



SIDE LIGHTS



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COMING SOON.....

Saturday, July 4th - Happy Birthday America Classic Car Show - Carpenter Park, Carpentersville, IL. 10am - 2pm. **See page 20.**

Friday, July 17th - AACA Gent's Luncheon, Noon @ West Dundee VFW Post 2298 117 S. 1st St. West Dundee, IL **See page 21.**

Sunday, July 19th - The Illinois Regions 75th Annual Car Show - Carpenters Park, Carpentersville, IL. 9am - 2pm. **See pages 5, 22-23.**

Upcoming EVENTS

July 4 -Happy Birthday America Classic Car Show. Carpenter Park, 10-2pm. **See page 20.**

July 17 -GENT'S LUNCH-Noon, West Dundee VFW Post 2298, West Dundee, IL **See page 21.**

July 19 -ILLINOIS REGION CAR SHOW. Carpentersville, IL. **See pages 5, 22 & 23.**

August 2 - Waukegan-North Shore ILLINOIS RR MUSEUM TRANSPORTATION EXTRAVAGANZA TOUR & SHOW, Union, IL. **See page 24.**

August 9 - Waukegan-North Shore SUMMER PICNIC. **See page 25.**

August 15 - Waukegan-North Shore SYCAMORE STEAM SHOW, Sycamore, IL.

August 29 - SAVE THE DATE Gateway Classic Cars "Coffee & Chrome", Caledonia, WI **See page 26.**

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Sept 12 -REGION BOARD MEETING

Sept TBD - Illinois Region Fall Tour.

September 25 -LADIES AACA ILLINOIS REGION LUNCH Granite City, Schaumburg, IL. **See page 28.**

November 1 - Waukegan-North Shore RUN TO Brighton.

November 6 - Waukegan-North Shore Ladies "Show and Tell" Lunch @ McAlister's, Gurnee.

NATIONAL NEWS

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

2026 Nationals & Tours

July

23-25 – Central Spring Nationals – Green Bay, WI

August

5-8 – [Southeastern Divisional Tour](#) – Flat Rock, NC – hosted by Great Smokey Mountain Region & Little Detroit Chapter

19-22 – [Annual Grand Nationals / Zenith Awards](#) – Allentown, PA – 717-534-1910

September

9-14 – [Founders Tour](#) (1932-2001) – Williamsburg, VA – hosted by Historic VA Peninsula Region

21-26 – Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943) – Dover, DE

October

6-9– Eastern Fall Nationals – Hershey, PA – hosted by Hershey Region

Other Events of Interest

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY US ROUTE 66. Slide/Lecture Program presented by Barbara J. Barrett. **See page 29.**





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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

Well summer is in full bloom and the antique car season is upon us. If this week is any indication, we are going to have a nice, hot summer.

Above and beyond the cruise nights, our region has a busy schedule. We have the Happy Birthday America car show on July 4th and the AACA Region Car Show on the 19th of July. Make sure you register if you plan on attending the AACA show. Both shows take place in Carpenters Park.

Later in the month we have the Central Spring Nationals in Green Bay, WI.

On a local level, there is Wauconda on July 21, August 18, and September 15. Libertyville on the third Wednesday of the month. Saturday night shows in Mt Prospect and Lombard and weekly shows in Cary and Barrington. I found a great website "2026 cruise nights and car shows". There are plenty of car shows to keep us busy just about every night of the week

So, go out and enjoy the summer because before you know it, the season is ending.

Last word. If you have not registered for the AACA Car show, please do so as soon as possible. Contact Bob Wenderski for registration information and to register.

Also, Bob Wenderski plans on retiring as the region treasurer. We need to find a replacement for Bob, although he is irreplaceable. If you are interested, please let me know as soon as possible. Bob is willing to train the person and it would be helpful if the person is familiar with EXCEL.

Until next Month,

Dan

Region News:

The countdown begins to the Car show

With a couple weeks to go before our 75th Anniversary of the Illinois Region Annual Car show, I can look at all the planning and work that has already been done. This includes coordinating with the Village of Carpentersville to secure permits to utilize Carpenter's Park, securing food vendors for the show, designing and ordering the dash plaques and ordering the trophies. Also, a limited-edition commemorative toy car designed by our very own Bill Vorman is already in production and will be for sale on the show day.

In preparing for this year's event the one variable I cannot predict is the turnout of our feature cars, which are our members' automobiles. Our membership owns a wonderful array of vehicles from all decades and designs and the more we bring out on the day of the show the more exciting our show will be for the public. And we all enjoy sharing and commiserating over all our stories about finding, restoring and driving our vehicles. Please PLAN on bringing one of your vehicles whether it is one you drive regularly, under restoration or judged frequently. We have a place for everyone!

As a unique occurrence the region is celebrating its 80th Anniversary while the car show is on its 75th Anniversary. To do something special for this occasion and as a unique feature, Humberto Garcia will have one vehicle from every decade on display for everyone to enjoy.

Remember it is never too late to volunteer, to help or to complete the advance registration form for your vehicle.

Thank you,

James Sikora

AACA Central Fall Nationals



August 25-28, 2027

Holiday Inn Crystal Lake Convention Center

**800 South Rt 31
Crystal lake, IL. 60014**



AACA Region Event:



Passport Required?

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour
Hosted by Waukegan/North Shore
By: Anna Nelson

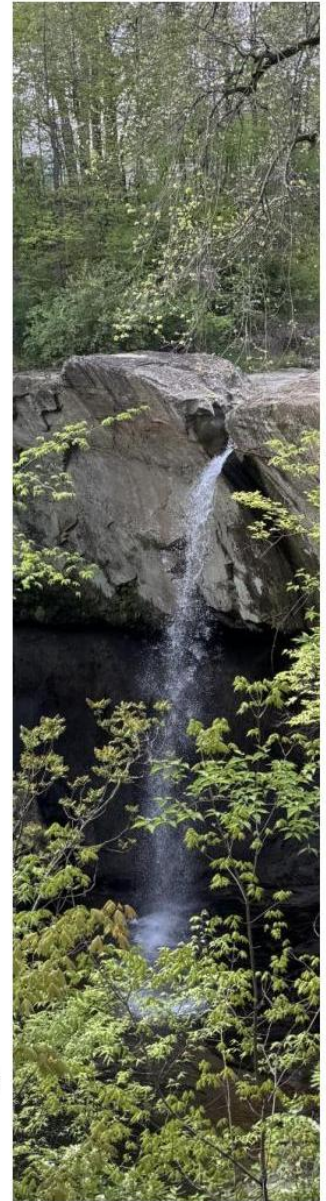
Hey Chris! Where are you taking us, Morocco, Arabia, Montezuma, and Mecca, if you go another 23 miles we will be in Brazil, Then we head back to Annapolis and Lafayette this is an interesting route!

I thought this was about covered bridges. Jenny Risley has written about them the last four months in Sidelights, February issue - Covered Bridges, March issue – Covered Bridge Designs, April issue - Covered Bridge Builders, May issue – Covered Bridges of Billie Creek Village of Parke County, Indiana. Thought she did a great job “Covering” the Covered Bridges.

Started at the McDonald’s at 7215 W. Lincoln Hwy in Frankfort, IL for the Driver’s meeting. The first stop the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 9 Training Center. Demonstration of their training, how to maintain signal operating, equipment to keep us safe.

Off to lunch at a quaint Country Bar and Grill along RT 41. Next stop at the tallest waterfall in Indiana at 90 ft. Pretty impressive considering Indiana is fairly flat.

Covered bridge drive through the first of many and a stop at Wolf’s Candies for some chocolate and a demonstration, always a good treat. A nice trip to the hotel to settle in which we will be calling home for the next several days.



90ft water fall



Below – Bob Roy
Bridge concept of a bar
across to keep it safe
from oversize vehicles
going through. This is
something Long Grove
could use.



Photo above and left by Bibi Garcia -
Wolf’s Candies and their equipment

Photo below by Jerry Bodden -
Learning how to make chocolate.



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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



All photos on this page are by Chris Schurrer – IBEW Local 9 Training Center, explaining the equipment and what it is used for.



Now, using our cars for a test sample of how it works.



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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...

Friday is a covered bridge excursion with a nice break for lunch in Rockville for a chicken lunch buffet. Did anyone try the hot sauce? They make it and it is definitely an interesting flavor. Off to locate more covered bridges but as we trek through small towns and rural farm land. We enjoy historical markers and the unique lawn art of many home dwellers. Today's final destination is historic Billie Creek Village to enjoy the buildings of times of the past. Some decided to stay for live action role playing in period costume to help recreate the feeling of the past. Day was filled with lots of traveling. It is nice to enjoy the hospitality room. Some decided to decorate their clip boards with Jenny Risley, a great way to unwind.



Photo by Bibi Garcia/Marker for Mordecai "three finger" Brown, first Indiana baseball player hall of fame that ended his career playing for the Cubs



Tractor used to hold Mailboxes



Top 4 right photo by: Linda Jacobs/ the town of Rockville.



Below interesting lawn decorations from both towns.



Photo by: Chris Schurrer/Ski's Truck RV has decoration that represents a scene from "Christmas Vacation"

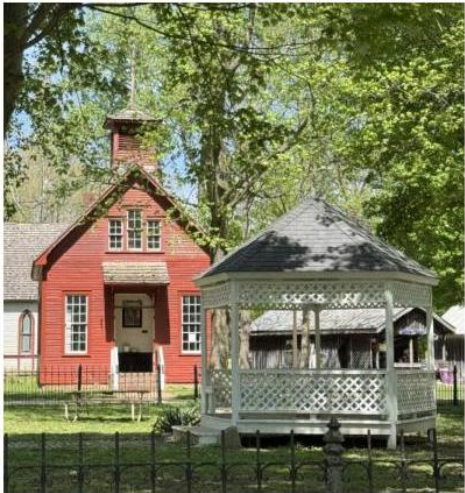
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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



Bille Creek Village



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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



Most bridges had signage to inform height and weight limits



Thorpe Ford Bridge



Mecca Bridge



State Sanatorium Bridge



Melcher Bridge

Interior design structures of the roof and 2 different structures of the walls .

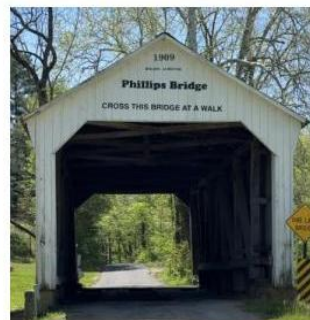


Sim Smith Bridge



Crooks Bridge

Covered Bridge Collage



Phillips Bridge



Wilkins Mill Bridge



Harry Evans Bridge front and side view



McAllister Bridge



Roseville Bridge



Neet Bridge

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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



Saturday: Let's see how many bridges we can conquer on this quest. The stop at the historic Bridgeton Mill, you guessed it. It has a bridge. The Bridgeton covered bridge is one explored by walking through. The town feels like a throwback to yester years. Many Amish residences in the area, with their horse drawn carriages, are still the way they choose to live. Just a short distance away, the Britton Winery If that name sounds familiar, after looking at all these covered bridges, you are right. He is great-great grandson of the covered bridge builder, who is now building great wines. Nice way to wrap this day up. Later tonight we will have our banquet at an old train depot called Right Track Banquet Hall.

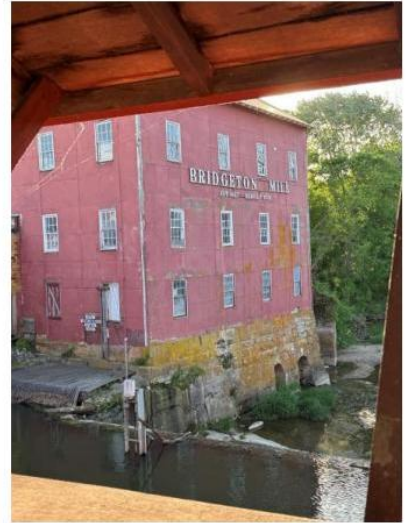


Photo above are of Town of Bridgeton Mills



Photo by Bibi Garcia / bridge and mill of Bridgeton Mills



Photo by Jerry Bodden/Amish wagon and driver



Britton Winery they love their lawn art!

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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



Photo by Bibi Garcia / Right Track Banquet Hall, inside the hall enjoying the banquet.



Sunday, Time for our last breakfast, load the cars, and check out. On the route back home let's see if we can find one more covered bridge.

Lunch stop at Sun Dog Café and theater is close to the 100 Mile House. This is the point between Chicago and Indianapolis where the distance is equally 100 miles. Then take a small break to view some bison. Several just went straight to St. John / Shrine of Christ's Passion. Then there were only three, that decided to continue to the Blue Top Drive for dinner and stay to visit Highland's cruise night.



Photo by Bibi Garcia / Bison reserve, telescope used by Humberto Garcia and Chris Schurrer to view the bison



Photo by Chris Schurrer/ Sun Dog Café

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AACA Region Event: (Region Spring Tour cont...)

May 28-31, 2026 Spring Tour, continued...



Photos by Jerry Bodden / St John – Shrine of Christ's Passion



Photos by Chris Schurrer /
Blue Top Diner & concert



Thanks to Chris Schurrer, for setting up this wonderful event. Jenny Risley for all the wonderful facts about the covered bridges, Joan and Jerry Bodden in charge of the hospitality. Linda Jacobs, Jerry Bodden, Bibi Garcia and Chris Schurrer for providing photos. Photo not labeled by Anna Nelson. Hope you enjoyed this event. See you on the next tour!

AACA Region Event: Clipboard Stamping Workshop

Thank you to all who participated in the Clipboard Stamping Workshop on the Spring Tour in Indiana. It was a very productive activity to have at the end of the day of touring with the hospitality room nearby. There were nine participants creating their own unique clipboard using a variety of rubber stamps ranging from cars, trucks, campers to road signs to cameras and luggage. Using the special inks in a wide selection of colors it was interesting to see the end product.

Everyone had their own approach to stamping their clipboard, just like covered bridges—no two were alike. There was stamping just on one side or filling in all of the space or even creating a patterned design. It was not a contest to see who made the "best" one but in the end everyone was "Awarded" a specially made Route 66 envelope to help protect their Touring Clipboard creation.



The Participants were -

Jim Greenlee
Sue Shaw
Cheryl Woosley
Bibiana Garcia
Lizzy Helgren
Joan Bodden
Marcia Sikora
Laura McDonald
Jim McDonald

Rubber stamps, so many choices and so many colors



AACA Region Event: (Clipboard Stamping Workshop cont...)



Cheryl
Joan
Lizzy
Bibiana
Marcia
Jim
Laura



I hope that you all enjoyed the workshop and will continue to enjoy your own unique clipboard as you go touring. See you down the road.

Jenny
Risley



AACA Region Event:

BAD LUCK AT THE RIGHT PLACE AND TIME

By Humberto Garcia

This story takes place while we were on the Spring Tour of 2026. During the last week in May, a large group belonging to the Illinois Region of the AACA, took a 4-day drive to tour The Covered Bridges of Indiana. While the bridges and experiences were amazing, some of us ran into some bad luck.



The first of the group to run into mishaps were Dale and Cheryl Woosley. Unfortunately, a flat tire separated the couple from the rest of the group. In the middle of nowhere, you must wonder how long it would take to find not only help but the right type of help. Within seconds a younger fellow pulls over and offers to help them install their spare tire, just to find out that the tire was low. To their surprise, this gentleman had a compressor in his truck and offers to fix the issue as well. Just as the Woosley's and the gentleman are finishing their work, another helpful citizen pulls over to confirm everything was ok. This second gentleman assesses the issue and informs them that they can't drive on said spare tire. This had already been addressed, and they realized that both gentlemen were suggesting they visit the same local shop for a new tire.

Dale and Cheryl made their way to the suggested local shop just to find out that only had these gentlemen guided them to the correct shop, but that their luck had just hit the jackpot. Not only did this shop have the correct tire size in stock, but they had 2 white wall tires. This is unheard of at any major tire store back home. The shop replaced the tire in need and the Woosley's were able to make it in time to the programmed lunch with everyone else. What started out as a hit of bad luck led them to two acts kindness and humanity and 2 perfectly fitting white wall tires.

AACA Region Event: (Bad Luck at the right place and time cont...)

The rest of the tour went without a glitch. That was until one of the cars quit right in the middle of absolutely nowhere with no warning. Humberto and Bibiana Garcias Lincoln had just left them stranded at an almost abandoned corner in the middle of nowhere, Indiana. After a quick inspection, Humberto was able to find that the issue came from the Duraspark quitting on them. Thankfully our top-notch pace car driver for the tour Chris Schurrer realized that the Garcias were missing. He turned around and came to help. We found the replacement part at a store not even 11 minutes away. Chris offered to pick up the part for us.

We left Bibiana behind to take care of the car, with the Woosley's as Chris and I made our way in search of this part. The local town was, I kid you not, about the size of a high school parking lot. But wouldn't you know it? There was an AutoZone Parts store. My hopes in finding this part lowered when at the register I noticed the kid couldn't be much older than 19, and here I'm looking for a 1976 part. To my surprise, this kid knew exactly what I was searching for. I tell him I'm looking for the Ignition module of a 1976 Lincoln. He confirms "Continental or Mark? 460, correct?". As we confirm this information, he lets me know that they potentially have 1 on the shelf. At this point I'm holding my breath. 3 steps in and this kid pulls out a dusty box, hands it to me, and said the box has been there since the shop opened.

Back at the car, Dale, Cheryl and Bibiana are waiting in a very cool Lincoln Town car. I opened the hood of my Lincoln, unplugged the old module and plugged in the new module, cranked the ignition and the '76 Mark started right away. We are back on the road having only caused a 22-minute delay.

The moral of these two stories is that even when "bad" luck hits you in the middle of nowhere Indiana, helpful kind humans, amazing friends and good luck are right around the corner.

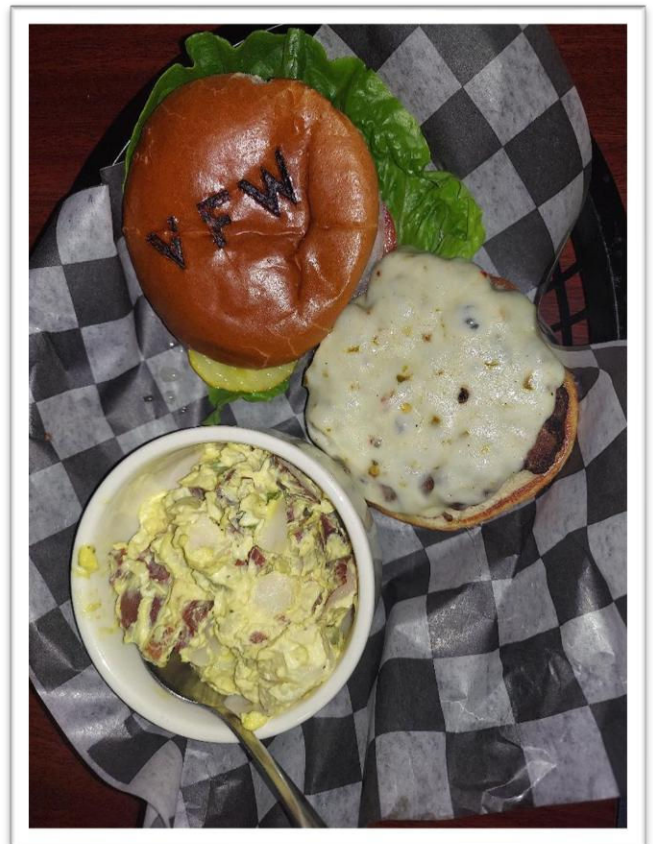
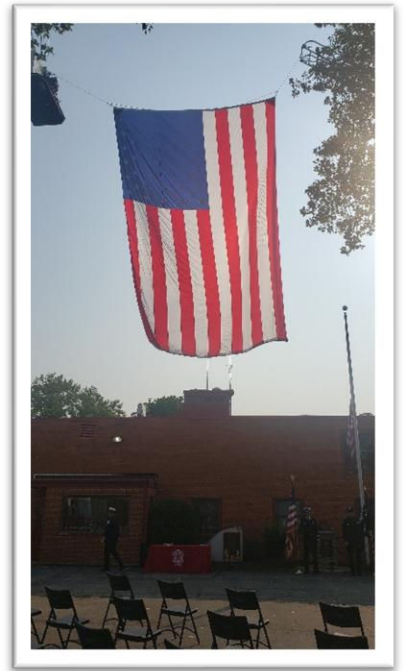
AACA Region Chapter Event

FLAG DAY LUNCH

By Humberto Garcia

On Sunday, June 14th the Fox Valley Region hosted a luncheon to celebrate our star-spangled banner. We met at the VFW Post 2298 in West Dundee where we were received by former Post Commander Eric Piwowar and our very own post member and AACA President Dan Sobczyk.

Lunch and beverages were a la cart, servers and bartenders did a super job and the food was great.



**Happy
Birthday
America
Car Show**

\$20
REGISTRATION
PER CAR

**4TH OF JULY
10 AM - 2 PM**

CARPENTER PARK

**300 CARPENTER BLVD,
CARPENTERSVILLE, IL
60110**

**LIVE MUSIC
FOOD & DRINKS
AWARDS**





Cruise on over to the
The Gent's Lunch
Friday, July 17th @ Noon

So come on over and have a good time with
"The Guys" and bring a friend.

West Dundee VFW post 2298
117 S. 1st Street
West Dundee, IL

Please R.S.V.P. to Humberto Garcia
847-800-5124 and let him know if you will be attending.



**The Illinois Region
of the Antique Automobile Club of America**



75th Annual Car Show

**July 19, 2026 * Carpenters Park
300 Carpenter Blvd. Carpentersville**

**JUDGED CARS: Must be 25 years or older (2001)
DISPLAY ONLY: cars through 2023 and slightly modified
are welcome**

Open 9 am to 2 pm

Awards given out at 1 pm.

FEATURE CAR: 75 YEARS OF OUR MEMBER CARS



**See our beautiful venue at Carpenters
Park in Carpentersville at 300 Carpenter
Blvd.**

There is no entrance fee for visitors.

Questions? Contact
Jim Sikora (Show Manager)
708-691-9854 jamessikora@att.net or
Bob Wenderski (Registrar) 847-226-7591 bsw60045@comcast.net



RAIN OR SHINE THE SHOW WILL GO ON

75th ILLINOIS REGION AUTO SHOW MEMBERS

Class # Description					
1	Production Vehicles	1890's thru 1939	7	Production Vehicles	1980-1989
2	Production Vehicles	1940—1949	8	Production vehicles	1990-2001
3	Production Vehicles	1950-1959	9	Sports Cars (including Corvettes and Thunderbirds)	thru 2001
4	Production Vehicles	1960-1964	10	Imports	thru 2001
5	Production Vehicles	1965-1969	11	Trucks & Military Vehicles	thru 2001
6	Production Vehicles	1970-1979	12	Display Only (non-judged)	thru 2023

Judging starts at 10:30 am.

Cars must be registered and parked in their **correct** class prior to that time.
Slightly modified, customized, concept and newer cars are FOR DISPLAY ONLY.

Advance Registration Form

Advance Registration Deadline: **July 14, 2026**

Please PRINT:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Year _____ Auto Make _____ Model _____

Body Style _____ Colors _____ Class # _____

Insurance Carrier _____ Policy # _____

Registration Fees: All judged vehicles must be 25 years old (2001) and older.

Check one only:

Pre-Registered

Day of Show

	Judged	Display Only	Judged	Display Only
MEMBERS	\$15.00 _____	\$10.00 _____	\$30.00 _____	\$20.00 _____
WORKERS	\$10.00 _____	\$8.00 _____		

All workers must be pre-registered to receive the discounted price. NO EXCEPTIONS

Make checks payable to: Illinois Region

Sign below and mail to Bob Wenderski, 265 N. Waukegan Rd., Lake Forest, IL 60045

NOTE: A current auto insurance card and a working fire extinguisher are MANDATORY in all vehicles.

I, the undersigned, release the Illinois Region AACA, the National AACA and their officers and members from liability, damage and injury, personal or otherwise that might be incurred in connection with this show. I have purchased liability and property damage insurance for all vehicles I bring to this show. This is a commitment on my part to participate in the Annual Auto Show of the Illinois Region AACA. The Judges' decisions are final and not subject to review. I have read and agree to this disclaimer. The form MUST be signed and dated.

No alcoholic beverages allowed * All fees are nonrefundable. * **No FOR SALE signs**

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Located at 7000 Olson Road, Union, Illinois,
5 miles off I-90 via Route 20, Marengo exit,
follow the Railway Museum signs.

35th ANNUAL VINTAGE TRANSPORT EXTRAVAGANZA

Sunday, AUGUST 2, 2026

8:00 AM UNTIL 5:00 PM

\$15.00 OPEN TO VEHICLES 2006 AND OLDER **\$15.00**

Send \$15.00 per vehicle, check or money order, payable to "ILLINOIS RAILWAY MUSEUM."

Vehicle driver and all passengers in vehicle at the time of entry only will get free admission, including train rides (an \$18.00 value) valid only for the day of the show.

Vehicle registration the day of the show will be \$20.00. Pre-register and save \$5.00 and time at the gate. Pre-registrations MUST be received by July 31 to be valid.

THE VINTAGE VEHICLE GATE CLOSES AT NOON, NO FREE TICKETS AFTER GATE CLOSSES.



*****DISPLAY ONLY*** Dash Plaques
Awarded to first 500 arrivals.**

**For more information contact Larry Claypool,
(815) 603-8556 or vairshop@gmail.com
or Dawn Castro, (630) 991-8601 or
DawnCastro@comcast.net**



ATTENTION: We request vehicles arrive before noon and remain until 4:00 PM. By submitting this application, applicant agrees to release Illinois Railway Museum and protect, indemnify and defend it from any and all claims for any losses, damages, or injuries whatsoever arising in whole or in part from operation, transportation, or display of applicant's vehicle. Said applicant and guest(s) also agree not to consume alcoholic beverages at the show.

For complete driving directions to the museum or additional information, go to www.irm.org

>>> EACH VEHICLE REQUIRES A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM!!! <<<

Oversize Vehicles: An oversize vehicle is any vehicle that would not fit in a nominally sized parking space. This includes large trucks, busses, tractors, some military vehicles and "other". If applicable, please indicate vehicle size below.



Cut and send with payment made payable to: IRM/VTE, P.O.Box 353, Newark, IL 60541.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: (____) _____ My EMail Address for 2027: _____

_____ OR CHECK HERE TO MAIL VIA USPS A 2027 REGISTRATION FORM

VEHICLE YEAR 2006 OR OLDER: _____ MAKE: _____ MODEL: _____

Assigned field parking is determined by the IRM (by vehicle manufacturer or you may park with a recognized club affiliation). Circle one:

AACA CAATS BCA MODEL T & A STUDE/PACKARD VCCA

If oversize vehicle, specify size: _____

IRM operates the Vintage Transport Extravaganza, rain or shine. Please note when pre-registering, neither refunds nor exchange for other tickets will be issued due to inclement weather the day of the event. **THANK YOU** for supporting us!

(For more information, see back side of flyer)

2026 Waukegan/North Shore AACA Summer Picnic and Tour Sunday August 9th



You are cordially invited to participate in the 2026 AACA Waukegan / North Shore Summer Picnic and Tour.

Our tour will start at a new location: Panera Bread 254 E. Rollins Rd, Round Lake Beach.
It will cover 50 leisurely miles of back roads in Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin ending at the Lake County Hastings Lake Forest Preserve Shelter A.
Drivers Meeting is at 10:30 AM

The Picnic includes Burgers, Brats, Dogs, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Chips and soft drinks.
You are welcome to bring a dish to pass. Last names beginning in A-M bring side dishes
Last names beginning in N-Z desserts

The Forest Preserve allows alcohol in the pavilion so B Y O if you're interested.

The 2026 Picnic / Tour cost is \$10 per member & family and \$15 for guests.

Make your check out to Waukegan/North Shore AACA .

Please post your check along with the number of people attending by August 1st so we have time to shop.

Number of Members/family _____ x \$10 = _____

Number of Guests _____ x \$15 = _____

Send your payment to: Bill & Joanna Vroman
27753 W. Bayview Dr.
Ingleside, IL 60041

SAVE THE DATE!



Saturday, August 29th

Time: 9 am 'til noon.

The IL. Region AACA is invited to the Gateway Classic Cars showroom in Caledonia, WI. for their "Coffee and Chrome" monthly event!

Afterward, we'll drive some back roads to the Brat Stop in Kenosha for lunch. After lunch, we'll have two other stops planned!

The Pritzker Military Museum and the Russell Military Museum. We may do only one of these museums, time permitting.

Further details/directions to come!

It's never too early to let me know if you plan to attend!

Thanks!

Jerry Bodden

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Grand Dominion Car Show Mundelein, IL

Sunday, August 30, 2026

9am – 2pm

ANTIQUES, CLASSICS, MUSCLE, POST-1980'S AND CONCOURS CARS

Join us for one of the best car shows in the Northern Suburbs.

This is an annual charity event to support the Fremont Township Food Pantry.
Requested donation of \$10 to the Fremont Township Food Pantry at Check-In!

We will have awards for the following:

Best of Show

Best Engine

Best Paint

Best Interior

Best Classic Car over 25 years old

Best Modified Car

Best Custom Car

Best Import

Pre-Register here:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/DLRIwEn/2026CWTCReg>



Ladies Of The AACCA Illinois Region

Happy Car Show Season Ladies!

**With the car show and vacation season upon us, we
have decided to temporarily put the lady lunches on
hold until the fall season!**

**This will allow us plenty of time to enjoy
the nice weather and cars!**

Please join us for our next ladies lunch September 25th!

**I will be sending a flyer with more information and reminders
closer to the date.**

Hope to see you all there! Have a happy and safe summer!



DON'T MISS
**2026 - HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY US ROUTE
 66 - AN IN-PERSON SLIDE/LECTURE
 PROGRAM PRESENTED BY**

Barbara J. Barrett, MPA, CAE, an History Edutainment (Educational Entertainment) Speaker who makes automotive, architectural, manufacturing, music, and world history “come alive” in a fascinating and entertaining way. She has presented programs for C-SPAN American History TV, the Studebaker National Museum, the Gilmore Car Museum, community colleges, church groups, private clubs, public libraries, & senior living communities to name a few. She holds a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree from the University of Illinois and a Master in Public Administration (MPA) degree from Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL.

Program Description:

Happy 100th Birthday US Route 66 – Join Barbara J. Barrett and “Get Your Kicks on Route 66” as she celebrates the attractions and allure of the “Main Street of America” from its controversial birth in 1926 to its centennial this year, 2026. Beginning in Chicago, *the official start of “The Mother Road,”* you will discover how and why Route 66 was established while exploring the roadside culture & appeal of this open road. You’ll visit vintage motels such as the Blue Swallow in Tucumcari, NM and the Wigwam in Holbrook, AZ; gawk at odd roadside attractions like the Gemini Giant in Wilmington, IL, the Big Blue Whale of Catoosa, OK, and the Cadillac Ranch in Amarillo, TX; and savor classic American road food served at family owned restaurants like the White Fence Farm in Romeoville, IL, the Cozy Dog Drive-In in Springfield, IL, or the Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo, TX along the more than 2,400 miles of Route 66 before reaching the Santa Monica Pier – the terminus or “End of the Trail.”

May 9, 2026 Wilmington
 Pub Library
 Wilmington, IL 1:00 PM

May 13, 2026 Geneva
 Pub Lib Dist. Geneva, IL
 1:30 PM

June 18, 2026
 Crestwood Pub Lib Dist.
 Crestwood, IL 6:00 PM

July 8, 2026
 Downers Grove Pub Lib
 Downers Grove, IL 1:00 PM

July 18, 2026
 Bloomington Pub Lib
 Bloomington, IL 2:00 PM

August 12, 2026
 Green Hills Pub Lib
 Palos Hills, IL 2:00 PM

August 19, 2026
 Lincolnwood PL
 Lincolnwood, IL 6:30 PM

August 26, 2026
 Helen Plum PL
 Lombard, IL 1:00 PM

September 11, 2026
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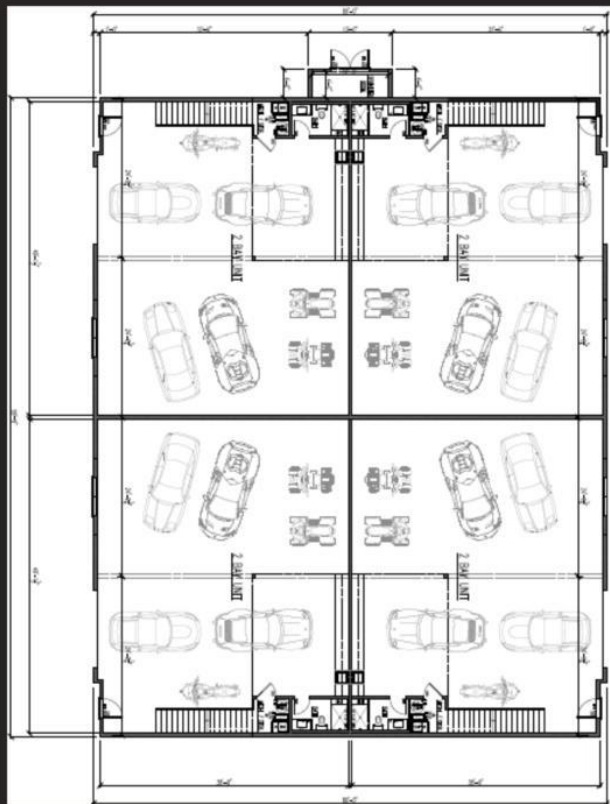
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Please contact: Tom Baumgartner 630-209-0287 twjbrunner@aol.com

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