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The Touring Chronicle  
A publication of the  
Vintage Motor Car Club of America

**There are back roads and unique towns all across America.  
The Vintage Motor Car Club of America knows where they are  
and will take you there.**

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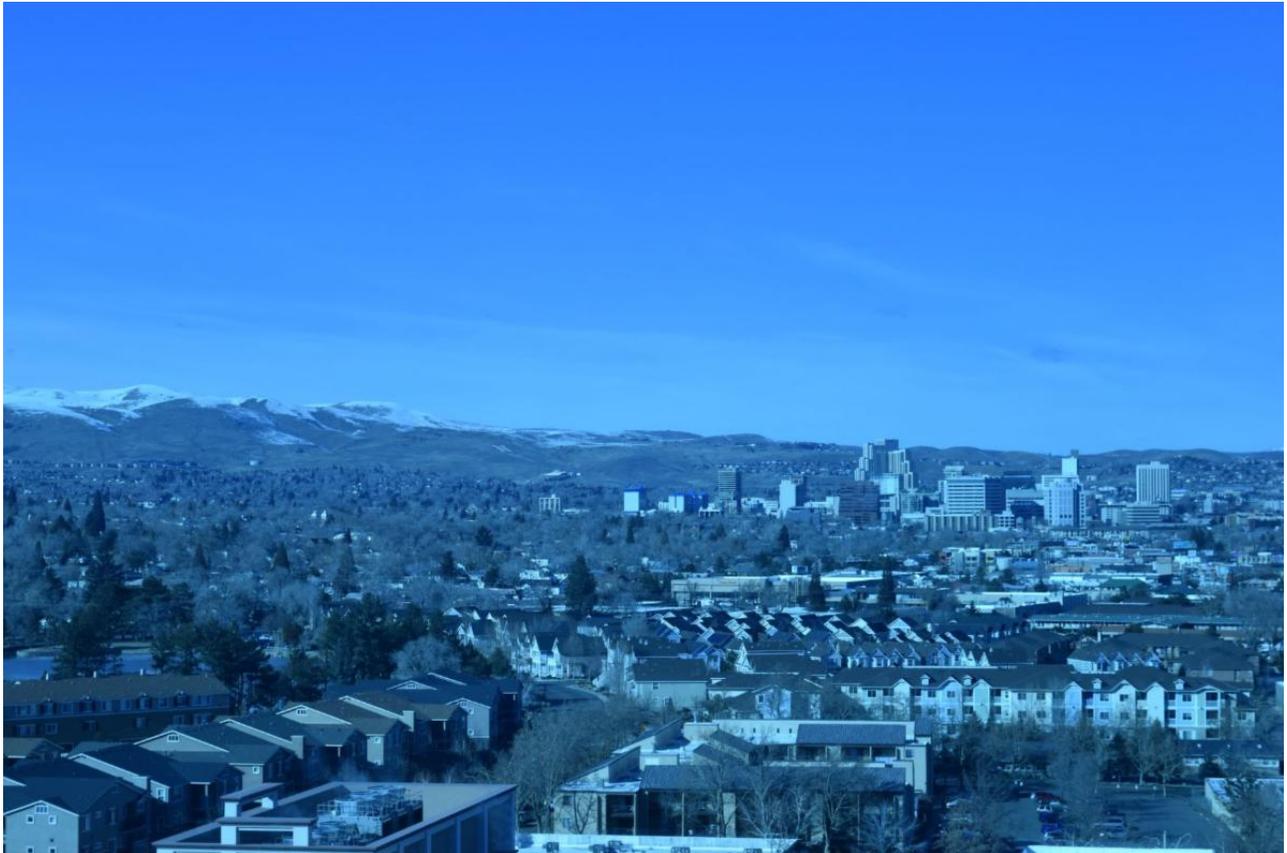
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## 2023 Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet



This is the view looking west from the 18th floor of the Peppermill Hotel in Reno, NV. Our Membership Meeting's opening and closing banquets were held in this room. There are a couple photographs of the banquet room below. The blue hue comes from the blue tint on the windows. The city of Reno is in the background with a small part of the snow-covered mountains to the left. The overall 180-degree view from here is spectacular.







## Announcements



**The 2024 VMCCA Annual Meeting**

## **The 2024 VMCCA Annual Meeting February 8-12, 2024**

The 2024 VMCCA Annual Meeting will be held aboard the Radiance of the Seas as our members enjoy a 3-day, 4-night cruise to Cozumel Mexico.

Cruise departure date is Feb 8, 2024 leaving from the Port of Tampa returning to Tampa on Feb. 12th

Meetings will be held on sailing days.

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| Balcony | \$580.19 pp double occupancy |
| Window  | \$459.19 pp double occupancy |
| Inside  | \$412.29 pp double occupancy |

The above noted cabin rates can only be held for a period of 30 days ending on March 22, 2023. Cabins booked after the expiration date will be charged the current prevailing rate.

The single rate is the same as double rate, however the tax and fees are reduced.

Rates are based upon couples. For this cruise they have a promo which will allow for a 3<sup>rd</sup> and/or 4<sup>th</sup> child age 12 and under for free.

You will be required to make a \$200 deposit which is fully refundable up to 90 days prior to sailing which is also when payment in full must be made. The above prices include all taxes and fees and were quoted based upon a minimum purchase of 8 cabins. The \$200 deposit and final payment for the cruise will be made directly to the Cruise Line. Membership Meeting registration will be handled separately.

Onboard purchases are covered two ways. A credit card will be put on file with guest services when you board the ship. Purchases may be made on the ship against that card. OR....an account can be opened (we believe \$300 minimum cash payment) and purchases will be deducted from that account which may be replenished if necessary.

Boarding will be held at the Port of Tampa beginning at 10:30 am until 2:30 pm.

You will be required to have in your possession either a passport or an original birth certificate or proof of citizenship. If you need to return to the USA in advance of the ship, you will need a passport.

Plans are underway to provide meeting rooms which we are informed have Wi-Fi, and it is hoped we can do a Zoom using our own equipment. Both meetings will be held on the days we are sailing to and from Cozumel.

Plan are also underway for a dinner/banquet/awards ceremony.

Wi-Fi is available in your cabin at a daily rate of \$20. (ask when you call)

Those who may be flying to Tampa can get a shuttle from the Airport to the ship for a fee. If you are flying early and staying in a hotel near the airport you may wish to check with them about providing their shuttle to take you to the ship.

Parking is available at the Port of Tampa also for a fee.

**HOW DO I GET STARTED?**

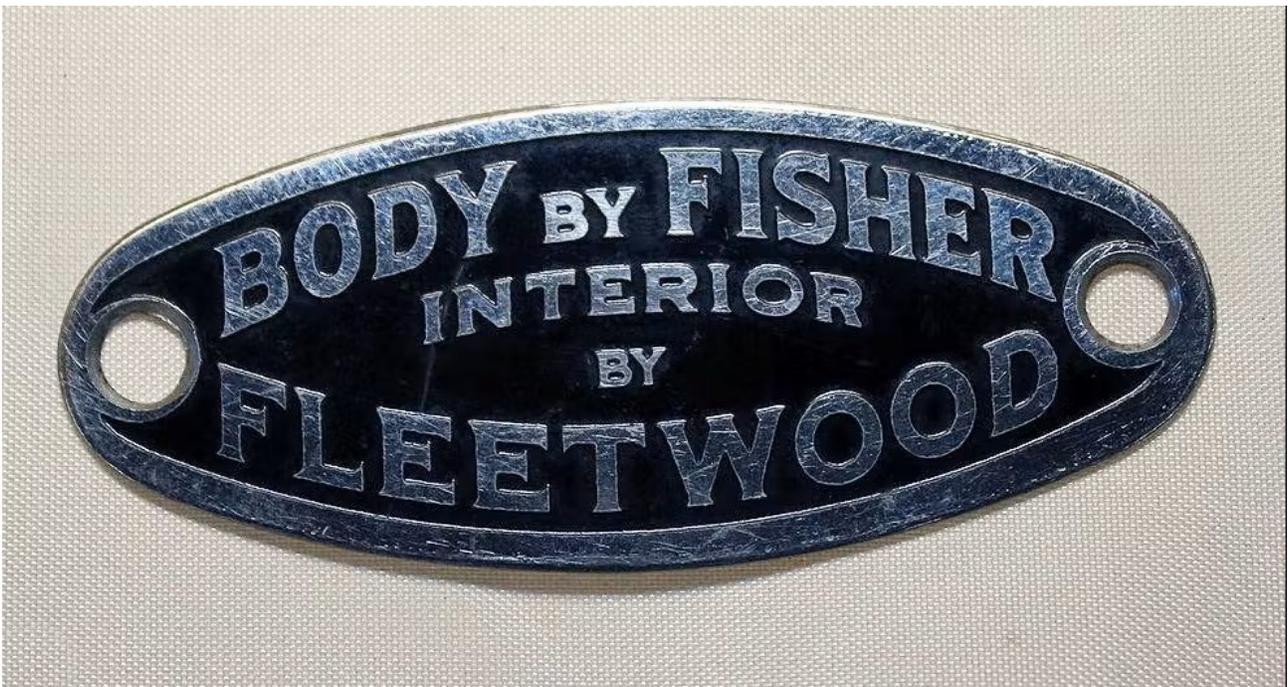
Any VMCCA member who plans to attend this event will need to send an email to [dgcopley46@yahoo.com](mailto:dgcopley46@yahoo.com) . Your email will be acknowledged and your name will be placed on the contact list and by return email receive the code and cruise line contact information which is required for the above noted cabin rates. Additional information will be included which we encourage you to read.

**THESE RATES ONLY APPLY UNTIL 3/22/2023. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL 3/21/23 TO CONTACT US. AFTER THAT DATE YOUR PER PERSON RATE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE BOOKING AGENT AND IS NO LONGER GUARANTEED**

**COME JOIN THE FUN!**

[View and Download the Royal Caribbean Cruise Agreement HERE](#)

## How Detroit's Big Three cashed in on coachbuilders



Ebay

Jim Koscs  
Hagerty News  
16 Feb 2023

Car enthusiasts are accustomed to aspirational names on vehicles: "Le Mans" on workaday Pontiacs; "Cougar" on mild-not-wild Mercury station

wagons, and “Falcon” on a Ford economy car that could not fly—these are but a few examples.

Cashing in on a brand name is standard practice in the auto industry. For many years after WWII, two Detroit brands repurposed names of renowned coachbuilders to give high-line models an extra dose of dash. In some cases it was marketing sleight of hand, suggesting coachbuilt construction that was more homage than anything else.

Rare today, “coachbuilding” was a not-uncommon practice among luxury makes before WWII. The automaker would provide a rolling chassis with running gear to a design and body specialist house, giving elite clients a dose of exclusivity and class over standard-issue models. As Hagerty editor-at-large Aaron Robinson put it: “Coachbuilders delivered a few handmade bolides produced by irreplaceable craftsmen using ancient tools and techniques, while mass production harnessed unskilled labor and mechanized automation to deliver millions of identical vehicles at an affordable price.”

[Continue reading article](#)

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## ***VMCCA 2023 and 2024 Calendar of Events***

**Registration Forms for 2023 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!**

**April 16-20, 2023, 41st Chrome Glidden Tour,  
Fredericksburg, TX, Liz Lindig, [elindig70@gmail.com](mailto:elindig70@gmail.com)**

**June 4 - 10, 2023, The Old Spanish Trail - Part 1  
Santa Fe, NM to Grand Junction, CO.  
[studebakersteve@bresnan.net](mailto:studebakersteve@bresnan.net)**

**June 12-16, 2023, Kentucky Region Central Nickel  
Aged Tour, Hamilton, OH, Dave Grenier,  
[triu4@yahoo.com](mailto:triu4@yahoo.com)**

**June 26-30, 2023, 72nd Great Lakes Region Tour,**

Flint MI, Bill Sturgeon, [wsturgeon@live.com](mailto:wsturgeon@live.com)

July 9-14, 2023, 1& 2 Cylinder Tour, Richmond, IN,  
Dave & Kelly Copeland,  
[grizzsgarage2019@gmail.com](mailto:grizzsgarage2019@gmail.com)

July 17-20, 2023, Grand Indiana Tour, Richmond,  
IN, Mike Rowda lead, [rowda@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rowda@sbcglobal.net)

August 20-26, 2023, Lewis and Clark Regional Tour,  
Dillon, MT to Lewiston, ID, Holly & Bob Crawley,  
[holly.h.crawley@gmail.com](mailto:holly.h.crawley@gmail.com)

September 10-16, 2023, Heritage Tour, Newport  
News, VA, James Woodall, [jbmwoodall@cox.net](mailto:jbmwoodall@cox.net)

October 22-27, 2023, 77th Revival AAA Glidden  
Tour®, Thomasville, GA, Steve, David, and Blanche  
Gordon, [gliddentour2023@gmail.com](mailto:gliddentour2023@gmail.com)

**February 8 -12, 2024, VMCCA Annual Membership  
Meeting and Awards Banquet. Caribbean Cruise,**  
Duane Copley, [dgcopley46@yahoo.com](mailto:dgcopley46@yahoo.com)

**April 7-11, 2024, VMCCA Orphan Car Tour, Decatur,**  
TX. Bill and Betty Shores, 817-688-7022  
[b.shores@sbcglobal.net](mailto:b.shores@sbcglobal.net)

**April 28 - May 3, 2024, 42nd Chrome Glidden Tour,**  
Russellville, AR. Raymond and Sammie Sue Harrill,  
501-352-0047 [raymond.harrill@att.net](mailto:raymond.harrill@att.net)

**June 23-28, 2024, VMCCA 1 & 2 Cylinder Tour,**  
Medina, OH. Dave and Debbie Vasel. Debbie 330-416-  
5341 and Dave 330-350-0371, [dvasel1576@gmail.com](mailto:dvasel1576@gmail.com)

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# Tour Fliers and Registration Form Links



## TEXAS: WILDFLOWERS, SPIRITS, HISTORY

### 41st CHROME GLIDDEN TOUR April 16-20, 2023, Fredericksburg, TX

-Hosted by the Fredericksburg Vintage Car Club

-Preference given to 1935- 1998 vehicles

-Limited to 100 cars

-Registration begins January 2, 2023

**Registration:** Sunday, April 16, 2023, 1:00 – 4:30 p.m., Hangar Hotel Officers Club

**Opening Banquet:** Hangar Hotel Conference Center, 5:30 p.m. Cash Bar. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

**Monday:** Drive along country roads to see wildflowers, Enchanted Rock, Gillespie County Country Schools, and Willow City Loop. Coffee stop and lunch included.

**Tuesday:** Fredericksburg Day. Visit a private vintage car collection, visit the Museum of the Pacific War, drive the streets of Fredericksburg to see Sunday Houses and go shopping, enjoy a hamburger supper with the Freshman Graduation, and dance awhile to a live band. Lunch is on your own in one of the many restaurants on Main Street.

**Wednesday:** Tour country roads to famous Luckenbach, Texas. Head to Blanco where you can walk through the Old County Courthouse, shop antiques, have lunch and travel back in time to the Old West at the Buggy Barn Museum.

**Thursday:** Follow country roads to Johnson City, TX for a coffee stop, and then to 290 Wine Highway with lunch on your own along the way back to Fredericksburg. The **Closing Banquet** will be held at the Hangar Hotel Conference Center beginning with a cash bar at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m. Awards and door prizes.

**Host Hotel:** Hangar Hotel, 155 Airport Rd, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, 830-997-9990, \$129.00 + taxes/night, "vintage car club 2023", Age 18 and over, no pets. 50 rooms until March 16, 2023. Trailer parking will be here. Saturday night rate is \$199.00 + taxes. Breakfast of coffee, juice, scones.

**Partner Hotel:** LaQuinta Inn & Suites, 1465 E. Main St, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, 830-990-2899, \$139.00 + taxes/night, "vintage car club 2023", pets and children allowed, rate held until March 25, 2023. 4.5 miles from Host Hotel. NO trailer parking here. Saturday rate is \$289.00. Breakfast included.

**RV Park:** Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park, 3416 S. St Hwy 16, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, 830-997-4202, call for rates and space. Across from the airport.

Tour Chairperson: Liz Lindig, [elindig70@gmail.com](mailto:elindig70@gmail.com),  
830-285-4071

Assistant Chairperson: Randy Pullen, [pullen@hctc.net](mailto:pullen@hctc.net),  
830-669-2019

Registrar: Irene Pullen, 845 Scenic Vistas Dr,  
Fredericksburg, TX 78624, [pullen@hctc.net](mailto:pullen@hctc.net)



Look [HERE](#) for registration form

# The Old Spanish Trail - Part 1

## June 4 through June 10, 2023

### Santa Fe NM to Grand Junction, CO

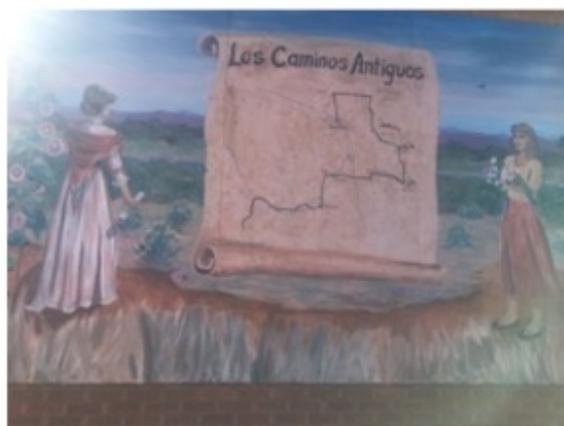
The Old Spanish Trail had several variations. We shall follow the North Branch of the Northern Route as experienced by Fathers Dominguez and Escalante in 1776. The eight trails were used to connect the Old Town of Santa Fe in New Spain to the missions in California. The trail chosen was dependent upon weather, water and other conditions at the time. The western journey took woolen goods made in and around Santa Fe and Taos to exchange for horses and mules in California. There was also trade with native Americans along the way. The journey took about three months going west and about half that coming back. The fathers created the north branch follow existing Native American trails. None of the trails ever developed into wagon roads during the time the land was still part of New Spain or later Mexico. This trade route was responsible for the development of the Santa Fe Trail bringing goods for the east after Mexico became independent and Spanish restrictions ended.



Our tour will take us into Taos where the Pueblo was occupied for over many centuries is still occupied. We will then cross the Rio Grande several times as we journey North through several Tribal territories and Colorado's oldest town of San Luis. We will see Ft. Garland once commanded by Kit Carson near the college town of Alamosa. We then travel by the easy route over Cochetopa Pass to Gunnison with its extensive Pioneer Museum. Then it is on to Montrose and its Museum of the West and the Ute Indian Museum via the black Canyon National Park. On our final leg of this Part One of the Old Spanish Trail, we shall stop at the re-created Ft. Uncompahgre originally established in 1825. We will close out part one with a tour over the Colorado National Monument before our closing banquet in Grand Junction.

The day after our closing, many of us will travel back to Santa Fe to retrieve our trailers and tow vehicles. We will go through Ouray, referred to as the Switzerland of America, and then over Red Mountain Pass to Silverton and on through Durango. Our trouble truck will cover the journey.

We will travel through some beautiful country as well as much of the poverty stricken areas typical of the southwest. We will go from high desert to high mountains and back to high desert.



[Look HERE for registration form](#)

[Look HERE for Itinerary](#)

[Look HERE for Hotel contact list](#)

# 2023 Great Lakes Region Tour of the Motor Cities National Heritage Area



*The  
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*America's  
National Parks<sup>NP</sup>  
Passport Stamp  
Program*



Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> through Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Hosted by Bill & Pam Sturgeon of the Brighton Chapter

## 2023 Great Lakes Tour Highlights:

- Birthplace of GM - Factory One<sup>NP</sup>
- Stahl's Automotive Collection<sup>NP</sup>
- The World's Largest Christmas Store
- Sloan Museum Vehicle Gallery<sup>NP</sup>
- RE Olds Transportation Museum<sup>NP</sup>
- Wills Sainte Claire Museum
- Bavarian Inn Famous Chicken Dinner
- Meadow Brook Hall<sup>NP</sup>

The Registration Form is available in the GLR Newsletter and on these websites:

[tinyurl.com/GLRTour](https://tinyurl.com/GLRTour)   [tinyurl.com/GLRVMCCA](https://tinyurl.com/GLRVMCCA)

Make your Hotel Reservations now. Registration opens Oct 1, 2022. Limited to 50 cars.

### Best Western Plus (Host Hotel)

6075 Hill 23 Dr. Flint, MI 48507

\$89 per night + Tax (ask for 2023 VMCCA GLR Tour rate)

Phone: 810-233-9000

Website: <https://tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour-BW>

### Hampton Inn (Alternate hotel across the street)

6060 Rashelle Drive Flint, Michigan 48507

\$114 per night + tax. (ask for 2023 VMCCA GLR Tour rate)

Phone: 810-234-8400

Website: <https://tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour-HI>

### 2023 GLR Tour Chair:s

Bill & Pam Sturgeon

3209 Erie Drive

Orchard Lake, MI 48324

Phone: 248-396-2703

Text: 248-396-9136

e-Mail: [wsturgeon@live.com](mailto:wsturgeon@live.com)

Info: [tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour](https://tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour)

Outdoor Adventures Lake Shore Resort (Campground) Located 16 miles northwest of the hotels.

Phone: 989-671-1125   Website: <https://www.outdooradventuresinc.com/lake-shore/>



Learn more at our 2023 GLR Tour website: [tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour](https://tinyurl.com/2023-GLR-Tour)

Learn more about 2023 GLR Tour [HERE](#)

Look [HERE](#) for registration form

# Seven Bridges and Crooked Roads Tour



## VMCCA National 1 & 2 July 9-14, 2023

Join us in Richmond, Indiana for covered bridges and crooked roads! We'll be visiting the "Central Station of the Underground Railroad" in Fountain City, IN; Mansion House, Historic Courthouse, & Warm Glow Candle outlet in Centerville, IN; Brubaker Metal Crafts in Eaton, OH; Preble County Historic Center of Gratis, OH; Quiet Harmony Elk Farm of New Paris, OH; Murals, Hayes Arboretum, Wayne County Historical Museum, & Model T Museum in Richmond, IN; antique stores & more in Indiana and Ohio.

Hosted by Dave & Kelly Copeland. Registration will be on the VMCCA website calendar. Email [grizzsgarage2019@gmail.com](mailto:grizzsgarage2019@gmail.com) to receive registration or call (419) 306-1727 with any questions.

Tour is open to all VMCCA members driving 1 & 2 cylinder cars, steam cars, or electric cars built in or before 1915; and 4-cylinder cars of 10 horsepower or less built in or before 1904.

**Host Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton - \$ 114/night**  
(765)966-5200 at 455 Commerce Rd Richmond, IN 47374  
Check-In: 07/09/2023 - Check-Out: 07/14/2023  
Cutoff Date: 06/02/2023 - Group Code: **VMC**



**RV Guests:** Due to space limitations, only car trailers may be parked at the hotel.  
Campground options: Archway Campground (937)533-4663 (1.6 miles from hotel), Deer Ridge Camping Resort (765) 939-0888 (3.9), Natural Springs Resort (937)437-5771 (4.6), Grandpas Farm Campground (765)962-7907 (6.1), Richmond KOA (800)562-0611 (8.1)

Look HERE for registration form



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## *Those "Tremendous Mountanes"*

### Lewis and Clark in Idaho

Total trip approximately 580 miles

Crosses three high mountain passes:

**Lemhi Pass** 7,373'  
**Lolo Pass** 5,233'  
**Lost Trail Pass** 7,021'

Registration includes admission to all venues, two coffee breaks, three dinners and two lunches

A large part of this tour is in areas with no cell phone coverage, but we will have a trouble trailer

This tour will be limited to fifty vehicles

Tour Synopsis: **August 20, 2023 - August 26, 2023**

Tour start, Sunday, August 20, 2023: Dillon, Montana – Tour registration in FairBridge Inn. **Welcome 'banquet'** – at Barrett's Park – Lewis and Clark's 'Rattlesnake Cliffs'

Tour Day #1, Monday, August 21, 2023 –Travel to Bannack State Park, coffee break and ghost town tour, then return to Dillon for lunch on own. After lunch visit Beaverhead Rock highway pullout, walk up to **Clark's Lookout**, and then return to Dillon to visit the Beaverhead County Museum. Dinner on own in Dillon.

Tour Day #2, Tuesday, August 22, 2023 – Travel to Salmon on MT #324 over Lemhi Pass (**10 miles of this road is gravel with a 13% down grade for 1,340'**) visiting Lewis & Clark's Camp Fortunate overlook and eating lunch at Sacajawea picnic area at the top of Lemhi Pass. Stop in Tendoy, ID for ice cream at Tendoy Store. On to Stagecoach Inn in Salmon. Banquet and speaker at Sacajawea Learning Center.

Tour Day #3, Wednesday, August 23, 2023 –Travel north on Hwy 93, over Lost Trail Pass. Turn east on Hwy #43 to Big Hole Battlefield NP with Ranger presentation then drive up the Bitterroot Valley to

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VMCCA –Idaho Lewis & Clark 2023 Tour August 20 - 26

Look [HERE](#) for registration form

# VMCCA 2023

## Heritage Tour

### “Where We Began”

Newport News, Virginia

September 10-16, 2023

#### Highlights

- Jamestown Settlement
- Williamsburg
- American Revolution  
Museum at Yorktown
- Fort Monroe
- Plantations
- Mariners' Museum
- Local foods  
including ice cream

Preference given to vehicles  
1954 and older.

Limited to 60 vehicles.

#### Mid-Atlantic Region



**Tour Chairmen**  
James & Becky Woodall  
757-641-1021  
jbmwoodall@cox.net

Jamestown Settlement's *Susan Constant* under sail in the Chesapeake Bay. Courtesy of the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation, [jymuseums.org](http://jymuseums.org)

Look [HERE](#) for registration form

Join The Old Car Nuts  
Touring South Georgia & North Florida

## 77th Revival AAA Glidden Tour®



**October 22-27, 2023**

Thomasville, Georgia



**Open to  
pre-1943  
Historically  
Correct  
Automobiles**

**Registration Opens May 1, 2023**

**Steve, David & Blanche Gordon - Tour Hosts**

**John Nikodym Registrar**  
gliddentour2023@gmail.com  
**402-746-3825**

Registration form will be available soon

**Service Station Attendant from The Carol  
Burnett Show**



**Region and Chapter Newsletters  
Articles of Interest**



# RUMBLESEAT CHATTER

JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2023



## Message from the President

### 2023: Time To Rise And Shine!

Happy New Year & welcome old car lovers across the Texas Hill Country to the Fredericksburg Vintage Car Club (FVCC) in 2023! I hope you're as ready as I am to enjoy club friendships and start participating in another great touring season. But hey -- after last year's fun-filled, celebratory 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year, you may be wondering: how can FVCC possibly top 2022? Well, just you wait and see...

I predict 2023 will be every bit as fun, and maybe even more memorable, than last year! Why?, you might ask. It's simple: in 2023, FVCC steps out onto the national vintage car club stage -- the BIG Stage, if you will -- by hosting our own Vintage Motor Car Club of America (VMCCA) Chrome Glidden Tour. And that means old car lovers from all over the United States will drive their vintage rides down to tiny Fredericksburg, Texas, to experience our unique brand of warm, Texas-friendly hospitality and see first-hand why FVCC is such a strong, vibrant chapter in the VMCCA Texoma Region!

In short, fellow FVCC members, 2023 is our time to RISE to the occasion and SHINE as brightly as the Texas sun!! I know, I know, we've been talking about and planning this event for what seems like forever... and trust me when I say I'm just as tired of the 'labor pains' as you are and ready to see the 'baby'... but we're really getting close now, and I, for one, am ready to stop talking and start doing my share to make this BIG event a huge success!

As a result, there'll be opportunities galore for EVERYONE to get involved and volunteer in 2023 -- from the national Chrome Glidden Tour to our monthly club tours, from our annual picnic to our popular Christmas Party, make plans NOW to offer some of your time & talents to FVCC along the way!

This year is about being BIG in everything we do -- and I know all of you will step up to help FVCC put our proverbial best feet forward, whether they be in tennis shoes, sandals, or cowboy boots!!! Remember...

Think BIG, Act BIG ...and Happy Motoring in 2023!!!

Pete Delforge

Your FVCC President

### Auto History Trivia

What is the origin of the term "pickup truck"

Answer on Page 12

### Upcoming Events

**February 7th: Club Meeting, 7:00 pm, Golden Hub Community Center**

**February tour: Western Art Museum**

**March tour: tentative tour to learn how Babbit bearings are poured**

**April 16 -20: Chrome Glidden Tour, Fredericksburg, Texas**

### Looking Ahead

#### February Birthdays

- 3 Terry Ilsing
- 17 Sergio Fernandez
- 19 Randy Pullen
- 21 Henry Blechl
- 21 Ray Holley
- 25 John Schluter
- 28 Edward Jackson
- 29 Greg Rising

#### February Anniversaries

- 10 Lloyd and Mary Ann Hill
- 14 Jim and Debbie Atkerson
- 16 Rick and Brenda Weirich
- 20 Dale and Annie Harrison
- 21 Byron and Adonna Dugat
- 28 James and Sharon Koch

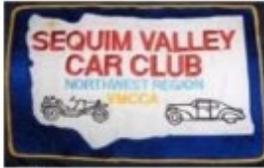
We ask that those celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries bring some refreshments to share at the next club meeting to be held at the Golden Hub.

Continue Reading the FVCC Newsletter, January 2023

# Touring Talk

Newsletter of the Sequim Valley Car Club

February 2023



Charter Club of Vintage  
Motor Car Club of  
America (VMCCA),  
Sequim Valley  
Car Club (SVCC) PO Box  
683 Sequim, WA 98382  
<http://clubs.bennings.com/SVCC>

#### Officers of the SVCC:

**President:**  
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**Vice President**  
Bill Barrett  
**Secretary:**  
Nancy Garbush  
**Treasurer:**  
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Jay Cameron  
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Dave McIntosh



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**Meetings:** **General potluck dinner meetings** are held the 3rd Monday of each month at the Elks Lodge, Sequim, 143 Port Williams Road, 6 pm, 360-683-2763. July (Club picnic) excluded & December (Christmas meeting) requires advance signup. **Board meetings** are held at 6:30 pm the Thursday before the monthly general meeting at locations to be announced.  
**Wednesday breakfast, a club sponsored tradition:** All SVCC members are invited.  
See newsletter for details.

[Continue Reading Sequim Valley Car Club, February 2023](#)

A half century ago, Bendix tested autonomous EVs right where automakers test them today



For much of the 21st century, it seems that the automotive world has focused its attention on two concepts: electrification and autonomous driving. The road to driverless electric cars, however, has recently hit a few potholes. A bit of the bloom has faded from the self-driving rose with the recent shuttering of Argo AI, the autonomous driving startup backed by \$2.6 billion of Ford and VW's money, and Akio Toyoda, head of Toyota, recently claimed that he's not the only automotive executive who is skeptical about embracing an all-electric future.

Whether or not internal combustion engines and steering wheels will be supplanted by electric motors and artificial intelligence is still an open question. There are apologists and critics making their points on both sides of the issue.

However, the automotive industry, influenced by decisions made in California, Washington, and Brussels, is undoubtedly moving headlong into the electric age, investing billions and billions of dollars, euros, yuan, and yen on battery powered cars and trucks. Originally spurred by Tesla's introduction of its Autopilot feature, and despite setbacks like the closing of Argo AI, the auto industry continues to spend considerable sums on developing some form of self-driving vehicles, perhaps with more modest goals than full autonomy.

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# *Wheels "A" Rolling*

## Mid-Atlantic Region

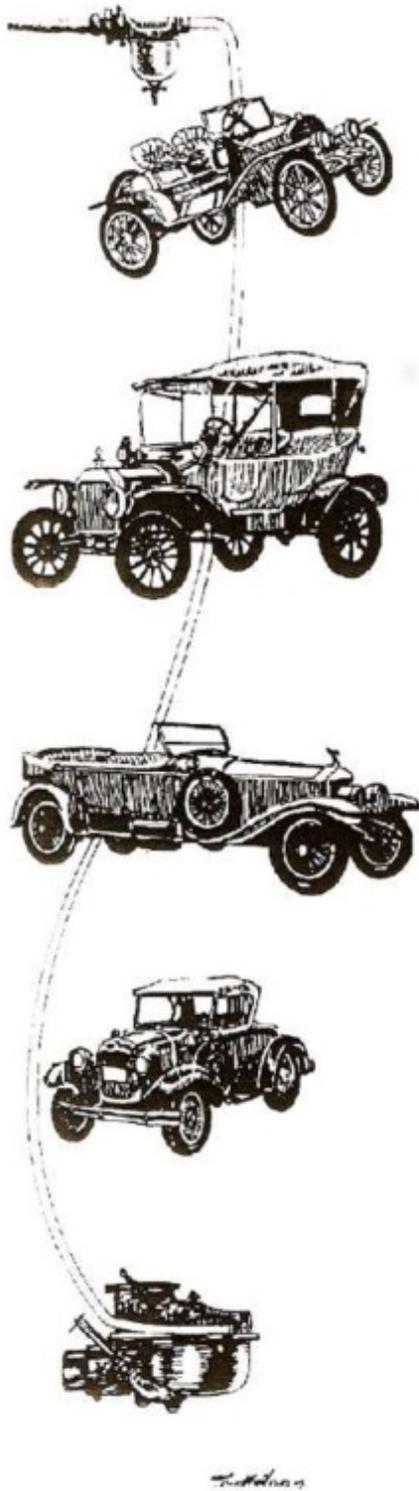


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2023

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COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

2023



Continue Reading Pikes Peak Chapter, January - February  
2023



# The Steering Column

## Behind the Wheel

HELLO AGAIN MEMBERS:

We had a meeting Jan 19th at the International Buffet. There were no minutes or Treasure report. Jenny estimated the amounts in the bank account to what Jerry had given at the last meeting. Steve Robbins would like to receive a paper newsletter as his e-mail is locked and he is not able to access it. So if you need to reach him please call him.

Under new business: We needed to elect new officers. After some discussion about the limited amount of member and who would like to take over these jobs, the question was do we really need to have officers? Alex looked at the VMCCA by-law and according to them we are under the number of members that are required to have officers. There was some discussion to do like we have in the past and ask what membership we have, to take a month and be responsible for planning a monthly event.

We are hoping that Jerry Wilds will continue to be Treasurer. We are asking all member to fill out the registration form for the club and get back to Jerry as soon as possible. It was decided to not charge for dues again this year, however we do need the COLORADO WEST CHAPTER membership application or renewal completed so we can get a new roster sent to everyone. REMEMBER, you must have paid the NATIONAL DUES FOR 2023. Andrew put the applications in the last newsletter and will also include them in this one as well.

The next get together is schedule for Feb. 18th which will be the Lions Club Carnival Parade. We usually do breakfast at the Golden Corral. Details to follow when we receive them.

Until next time,  
Jenny Thrailkill

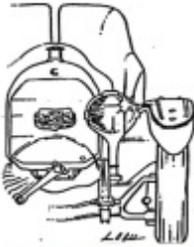
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**Odd Couple – Female Version Play – February 19th**



**VMCCA**  
The Touring Club  
March 2023



Windsor Community Playhouse  
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**The Odd Couple**  
by Neil Simon  
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Female Version

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Friday & Saturday Evening @ 7:00 PM  
**February 10 - 26th**  
Sunday Matinees Feb. 12, 19, & 26 @ 2:00 PM



Thanks to Lisa and Gib Coalwell for managing the arrangements so fourteen club members could attend the wonderful funny comedy, *The Odd Couple* (female version) at the Windsor Community Playhouse.

It has been several years since the club has visited the playhouse and it was a very enjoyable way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

The actresses performing had great comedic timing and the keen direction made the play flow at an



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even pace keeping the audience constantly laughing. Afterwards, several of us went to dinner at Bad Daddy's Burger Bar for more laughs and stories.





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## February 2023



**February 18th - Mine Tour w/ Lunch at Fox Smokehouse**

**February 25th - Breakfast at Paiute Golf Course**

**March 11th - St. Patrick's Day Parade - Henderson**

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**New "Right to Repair" legislation introduced in the House of Representatives**



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House Resolution 906, a new version of the "Right to Repair" Act,

formally known as the “Right to Equitable and Professional Auto Industry Repair (REPAIR) Act,” has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives by U.S. Representative Neal Dunn (R-FL), and co-sponsored by Representatives Brendan Boyle (D-PA), Warren Davidson (R-OH), and Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (D-WA).

The Right to Repair Act would ensure that all mechanics and repair shops, and not just new car dealers, have access to data and other information pertaining to vehicles’ onboard computers and other fixable features. Some manufacturers in the past have considered this information to be proprietary.

“When it comes to repairing their automobiles, consumers deserve options,” said Dunn. “The Repair Act would give owners, including the rural communities in my district, secure access to critical data so their chosen service center can replace parts and repair their vehicles.”

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## Stahl's Auto Museum Scouting Trip

By Mike Parker — Black Swamp Chapter

Gordon Rhoades, Bob Feinert, and Mike Parker of the Black Swamp Chapter drove up to New Baltimore, Michigan, to visit the Stahl's Auto Museum. Second from right is Seamus Hnat, who is Stahl's head mechanic and happens to be a past member of Black Swamp. Seamus took them on a personally guided tour of the facility. It's a fantastic place, well worth the trip, and will make a great stop on the 2023 GLR Tour hosted by the Brighton Chapter (see the registration form on page 6).



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### January

Tuesday, January 10th  
GLR Meeting

Sunday, January 15th  
Swap Meet  
Jackson, Michigan

Sunday, January 29th  
Defiance Chapter Meeting



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**Stay Healthy and keep on driving your vintage cars.**



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### [The VMCCA Page on Facebook!](#)

Facebook has become an extremely popular social networking site, reportedly having more than 5.0 billion users. That is something like 40% of people on the planet! There is no doubt that it is a great tool for keeping in touch with people and organizations in a way that was undreamed of and impossible just a few years ago.

Our Facebook page is becoming more and more popular. It really is becoming a forum with many active contributors.

**So join! Contribute! Make it a forum for all things VMCCA.**

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