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UPCOMING NIRG EVENTS

February 11 Board of Directors Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

February 16 Monthly Meeting, Wheeling Township Service Center, 7:30 pm.

March 5 Turner Pioneers Luncheon, Chicago. See Page 3.



OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

February 13-21 108th Annual Chicago Auto Show, McCormick Place, \$12 adult, \$7 seniors 62 and older.

February 14 Happy Valentine's Day. Remember your special person.

February 22 25th Annual BOPC swap & corral, Kane County Fairgrounds, St. Charles, IL, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. \$5 donation per person.

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Think Spring!



Because your Membership Chairman will be traveling in February, the 2016 Membership Rosters will be distributed at the March monthly meeting.

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Ken Bounds

Gary Osborne

Stan Stack

George Zulas

MEETINGS

7:30 pm on the third
Tuesday of the month at
the Wheeling Township
Service Center, 1616 N.
Arlington Heights Road,
Arlington Heights, IL

NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT

Hello V-8ers,

I wish everybody a very happy Valentine's Day. Now that it's February – and with the first day of spring less than two months away – we'll be able to get our V-8s out on the road before we know it, so make sure you're making progress on those winter car projects. (I hope to have all the pistons in my '47 Woodie's 59A block by the time you read this).



First, I would like to thank Frank Madrigali for hosting our annual Installation Dinner at the Rockwood Tap House. As always, we had a wonderful time. I also offer a very special thanks to Ron Vaughn for again providing the live piano entertainment – this really made the evening.

Next, during January's meeting we spent some time talking about some of the events we're planning for the year and we wrapped up by enjoying a very informative Tech Talk with Ralph the Radio Guy about how our V-8 radios work and how to repair them. If you have any questions about your radio, be sure to give him a call. His contact info is in his ad in the back of the Road Chatter.

On a last note, we had a few new members join the club in January. Please welcome Allen Bryant, Pat & Dee Maroney, Michael & Grace Mohawk, and Jay & Margie Hinshaw. We look forward to seeing them soon at some of our club events.

We've been busy planning our calendar for 2016, and we expect to have another fun-filled year. Please check out the NIRG website at www.nirgv8.org for a preview of what's in store. While you're there, check out all of the helpful information Ken and Carolyn Bounds have posted about our Regional Group.

I look forward to seeing you this month.

Scott Gilday
NIRG President

Dennis Roberts - Feb 10, 1939 - Jan 3, 2016

This month Michael Roberts notified us of the passing of his father, Northern Illinois Regional Group member Dennis Roberts. Dennis owned a 1950 Ford Convertible and joined our club at our Volo show in 2007. Most recently, Dennis drove his convertible to our 2014 picnic.

Michael said the car was the joy of his life. We send our condolences to the entire family.



UPCOMING TOURS AND EVENTS

Save the Date: Saturday, March 5 - Chicago Turner Pioneers Luncheon

Charles R. Kaiser is once again hosting the Chicago Turner Pioneers luncheon March 5 at 1:00 pm at Café Prague, 6710 West Belmont Avenue in Chicago.

The lunch, featuring giant corned beef sandwiches and potato pancakes is only \$12, drinks extra.

A sign-up sheet and more information will be available at the February 16 meeting. If you do not plan to attend the meeting, please call Charles at 773-334-6277 by February 16 and let him know if you plan to attend the luncheon.



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2016 National Meets

Ken Bounds is planning driving tours to both National Meets this year, see details below. Registration forms are available for both meets on our website, www.nirgv8.org, or ask Ken for a forms package. It is very important that you get your registration forms in as soon as possible to ensure that you can get into the meet hotels.

Ken is planning a two-day drive to each meet - drive your Early V-8 or bring modern iron. Please let Ken know if you plan to attend so he can make arrangements along the routes.



2016 Central National Meet

Hosted by the Tulsa Regional Group June 12-16 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tulsa. The Tulsa group has arranged a terrific rate of \$109 per night. If you plan to go, you should get registered and make your hotel reservation right away to make sure rooms are available. So far about five members from here have indicated they plan to attend the meet.

Tulsa is located in Northeast Oklahoma, about 675 miles from Northern Illinois. We are planning a two-day drive on the tour to Tulsa with a stop in central Missouri.



2016 Eastern National Meet

Hosted by the National Capitol Regional Group August 8-11 in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The meet rate at the Wyndham is \$119. The hotel is the same super location as the 2014 meet.

Gettysburg is about 688 miles from Northern Illinois. Again, we are planning a two-day tour to Gettysburg with an overnight stop near Pittsburgh.

2016 Installation Dinner By Ken Bounds

On a chilly, but dry January 16, forty-four NIRG members and guests gathered at the Rockwood Tap House in Downers Grove for our annual Installation Dinner. As guests arrived they were treated to the relaxing piano stylings of our own Ron Vaughan as Ron Blum completed the arrangement of a large variety of door prizes donated by V-8 vendors and friends and our own members.

The social hour featuring cocktails and hors d'oeuvre allowed time for everyone to mingle and catch up with old friends. We were delighted to meet for the first time Mike & Amanda Sargis who joined the club last March. It was great to see John Judge who seems to be well on his way to recovery from hip surgery. We were also happy that Elaine Braun and Gladys Duzell were able to attend.

After a blessing by Gary Osborne, we were treated to a delicious meal served by the attentive and professional staff. After we enjoyed dessert, President Scott Gilday began the program by thanking the 2015 Officers and Directors for their service and introducing the new team for 2016. National President Ken Bounds just happened to be in attendance; he led the swearing in of the new officers with the Early



President Scott



Phyllis & Frank



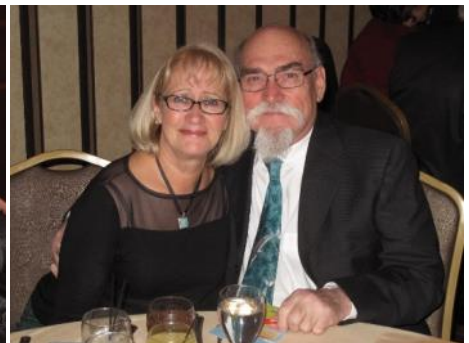
John & Robin



Arlene & Ron



Gary & Dawn



Dawn & George



Colleen & Ron



John J & Ron V



Amanda & Mike

Ford V-8 Club oath, "So Help Me Henry." The new team includes President Scott Gilday, Vice President Frank Madrigali, Secretary John Emmering, Treasurer Joe Serritella, Membership Chairman Ken Bounds, Health & Welfare Chairman Phyllis Madrigali, Newsletter Editors Ken & Carolyn Bounds, Tour Chairman Ron Steck, and Board of Directors: Ron Blum, Ken Bounds, Gary Osborne, Stan Stack and George Zulas.

Scott then made a brief presentation to thank those who served the club in special ways in the last year. For each person named, he asked them to stand while he detailed their service. Those recognized were Scott Gilday, President, Tech Talks; Frank Madrigali, Vice-President, 2015 Installation Dinner; Phyllis Madrigali, Health & Welfare Chairman; John Emmering, Secretary, Road Chatter articles, Eggs & Eights; Joe Serritella, Treasurer, Tech Talks; Ken & Carolyn Bounds, Road Chatter Editors, Membership Chairman, Board of Directors, Manteno Veterans Home Show, Spring Fling, Joint Tour with NORG, Central National Meet, Lake Geneva Poker Rally, Videos, Tech talks; Ron Steck, Tour Chairman; Ron Blum, Board of Directors, 2015 Installation Dinner Door Prizes, Pizza Meeting, A Day at the Races, Duals Night; Joe Dispensa, Board of Directors, LaSalle St Show, Hines VA Hospital Show; Gary Osborne, Board of Directors; Stan Stack, Board of Directors, Picnic Tables/Chairs; Ron Vaughan, Entertainment, 2015 Installation Dinner; Alan Wall, 2014 Service Awards; Charles Kaiser, Turners Luncheon; Don & Elaine Braun, Hosted Club Picnic; Tom O'Donnell, Motorfest 6, Fall Colors Tour, Tech Talk; and Earl Heintz, Veterans Day Luncheon.

The evening was capped off with the drawing of door prizes. Thanks to the generosity of vendors and members, there were plenty of prizes for everyone. Most sought after were three Early Ford V-8 prints generously donated again by our friend Arlen Olson of Minnesota. Hopefully, everyone went home happy.

Our thanks go out to our hosts, Frank & Phyllis Madrigali for arranging the dinner, to Ron Vaughan for his enjoyable entertainment, to Ron Blum for receiving and arranging the door prizes, to everyone including our members who donated door prizes, and to all the members who participated and made it an



Elaine & Gladys



Terry & Kitty



Peggy & Frank



Madeleine & Tom



Lenny & Irene



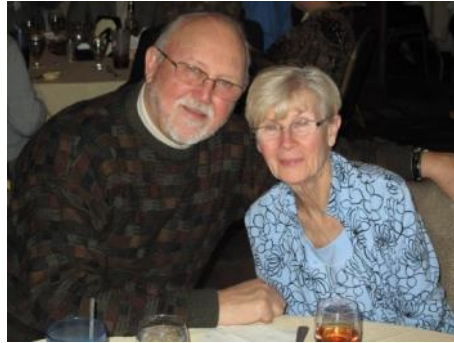
James & Kathy

enjoyable evening. What a great way to kick off another year of V-8ing fun.

Those participating were our hosts Frank & Phyllis Madrigali and their guests, Ron & Arlene Blum, Ken Bounds, Elaine Braun, Joe & Marie Dispensa, Gladys Duzell, John & Robin Emmering, Terry & Kitty Freihage, Scott Gilday, John Judge, Frank & Peggy Koeder, James & Kathy Larson, Tom & Madeleine O'Donnell, Gary & Dawn Osborne, Dan & Diane Pudelek, Mike & Amanda Sargis, John & Este Scheve, Ron & Colleen Steck, Jeff & Mondira Trilling, Ron Vaughan, Len & Irene Vinyard, Larry Webb and his friend Virgie Burnquist, and George & Dawn Zulas.



John & Este



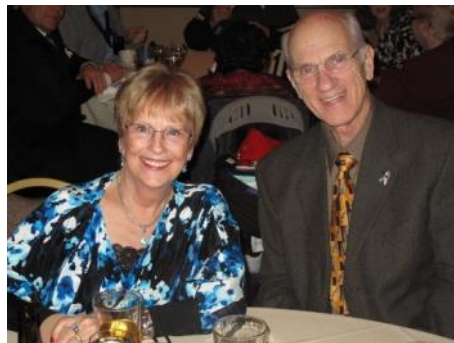
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Marie & Joe



Diane & Dan



Larry & Virgie

The Northern Illinois Regional Group wishes to acknowledge the generosity of the companies listed below for donating door prizes that contributed to the success of our installation dinner. These companies provide valuable services in keeping our cars on the road and we ask that you patronize them when possible.

Antique Auto Battery – Gift certificates and pens

Arlen Olson - Three numbered Early Ford prints

Castrol – 16 coupons for a free quart of oil

Classic Auto Parts - Ten t-shirts

Dennis Carpenter Ford Restoration Parts - Fifty Key Chains

Kent Jaquith - \$50 gift certificate for wiper motor rebuild

Meguiar's - large quantity of car wash/wax packets

Old Cars Weekly - Book: Standard Catalog of Ford

Tyree Harris Wiring – Four \$25 gift certificates

Welcome New Members

The Northern Illinois Regional Group extends a warm welcome to four new members. Their contact information will be included in the 2016 Roster of Members, available in March.

Allen Bryant of Wilmette has been a member of the National Club since last May. He joined the NIRG at our January meeting. Allen has a '29 Model A Fordor, a '57 Chevy BelAir, and a '67 Chevy Malibu. We need to get him into an Early V-8! Allen said he is primarily interested in finding a '32 Ford Coupe.



Allen

Pat & Dee Maroney live in Schaumburg. Pat attended the January meeting as a guest, along with his friend John. Like Allen, Pat was active in the Model As and recently sold his '29 Model A. Pat said that he is in the market for a late '30s or early '40s Early V-8 Fordor. Pat recently joined the National Club and before the meeting was over, was a member of our group too.

Soon after our monthly meeting, we received a membership application from Michael Mohawk and Grace LiGreci Mohawk. They live in Huntley and are the owners of a '50 Ford Custom. Michael and Grace have asked whether our group would be interested in participating in a charitable event at Bull Valley Ford in Huntley - we are looking forward to hearing more about it.



Pat

Last, but not least, we have also received a membership application from Jay & Margie Hinshaw who live in Chicago. They told us that they just joined the National Club and report that they own a '58 Chevy Nomad Station Wagon and a '92 Mitsubishi 3000GT.

FOUNDATION NEWS

Tom and Pam Johnston, of Napa, California, have generously donated this beautiful 1940 Ford Business Coupe (sometimes called an Opera Coupe) to the Foundation to be raffled off as a fundraiser. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held when all the tickets have been sold.

The Coupe is an older frame-off restoration with 10-year old Cloudmist Gray paint, rebuilt engine and transmission, and new wiring, aluminum radiator, front floor mat, trunk mat, gas tank, dual exhaust, bumpers, running boards, and more. Seat upholstery is all original.

Tickets are \$10 each and available by: calling **260-927-8022** or by sending a check to PO Box 284, Auburn, IN 46706. If you send a check and want your stubs sent to you, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

We also plan to have tickets available for purchase at the February meeting.



JANUARY 19 MEETING MINUTES

Submitted by John Emmering

President Scott Gilday called the meeting to order at 7:43 pm. Scott introduced our first guest and newest member Allen Bryant, who had just joined the NIRG that evening. Allen explained that he has recently retired and owns a Model "A" Ford and is interested in getting into the Ford V-8 hobby as well. Alan's goal is to find a 1932 Ford coupe. Raul Cartagena, better known as "Ralph the radio man", from Bartlett was introduced. Ralph later presented a tech talk on antique car radio repair. Next Scott introduced Pat Maroney visiting for the first time with his friend John Zwirowskil. Pat told us he recently parted with his 1929 Model "A" Ford and is seeking a 1936-40 Ford V-8 Deluxe Fordor or something similar. As the meeting progressed Pat joined NIRG also giving us two additional members for the evening.



Membership Chairman Ken Bounds gave his report. Ken stated that we finished 2015 with 87 members. Ken mentioned that two of our members recently passed away, Chester Lawrence and Dennis Roberts. Membership stood at 74 with 11 renewals not yet returned. With two new additions to membership that evening the total membership stands at 76.

In news of the National Early Ford V-8 Club of America, Midwest Director and 2016 National President Ken Bounds announced that the annual face to face national board meeting would be taking place February 16-17 in Phoenix, Arizona. The meeting is open to all members. Ken said that Tom O'Donnell planned to be present and possibly Joe Serritella as well. Ken reported that registration forms are posted on our website for both the 2016 Central National Meet at Tulsa, OK - June 12-16, and the 2016 Eastern National Meet at Gettysburg, PA - August 8-11. Ken asked for hands of those planning to attend one of the national meets as he is preparing travel packets for participants.

Ken told the group that information and registration forms can be found on our local website or the national site for this year's national driving tours. The three tours are the 2016 Western New York Regional Group Golden Anniversary National Driving Tour "Fording around the Finger Lakes" July 11-15, 2016, Batavia, New York, the 2016 Great Southwestern National Driving Tour - September 13-19, 2016, Canyon City, Colorado, as well as the 2016 Blue Ridge Parkway National Driving Tour - September 18-22, Asheville, North Carolina.

Scott Gilday gave the treasurer's report in Joe Serritella's absence. Scott reported \$155.00 income in the form of 2016 dues with expenses of \$45.00 for meeting place rent and \$86.07 for the Road Chatter newsletter. Frank Madrigali reported on the Installation Dinner held on January 16 at the Rockwood Tap House. Frank reported that the event was a success with 44 people attending. Special thanks were given to Frank for organizing the event, Ron Vaughan for providing musical entertainment and to Ron Blum for preparing the door prize distribution.

Scott continued with a report of upcoming activities planned for 2016. Scott began with the Chicago Turner Pioneers Lunch, in March. Others events on the horizon were announced by Scott such as an Eggs and Eights breakfast on April 10, Pizza Meeting April 19 at Lou Malnati's in Buffalo Grove, possible safety check May 7 at Roundheads Pizza in Lombard, and a tour to the South Elgin Trolley Museum May 15 sponsored by George Zulas. Ron Steck, tour chairman suggested a tour down Route 66 to Pontiac Illinois on June 4. A possible tour to Crown Point, Indiana, to visit the John Dillinger Museum, June 25 was suggested by John Emmering. A Duals night at Buffalo Grove Culver's is being scheduled for July 2, and Ken Bounds is planning the annual joint tour with the Northern Ohio Group, this time to Indianapolis, Indiana, tentatively from July 21-24.

JANUARY 19 MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

The annual picnic may be held once again at Timmerman's Ranch in August on a date to be determined. The Lake Geneva Poker Rally will be held once again September 23-25. Jeff Trilling suggested the club participate in the Iron Invasion car show on October 1, 2016 at the McHenry County fairgrounds in Woodstock, Illinois. Scott said he would look into the event. Ken Bounds reminded us of the two events Joe Dispensa will be sponsoring being the 9th Annual LaSalle St. Auto Show in Aurora on August 21 and the Hines VA Auto Show on September 3.

NIRG members were encouraged to suggest any additional events they would like to sponsor and told to bring their ideas to tour chairman Ron Steck. A short discussion was held on the possibilities of sponsoring another V-8 National Meet in the future. The meeting paused for a coffee and cookie break at 8:30. When the meeting resumed a Tech Talk was presented by Raul "Ralph the Radio Man" Cartagena on antique car tube radios. Ralph went into radio theory and electronics along with some history. Using the example of a 1951 Ford Custom Radio he recently refurbished, Ralph went through his repair procedures using a PowerPoint presentation. Ralph also brought in some radios for demonstration. The group really appreciated the presentation. Before the meeting closed the 50-50 drawing was held. Jeff Trilling was the lucky winner of \$20.00.

Members in attendance were: Richard Anderson, Ron Blum, Ken Bounds, Allen Bryant, Tom Buscaglia, Joe Dispensa, Samuel Dix, Ron Dopke, John Emmering, Paul Jensen, John Judge, Joe Kozmic, George Kubik, Frank Madrigali, Pat Maroney, Gary Osborne, John Scheve, John Slobodnik, Ron Steck, Jeff Trilling, and Ron Vaughan.



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TECH CORNER



2016 is the 75th Anniversary of the 1941 Ford. We hope you like the following interesting technical information and historical facts about this model and contemporary world events.

Firsts

- First Fords (since 1908) with a 6 cyl engine, which was introduced mid-year
- New remote-control hood lock
- New (for Ford) Sedan Coupe body style
- First electrically operated top on convertibles

Lasts

- Last Ford priced under \$700 (6 cyl Special Coupe)
- Last year for exposed running boards

Technical Specifications

- Price – from \$684 for the 6 cyl Special Coupe to \$1,015 for the Super De Luxe 4-dr V-8 Wagon
- Wheelbase 114”, overall length 194.3”, height 68.15”
- Weight – ranged from 2,791lbs for the 6 cyl Super Deluxe Coupe to 3,419 lbs for the Super De Luxe V-8 wagon
- Engines – 221 cubic inch 90-hp Flathead V-8 and 225.8 ci 6 cylinder also rated at 90 horsepower
- Production totals – 689,571; Fewest - Special Fordor Sedan, 3,838; Most - Super De Luxe Tudor Sedan, 185,788
- Serial numbers – V-8: Beginning – 18-5,896,295 End – 18-6,769,035;
6 cyl: Beginning 1GA-1 End - 1GA-034,800



Notable

- Ford introduced the new models September 27, 1940
- The 1941 Fords consisted of three models: Special, De Luxe, and Super De Luxe
- The 29,000,000th Ford was a Super De Luxe Station Wagon assembled April 29 at the Rouge plant
- A three-week strike in April ended Ford's status as a non-unionized company
- On January 20, Franklin Roosevelt began an unprecedented 3rd term as President
- On May 1 Orson Welles' film Citizen Kane premiered in New York City
- On December 7 the Japanese Navy launched a surprise attack on the U.S. at Pear Harbor
- Notable births during 1941: Dick Cheney, January 30; Richie Valens, May 13; Bob Dylan, May 24; Stacy Keach, June 2; David Crosby, August 14; Bernie Sanders, September 8; Chubby Checker, October 3; Paul Simon, October 13; Art Garfunkle, November 5



The new Super De Luxe instrument panel is a symphony in beautiful wood-grain finish and gray plastic. Instruments are grouped for perfect visibility through the two-spoke steering wheel. The panel includes a clock, lighter, ash tray, lock for glove compartment, dimming control for instrument lights, ignition key hole light, speed control for windshield wipers, starter button, grille to cover speaker if radio is installed. New remote control hood lock is at the left just under the instrument panel. Notice the handy half-moon horn ring on the attractive Super De Luxe steering wheel.



10 Years Ago This Month – February 2006

The February Road Chatter welcomed new member Joe Dispensa. That issue included an article from Neil McManus' brother Pete about his 1935 Brewster. At the February 21 monthly meeting, Joe Serritella from Vintage Voltage presented a tech talk on Flathead distributors.

20 Years Ago This Month – February 1996

At the February 20 monthly meeting, members were informed that our National Director had sent the group a letter including the news that Jerry Windle was the new V-8 Times editor. There was a huge turnout of over 50 NIRG members and guests at a February 24 tour of the Warshawsky collection in Chicago. The tour was arranged and hosted by John Judge and Lloyd Duzell and was also attended by the Buick club. Everyone thought it was a great tour and a super collection.

30 Years Ago This Month – February 1986

The February Road Chatter contained an article written by Marty Duling about his 1936 Ford Club Cabriolet as well as his monthly update on the upcoming 1986 Central National Meet. On February 8, Terry & Kitty Freihage hosted the annual Installation Dinner/Dance at Mr. Peters in Mt. Prospect. After a prime rib dinner and a program of service awards and door prizes, the crowd danced to the music of *Sound Effects II*. New member John Witthoeft attended the February 11 monthly meeting.

40 Years Ago This Month – February 1976

At the February 10 monthly meeting, the members discussed the difficulty of booking good dates for the annual Christmas Party; they voted 18 to 4 to change the event to an annual Installation Dinner in January. At the meeting, Chester Lawrence gave a very informative tech talk on rebuilding Flathead distributors. There was more talk about the group hosting a Central National Meet. On February 21, 14 brave souls attended a roller skating party at the Axle rink at Golf Mill.

Flathead Flashback

Snapshot taken by Marty Duling at the February 10, 1976, club meeting. Do you recognize anyone?



IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ILLINOIS RESIDENTS

Because of the budget impasse in the State of Illinois, the Secretary of State's office is no longer sending out annual license plate renewal notifications. This means that vehicle owners are on their own to remember when their license plates need to be renewed.

Unfortunately, many people do not think about their renewal until they get their notification. The end result is that people are now getting ticketed for missing their renewal deadline. Until this situation is resolved, please remember to keep up with when your license plate stickers expire and purchase your new sticker before the end of the expiration month.

As a solution for some, you can sign up to receive your renewal notification by e-mail from the Secretary of State. To sign up to have a renewal notification sent to you by e-mail follow these steps:

1. Make sure you know your Registration ID and PIN. These can be found on a renewal notice or on your registration card - see example below.

2016 Illinois Registration Identification Card					
Jesse White, Illinois Secretary of State					
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			APRIL 30, 2016		
			Plate Number		
Renewal Fee Due		58.00			
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2. Go to the Secretary of State website www.cyberdriveillinois.com.
3. On the right side of page, click on the box that says "Email My Renewal Notice."
4. Type in your Registration ID and Pin number, then click "Submit"
5. Type in the e-mail address where you wish to receive your notice.
6. Follow the prompts if you choose to register additional vehicles.

You should receive an e-mail from **RenewalNotice@ilsos.net** confirming your enrollment. Please be aware that the e-mail notification may not kick in until the second renewal cycle.

REMINDER: Whether you sign up for e-mail renewal notification or not, the State of Illinois has decided that it is your responsibility to know when your license plate sticker expires and to purchase and attach a new sticker before the end of the month of expiration. You are responsible for any tickets, fines, or late fees for allowing a sticker to expire. Doesn't seem right, but that is the way it is.

Thank you to Neil McManus for suggesting this article.

NIRG EVENTS CALENDAR

January 14 Board Meeting 16 Installation Dinner 19 Member Meeting	February 11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting	March 5 Turner Pioneers Luncheon 10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting	April 10 Eggs & Eights, Geneva 14 Board Meeting 19 Pizza Meeting
May 12 Board Meeting 17 Member Meeting	June 9 Board Meeting 12-16 Central National Meet, Tulsa 21 Member Meeting	July 2 Duals Night, Buffalo Grove 14 Board Meeting 19 Member Meeting	August 8-11 Eastern National Meet, Gettysburg 11 Board Meeting 16 Member Meeting
September 8 Board Meeting 20 Member Meeting 23-25 Lake Geneva Poker Rally	October 13 Board Meeting 18 Member Meeting	November 12 Veterans Day Lunch, Sam's of Arlington 10 Board Meeting 15 Member Meeting	December No Meetings

♥ *Happy Valentines Day* ♥

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
ED KARCH (2/2), NELL KOZMIC (2/8),
PAULA BAUGHN (2/11), PAT STACEY (2/12), LEN VINYARD (2/14),
DON HENLEY (2/19), FRANK MADRIGALI (2/21),
VICKIE HENLEY (2/22), PAUL JENSEN (2/26), BOB PALADINO (2/26),
& CHERYL KOZMIC (2/28)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO
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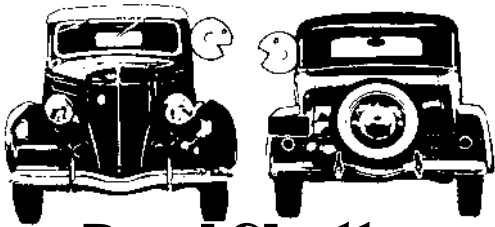
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