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## The Touring Chronicle

A publication of the  
Vintage Motor Car  
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**[Visit the VMCCA website HERE](#)**

The VMCCA Facebook page is packed with photographs from our tours, fliers announcing upcoming tours, and other vintage car related information.

**[Visit the VMCCA Facebook page HERE](#)**

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**Announcements**

Registration Forms for the 2026 and 2027 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!

## *VMCCA 2026 Calendar of Events*

**June 7 - 10, 2026, Farm Boys Tour.** Defiance Chapter, Bellefontaine, OH  
Hosts John Zimmerman and Dave Plassman  
Phone John at 419-350-3666  
[jzimmerman1666@gmail.com](mailto:jzimmerman1666@gmail.com)

**ANNOUNCEMENT: The 43rd Chrome Glidden® is NOT FULL!! Please Register soon!!**

**June 14 - 19 2026, 43rd Chrome Glidden Tour®**, Amarillo, Texas. Information contact, Chrystene Speed 806-679-6418,  
[cspeed@speedpainting.com](mailto:cspeed@speedpainting.com)

**July 8 - 12 2026, Mountain and Plains Regional Tour**, Buffalo Wyoming. Information contact, Hosts: Myron & Barb Smith and Mountain and Plains Region. Tour Director: Myron Smith 402-429-0118,  
[myronsmith@windstream.net](mailto:myronsmith@windstream.net)

**August 3 - 6 2026, Grand Indiana Auto Tour**, Greensburg, Indiana. Information contact, Larry and Carol Pumphrey 812-593-2701 [larry@agpro.net](mailto:larry@agpro.net)

**September 21 - 26 2026, Revival AAA Glidden**

**Tour®**, Dover, Delaware. Hosted by AACCA.

Tour Director: Dave Anspach.

**October 11-16 2026, Western National Tour,**

Salina, Kansas. Information contact, Hosts: Northern Colorado Chapter. Tour Directors: Randy and Sandy Carlson.

## **2027 Tours and Events**

**February 21 - 24 2027 Annual Meeting and**

**Awards Banquet,**

French Lick, Indiana Hosts: Black Swamp Chapter.

Tour Director: Gary Miron.

**August 15 - 20 2027 Chrome Glidden Tour®,**

Appleton, Wisconsin. Information contact, Hosts:

Wisconsin Shoreline Chapter. Tour Director: David Neuhaus.

**September 19 - 24 2027 Revival AAA Glidden**

**Tour®**, Branson, Missouri. Tour Directors: Jim and Ginger Cohen

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## **The Journeys That Lie Ahead**



Touring season is starting up for many of our chapters. Our Northern Colorado Chapter is working on a complete list of tours for the major part of the year. We have some regular events that we automatically put on the calendar but add a few new adventures to keep our members out and about in their

We took a couple of days to visit Prescott, Arizona. This Watson Lake with boulder out cropping, islands and coves.



Cactus are in full bloom right now in Arizona.



cars. Cruise Ins are pretty popular in our area and provide opportunities to meet others who share the car hobby in a variety of forms. It's a great way to network, not always successful in gathering new members but being familiar with other car enthusiasts and having a presence as vintage car owners just keeps us visible.

Mother's Day is May 10<sup>th</sup>. It's a good day to treat a special someone, mom, daughter, sister, etc. to a ride in your favorite car and maybe an ice cream treat to finish the day. Just saying, I'd go for that.

Carol Maxfield  
Vice President Activities

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

- Annual Membership & 1st Quarter 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)

Contact Carol Maxfield, VP Activities, for details  
[vactivities@vmcca.org](mailto:vactivities@vmcca.org)

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**2026 Events and Tour Fliers**

# 2026 Defiance Chapter Farm Boys Tour

## June 7-10, 2026 · Bellefontaine, Ohio



### Tour Highlights:

- Airstream Factory & Museum
- Armstrong Air & Space Museum
- Bicycle Museum of America
- Marmon Valley Farm Breakfast
- Honda Heritage Center
- Hardin County Historical Museum
- Kenton Friendship Gardens
- Tom Brims Motorcycle Collection
- Champaign Aviation Museum
- Gaslight Auto Parts Indy Car Collection
- Marie's Candies & West Liberty stops

Sunday evening opening banquet through Wednesday evening closing banquet

Tour is open to all VMCCA members driving VMCCA eligible cars (2001 or older).

You must be a current VMCCA member to attend. Limited to 50 vehicles.

This is a hub tour using some 2 lane state routes.

Registration deadline is May 4, 2026. No refunds after May 4, 2026.

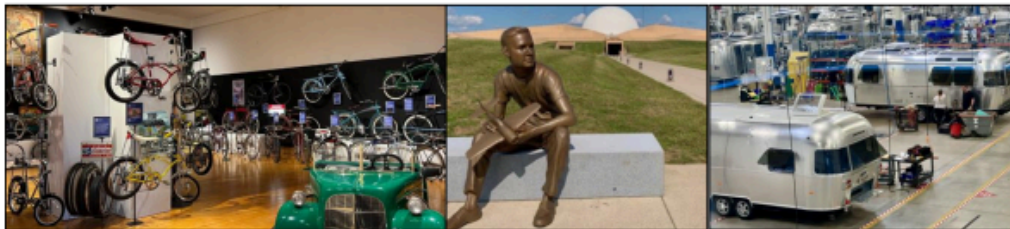
The Registration Form is available here: [tinyurl.com/2026FarmBoyTour](https://tinyurl.com/2026FarmBoyTour)

### Comfort Inn (Host Hotel)

260 Northview  
Bellefontaine, OH 43311  
Phone: (937) 595-0631  
40 rooms reserved until May 4, 2026  
Trailer parking at the Comfort Inn

### Tour Contact

John Zimmerman  
764 Fairway Dr.  
Wauseon, OH 43567  
Questions?  
Call John at (419) 350-3666



Look HERE for a Printable Registration form

Look HERE for a Printable Flier

**The 43rd Chrome Glidden Tour is NOT Full!!**

If you are planning to attend, please complete the registration form found at this [LINK](#).

**43RD CHROME GLIDDEN TOUR**  
**IN AMARILLO, TEXAS**  
**HOSTED BY THE FREDERCKSBURG VINTAGE CAR CLUB**

*Celebrating*  
*Route 66*  
*in the*  
*Golden Spread!*

*Limited to 80 Cars*  
*Years 1935 - 2001*

**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**

**TOUR CHAIR: CHRYSTENE SPEED CHRYSTENE.SPEED@GMAIL.COM**

**TOUR REGISTRAR: LIZ LINDIG ELINDIG70@GMAIL.COM**

**HOST HOTEL: HOLIDAY INN AMARILLO WEST MEDICAL CENTER**

**CALL AND ASK FOR VINTAGE CAR TOUR:**

**(806) 322-4777**

**ROOM COST: \$129/NIGHT (+ TAXES)**

**RV'S - CALL FT. AMARILLO RV PARK**

**(806) 331-1700 - CONTACT BOBBY**



*Cruise past*  
*wide-open plains,*  
*historic towns,*  
*scenic sites &*  
*celebrate a century of*  
*America's most legendary highway.*

**JUNE 14 - 19, 2026**

There is a small glitch with the hotel booking. It seems that when you call the hotel, they do not make room reservations there. The best way to make a reservation is to use the booking link to the right."

**Please use this link to  
make hotel  
reservations at the  
Holiday Inn Amarillo  
West Medical Center**

**Look HERE for printable flier**

**VMCCA 2026 CHROME GLIDDEN TOUR**  
**CELEBRATING ROUTE 66 IN THE GOLDEN SPREAD**

June 14-19, 2026, Amarillo, TX  
 Preference given to 1935-2001 vehicles  
 Limited to 80 cars or 160 people  
 Tour Director: Chrystene Speed,  
 chrystene.speed@gmail.com  
 806-679-6418

**Please Print**

Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Driver (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Driver \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (C) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ to put cellphone # in tour book  
 VMCCA Region \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Names for Name Tags** (If children, please indicate ages as of June 1, 2026) \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Chrome Glidden Tours \_\_\_\_\_  
 Driver \_\_\_\_\_ City & State \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Passenger 1 \_\_\_\_\_ City & State \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Write additional passenger information on reverse side

Registration confirmations will be sent via email

<b>Registration Fee</b> includes Hospitality Room, 2 Banquet Dinners, 3 Refreshment Stops, 3 lunches, Wednesday evening meal & TX Musical event, admissions to scheduled stops, Tour Book.		
One Vehicle & Driver		\$310.00
Passenger	_____ X \$310.00 ea	\$ _____
Passenger (age 6-12)	_____ X \$310.00 ea	\$ _____
Extra Tour Book	_____ X \$10.00 ea	\$ _____
<b>Total Enclosed</b>		<b>\$ _____</b>

**Do Not Mail before January 2, 2026**  
 Make check payable to: 2026 Chrome Glidden Tour  
 Registrations postmarked Jan 2 - May 15, 2026, or until filled.  
**Mail to: Liz Lindig, Registrar, PO Box 276, Johnson City, TX 78636**  
[elindig70@gmail.com](mailto:elindig70@gmail.com), 830-285-4071  
 Registration, cancellation, and refund deadline is May 15, 2026.

**Host Hotel:** Holiday Inn Amarillo West Medical Center, 8231 Amarillo Boulevard West, Amarillo, TX 79124, \$129.00 + taxes, king or 2 queen rooms, includes 2 breakfasts per room, pet friendly. Trailer parking will be here. Use this **Booking link:** <https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path=rates&brandCode=HI&localeCode=en&regionCode=1&hotelCode=amars&checkInDate=14&checkInMonthYear=052026&checkOutDate=20&checkOutMonthYear=052026&PMID=99801505&GPC=VCS&cn=no&adjustMonth=false&showApp=true&monthIndex=00>. If you don't use a computer, call 806-322-4777 and ask for Kris.  
**RV Park:** Fort Amarillo RV Resort, 10101 Business IH 40, Amarillo, TX .806-331-1700.

Vehicle 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_ Body Type \_\_\_\_\_ Body Color(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tow/Trailer Vehicle State & License Plate No. \_\_\_\_\_ If Driving – Miles one way \_\_\_\_\_

**Owner/Driver Commitment/Release Statement:** I hereby agree to enter the vehicle described in the Vintage Motor Car Club of America 2026 Chrome Glidden Tour. In consideration of the right to enter this event and other valuable considerations, I (we) do hereby agree to indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless VMCCA and its Chapters, Regions, Officers, and Representatives from and against any 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 2026 Chrome Glidden 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.

Name of Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy # \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Term \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 The owner/driver certifies that the described vehicle entered in this event has passed the requirements of the motor vehicle authorities of the state in which the vehicle is registered, and the vehicle is legally registered and/or licensed. The VMCCA and its representative will not, and cannot, be held responsible for the "safety certification" of any participating vehicle.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Driver (if different) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Look HERE for a printable registration form**

# MOUNTAIN & PLAINS REGION TOUR



## BUFFALO, WYOMING



JULY 8-11, 2026



Buffalo, Wyoming (pop. 4,415) is a quaint mountain town at the foothills to the Bighorn Mountain Range. At an elevation of 4,708 feet, Buffalo is located almost equal distance from the South Dakota Black Hills and Yellowstone National Park. This area is also the home and setting for books by novelists C. J. Box and Craig Johnson. Johnson's books were also the basis for the *Longmire* television series.

Day 1 will be a relatively flat drive to Gillette, Wyoming. This area is known for its open pit coal mines. We will take a bus trip from Gillette to the Eagle Butte Coal mine. We will also take in the Frontier Auto Museum.



Day 2 we will tour from Buffalo over the rugged "Bighorn" mountains to Worland and the Washakie Museum and Cultural Center. The Center features history from ancient mammoth hunters through early settlers. We will have lunch in Worland. Then we will go on to Thermopolis where there are thermal hot springs swimming pools(2) and a Hot Springs Bath House. Bring your swimsuit! The park has attractions of buffalo and walking trails around hot water springs. Also in Thermopolis is a dinosaur museum. The elevation at Buffalo is almost 5,000' above sea level and we will travel to nearly 10,000' enroute to Worland. Our return to Buffalo will be by the route we came.

Day 3 Saturday's first stop will be at Yoders Amish Country Market. We will then progress to Kaycee, Wyoming, and the Hoofprints of the Past Museum. Johnson County was the scene in 1892 of a cattle war between the large cattle barons and small ranchers trying to make a start. Kaycee was the home of country singer Chris LeDoux where a park is named in his honor.



Other points of interest and side trip possibilities include: Custer Little Bighorn Battlefield, 104 miles away; Mountain Meadows Wool Mill in Buffalo, Wyoming; Fort Phil Kearny Historic Site, 16 miles; Occidental Hotel/Bar in Buffalo; Bombshell Cantina Brewery In Buffalo; Range War Rodeo (Thursday)at the fairgrounds— free admission.

#### Lodging: Z Bar Motel & Cabins

626 Fort St., Buffalo, Wyoming 82834

Email: [info@zbarcabinsandmotel.com](mailto:info@zbarcabinsandmotel.com), Phone: 307-684-5535 or 307-620-2452

There are a limited number of rooms reserved for "VMCCA TOUR"

Rate ranges from \$100-\$130 per night.

#### Registration: Nathan Buss

1717 Plainview Ave., Seward, Nebraska, 68434

Email: [89.nathan.buss@gmail.com](mailto:89.nathan.buss@gmail.com)

Phone: 402-641-8905

#### Tour Chairperson: Myron Smith

1505 SW 112<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln, Nebraska 68532

Email: [myronsmith@windstream.net](mailto:myronsmith@windstream.net)

Phone: 402-429-0118

#### Assistant Tour Chairperson: Juli Aubrey,

24 Johnson Creek Road, Buffalo, Wyoming 82834

Email: [aubrey@collinscom.net](mailto:aubrey@collinscom.net)

Phone: 307-620-0161



## The Z Bar in Buffalo is fully booked

The Z Bar is taking waiting list reservations for cancellations

Alternative accommodations at:

Hampton Inn and Suites, 307-684-8899

Holiday Inn Express, 307-684-9900

Surestay 307-684-9564

Look HERE for a Printable Registration form

[Look HERE for a Printable Flier](#)



**August 3–6, 2026 • Greensburg, Indiana**

Greensburg Hampton Inn • 2075 N Michigan Ave. • Greensburg, Indiana 47240 • Ph 812-663-5000  
Room Rate \$144.48 per night (Grand Indiana Auto Tour) plus taxes  
Deadline for hotel/registration 6/19/26.  
Hosts: Carol and Larry Pumphrey • Ph 812-593-1325

**T**here is more than Corn in and around Greensburg, Indiana and that will be very evident on our GIAT Tour. This is farm country where folks will welcome you with genuine midwestern hospitality and good food. Decatur County is on both the pie and fried chicken trails.

- Driving past farm fields we will visit the Hulsbosch Family Dairy. Maybe they will put you to work milking the cows. [just kidding] We are so proud this Belgian family chose Decatur County for their thriving innovative business.
- Oldenburg, Village of Spires, is a beautiful little town based on their German founder's birthplace-more good food.
- Greensburg's historic town square also has some great local restaurants and shops and of course the Tower Tree.
- The group will tour several museums in the area which will help us understand the history of this county.
- We'll begin and end our tour at the beautiful High Point Event Center. This is a lovely 15-acre orchard with a restored 1830s home and barn overlooking the Greensburg Upland Reservoir and is very close to our hotel .

**Looking forward to having  
you and your family and friends on the Tour.**

THE TOURING CLUB



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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 2001 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 June 19, 2026. No refunds for cancellation received after July 3, 2026.

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 Vintage Motor Car Club of America, KYR, 2026 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 Vintage 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 2026 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 Vintage 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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WWW.VMCCA.ORG

Look HERE for a printable registration form

# GLIDDEN TOUR<sup>®</sup>

80th ANNIVERSARY REVIVAL



**Registration Opens May 1, 2026**

Opening Banquet - Monday, September 21

• Lots of Touring Fun In Between! •

Closing Banquet - Saturday, September 26

Dave Anspach, Chairman  
484-769-7856 (cell & text)  
AACAdave1054@yahoo.com

Vince DeLisi, Registrar  
908-803-1570 (cell & text)  
vincentdelisi@comcast.net

**DOVER, DELAWARE - THE FIRST STATE TOUR**

Register online at [AACA.org](http://AACA.org) or [VMCCA.org](http://VMCCA.org).  
Registration materials also available in VMCCA Touring Chronicle or by request from AACA National.

**Registration Forms Will Be Available Soon  
On VMCCA and AACA Websites**

**Registration opens on May 1, 2026**



[Look HERE for the Registration Form](#)

[Look HERE for printable Flier](#)

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Region and Chapter Newsletters  
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# Wheels "A" Rolling

## Mid-Atlantic Region

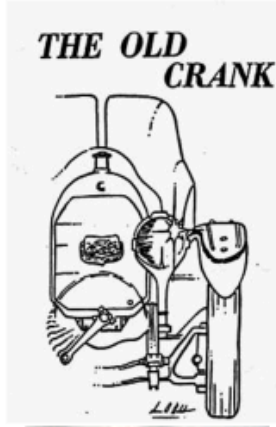


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# The Old Crank



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# Touring Talk

Newsletter of the Sequim Valley Car Club



Charter Club of Vintage  
Motor Car Club of America  
(VMCCA)  
Sequim Valley Car Club (SVCC),  
PO Box 683 Sequim, WA 98382

**Officers of the SVCC:**

President, Bill Barrett  
Vice President, Chuck Livingston  
Secretary, Dale Poitra  
Treasurer, Lynne Garvin  
Member-at-Large, Randy Leach  
Sergeant-at-Arms, Jay Cameron  
Editor, Sherry Poitra  
Membership, Randy Leach  
Merchandise, David Ladiges  
Raffle, David Ladiges  
Sunshine, Katherine Brigden  
Scholarship, Debbie Flint  
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 Sequim Elks Lodge.  
**Adagio's Bean & Leaf Cars & Coffee**, sponsored by the local Porche Club, free/open to the public every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
**Bergstrom's Antiques & Classic Autos Cars & Coffee**, sponsored by Raker's Car Club, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at Garage 17, 809 Washington St, Pt Townsend, 8-11 am  
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 next page for current schedule.*

Continue reading the SVCC, April 2026

# The NEWSLEAK



**Gold Dust Chapter** *Est 1984*

Vintage Motor Car Club of America  
Mountain & Plains Region—Western South Dakota

## Apr 2026

### 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 hosts: Allen & Gail Trask



### UPCOMING *MAY* MEETING

**Day:** Saturday **Date:** **May 16, 2026**

**Time:** **9:30am** **Hosts:** Kresta Faaborg & Gary Hendrickson

**Meet:** Lynn's Grocery Store in Custer

**Tour:** Drive through Custer State Park and Wind Cave National Monument, looking for critters and baby critters!

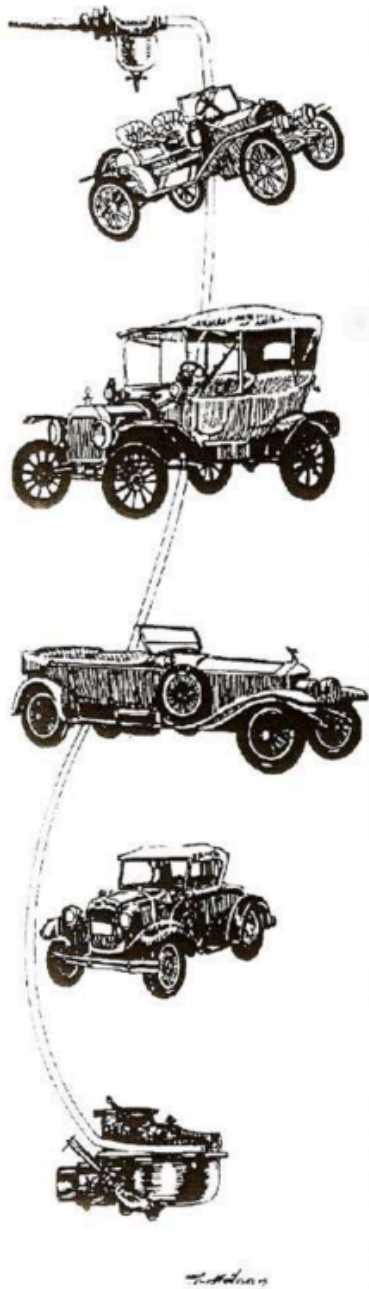
**Lunch:** Lunch will be provided at our house (12222 Tweety Bird Ln, Custer)  
**Please bring your own drink and a chair!**  
Our dog, Rylee, will be out & about - let us know if we need to keep her inside

**RSVP:** By May 11<sup>th</sup> to: [kfaaborg@yahoo.com](mailto:kfaaborg@yahoo.com) or 605-695-2345  
We need a headcount for food prep - thanks!

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*The*  
**GAS LINE**

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

**Program Presentation**

“A 3D Portrait of Colorado’s  
Mining and Railroad History”  
A video plus of the Simpich train setup.  
Produced by Toby Simpich  
Directed by Ragan Simpich

Your Hosts for treats are  
Laird and Mary Bowman  
Wayne and Anna Ebert  
Shawn Spradley [and likely Victoria]

**VISIT your web site at**

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

**Continue reading Pikes Peak Chapter, April 2026**



## April 22 Tour to Heritage Place

Join us on Wednesday, April 22, as we once again have the opportunity to show off our cars to the residents at Heritage Place. Meet in the Methodist Church parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to start the drive to Heritage Place at 9:50 a.m. for the first of two circuits through their portico by 10:00 a.m. We will park through the portico and the parking lot and remain there until 11:30 a.m. It's also a great opportunity to interact with the residents. We will then drive to Ladybird Park Pavillion 5 for our picnic lunch. There will be fried chicken from Chicken Express, along with iced tea and water. Please RSVP to Lorin Buchhorn at (512)778-6396 to let her know what side or dessert you will bring to share. We should be finished by 2:30 p.m.

## May 2 Pecan Creek School Tour

Join us for a tour of the historic Pecan Creek School, built in 1916, during their Open House on Saturday, May 2. We will meet at Ladybird Johnson Park, tentatively at 9:00 a.m. before heading out. The Open House begins at 11:00 a.m., when lunch will be served, and runs until 4:00 p.m. Lunch is a pulled pork sandwich plate. Look for more information coming soon about the cost for lunch; all proceeds benefit the school. Tour leader Traci Stetler will have a sign-up sheet available at the April monthly meeting.

## 2026 Chrome Glidden Tour, June 14-19

The tour to Amarillo is not full yet, but we have had a good response. If you plan to participate on this tour and want to caravan with others attending, David and Liz Lindig plan to travel to Amarillo on Friday, June 12. Another group led by Randy Pullen plans to depart on Saturday, overnight in Sweetwater, and arrive in Amarillo on Sunday, March 14. More details about various aspects of the tour week will be shared at the April FVCC Membership Meeting.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### Monthly Meeting

5:30 p.m. Board Meeting  
7:00 p.m., Golden Hub

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### Heritage Place Tour

Meet at 9:30 a.m.

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### Pecan Creek School

Meet at 9:00 a.m.

JUNE

14-19

### Chrome Glidden Tour

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## Upcoming Car Shows

- **Easterfest Car Show, Saturday, April 4, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Flat Rock Park, Kerrville** – The festivities include an Easter egg hunt, food and craft vendors, live music, and a BBQ Cook-Off. The entry fee for the car show is \$30. Go to [business.kerrvillechamber.biz/events/details/easterfest-open-car-show-29271](https://business.kerrvillechamber.biz/events/details/easterfest-open-car-show-29271) to register.
- **Fat Ass Car Show, Sunday, April 26, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Fat Ass Brewery** – The registration fee is \$25. There will also be music and food trucks. Go to [fatassranch.com/car-show](https://fatassranch.com/car-show) to register.

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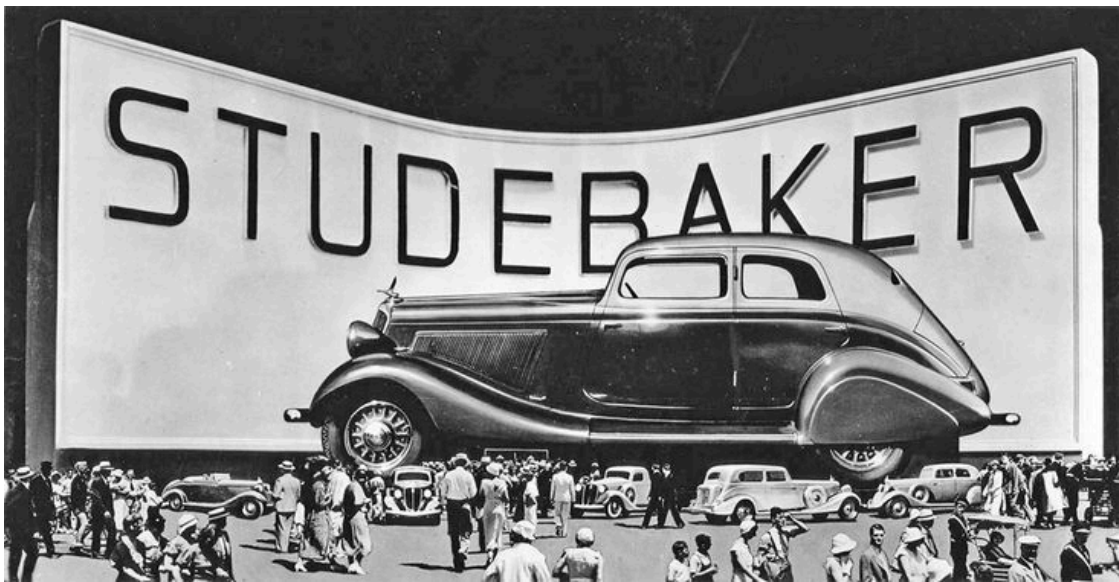
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## Remembering the 1934 World's Fair Studebaker

By Robert Tate, Award-Winning Automotive Historian & Researcher

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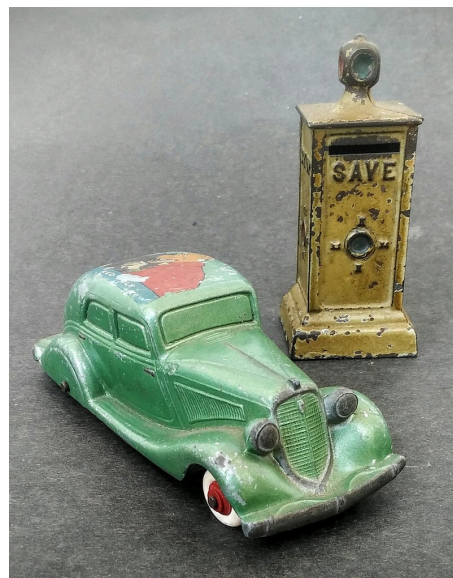
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In 1933, the Century of Progress International Exposition in Chicago, Illinois, introduced one of the most remarkable automotive displays of its era: the world's largest Studebaker model ever constructed for a World's Fair. This impressive model measured approximately eighty feet long and thirty-nine feet high, with massive twelve-foot-tall wheels, making it the largest automobile display in the country at the time.



The Studebaker exhibit proved to be an outstanding advertising success. Among its many attractions was a complete motion-picture theater, where fairgoers could see and hear presentations highlighting Studebaker's new 1934 sales and promotional materials. The giant display drew widespread attention and



As part of the 1934 exhibit experience, spectators were given small-scale replica toy versions of the Studebaker Land Cruiser upon entering the display. These toy models, manufactured by National Products, are considered extremely rare and highly collectible today. For more information on Studebaker's rich history, visit the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend,

created significant public excitement around the brand.

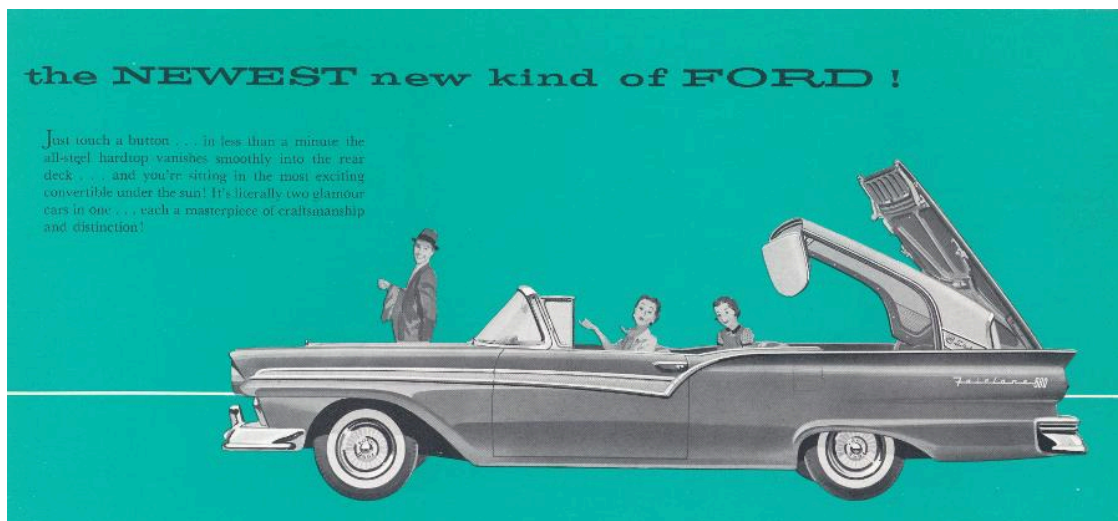
Indiana, which offers an exceptional exploration of the brand's historical timeline.  
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## Ford's Pair of Aces for 1957

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The all new 1957 models were significant for the success of the Ford Motor Company in many ways. The innovative designs not only set the stage for future generations of vehicles, but also laid the foundation for the companies "Total Performance" marketing campaign throughout the next decade. Two models in particular that were available in limited numbers that highlighted Fords forward innovation was the introduction of the 118 inch wheelbase Ford Fairlane 500 Skyliner and the revised Thunderbird that featured a reshaped front bumper from the previous model and larger grill and tailfins. These top of the line models were intended to accomplish one thing....to bring people into Ford showrooms, and if these models weren't right for them - convince the potential customer to buy another Ford model. Did it work?



Advertised as "The Worlds Only Hide-Away Hardtop" and spearheaded by Chief of Styling George W. Walker the Fairlane 500 Skyliner with its groundbreaking retractable hardtop was the first in the world to be mass-produced.



Ford's other major showroom stopper was the restyled 1957 Thunderbird that kept its two-seat configuration. As stated, the revisions included a reshaped front bumper, a larger grill and beautifully shaped tailfins with the rear of the car lengthened just enough to allow the spare tire to be re-positioned back into the trunk. The instrument panel was restyled using round gauges in a single pod from the full-size 1956 Fords. The T-Bird was available in both standard and automatic transmission.

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