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This stunning 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air belongs to new members Mike and Judy Levy.





Local and National Events

ETR 2019 Calendar of Events

September 21:	Member Appreciation Picnic, Springbrook Park, Alcoa TN. Hosted by the Quillins
October 19:	Fall Foliage Tour. Hosted by the Roystons and Blake McCampbell
October 24:	ETR Participation in the Top Wrench Competition. Hosted by Richard Payne
November 17:	Annual Business Meeting, TN Bank. Hosted by Tom Howard
December 13:	Christmas Party, Rothchilds Event Center, Knoxville. Hosted by Tom Howard

Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

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Sept. 5:	Lokar Cruise-in 5:00 PM, 2545 Quality Lane, Knoxville, TN
Sept. 6-7:	Shades of the Past Hotrod Roundup, Dollywood, Pigeon Forge TN
Sept. 14:	Knox County Sheriff's Office Car and Motocycle Show, Knoxville Expo Center
Sept. 14:	Third Annual Smoky Mountain Mustang Club Car Show, Clinton TN. All makes and models welcome
Oct. 20:	Harper Auto Square Cars & Coffee, 8:00—11:00 AM, West Town Mall
Nov. 11:	Knoxville Veterans Day Parade

AACA National Events

Sept. 22-27:	AAA Glidden Tour (1942 and earlier) - Hornet's Nest Region - Charlotte, NC
October 9-12:	9-12 - AACA Eastern Fall National - Hershey Region - Hershey, PA
October 23-26:	AACA Southeastern Fall National - Deep South Region - Mobile, AL
November 6-9:	AACA Western Fall National - Fallbrook, CA
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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

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Let's be Seen in 2019

From President Tom Howard

When we started our year in the East Tennessee Region, I chose to name my *Antiquer* column "Let's be Seen in 2019" to emphasize the fact that by regular attendance and participation in the club activities you will make the most of your membership. As we approach our fall season, it

surely seems that members so far took my title to heart as I am excited to report that attendance at our activities this year has been outstanding. We are so grateful that we have had several members plan and host monthly meetings and tours for all our members to enjoy.

Since our last issue, we have had two more wonderful events. Our July 2nd annual "Autos Through The Ages" antique vehicle show at the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center in Townsend was a great success. With the participation of a majority of our members working in assigned areas, we not only hosted a beautiful show and welcomed a large group of spectators, we gained twelve (12) new club member families. Our thanks to all who made this club event so special.

In addition, in August, on a gorgeous Saturday, we had a great forty mile very backroads tour concluding with a covered dish picnic at Art Fensod's home in Loudon. Again, we had record attendance with over thirty vehicles and 60 plus attendees. A very relaxing and fun day was had by all.

For a long while, your ETR board has wanted to have a clubsponsored event for our membership to just attend and enjoy without having to bring a covered dish or eat at a restaurant. So, on September 21st we are hosting a Member Appreciation Picnic at Springbrook Park in Alcoa. There will also be a back roads tour prior to the picnic. You don't have to bring anything but yourself, an old car and lawn chairs! With the Quillins as our hosts, you know this will be a perfect event. We look forward to welcoming every member who can attend.

In October, we are also going have our Fall Foliage Tour, hosted by the Roystons and Blake McCampbell. We know this will be a "don't want to miss" event as between them, they know every back road in several counties and have hosted many exciting tours in the past.

Then it is on to the November business meeting and the annual Christmas party to conclude what we feel will have been a most successful and enjoyable year for members of the East Tennessee Region, AACA. See you on the 21st.

Editors' Corner

From Co-Editor Roger Frazee



This issue of the *Antiquer* is dedicated to all of the new members who joined our club during the months of July and August and to the sponsors who introduced them to the East Tennessee Region.

During the past few weeks, Co-Editor

Jan Frazee has been interacting with the new members via email and telephone, in an effort to share their pictures and stories with the club. It has been an exciting project, as several new members have contributed articles to this newsletter.

As a result we have learned that the youngest new member is just twenty years old, while the others are young at heart. The new members come from all walks of life. One worked as a restorer of official vehicles for the New York City Police Department, and currently manages an antique car blog site on the internet. Others include a retired human resources VP, and a retired travel consultant.

Another new member was an active member of the New Bern NC AACA chapter and served as the webmaster for that club. And another is an expert marksman who's shooting skills earned him an athletic scholarship.

A couple new members are returning to the East Tennessee Region club after a few years absence. Others have been active in the antique car hobby for many years but, until now, have not held AACA /ETR memberships.

To those new members we were unable to reach, we apologize. We want to get to know you better and look forward to including your pictures and stories in future editions of the *Antiquer*.

All of this proves that every member has a story and every old car has a story. We greatly appreciate the members who have shared their stories in print and encourage **all** members to share with us the history of their cars and their love for the hobby .

With the upcoming Member Appreciation Picnic, we look forward to visiting with and getting to know our new members, as well as the opportunity to see and catch up with old friends in the East Tennesse Region. Hope to see everyone soon!

Remember to complete your Nominating Committee Ballot and send to to RG Lewallen via email at Lewallenrg@gmail.com, or by snail mail at the Lewallen's address shown in the roster. Ballots are due by Friday, September 13.



Keeping the Wheels Turning By Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator



The wheels have been rolling for the club the last couple of months! The 2nd Annual "Autos Through the Ages" show was a big success with over 75 cars and approximately 500 people in attendance. The club participation was outstanding! It was truly a "all hands on deck" with

members working in parking, registration, food prep and bringing their classic cars. The Classic Ford Club, The Corvair Club and The Model A Club also had representation. We also gained 12 new members!

The event for August was a "covered dish" outing at Art Fensod's with a drive around Loudon County, led by Bob Edgemon, preceding the event. There was food galore and live music as well. A great turnout with approximately 61 cars!

On August 24, several members of the club went on the tour of Brushy Mountain Prison with the Classic Ford Club. Former guard, Ray Tucker, was our guide and he had a lot of stories to tell. After the tour, we had lunch at "The Warden's Table" the on-site restaurant and saw the brewery as well.

Next up is our Member Appreciation Picnic at Springbrook Park on September 21 hosted by Robert and Sandra Quillin. Let's have a big turnout! You're sure to have good food (catered by Buddy's BBQ) and a lot of fun and games.

October will be our Fall Foliage Tour on the 19th and the Top Wrench Completion on October 24th at Crown College. Details to follow. So let's keep the wheels rolling!

Sunshine Report By Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent



Since the last Sunshine Column, I have only been informed of one ETR member who needed a note of cheer. On July 8, I sent a get-well card to new member Lin Helsel who was suffering with broken ribs. Her card also included a note of welcome to ETR.

When I have felt the need to share with someone special to me, and another get-well card just doesn't say what I want to say... I have typed the words of a hymn on a piece of paper and trimmed the paper with edging scissors to make it look like a bookmark. I sent several of these to former member Deborah Young who seemed to love them.

> Come Holy spirit come: I have need of your healing grace. Come make me pure within; All my sins erase...

I have taken the first name of my friend and put together something special for them by putting it on trimmed paper for a bookmark.

DEBORAH

- D dazzling, delightful, dependable, dear
- E engaging, elegant, earnest, easygoing
- B brave, bright, beautiful, beloved
- O obliging, outgoing, orderly, outstanding
- R reliable, respectful, resourceful, resilient
- A admired, amazing, awesome, adored
- H happy, hospitable, honest, humble

ETR members, please remember to share with me those who need a note of cheer or have lost someone dear.

2019 Southeastern Fall Nationals

October 23-26 Cooper Riverside Park, Mobile AL Registration Deadline: October 1st

Host Hotel: Renaissance Riverview Plaza Mobile AL 800-922-3298





September 21





Member Appreciation Picnic and **Backroads** Tour Tour Begins at 10:30 AM (Meet at Big Lots, 116 South Hall Road, Alcoa TN) Picnic to Follow at 1:00 PM at Springbrook Pavillion, Springbrook Park 1537 Dalton Street, Alcoa TN Food and Drinks will be provided by the East Tennessee Region Catering by Buddy's Barbeque Kindly RSVP Picnic Hosts Sandra and Robert Quillin No Later than September 14 Email: Quillin@Bellsouth.net Phone: 865-977-6857, 865-591-9456, 865-742-1677





TN BANK, July 16, 2019

Officers:

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



Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent Board:

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

Roger Frazee, Newsletter Editor, Present Jan Frazee, Newsletter Editor, Present Sherry Seay, Events Coord., Present

By R.G Lewallan, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Howard at 6:30 PM. R.G. Lewallen did roll call and all board members were accounted for. Tom welcomed all the board members and thanked them for their efforts and willingness to serve.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The May 21, 2019 Board Minutes were previously sent to the board by RG Lewallen, Secretary. Motion was made to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Charlie Simpson, Treasurer, gave the financial report as of June 28, 2019. Charlie Simpson stated that he received the audit report from Rick Lay for our financial records for 2018 and Rick has found everything to be in good order. Mr. Lay also complimented Charlie on the completeness and orderliness of all records from our Treasurer. Motion to approve the Treasurer's recommendation was made by Sherry Seay and seconded by Robert Quillin. Motion carried.

ANTIQUER REPORT: Roger Frazee reported that they continue to get great input from our members for the articles that are submitted and that is what makes our Antiquer publication what it is.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Roger stated that he had nothing to report on the Webmaster. Tom stated that our web page is very good for our regional club and that we are grateful for Roger serving in this capacity. All board members agreed and thanked Roger for his work on the web page.

EVENT COORDINATOR REPORT: Sherry Seay reported that the Foothills Parkway tour on June 22 was a success! We had 17 cars and 32 people attending the drive and meal at the Carriage House in Townsend. Sherry Seay reported that we are expecting over 62 cars for our upcoming show in Townsend. Sandra is preparing food for 75 cars at two people per car. We have invited the Classic Ford Club, the Smoky Mountain Thunderbird Club, the Blount British Cars, the Cherokee Valley AACA, the Knoxville Area Corvair Club and the Chattanooga

Walter P. Chrysler Club to participate. We have had some publicity from some of the papers and there will be a photographer there as well. Sandra has the food planned as follows, she is preparing 150 hot dogs with slaw or chili, water, chips, and cookies for lunch. For breakfast; coffee, pastries and crackers with peanut butter will be served. Tim Seay wants to have all the parking crew there at 7:30 AM to go over parking and wants all the cars there by 9 AM. Vic Vardy has purchased three reflective vest and Tim Seay requested to purchase four more for the parking attendants. We have parking spaces for 80 cars and can accommodate up to 100 or more cars. We will also have a sign for trailer parking as well. Sherry Seay stated that we have ordered 10 shirts for the people that will be working at the show. Everyone that is working should wear the tour 2015 blue shirts so all the workers will be wearing the same shirts.

UPCOMING:

September 21- Membership Appreciation Picnic at Springbrook Park. Sandra reported the picnic at Springbrook Park will start at 1 PM, Buddy's will be catering this event, Sandra asked for suggestions for games, such as corn hole, Sandra is wanting to do all we can to get every member to come to this picnic and stressed that we all call our members to encourage them to come. Len Royston suggested we have a round table discussion with an open microphone in order to discuss some of the past tours and allow new members to introduce themselves to the group. Sandra suggested we may get members to wear a sign stating something about their car. Another suggestion was to do a short tour before the picnic. There will be more details coming prior to this important event.

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October 24 – ETR participation in the Top Wrench Competition at Crown College



News From National AACA Headquarters

Gerrard Classic Auto Collection Donated to AACA Library & Research Center

By Chris Ritter, AACA Library Director, critter@aaca.org

The AACA Library & Research Center is pleased to announce that William T. "Tom" Gerrard has donated his extensive literature collection to the library. The library has joyfully cared for the collection since 2013 calling it the Gerrard Classic Auto Literature Collection.

Gathered during a 35-year span, this collection includes many of the rarest items known to the hobby covering the 1950s and 1960s. Items include sales catalogs, brochures, color and fabric samples, shop manuals, wiring diagrams, dealer binders, filmstrips, slides and more. The formal transfer of ownership occurred earlier this year.

Tom Gerrard has had a long-standing relationship with the AACA Library & Research Center, which is why he originally offered the massive collection to the library on a long-term loan.

"After several years of watching the staff handle my collection and seeing the dedication they had for its preservation, it makes me pleased to now make my loan a gift. With the announcement that AACA will be opening a new and modern library in 2020, the timing seems perfect. I believe strongly in the library and its mission, and I hope that the materials will help other collectors and restorers for many years to come," stated Tom.

Each item in the Gerrard Classic Auto Collection has been digitized, cataloged and is readily accessible in hard copy or electronic format in Hershey. The library is free and open to the public Monday-Saturday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The library is currently located at 501 W. Governor Road, Hershey, PA 17033.

This donation will further the AACA Library's mission of connecting people with primary sources pertaining to automotive history and further solidify its position as "America's Automotive Library."

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AACA Library Yard Sale To Be Held In Conjunction With Hershey Fall Meet

The AACA Library Yard Sale is returning for the 2019 Hershey Fall Nationals and, this time, we're slashing prices.

For 2019 and 2019 only, EVERYTHING WILL BE 20% OFF. It doesn't matter if it's a \$100 book or a \$5.00 Buick brochure. We are moving and want to move as much as we can during the sale.

Just because we are lowering prices doesn't mean you won't find anything new. There are plenty of exciting items for this year's sale including incredibly rare dealer data books and color & upholstery albums. One of our volunteers has also been hard at work creating custom bundles, compilations of sales literature centered around a particular theme, make or model year. By the way, did we mention they're cheap?

Sounds pretty enticing, doesn't it? If you want to be a part of one of the library's most exciting events, be sure to mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 8, and set your GPS to 501 West Governor Road in Hershey. The event runs from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Don't be late! If you are, you might miss out on some of the best deals.





2nd Annual "Autos Through the Ages" Sets Records in New Memberships, Participation, and Rainfall

Dozens of East Tennessee Region members volunteered their time and labor to make the Second Annual "Autos Through the Ages" a record-breaking success.



Event Host Tim Seay guides arrivals to their parking spaces.

Sandra Quillin and her team of volunteers prepared lunch for the car owners and their families, while other volunteers directed show cars and spectators to their parking spaces. Still others manned the registration tent.

During the event, 12 people applied for family memberships to the East Tennessee Region. Some of the applicants were already members of the AACA. The others applied for membership to both the national and the regional clubs.

The event was coordinated by Tim and Sherry Seay, and cosponsored by Twin Cities Buick, West Chevrolet, and the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center.

Over 75 antique and special-interest automobiles turned out for the event, including a host of Model A Fords, several Grand National winners, two vintage travel trailers, a 1929 fire truck, and a running 1988 Yugo. In addition, six Chevrolet Corvairs were on display, courtesy of the Knoxville Area Corvair Club.

Participants in the event were treated to lunch and a free admission to the Heritage Center Museum. During the day, a reporter arrived from the Maryville Times and interviewed participants. The resulting article can read by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Unfortunately, the car show came to an abrupt end when the sky opened up with a blinding rain storm that poured relentlessly for more than an hour. Convertible tops were quickly raised, trailered show cars were hurriedly moved to their covered car haulers, and folks took shelter under shade tents as well as museum's covered porch. As Smoky Mountain native Blake McCampbell said "It's a summer mountain rain." The rain did not, however, dampen the spirits of the classic car fans in attendance. Friends took advantage of the downpour to visit on the porch and to enjoy the fellowship that is always a part of an East Tennessee Region event.



Arriving in style are Art Fensod and Cheryl Morgan.

Grateful appreciation goes out to Tim and Sherry Seay for putting the event together, to the sponsors, and to all of the volunteers who made the event the success that it was.



Knoxville Area Corvair Club Members relax under a shade tent.



East Tennessee Region's 2019 "Autos Through the Ages" Show



The ETR Parking Committee huddles before the event.



Mason Hewitt's Cadillac and Len Royston's Nash Metropolitan



Herman McGhee's 1930 AA Ford Truck and Still



Herb Thomas' 1966 Ford Mustang



Tim Fisher admires Ronald Shields' Shelby Mustang.



New member Rocky Rochelle brought his 1929 Ford firetruck to the "Autos Through The Ages" event.



East Tennessee Region's 2019 "Autos Through the Ages" Show



Daisy DeLane (Angel Friant) emerges from her vintage trailer.



Tracy and Loretta Rollins' 1948 Buick and travel trailer



The Smoky Mountain Model A Club made a strong showing.



ETR President Tom Howard's 1931 Pontiac Coupe



Tim Seay and Jan Frazee welcome guests at the ETR tent.



And the rains came.



Old Cars and Old Friends Abound at the August Picnic and Tour

The cars just kept coming as the East Tennessee Region members and guests gathered at the starting point for the August tour and picnic, hosted by Art Fensod and Cheryl Morgan, and Bob Edgemon.



Vintage cars filled the field outside Bob Edgemon's cabin.

In all, more than thirty vintage automobiles attended the tour.

"Drive the oldest car you have," Art told members during the days leading up to the event. His appeal for vintage iron paid off. In addition to the usual contingent of automobiles from the forties, fifties and sixties, there were many Model A Fords, courtesy of the Smoky Mountain Model A club.



Blake McCampbell and Bob Edgemon take in the view from the front porch of Bob's get-away cabin.

The oldest car on the tour was a 1925 Pierce Arrow, owned and driven by guest Jim Payne.

Bob Edgemon provided driving directions before the cars set out on the tour. "Test your brakes," he said as he warned



Cheryl Morgan and Art Fensod take a brief break from their hosting duties during the picnic.

participants of the steep hills and switchback curves that would be encountered along the route.

Indeed, the roads were curvy, narrow, steep and absolutely beautiful as sunlight filtered through the trees above. The route meandered along the shores of Fort Loudon Lake before arriving at Bob's weekend cabin for the first stop. The Edgemon cabin is a restored farmhouse that sets on several acres of peaceful land in the heart of East Tennessee. It provides a beautiful escape from the hustle and chaos of today's modern world.

After a brief rest stop, the tour proceeded along its winding way, past the secluded Whitestone Inn and eventually arrived at Art Fensod's country home.

The bluegrass band Art had booked for the event was warming up as the caravan of antique cars parked in the fields that surrounded the Art's home. Chairs and tables had been set up in advance and the covered dish lunch was spread out, awaiting the guests' arrival. What followed was an afternoon of fellowship and the opportunity to renew old friendships and create new ones.

Grateful appreciation goes out to Art, Cheryl, and Bob for putting together this spectacular day of old cars, music, food, and friendship.



September Tour and Picnic



Jim Payne drove his 1925 Pierce Arrow.



Bill Gunnell arrived in his Model A Roadster



A bluegrass band provided music during the picnic.



Members and guests relaxed and visited after lunch.



Dewey Cruey and his granddaughter, Iris, at the picnic.



Ruth West stands in front of her 1959 Chevrolet.

Bowling Green Tri-Five Nationals Draw Chevrolet Enthusiasts from East Tennessee



Nearly 3,000 classic Chevys attended the Danchuk Tri-Five Nationals in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

By Beverly Gray

A fun-filled weekend was had by all with lots of 55-56-57 Chevy's, drag racing, commercial vendors, and a swap meet. The 2019 Danchuk Tri-Five Nationals featured modified cars, custom cars, and beautiful originally restored cars. The event ended with a drawing for a beautiful customized Tri-Five Chevrolet.



ETR members Virgil and Linda Deford attended the Tri-Five Nationals with their '57 Chevy.

This was the fifth year for the Tri-Five Nationals. It is the largest event in the world featuring only Chevrolets built in 1955 through 1957. Nearly 3,000 registered in 2019.

The Nationals take place annually in Bowling Green, KY at Beech Bend Park, which has has a lot to offer families attending the three-day festivities. The venue features a campground, drag strip, amusement park and water park – all located on 379 acres of rolling hills bordered by the Barren River.



Steve West stands beside his 1957 Bel Air convertible.

Several of our local AACA East TN Region members were spotted at this year's event, including RG & Sherry Lewallen, Robbie & Beverly Gray, Virgil & Linda Deford and Steve West. Other Knoxville attendees included Scott and Cindy Hill from Halls.

Sadly, tragedy struck this year's show. Gerald Andres, 69, of Floyds Knobs, Indiana, was killed on Interstate 65 South after he lost control of the vintage Chevrolet and was ejected when the car overturned after hitting an embankment off the side of the interstate, according to Kentucky State Police.

The car flipped several times and Andres was ejected from the vehicle. This is a grim reminder that we are dealing with old vehicles without seat belts, and should always use care when driving or showing our antique vehicles.

If you are interested in attending next year's event you can find information by clicking <u>here.</u>



East Tennessee Region Welcomes New Member-Families to the Club

During the month of July the East Tennessee Region had the privilege of welcoming 13 new families into the club. Twelve of these families signed up during the "Autos Through the Ages" show. Some were already AACA members, while others are new to both the National and regional organizations. The East Tennessee region extends a heart-felt welcome to the following members:

Dave and Carol Anderson were born and raised in Minnesota and lived in Iowa, Virginia, New York and Michigan before coming to Tennessee 30 years ago. Dave's hobby for many years was restoring antique wooden boats. After trying to determine how many boats he restored, they gave up counting - so it was quite a few. One boat went to Norway and another to a German who was working in the US. The Anderson's first antique car was a 1953 MG TD which they sold. Now they own a 1957 Thunderbird which was built for export so the odometer and speedometer is in kilometers. Their membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin.

Michael "Bubba" and Susanne Allen own a 1953 Jaguar XX 120 and reside in Gatlinburg. The Allen's membership is sponsored by Tom Howard.

Ed and Lorna Barrett live in Knoxville and have a 1951 Chevy, a 1965 Corvette and a 2008 Corvette. The Barretts are also members of the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS), the East TN Corvette Club, Studebaker Drivers Club, the Avanti Owners Association and the AACA Waldon Ridge Club. The Barrett's membership is sponsored by Sherry Seay.

John Bennett is a returning member to the East Tennessee Region. Originally from Memphis, John currently lives in Maryville. He also belongs to the Porche Club and the British Car Club. John enjoys music, photography and pickle ball. John's membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin.

Zack Bradley lives in Knoxville and works as a TXM Tech. Zach's classic car collection includes a 1977 Lincoln Mark V and a 1977 Buick Estate station wagon. Zach's membership is sponsored by Mason Hewitt.

Gary and Susie Bright are returning members to the ETR. The Brights live in Maryville and they have owned their 1978 Chevy El Camino (named Layla) for thirty years. They are members of the National Street Rod Association (NSRA). Susie maintains a figurine collection.

In his retirement, Gary enjoys die cast model collecting, NAS-CAR, and his motorcycle. Gary and Susie's membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin. **Dewey and Frances Clark** are both retired and live in Seymour and have been married since 1972. They own a 1966 Ford Mustang Convertible. The Clark's membership is sponsored by Tom Christenberry.

Mike and Judy Levy own a 1956 Bel Air Convertible. Mike was born and raised in Knoxville, attended Maryville College, then worked and retired from Delta Airlines. Judy was born in Parkersburg, West Virginia. She worked in Atlanta, where they met and married in 1977. Upon retirement, they moved to Maryville to enjoy the beautiful scenic mountains. The Levys have two sons. Their membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin.

Bart and Pamela McNealy own a 1986 El Camino and live in Maryville. Bart is originally from Omaha, Nebraska, and retired from ALCOA/ARCONIC in 2018. Pamela was born in Springfield, Ohio. Since her father was a career Air Force fighter pilot, she lived in 6 states, as well as Italy and Germany, prior to her high school graduation. Bart and Pamela married in 1989 and have three children. Their membership is sponsored by Steve West.

Phil Mizell also lives in Maryville and owns a 1974 Datsun 260Z Coupe. In his retirement, Phil enjoys landscaping, sports memorabilia, bluegrass music and "driving the dragon." Phil's membership is sponsored by Steve West.

John "Rocky" and Julie Rochelle are both retired and live in Alcoa. The Rochelle's own a 1929 Ford firetruck, a 1955 Chevy, a 1929 Ford Roadster pickup and a 1958 Cushman Eagle. John has displayed the beautifully restored firetruck at both the first and second annual ETR "Autos through the Ages" event at the Heritage Center in Townsend. The Rochelle's membership is sponsored by Tom Howard.

Glenn Sokolofsky is retired and lives in Maryville. His antique car collection includes a 1971 Dodge Charger, a 1972 Dodge Challenger, a 1974 Plymouth Duster, a 1939 Plymouth and a 1951 Plymouth. Glenn's membership is sponsored by Robert Quillin.

John Trotter lives in Kingston and is a software developer. His car collection includes the following cars: 1930 Packard, 1931 Packard, 1932 Packard, 1938 Packard, 1933 Lincoln, 1930 Ford and a 1948 Ford. John is a member of the Packard Auto Club, the Lincoln Owners Club, and the CCCA. His membership in the ETR is sponsored by Art Fensod.

Be sure to introduce yourself and personally welcome each new member to the East Tennessee Region AACA!



Welcome New ETR Members!



Robert Quillin with new members Mike and Judy Levy



New member Carol Anderson with Tom Christenberry



New member Dave Anderson and his 1957 Thunderbird



New member Dewey Clark with Tim Seay



New member John "Rocky" Rochelle with Tom Howard



Returning members Gary and Susie Bright



New Members Share Their Old-Car Stories

On the pages that follow, some of our new members talk about themselves, their families and their love for old cars.

Zack Bradley: I am 20 years old, I own a 1977 Lincoln Mark V and a 1977 Buick Estate. I've always appreciated cars but never really considerd myself a car enthusiast until Junior year of highschool. I remember one day in biology class my teacher said something about cells and how you can't understand what they do entirely unless you know what the parts do. He said something along the lines of "how do you know how an engine works if you don't know what a crankshaft is"? Admittedly not knowing much about engines, I went home that night and looked it up. From there I learned how engines work and got very interested in cars very quickly.



Zack Bradley forks over the dough for his new ride, a 1977 Lincoln Mark V.

At first I was into 90s and newer Japanese imports like any high school kid. My first car was a 2005 Subaru so I kind of got roped into that. I didn't get into classic cars until just last year. I was working with a valet company that was contracting with the Mercedes dealership in Knoxville at the time and my boss showed up in a 1977 Lincoln Mark V (that I later purchased from him). I had never met my actual boss in person before. He was the person above my supervisor. I remember pulling into the parking lot and seeing it and going, "Someone important must be here". There was just something about that car that made a statement.

One day, I was talking to him about it and he said that he was thinking about selling it. I just had to have it so I got the money from the bank and bought it after about two weeks. A few months went by and I started disassembling the car to clean everything and put it back together. I decided to take off the vinyl roof and replace it. In the process of doing this I discovered that the entire thing was rusted under the vinyl. The metal was so thin in places you could punch a screwdriver through it . I had no idea where to start with fixing that so I just took a saw and an angle grinder to it and decided to make it a parade car! It's still a work in progress but I think it'll be really neat when I'm done.

My wagon was acquired a different way and no, I didn't chop the roof off of it and have no plans to do so. It belonged to my aunt and sat in the garage for without being started. I didn't know this car existed until my grandmother brought it up one day when we were talking.

I called up my aunt and I asked her about it. She told me to come over after work and look at it. We walked down to her garage, she opened the door and I fell in love with this forty plus year-old station wagon instantly.



Zack also owns a 1977 Buick Estate Wagon which he purchased from his aunt. The car had been in storage for two years.

According to the odometer the car had 25,000 miles when I bought it. My aunt said that those miles are original because that car lived on her street since it was new (she was the second owner). She said it had only been driven to run errands and to go to the grocery store; never more than that, so I believe the mileage is original.

It was fairly easy to start that car after setting for so long. All I had to do was pour octane booster in the gas tank, change the oil, put starter fluid in the carburetor, and jump it off.

The only thing I've really done to it since I've had it is to change the spark plugs and plug wires, and change the brake light switch. I drive it 2-3 times a week or more. I love it.



New Members Share Their Old-Car Stories

Continuing the stories from our newest members.



Ed Barrett: My wife Lorna and I are retired. She was a Travel Consultant with AAA in West Knoxville and I retired three years ago from Vulcan Materials Company where I was Regional Vice-President of Human Resources. We moved here to Knoxville from upstate New York in 1996 when I took the job with Vulcan. I have been a car enthusiast most of my life with my first true special interest car being a 1968 Corvette Coupe purchased way back in 1974.

Ed and Lorna Barrett

The start of my personal "car fever" goes back to when I was in high school and bought my first car with \$300 of my paperboy money. It was a powder blue 1961 VW bug and during its time with me it suffered the type of modifications that a teenager's tortured mind thought was cool back then. These included removing the bumpers and replacing them with black walnut boards, cutting out the rear fenders with a jigsaw, installing adapters to fit huge American mag wheels and wide tires. I couldn't leave well enough alone so I also personally applied an "amateur" paint job in candy metallic orange. Oh, I also swapped the original seats out for later model VW high backs from a junk yard. After about a year of such lavish treatment, the motor on the '61 bit the dust and, as they say, the rest was history.

We now own a 1965 Corvette Coupe we bought 21 years ago. It has won six National Corvette Restorers Society Top Flight awards and has its AACA Senior and Preservation awards. We also have a 2008 Corvette Convertible that I watched being built for two days in Bowling Green, KY, thanks to the "Buyers Tour" option that GM offers to Corvette buyers (highly recommended). Our third car is a 1951 Chevrolet Styleline Special two door sedan. I bought it about 10 years ago. It was an all original 22,000 mile car which I drove in original form for 5 years. After 5 years, I wanted to expand how and to where I could drive it. So, I had a friend who builds cars do a full conversion to street rod status with a new GM crate motor, automatic transmission, new wiring, suspension, etc. We did keep the original look of the interior and exterior.

Lorna's personal interests are in travel. Thanks to her career as a Travel Consultant, over the years we have been lucky enough to have traveled to many places I never thought I would visit including Alaska, Canada, Mexico, China, Russia, Poland, the UK, Ireland, France, Italy, Turkey, the Baltics and elsewhere throughout Western Europe.

Besides AACA, we are members of a number of car clubs including the East Tennessee Corvette Club, NCRS, NSRA, the Buick Owners Club, Vintage Chevrolet Club of America, the Studebaker Drivers Club and the Avanti Owners Association. Other "collector" type cars we have had over the last few years include three Avantis, a 1941 Buick Special Sport Coupe and a 1987 Corvette Coupe. I am a former President of the East Tennessee Corvette Club.



The Barrett's collection includes two Corvettes and a '51 Styline.

We very much enjoy spending time with our car club friends including attending car shows, cruise ins, cars and coffee events and various club meets across the region. We had lived in Farragut since coming to Tennessee, but In order to get a garage large enough to house our special interest cars, we just built a new house on one acre of land off of Keller Bend. This allowed us to construct a 2,400 square foot detached garage behind the house that is big enough to park 8 cars. It also has an office, a storeroom and a full bath (insisted upon by Lorna!). I have also been collecting automotive related metal signs and neon signs for over 15 years to decorate the interior of the garage when we finally got it built. Carrying on my tradition as a full blown car nerd. I also have a collection of 1/18 and 1/24 scale die cast cars displayed in curio cabinets in the garage. I hope to fill out the garage with a few more "full size" toys....specifically, a '68 to '70 AMX, a '70 Mach I Mustang, a '34 Ford three window coupe and, if there is still room, a 2003 or 2004 Mercury Marauder. A 1/32 scale slot car track is also something under consideration. Remember slot car racing when you were a kid? Why not when you are in your '60s?

We look forward to getting involved in the club, meeting folks and attending events in the future. Thanks for asking about us.



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Glenn Sokolofsky: When I reflect on my life I sometimes shock myself when it is all assembled into one discussion.

I was born in Brooklyn NY where I had spent my entire life until 2018 when I moved to Maryville Tennessee and retired. My father never had a drivers license and had no mechan-

Glenn Sokolofsky

ical ability.

From an early age I was infatuated by any vehicle. As a toddler I was told I would drive my food around the plate! It started with model car building, winning many contests at the local hobby shops. Many years later, I started a cottage industry side business for model car decals and resin cast conversion parts for model cars.

My first turn of wrenches was in High School where I signed up for Auto Shop. My last year I was a student teacher in the vocational auto shop. I won the Shell Automotive Professional Training award and Automotive Award for excellence. After I graduated from High School I attended a one year engine/drivetrain course at Engine City Technical Institute in Union NJ where the focus was on Heavy Duty trucks, but the knowledge learned from each instructor was priceless. Our electrical instructor was a former electrical engineer for GM Bus and Truck Division. The school campaigned a drag racing truck named Shake, Rattle and Run.

Upon graduation from technical school I was recommended for a position as an automotive machinist apprentice where I spent several years rebuilding, at first Detroit Diesel Cylinder heads for Hostess Bakery trucks, and then rebuilding passenger car engines in a speed shop.

Soon after I took my first new car dealership job as parts manager for the 1st Jeep (Willys) Dealership in NY state which had been granted permission by AMC/Jeep/Renault to stand alone as Jeep until Chrysler had taken over. I learned every aspect of Parts/Service there, as I was a service writer and warranty administrator. This led to many years of Parts Manager, Service Manager, Dispatcher and shop foreman positions. In that career I had worked for Jeep, Chrysler, Ford, Chevrolet, Pontiac, Honda,Acura, BMW, Volvo and Jaguar.

During these years I became a part time auxiliary police officer in NYPD Highway Patrol and when I retired I had 18 years with the rank of Sergeant. With my interest in cars I became the NYPD historian for vehicles. This led to numerous restorations of NYPD cars,. Although we did find some original cars we also built replicas as accurate as possible. I wound up starting and running the New York City Police Museum antique police car show for 11 years.

Many of my cars were featured in parades, 9/11 memorials and in many TV, Movies, and even a few music videos. I assisted as a technical advisor on movies such as American Gangster, where I make a cameo appearance. I was featured in the <u>NY Times</u>.

My involvement with the NYPD eventually produced a job offer and I was appointed to be an executive chauffer for the NYC Mayors office assigned to various city officials as an emergency responder. I worked for 11 1/2 years in this position under 2 administrations. I also was driver and caretaker of a very historic car, the NYC 1952 Imperial Parade Phaeton. With the recent anniversary of Apollo 11 Moon landing I am sure many people have seen these images of the car. It is also the



Glenn Sokolofsky has been involved with the restoration of many NYPD historic vehicles.

1st thing you see upon entering the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. Although the car is a 1952, sharp eyed collectors will notice it looks like a 1956. I will explain that one day. I love to talk about that car! I have an extensive collection of historical documents about the car which I would like to share one day with members. My interest in cars extends through many different levels. I appreciate an AACA stock vehicle, and I also appreciate street rods, customs and race cars. My current fleet is 7 cars with a varied range of makes and models.

I have been writing a blog entitled <u>CARHUNTER</u> for many years now. The subjects range from car show coverage to private collections to historic retrospect's. I encourage people to follow my blog by putting their email address at the top of the page. This will allow readers to receive email updates regarding the blog.



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John Bennett and Tim Seay

John Bennett: I am a returning member of the ETR. I was born in Memphis TN in 1946. In 1995 my bride, Janet, and I moved to Eastern NC where we lived for about twenty years.

My first antique car was a 1962, 356 Porsche. I built a motor for that car with the help of a good friend. At some point I joined

the First Capital chapter of the AACA in New Bern NC. While a member there, I was the club's webmaster and also was club secretary for one term. The First Cap chapter was small but we did put on a couple of National competitions.



John Bennett's first antique car, a 1962 356 Porsche

Meanwhile, I continued to improve the Porsche while driving it and showing it in club events in the area.

Later Janet and I moved to Maryville to be closer to our two daughters and their families. All was going well here and then Janet passed away in 2015 from a rare form of cancer. Janet loved riding in the Porsche with me. She said she felt like a celebrity and frequently did her best "queen wave" when folks waved at us as we cruised by. The Porsche was ideal for driving the backroads in and around the foothills. It was fun and reliable and "brick simple" to work on. I drove it for ten years before deciding to sell it and buy something more contemporary. I ended up with a 2014 Porsche Cayman. Talk about a quantum leap in technology! My love for antique cars hasn't ended. I'm always hoping to locate another early Porsche or BMW. I'll figure out where to put it after I buy it.

I am happy to be back in the club. While I miss my buddies in New Bern, the ETR chapter seems to be more active. The tours, here, are lots of fun and I've visited places with the club I probably would have never seen on my own.



Bart and Pamela McNealy

Bart and Pamela McNealy: Bart was born in Omaha Nebraska. He enlisted in the Army after High School and was assigned to the US Army Marksmanship Unit as a rifle shooter/instructor. As his active duty commitment was nearing an end, he was offered an athletic scholarship to the West Virginia University rifle team. While at WVU, Bart earned a

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, All-American honors for four years with two NCAA Team Championships. Upon graduation he accepted a Mechanical Engineering position with ALCOA Inc. in Evansville Indiana.



Bart and Pamela McNealy's 1986 El Camino

Pamela was born in Springfield Ohio. Her father was a career Air Force fighter pilot, and she lived in Florida, France, Germany, Nevada, Ohio, Virginia, Arizona, Italy, finally graduating from high school back in Arizona. She attended Purdue University where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management / Industrial Engineering Minor. Upon graduation she accepted an Industrial Engineering position with ALCOA Inc. near Evansville Indiana.

Fast forward to 1989, Bart and Pamela were married. They each owned Camaros at the time, so they sold Pam's lesser model and bought their first 1986 El Camino - hardly an antique then! In 1991 Pamela was transferred to the ALCOA Knoxville office as a Business Analyst and Bart to ALCOA Tennessee Operations, and they settled in Farragut. In 1993 their daughter was born and the El Camino was replaced with a four door sedan. In 1995 twin boys arrived and minivans became their new ride! Pamela earned a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Tennessee in 1998. The McNealy's relocated to Maryville in 2000 and joined Maryville first United Methodist Church in 2001.

In 2016 they found a replacement for their original 1986 El Camino with the help of Steve West.



ETR Member Offers Rare Cadillac for Sale

By Jerry Smith

This 1985 Cadillac Eldorado Biarritz convertible is one of 2300 made that year and has been driven just 41,516 miles. Service records available on request.



This '85 Eldorado Baritz has been driven just 41,516 miles.

The car is white on white with a maroon leather interior. It is in excellent condition and has always been garage-kept. A new top was installed in fall of 2018 by Charles Alexander. The convertible top includes a heated glass window.



The rich maroon leather interior is in excellent condition.

This Cadillac is located in Athens, TN and may be seen by appointment. The asking price is \$18,000.00. Reasonable offers will be considered. Call Jerry Smith at 423-745-6517 or 423-745-3013 for more information or to set up an appointment.

Selling Your Antique Car? Consignment is an Option

By Orville Westbrook

As our automotive interests change, many of us want to free up garage space to pursue a new project or marque, or get rid of that antique car that never gets driven anymore.

Selling an antique car can be challenging. As younger generations seek out the collector cars of their youth, the market is dwindling for cars from the sixties and fifties; and is almost non -existent for original cars from the pre-World War Two era. Fortunately, there are options today for disposing of old cars that did not exist in years past. Auctions and car corrals allow potential buyers to kick a car's tires and maybe hear the engine run, but the time that a car is exposed to the buying public is limited.

Ebay, Craigslist, and other online services allow the seller to post pictures and a description of the car, and potentially reach a worldwide market. But the buyers usually have to purchase the car sight-unseen, and the sellers have to deal with "trolls" who waste time with questions and comments, when they have no intention of purchasing the car.

Another popular option for people who wish to sell their classic is a consignment dealer. Consignment shops are springing up nationwide in an effort to unite buyers with sellers and find new homes for automobiles of a bygone era.

Perhaps the largest consignment enterprise in the country is Gateway Classic Cars. They currently have 18 showrooms throughout the country, from Las Vegas to Fort Lauderdale and points in between. Gateway's Nashville showroom is convenient to the East Tennessee area and several members of our club have taken advantage of their services. Three ETR members currently have cars in the Nashville showroom.

Consigning a car is nearly risk-free and is a good way to market a vehicle provided that the seller is not in a great rush to make the sale. The way the consignment agreement works is simple. The seller states the dollar amount he needs to recoup from the sale and signs a contract to sell the car. If the car sells, the seller is will receive the price stated in the contract. The consignment dealer then takes possession of the car, sets the retail price, based on what they feel the car will sell for and markets it, primarily through its website. The car is placed in the showroom, which is open to the public, so browsers can take a closer look.

A significant added bonus to selling by consignment is that the car is displayed in a climate-controlled showroom, at no cost to the seller. Essentially, the dealer is offering free storage while the car is on the market.



East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes

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November 17 – Annual Business meeting at TN Bank hosted by Tom Howard.

December 13- Christmas Party at Rothchilds hosted by Tom Howard.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Sandra Quillin reported Get Well cards were sent out to the following:

Charlie Alexander, 6-7-19; Sis Howard, 6-22-19; Lin Helsel,

7-8-19; Sympathy: Tom Howard (Sis) 6-25-19.

OLD BUSINESS:

Robert Quillin stated that we have three complimentary memberships still available for new members for national memberships. These complimentary memberships expire after September 1. We need to utilize these to get some new members. The National AACA just started the half dues for one-half of the year. Robert made a motion that we try something similar for our regional club by allowing anyone that joins during this upcoming Townsend car show to join for \$20 for the rest of this year and all of 2020 for our ETR AACA club. Ken Lund seconded this motion and the motion carried. There was a general discussion of the board continuing to vote on the new members as they apply for membership. It was also discussed how important this is to assure a good mix for our new members and how important it is to make the new members welcome to our club.

Scholarship Award – Tim Seay asked Roger Frazee to update us on the Scholarship award. Roger presented a proposed objective and application for the proposed scholarship program.

A motion was made by Ken Lund to continue the scholarship award with a final proposal presented to the board at the September 17 board meeting and then the program could be presented to all the club members at the September 21 appreciation picnic for final vote. Len Royston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Memorial Donations- A memorial donation will be made in memory of Sue McCampbell. Blake McCampbell has advised to make a donation to the youth program at Fairview United Methodist Church, Maryville. The donation for Sis Howard will go to the AACA Library Building Fund and there will also be a donation to AACA Library for Perry Anthony.

New Call Committee – Tom Howard reported that Robert and Sandra Quillin have assigned each board member a list of members to be their call group (call committee). This will give an opportunity to reach out to all members and renew acquaintances of members that we have not spoken with for a while. Everyone was encouraged to reach out and make these contacts. Thanks to Robert and Sandra Quillin for putting this together.

ETRAACA History – Tom Howard stated that he had spoken with Blake McCampbell and he is still working on getting the club history.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Members – Charlie Simpson reported that we have added Herb & Dawn Wiese and John Trotter as new members since our last meeting.

Adjourn:

Len Royston made a motion to adjourn.

Charlie Simpson seconded the motion and we adjourned at 8: 59 PM

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. Lewallen, ETR Secretary

Editor's Note: These minutes are subject to formal approval by the ETR Board.



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Parting Shot: Tracy and Loretta Rollins welcome visitors to their vintage travel trailer during the "Autos Through the Ages" event.