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Upcoming EVENTS

January 13, 2024 -REGION BOARD MEETING
@ the Carpentersville Public Works,
Carpentersville, IL. See page 14.

January 27, 2024—Fox Valley Christmas party
at Sawas Old Warsaw, Berwyn, IL. See page 15.

March 9 -REGION BOARD MEETING

April 7 - Region SWAP MEET.

May 16-19 - Region SPRING TOUR

**May 26 - Silver Springs Chapter ANNUAL CAR
SHOW AND SWAP MEET.**

June 8 -REGION BOARD MEETING

Sept 9 -REGION BOARD MEETING

October 17-20 - Illinois Region Fall Tour.

**November 3 - Waukegan-North Shore RUN
TO Brighton.**

November 9 -REGION BOARD MEETING

NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National and other events
see aaca.org

2024 Nationals & Tours

February

**8-10-2024 AACA Annual Convention,
Chantilly, VA.**

Location: Chantilly, Virginia Hotel: Westfields
Marriott Washington Dulles, 14750
Conference Center Drive, Chantilly, VA 20151
Room Rate: \$129 per night OR \$169 per night
includes breakfast for two people Reservation
Link: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50584547>
Reservation Phone: (800) 266-9432 (mention
Antique Automobile Club of America)
Reservation Deadline: January 16, 2024

March

17-23-AACA Founders Tour, Louisiana.

Host: Louisiana Region AACA Location:
Acadiana Area, Louisiana Chairman: Ronald
Sonnier - rsonnier@cox.net

April

5-AACA Grand National, Concord, NC.

Host: Hornets Nest Region AACA Location:
Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC
Chairman: Mel Carson - [melcarson@charlotte-
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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 2023

Bill Vroman
Jo Ann Flynn
Chris Schurrer

Through 2024

Ed Flynn
Rose O'Halloran
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Through 2025

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Chapter meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at member homes.

Waukegan-North Shore President: Dan Helgren
847-533-0349 danhelegan@aol.com

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 truly hope each of you had a wonderful Christmas. It is the time to celebrate all our blessings with family and friends. It is a wonderful time of the year.

Hard to believe 2024 is here. I can remember the chaos that was to occur when 2000 was upon us. It sure doesn't seem like 24 years ago.

This coming year plans on being a great year for the club. From what I have seen there are going to be plenty of events, activities and tours to keep us busy.

One of the first events coming up on the calendar is the first board meeting of the year. The meeting will take place on January 13. There is information about the time and place in the newsletter. All members are encouraged to attend the meeting and to have your voices heard and to discuss with the board any ideas you may have to make it a better experience for all the members.

In ending, I want to wish all our members the happiest of New Years and hope we will all be together to enjoy the friendship, fun and camaraderie the club provides for another year.

Until next month,

Dan

PAST DUE



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Don't Forget!

**RENEWAL
REMINDER**

2024 IL Region Dues Reminder

If you have not paid your IL Region dues, please take a moment to do so now. There is a 2024 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.

2024 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, 2023 to be included in the 2024 Roster.

Would you like the 2024 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!

ANTIQUUE 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



Do you like talking to people?

Are you a wan-a-be salesperson?

Then We Need You!

Our Region Membership Team is Expanding. We are looking for a member to help recruit new classic car hobbyists. Duties include hosting a sign-up table at Illinois Region Events, such as Swap Meets and Car Shows.

Contact Andy Voss for more information.

andyjanevoss@aol.com

630-605-8392

In Memoriam



Al Reidel 4/6/23



John Davidson 7/18/23



Joe Dolezal 10/4/2023

Region News:



Archives Request - 1975 Galena Tour

As our cars are in hibernation, we at the Archives are working hard to bring you back to the future gathering data from the 1975 Fall Tour to Galena to use as the planned 2024 Spring Tour hosted by Waukegan - North Shore Chapter.

We thank both Jenny Risley & Dan Helgren for supplying data and we almost have pieced together the full tour from back then.

If anyone has any information on the Friday tour (especially a tour sheet) from the 1975 event, please do not hesitate to pass it along, it is the remaining puzzle piece left.

Looking forward to hitting the ground running in the New Year planning for a wonderful touring season!"

Thank you greatly!

Chris Schurrer

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Region Chapter Events:

WAUKEGAN-NORTH SHORE HOLIDAY PARTY

by Jo Ann Flynn, W/NS News Correspondent

The Holidays began in earnest for the Waukegan-North Shore Chapter as we gathered together at Parkway by the Lake in Ingleside on Sunday, December 3rd. This has been our celebration home for many years and again this year, Jerry and his staff did not disappoint us.



The decorations were festive, the buffet luncheon was delicious and the service excellent.



We also elected officers for the coming year. President Dan Helgren (who was not in attendance due to being stranded in Europe by a snowstorm), Vice President Chris Schurrer, Treasurer Don Schreiber and Secretary Jim Greenlee were re-elected and Anna Nelson was elected News Correspondent. We also discussed upcoming events for 2024. It will be another great year of touring.



Region Chapter Events: (WNS Holiday Party cont...)



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This is my last article as your News Correspondent. Thank you to those members who helped me over the last 3 years by providing photos. And special thanks to my Editor and Proof Reader, Ed Flynn, for correcting all my typos!

Happy New Year Everyone!

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING

January Board Meeting at the Carpentersville Public Works



The January Annual Board Meeting will be Saturday, January 13th @ 10:30am. The location will be at the Carpentersville Public Works - 1075 Tamarac Drive, Carpentersville, IL 60110. Members are encouraged to attend.

If you plan on attending, please notify Pat Markert, our region secretary @ 630-852-9893 or email at aacasecretary@gmail.com

Save *the* Date



For the Fox Valley
CHRISTMAS PARTY
which will be held on
Saturday, January 27th @ 5pm
Sawas Old Warsaw
9200 Cermak Road,
Berwyn, IL 60153.

More information coming very soon!



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 the car done. \$45,000 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



For sale: set of 30 by 3 model T wheels, square fellows, all white tires. hold air that's about all. \$200. Dave 815 246 4545

Two (2)1928-1929 Fenders. Asking \$150 for the pair. Pickup in Yorkville, IL. Please contact: Tom Baumgartner 630-209-0287/twjbrunner@aol.com



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

For Sale 2021 H&H 7500lb, Steel car hauler \$4,000. (Algonquin)

Less than 500 mi traveled •20 ft long dove tail •Steel Channel •crossmembers •Set-Back Jack •Treated #1 Grade Wood Deck •Full DOT Compliant •LED Lights •Sealed Wiring Harness •Radial Tires 15" •Steel Wheels •Stake Pockets • 2' Steel Tread Plate Dovetail •Spare Tire Mount • 3" x 5' Ramps (6,500lb Rating) • 2-5/16' Posi-Lock Coupler •Steel Tread Plate Fenders. Jim Erion: 224 241 6853 or jerion@bac-online.com

