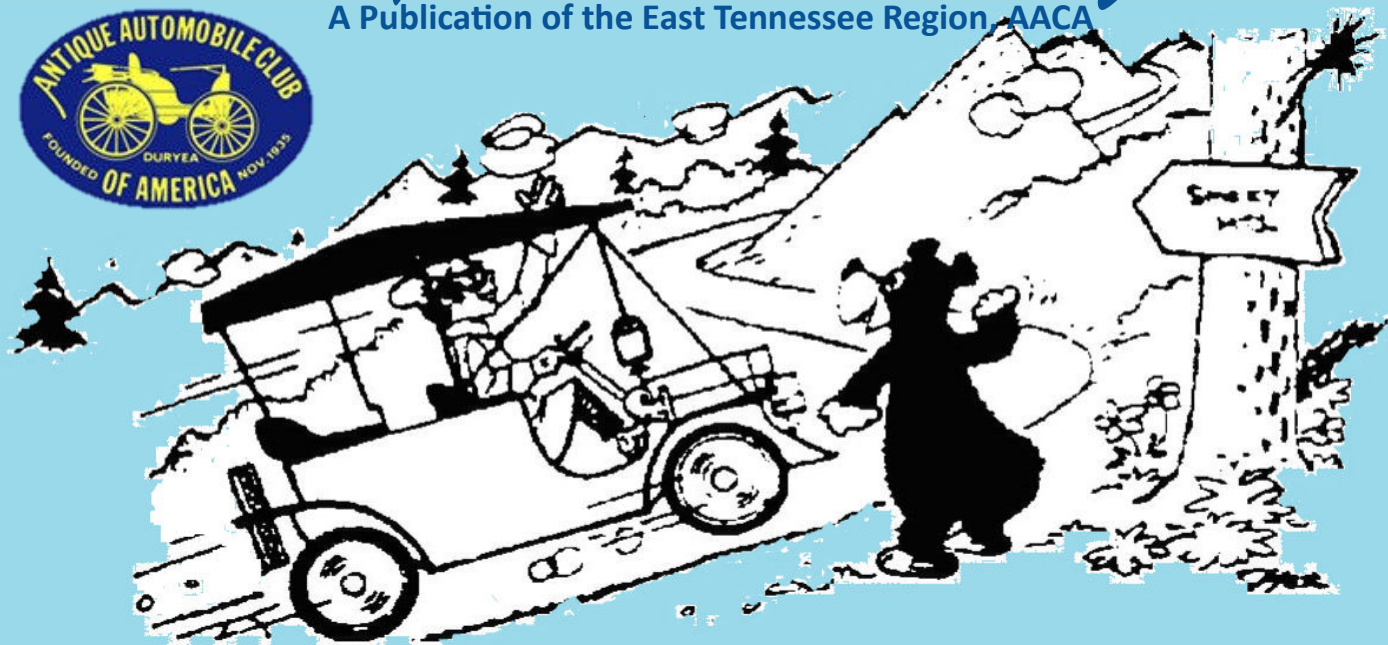


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Ken and Jean Lund, and Vic and Linda Varady enjoy lunch following the East Tennessee Region tour to the H.T. Hackney Company on February 22. The tour was hosted by Robert and Sandra Quillin.





## February Tour Features a Visit to The Hackney Company Headquarters

*By Sandra Quillin* On February 22nd, twenty-eight ETR members and guests visited the HT Hackney Company along Interstate 40 in adjacent Roane County. Hackney, one of the largest grocery wholesalers in the nation, employs over 3,400 people, and distributes over 30,000 different items to over 20,000 locations in a 22-state distribution network. In 2005, H. T. Hackney closed its Knoxville warehouse and moved its Knoxville-area distribution operations to a new 300,000-square-foot facility which cost 24 million dollars by completion.

The 105-minute tour was hosted by Mike Moore, operations manager, who welcomed ques-

tions. Basically, the primary receivers of goods from Hackney are convenience stores with major receivers being Weigel's and Pilot. We learned that loading docks are located on the west side of the center, while unloading docks are located on the east side. Orders are filled during the day, but loaded during the night shift.

One mechanical device that awed our group is an extendable conveyor on wheels that moves in and out of the trailer to load an entire trailer by simply inserting the machine into each trailer, then dropping the pallets on the trailer floor. This is a much quicker means of loading

trailers than by pallet jacks or forklift.

After the tour, members drove a 20-mile scenic route to Calhoun's on Melton Hill Peninsula for a leisurely lunch. Even though the weather was rainy and overcast, it was a great day for a drive with old friends and old cars!

### Volunteer Opportunity

The East Tennessee Region  
needs a volunteer to host an  
event or tour  
for the month  
of May!



## Welcome New Members, Ron and Kathy Boring

The East Tennessee Region is pleased to welcome new members Ronnie and Kathy Boring.

Ron and Kathy are natives of Tennessee, having spent a majority of their time in Roane County. Currently, they live in Kingston.

Ron is retired from Norfolk Southern Corp. and Kathy is retired from the Tennessee Department of Human Services.

Their hobbies, in addition to driving their beautiful Buick Reatta, are hiking, boating and spending time with family and friends.

The East Tennessee Region welcomes Ron and Kathy to the club!





## January Planning Meeting Results in a Nearly Full Calendar of Events for 2017

### East Tennessee Region Officers and Board

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**Robert Quillin**

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**Elby Lloyd**  
**Sandra Quillin**  
**Bill Jurkonie**  
**Rick Lay**

**Newsletter Editors**  
**Roger Frazee**  
**Jan Frazee**

Excitement was in the air when President Lafayette Williams gaveled in the first meeting of 2017 for the East Tennessee Region.

The January Planning session is one of only two "sit-down" meetings the region holds each year. It is an important meeting because it gives all members the opportunity to suggest club activities for the upcoming year.

Many newer members attended the 2017 Planning meeting and several new ideas were discussed and scheduled. Among the planned activities is a trip to Copper Hill, TN, which will include a scenic rail excursion. Also scheduled is a tour to Chattanooga that will coincide with the arrival of the "Great Race" vehicles in the city.

In June, the club will participate in the annual Secret City Festival, and in July, the region will tour to Dayton, TN to visit the Scopes Museum.

The overnight tour this year will be a trip through the Bluegrass area of Kentucky, with stops in the city of Bardstown, the Swopes Cars of Yesteryear Museum, and The General George Patton Museum of Leadership.

A complete listing of activities is shown on page 4 of this issue of the Antiquer.

### Rick Lay and Tom Howard Receive Honors at the Ocala Winter Meet



VP of Judging, Roger Ireland, awards Rick Lay with a certificate for achieving 225 Judging Points.



VP of Judging, Roger Ireland, awards Tom Howard with a certificate for achieving 250 Judging Points.



## Listening to Lafayette

*By Lafayette Williams, President*



Wow! Can you believe – we are already into another new year!

It seems that the years are spinning by faster and faster. Grandma always told me this would happen. The more years we have experienced, the faster the years go. Of course, we need to look at the bright side of fast-time. Each additional year adds to the value of our cars. Or at least we hope it does.

The value of the cars largely depends on the person looking at the car. I sometimes question the younger generation. It seems that so many are beginning to care less about automobiles. Today's young folks are more concerned about technology. Have you noticed how two young folks can sit in the same room or ride in the same car and text each other rather than talk to one another? Grandma would have thought they were tongue-tied.

For those who were unable to be at our January planning meeting, we want you to know that we missed you. This is your club and we want your input. After some

## East Tennessee Region 2017 Calendar of Events

The 2017 Calendar of Events shown below was established during the recent January Planning Meeting, and was compiled by Sandra Quillin. Changes and updates will occur as the year progresses. Keep up with the most recent information on the club website, [www.etr-aaca.com](http://www.etr-aaca.com).

**March 19:** Tour to the live performance of *The Odd Couple*, 2:00 PM, Oak Ridge Playhouse, followed by dinner, hosted by Bob & Sylvia Witt

**April 22:** Copper Hill Train Trip (all day), \$46 per person, hosted by Charlie Simpson, Dallas & Liz Burns, Rick, Dawne & Jordan Lay

**May:** Open month. Waiting for volunteers!

**June 10:** Secret City Festival, hosted by John & Jennifer Payne, Tim & Beth Fisher

**June 25:** Tour to Chattanooga coinciding with The Great Race, hosted by Vic & Linda Varady

**July ??:** Tour to Scopes Museum, Dayton, TN, hosted by Art Fensod & Bill Little

**August ??:** Tellico Village Lakeside Picnic, hosted by Elby and Annie Loyd

**September 15-17:** Two-night trip to Bardstown/Elizabethtown, KY area; Maker's Mark Distillery, Abraham Lincoln's birthplace, Swope's Cars of Yesteryear Museum and the General George Patton Museum of Leadership, hosted by Tom & Nancy Trame, Len & Linda Royston

**October 22:** Tour to Brushy Mountain Prison, hosted by Roger & Jan Frazee

**November ??:** Business Meeting, hosted by Lafayette & Janice Williams

**November 11:** Veteran's Parade, hosted by Lafayette & Janice Williams

**December ??:** Christmas Party, hosted by Lafayette & Janice Williams, Bob & Sylvia Witt

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good plans were made, we had the choice of seven different kinds of tasty soup. Our club has wonderful cooks in the membership. See you at the next stop,

**Lafayette**







# Philadelphia Annual AACA Meeting Focuses on Bringing Young People Into the Old Car Hobby

The presence of young people accented the February Annual AACA meeting in Philadelphia. In addition to the Youth Development seminar, there were displays and demonstrations by students of the Allford State Technical College.

Among the ideas discussed to entice youth into the hobby were the development of youth chapters within regions, and creating youth judging schools.

Other AACA seminars included newsletter editor and webmaster meetings, and a presentation on the Thomas Flyer automobile that won the New York to Paris race of 1908.

The East Tennessee Region was represented at the Annual meeting by Tom and Cindy



Following the Membership Meeting, incoming President Tom Cox chats with a young AACA member. *Photo by Bob Stein*

Christenberry, Rick and Dawne Lay, Randy and Rita Rutherford, Tom and Sis Howard, and Jan and Roger Frazee.

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## Upcoming AACA National Events

March 2017

11 - Virginia Beach - Tidewater Region AACA Annual Swap Meet - VA Beach Airport, 1341 Princess Anne Road, VA Beach, VA 23467. Contact: Neil Sugermeyer, Registration Chair - 757-486-5456 or Terry Bond, Swap Meet Chair - 757-482-5222.

18 - Vero Beach, FL - Indian River Region AACA's 40th Annual Antique Automobile Show - Riverside Park. For additional information contact: Fred Kiesel - 772-770-6339. [local.aaca.org/indianriver](http://local.aaca.org/indianriver)

23-26 - [AACA Western Spring Meet](#) • Palm Springs, CA • hosted by Palm Springs Region

April 2017

6-9 - [Southeastern Spring Meet](#) • Charlotte, NC hosted by Hornets Nest Region

21-22 - Virginia Beach - Tidewater Region AACA's 64th Annual Old Dominion Meet - Founders Inn, 5641 Indian River Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23464. Contact: Marion & Mark McAlpine, Meet Co-chairs: 757-967-0074 <http://odma.aaca.com/2017-odma-meet>

25-28 - Western Divisional Tour (up to 1992) • Sonora, CA • hosted by Mother Lode Region



## Tech Corner: About Capacitors in Ignition Systems

*A Two -Part Article By David Sheffey*

Several years ago while enjoying a Memorial Day cruise along the Blue Ridge Parkway in my 1952 Cadillac, the engine started missing badly and soon stopped running. After considerable effort and help from a restoration garage, a failed ignition condenser was identified as the problem. Now, many years later and after reading an article on automotive condenser trouble in the January, 2017, Cadillac & LaSalle Club *Self Starter* magazine, I questioned the status of condensers in my antique vehicles, thus prompting some web research.



For the record, “condenser” is an old term, and “capacitor” is a newer term for the same device, although automotive ignition capacitors are still commonly called condensers. These devices are normally constructed of two metal plates insulated from each other. Engine condensers use long strips of aluminum foil about an inch wide sandwiched between layers of waxed paper, rolled up and placed in a metal case. One plate is connected to the case and the other to a lead out wire. When connected to a voltage source such as the vehicle battery, it will momentarily act as a closed circuit while current flows to charge the plates, one side negative and the other positive. The electrical energy is stored in the device until a circuit connects the two plates. In early years electrons were thought to ‘condense’; therefore, the term “condenser” originated. Later, after the real operation of the device became better understood, the term “capacitor” came into use – probably in the late 30’s or early 40’s. The term of measurement of capacitance, “Farad,” is named after Michael Faraday (1791-1867). I recall one of my college professors claiming a capacitor of one Farad would be about the size of a railroad boxcar; thus, lessor values are routinely used, e.g., micro-Farad, nano-Farad, or pico-Farad in the metric system.

From the automobile’s infancy, condensers were used in ignition circuits until the advent of electronic systems, and they were also connected to spark coils and generators to reduce radio static. As part of

routine maintenance, many people replaced the condensers, especially those associated with the ignition circuit, because they had no way of knowing the health of the condenser. If, however, condensers are not routinely tested or replaced, it is highly advisable to carry a good condenser in a traveling tool/parts kit. All this said, I may point out that it is not uncommon to find new condensers to be faulty, especially new old stock.

This, then, begs the question, just how does one test a condenser? For anywhere from \$20 - \$200, one may purchase a condenser tester. The best tests are performed by the more expensive ones that apply a high voltage (500-600 volts) to test for leakage and an AC current to actually measure the capacitance of the device. My dad actually built a Heath Kit Condenser Checker. I wish I had it today for it would have met the higher standard test.

Recently I purchased a small handheld unit off ebay for \$20, including shipping -- made in China as you would guess.

Fortunately, there is a rudimentary test to determine the most common failure, i.e., leakage. This procedure will be explained in the next issue of the Antiquer.



## Two Upcoming Car Events Promote Youth Automotive Interests and Benefit Children

### Variety's Cars and Coffee Raises Awareness and Money to Help Children with Mobility Challenges

Cars and car lovers will unite on April 1 from 8:00—11:00 AM, at the Pinnacle Cinemas, for the Variety of East Tennessee semi-annual Cars and Coffee.

The event is free to both participants and spectators. Funds are raised through donations and a charity auction.



More than 500 cars were on display at the October Variety Cars and Coffee event. The next Cars and Coffee is on April 1.

### Top Wrench Program Cultivates Auto Skills for Young People

Top Wrench is a vocational education program developed for high school students as an introduction to racing and team building as they prepare for careers in automotive and marine fields. Top Wrench competitions are held yearly in Knoxville, TN at McGhee Tyson Air National Guard.



East Tennessee Region Members served as judges in the painting competition during the 2016 Top Wrench Event. The 2017 Top Wrench competition is scheduled for April 6. Contact Robert Quillin or Richard Payne (Knox Area Corvair Club) for details regarding the Top Wrench Event.





# AACA National Meets In Auburn, Indiana

*By John McCarthy AACA Vice President, Finance and Budget (reprinted from The AACA Rummage Box)*



The Iconic Auburn automobile was manufactured in Auburn, IN. A side trip to the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum is a special treat for anyone attending the AACA Spring Meet

AACA National Meets have been held in Auburn, Indiana in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Another is planned for May 11 to 13, 2017. There is also an auto related flea market and while not very large, it has grown nicely each year. Within a few miles of the Auctions America site and AACA show field is the world-famous Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum, the National Truck Museum, the Early Ford V-8 Museum, the National Military Museum, the Hoosier Air Museum, the Kruse Automotive and Carriage Museum, and a large automobile related indoor flea market. In 2014 I stopped at the Gilmore Museum in Hickory Corners, MI and in 2015 the Air Force Mu-

seum in Dayton OH, both of which are less than a two-hour detour. Plan on getting to this event early Friday morning and you will have a good opportunity to look at the cars being auctioned over the weekend. If you go to this meet and judge, Auctions America provides you with a bidder number and paddle for free and preferred free parking. The auction begins around noon on Friday and runs through the weekend. When we see large auctions on television the cars auctioned almost all appear to be expensive muscle cars, sports cars, classic cars etc. The mix of cars at Auburn include many lower priced cars and when the gavel goes down it is in the

\$3,000 to \$10,000 range. Keep in mind that you are sort of in the middle of America and things are less expensive. This past May there was a really nice 1978 Lincoln Mark V with 20,000 miles that went for \$11,000, a 1967 low mileage Thunderbird that went for \$12,000 and the list of reasonably priced cars went on. It is not often that you see Canadian built cars in the U.S. but each year there is a nice selection of Canadian built cars like the Pontiac Parisienne and Mercury Meteor which have different trim and engines than their U.S. built counterparts. If you have not been to Auburn, put the meet on your calendar for May 11 to 13, 2017. It is an enjoyable meet with plenty to do.





## East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes Summary

January 31, 2017

Sharon Jurkonie, Secretary

- President Williams mentioned the club has several new members and wondered what can be done to make them feel welcome. Elby Loyd proposed a call/welcome committee to call new members before an event with a special invite – mentioning their car in the conversation to make it more personal. The Board agreed appointing Elby Loyd, Roger Frazee and Charlie Simpson on the committee.
- A routine audit of 2016 financials will be performed by Rick Lay as motioned by Elby Loyd and seconded by Tim Seay.
- The deadline for submitting information to The Antiquer is the 5<sup>th</sup> of the every other month – starting with February. Charlie Simpson thought a one time list of the past club presidents would be of interest. Roger said cars for sale or wanted by members could be part of the Antiquer. Roger and Jan will be sending 6 hardcopies of the Antiquer to National for the annual newsletter competition.
- President Williams said member, Perry Anthony, has approached him asking ETR to host an event with the Lexington, KY club. Tim Seay made a motion, Elby Loyd seconded, that we send our 2017 calendar of events to the Lexington club contact with an invite to the Copper Hill Train Trip on April 29<sup>th</sup>.
- There was a tentative trip on the schedule in May to Auburn, Indiana. Robert Quillin checked with local bus companies. They were already booked for that weekend or very expensive. So the tour was scratched from the club calendar. Several from the club will probably still go on their own.
- Sandra Quillin announced officially that she no longer will be Activities Coordinator. Some of the job responsibilities are – conducting the event planning meeting; notification of each event to the members 2 weeks prior to the event, including US mailing to the non-email folks; sending a second notification by the Monday before the event via email; writing the article for the Antiquer if the event hosts do not; and obtaining the \$50 gift card for the monthly hosts. Tim Seay suggested appointing mentors for new tour hosts. It was also suggested to have an Activities backup person.
- Tim Seay motioned and Roger Frazee seconded the Board amend the By-Laws to make the Activities Coordinator part of the Board with voting rights. By-Law change requires membership approval. Lafayette asked Tim Seay, Elby Loyd and Bill Jurkonie to be on a committee to find a new Activities Coordinator. Roger Frazee will post the job description in the Antiquer.

**Keep a Supply of ETR Promotional Flyers in Your Car**  
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### For Sale: 1931 Ford Rumble Seat Roadster



1931 Model A Roadster w/Rumble Seat Excellent paint and interior. Beautiful Washington Blue color with straw wheels and whitewall tires. Call 865-291-7599 or 865-983-5515 for more pictures and information.

### Volunteer Opportunity: Activities Coordinator

A few years ago, Sandra Quillin recognized the need for a coordinator to help establish and maintain an activities calendar and assure that the details of each monthly event are communicated to our club membership.

Sandra served tirelessly, creating and updating a set of tour guidelines, sending notices, collecting RSVPs, and working with the event hosts to provide refreshments, assure that the tour routes were well-planned, and meal stops were adequate for the size of the group.

Sandra has decided to pass the Activities Coordinator torch to the next volunteer willing to pitch in and help make each event a success. If you would like to serve in this important and rewarding position, contact Search-Committee Chairman Tim Seay or any board member.