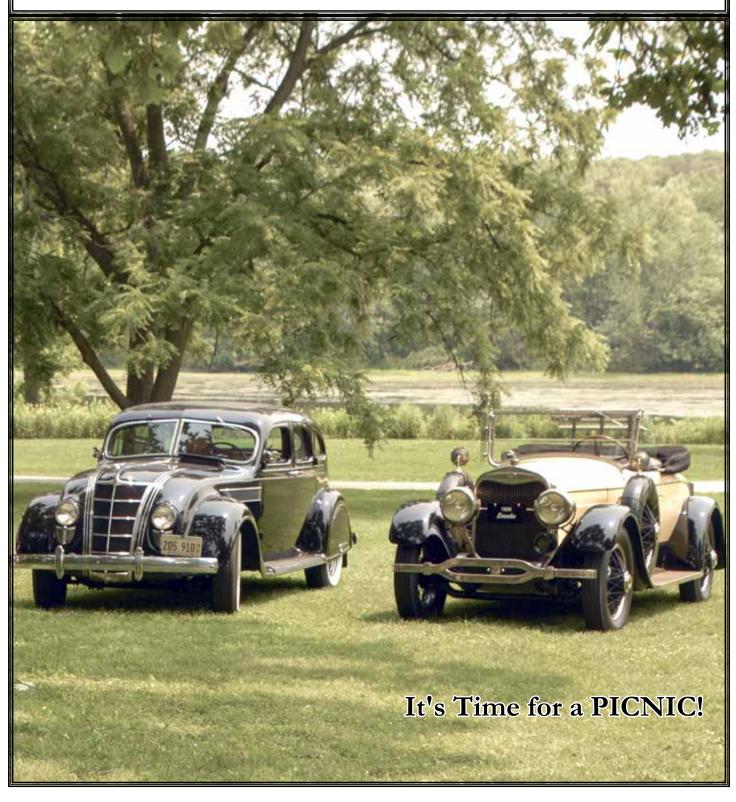
UP TO SPEED

June 2024

Greater Illinois Region/CCCA
http://GIRCCCA.org

"Let's go for a ride" M. Blevins, editor



Message from the Regional Director

Hello fellow car club member!

Well by the time you get this you'll notice that our car driving season is nearing the halfway mark. Yes it's true that time flies when you're having fun, but let's make sure that we're having fun.



Your GIRCCCA club has

provided four events already this year. We have our annual picnic coming up soon - on July 14. (Details can be found elsewhere in this UTS)! I can think of no better way to enjoy a beautiful summer day than taking your pride and joy out for a midmorning drive and meeting up with other car afflicted hobbyists like yourself. Isn't it time you shared a story about some of your experiences behind the wheel, perhaps it was a near miss, a once in lifetime moment or perhaps it was a stroke of luck that provided you the opportunity to spin another tale.

I personally look forward to our annual get together because I know two things for certain. I will always have a good time learning something new from an old or new friend. And secondly, I won't know when I'll get another chance to do the same.

Here's to soaking up all the opportunities and making the best of every moment we have together! The summer is short. Let's not waste it with shoulda and coulda regrets. Chances are you will be adding to your long list of cherished car memories if you attend one more event!

Hope to see you at the next one!

CORDially, **Russ**



GIR/CCCA 2024 Events

July 14 - GIR/POC Annual Picnic - 11 am - 4 pm Hidden Lake Forest Preserver, Downers Grove, IL

August 25 - Annual Geneva, IL Concours 10 am - 4 pm

Sept 26 - 28 CCCA Ohio Region Grand Classic & Tour Dayton, OH

Sunday, November 10 - GIRCCCA Annual Dinner at the Klairmont Kollection, Chicago

Other Events of Note

Iola Car Show – Iola, WI – July 11-13

Copshaholm Concours - South Bend, IN - July 13

AACA IL Region Car Show - Carpentersville, IL - July 21

Pebble Beach Concours - August 18

ACD Fest - August 31

Greenfield Village Annual Car Fest - September 8 Cadillac Fall Fest at Gilmore Museum - September 22 Hershey Region Fall Meet – Hershey, PA. – October 8 – 11 Hilton Head Concours - November 3

For a comprehensive listing go to: https://carcollectorsclub.com/concours-delegance-calendar/

On our cover: A pair of classics from our 2023 picnic. 1935 Chrysler Airflow and 1926 Lincoln convertible

Thank you to those who brought their cars out to Wyndemere on May 14th! Alan Blum and his 1936 Bentley Derby saloon, Bud Schweppe with his Lexus 2 seater convertible, Dennis Sobieski with his 1963 Bonneville with four-speed and tri-power; John McNabola and Connor Harrington with John's 1962 Cadillac series 62 convertible, George Hansen and his 1957 Thunderbird, and Butch Rosland who brought out a late model Corvette.

You brought smiles to a lot of faces.

Let's Welcome Our Newest Members
Howard Robinson,
David Mills,
Ty Hodgson,
Christian Dannhausch-Brun

Editor's Corner



I don't know about you, but I've had enough of the Cicada. I'm sure glad they don't come out every year. Because my property backs up to woodlands, the noise was deafening at times and I'm tired of ducking them every time I take the dogs out or do some gardening. Thankfully there have been fewer and fewer of them over the past few days, and I'm pretty sure they'll be completely gone by month's end. Now we can all wait and wonder what the next plague will be.

I went to Prague in May, and one of my stops was the National Technical Museum, where there were some grand old cars! I'll tell you all about it in a future issue of The Dashboard. In September, I'll be heading to Seattle with a planned stop at the LeMay Automotive Museum. You can count on a review of that visit too at some point!

I just have to add that Prague is a beautiful, beautiful city, full of museums, and monuments, and churches, and people, and food! Although I did ride the tram, (the streetcar) occasionally, I did most of my sightseeing on foot. At least it was one way to work off that food.

It's midsummer, and we have a number of car events in the rear view mirror, with a good lot of them still up the road to look forward to. I'm hoping to see you at some of them!



~ Maureen

I have to admit I did a double take the first time I spotted this out on the river. It's a paddle boat! One can rent them and peddle up and down the Vltava River, which runs through Prague. Some were just boats, but some were fashioned like cars - and swans. FYI - I stayed out of the water.

We extend our sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to Gary Gerstner and his entire family on the passing of his brother, Lenny, who passed away on June 3rd.

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Sunday, July 14 - GIR/POC Annual Picnic 11 am - 4 pm

Hidden Lake Forest Preserve, Downers Grove, IL

Please NOTE the change of venue for this year

The main entrance is on the west side of Route 53 0.25 mile south of Butterfield Road.



As always, this is a FREE event! Hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks and water will be provided.

Your only cost is a dish to pass.

However, we do need a head count to know how much to order.



PLEASE RSVP by July 10 russ@girccca.org

or

630-767-9000

Suggested items to bring: If your last name begins with

A - I Side Dish

J - N Appetizer

O-S Dessert

T - Z Salad

Have a specialty dish? Share it with us!



NOTE: If you are a member of BOTH Clubs do NOT register twice. RSVP to either club, but please be sure to register only once! See you there!

Wyndemere

What seems to be turning into an annual event, is the car show the club puts on for the residents of the Wyndemere Senior Living Community in Wheaton. May 14 was the 3rd year that generous members have brought their cars out for the enjoyment of the residents.

Coordinated by Bud Schweppe and Russ Rodriguez, GIR brings out a few cars to show and are treated to smiles, stories, and the good feeling of making someone's day. Oh yeah, they also get snacks and a nice lunch for their efforts. Good will was flowing in both directions that day!



Dennis Sobieski, Bud Schweppe, George Hansen



Everyone was happy to be outside enjoying a nice, sunny day





Heather Norton, Bud Schweppe



Dennis Sobieski's Bonneville



George Hansen's 1957 Thunderbird



John McNabola, Connor Harrington, and Sunshine

Wyndemere continued









Some are old, some are new - all were enjoyed!

For Sale

1930 Packard Model 740 Custom Eight Seven Passenger Touring Sedan.



The car is in excellent condition, having been tuned-up recently and tested for road-worthiness. Chicago Parts & Supply completed a 2022 refurbishment of the Packard. The color is dove gray and black with a red pinstripe.

The car has won many coveted awards, including the Carl Benz Award at the Geneva Concours d'Elegance (2008) and Award of Distinction at the Barrington Concours d'Elegance (2012).

Asking price is \$70,000. All serious offers will be considered.

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Outbuilding #1, built in 2000, is 7,100 SF that combines a workshop, parts storage, office with kitchenette and full bath, and showroom. This custom designed building has clerestory windows for natural light and a bonus of covered exterior storage.

Outbuilding #2, built in 2005, encompasses 15,000 SF. Built into the hillside with two levels of showrooms, 1½ baths, large office with boardroom, laundry, and kitchenette.

The 7,800 SF estate home features 7 bedrooms, 4½ baths, and 3-car garage. The home boasts incredible views from every room, features gleaming hardwood floors, fresh paint, new carpeting, 2-story stone fireplace, updated white kitchen with high-end appliances, remodeled bathrooms, 3 season porch,



and 1st floor primary bedroom suite. Accessible via a heated glass walkway is the pool house with salt-water pool, hot tub, kitchen/bar, and full bath/locker room.



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Only certain models of some vehicles built during 1915 through 1948 are recognized as CCCA Classics: Be sure to check the list of recognized cars to see if all models of a particular marque are accepted as Full Classic cars. Application may be made for Full Classic consideration by applying to the National CCCA Classification committee.

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