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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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## **Announcements**



**The 2024 VMCCA Annual Meeting**

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

**Update**

**IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US FOR THIS MEETING AND  
CRUISE**

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. 12<sup>th</sup>

For those who are still pondering over attending the 2024 Annual Membership and 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter meeting on Royal Caribbean's Radiance of the Seas, there's still time to sign up with our group. The 3/22/2023 deadline has passed, our cabin rates are no longer guaranteed. For those who would prefer cabins other than those we have reserved, you are welcome to book them and use our group code to be sure you are seated with the VMCCA group for dinner.

If you prefer to book through your favorite travel agent, we cannot guarantee you will be seated with our group but you might try asking them to transfer your reservation to our group.

You are booking this cruise after 3/22/2023, however you may still use the group code and contact information which we will provide, and will keep you with our group.

The Registration form for the meeting will be available by mid-summer. To receive the group code and contact information for the Annual Meeting and a fun cruise, please send your request to:

[dgcopley46@yahoo.com](mailto:dgcopley46@yahoo.com)

## 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 APPLIED UNTIL 3/22/2023. 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](#)

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# The Kaiser Traveler, America's First Utility Vehicle

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*At your dealer's NOW  
\$2088*

**KAISER** *Traveler!*

America's Most Copied Cars KAISER-FRAZER Dealers Wherever You Go!

Sales brochure introducing the new Kaiser Traveler with a base price of \$2,088. The Traveler/Vagabond generated 25 percent of Kaiser-Frazer sales in 1949.

By A. Wayne Ferens  
Images the Wayne Ferens Collection  
Published 3.29.2023

Established after World War II, the Kaiser-Frazer Corporation was the result of a partnership between automotive executive Joseph W. Frazer and industrialist Henry J. Kaiser. Kaiser-Frazer was the only new U.S. automaker to achieve some success surviving less than a decade. Always operating with limited cash and a limited range of products, most of their models introduced in the 1940s and early 1950s were strictly based on a single four-door sedan body.

There are several stories about the origins of the design of the Kaiser Traveler utility vehicle. One of them centered around H.J. Kaiser standing by a sedan and drawing the basic design in the dirt at the back of the car -- splitting the trunk lid and hinging it to allow the upper section to raise up and the lower section to fold down. This required finding a way to fold down the rear seat and modify the license plate so it can flip up or down under the lower lid.

Another theory is that the Kaiser-Frazer engineers conceived it at the drawing board, most likely under chief body engineer Ralph Isbrandt, who spent his days and nights thinking of new ways to sell the conventional four-door sedan with fixed side window frames.





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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!**

**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 Sammye 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 Vassel. 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

## The Old Spanish Trail - Part 1 June 4 through June 10, 2023 Santa Fe NM to Grand Junction, CO

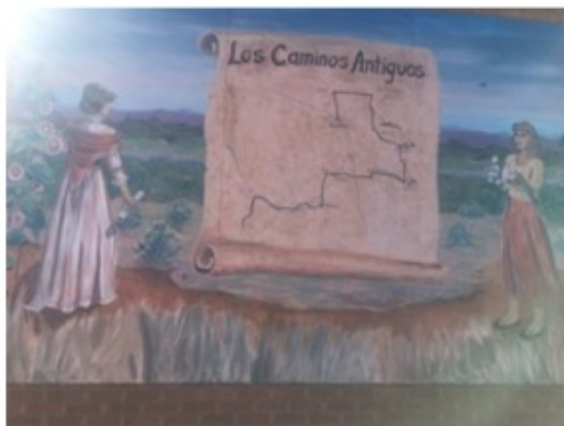
The Old Spanish Trail had several variations. We shall follow the North Branch of the Northern Route as experienced by Fathers Dominguez and Escalante in 1776. The eight trails were used to connect the Old Town of Santa Fe in New Spain to the missions in California. The trail chosen was dependent upon 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 Chairs:

Bill & Pam Sturgeon

3209 Erie Drive

Orchard Lake, MI 48324

Phone: 248-396-2703

Text: 248-396-9136

e-Mail: [westurgeon@live.com](mailto:westurgeon@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, Gaar House & Farmstead, & 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





# 28 • RICHMOND, INDIANA

**GRAND INDIANA AUTO TOUR • July 17–20, 2023**

Holiday Inn Richmond • 6000 National Rd E • Richmond, IN 47374 • 765-488-1975

Room Rate \$109 per night (Grand Indiana Tour) • Deadline for hotel registration is June 10, 2023.

Contact Mike Rowda • Ph 317-893-5323 • [rowda@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rowda@sbcglobal.net) • [www.grandindianaautotour.com](http://www.grandindianaautotour.com)

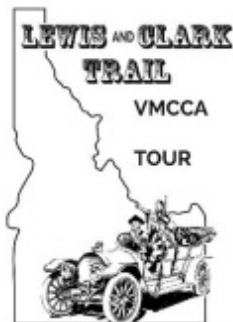
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[WWW.VMCCA.ORG](http://WWW.VMCCA.ORG)

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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](mailto: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  
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Automobiles**

**Registration Opens May 1, 2023**

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

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

Look [HERE](#) for Registration form



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# RUMBLESEAT CHATTER

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FREDERICKSBURG VINTAGE CAR CLUB

APRIL 2023



## 2023 Chrome Glidden Tour News

### From Tour Director, Liz Lindig

THE TOUR is only four weeks away as I write this article. Irene Pullen, Registrar, reports that we have 89 cars and 182 people registered to attend the four days of touring. A BIG thank you to all the FVCC members who have volunteered to help with car and trailer parking, decorating, serving food, preparing, setting up, and serving the coffee breaks, providing goodies for the Hospitality Room, donating door prizes, donating sponsorships, photography, name tag printing, producing the tour maps, tracking the finances, serving as Assistant Tour Director, Registrar, Daily Tour Coordinators, coordinating of the Hospitality Room, coordinating the volunteer help schedule, coordinating the tour sponsorships, creating the tour logo, and I am sorry if I missed a volunteer opportunity. **YOU ARE APPRECIATED!**

### From Sponsorship Chair, John Lang

2023 CHROME GLIDDEN TOUR IS COMING

As of this writing we are weeks away from the National Chrome Glidden Tour that is being hosted by our FVCC. Last year we developed a Sponsorship Program where Club Members could pledge money to help defray some of the tours cost and in the end, help our club make more money for hosting this tour event.

At this time I think it befitting to acknowledge those Club Members who so graciously stepped up to support this effort. There were six (6) categories with specific dollar amounts, and in return those sponsor members would receive some benefit if they were to attend the tour. This Sponsorship Program brought in \$6,225.00.

Those members who stepped up are listed below. The next time you see one of them be sure to thank them for their financial support to help the Tour and to have financially helped our Club !

John & Sandy Lang, Henry & Jo Nell Blechl, Ken & Karen Blake, Lawrence & Grace Calvetti, Byron & Adonna Dugat, Doug & Shawn Reaves, Larry & Lorin Buchhorn, Bob & Phyllis Schwope, Randy & Margaret Scott and Ronald & Jane Drynan.

**Continue Reading the FVCC Newsletter, April  
2023**



# Touring Talk

## Newsletter of the Sequim Valley Car Club

April 2023



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

### Officers of the SVCC:

#### President:

Ivor Garbush

#### Vice President

Bill Barrett

#### Secretary:

Nancy Garbush

#### Treasurer:

Debbie Flint

#### Member-at-Large:

Randy Leach

#### Sergeant-at-Arms:

Jay Cameron

#### Editor:

Joe Flint

#### Membership:

Randy Leach

#### Merchandise:

Mary Hood

#### Raffle Coordinator:

Terri Leach

#### Sunshine:

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#### Scholarship:

DiAnne McIntosh

#### NW Regional Director:

Carl Edem

#### NW Regional Sec./Tres.:

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, April 2023**

**When a mysterious American recluse hoarded gold,  
airplanes—and fabulous cars**



Wags billed it as “the opening of King Stutz’s tomb.” Held over a weekend in early September of 1996, the Christie’s auction comprised some 287 lots. Thirty-five were vintage Stutz automobiles in various states of disrepair. There were other rare prewar cars too, a Locomobile and a Rolls-Royce and a Stanley Steamer and more besides. Drawn by the tales of hidden gold bullion, crowds flocked to see one of the

greatest barn finds ever uncovered. All of it had belonged to a recluse that everyone thought a pauper.

Alexander Kennedy Miller died in 1993, his wife Imogene three years later. After each had passed, a local church took up collection on their behalf, so the pair might be respectfully buried. No money had been set aside by the couple, and while the farm they had owned stretched across several acres in rural Vermont, the property was a ramshackle collection of dilapidated buildings. The place barely had electricity, all heat was by wood-burning stove, and the plumbing was ancient. A rotting Volkswagen or two sat in the front yard.

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# *Wheels "A" Rolling*

## Mid-Atlantic Region



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Please see the addendum of Shirley Reed's entertaining review of the Lakes Driving Tour.

**April 15th—Glass and Cheese Tour**



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# The NEWSLEAK



**Gold Dust Chapter** *Est 1984*

Vintage Motor Car Club of America

Mountain & Plains Region—Western South Dakota

**Apr 2023**

## ABOUT OUR CLUB



"The mission of the **Vintage Motor Car Club of America** (established in 1938) is to promote touring and enjoyment of vintage vehicles through the acquisition, preservation, restoration and exhibition of all vintage and historically significant vehicles and associated materials." [www.vmcca.org](http://www.vmcca.org)

Interested in becoming a member of the **Gold Dust Chapter** of the VMCCA? Please feel free to contact one of the Club Officers (see bottom of pg 2) for more information or complete the New Member Application and Proof of Insurance found at the back of this newsletter and return to the Club Secretary. We would love to have you join!

## FROM THE **APRIL** MEETING



Our Host: Kresta Faaborg



Our Tour Organizers:  
Jim & Judy Johnson



## UPCOMING **MAY** TOUR

**Day:** Saturday **Date:** May 6, 2023  
**Time:** TBA **Hosts:** Randy & Patsy Schmidt  
**Meet:** TBA  
**Details:** Deadwood Brothel Tour  
Adams House Tour

\*\*\*Meeting time/place will be provided to those who have pre-registered & paid.\*\*\*

This is a **guided** tour. Registration is on a **first-come, first-paid** basis. Min: 20 Max: 32

Attendee Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Attendee Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**\$27 per person** x \_\_\_\_\_ # attending (price includes both tours and all trolley rides)

Send check payable to: Patsy Schmidt  
4825 Baldwin St  
Rapid City SD 57702

**Seats Still Available!**  
(Register by April 25th!)

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**Remembering Craig Breedlove, hot-rodder turned  
fastest man on earth**



Bettmann Archive/Getty Images

On October 15, 1964, seconds after pushing the land-speed record past 500 miles per hour on the Bonneville Salt Flats, Craig Breedlove punched the button to release the parachutes attached to his jet-powered Spirit of America. They all failed. He careened off course, sliced through a pair of telephone poles, catapulted over a berm, and nosed-dived into a brine lake.

Fortunately, he'd had the presence of mind to unlatch the canopy while he was in the air. As water flooded into the cockpit, he popped his harness and swam to safety. Soaked but unhurt, he was lounging on a piece of debris when the emergency crew arrived. "And now for my next act," he told them, "I'm going to set myself on fire."

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# GLR NEWS

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## It Pays to Pay it *FORWARD!*

By Keith Randall — Mid-Atlantic Region

I thought that this would be an appropriate title for this article. What I'm talking about is there have been a half dozen times over the years when I was called upon to 'rescue' a fellow old car buddy that has broken down. I have towed, trailered and performed roadside repairs for these folks. Now then, I always try to be sure that whichever vehicle I'm touring with has been properly prepped and doesn't have any outstanding issues that might cause it to break down. But, as they say, you never know when it will be your turn to need help.

My time for help came on the 71<sup>st</sup> GLR Tour somewhere along a road through the cornfields of Ohio while touring in our 1936 Ford Cabriolet. The '36 simply died. Was it electrical? Was it fuel? Or something else? Not to worry, the GLR folks had Lynn Lantz with the trouble truck lined up and available for help just a phone call away. Well, the first glitch occurred when neither my wife Susan's or my cell phone had any coverage (thank you Sprint).

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### March

Friday, March 3rd  
Defiance/Summit City Chapters  
Joint Pop-up Tour

Saturday, March 4th  
Summit City Pizza Party

Sunday, March 19th  
Defiance Chapter Meeting  
Blueberry Hill Pancake House

### April

Tuesday, April 4th  
GLR Meeting at Basil Brothers

Saturday, April 15th  
GLR Banquet  
The Station Restaurant

Sunday, April 16th  
Defiance Chapter Meeting  
Red Pig Inn

April 16–20th  
Chrome Glidden Tour  
Fredericksburg, Texas



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

**See Ya Down the Road !**



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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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### **Visit our Facebook Page**

Company Name | Phone | Address | [Website](#)

