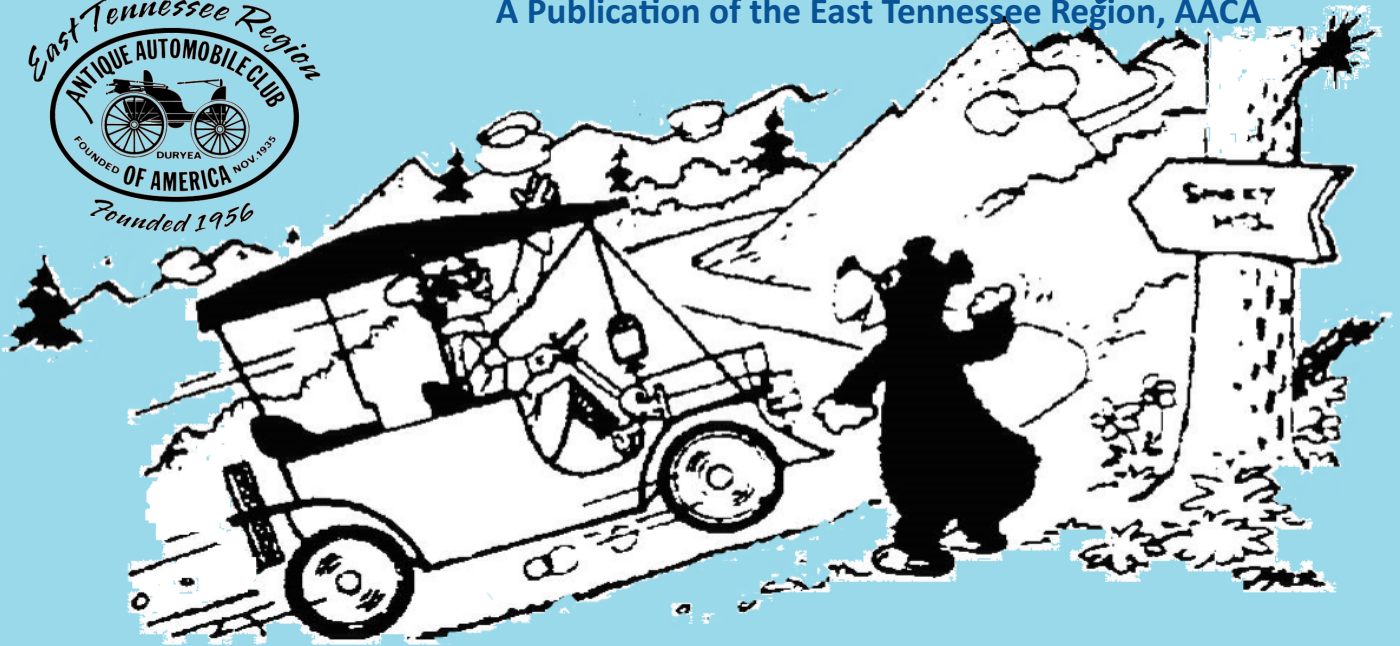


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New members Tim Abramson and Susan Baker earned their First Junior Award during the 2019 Hershey Nationals.



Local and National Events

ETR 2020 Calendar of Events

January Planning Meeting: Saturday, January 25, 12:00 PM, First Baptist Church, Alcoa TN

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Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

January 10-12: Chattanooga TN: O'Reilly World of Wheels – Chattanooga [FLYER](#)

January 11: Lebanon, TN - 9th Annual Tennessee Motorama [FLYER](#)

January 11-12: Knoxville TN: Pre-2000 cars only! 36TH Annual Cabin Fever Car and Motorcycle Show. [FLYER](#)

January 18-19: Nashville, TN - 29th Annual Nashville Auto Fest [FLYER](#)

January 18-19: White Pine TN: 7TH Annual Lakeway Area Winter Angel Expo 2020 [FLYER](#)

January 24-25: Sparta TN: Absolute Auction Petroleum, signs, antiques & more: [FLYER](#)

January 24-26th: Gray TN: 24TH Annual Swap Meet: [FLYER](#)

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AACA National Events

February 6 -8: Annual Convention - Philadelphia, PA

February 27 -29: Winter National - South Florida Region - Miami, FL

April 2-5: Southeastern Spring National - Hornets Nest Region - Charlotte, NC

April 23-25: Western Spring National - Phoenix Region - Show Low, AZ

April 26 - May 1: AACA Founders Tour - Phoenix Region - Show Low, AZ (vehicles 1936-1995)

May 13-16: AACA Eastern Divisional Tour - Eastern Shore Region - Eastern Shore of Maryland

May 7—9: Central Spring National - AACA National Headquarters - Auburn, IN

June 7-12: AACA Sentimental Tour - Mountain State Classics Region - Potomac Highlands, WV (vehicles 1928-1958)

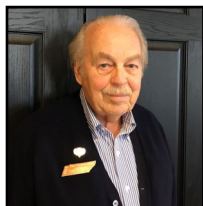
June 24-27: Eastern Spring National - White Water Region - Daniels, WV

July 8-11: Annual Grand National - Allentown, PA



Let's be Seen in 2019

From President Tom Howard



As the year 2019 comes to an end, I look back to remember a very enjoyable and successful year for the East Tennessee Region.

Member participation at our monthly events has been outstanding. Our sincere thanks and appreciation is extended to those members who planned and executed these meetings and tours for our benefit this year.

In addition, through the promotion of the region and our activities by our current members, it was also our pleasure to welcome a record number of new members to our club this year. We value our new members and look forward to your future participation and enjoyment of your association with us.

It has been an honor and certainly a pleasure to serve as your president this year. I want to express my appreciation to the members of the region board of directors and officers with whom I had the pleasure of serving with this year. Your club could not function without the time and effort donated by the special members.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve as your 2019 president and here's to another great year in 2020 for our East Tennessee Region, AACA.



East Tennessee Region AACA

\$1,000 Automotive

Technology Scholarship

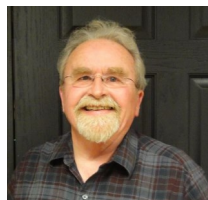
The East Tennessee Region, Antique Automobile Club of America, is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to students pursuing a career in automotive technology.

One scholarship will be awarded in May of 2020, to be applied to tuition or education-related expenses for a student who is enrolled in or has been accepted to an accredited Automotive Technology education program.

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Editors' Corner

From Co-Editor Roger Frazee



Do you have an old car New Year's resolution? We all have dreams and plans that involve antique cars. Dreaming and scheming are some of the best parts of our hobby.

Maybe you resolved to buy that ride you've always wanted. Maybe you plan to sell that car that's just taking up space in your garage. Or maybe you resolved to finish that project car that has become a catchall for the stuff you really need to put away.

Hopefully, everyone in the club has resolved to attend the ETR monthly tours and events and everyone is coming up with ideas to fill out the club's 2020 calendar.

At the beginning of 2019, Jan and I resolved to sell Katy, our 1917 Overland. We loved that old car, but we needed the space and had other projects to tackle. It was time to pass Katy along to another owner. A few weeks ago, our resolution was realized. Katy is now in the hands of a new owner who is about to discover the joys and frustrations of owning a 100+ year-old car.

For 2020, our resolution is to get our 1963 Corvair Spyder back on the road. We purchased the Spyder as a project about three years ago. For the first year, it sat. In year two, the engine and front end were removed, suspension parts were sandblasted and the undercarriage received a coat of chassis paint.

If all goes well, 2020 will be the year that the car goes to the paint shop, gets a new interior and is reassembled to the point where it will, once again, move under its own power. Adding the trim and finishing touches may have to wait until 2021, the year that we hope to pursue a First Junior Award at an AACA national meet.

That's our old car resolution. Let us know what you plan to do with your antique automobile in 2020. We'd love to publish your story.

East Tennessee Region

January Planning Meeting

Saturday January 25th 12:00 PM

First Baptist Church, Alcoa TN



Keeping the Wheels Turning

By Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator



Well, we lowered the garage door on 2019 with the November 17th business meeting at TN Bank with 63 members in attendance and our Christmas party on December 13th with 83 members in attendance.

A lot of great ideas for events/tours for 2020 were suggested by members at the business meeting. I will be sending a list of those ideas out prior to our January planning meeting so that everyone will have time to think about tours they may be willing to host for the upcoming year. If you think of any other things you would like to do, write them down and bring them up at the planning meeting.

Considering hosting an event but are unsure if you want to tackle it by yourself? Let me assure you that there are many members who have hosted events in the past who are ready and willing to come alongside and co-host the event with you and I promise it will be a rewarding experience that you will never forget!

Our Christmas party was a big success! Thanks to Tom Howard and Sylvia Witt for taking care of the details, to Rothchild's for accommodating our group and the good food, to Robert Quillin for taking pictures and to all those members who brought the food donations for Connecting Hearts!

Here's to a wonderful 2019 and let's keep those wheels rolling for 2020!!

Your National Dues and Regional Dues are Due.

National AACA

Dues: \$40

East Tennessee Region

Dues: \$20



Sunshine Report

By Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent



I recently found this quote from Eleanor Roosevelt that made me think of our ETR members: "You have to accept whatever comes, and the only important thing is that you meet it with the best you have to give." As we age, this is our daily motto!

From our Sunshine corner, notes of well wishes were sent in November to three ETR members: Jan Frazee, Bob Carter, and Sherry Seay. All three members are doing well!

For our November Business meeting, members were asked to bring food items to contribute to a local food bank. Our generous members brought 68 cans of food, 1 box of spaghetti noodles, and 1 box of 12 pkgs. of chicken noodle soup. These items were delivered to the Louisville Christian Assistance Center.

During the Business Meeting, members signed 330 Christmas Cards for distribution to eight nursing homes. Inserted inside each card was a small bookmark. We also delivered assorted brownies, cookies, and cobblers to the staff at the eight nursing homes.

Thanks to the members who attended the ETR Christmas Party on December 13, we made a significant contribution to *Connecting Hearts*, a charity associated with *Meals on Wheels*. *Connecting Hearts* provides food items to residents to keep on hand when they cannot receive meals due to bad weather.

Members contributed 1,099 individual packages, cans, pouches, and bags of fruit, candy, cookies, crackers, tuna, cocoa, mac 'n cheese, soup, oatmeal, Jello, pudding, cereal bars, etc. Also donated were 3 bags of cookies, 2 jars of peanuts, 3 jars of peanut butter, 3 cans of chicken breast, 10 cans of vegetables, 5 Mac 'n cheese dinners, two 8 lb. bags of oranges and more!

Thank you ETR AACA members for your generous nature!





East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes

TN BANK, November 12, 2019



By R.G. Lewallen, Secretary

Officers:

President: Tom Howard, Present
Vice President: Robert Quillin, Present
Secretary: R. G. Lewallen, Present
Treasurer: Charlie Simpson, Present
Tim Seay, Past Pres., Present

Guests:

Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent
Sherry Lewallen

Board:

Ken Lund, Dir., Present
Len Royston, Dir., Absent, Excused
Vic Varady, Dir., Present
JW Weeks, Dir., Present

Roger Frazee, Newsletter Editor,
Present

Jan Frazee, Newsletter Editor, Absent,
excused

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Howard at 6:46 PM. RG Lewallen conducted roll call and all board members were accounted for. Tom commended the club on a great year, especially the success of activities over the past few months and the addition of new members.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The September 17, 2019 Board Minutes were previously sent to the board by RG Lewallen, Secretary. Motion was made to accept the minutes as written, seconded and motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Charlie Simpson, Treasurer, gave the financial report as of October 29, 2019. The report was approved by the board. Members who wish to review the financial report may contact Charlie for details.

Charlie Simpson made a motion that annual dues remain at \$20.00 per year for the upcoming year. This motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

ANTIQUER REPORT: Roger Frazee stated that members have been very active in submitting articles for the newsletter and they already have articles submitted for the next edition. Roger advised the board that he and Jan have agreed to serve next year as the newsletter editors but will not continue to serve as co-editors after 2020, as they will have served for four years.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Roger stated that he would no longer serve as the Webmaster after next year as well. Roger stated that everything was going well with our webpage. He said that one of our new members, Ed Barrett, assisted him in setting up a new Facebook page for our club. The Facebook link is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/418835305493041/>

EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT: Sherry Seay reported our next event will be the Annual Business Meeting on Sunday, November 17, 2019 at TN Bank, Maryville. The Christmas Party will be held at Rothchild's on Friday, December 13, 2019, at

6:30 PM. The meal will be buffet style and cost the club \$26.22 per person. Tom asked if the cost of this meal should be subsidized for our members. The motion was made to subsidize the meal so that the cost would be \$20.00 per person. This motion was seconded, and the motion carried. Charlie Simpson will collect the money from everyone for the Christmas Party.

Sherry reported the Top Wrench competition went well with Roger Frazee and Tom Howard manning the ETR AACA table. They had brochures available for our Scholarship Program and were able to make contact with Crown College and TCAT representatives. TCAT invited our members to provide automotive seminars at TCAT. They would welcome seminars on tune-ups, vehicle detailing, etc.

After a brief discussion, the board agreed that the following tours are eligible for the \$50.00 award for 2019:

February – Cabin Fever – Sandra Quillin
March – Red Skelton Show/Car Museum – Bill & Sharon Jurkonie
April – Garage Tour – Tom Christenberry
May – Tech Day – Dan Paransky
June – Foothills Parkway – Charlie Simpson & Dallas Burns
July – Heritage Center Car Show – Tim & Sherry Seay
August – Art Fensod's Tour and Picnic – Art Fensod
September – Membership Appreciation Picnic - Sandra Quillin
October – Fall Foliage Tour – Blake McCampbell & Len Royston

UPCOMING:

Several Christmas parades are upcoming:
Nov. 16th Covenant Health Car Show to benefit United Way at Fort Sanders West.

Nov. 23rd 3rd Annual Toys for Tots Car Show at the Quaker Steak & Lube in Sevierville



News From National AACA Headquarters

AACA Library & Simeone Museum Will Become New Homes for Free Library of Philadelphia's Automobile Reference Collection

The AACA and Simeone Foundation Museum are pleased to announce that they will cooperatively receive and process the Free Library of Philadelphia's Automobile Reference Collection.

The Automobile Reference Collection was established at the Free Library in 1948 as a deposit collection from AACA member and National President Thomas McKean, who served as the collection's first curator. Upon his premature death in an antique automobile accident in 1949, he bequeathed the collection to the Free Library. The core collection was supplemented in the latter half of the 20th century through acquisitions and numerous donations from individuals and corporations and came to exceed 100,000 items, including automobile manuals, advertising literature, technical bulletins, photographs, books, journals, historic license plates, and other ephemera. Dr. Fred Simeone, founder of the Simeone Foundation Museum, interned with the Free Library as a young man and helped to build the Automobile Reference Collection by requesting donations.

Acquiring the Automobile Reference Collection will allow both the AACA Library and Simeone Foundation Museum library to fill gaps within their collections and further each library's unique mission. The Simeone Foundation Museum will acquire materials specific to racing, foreign cars and coachbuilders, local photographs and technical data. The AACA Library will receive pre-WWII owner's manuals, early sales literature pertaining to Pennsylvania-built automobiles, reference books, and the Chilton Company archives. Materials duplicated within one library will be offered to the other.

An ongoing formal relationship has been established between the two automotive libraries that will allow interlibrary loans in physical and digital format. This partnership between the two libraries is just the beginning of their cooperative efforts, as the two organizations will share cars and exhibits as well in the future.

The transfer of material between the Free Library of Philadelphia and the AACA/Simeone libraries will begin in 2020. As this material is received it will be processed, cataloged and eventually much of it will be digitized.

"We are delighted that the collection will continue to have a home in Philadelphia at the Simeone Foundation Museum and that, with the addition of the capabilities of the AACA, the collection can be cataloged, digitized, and shared with the world. Both organizations have active library collections open free to all and look forward to building these resources for the public to enjoy. Most thoughtfully, they will honor the donor and one

of the Antique Automobile Club's founders by naming this new resource the Thomas McKean Collection," commented Free Library President and Director Siobhan A. Reardon.

"AACA is looking forward to housing materials from the McKean Collection in its brand new library facility scheduled to open next spring. 'America's Automotive Library' is grateful to the FLP for their willingness to place these valuable assets in the hands of two great organizations that will ensure their use for years to come. AACA is also thankful to Fred Simeone for his collaboration with us on this worthy project," stated Steve Moskowitz, CEO, AACA.

In the future, AACA will be looking for new partnerships just like this one, additional collections for the library, resource sharing and educational opportunities, financial support, etc. Our new building, opening mid-2020, will give us the space and means to celebrate this hobby and share all it has to offer to automotive enthusiasts worldwide. We look forward to building the future by preserving the past.

Find out even more details about this new collection in the Library article in the January/February 2020 *Antique Automobile* magazine.



2020 Annual AACA Convention Register Today

The 84th AACA Annual Convention will take place February 6-8, 2020, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Yes, you read that right! We have a new name for this annual gathering and celebration, but promise it will be the same great event you expect every year!

If you have never been to this event in the City of Brotherly Love, you are missing a great time. The trade show, car exhibit, educational seminars and the awards banquet are just a few of the highlights you'll experience during the long weekend. We hope you will consider joining us for this very special event!

[Click here for the registration form.](#)



2020 Officers and Board Elected during November Business Meeting

Another record breaking crowd packed the meeting room at TN Bank for the Annual 2019 November Business Meeting; and two new members joined the East Tennessee Region.



Photo by Robert Quillin

ETR members packed the room as a record breaking crowd gathered for food, fellowship, and a little business.

More than seventy members and guests turned out for the meeting. Many drove their antique cars to the event.

As the meeting got underway, President Tom Howard welcomed guests Anita Young and her son, Kirk, as well as Bob and Louise Davidson. Both the Youngs and the Davidsons sub-



Photo by Robert Quillin

President Tom Howard confers with Secretary RG Lewallen before the November Business Meeting.

mitted their membership applications during the meeting and were accepted into the club by a unanimous vote of the Executive Board.



Photo by Robert Quillin

Dan Paransky, Bill Bly, and Tracy Rollins talk cars following the November Business Meeting.

Next, the Chairperson of the 2019 Nominating Committee, Sandra Quillin, presented the slate of nominees for the 2020 Executive Board. The candidates were elected by the club's membership. The 2020 officers are President, Robert Quillin; Vice President, Tim Seay; Secretary, RG Lewallen; Treasurer, Charlie Simpson. Tom Howard will serve as Immediate Past President.

The 2020 Board members are: Len Royston, Ken Lund, JW Weeks, and Victor Vardy. Appointed board members for the upcoming year are: Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator, Roger & Jan Frazee, Newsletter Editors, and Roger Frazee, Webmaster. Treasurer Charlie Simpson provided a financial report and announced that there will be no increase in dues for the upcoming year. Regional dues will remain at \$20. National dues will remain at \$40.

Following the required club business, Sandra Quillin distributed Christmas cards for the members to sign. The cards were delivered to residents of the area's nursing homes. In all, 330 cards were signed during the meeting.

After all business was concluded, everyone enjoyed a wonderful covered dish meal prepared by the great East Tennessee Region cooks.

The 2019 November Business Meeting is "in the books!"



East Tennessee Region Members Enjoy Fine Food and Fellowship at the Annual Christmas Party

The generosity of East Tennessee Region members was more apparent than ever as trunkloads of food were donated during the annual Christmas party, held last month at the Rothchild Event Center in Knoxville.



Photo by Keith Bullen

Art Fensod receives a cash award from Treasurer Charlie Simpson, for hosting an event in 2019.

The event was hosted by President Tom Howard, with assistance from Sandra Quillin and Sylvia Witt.

This year's party broke an attendance record as nearly ninety members and guests donned their holiday attire to celebrate the Region's traditional final event of the year.

Instead of the traditional gift exchange, members were encour-



Photo by Robert Quillin

John Payne, Jennifer Payne, Barbara Rigby, David Rigby, and John Rigby visit during the 2019 ETR Christmas Party.

aged to bring single-serving food items, to be donated to Connecting Hearts, a local charity that focuses on helping senior citizens who are extremely socially isolated with limited access to food. The food donated by the club will provide snacks and nutrition between scheduled "meals on wheels" deliveries.



Photo by Keith Bullen

Rick Lay explained the Jim Gillenwaters Award and paid tribute to its namesake, the late Jim Gillenwaters Jr.

As the festivities got underway, President Tom Howard welcomed all members and guests. His opening comments were followed by a delicious Rothchild's buffet dinner.

During the program that followed the dinner, annual awards were presented and the 2020 slate of officers and board was installed.

The Quillins made a clean sweep of the awards this year. Robert won the Gentlemen's Participation Award, while Sandra captured the Ladies Participation Award. The Participation Awards were presented by Secretary RG Lewallen.

Rick Lay presented the Jim Gillenwaters Jr. award and recounted his memories of Jim's selfless dedication to the East Tennessee Region. The Gillenwaters trophy was presented to Sandra Quillin.

Treasurer Charlie Simpson presented a \$50 cash award to the hosts of each official monthly event for 2019.

Following the awards presentation, incoming president Robert Quillin presented a plaque to outgoing president Tom Howard,

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Christmas Party

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Photo by Keith Bullen

Sandra Quillin received both the Jim Gillenwaters Jr. Award and the Ladies Participation Award.

recognizing his leadership during an amazingly successful year in the East Tennessee Region.

The final order of business was the installation of the 2020 officers and Executive Board. The following members have been elected or assigned to next year's board:

- President: Robert Quillin
- Vice President: Tim Seay
- Secretary: RG Lewallen
- Treasurer: Charlie Simpson
- Immediate Past President: Tom Howard
- Board Members: Len Royston, JW Weeks, Ken Lund, Victor Varady
- Events Coordinator: Sherry Seay
- Antiquer Editors: Jan and Roger Frazee
- Webmaster: Roger Frazee

Throughout the evening, Robert Quillin took pictures of ETR members and guests. The photos will be incorporated into a 2020 membership directory.

The directory will be distributed in 2020.

1956 Chevrolet Available for Sale Locally

By Jerry Hodge

A friend of mine has a 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible that he has owned for about 25 years. He is elderly and is not able to drive the car any longer.



1956 Chevrolet Bel Air Convertible

I looked at the car last week and would give it a strong 2 1/2 per the Old Car Price Guide. That would place the value at \$78,200.



Original colors: black exterior, black and white interior

It is a very nice car, restored several years ago to its original black paint, with a black top and off-white and black interior. The car is a three-speed manual shift with a V-8 power pack. The paint is very good. The chrome looks excellent and the interior is very good. The windshield has one small rock chip.

The car is for sale for \$50,000. Seriously interested parties may call Jerry Hodge at 865-310-8039 for more information.

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Meet Ed and Peggy Prichard, and Hope

By Ed Prichard

Peggy and I are probably the newlyweds of the group, having met and married only 4 years ago.

Peggy jumped right into my hobby of rescuing and maintaining old cars. I began rescuing antique vehicles as a teenager, when I mowed a neighbor's lawn for a year (1957) in exchange for a 1927 Willys Knight.

Since then there have been a parade of collectible cars, many driven thousands of miles as jobs required moves around the country. Most of our cars are christened with appropriate or fitting names.

Our current driver is "Hope," a 1960 Plymouth Belvedere found by a friend in Washington state. We flew out to pick her up and drive her home to Tennessee. As she had been in storage for over 20 years, with some minimal fluid changes, etc., we agreed that we "hoped" she would make the drive home.



The Prichards purchased their 1960 Plymouth Belvedere in Washington state and drove it home to East Tennessee.

Hope performed well as we made stops in the Grand Tetons for a family wedding and in Colorado Springs for a family visit. We encountered many stares and requests for photos and also some interesting questions. One rural sheriff asked if we added the fins!

New Members Bob and Louise Davidson Talks About Their Love of Old Cars

By Bob Davidson

Louise and I grew up on Long Island. My work took us to Omaha, Philly, Wilkes Barre and finally to Knoxville in 1993.



New Member Bob Davidson with his 1965 Plymouth Barracuda.

My interest in automobiles started, like all young men and or women, when I was around 16 years old. My first car was a 1953 Ford 2 door with a flathead V8.

After a few months, I upgraded the flathead with a 56 Buick Roadmaster V8 4 bbl. The whole process was done for about \$75.

I sold that car a year later for \$500 and purchased a 1956 Olds Starfire 98 convertible for \$150. The next car was a 1965 Barracuda with a 273 cu in 2 bbl carb and 4 speed transmission. The Barracuda was sold when Uncle Sam came calling in 1966.

After that, life and work took over. Now that I am retired, I have the time to spend time working on a car. So I chose a 1965 Barracuda 273 2bbl automatic. I hope to make this car into a respectable driver, not a show car. I enjoy working on it and driving it.



April 2—5
2020

AACA Spring Nationals
Auburn, Indiana
May 7—9, 2020



Meet New Members Keith and Debbie Bullen

By Keith Bullen

Debbie and I were both born in Wartburg, TN and lived there until 1976 when my job transferred me to Pineville, KY to work for the coal company there. I continued working in Pineville until 1986 when I took a job at a machine shop in Harrogate, TN. I worked there until 1990 when I opened my own machine shop, which I operated until I sold it in 2012.



Keith and Debbie Bullen

My very first car was a 1955 two-door post Chevrolet that I bought when I graduated in 1970. I sold it in 1972 when I got married. I still always wanted another 1955 Chevy and was able to locate and purchase one in 1978. I purchased another one soon after, in 1979. I bought my third 55 Chevy, then sold one in 1980 and sold the other in 1993.

That left me without any 1955's until I bought a hardtop in 2017. I still have it.

I have now purchased my 5th 1955 Chevy, it's a work in progress.

We live in New Tazewell, TN. We have two children, Stacey, who is 45 years old and our son Jason, who is 42 years old. We have 4 wonderful grandchildren.

We enjoy camping, car shows and making new friends and wonderful memories. Debbie and I like doing things together for the most part, but when it comes to her sewing classes and spending all day at a sewing machine, I draw the line right there. I'm so thankful she has her love for sewing when she has valued time apart from me, LOL.

We love our new friends that we have made through the AACA car shows and the Vintage car shows of the Tri Five cars,



One of Keith's 55 Chevy's receives a rotisserie restoration.

and we're looking forward to making many more friends from the car shows.



One of Keith's 1955 Chevrolets.



Anita Young Returns to the East Tennessee Region and Introduces Her Son, Kirk

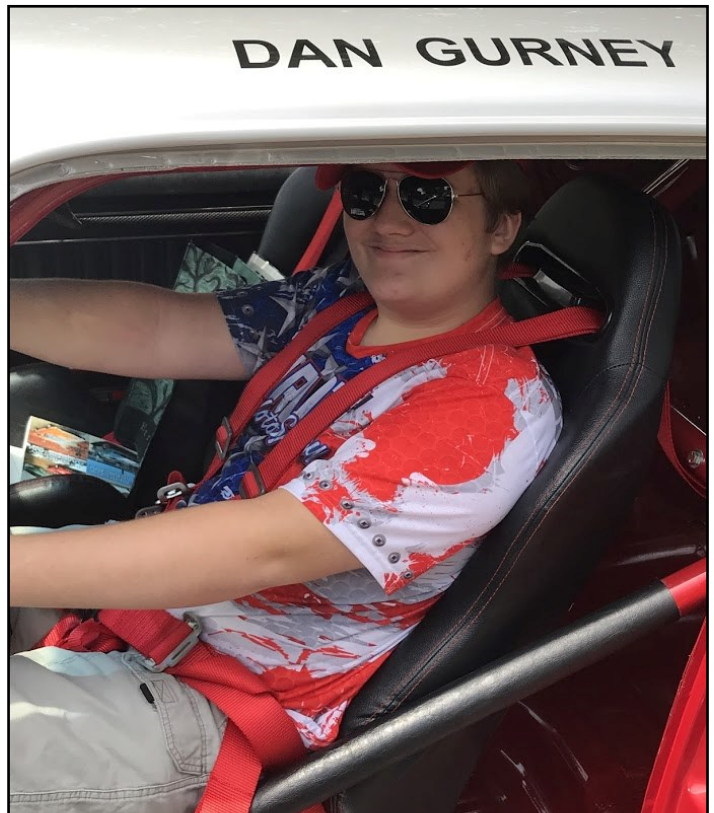
By Anita Young

I am a returning member to the ETR after several life-altering situations.



Anita Young seizes the opportunity to sit in Dan Gurney's race car.

We are members of the Classic Ford Club. We are looking forward to learning more about all of the cars. I would love to learn more about how to work on the cars. Getting my hands dirty doesn't scare me at all. I'm excited to be back in the club and am really looking forward to some events this summer.



Kirk Young takes a turn at the wheel of Dan Gurney's car.

I have always had a love of all things old: cars, books, toys, furniture, music and even cameos. My first car that would be considered old that I loved was 1965 Ford Mustang.

Now I have several different cars, but a T-Model, '64 Ford Truck, '50 Ford Custom and a '31 Ford Phaeton are on the top of my list. BUT they all are my favorites!

As a returning member of the club, I would like to introduce my son, Kirk, who is 14. He attends Heritage High School in Maryville. We also have a wonderful dog named Jack. I work full time and single-parent, but in my spare time, Kirk and I enjoy traveling to some of the car shows and visiting the mountains. We are thinking about getting goats!

Welcome New Members Who Joined the East Tennessee Region in 2019

Mark and Melissa Johnson

Bob and Lin Helsel

Ham Carey and Helen Nicholson

Herb and Dawn Wiese

John Trotter

Glenn Sokolofsky

Bubba and Susanne Allen

John Bennett

Ed and Lorna Barrett

Dewey and Frances Clark

Zack Bradley

Mike and Judy Levy

John and Julie Rochelle

Bart and Pam McNealy

David and Carol Anderson

Gary and Susie Bright

Brett and Maria Coulter

Phil Mizell

Jerry and Teresa Mauch

Andre and Joan Bourque

Edwin and Margaret Prichard

Jimmie and Debbie Hixon

Ken Heckert and Glenna Ervin

Keith and Debbie Bullen

Tim Abramson and Susan Baker

Bob and Louise Davidson

Anita and Kirk Young



I Guess I've Always Liked Old Cars

By Art Fensod

I guess I've always liked old cars, as I never forgot the first one I bought in Franklin, New Hampshire, late one Friday night for \$85.



Art and his sister, Alice, in Art's 1934 Ford Roadster

A friend had to show me how to get it started so I could drive it home, some 25 miles away. I believe it was the summer of 1949 and it was a real ragged 1931 Model A Roadster. The tubes were bulging out of the front tires, and the top was full of holes, as was the upholstery. I couldn't wait to wake up Dad the next morning to show him my first car. He wasn't too excited, but he never let on.



Art and his friend, Marty Wilson, in Art's '36 Ford, at Coney Island

In 1950, I acquired a green '34 Ford roadster for \$125, but oil poured out of the rear main so badly that I decided, after several weeks, to trade it in on a '33 Chevrolet four-door sedan that had been tipped on its roof. It ran better, but I had trouble getting the gear stick to stay in high. I solved that problem by cutting a stick with "V" in it and propped it against the dashboard. I also put wooden running boards on it, as the salt used on the roads in New Hampshire rotted the original metals away.



Art (far right) with his parents, sister Alice, Ginger the dog and an unnamed cat.

Welcome New Members, Tim Abramson & Susan Baker

The ETR welcomes new members, Tim Abramson and Susan Baker.

Their antique car collection includes a 1906 Buick Model F, 1909 Pierce Arrow 3600, 1910 Ford Model T, 1960 John Deere Model AD 630, and a 2005 Chrysler Crossfire.



Tim and Susan's Pierce Arrow receives finishing touches.

In addition to their membership in the East Tennessee Region, they belong to the Horseless Carriage Club of America (HCCA), the Model T Ford Club, and the AACA.

Tim is a retired plant manager and in his spare time, enjoys reading, gardening, bicycling, aviation and travel. Susan is an engineer whose hobbies are Temple, family and fitness.

Tim and Susan live in Newport, TN. Their membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin.



Wahoo Nebraska Resident Hopes to Put His Great Grandfather's Car Back on the Road

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Lane Nelson helped his dad restore a 1930 Model A. The car is pretty important to the Wahoo man. His great-grandfather, Peter Nelson, bought the car brand new. He made the short trip from his rural Ceresco, Nebraska home into the town of Wahoo to pick it up from Swanson Ford.



Hoping for help: Lane Nelson of Wahoo recently restored this 1930 Model A Ford with his dad, Ron Nelson of Lincoln. The car was bought by his great-grandfather as Swanson Ford in Ceresco, but now a title issue is keeping the car from the open road.

Then his grandfather, Glen Nelson got the car. His dad, Ron Nelson of Lincoln, got the car next and drove it while he attended Lincoln Southeast. But a wreck in 1963 parked the car.

The 1930 Model A that still has its original motor now has all the body dents banged out. With some new paint outside, new interior features and tuned up motor, its ready to ride the road – except, it's still parked.

Nelson said they ran into a hitch when his dad went to license the car. It's listed with the State of Nebraska as "junk" and he can't get a license for it.

But the problem actually started before the 1963 accident. Nelson said when his grandfather passed the car onto his father is when the status of the car changed. "I don't know if they couldn't come up with the original form when great-grandfather passed it to him," Nelson theorized, "But trying to be accommodating the county official that worked with the filing went ahead and made the transfer. To make it simple a "junk" title was slapped on the car."

Now, by state law, that junk label is what is keeping the car off the road. The Nelsons have searched for options to no avail;

they cannot license the car in their home state of Nebraska. One thing is clear. The car is not junk. "It's original," Nelson said.

He and his dad did have to do some extensive work on the motor to get it moving again, but he can point out original parts and the original numbers that are still stamped on the motor. Nelson said he has been told the only way he could get the car licensed is if he pulled everything out and dropped in new motor parts; it would then be considered restored.

But Nelson said his dad wanted to restore the car with the original motor. And, then he wanted to drive it. "He wanted to take it to parades and give the grandkids a ride," Nelson said.

When the Nelsons ran into a wall with the Department of Motor Vehicles, they didn't know where to go next. "We were at a loss. We didn't know what to do," he said. They did research and contacted the DMV multiple times, but the research yielded no answers and the DMV was not always returning phone calls.

Nelson said his dad was so frustrated that he decided to take over the project.

"They had him so wound up he started yelling," he said about his dad's visit to the DMV. "And I've never seen him yell."

Last month, Nelson took advantage of a state official's visit to Wahoo to try to get his own voice heard. When Governor Pete Ricketts made a town hall visit to Saunders House in Wahoo, Nelson loaded up the car on a trailer and parked it in front of the establishment.

The sign propped up against the front of the Model A said "Governor Please Grant This Car Clemency."

During the question and answer portion of the town hall, Nelson presented his case to Ricketts and asked him to help. Nelson said recently that the governor's staff has placed some phone calls to the DMV.

"And, the DMV called me back this time too," he said. However, they couldn't be of much help with a license. He said the matter has been referred to the attorney general's office.

So, he will wait for an answer. He said he didn't think it was too much to ask to put a family car with an original motor back on the road.



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The VMCCA Club will host the National Chrome Glidden Tour in April 2020. This tour will begin in Maryville and is being organized by ETR new member, Jim Hixson.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Sandra Quillin reported cards were sent to the following:
Get Well: Dewey Clark on 10-16-19; Sympathy: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Scholarship Award – The ETR AACA Scholarship Award is now posted on our website and information was recently handed out to interested individuals at the Top Wrench event at Crown College.

Memorial Donations- There were no donations made since our last board meeting. Charlie Simpson stated he will be sending a \$100 donation to the AACA Library from the club in memory of Patricia T. Croley.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was a general discussion about events for the upcoming year and also about how to attract future generations to our club.

With the approval of President Tom Howard, Sandra Quillin made a motion that the allowance for refreshments for each board meeting be increased to \$35.00. The motion was seconded, and the motion carried.

Sandra suggested that we create a pictorial directory of each club member, as this would make it easier for our members to recognize one another. Board members agreed this was a good idea but were not sure of the logistics. Roger Frazee stated he would check into the possibility of creating a restricted page on the club's website, where the directory could be accessed by members only. Another option would be to create a PDF file and email (or mail) the directory out to the membership.

Tim Seay – Tim suggested that we submit an article to the National AACA citing our unprecedented growth in membership this year, the efforts we made to generate interest and increase membership, and our plans to keep the club's membership active.

New Members – Charlie Simpson reported that we have added twenty-four new members to date this year. This has been a great year for additions to our club.

Tom stated he was appreciative of each board member and it had been a joy working with each one this past year.

Adjourn: Charlie Simpson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
R. G. Lewallen, ETR Secretary

What Didn't You Get for Christmas?

By Sandra Quillin

During the November 17, ETR Business Meeting, Sandra asked ETR members to respond to the following question; "Which present that you wanted as a kid but never received would you still be excited about getting now?"

Ham Carey said he wanted a Lionel Electric Freight Train with No. 2226 engine from the 1937 Lionel Catalog. Sandra Quillin and Marlyn McMullen wished for bride dolls, Marlyn wanted a 36-inch doll! Anita Young longed for a dollhouse.

Cheryl Morgan wanted a dog of her own, now she has two! Glenna Ervin and Sharon Carter both wanted record players! Young gunslinger Charlie Simpson pined for a Fanner 50 cap pistol. Annie Loyd asked for a Betsy Wetsy doll.

Several members wanted wheels at an early age: Tracy Rollins asked for a pedal tractor; Linda asked for a tricycle; Bob Helsel wanted a Cushman motor scooter; Bob Carter longed for a 1930's—40's Swoopy Fendered Tricycle; Loretta Rollins asked for a go kart; and Elby Loyd begged for an airplane!

Sharon Jurkonie wanted a swing set and to see the movie *Lady and the Tramp*. Sharon added that she probably would not be excited to receive these gifts today!

Four members, who wished to remain anonymous had longed for an Angora sweater, a pedal car, a bike and a motor scooter (Dad said NO!). Another member wanted a horse but would only be excited if someone else were to get it now! Another member wanted a baby sister but received a doll instead -- Don't want that baby sister now!!! I still have that doll!

Robert and Sandra Quillin shared that one of their fondest memories of Christmas was when their oldest son Rob, at the age of 4, would sit on the couch with Papaw Kenneth and tell Papaw what he wanted for Christmas from the Sears Roebuck catalog. Papaw faithfully wrote down each item, the list was more than one page! Kids of today don't know what they are missing not having a catalog from which to choose!

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