



# SIDELIGHTS



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## SPRING TOUR WILL UNCOVER TRI-COUNTY TREASURES

Remember: Hotel information on the bottom of page 1.

One of the places we will be visiting will be The Gathering Place. This unique shop has antiques scattered throughout the shop along with items from the primitive /country decorating market—many of them lovingly made right here by hand in the USA and by local craftsmen and artisans!



Some of the wares at The Gathering Place.

Next door to The Gathering Place is the Front Porch Sweet Shoppe and Café, owned by the same ladies. They make perfect sweets and gourmet coffees, huge brownies, homemade fudge, made fresh daily with REAL butter and REAL cream, and in a rainbow of flavors.

The new addition to the Friday's tour is the private collection of Royce Baier, from Paxton IL. He has a large collection of Packard's

plus, Buick, Lincoln, Dodge, and Chevy cars in his collection. They are housed in four different buildings. Some of this collection is located at the State Street Mall in Paxton where lunch will be eaten.

Within this unique mall there is a flower shop and Simply Pat's Hat's where there are many beautiful hats on display that is for all occasions including the Kentucky Derby.



One of Pat's hats

From there it's back roads to The End of The Trail, an 1800's village made from recycled utility poles.

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## HOTEL DEADLINE FOR AACA RATE IS MAY 5

Hilton Garden Inn, 445 Riverstone Parkway in Kankakee, IL 60901. Call 815-932-4444 to make your reservation before May 5. Be sure to mention the Illinois Region AACA. Dates of the tour are May 19-22. Room price is \$109 with a full breakfast included each day.

# Upcoming EVENTS

**MAY 15 Des Plaines Valley Fly-In** Lewis University Airport, 1 George Michas Dr., Romeoville, IL 60439. 7 am—Noon/ \$8 Adults/ \$4 Children under 10. If you drive your antique car, the driver and one passenger eat for free. Airplane rides are \$40/person

**May 19—22 REGION Spring Tour** to Kankakee area. Hosted by Momence Chapter. For more information see page 1. Registration form on pages 10 & 11.

**May 29—Silver Springs Car Show and Swap Meet** at Sandwich Fairgrounds, 1401 Suydam Rd, Sandwich, IL 60548 / Souvenir plate given to first 300 show cars: FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE FLYER PAGE 9

**June 12— WA-NS Summer Tour to Arlington Race Track.** Meet at Denny's, Rt 60 and Rt 21 at Hawthorn Mall at 9:30 am. Cost is \$10.00 per person for admission and the reserved table. Due by June 1, 2016

**July 24—REGION CAR SHOW** at Cantigny, this year featuring cars of the 1940's and 1980's. CARS OF ALL YEARS ARE WELCOME. 8 am to 1 pm/ admission is \$10 Information on showing your car will follow.

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Chapter meetings are held the second Friday of the month September through May (excepting December ) at the Gorton Community Center 400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest, IL.

## NATIONAL NEWS

For more information on National events see [aaca.org](http://aaca.org)

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



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



June 2-4, 2016  
Annual Grand National -  
Susquehannock Region  
Williamsport, PA



June 12-17, 2016  
Sentimental Tour -  
Salisbury, NC  
Hosted by Hornet's Nest Region  
Shirley Carson  
9307-H Monroe Road  
Charlotte, NC 28270



In Memoriam:

### JOSEPH CANTORE

Long time member of the Illinois Region, Joseph Cantore, 85, died on April 5, 2016. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Angela, and his son, Joseph III.



Joe served his country in the 1st Marine Division during the Korean War and came home to continue and expand his father's business. He went on to become a general contractor.

He donated to many charities as he had a true passion for giving back and helping others in need.

Joe was a supporter of the Illinois Region Car Show, often bringing unusual and classic cars that gathered crowds. One of his proudest moments was when a car of his won at Pebble Beach,

Our condolences to his family.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

It is happening!  
Our babies are coming out of their winter sleep.

The first tour of the year was the recreation of a 105 tour from Chicago to Lake Geneva. It was an interesting and informative to see how times, roads, sites and cars have changed over the 100+ years since the original tour. (See page 5 of this issue of *Sidelights* for more details of the tour).

The next tour will be the Region Spring Tour on May 19-22 to the Kankakee area. Hosted by the Momence Chapter, we are looking forward to another wonderful tour. (See page 1 for more information).

Be sure to check the Calendar of Events and the National Calendar on page 2 for more upcoming tours, swap meets and car shows.

Enjoy the hobby. See your friends and make new friends. Let your auto do the entertaining because it has been waiting to give and to have a good time.

Good weather will come and go. Take part in as many activities as you can, so that, when winter arrives again, you won't be thinking "I should have enjoyed my car more."

*Bob*




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## EMISSION TESTING NOTICES BEING SENT OUT

According to an article in the Chicago Sun-Times, emission test notices are again being sent out by the Secretary of State office despite the state budget blockade. The EPA had stopped mailing notices in December, but the testing contractor, Applus Technologies, agreed to pay the cost of the mailings. Because of the delays, the Secretary of State agreed not to require emission testing to renew your license plate stickers until June 1. **Beware: they are still not mailing out license plate sticker renewals.**

## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK...



### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

This past weekend, Bob and I attended the Fox Valley/Waukegan-North Shore Dust Off Tour that recreated a 106 year old car tour. In conjunction with the Chicago Map Society, Chris Schurrer, the Region Archivist, made a tour following, as close as possible, the original one.

What struck me is that this closely resembled the SPRING TOURS that the early members of the Illinois Region ran. In the 50's and 60's the Spring Tour was called "the Spring Reliability Run."

These "runs" were only 2 days. The group gathered at about 10:30 or 11:00 am on Saturday morning, toured for 6+ hours and ended at the hotel. The next day they would gather about 10 am and tour till about 3 pm and then head home.

I think these "runs" were short because most of the members were young and still worked. They had families and budgets that needed to be considered.

I think these short tours were money savers. You only paid one night in a hotel instead of 3 and that is important as the hotel rooms have crossed the \$100 a night mark. You paid for 5 less meals than the current 3 day tours. You visited fewer attractions, so there were fewer fees to pay. There was also less gas used and less wear and tear on the cars.

For the tour makers, there were fewer stops needed, which had to make it easier for tour organizers to manage.

So, what's the point? Maybe it is time for the Region to consider making at least one of the Region tours a two day trip. It is getting harder to find people to work the tours and fewer people are attending.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? Let me know at [aacapat@aol.com](mailto:aacapat@aol.com).

## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY AND HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY

*Pat*



**TRI-COUNTY TREASURES** continued  
soft drinks, coffee or tea for \$14.00. After  
lunch we will visit Art Buhlman's large motorcycle  
collection .



Art Buhlman's collection is in a climate controlled  
dust free environment.

All in all, this should be a wonderful tour  
filled with friends and fun. Be sure to register  
soon.

*NOTE: there is a copy of the information about  
the tour and the registration form on pages 10 &  
11 .*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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1931 Ford 2 dr. coupe

1940 Ford 2 dr. sedan deluxe

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**AACA# 968880 J/ 93**

Cars: 1966 Plymouth Valiant convt.



## SWAP MEET STORY

The Illinois Region Swap Meet was moved  
from frigid January to Springtime April and the  
move certainly improved our weather. We had  
new date, new vendors and new faces.

Some time ago, Len Pal left the Region his



John Palka and Chris Schurrer get the Len Pal  
collection laid out for sale.

collection of car literature. The Region Archivist,  
Chris Schurrer, spent many months sorting and  
organizing this assortment.

Chris Schurrer  
manned the booth the  
whole day and  
brought in a  
nice profit for  
the Region.

Many  
of the vendors  
felt they did  
very well at



John O'Halloran sets up a table  
with his treasures.



Joanna Vroman manned the  
Membership table.

the sale and  
said they  
would be back  
again.

All in  
all, it was a  
good day for  
the Region.



# FOX VALLEY TALES

BY Dan Sobczyk



The past several months have been hectic for the Fox Valley Chapter.

It started with the Swap meet on April 3rd. I want to thank all the AACA members who helped in setup on Saturday and all the members who gave up their time on Sunday. Thank you all for helping make the swap meet a success. (Swap Meet story on page 5)



One of the vendor tables at the Don McCue Chevrolet Swap Meet

The following week was the Fox Valley Pizza Party. Everyone had a great time with plenty of food and fun.



Pizza party at Aurelio's was time for visiting. L to R: Ed Armatys, Joan Falk, Bev Armatys, Marge Swanson, Charles Falk and Art Swanson enjoy the fellowship.

Lastly, was the overnight trip to Lake Geneva on Saturday and Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. This was a multi-club event and it could not have been more successful.

We had members from Vintage Chevy Club of America (VCCA), Studebaker Club, Nash Club and a number of members from the MAPP Society along with AACA members. We had a total of 91 people on the tour and about 50 cars. What a turnout!

The weather was perfect for touring. Saturday, the tour started in Chicago. It made several stops along the way to pick up additional tourers. We drove to Fox Lake where we enjoyed a wonderful buffet.

Then it was on to Lake Geneva. We made it to the hotel in plenty of time to enjoy the outdoor patio and fire pit (and maybe a beer or two).

Later in the evening, the Mapp Society had a presentation that was very well attended and very informative.

The next day we had a bountiful break-



Laura & Jim McDonald meet with other members of the tour at Mariana's to start the tour at 16th & Clark in Chicago



Some of the cars on the tour parked outside Marvella's Restaurant, our lunch stop.

fast buffet that was enjoyed by all followed by a tour of the backroads of Wisconsin to the car museum in Roscoe and onto the Baha'i Temple in Wilmette.

Special thanks go out to Chris Schurrer for the fine job he did in planning the route and coordinating with the MAPP Society to make it a great weekend. Also, he ordered the perfect weather. What a guy!!!

Not only did everyone have a wonderful time, we also had a number of requests for membership information to join the AACA. What could be better?

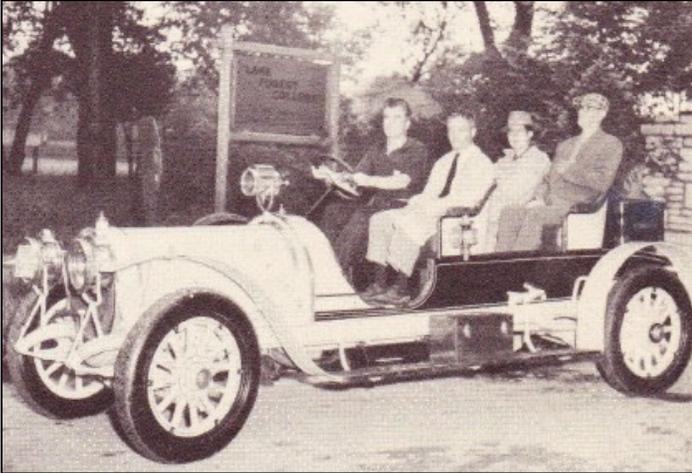
If you know of an event that might be of interest to AACA members, please let me know at [dan-sobczyk@yahoo.com](mailto:dan-sobczyk@yahoo.com) and I'll put it in the Fox Valley section of the newsletter.

# Our History

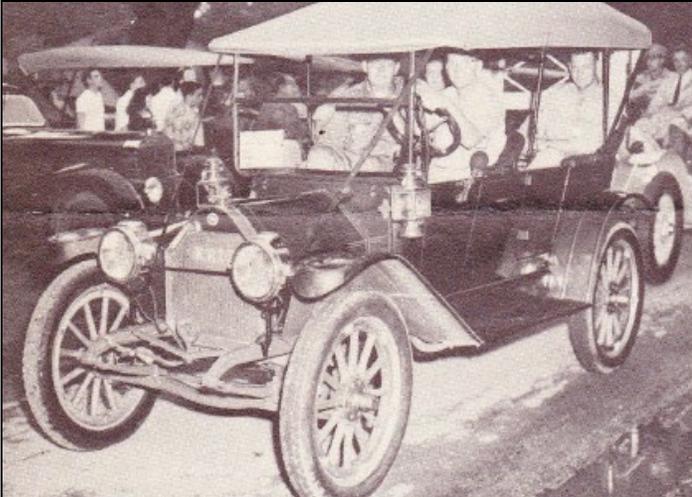


## From June 1950 Sidelights

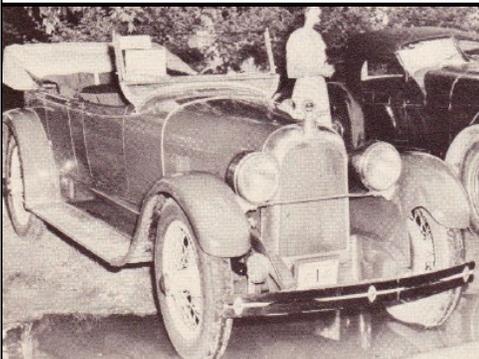
PICTURES FROM 2ND ANNUAL ILLINOIS REGION CAR SHOW



Fred Wacker Jr., Bud Seaverns, Hixon Glore and Dave Garroway in 1907 Delaunay-Belleville.



Cliff Beauchamp and Gang get out of the rain in his 1912 Krit.



Barr-Perusse's 1922 Amphibian Due-senberg sporting antique automobile license #1



Jack Dorman's 1909 Hupmobile and Gerhard Habben's 1908 Richmond.

From the Kitchen of . . .

## SHIRLEY BURGHARDT

*Editor's Note: I found this in "Things You Auto Know" newsletter from the Saginaw Valley Region; January 2016. Thanks to them for sharing.*

### Ice Cream Mudslide Cake

1 box Betty Crocker "Super Moist" chocolate fudge cake mix.

1/2 cup butter, softened

1 egg

2 TBS. milk

2 TBS. coffee flavored liqueur or strong coffee.

4 cups vanilla ice cream

1 container Betty Crocker Whipped Chocolate Frosting.

2 TBS. coffee liqueur added to frosting, if desired.

1. Heat oven to 350°, grease or spray bottom only of 13 x 9 inch pan. In large bowl, beat cake mix, egg, and milk with spoon or mixer on low speed until well blended. Spread batter in pan.
2. Bake 16 to 18 minutes or until center is set. Top may appear dry and cracked. Cool completely, at least 1 hour.
3. Brush 2 TBS. liqueur over cake. Let ice cream stand about 15 minutes at room temperature to soften. Spread ice cream over cake. Freeze about 3 hours or until firm.
4. In medium bowl, mix frosting and 2 TBS of the liqueur, spread over the ice cream. Freeze at least 1 hour. Store covered in freezer.



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## June Board Meeting

Hosted by the Waukegan/North Shore Chapter

The meeting will be held at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Dr., Grayslake, IL 60030, on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the lower level meeting room. Lunch to follow.

Please RSVP to Harold Flood, 847-223-4186 / [car4464@aol.com](mailto:car4464@aol.com) or Bob Grutza [bob.grutza@yahoo.com](mailto:bob.grutza@yahoo.com).



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## PICTURE GOOF

In the April issue of Sidelights, I misidentified one of the pictures on Page 6 as Nancy & Don Schrieber. I hope I am correct in now identifying this lovely couple as Dale & Cheryl Mueller.

Sorry for the mistake.

# oops!



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# AUTO SHOW

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**Al Matison: 815-414-1239 or Rick Shaw 815-786-7253**

Illinois Region Spring Tour  
 May 19-22, 2016  
 Kankakee, IL 60901



**The Momence Chapter invites you to tour our tri-county "treasures"!**

Our headquarters will be at the Hilton Garden Inn at 455 Riverstone Parkway, Kankakee, IL. It is just off of I57 at exit 308. The cost is \$109.00 plus tax which includes a full upgraded breakfast for our club members. Rooms have coffee makers, refrigerators and microwaves. These rooms will be held until May 5<sup>th</sup>. There is plenty of room for trailers. We will have the Garden Room, which is on the first floor, all three nights for our hospitality room. More details of the hotel will be in the Sidelights.

**You will need to make your own reservation by calling 815-932-4444 by May 5<sup>th</sup>, and tell them you are with the Illinois Region Antique Car Club.**

Friday we're off to The Gathering Shop in Gilman, IL., a neat shop. (Something for the ladies!) Lunch will be in Watseka at Miss Karol's, on your own. From there it's back roads to The End of The Trail, an 1800's village made from recycled utility poles.

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Saturday night's banquet will be served in the Garden Room at the Hilton Garden Inn. Attitude adjustment is 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar, dinner at 6:30.

Choices for dinner are Pork Tenderloin, marinated and grilled with caramelized apples and brandy sauce. Chicken Vesuvio, an 8 oz chicken breast lightly breaded and sautéed with garlic wine sauce.

Both entrees come with a house salad, green beans almandine, twice baked potato, warm rolls, butter, coffee, iced tea, water and peppermint ice cream. Dinners are \$35.00 each.

For more information contact Ernie or Pat Hart at 815-472-6207



Please make your check payable to Momence Chapter A.A.C.A.  
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 by May 5.



## Tour Registration Form

### Spring Tour - May 19-22, 2016

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Antique Car, Make \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company and policy # \_\_\_\_\_

Registration: \$30.00 per car (driver & 1 passenger) # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Additional passenger \$15.00 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Friday**

End of The Trail # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 2.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Saturday**

Lunch at Minne Monesse # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 14.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet  
Pork Tenderloin # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 35.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Vesuvio # \_\_\_\_\_ @ 35.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total \_\_\_\_\_



Please make your check payable to **Momence Chapter A.A.C.A.**

Mail to: Shirley Salm 1447 Westminster Lane, Bourbonnais, IL 60914 by **May 5.**