusing, interesting and pleasant incidents:

- * Al Baker's 13 flats on his 1909 Speedwell
- * The musical horn on Gerry Fauth's Locomobile which played "In My Merry Oldsmobile"
- * Dale Baldridge's persistence in chugging along in his 1908 Brush at a maximum speed of about 20 mph—all the way from Fort Wayne (Editor's Note: that is 569 miles.)



* The stop for water near Nielsville, when J.G.

McDonald of Ann Arbor drove up in his 1913 Hudson, with an ice box full of beer in the rear seat. Brother, did that hit the spot!

- * Brooks Stevens drove a Marmon Speedster
- * Barney Pollard in his 1919 Stanley Steamer
- * Sidney Strong's beautiful 1900 Prescott Steamer on display in the Curtis Hotel lobby
- * The children, all along the route, yelling to us to blow our horns.
- * The crowds that gathered at every stop for gas or meals.

A streak of bad luck seemed to plague George Wood, of Brooklyn, NY. He and his wife drove to Michigan in their 1915 Crane-Simplex. Just after he arrived, a rear axle shaft broke. Not being one to let that stop him, Mr. Wood flew back to New York City, got another rear axle, flew to Michigan, had it installed, and went on with the group. On the outskirts of Eau Claire his car collided with one belonging to a local resident, putting several persons, including Mrs. Wood, in the hospital. The Woods are recovering nicely and have shipped their car back east.

All told, the tour was a great success.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor: I received this note from Paul Terhorst about the Milwaukee d'Elegance.



Pat,

You might want to run this article in Sidelights. Both this event and the Geneva Concurs are important local old car events.

Suggest in addition to AACA events these important (and other equally important events, like the Father's Day at Oak Brook) be included in your calendar.

Thanks, Paul Terhorst

Editor: The article that Paul refers to was originally printed in the WIRCCA publication called "The Hubcap." The article deals with changes that have been made to the management structure of the Milwaukee show formerly known as the Masterpiece.

"A main focus of the new board is to increase the charitable giving and that is evident by the last two years' donations which were about double the average over the first nine years. This board of directors made up of both car enthusiasts and local business people, have made other changes as well. While some of these changes are financial, multiple planning committees have been created to ensure all aspects of the event are considered and there are adequate resources for every aspect of the weekend. Looking forward to 2016, the event will be held on the weekend of August 27 & 28. In addition to a full field of cars, a few features being considered include 100 years of the first V12 starting with the Twin Six Packard."

Paul commented that the dates are the same as the Geneva Concurs, but that the Milwaukee group is looking into changing to a different weekend in future years.

Their website is: www.milwaukeeconcours.com for more information on registration or to help out.





WA/NS VALENTINE PARTY

Editor's Note: I did not receive a story from the WA/NS chapter. But, since I was there and took pictures, I decided to publish the photos of some nice folks having a nice time.



Dan Sobczyk, Don Juday and Joe Dolezal are engaged in a serious discussion—"Should we get sausage or pepperoni?"



Cheryl Rissmann, Debbie Smithe, Liz Helgren and Sue Wenderski were, I am sure, talking about antique cars. Right?



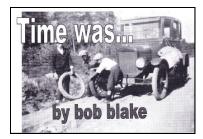
Preston Helgren, Dick Murray, Dan Helgren, Bill Vroman and Mike Roach solve the problems of the world—again.



FROM 2005 RUMMAGE BOX

DISPOSABLE CARS?

Have automobiles become disposable? With exotic lamp assemblies costing over a thousand dollars and a dash pad ripped by airbags, the repair bill often ex-



ceeds the value of the car. Insurance companies limit their liability to a percent of the wholesale value, and it is simply cheaper to "total" the car than to fix it. Since a damaged car has more depreciation. It's no wonder that over 15% of 2004 crashes were chalked up as "totals."

Auto manufacturers make their money on NEW cars, and repaired ones cut into their market. The fewer left around, the better they like it! Throw in the new car "incentives" - a nice new word for "discount" - and the scales tilt even further towards replacement.

Then that ugly word "liability" creeps from

under the gnarled sheet metal. When a body shop "reclaims" a car from two or more donor vehicles—(hey, that sounds better than "piecing them together") they assume a huge responsibility. I was told about an "assembled" car making a quick stop, and the front seat passengers, suddenly parting company from the backseat gang. The car literally split in two. Fortunately the slow speed prevented any injury.



Bob Blake

New materials make the two-man body shop as extinct as the dinosaurs. Specialized metals such as titanium, exotic aluminum alloys and boron steel are now common components. They are strong and light, but behave differently

than cold-rolled steel. Replacement is often the only option. The modern unit body shell has tolerances measured in millimeters. Just eyeballing down the guarter panel is not enough.

New cars are crammed with creature comforts, including sun roofs. Imagine straightening the top so completely that the glass opens flawlessly again! What about the "nervous system" of delicate sensors and servos that link the components together?

The old coil and leaf springs are insufficient for the precision steering demanded by Interstate Highway driving. Repairs to the suspension system alone may top \$10,000.

Data from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety claims the average repair cost is \$3,681 per claim. That's 12% higher than two years ago. Throw in a few luxury items such as parking sensors (hey, what happened to the old cat whiskers on the fenders?) and air conditioned Seats—I'm not kidding—the price for repair escalates further.

Over my forty year medical career I have observed a shift in the automobile injury pattern. The energy absorbing crumple zones now kill the car instead of the occupant! The "windshield face" and crushing chest injuries are rare since airbags. The single seat belt was a good start, but it created spinal fractures as the upper body flexed over the stable pelvis. The shoulder strap now secures the entire body and improved seat design cushions the torso and internal organs.

A few years ago I had the opportunity to treat both victims in a head-on collision - one restrained and the other not. The protected lady went home with only minor bruises but the young man got an opportunity to spend six hours in the operating room.

A few weeks later, the lady reluctantly told me a humorous side to the event. Helplessly, she saw this car careening across the centerline, then a dead center impact and a grinding, jolting crash. Everything went black. She was dazed but alert enough to realize she could hear but not see. "Am I dead?" she thought. Slowly regaining her senses, she felt around her face and discovered her head was inside the burst airbag!

So where does that leave our vintage cards? Labor costs will continue to rise but most

hobbyists do much of their own work. Unless we cream a classic Auburn or Duesenberg, I think we will be OK. Our safe driving record is reflected in the



low rates offered by old car specialty insurers.

Maybe this disposable car trend will simply provide a good source of spare parts for future collectors!

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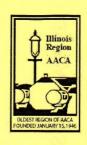
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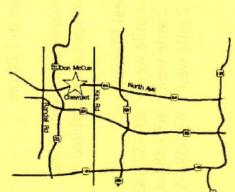
Auto Parts Swap Meet



Sunday, April 3, 2016

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Don McCue Chevrolet 2015 E. Main St. (Rt. 64) St. Charles, IL. West of Kirk Rd. on Rt. 64





Hosted by the Fox Valley Chapter of the

Illinois Region AACA

For Information Dan Sobczyk 847-428-0247 dansobczyk@yahoo.com

Donation \$5.00 at the door, Swap Spaces \$20.00 each Car Parts for All Makes & Models

In addition to our regular vendors, we are inviting dealers with parts for INDEPENDENT ORPHANS.

39th Annual Swap Meet Registration Form Sunday April 3, 2016

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Vendor Set-Up

Saturday, April 2, 2016 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Sunday, April 3, 2016 6:00 am to 8:00 am

Swap Meet Hours

April 3, 2016 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Food & drink are available to purchase Alcoholic beverages are prohibited

Local Motels

630-377-8388	630-584-4550	630-584-5300
.4 mile west	.2 mile west	.2 mile west
Super 8	Best Western	Holiday Inn Express

Please fill out the complete form and sign. Swap spaces cannot be reserved without payment.

NAME

		ZIP:			r any loss or injury to me or any
ADDRESS:	CITY:	STATE:	PHONE: ()	EMAIL:	Release: I accept and assume full liability for any loss or injury to me or any

Release: I accept and assume full liability for any loss or injury to me or any property, family, agents, or employees at any time from any cause in connections with this event. I expressly release the Illinois Region and the Antique Automobile Club of America, and its operators and Don McCue Chevrolet, INC. from any liability for loss or injury.

Signature: Date:

Swap spaces: Indoor & Outdoor spaces: building is heated.

Space size is 10' X 10'

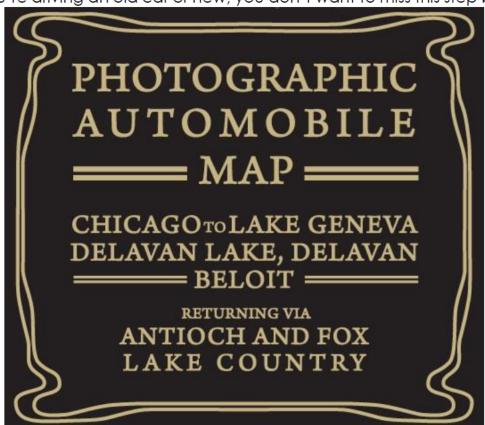
of spaces X \$20.00 = \$

Electricity needed? Yes No

Please mail your check in early. Spaces are limited and sell out quickly. Spaces are limited to pre-registered and pre-paid vendors only. Return this form with your check payable to ILLINOIS REGION AACA to:

Dan Sobczyk/ 822 Bannock Rd./ East Dundee, IL. 60118

In 1905, the motoring community of Chicago had a problem. Although they were able to travel within the urban areas. Poor signage and impassable roadways made it difficult for people to drive to locations beyond. That year, a Clement – Bayard automobile dealer produced four books to different localities that were popular. He picked the most passable roads in all types of weather then photographed each turn and confusing intersection with mileages and landmarks to assist the driver. The photographic automobile guidebook was born. 111 years later, the Fox Valley Chapter of the Illinois Region of the AACA and the Chicago Map Society invite you to revisit the route in its entirety. Travel with us on this overnight, multi – club event as we bridge over a century of motoring. Included for every vehicle will be a wonderful book written by the Map Society showing side by side the original photos and the same shot 100 years later. See in the photos, and for yourself how things have changed, and have stayed the same, with stops along the way. And as a special bonus, join us in the event for a presentation by the Map Society on the background and history of these guides. Whether you're driving an old car or new, you don't want to miss this step back in time!



April 23 & 24, 2016. 3 Places to start along route!

Option 1: Meet by 8:30 A.M. **SHARP**: Mariano's. 1615 S. Clark St., Chicago, ILL 60616 (Driver's Meeting at 8:45 at sitting area next to Oki Sushi within store).

Option 2: Meet by 10:00 A.M.: McDonald's. 1919 Dempster St., Evanston, ILL 60202 (**Departure** at 10:15 A.M.)

Option 3: Meet at 12:00 P.M.: Maravela's. 4 Washington St., Fox Lake, ILL 60020

Hotel: Geneva Ridge Resort. W4240 WIS Rt. 50, Lake Geneva, WIS 53147

Registration Form:

Name(s):		
Vehicle:		
I will be starting from : Chicago	Evanston	Fox Lake
On Sunday, I will trave	el as far as:	
South Beloit Lake Geneva Half	Day Wilmette	Chicago
Geneva Ridge Resort : \$99 / night + to Call (262) 249 – 3800 to reserve. Mention "Fox Vo ************************************	alley Chapter AACA" wh	en booking.
		Amount:
Registration Fee : \$ 15 / vehicle.	x vehicles =	
Saturday Buffet Luncheon : \$22 / person.	x people =	
Presentation on the history of photographic gui	debooks :	INCLUDED
Chicago – Lake Geneva : A 100 Year Road Trip	Book (1 per vehicle):	INCLUDED
Sunday Brunch at Geneva Ridge : \$22 / person Historic Auto Attractions Museum : \$13 / person Visit to Bahai Temple		INCLUDED
	Amount Enclosed:	

This event is limited to 100 registrations. Please return your registration A.S.A.P.!

Again, RSVP for the event and hotel by March 7, 2016.

No refunds after March 23, 2016.

Enclose a check with this form payable to "Fox Valley Chapter – A. A. C. A." to:

Christopher Schurrer 5502 W. Chasefield Cir. McHenry, ILL 60050-5133

Questions? Please call : (815) 382 – 0238

NOTE: Parking in downtown Lake Geneva is metered. The meters accept quarters, bills, debit cards, and Mastercard / Visa / American Express / Discover credit cards.

Price is \$1 / hour. The meters do not provide change.