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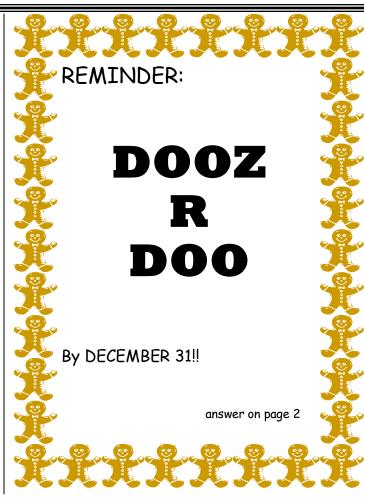
By Pat Markert

And so the time has come to say good-bye. I have been doing the newsletter for 6 years and I am sorry no one has stepped up to take over.

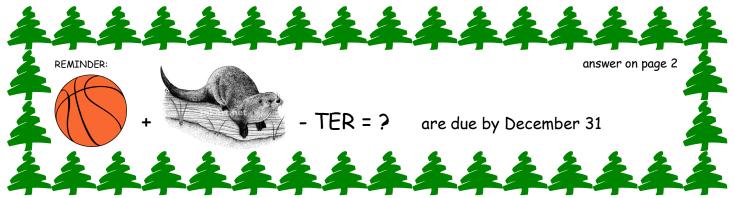
When I first started, I felt totally inadequate. I had never used Publisher and had to stumble my way through each issue. I was not whipping out issues in 5 or 6 hours like I do now. It took time to develop a "system" for putting together each issue. I had hoped to share some of these shortcuts with my successor. Not to be.

Anyway, I want to thank each of you for all the kind comments, the ideas for stories and the encouragement I received. I know that when (not if) another editor is found, you will be as kind to him or her as you have been to me.

Meantime, have a very wonderful Christmas, or Hanukkah or Kwanza or whatever holiday you celebrate this month.



Pat





December 9 - Waukegan-North Shore Christmas Party at Jerry's Parkway on the Lake, Ingleside, IL . For more information, contact Harold Flood at car4464@aol.com

January - Silver Springs Chapter Christmas Party. Date to be announced.

**February 6**, **2019**—Fox Valley Christmas party at Bohemian Crystal in Westmont.



# NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National events see aaca.org

January 27 - Sarasota, FL - 50th Annual Deveraux - Kaiser Car Meet, presented by the Sarasota Firefighters Benevolent Fund & the Sunshine Region AACA. 10 am - 3 pm at the Sarasota County Fairgrounds, 3000 Ringling Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34237.

Contact: Dana Anderson, event coordinator, scfd471@verizon.net, 941-650

January 19-20 - Miami Beach, FL - AACA South Florida Region's Art Deco Weekend Classic Car Fest. Ocean Drive, Miami FL, between 5th and 10th Sts. Contact: Mel Mann at 305-338-6697 or Ira Shapiro at 305-216-9837 /

aacasouthflorida.club

**February 7-9 -** AACA Annual Meeting - Philadelphia, PA. 717-534-1910.

February 8-10 - Bushnell, FL - 26th Winter Extravaganza. 7620 SR 471, Bushnell, FL 33515. For more information contact Craig Pearson at craigpearson\_6@msn.com or call 727-848-7171 or 727-534-7433.

February 14-17- Zephyrhills, FL - Car Swap, Auction, Car Show & Car Corral. Festival Park, 2738 Gall Blvd, Zephyrhills, FL 33541. For more information contact zhills.swaps@gmail.com or call 813-312-4009 or 727-846-8922

February 21-23 - AACA Winter Meet - Kingdom of the Sun Regions - Ocala, FL. / 2019aacawintermeet.org

March 22—23 — 49th Annual Parts & Swap Meet Hosted by Sugarloaf Mountain Region AACA Maryland

For more info: Jack Gallagher 301-674-5431 or emai smraaca@aol.com or see pages 111 & 12.

# **REMINDER:**

Dues are due And Ballots are due.

# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



By now everyone should have received a ballot in the mail for electing directors for the Executive Board of the Illinois Region. Make sure to vote for exactly three candidates before returning the ballot to ensure they are valid. They must arrive no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> so do not delay. Thank you to all four candidates for stepping up and willing to serve to keep the Region the best it can be.

Another thank you goes to Pat Markert, for all of her years as head of the Publication Committee as well as editor of Sidelights. As you all know, Pat is retiring from the role this year. We all have enjoyed the reading the articles of events past, present, and future as well as the other items of interest and appreciate the dedication to presenting all of that in an engaging manner.

It should be mentioned, that as of this writing, there has not been anyone who has made any formal statement that they wished to take the reins. I have heard many comments about how important the newsletter is and how it keeps the membership informed of the goings on and is a backbone to the Region. Our search and requests have been to no avail. This issue of Sidelights is possibly last issue and its 69 year run comes to an end. (See page 1 of FIRST ISSUE on page 10).

As such I make one more plea to anyone who would have interest in taking over as editor of Sidelights, please to reach out to Pat or me immediately. Training is still available for anyone who wishes it. There is no doubt Pat has done a wonderful job with Sidelights during her tenure, but do not see it as a standard that must be held to. Remember the decision now is not specifically to have Sidelights continue as it has been, but for Sidelights to continue at all.

This may very well be the final warning. See you further down the road.

# Chris

# Monthly Recipe



# CHRISTMAS TREE DIP



#### **Ingredients**

- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen chopped broccoli, cooked and drained
- 3/4 cup sour cream
- 3/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1 can (8 ounces) sliced water chestnuts, drained and chopped
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 envelope (1.4 ounces) vegetable recipe mix (Knorr)

GARNISHES: Green and sweet yellow peppers, grape tomatoes, sliced pimiento-stuffed olives and a cracker

Assorted crackers

#### Directions

In a large bowl, combine the first six ingredients. Shape into a triangle on a serving plate to resemble a tree. Decorate as desired with peppers, tomatoes and olives. Place a cracker at the bottom for tree trunk. Serve with assorted crackers.

Some people have used a cheese slice cut into the star shape. Some have used star shaped crackers.

#### **Nutrition Facts**

1/4 cup: 89 calories, 7g fat (2g saturated fat), 8mg cholesterol, 158mg sodium, 4g carbohydrate (2g sugars, 1g fiber), 1g protein.

# INFORMATION ON REDUCED LICENSE PLATE

# For information on the Benefit Access Program, contact:

Illinois Department on Aging 800-252-8966 1-888-206-1327 (TTY) www.state.il.us/aging

# For more information about reduced-fee license plates, contact:

Secretary of State Jesse White Vehicle Services Dept. 501 S. Second St. Springfield, IL 62756 800-252-8980 (Voice)



# HOUSE FOR SALE

Al Riedel is selling his house here in the Chicago area. Here is the information:



Address: 16W701 White Pine

Bensenville (unincorporated area)

This is an ALL BRICK ranch of about 2000 square feet sitting on a 3/4 acre corner lot. It has 3 bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths with a finished basement.

It also has a 4 CAR HEATED GARAGE. Al thought this might be of particular interest to car lovers.

He is asking \$350,000.

To reach him with questions or interest, call him on his cell phone 847-421-5211.

## Eligibility

For eligibility requirements for reduced-fee license plates, please visit the Illinois Department of Aging's website at www.state.il.us/aging.

## **Application**

After you have been approved for the Benefit Access Program through the Illinois Department on Aging, you will receive a letter from Secretary of State Jesse White. When you buy license plates or renew your license plate sticker, submit the letter to verify that you are eligible for the discounted rate of \$24.

## Types of Plates

The discount may be applied to the following plate categories:

- Passenger
- B-Truck
- · Persons with Disabilities
- Military (visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com, click Illinois License Plate Guide, then Military License Plates, then the individual military license plate to determine Benefit Access eligibility)
- Recreational Vehicle (up to 8,000 pounds)

#### Cost

- The reduced fee of \$24 only applies to the applicable registration fee. Additional fees for vanity, personalized or military plates must still be paid.
- The discount may be used for one set of plates titled to the person the discount is issued to.
- Only one discount per household per year is allowed.



# ILLINOIS BOARDC MEETING MINUTES

November 11/10/18

Hosted by: Des Plaines Valley Chapter

Location: Crest Hill Library

- Welcome—President Chris Schurrer called the meeting to order at 11:30 am and a discussion ensued about whether or not there were enough members present to have a quorum. The By-Laws were consulted and it was decided that, as we had 9 members present, there was a quorum. The meeting preceded.
- Roll Call—Darlene Sobczyk Present were: Chris Schurrer, Dan Sobczyk, Darlene Sobczyk, Bob Wenderski, Lee Nelson, Bob Markert, Andy Voss, Pat Markert, and Nancy Nelson. Proxy: Bob Markert for Joe Dolezal. Excused: Steve Kolish, Al Matison, Jerry Bodden, Jim Sikora, & Joanna Vroman. Absent: John Otto

Darlene commented that she thought members were forgetting to get a proxy if they cannot attend the meeting. She in tends to put that in the reminders she send out about board meetings.

- Secretary report—Darlene Sobczyk asked for any corrections or comments about the minutes to the last board meeting. There were none. Bob Markert made a motion to accept the minutes; Nancy Nelson 2nd; passed.
- Treasurer report- Bob Wenderski read the report. Beginning balance as of September 29 was \$21,359+. Since then, deposits of \$1564.00 and expenses of \$368.00 give us an ending balance (as of November 10) of \$22,555+.

## 2. Standing Committee

- Membership— Andy Voss said that membership renewals have started to come it. As of November 9, we have 82 memberships paid out of 158.
- Publication- Pat Markert said she still had not received any interest in taking over the editorship of the paper. Discussion ensued about what, if anything, to do about the lack of editor. Some thought we should look into hiring someone, some thought not. After much discussion, Dan Sobczyk made a motion

- to table the topic, 2nd Pat Markert; passed. Chris Schurrer reminded everyone that by the time of the January meeting Sidelights will be no more unless someone steps up.
- Legislative- Lee Nelson reported that since there was change in the Secretary of State office in the election, he doesn't see any changes on the horizon. Dan Sobczyk said he saw a flyer when he went to vote that seniors can get a discount on license plates. He had no details but will send a picture of the flyer to be included in Sidelights so we can get the details.
- Website- Dan Sobczyk says that chapter Presidents need to send info on upcoming events as well as sending them to Sidelights so he can update the website.
- Archivist- Chris Schurrer said that the Archives have been quiet. He did acquire a few dash plagues.

#### 3. Activities

- Fall Tour Report—Chris Schurrer reported that the tour drove on the back roads of La-Salle County and along the Illinois River. Despite the rainy weather, there was a good turnout. The one fly in the ointment was with the pricing of the rooms. The hotel charged different members different prices. In the end, many of the members didn't get much discount at all. He suggests that for the next tour, we check the Internet to check prices for AARP or AAA members so as to compare prices.
- Swap Meet—Date for Swap Meet is April 7. Board voted to use the same technique as last year, so the board will run the meet. A motion was made by Pat Markert; 2nd Lee Nelson; passed. Several of the board members volunteered to assume duties for the Swap. Chris Schurrer will be responsible to notify and coordinate the VENDORS; Dan Sobczyk will take care of ADVERTISING; Lee Nelson will do the PRE-PLANNING including liaison with dealer, ordering tables, etc. and getting a food vendor; Bob Markert took on the task of DAY OF duties including get people assigned to working the doors and clean up.

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES continued

Spring Tour- Dan Sobczyk said the tour will be moved to the June 8-9 weekend, because the AACA Annual Grand National will be on May 30—June 1. We will be going to the Lake Geneva area. Various members are look ing into inviting members of the Studebaker's Drivers Club and/or the Hudson Club. There will be much to see and do in this area. Plans are being confirmed. Save the Date.

#### 4. Chapter Reports

- Des Plaines Valley-Lee Nelson reported that several Des Plaines Valley members participated in the annual Brighton Run. Also the group is looking to visit a car collection on March 2. Lee is clarifying the details. This would be open to everyone in the Region.
- Fox Valley-Dan Sobczyk reported that because of a conflict, the Fox Valley Christmas party will be on February 2 at the Bohemian Crystal in Westmont. Invitations will go out soon, but all members of the Region are invited.
- Silver Springs-Al Matison was not there, but Andy Voss said they are working on planning the annual Christmas party and Pat Markert said that the club is already working hard on the Silver Springs car show for May 26. Bob Markert reminded everyone that the Memorial Service for Bob Ronning will be at the Train Park in Waterman on November 18.
- Waukegan/ North Shore-Chris Schurrer told us that the Pre-War tour went to Old Grayslake and visited a wonderful museum in Antioch that had lots of old signage from the areas early days. Very interesting. His report on the Brighton Run was that the weather was "very British" (translation: it rained). Few people took the Thanksgiving dinner option and they are considering having a meal option after the tour. They only had 71 register and only 52 cars actually came. The Christmas party will be December 9 at Jerry's on the Lake in Ingleside, IL.
- 5. Old Business- There was a discussion of what to do about Cantigny. It was decided that Bob Markert will tentatively talk to Cantigny and Dan Sobczyk will talk to the folks at Little City. A decision will have to made at

the January meeting.

- 6. New Business- There was no new business.
- 7. Visitor input—The were no visitor, so there was no visitor comments.
- Adjourn—Lee Nelson made a motion to adjourn; 2nd Nancy Nelson; passed.
   Adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Markert



## BRIGHTON RUN REPORT

By Bill Vroman

Sunday November 4th 2018 dawned cool and damp but 51 cars of the members and friends of the Waukegan North Shore Chapter ferried their owners from Lake Bluff through the back roads of Northern Illinois and Southern Wiscon-

sin to Brighton Wisconsin.

This was the 58th year that the chapter has been honoring the 1896 race from London to Brighton England. Unlike



the modern race held in England, we have no restrictions on the minimum age of the cars allowed to join our Run to Brighton and, in spite of the weather, brave souls brought vehicles from each of the last 8 decades. Thus it was proven that age need not stop one from coming out to play regardless of the weather.

While the weather had an impact on the number of cars that came out, it didn't dampen the spirits of the participants. Bloodies at Jeddy's followed by Turkey dinner down the street was the finale for many of the road warriors.

Many thanks to Chris Schurrer and Harrold and Carroll Flood for organizing and planning the final tour of the 2018 season.





Chris Schurrer talks to fellow travelers.

On the left, Linda Jacobs and James Rubenstein enjoy the company at Jeddy's.





Bob Wenderski, Gary & Debbie Smithe listen to Dick Murray spinning a tale at Jeddy's.



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# Car For Sale

I am selling Preston Helgren's car collection. Please contact Dan Helgren at 847-533-0349 or <a href="mailto:danhelegan@aol.com">danhelegan@aol.com</a> for more information or additional pictures.

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

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# NEWS LETTER

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#### CHICAGO REGION SPRING MEET

On Saturday, May 21, 1949, the first meet under the auspices of the Chicago Region will be held in one of Chicago's North Shore suburbs - probably Highland Park or Lake Forest. If you have any pre-conceived ideas that this meet is to be a gathering of only some of us local guys, just guess again!!

Invitations are being sent to all AACA members. The Cleveland Region of AACA plans to attend, en masse.

VMCCA delegates from the Michigan Region will be present.

The National Headquarters of the VMCCA is holding the date open in the hope that many additional may attend.

HCC Fort Wayne, St. Louis and Buffalo Regions have been invited to participate.

We believe that the May meet will be an interesting and widely-attended affair. Since this will be the Chicago Regions' first meet, let's all be on hand to make it one of the best ever held anywhere!

Entry blanks will be sent to you EARLY IN APRIL, together with a special Bulletin detailing the plans. Save that week-end - May 21st!!!! You'll have just about six weeks, after receipt of this Newsletter, to get your car in shape to make the trip.

Quit your job!
Send your wife to Bolivia!
Put the kids in reform school!
Plaster another mortgage on the homestead!

BUT GET THAT CAR OPERATING!!!!

#### CHICAGO REGION CHAIRMAN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF A.A.C.A.

One Saturday, February 5, in a meeting held at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, the Chairman of the Chicago Region, D. Cameron Peck, was elected National President of the AACA. Congratulations are certainly in order, not only because Mr. Peck is one of the few people deserving of the honor, but also because this is the first time that the Presidency has been bestowed upon anyone west of Pennsylvania.

Shortly after his Philadelphia trip, Mr. Peck flew to Cleveland to attend the March 20th meeting of our sister Region there. As the principle speaker of



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# Early Bird Pricing - Before February 20th, 2019

- Indoor flea market space approximately 100 sq. ft.: \$45 each
- Outdoor space of approximately 200 sq. ft.: \$60 each
- Slightly larger outdoor space: \$70 each
- Car corral space: \$45 each per vehicle for both days.
- Some single day spaces available Inquire

No selling of any flea market items in the Car Corral area.

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# **Pre-Registration Form**

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