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A Message From Your President Don Dear



Leaf peeping time is here. It's a great time to take a road trip and enjoy the foliage. The Burkes have planned a nice trip to the Letchworth Park area to tour the Mt. Morris Dam. Make sure to sign up for this fun event.

Our November election/ breakfast meeting will be on November 14th at Johnny D's in Spencerport. Details are in this issue.

Plan to attend the Christmas party on December 5th. Pam Heald and Susan De Nagel have planned a special day for our group. Sign-up information is in this issue. Let's fill the party room!

Don't miss our ever-popular monthly cars & coffee events. It's a good time to chat with fellow members and catch up on the news. Bring a guest, who might be interested in joining the club.

Thank you, Mary Moon, for planning the most interesting outing to tour Foodlink. Foodlink gathers and distributes foods to places that help provide food to those in need. Pictures will be in our next issue.

Our 2027 calendar is wide open. Let's have some volunteers to plan new activities for the club. Contact a Board member with your ideas and pick a date for your event.

Enjoy the ride!

Don Dear

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14 James Dierks	24 Pat Lloyd
14 Judy Keenan	27 Richard Dierks
17 Mary Moon	28 Ellen Deno
22 Anne Barrett	28 Sylvia Lamagna

Candy Trivia Question

What candy bar is named after a red planet?

Answer: MARS

Happy Anniversary!



10 David & Barbara Wild	1959	67
17 John & Karen Martin	1965	61
23 Debra Pupo & Matt Metzger	1993	33

Sunshine Report

Mark Graf

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It's AACA 2027 Membership Renewal Time

It's our busiest time of the year here at AACA Headquarters – it's membership renewal time! The first renewal notice for 2027 dues will be included in the September/October mailing package of *Antique Automobile*.

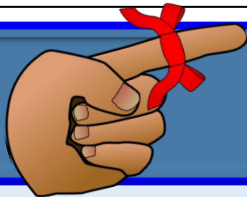
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Your payment will automatically update your membership record.



REMINDER!! 50 Year Memberships

AACA and GVACS 50-YEAR MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

AACA and GVACS 50-year membership awards are two different programs and there is no correlation between the two. AACA does not keep track of GVACS 50-year membership and GVACS does not maintain a database for AACA 50-year membership. If you believe you are eligible for a 50-year AACA award, contact Jon Curtis, jcurtis@aaca.org or phone 717-534-1910.

GVACS 50-Year award is the waiving of GVACS membership dues only. AACA dues are required and should be paid by December 31st.

This year we have a member who will achieve both an AACA 50-Year and GVACS 50-Year status in 2027.

Please congratulate DONALD KITTELBERGER for his long-time commitment and enthusiasm for the antique automobiles that we all love and enjoy.

GVACS 50-Year members for 2027 are:

Ed & Gwynne Almekinder

Bill & Grace Boudway

Charles & Dorothy Bruno

Pat Crowley

Douglas & Joyce Drake

Norma Herendeen

Ellen Hill

Donald Kittelberger

John & Mary McAlpin

Carol Peters

Jean Sherry

LaVerne & Joan VanDeWall

Rand Warner

David & Barbara Wild

Anthony & Claire Zappone

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GVACS Membership Renewal - Due prior to Dec. 31, 2026

Name _____ Spouse/Partner Name _____
Address _____ Preferred phone (____) _____
City _____ Other phone (____) _____
State, Zip Code _____ E-Mail _____

AACAMEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED for GVACS and must be current for 2027

Your AACA dues notice arrives with the Sept/Oct and Nov/Dec issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine. It is attached to the cover sheet citing your mailing address. Or renew via AACA website under drop down menu "Membership." 2027 AACA dues must be paid by 12/31/26.

Date you paid your AACA dues ____/____/____

My AACA number is: (6 numbers 1 Alpha character) _____ Your AACA membership number remains the same from year to year.

Your GVACS 2027 annual dues MUST be received prior to 12/31/26

Please send this form along with your check for \$25.00 (payable to GVACS) to:

Ann A. Neal, Membership Chair
2464 Maple Ave.
Palmyra, NY 14522

If you are a 50-year member of GVACS and receive a free membership, please check this line _____



PLEASE HELP YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR BY RETURNING THIS FORM AND PAYING YOUR DUES ON TIME BECAUSE:



- This form is used to VERIFY and/or UPDATE / CORRECT YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION in our roster.
- 50-year members should return this form to alert the Membership Chair that they plan to continue as a GVACS member and should remain on our roster. Remember your 2027 AACA dues are required and must be paid before Dec.31, 2026.
- The Membership Chair MUST notify AACA of any roster changes including non renewals and corrections BY MID JANUARY.
- If your dues are NOT received by DECEMBER 31st it is assumed that you are not renewing your membership and it will be reported to AACA that you are no longer a GVACS member.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: Date Rec'd _____ Check # _____

Cars & Coffee

October 15 - 9AM

See You There!



Johnny D's Family Restaurant
2139 North Union Street
Spencerport, NY 14559

Mt. Morris Dam Tour & Lunch & Tour The Mills Mansion

When: Saturday, October 17th. We will meet at 8:30am at Lowes, 2350 Marketplace Drive, Henrietta and will depart for Mt Morris at 9am.

Where: Mt. Morris Dam, 6103 Visitor Center Drive, Mt. Morris, NY 14510

Lunch: Brian's USA Diner, 5524 Mt. Morris Rd., Mt. Morris, NY

What: Just think of how many times you have been to Letchworth State Park but never taken a tour of the Dam? Well this is your opportunity! Tour Masters - Brian & Carolyn Burke.



Members have 2 options on this journey – take a one mile walking tour of the Dam which takes one hour OR just hang out at the overlook. We will all tour the Visitor Center and see the excellent video on the Dam and the artwork on display. (GVACS will pay small fee for Dam tour.)

A maximum of 30 people are allowed on the tour so book your participation early.

*****Conditions of the Tour*****

To begin the tour, you must negotiate a steep 10% grade down to the Dam. Then you will enter the Dam which is cool (about 50 degrees) and wet. We highly recommend waterproof shoes and a jacket. There is a 2 minute elevator ride to the guts of Dam and a tour.

After the tour is completed, there is a 10% grade back up to the Visitor Center and parking lot. If you believe you may have difficulty making this grade, please do not sign up for the tour.

Lunch: We hope to depart the Dam at 12:30 and drive to Brian's USA Diner on 5524 Mt Morris Rd, Mt Morris for lunch. We will order off the menu and get separate checks.

Mills Mansion Tour: After lunch, we have been invited to tour the Mills Mansion at 14 Main St, Mt Morris. Open 12-3pm. Gen. William Augustus Mills was the founder and first permanent white settler of Mount Morris.

Questions: Call Carolyn at home 585-872-6630 or cell 585-752-0925

RSVP BY October 9th

Contact Carolyn Burke (cburke@localnet.com) to sign up for the activity,

Please indicate how many people for the Dam tour and for the lunch and Mills Mansion.

Name(s)_____

People Dam Tour _____ # People Lunch _____ # People Mills Mansion _____

I need headcounts for both the Mt. Morris Dam tour and for lunch.

**Don't Miss Our
Annual Meeting & Election of Officers
November 14, 2026 at Noon**

Location: Johnny D's Family Restaurant

2139 N. Union Street, Spencerport, NY 14559



**We will meet at
Noon for lunch.**

Order from the menu,
followed by the meeting.



**GVACS Annual Meeting and Election of Officers and Directors for 2027
Saturday, November 14, 2026 at NOON**

The GVACS Annual Meeting and Election of Officers and Directors for 2027 will take place at our indoor meeting on 11-14-2026 at Noon at Johnny D's Family Restaurant, 2139 N. Union St., Spencerport, NY.

The Board of Directors has approved the following slate of nominees for GVACS Officers and Directors for 2027. They will be presented at the Annual Meeting. At that time, nominees from the floor will be called for. (Note that persons being nominated from the floor should have agreed to be nominated.) Be sure to attend the Annual Meeting and participate in the election of Officers and Directors.

OFFICERS:

President: Don Dear
Vice-President: Brian Moon
Treasurer: Brad Sargent
Secretary: Mark Graf

DIRECTORS:

Chris Dear
Brian Moon
Ann Neal
Judy Keenan
Bob Keenan

GVACS 2027 Membership Renewal

Yep, it's that time of year again! The GVACS renewal form for 2027 can be found in this issue of *The Brass Lamp*. Please fill out the form and return to your Membership Chair any time **before December 31st**. Also, 50-Year members, please return the form to alert your Membership Chair that you plan to continue as a GVACS member and should remain on our roster. *Your prompt renewal is very much appreciated.*



2026 GVACS HOLIDAY PARTY



HOSTED BY PAM HEALD & SUSAN DENAGEL



Saturday, December 5, 2026 - Noon to 3 p.m.

Proietti's Italian Restaurant

980 Ridge Rd E Webster Plaza, Webster, NY 14580

Italian Buffet - \$30.00 per person.

(Wine and Beer Available for Purchase At Event)



Make checks payable to GVACS.

Return this form to:

Susan DeNagel, 7752 Hamilton Street, Williamson, NY 14589

Name(s): _____

Phone #: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____

GVACS Contact Info: Susan DeNagel 585-521-4885 or Pamela Heald 585-314-5965

Reservation & Payment due on or before November 20th.

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GVACS Activities Calendar Updated September 20, 2026

Dates 2026	Activity/Event/Speaker	Organizer/Hosts
October 17, 2026	Tour Mt. Morris Dam & Lunch & Tour Mills Mansion We will meet at 8:30am at Lowes, 2350 Marketplace Drive, Henrietta and will depart for Mt Morris at 9am.	Brian & Carolyn Burke
November 14, 2026	Annual Mtg & Election of Officers Meet at Noon for lunch, order from menu, followed by meeting. Johnny D's Family Restaurant 2139 N. Union Street Spencerport, NY 14559	Chris & Don Dear
 December 5, 2026	Christmas Party Saturday, December 5th at 12 Noon Proietti's Italian Restaurant 980 Ridge Rd. Webster, NY 14580 In the plaza at the corner of Ridge Rd & Hard Rd	Pam Heald & Susan DeNagel
Dates 2027	Activity/Event/Speaker	Need Volunteers
January 2027 Event	No Event This Month	
February 2027 Event Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Game Day ??	Need Volunteer
 March 2027 Date TBD	?? Pancake Run ??	Need Volunteer
April 2027 Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Mystery Tour ??	Need Volunteer
May 2027 Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Brunch Run ??	Need Volunteer
June 2027 Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Ice Cream Social ??	Need Volunteer
July 2027 Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Poker Run ??	Need Volunteer
August 2027 Date TBD	?? Ideas ?? ?? Fish Hatchery ??	Need Volunteer

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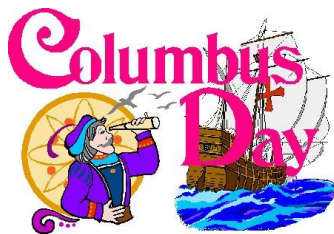
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