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The Touring
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Announcements

Dear fellow VMCCA member,

As you well know, any organization like the VMCCA depends upon the generous contributions of its members. I would like to encourage you to seriously consider being a nominee for one of the VMCCA national officer positions for 2026. While all positions , except the Secretary, will be on the up-coming ballot, the club is especially in need of an Executive Vice President, an Activities Vice President and a Technical Vice President

You can read the description of duties at <https://vmcca.org/resources/VMCCA-Officers-Handbook.pdf>.

Are you interested in serving in any of these positions? If so, please reply stating which position you may be interested in and Carl Worstell will contact you with the next steps in the nomination/election process.

Please reply to carleworstell@aol.com ASAP but before June 1, 2025.

Thanx for Thinking About It,

Carl Worstell, Chairperson, VMCCA Nominating Committee

THE VMCCA FOUNDATION NEEDS YOU!

The VMCCA Foundation was established to provide scholarships for member's children and grandchildren. In order to award these scholarships, we need your help. In four years, we have awarded (83) \$1,500 scholarships. Thanks to the generosity of members, chapters, regions and tours, the Foundation has raised \$124,500. This has benefited students from all areas of the United States.



Is it time to sell a car?

This would be a great way to contribute by sharing part of the proceeds. There comes a time when we all need to "thin the herd."

Any questions can be answered by visiting the VMCCA Foundation website. Please mail your donations to

**VMCCA Foundation
P. O. Box 161
Hempstead, TX 77445**



Learn more about the VMCCA Foundation at www.vmccafoundation.com

**Visit the VMCCA Foundation website
HERE**

Bill Preston Memorial Award

It was a great honor for me to be able to present the 2024 Bill Preston Award to Pam Preston while enjoying



lunch at Marina Jacks in Sarasota Florida on March 11th.

Bill, was a well-known member of VMCCA and hosted many VMCCA Tours, most notably the 2021 75th Annual Revival AAA Glidden Tour held in Saratoga Springs NY.

I did not know Bill for very long but note he brought with him a ready smile, a great sense of humor, and a positive attitude. His contributions to our club were many and he is missed by all that knew him and had the pleasure to tour with him and Pam.

THE BILL PRESTON MEMORIAL AWARD is given annually to an outstanding National Tour Director as voted upon by the National Board. The award sponsors are Jim and Ginger Cohen.

2025 VMCCA National Awards

1. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED CHRYSLER PRODUCT AWARD

Best Chrysler Product 25 years or older.
Sponsor: Toledo chapter, Great Lakes Region

2. BUCK SHAVER AWARD FOR THE BEST OWNER RESTORED TRUCK

Sponsor: Pikes Peak Chapter, Mtns. and Plains Region

3. BEST PRESERVED ORIGINAL CAR AT LEAST 60 YEARS

Original running gear, body, paint, upholstery and top are required. Minor repairs and touchup are allowed. Cars with the least score higher. Required mechanical and structural repairs plus tire replacement to permit safe driving on touring events accepted.
Sponsors: Jim and Marilyn Talbot in memory of Past President Dorothy Houdek

4. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED ORPHAN MAKE AWARD

For restored cars of parent corporations no longer in the automobile business or those "abandoned" cars that are no longer being made by a manufacturer (such as Plymouth, Oldsmobile) produced from 1934 to 1964. Car must have been driven on a regional or national tour in the previous two years. Sponsor: Fredericksburg Chapter, Texoma Region

5. FOUNDER'S TROPHY

Best pre-1928 car driven the longest distance to a National Tour Sponsor: Kentucky Region

6. THE JIM SPENCER MEMORIAL TROPHY

Best Antique Car, 1960 through 25 years old.
Sponsor: Bob and Sally Murray

7. LARRY AMES MEMORIAL AWARD

Best owner restored car 1913 through 1937.
Sponsor: The Ames Family in memory of Larry Ames

8. THE NIFTY FIFTIES AWARD

Best Restored Chevrolet 1950 through 1959.
Sponsor: B.D. Berryhill in memory of Catherine Berryhill

9. PIKES PEAK CHAPTER MEMORIAL AWARD

Best restored foreign car, 25 years old or older.
Sponsor: Pikes Peak Chapter, Mountains and Plains Region

10. RALPH BUCKLEY AWARDS

Best professionally restored car through 1913.
Sponsor: New York Region

11. SOUTHWEST REGION AWARD

Best VMCCA recognized car driven on a regular basis.
Sponsor: Southwest Region

12. BEST MUSCLE CAR AWARD

Best 1964 through 1974 muscle car with an engine of 300 H.P. or greater. Sponsor: Southwest Florida Region

13. FORREST G. DOWNING MEMORIAL TROPHY

Best owner restored car built between 1920 to 1929 (excluding the Model A Ford). Car must have been driven on a VMCCA Regional or National Tour during the year.
Sponsors: Shirley Downing Doherty and Barbara Downing Fox

14. THE MIKE DERBIDGE MEMORIAL AWARD

This award acknowledges the long trip that some members make to create a running vehicle from nothing. The owner of the vehicle is to be the primary restorer. Documentation via photos and/or written story will be used in judging.
Sponsor: Eastern Idaho Chapter, Bonneville Region

15. BEST OWNER RESTORED OR MAINTAINED STATION WAGON ON A REGIONAL OR NATIONAL TOUR

Driven on a Regional or National Tour this year.
Sponsor: Northern Colo. Chapter, Mt. and Plains Region

16. BEST 40'S BUICK

Best 1940 to 1949 Buick on a Regional or National Tour.
Sponsor: Michael Stemen in memory of Karen Lynn Stemen

17. THE BOB ERAUSQUIN AWARD

Best Packard on a Tour.
Sponsor: Great Lakes Region

18. CARL DAWES MEMORIAL AWARD

Member (excluding members of the Board of Governors) doing the most for the club.
Sponsor: Great Lakes Region

19. OUTSTANDING REGIONAL DIRECTOR AWARD

Regional Director who did the most for the VMCCA and his/her Region during the year.
Sponsor: Mountains and Plains Region

20. PAST PRESIDENT'S MEMORIAL TROPHY

Person or Couple who best symbolize(s) the spirit of the VMCCA while on a Regional or National Tour.
Sponsor: The Werckle Family in Memory of Dr. Mike Werckle

21. YOUNG ENTHUSIAST AWARD

Youngest owner/driver to participate in a VMCCA Regional or National Tour
Sponsors: Mike and Joan Huffman

22. MASTER MECHANIX EXTRAORDINAIRE

Plays a starring role in the repair team that accompanies all regional and national tours. This person makes sense of it all and makes them run again-or not. These starring roles are typically demonstrated in two or more tours. Pictures are demonstrating these heroic acts are encouraged.
Sponsor: Judith Derbidge

23. THE BILL PRESTON MEMORIAL AWARD

For outstanding National Tour Director as voted upon by the National Board.
Sponsors: Jim and Ginger Cohen

PRESIDENT'S AWARD: Outstanding contributions to the VMCCA as selected by the President. Sponsor: Board

[Look Here for a PRINTABLE copy](#)

VMCCA 2025 Calendar of Events

Registration Forms for 2025 tours will be posted on the VMCCA website, in the Bulb Horn Magazine, and in The Touring Chronicle as they become available. Please check frequently!

The following is a list of tours available on a National level:

(Volunteers to plan and host these tour are always needed.)

- Annual Membership & 1st Qtr Meet (Feb or Mar)
- Chrome Glidden Tour (Mar thru Oct)
- 1 & 2 Cylinder Tour (Jun thru Aug)
- Eastern Nickel Tour (May, Jun or early Sep)
- Western Nickel Tour (May, Jun or early Sep)
- Heritage Tour (May thru Oct)
- Western National Tour (May thru Sep)
- Muscle/Convertible/Orphan (any time)
- Revival AAA Glidden Tour (rotate VMCCA – AACA – Sep)

***** 2025 Tours *****

June 8-12, 2025, Lewis & Clark Regional Hub Tour, Three Forks, Montana.

Co- directors Jim & Judy Johnson 605-390-4410

June 22-27, 2025, VMCCA Orphan Car Progressive Tour, starts in Ypsilanti, MI, John Zimmerman, Tour Director, jzimmerman1666@gmail.com, 419-350-3666

August 4 - 7 2025, Grand Indiana Auto Tour, Centered around Horse Cave, Kentucky.

Host: Roger & Cherryl Goodman 270-473-0722

The host hotel is the Holiday Inn Express Horse Cave, KY (accepting reservations starting 1/1/2025) Hotel phone: 270-786-5000

August 24-28, 2025, Definance Chapter's Farm Boys Tour, French Lick, Indiana, Kelly Copeland 419-306-1727

September 7-12, 2025, Revival AAA Glidden Tour,

Owensboro, KY, Jeff Stumb, Tour Director,
mistergreatrace@gmail.com, 423-385-4414

October 31 - November 4, 2025, VMCCA
Foundation Tour, Navasota, Texas, Information
contact B.D. Berryhill bdberryhill@procominc.net
phone 432-889-5722
Registrar: Pat Crandall jamieandpat@gmail.com

2025 Events and Tour Fliers

Lewis and Clark Regional Hub Tour Three Forks, Montana

June 8-12, 2025



Gateway of the Mountains



Lewis and Clark at Three Forks



Helena



Sacajawea Hotel



Montana Historic Prison

Tour Summary:

- Day 1: Arrive at Host Hotel Sacajawea, Welcome Dinner, Lewis & Clark Speaker
- Day 2: (175 miles) Gates of the Mountains, Canyon Boat Ride
- Day 3: (185 miles) Montana Historic Prison, Montana Auto Museum
- Day 4: (150 miles) State Capitol with Lewis and Clark Mural, Train Trolley Tour Historic Helena, Meriwether Lewis Masonic Apron
- Day 5: (80 miles) Renown Museum of the Rockies Regional History & Paleontology, Headwaters State Park, Talc Manufacturing, Closing Banquet, and Rod Frazier Sing-a-long



Missouri River Headwaters

See Registration Form on next page.

Look **HERE** for printable Flier]



Lewis & Clark Hub Tour

Three Forks, Montana
June 8-12, 2025



Driver must be current VMCCA member. This Regional tour will be limited to 40 vehicles. Register by May 1, 2025.
Trailer parking available in Three Forks beside Sacajawea Hotel whose 36 rooms are reserved for VMCCA.

SACAJAWEA HOTEL, 5 N Main St, Three Forks, MT 406-285-6515. RESERVE BY APRIL 23, 2025
VMCCA HAS BOOKED THE ENTIRE BOUTIQUE HOTEL. ADD ABOUT 9% TAX. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST INCLUDED. NOTICE 6 DIFFERENT ROOM TYPES:

Shoshone (Quaint) \$183 Sacajawea (Moderate)\$199 Lewis & Clark (Double) \$215
John Colter (Spacious) \$232 Charbonneau (Suite) \$260 Cottage \$304.

WE HOPE ALL CAN STAY AT THIS SPECIAL HOTEL WHICH HOSTS OUR REGISTRATION & BANQUETS.

Note: Bozeman motels cost over \$400.

Overflow hotel, 5 miles away is the Travelodge at Three Forks, 406-285-3233 with group rates \$144-154 plus tax. Reserve by May 24.

RV camping available at Three Forks Market & RV Park 406-285-3010

Registration Information (please PRINT)

Vehicle: Year _____ Make _____ Model _____ Body Type _____ Body Color _____

Driver _____ Cell Phone _____ VMCCA Region _____

Mailing Address: _____ Email _____

_____ Owner Name (if different from driver) _____

Passengers _____ City & State _____

Registration Fees

Registration Fee Includes: 2 banquets, 3 lunches, boat ride, Helena historical tour, and museum fees.

Entry Fee—(Driver & Guests) = **\$350 each**, times # of participants (including driver) _____ = \$ _____

Extra Tour Books = \$30 each (1 included with car registration) _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL DUE..... = \$ _____

Mail Registration by May 1, 2025 to:

Please send this completed, signed application and your check payable to VMCCA—Lewis & Clark 2025 Tour

Mail to: Holly Crawley, 7325 S. 5th West, Idaho Falls, ID 83405. Email holly.h.crawley@gmail.com

Cell 208-521-0203. Confirmation will be emailed upon registration acceptance.

Additional contact Jim Johnson, 605-390-4410, Judy Johnson 605-939-6335 email jim.judy.johnson@rap.midco.net

OWNER/DRIVER RELEASE STATEMENT: I hereby agree to enter the vehicle described for this event. In consideration of the right to enter this event and for other valuable considerations, I/we do hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, Inc. and its Chapters, Regions, Officers, and Representatives from and against any and all claims, costs, liabilities, and attorneys' fees arising from damage or injury, actual or claimed, of any kind or nature, to property or persons, resulting from my(our) participation in the Three Forks, MT Lewis & Clark 2025 Tour. The owner/driver has proof of bodily injury and property damage liability insurance on the entered vehicle in the amount of at least \$100,000 per person or \$300,000 combined. Insurance Co: _____

Policy No. _____ Term: _____ to _____. The owner/driver certifies that the vehicle entered in this tour has duly passed requirements of the motor vehicle authorities, or other governing bodies, of the state in which the vehicle is registered and the vehicle is legally registered and licensed. The Vintage Motor Car Club of America, Inc. and its representatives will not, and cannot be held responsible for the "safety certification" of any participating vehicle.

Owner/Driversignature: _____ **Date:** _____

[Look HERE for printable Registration Form](#)





“Too Many to Name” National Orphan Car Tour Sunday, June 22 through Friday, June 27, 2025

Begin in Ypsilanti, MI, travel back roads across Michigan,
down into Indiana, ending in South Bend, IN

VMCCA, GLR Region Tour Director John Zimmerman
(419-350-3666) • zimmerman1666@gmail.com

“Too Many to Name” Highlights:

- Opening banquet at the Firehouse Museum, Ypsilanti, MI Sunday evening
- The Bomber Restaurant, Automotive Heritage Museum, and Michigan Flight Museum (FKA Yankee Air Museum) ... all near Ypsilanti, MI
- Ye Ole Carriage Shop, VMCCA member Lloyd Ganton's museum of Jackson, MI made vehicles and lots of other diverse memorabilia and autos. Spring Arbor, MI
- In Marshall, MI area, Cornwell's Turkeyville, U.S. Postal Museum, Walter's Gasoline Museum, and Honolulu House Museum
- Air Zoo Aerospace and Science Center, Kalamazoo, MI
- Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI New exhibits and Number 1 car museum in the world
- Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg Automobile Museum, National Auto and Truck Museum, Early Ford V8 Museum in Auburn, IN
- Studebaker National Museum, Oliver House, South Bend Museum of Art and evening closing banquet



Hotels and Registration Form Coming Soon!

[Printable Flier](#)

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 **GRAND INDIANA**
AUTO TOUR 2025

#29 • Join us in Horse Cave, KY

GRAND INDIANA AUTO TOUR • AUGUST 4–7, 2025

Holiday Inn Express • 750 Flint Ridge Dr. • Horse Cave, KY 42749 • Ph 270-786-5000

Room Rate \$119 per night (dial 0 to speak with front desk for reservations)

Hosts: Roger and Cheryl Goodman • Ph 270-473-0722

Deadline for hotel/registration 7/3/25. Contact Lou Ann Bowman • Ph 502-777-3498

dalabowman@gmail.com • www.grandindianaautotour.com

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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Driver Name
Address
City State Zip
Phone
E-Mail

of Previous Grand Indiana Auto Tours?

All Participants Must Be Listed – Adults & Children

Passenger 1
City State # Prev GIATs
Passenger 2
City State # Prev GIATs
Passenger 3
City State # Prev GIATs
Passenger 4
City State # Prev GIATs

Are any of the above handicapped or require assistance?

Any dietary restrictions, vegetarian, gluten, etc?

Driver must be a member of VMCCA national club. Online application forms may be found at www.vmcca.org. Tour will be limited to vehicles 2000 and older. No modern replicas of old vehicles, modified or hot rods will be accepted. The vehicle may not display any advertising of a current nature. Registration closes July 3, 2025. No refunds for cancellation received after July 3, 2025.

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Year Make
Body Style Body Color

FEES AND OTHER CHARGES

Entry Fee (One Car and Driver) \$140.00
Passengers @ \$140.00 = \$
TOTAL \$

OWNER/DRIVER COMMITMENT/RELEASE STATEMENT

Owner
Address
Vehicle: Year Make
State Registered in (domicile state)
License number

I hereby agree to enter the vehicle described in the Veteran Motor Car Club of America, KYR, 2025 Grand Indiana Auto Tour. In consideration of the right to enter this event and for other valuable considerations, I (we) do hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend and hold harmless The Veteran Motor Car Club of America and its Chapters and/or Regions, Officers and Representatives from and against any and all claims, costs, liabilities and attorneys' fees arising from damage or injury, actual or claimed, of any kind or nature, to property or persons, resulting from my (our) participation in the 2025 Grand Indiana Auto Tour.

The owner/driver has proof of bodily injury and property damage liability insurance on the entered vehicle in the amount of at least \$100,000 per person, \$300,000 per accident bodily injury liability and \$100,000 property damage liability, or \$300,000 combined single limit liability insurance.

Insurance Co. Name
Policy Number
Policy Term (Dates) to

The owner/driver certifies that the described vehicle entered in this event has duly passed the requirements of the motor vehicle authorities, or other governing bodies of the state in which the vehicle is registered, and the vehicle shall be legally registered and/or licensed. The Veteran Motor Car Club of America and its representatives will not, and cannot, be held responsible for the "safety certification" of any participating vehicle.

Signed (Owner)
Driver (If Different)
Date

Make sure to make a copy of this form for your records. Then, please return this form with your check, made payable to Grand Indiana Auto Tour and mail to:

Lou Ann Bowman
4323 Wyandotte Cave Road
Milltown, Indiana 47145
502-777-3498 • dalabowman@gmail.com

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Look HERE for Printable Grand Indiana Auto Tour Registration Form



August 24-28, 2025

- Patoka Lake Wildlife Cruise
 - Marengo Cave Tour
- Gasthof Amish Village & Shops
 - French Lick Museum
 - Spring Mill State Park
 - Gus Grissom Memorial
 - Nature Center
 - Pioneer Park
 - Wilstem Wildlife Park
 - Wagon Tour
 - Barn Tour

Four days of touring in the scenic French Lick, Indiana area while staying at the historic French Lick Resort. Opening banquet, 3 lunches, and all admissions included.

Look [HERE](#) for printable registration form

ALL ROADS
LEAD TO

Owensboro
KENTUCKY

Revival AAA
**GLIDDEN
TOUR[®]
2025**

Save the Date

SEPT. 7-12



The Touring Club
www.VMCCA.org

Questions? Contact Jeff Stumb

(423) 385-4414 2025gliddentourky@gmail.com

Distance from these cities...

Chicago ~ 6 hours

Atlanta ~ 6 hours

St. Louis ~ 3 hours

Nashville ~ 2 hours

Indianapolis ~ 3 hours

Columbus ~ 5 hours

Look HERE for the Revival AAA Glidden Tour Registration
UPDATED form with additional hotel. Must be Post-Marked
between March 15th and June 15th 2025

Owensboro, Ky., hotels — 2025 Glidden Tour



The Home2 Suites is brand new and will open in the Spring of 2025. The rate for the Glidden Tour is \$129 a night and includes breakfast each morning. Reservations can be made by calling 270-570-9797 or my emailing Nate Taylor at ntaylor@superhosthospitality.com.

Look [HERE](#) for printable UPDATED hotel map

Don't miss the bus!!!



Coming this Fall to Navasota, Texas the VMCCA Foundation will be hosting a tour to help raise funds for scholarship applicants.

Oct. 31st—Nov. 4th



**Foundation
Tour 2025**

For more information contact:
BD Berryhill at (432)889-2522 or
email: bdberryhill@procominc.net

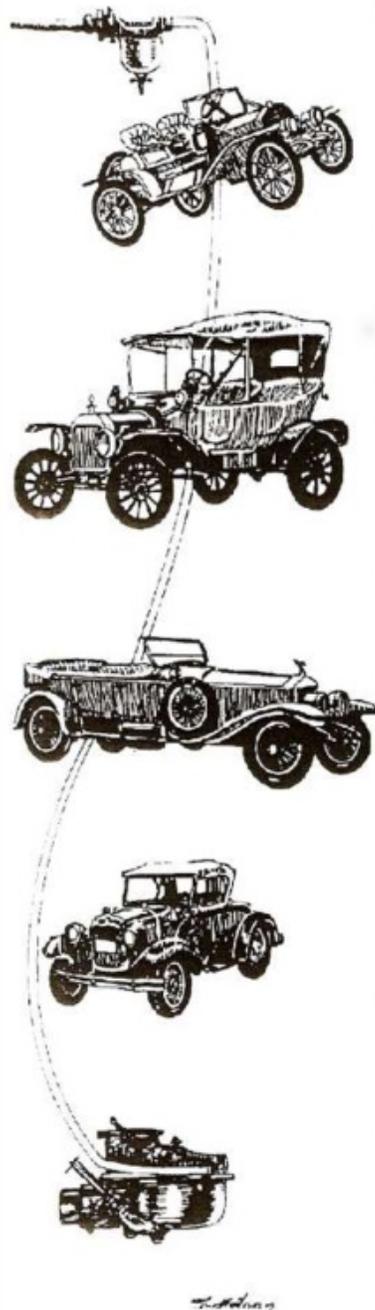
Tour Registrar: Pat Crandall
jamieandpat@gmail.com

ALL CARS WELCOME!

\$\$\$ Bring your wallet \$\$\$

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Region and Chapter Newsletters
Articles of Interest



February—March

The **2025**
GAS LINE

A PUBLICATION OF
PIKES PEAK CHAPTER
VINTAGE MOTOR CAR CLUB OF AMERICA
COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

PROGRAM

POTLUCK March 14

Good Shepard United Methodist Church

1201 Leta Drive in Security.

**Bring your favorite dish and table service and look
forward to a great time.**

NAME TAG ALERT

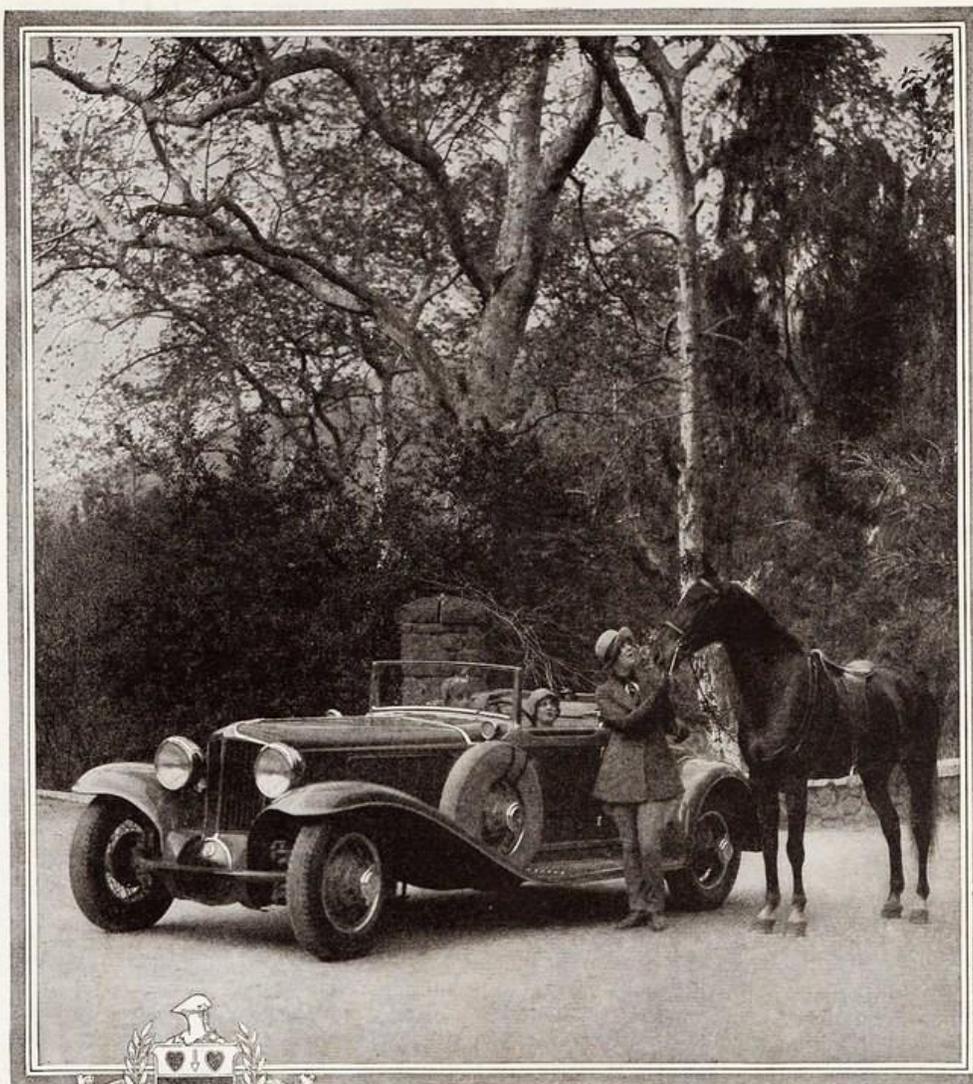
Beware if your name tag has the alligator clip attached to the back of the tag (**all Life Members do**). There has been at least one name tag lost due to detaching from the alligator clip—the clip stayed on and the tag was gone. If you have such a tag suggest you glue around the edges of the clip mount to reduce risk of detachment and loss.

VISIT your web site at

<ppvmcca.com> for the latest info and [with a password] a membership list.

**Continue reading the Pikes Peak Chapter, Feb - Mar
2025**

**The Cord Automobiles Offered the Best
Designs & Great Ads**



The Cord car creates a place for itself
no other car has ever occupied.

CORD FRONT DRIVE

SEDAN \$3095 • BROUGHAM \$3095 • CABRIOLET \$3295 • PHAETON \$3295

Prices: F. O. B. Auburn, Indiana. Equipment other than standard extra.

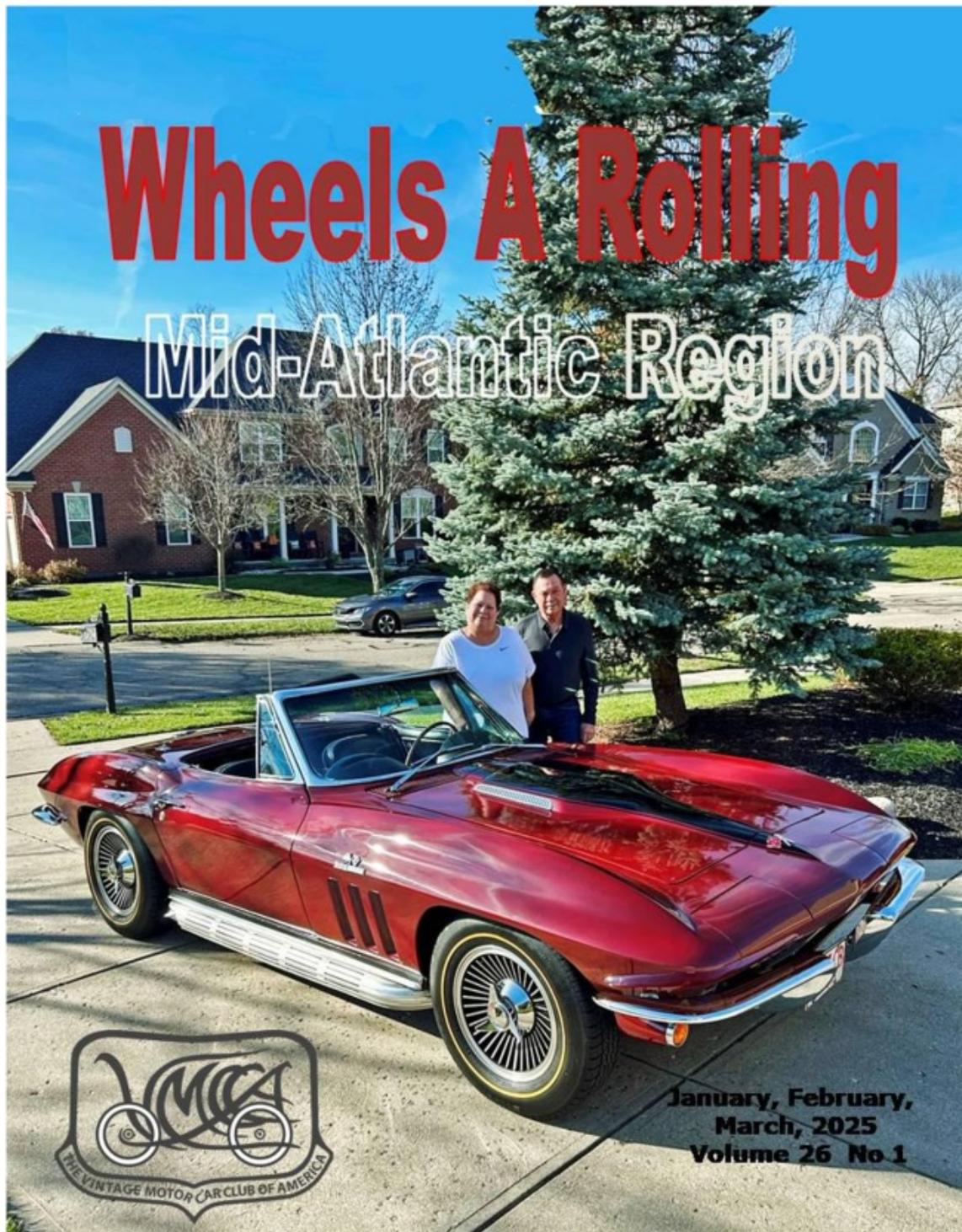
AUBURN AUTOMOBILE COMPANY • AUBURN, INDIANA

1929-30 Cord Advertising in Life Magazine

The Cord automobile, made in Auburn, Indiana, was a great-looking American vehicle from the early days of the industry. It featured two front-wheel-drive and was introduced in 1929, the same year the stock market crash triggered the Great Depression.

During the early 1930s, Cord lead designer Gordon Buehrig would develop an automobile that would become timeless and keep up with the legacy of the L-29 model. The new design offered front wheel drive powered by a newly designed V8 engine from Lycoming. The model was completed in December 1935 and went into production on February 15, 1936. Unfortunately, many problems occurred during the manufacturing process.

[Continue reading Article](#)





Texas Backroads Tour is March 8

Participants should meet at the Y.O. Ranch Hotel parking lot at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 8, in Kerrville for the Texas Backroads Tour through the Hill Country. Charlie and Ronda McIlvain are planning the tour route and lunch location; more details will be shared at the March 4 meeting and via email. Let's kick the cold months behind us and hope for warmer weather for this fun tour.

2025 Texoma Tour is April 9-12

The three-night tour to visit the Texoma Painted Churches on April 9-12 is now full. Information about where we will start our drive to Flatonia on April 9 will be shared at the March 4 meeting by Linda and Ed Metzler and Judy and John Hutcherson, tour leaders.

Anniversary of the End of Vietnam War

The Veterans Council of Gillespie County, VFW Post 7105, and Fredericksburg's three Rotary Clubs are teaming up to host a four-day event, May 1-4, honoring the 50th anniversary of the ending of the Vietnam War. Our club has been asked to display some of our cars on Saturday, May 3, during the Airport Open House. Team leaders are Larry and Lorin Buchhorn and Joe and Cindy Brown.

June 18 Tour to Heritage Place

Save the date for the Heritage Place Tour on June 18 to show off our cars and visit with the residents. Larry Buchhorn is the tour leader; more details to come.

July 4th Parade

Deck our your car and join leaders Doug and Shawn Reeves for the annual July 4th parade down Main Street in Fredericksburg followed by lunch.

(More upcoming events on page 7)

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

4

Monthly Meeting

7:00 p.m., Golden Hub

MARCH

8

Texas Backroads Tour

Meet at 9:30 a.m., Kerrville

APRIL

9-12

2025 Texoma Tour

Details at March 4 meeting

MAY

3

50th Anniversary of the End of the Vietnam War

Gillespie County Airport

JUNE

7

20th Annual FBG Car Fest

10:00 a.m., Marktplatz

JUNE

18

Heritage Place Tour

Fredericksburg

JULY

4

July 4th Parade

Fredericksburg

JULY

25-27

Hill Country Swap Meet

Lady Bird Johnson Park

Touring Talk

Newsletter of the Sequim Valley Car Club



Charter Club of Vintage
Motor Car Club of Ameri-ca (VMCCA),
Ha Sequim Valley Car Club (SVCC)
PO Box 683 Sequim, WA 98382
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Vice President, Chuck Livingston
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andise, David Ladiges
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Sunshine, Katherine Brigden
Scholarship, DiAnne McIntosh
NW Regional Director, Carl Edem
NW Regional Secretary/Treasurer, Debbie Flint



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Meetings: **General potluck dinner meetings** are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Elks Lodge, 143 Port Williams Road, 6 pm, (360) 683-2763.

July (Club Picnic) excluded & December (Christmas meeting) requires advance signup.

Board meetings are held at 6:00 pm the Thursday before the monthly general meeting at The Mariner Cafe in Sequim.

Weekly Wednesday breakfast, a club sponsored tradition: All SVCC members are invited. See newsletter for current bless

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Albuquerque Chapter - The Vintage Motor Car Club of America

The Original Touring Car Club
of New Mexico



www.vmcca.org

Business Meeting & Potluck
Saturday - March 15 - 11:00 am
SEE PAGE 4 FOR LOCATION



Happy St. Patrick's Day

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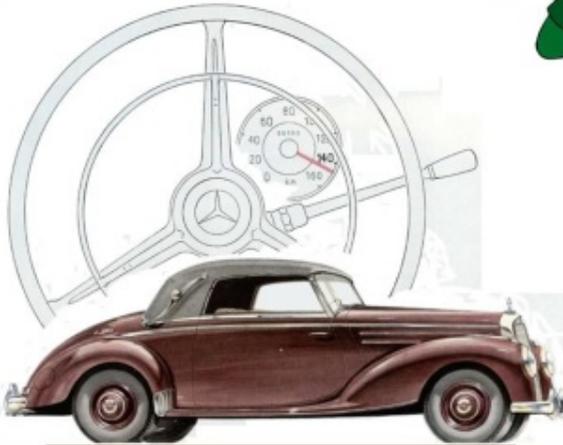
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1953 Mercedes Type 220 Cabriolet

The E-CRANK is a publication **by and for the members** of the Albuquerque Chapter of the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, a not-for-profit organization (**Membership in VMCCA is a prerequisite to membership in the local club**). The deadline for publication is the **next to the last day of the current month**. All contributions for publication must be in to the editor by that date.

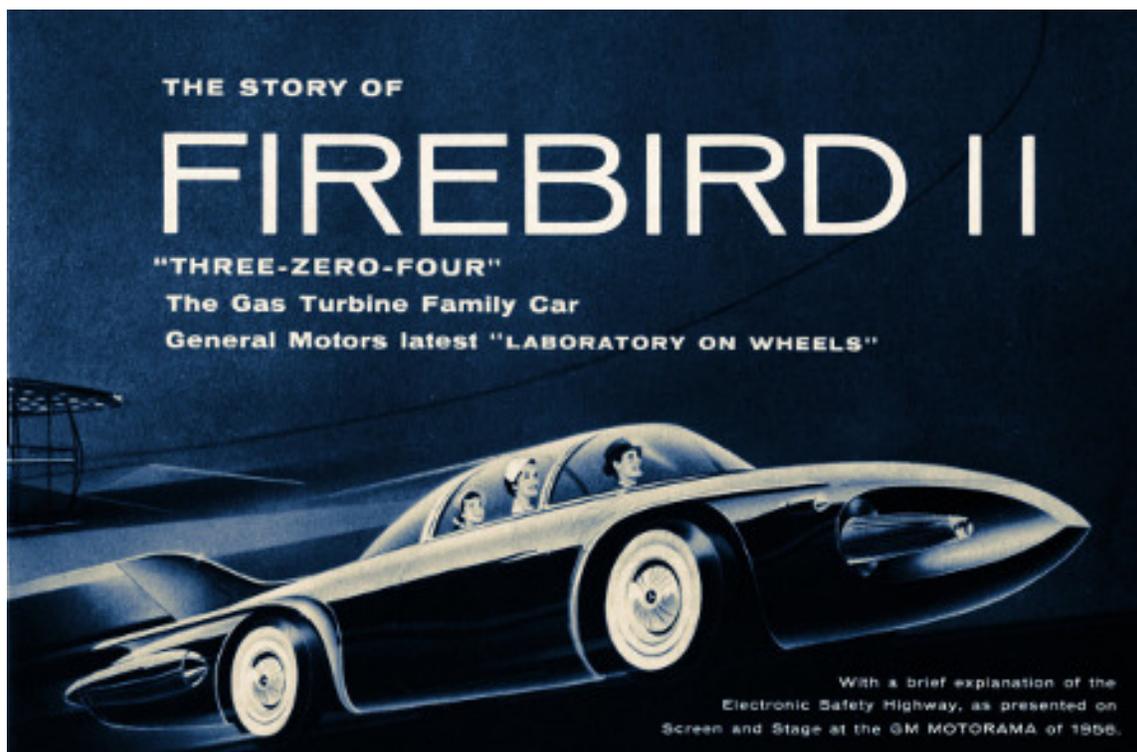
Lyle Schultz-editor lrschultz44@gmail.com

Be a E-CRANK reporter! We always need clear images and a few words to fill this journal.

Continue reading Albuquerque Chapter's E Crank ,
March 2025

Looking at the History of Self-driving Cars

By Robert Tate, Automotive Historian and Researcher
Images courtesy of Robert Tate's collection



In 1956, General Motors designed a great looking concept model called the Firebird II. The Firebird II concept was a gas Turbine family car, which was called the "Laboratory on wheels." The Firebird II concept model was equipped with an electronic brain that could actually release the driver from driving. General Motors had created a "Dream Highway" for the Motorama shows in 1956. While on the "Dream Highway" the automobile's automated system would theoretically take over operation of the vehicle, and then the driver could relax and enjoy conversations with family and friends as the vehicle would drive itself.

In the case of an emergency, all vehicles could automatically slow down and stop if necessary. And in extreme cases, vehicles could automatically be directed to slower speed lanes.

[Continue Reading the Article](#)

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