



SIDE LIGHTS



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SPRING TOUR

HISTORY CENTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

One of the places we will be visiting this spring is the History Center of Washington



The Old County Courthouse

County located in the Old Courthouse. Washington County, which originally extended to Lake Michigan, was laid out by the Territorial Legislature in 1836 and named for George Washington. After a long and bitter argument over the location of the county seat, the county was divided in two and in 1853. Washington County chose West Bend as its county seat. At that time, 4 families donated land to the county in perpetuity for county buildings. The site is best known as "the Square." The Square rises above the surrounding area and is the perfect location for prominent buildings.

The first buildings were a wood frame courthouse, a wood frame jailhouse, and a stone

and brick county records building.

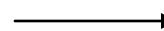
The county approved funds in November 1888 for a new courthouse. After only 10 months' construction, the new courthouse was finished and held its first court session in March 1890.

Architecturally, the 1889 Washington County Courthouse is an 8-story masterpiece in the style of Romanesque Revival, characterized by repeating rounded arches, monochromatic brick and stone, towers, spires, and multiple dormers.



One of the featured exhibits is the 27 room dollhouse which was built over several decades by the Zinn family of Milwaukee. Lorna Zinn eventually donated the dollhouse to the West Bend Gallery of Fine Art. In 2012, the dollhouse found a new home at the Old Courthouse Museum. After nearly a year of restoration work, the dollhouse exhibit opened to the public in 2013.

Read more on page 4



Upcoming EVENTS

March 10 - Region BOARD MEETING hosted by Fox Valley. Bensenville Public Library. See page 3 for more information.

March 18 - Waukegan-North Shore **ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY** AT Curragh Irish Pub & Restaurant, 180 Tower Rd., Glenview, IL. See page 11-12.

March 24—Fox Valley **PIZZA PARTY** at Melinda's Pizza at 940 N. York Rd, Elmhurst, IL from 5—9 pm. More info? Contact Dan Sobczyk

April 8 - Region **SWAP MEET** at Don McCue Chevrolet, 2015 E. Main St. (Rt. 64), St. Charles, IL./ West of Kirk Rd. on Rt. 64/ 8 am to 1 pm/ \$5 entry & \$20 vendor spaces. Flyer & vendor registration pages 13-14.

April 14-15 - Waukegan-North Shore **DUST OFF TOUR** to White Pines. For information see flyer on pages 15-16. contact Tom Barosso 847-224-0253 or itstom@att.net

May 27 - Silver Springs Chapter annual **CAR SHOW AND FLEA MARKET**. See flyer page 17..

June 2-3 - Region **SPRING TOUR** TO West Bend, WI hosted by Waukegan-North Shore Chapter. More information to follow.

June 10—Des Plaines Valley **FLY IN** at Lewis University Airport. Opens at 7 am.

July 22 - Region **CAR SHOW** at Cantigny Park in Wheaton. For more information contact Bob Markert (Show Manager) 630-852-9893 or rjmarkert42@aol.com

August 12 - Waukegan-North Shore **SUMMER PICNIC** at Hastings Lake Forest Preserve at 21155 W Gelden Rd, Lake Villa, IL 60046. Times and cost will follow.

NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National events see aaca.org

March 2-3 - Meet in Puerto Rico **Cancelled**

March 22-24 - Winter National Meet/ Mobile AL
Registration Chair: Vicki Bolton
205-223-3753/ vickibolton@bellsouth.net

March 23-24 Sugarloaf Mountain Parts Meet
Host: Sugarloaf Mountain Region
Registration flyer is on pages 19-20.
Jack Gallagher /Parts Meet Registrar
301-674-5431 or smraaca@aol.com

April 5-7 - Southeastern Spring Meet
Hosted by Hornet's Nest Region
Charlotte, North Carolina
Questions? citaaca@windstream.net

April 20-21 - Western Spring Meet/ Tucson
Hosted by Tucson Region
Registration Chair: Roy Ireland
520-591-1140 or royireland802@gmail.com

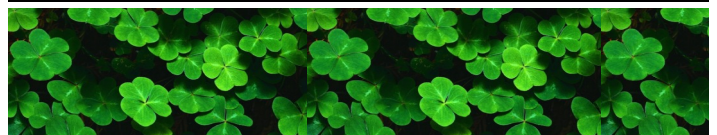
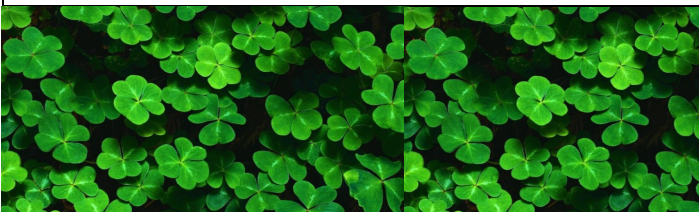
May 11-12 - Central Spring Meet
Auburn, IN.
Registration Chair: Pat Buckley
pbuckley@aaca.org

May 31 -June 2 - Annual Grand National
Hosted by Western PA Region/ Greensburg, PA
Contact: President John Kuhns
2552 Raymond Ave./ Latrobe, PA 15650/ 412-558-0994

Other Events of Interest

March 18 - 34th Annual Winter Swap at Friendly Ford, 333 E. Irving Park Rd, Roselle IL./ admission \$5/ For information: Mark Maron/ 847-302-7900 or a7191mark@gmail.com. See flyer pages 21-22.

March 24 - GIRCCA plans a trip to Sanfilippo "Place de le Musique" in Barrington. 1 pm Admission is \$30. Contact Bob Starczyk. See page 18 for more information.



THE ACTING PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The weather is beginning to turn for the better in the Illinois Region world. Although we still have days that remind us that winter has not fully gone away, we are beginning to see the beginnings of spring and the touring season (maybe it is me in anticipation, but I can almost here the cars starting up again after their hibernation).

In only a month, it will be our swap meet, my unofficial kickoff to car season. This year's is run slightly differently, a single chapter will no longer host the show in rotation, but it will be hosted by the Region in full, with expertise coming from every corner of our Region. We are always looking for assistance, whether it be in advertising, setting up prior to the show, or day of duties, we are always appreciative of those who help make the meet what it is. If you are interested in any type of role, please let me know.

Coming up shortly as well is the Region Spring Tour hosted by the Waukegan - North Shore Chapter headed to West Bend, WIS. There is only one piece of the puzzle left to solve, and we should be seeing a flyer for the Spring Tour coming up in the next several weeks.

Let us not forget that the chapters are also working hard on their events, be it from the Overnight Tour to White Pines by Waukegan - North Shore, to the mighty Auto Show at the Sandwich Fairgrounds by Silver Springs, to the annual Pizza Party by Fox Valley, to Des Plaines Valley looking into another Fly - In. Many types of events all over the Illinois Region world to take part in. Make sure to keep them in mind, they hold some of the best memories the touring season will bring.

See you further down the road.

Chris

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...



Hi All,

The last few days have been beautiful. It has been in the 60's and sunny. The parks are filled with kids running and playing and shaking off the winter doldrums.

I feel myself contending with the same urges. Well, maybe not the running and jumping, but the urge to shake off the winter doldrums and wanting to celebrate Spring!

Looking at the calendar of upcoming events on page 2, I am really excited at the activities to come. Mark your calendar and plan which parties, tours or car shows in which you want to participate. This is the fun of belonging to the Illinois Region.

Pat

PS: Still waiting for someone to volunteer to take over Sidelights, or at least to ask questions about how it is done. Got my fingers crossed.



MARCH BOARD MEETING

The March Meeting of the Illinois Region Board will take place on March 10 starting at 10:30 am at the Bensenville Public Library, 200 S. Church Rd., Bensenville, IL 60106 (630-766-4642).

Please let Dan Sobczyk know if you CAN NOT attend the meeting. Dan's phone is 847-428-0247 or email him at djsobczyk@yahoo.com Coffee "and" will be served.

SPRING TOUR (continued)

OLD JAILHOUSE MUSEUM

Built in 1886, this "escape proof" building was truly a Jail House. It not only housed prisoners, but the sheriff and his family were required to reside in the residence portion of the house. The sheriff's office was also located inside the house. The Jail has been restored to represent the 1930-1950s era. It was used as the County Jail until 1962.



A jail cell.



The sheriff's parlor

Reminder:

Spring Tour is June 2-3 to West Bend, WI. Host hotel is the Hampton Inn, located at 1975 S. 18th Ave., West Bend, WI 53095/ phone is 262-438-1500.

Mention the Illinois Region and receive special rate of \$119.00 + tax.



REBECCA CANN

Editor: My daughter served these at a birthday party. They were yummy.

MEXICAN TORTILLA ROLL-UPS

- 1 8-oz. pkg. cream cheese, softened
- 1 c. sour cream
- 1 1oz package dry fiesta style ranch dressing mix
- 1 c. salsa
- 1 2.2 oz can black olives, chopped
- 10 10" flour tortillas



1. In a bowl, mix everything except the tortillas.
2. Spread mixture evenly over the tortillas
3. Roll tortillas and chill in the refrigerator until ready to serve.
4. Just before serving, slice the chilled, rolled tortillas into 3/4" slices.

In Memoriam:

DON HENRY

Don Henry, 94, long-time former resident of Northbrook for 50 years died February 5, 2018. Don was the beloved husband of Margaret for 65 years; loving father of Tom (Susan); and cherished grandpa of Kevin and Kyle.

A proud WWII Army veteran Don served in the Pacific from 1942 to 1946.

Don collected and restored Chevrolets. His collection included a 1937 Chevrolet Master Deluxe, a 1952 3100 Series Chevrolet Pickup Truck, both restored off the frame in his home garage. He was an active member of the Antique Auto Club of America, North Shore Chapter and a 40 year member of the Vintage Chevy Club of America, Great Lakes Region.

Our condolences to the his family and friends.



WA-NS CELEBRATES VALENTINE'S DAY

By Bill Vroman

On Sunday, February 11, 35 members of the Waukegan North Shore chapter braved the weather and met at Gino's East Pizza in Libertyville to celebrate Valentines Day and shake off a little of the cabin fever blues.

Gino's opened early just for us so we had the place to ourselves. We had a wonderful leisurely meal starting with Bruschetta, Fried Ravioli and Boneless Wings followed by 2 different salads and various deep dish and thin crust pizzas and finished off with chocolate chip cookies for desert. Yum!

After our meal, Chris Schurrer brought us up to speed on the Dust Off and Spring tours and Dick Murray noted that he was working on a Victorian Painted Lady tour and that the Grand Dominion show would be the week after the August 12th summer tour and picnic.



Members party hearty

Everyone had a great time thanks to our hosts Wayne and Cheryl Rissmann. We're looking forward to seeing everyone at another great event at the St. Patrick's day party on March 18.



In for Repairs



Got this this info from the CCCA. FYI.

Emily and Reuben Taylor in for needed repairs.

On the way to the Sandwich, IL Opera house Sat Feb 17 at about 5:45 PM Reuben skidded his 1998 Lexus SUV from an icy patch in the road into a tree.

Tree is fine. SUV is totaled.

Emily and Reuben need repairs. Both were sent to ICU at Rush Copley Medical Center, 2000 Ogden Avenue, Aurora, IL 60504. Emily has been treated for concussion, neck compression, internal bleeding, lung damage and leg and shoulder bruises. She finally talked Thursday and has been more alert and coherent Friday and Saturday. Eats little and only when fed. Sat in chair for a few hours each of the last three days, but had to be airlifted between bed and chair.

She was moved to ortho neuro unit this afternoon because her vitals are good. However, she needs lots of encouragement to get inspired. Nursing staff, visitors and I are all trying to get her to accomplish deep breathing plus hand and foot movement. No timetable.

Reuben has four cracked ribs, a broken sternum, (is that a naval term I missed?), a damaged psyche, and a sore body. Ruben was discharged Monday night, February 19. Plans to resume work and driving again this week. Reuben is extraordinarily grateful that his dog Lucky wasn't along.

Calls to Emily not recommended because it's a hassle for the nursing staff.

Please keep Ruben & Emily Taylor in your prayers



ARCHIVES MOST WANTED

BY Chris Schurrer

The Illinois Region Archives has just completed a full inventory of dash plaques it currently holds and has found the years of region and chapter events that we have no records of.

The following is a list of dash plaques we have no copies of, which make them the "Archives' Most Wanted". We are very interested in acquiring any of these, so if you have any of these and you are willing to part with them, please let us know.

We are always on the lookout for dash plaques from the Region as we are filling out three sets of collections (Permanent Display, Traveling, and Backup), so, even though some are not listed here, we are interested in those as well.



REGION EVENTS

Car Show : Pre 1960, 1961, 1990, 2001, 2010, 2016, 2017

Spring Tour : Pre 1962, 1966, 1977, 1980, 1985, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1995, 2000, 2008, 2010, 2015, 2016, 2017

Fall Tour : Pre 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1962, 1969, 1976, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1991, 1995, 1996, 2002, 2005, 2009, 2010, 2013, 2016

CHAPTER EVENTS

Momence : Pre 1964, 1976, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1986

Brighton : Pre 1963, 1964, 1966, 1968, 1969, 1972, 2015, 2016

Sandwich Dash Plaques : 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1984, 1985, 1994, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2008, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

Sandwich Plates : Pre 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2017

Grayslake / Volo : Pre 1968, 1995, 2000, 2003

Union : Pre 1995, 2004, 2009, 2016, 2017

Contact: Chris Schurrer
Email: hpdog259962@gmail.com
(H) 815-344-3775.

Silver Springs Bowling Party

By Andy Voss

Saturday, February 17th found the Silver Springs chapter members and guests at the Plano Bowling Alley. We had a good group (numbers that is) who occupied three lanes for the best part of 2-1/2 hours. No house scoring records were set, in spite of liberal use of gutter guards. We did have a fun time and didn't even break anything or put any dents in the hardwood floor!

Then there was Uncle Lar's pizza and beverages of choice which tasted real good after exerting ourselves to the maximum. There were the usual excuses for not doing better. My best excuse was slippery fingers caused by the pizza grease. Other excuses heard around the lanes were: "The shoes were worn out, the bowling balls were awful, and I haven't bowled since 1969".

I'm sure there were a few sore bodies the next day, but overall it was a fun experience.

GRAMMAR GURU

BY Pat Markert



English is considered one of the more difficult languages to learn. Here are a few examples of what makes our language so crazy. Gives you a new appreciation for all 2 year olds.

Since there was no time like the **present**, John decided to **present** the **present** to the birthday girl.

When shot at, the **dove dove** into the bushes.

I did not **object** to the **object**.

To help with the planting, the farmer taught his **sow** to **sow**.

LAST CHANCE TO BUY BOOKS

These are the last of the books that the Region has for sale. Prices have been reduced. Contact Bob Markert at rjmarkert42@aol.com or at 630-852-9893.

HARDCOVER:

The New Beetle: the Creation of a 21st Century Classic

By Jonathan Wood \$7.00

Ferrari Classics

By Brian Laban \$7.00

SOFT COVER:

Classic Cars 1945-1976

By Martin Buckley \$4.00

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61R8099—Runabout Tail Lamp, Black and brass
Price\$1.00
61R8123—Runabout Tail Lamp, Black and nickel
Price\$1.00

Ad from the 1915 "Automobile Accessories" catalogue of Montgomery Ward & Co.

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WANTED:

I am looking for leads on a 1994 - 1996 Cadillac Fleetwood. Solid body and good mechanics a must. Knowledge of history of car a definite plus. Please contact Christopher Schurrer with info and pictures. (815) 382 - 0238 or hpdog259962@gmail.com



NEW PRICE

New in the box, never used- **Covercraft-soft tan flannel car cover** probably more for indoor use though it says treated for water repellency. Fits extra large American car. Was ordered for late sixties, early seventies full size Ford. \$125 or best offer.



Contact John Palka cell 847-370-6902 or email at palka@att.net. Thank you

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Waukegan/ North Shore AACA St. Patrick's Day Party

Sunday, March 18, 2018

6:00 PM Dinner @ 6:30 PM

The Curragh Irish Pub and Restaurant

1800 Tower Drive

Glenview, IL 60026

Phone 847-998-1100



Your Hosts: Steve and Myrna Kolish

- **\$25.00 per person members and guests**
- **Menu Choices:**
 - Corned Beef and Cabbage (Featured Meal)**
 - Fish and Chips**
 - Chicken Romano**
 - Grilled Atlantic Salmon**
 - Vegetarian meal if requested**
- **All entrees include a choice of soup or salad**
- **Green mint ice cream for dessert**
- **Meal includes unlimited non-alcoholic beverages (Soda, Coffee, Tea, etc,)**
- **Cash Bar**
- **FREE PARKING in the municipal garage directly behind the restaurant**



RSVP by March 10

To: Steve Kolish 8026 Churchill St., Niles, IL 60714

Questions ? Email : s.kolish@yahoo.com phone: 847-878-7013

Names of Members _____

Names of Guests _____

Members & Spouse/SO @ \$25.00/ person _____ Guests @ \$25.00/person _____

Total Amount _____

Totals of each: _____ Corned Beef, _____ Fish and Chips, _____ Chicken Romano
 _____ Grilled Salmon, _____ Vegetarian

Please make check out to Waukegan/ North Shore AACA

Note: Please call or email if you are coming by March 10 if you can't send the form in by that date. The restaurant needs to have the total to plan the room.



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