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## Fall Tour Explores Peru

By Andy Voss

A group of adventurous classic car enthusiasts from the Illinois Region of the AACA descended on the La Quinta Hotel in Peru, Illinois on Thursday, October 18, 2018 to begin our fall tour. This area of Illinois is known primarily for its proximity to several beautiful state parks, including the popular Starved Rock State Park.

The first day of touring began with a drive to Norway, Illinois which is home to the oldest Norwegian settlement in the state including a



This is an example of a "typical" Norwegian diing room from this period. Notice the time and craftsmanship expended on the cabinets, bench and chairs. Each was hand carved. Beautiful.

General Store dating from 1848 and the Norsk Museum which features Norwegian heritage. The museum is housed in the oldest Norwegian Lutheran Church in North America.

Rosemaling in Norway originated in the low-land areas of eastern Norway. It came into existence around 1750, when the Baroque and Rococo, artistic styles of the upper class, were introduced into Norway's rural culture. Norwegian immigrants brought the art of Rosemaling to the U.S. since many of the immigrants came from parts of Norway where it was well established. They often carried their belongings in beautifully painted trunks.



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## NEXT BOARD MEETING

November 10 at 11am

At Crest Hill Library

20670 Len Kubinski Dr.

Crest Hill, IL /815-552-4270



# Upcoming EVENTS

**November 4** - BRIGHTON RUN hosted by the **Waukegan-North Shore Chapter**. More info and registration on page 11.

**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

**February 6, 2019**—Fox Valley Christmas party



## FOX VALLEY CHRISTMAS PARTY update

Please note that the Fox Valley Christmas party will be on February 2 and not on Jan 26. Everything else is the same, only the date changed. They had a booking on the Jan 26 date.

Bohemian Crystal  
639 Blackhawk Dr.  
Westmont, IL 60559



## NATIONAL NEWS

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

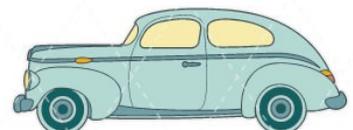
[aacasouthflorida.club](http://aacasouthflorida.club)

**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](http://2019aacawintermeet.org)



# THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



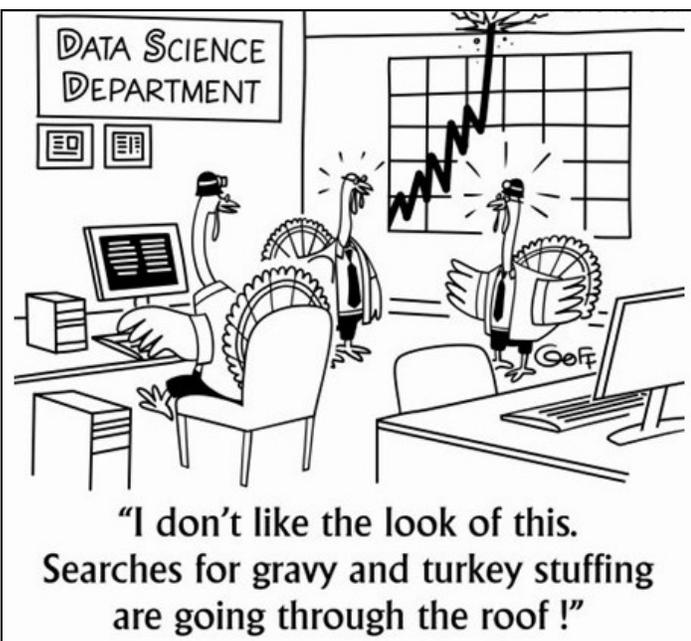
Another successful Fall Tour is in the books. Thank you to all who attended and thanks to the Silver Springs Chapter on hosting a tour with wonderful roads and interesting stops. It was great to see people from all corners of our Region together on the tour.

The chill is certainly in the air as we certainly haven't eased into fall, and many of our cars (as well as us somewhat) will go into hibernation. Do not forget there is still one tour to go, Waukegan - North Shore's annual Brighton Run. The unofficial closer to the touring season will be held on the first Sunday in November, the 4th. Remember the clocks change at 2am the morning of the show so make sure to plan ahead.

It is also that time where we look for people to put their hat into the ring and become a candidate for the Region Board. As a board member, you will help guide the plans of the Region for the future. We are always looking for insight, new ideas, and thoughts. Please consider becoming a candidate today and talk to your chapter president or me for further information.

See you further down the road.

**Chris**



# Monthly Recipe



## NO-BAKE CHOCOLATE CANDY COOKIES



- 1 (16 oz.) can of chocolate frosting
- 4 Tbs. butter, room temperature
- 2 1/2 c. graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla
- 48 candy kiss pieces

1. Beat frosting and butter together with a hand mixer until very well blended. Stir in graham cracker crumbs and vanilla extract.
2. Shape mixture into about 48 balls.
3. Roll each ball in additional graham cracker crumbs to coat.
4. Place balls on a cookie sheet and place 1 piece of candy into the center of the center of each ball.
5. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

With this recipe you can use any frosting; you can use coconut instead of graham cracker crumbs; or you can roll them in chopped almonds, coconut or sprinkles.

On top of the balls, instead of candy kisses you can use M&M's or any type of candy.

The different ways to make this cookie are endless. Buy what you love and enjoy!



## FALL TOUR continued

We then drove along the Illinois waterway to Ottawa, Illinois where we enjoyed a nice lunch at the Red Dog Grill at the Heritage Harbor marina.

After that, it was on to the Starved Rock Lock and Dam where we learned about lock history and operations

from a representative of the Army Corp of Engineers.

The Starved Rock Lock and Dam

was constructed between 1926 and 1933 as an element of the Illinois Waterway. The Waterway was a project designed to provide a navigable channel from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico via the Mississippi River. The contract for construction of the lock and dam was originally awarded in 1923 but fell through when the contractor failed to show up for the contract signing. Following a period of time during which

land litigation issues were cleared, a second contract was awarded in 1926. The lock and dam was about 95 percent

complete when the state of Illinois fell upon financial difficulty and the project was turned over to the federal government for completion. The federal government oversaw completion of Starved Rock Lock and Dam in 1933. Construction of the facility cost the state \$3,577,419 and the federal government paid \$885,318.



We were fortunate to observe a grouping of barges make their way through the locks.

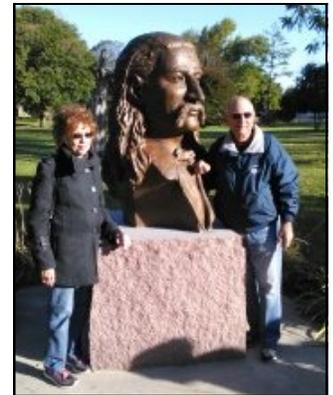
The touring ended at the historic section of Utica..

On Saturday we made a quick stop at the birthplace of Wild Bill Hickok before driving to see a collection of Model T's at the residence of John Krug surrounded by corn fields.

John is building a small village that houses his cars, shops, and collection of parts and tools. John's collection was terrific, but the surprise of the day was the little village John is building.

Several of us came away with purchases from a small store on the premises operated by his wife Diana who makes and sells craft items. She had it decorated with Christmas crafts that were both beautiful and remarkable cheap. The perfect combination. The ladies had a lot of fun at this stop. Many started their Christmas shopping.

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Myrna and Steve Kolish buddy up with Bill.



Jane Voss and another visitor brave the wind and chill to enjoy the Model T's and the little town.

We went to lunch at Seneca's Deer Park Golf Club. When we arrived the weather was beautiful except for a 40 mph wind that whipped across the parking lot. See the flag on the pole standing straight out from the wind; you could see the pole waving back and forth.



After lunch, we drove through Starved Rock State Park on our way through La Salle to the Beard Brothers' Restoration Shop in Peru to see some of their work with classic cars.



One of the beautiful restorations at the Beard Brothers Restoration shop.

The day ended with an excellent banquet dinner at the historic Maples Supper Club in Peru. Everyone went home with full tummies and full left over containers.

It was a terrific tour, informative and entertaining with lovely routes and even lovelier friends.



## HERSHEY 2018

By Dan Sobczyk

Again, it was a great time in Hershey. The weather this year was less than agreeable. In the 50's and overcast but the weather didn't dampen our spirits.

A number of Illinois Region members were in attendance - Ed and Bev Armatys, Al Matison, Rick Shaw, Lee and Nancy Nelson, Tom and Jean Roche, Reuben Taylor, Dan & Darlene Sobczyk among others.

Judging day had about 1300 cars registered for the show. And, as usual, there were a number of very unique and interesting vehicles in the show. Although a number of vehicles didn't show due to the rain that came overnight, a special treat was a visit from Jay Leno, who helped to brighten up the day.

SIGHTS FROM HERSHEY. . .



# PRE-WAR FALL FOLIAGE TOUR

By Chris Schurrer

On October 14th the Waukegan North Shore Chapter met in downtown Grayslake for our Pre - War Tour. Like last year, it was open to all vehicles, with a request for pre war car to attend. About half the vehicles which attended were from the Pre - War era.



A group shot of the cars on the tour and . . .

After having breakfast at a place with blackboards filled with menu options, we traveled through the older neighborhoods of Grayslake looking at the well maintained homes. From there



... and of the people!

it was up to Bonner Farm, a historical park of the local farm. The land had been used for a subdivision, but the original buildings remain preserved in the park.

A short time strolling around the buildings and we were off traveling through some great roads in Northern Lake County and Southern Kenosha County to our stop at the Lakes Region Historical Society, in the original Antioch schoolhouse. Many treasures could be found inside. Not

just numerous signage from Antioch businesses of old, but history of the ice making industry on the nearby lakes, a room returned to an era appropriate classroom, and much, much more. From there it was a short distance to our lunch stop in Downtown Antioch.

It was a great day for a cruise, and tour as Dan Helgren found some great roads to compliment the day. Thank you for a great tour!



A trio of Fords on the tour route, as seen from a 1941 Dodge.



## OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

**NANCY & LEE NELSON** on the death of her mother, Janet Neal, 98 years old.



Janet died on July 28, 2018. I met Janet at several of the Des Plaines Valley Fly Ins and I thought she was a sweet and funny lady. She and I had much to talk about since we both crocheted for charity (she made premie hats and blankets for post surgery patients) and we both loved doing 1000 piece jigsaw puzzles. We became "puzzle buddies" swapping out puzzle we had done for new ones.

We was a former director of the Will County Senior Services and even after retirement continued to do for others. I was saddened by her passing. She will be missed.

By Pat Markert

## Car For Sale

1939 Lincoln Zephyr 4 Door Sedan, HPOF certificate, original Green paint, original Custom green wool broadcloth upholstery / headliner, original V12 drive train / overdrive, many options; \$35,900. Contact by email [kelly10@ameritech.n](mailto:kelly10@ameritech.n) Kelly McClain



## Car For Sale

I am selling Preston Helgren's car collection. Please contact Dan Helgren at 847-533-0349 or [danhelegan@aol.com](mailto:danhelegan@aol.com) for more information or additional pictures.

### 1933 Chevrolet Master Eagle 2 Door Coach.

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# Waukegan~NorthShore Chapter AACA



## Presents our 58<sup>th</sup> annual Run to Brighton Sunday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Tired of sitting around car shows? Try something different....



Join us as we travel interesting back roads thru Northern IL and Southern WI to Brighton, WI on our own **Run To Brighton Classic Car Tour** representing the Classic Brighton England car tour in its 122<sup>th</sup> year, that was first run on Nov. 1896 as a celebration of the recently passed increase of speed limit and elimination of the flag walker ahead of the vehicle.

Meet at 9:00am @  
**Pannera Bread**

South East Corner of Rt. 176 & 43  
Lake Bluff, IL  
**Departing at 10:00 am Sharp**

Lunch is on your own  
Suggested:  
Delicious turkey dinner  
with all the trimmings and desert  
\$12 per person, pay at the door  
at St. Xavier Church Hwy X  
Brighton, WI

Cost per car for Members of AACA..... \$10.00  
Cost per car for Guests..... \$15.00  
Dash Plaques to the first 200 registered vehicle

**Please RSVP with check per car and registration form by Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Harold Flood.....847-223-4186, [car4464@aol.com](mailto:car4464@aol.com)  
33402 Lone Rock Road,  
WILDWOOD, IL 60030**

### REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose check for registration per car and send to:

**\$10 per car Member\_\_\_\_\_ Harold Flood  
33402 Lone Rock Rd. \$15 per car Guest\_\_\_\_\_  
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