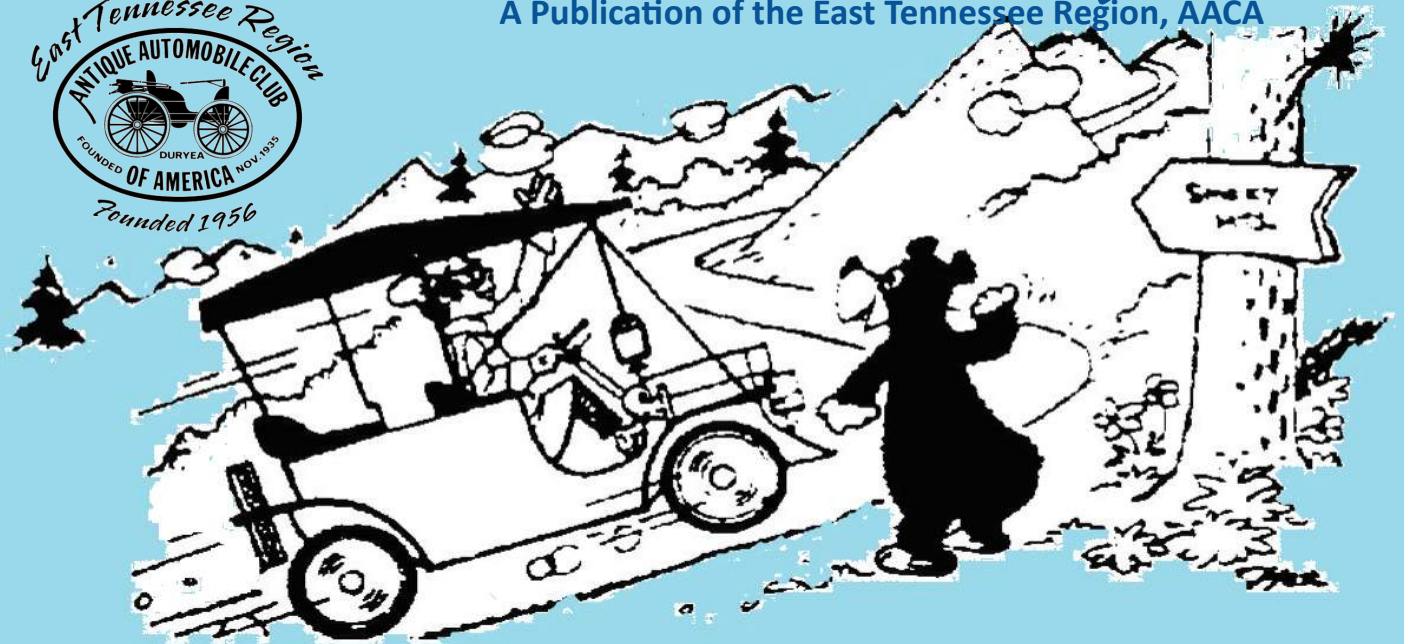


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*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Daniel Paransky and Charlie Simpson enjoy a conversation as they admire the new woodwork on this restoration project at Brown's Woodworking Shop.



# Local and National Events

## ETR 2019 Calendar of Events

**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

**Nov. 11:** Knoxville Veterans Day Parade

**Nov. 16:** Covenant Health Car Show to benefit United Way at Fort Sanders West

**November 23:** 3rd Annual Toys for Tots Car Show at the Quaker Steak & Lube in Sevierville

**December 1:** Townsend Christmas Parade

**December 6:** Knoxville Christmas Parade, 7:00—9:00 PM

**December 14:** Halls Christmas Parade, 6:00 PM

**December 15:** Maynardville Christmas Parade 11:00 AM—3:30 PM

## 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 28-30:** 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

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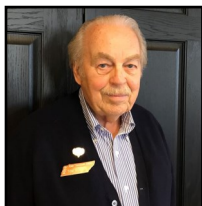
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# Let's be Seen in 2019

From President Tom Howard



As I look out my office window, I see the sun disappearing earlier each day. Do you know that we are only two months from the shortest day of the year? Which means of course our year is winding down and the holidays will be upon us soon.

At this time I look back and remember all the great times we have had this year with our old cars and friends in the East Tennessee Region AACA. At the beginning of this year, I stated that you must participate in our region activities to get the most enjoyment from being a member of our club. And as I have stated in this column before, you certainly have taken part this year. It also shows that the word is spreading about our good times together as demonstrated by the record number of new members we have garnered this year.

Many members are still thinking of the wonderful Member Appreciation Picnic held at the Springbrook Park in September. With over thirty vehicles on the pre-picnic back roads tour and over ninety members and guests present for the picnic, I think we set a recent history attendance record. From all the comments we heard, I think everyone had a great time. Thanks to Sandra and Robert Quillin and their assistants for hosting this special event.

Another outstanding tour was hosted in October by Len Royston and Blake McCampbell. Even though the fall foliage was mostly green, the long drive was certainly worth it. The beauty of the Tennessee hill country is present no matter the color of the leaves. And what better place to visit than Mr. Brown's vehicle and automotive memorabilia building and woodworking shop. I have visited there several times in the past and it is a new adventure each time. Thanks, Len and Blake, for a day well spent.

Now it is on to our Annual Business Meeting on Sunday, November 17th. We hope a large group of members will attend, especially new members, where we will hear reports from board and committee members, discuss potential activities for the upcoming year and complete signing of Christmas cards for nursing and retirement homes. We look forward to seeing you there.

Then to conclude a great year, the Annual Christmas Party, always an enjoyable time, will be held Friday, December 13th. You will receive more information on that later this month. **What an exciting time to be a member of ETR!!**

# Editors' Corner

From Co-Editor Jan Frazee



While the club's monthly tours planned last January are now a memory, there are still opportunities to participate in club activities in November and December.

The Annual Business Meeting will be held on **Sunday, November 17**, at the TN Bank, 1766 Lamar Alexander Parkway, Maryville, and will be a potluck affair.

During this meeting, the Nominating Committee, selected by the membership in September and chaired by Sandra Quillin, will report their slate of nominated candidates. In accordance with procedures outlined in the Bylaws of the ETR AACA, the election of officers will be held. The new Officers and Directors shall assume their duties on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2020.

Ballots for the Jim Gillenwaters, Jr. Award are due to be received by club Secretary RG Lewallen by **November 30**. RG will accept ballots at the Business Meeting.

Many ETR members remember Jim Gillenwaters, who was a past president of the ETR AACA and served as Club Treasurer for 23 years.

Through his many years of leadership, Jim set high standards for club participation and enthusiasm. The Award, named in Jim's honor, was established posthumously to recognize a current club member who has made significant contributions to the club's well-being.

The recipient of the Award is selected by popular vote of the membership and is presented a trophy inscribed with their name, along with the names of previous winners. The Award recipient keeps the rotating award until the following year.

The ETR Annual Christmas Party will be held on **Friday, December 13**, at Rothchilds Event Center in Knoxville, and will be hosted by ETR President Tom Howard.

And, 2020 dues for both the ETR and National AACA are payable by **December 31, 2019**.

The club's monthly tours for 2020 will be the main topic at the 2020 Planning Meeting that will be held in January. The 2019 Planning Meeting resulted in a full calendar of events for the year.

It's never too soon for club members to plan to host a tour!

**Remember to complete your Ballot for the Jim Gillenwaters Jr. Award and send to RG Lewallen via email at [Lewallenrg@gmail.com](mailto:Lewallenrg@gmail.com), or by snail mail at the Lewallen's address shown in the roster, by Nov. 30th. Ballots will also be available at the November Business Meeting.**





## Keeping the Wheels Turning

By Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator



Thanks to member participation, the wheels have been rolling faster than ever!

The Member Appreciation Picnic, held at Springbrook Park in Alcoa, was a big success. We had over 90 members attend! There was a driving tour on some

Blount County backroads prior to the picnic and everyone had the opportunity to get to know one another better with the lunch questions provided by Sandra Quillin at our tables while we enjoyed the meal catered by our friends at Buddy's Barbecue.

The Fall Tour on October 19th hosted by the Roystons and Blake McCampbell up to Parrottsville had 44 members participating and per those in attendance, the food was great and Brown's place was phenomenal. A few of our members went on a drive with the Classic Ford Club up on the Foothills Parkway that day and had lunch at Elvira's Restaurant in Wears Valley. Everyone was lucky to avoid most of the rain during the day.

Other upcoming events are the Veterans Day Parade in Knoxville on November 11th and Covenant Health is hosting a car show to benefit the United Way on November 16th.

Our Annual Business Meeting is November 17th at 2 pm at TN Bank in Maryville. This will be a covered dish with the club providing the meat and Sandra Quillin bringing a cobbler with ice cream for dessert.

Be sure and be thinking about ideas for tours for next year! The club Christmas Party will be on December 13th at Rothchild's in Knoxville. Details are forthcoming.

## Sunshine Report

By Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent



In early September, I received a call that Ken Lund was ill. I sent Ken a get-well card on behalf of ETR. Then after his trip to Hershey, new ETR member, Dewey Clark had some heart issues. I sent a note of cheer on behalf of ETR to Dewey. About three weeks ago, Lafayette Williams had a fall and broke three ribs. It was good to

see Lafayette well enough to attend the Fall Tour to Parrottsville on October 19.

Remember the canning jars with fresh zinnias and black-eyed susans on the picnic tables at Springbrook? I took those to Life Care Center of Blount County for the residents to enjoy.

In our November Business Meeting, we will be signing 330 Christmas cards to deliver to 8 nursing homes. This year I have made simple bookmarks from ribbons to place inside the cards for the residents. If you have someone you feel needs a Christmas card or note of cheer, please give me that person's name and address and I will send a card.

To help those in need, I am requesting that each member bring to the Business Meeting a can of food to share. I will bring a box for the cans and deliver them to a food bank after the meeting.

To express our appreciation to others, I am asking that some of you bring homemade muffins, cookies or brownies, etc. in a container that you do not want returned. I would like to take those to each of the 8 nursing homes to demonstrate our gratitude to the nursing home staff. I am sure that each of you has heard that more people are lonely at Christmas than any other time of year. Let's each do what we can to help others feel less lonely!

## Getting to Know our Members

*Editor's Note: This is the first installment in a series of articles about our members, inspired by the conversations shared during the Member Appreciation Picnic. Anyone who wishes to contribute to this series should contact the author, Sandra Quillin.*

### **"The first car I owned. . ."**

Lindsey Kiser, a fourth-generation member of the East Tennessee Region, related that her first car was a 2010 Honda Civic. Lindsey is currently a freshman at Maryville College and is one of the region's youngest members.

Elby Lloyd's first car was a 1940 Ford two-door, with no brakes.

Tom Christenberry still has his first car, a '28 Model A Phaeton that he purchased for \$35 at the age of ten.

Art Fensod's first car was a '30 Model A Roadster. He bought the Model A in the summer of 1948 for the sum of \$85, which he earned by helping a Franklin NH farmer with his cows.

Robert Quillin's first car was a 1965 Oldsmobile Cutlass con-

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# News From National AACA Headquarters

## Membership is Critical to Survival

Mel Carson, 2019 AACA President



The Antique Automobile Club of America needs the help of each existing member to survive and maintain our organization for the long-term! Every member needs to bring in a new member to AACA now!

Every organization that desires to continue to exist will evolve and change as needed to be appropriate for the membership. AACA has accomplished this over the history of the organization.

When driving your antique car to fill the gas tank, attending cruise-ins or shows - folks at all times want to look at your car and talk with you about it. This is a good opportunity to tell them about AACA and all it offers to the antique car enthusiast. Please let them know, that to be involved, all AACA members do not have to own a pristine show vehicle. This is a message to convey to any prospective new AACA member.

A Driver Participation Class (DPC) vehicle is a vehicle that has a place on the show field but is perfectly suitable for driving and touring at the same time - including air conditioning and radial tires.

The AACA organization includes a great antique car magazine, about six to eight car show Nationals spread around the country, a Grand Nationals event each year, and usually about four Touring events each year.

Library resources are offered to members who can obtain research and restoration information on possibly any vehicle ever produced. The new AACA headquarters facility now under renovation in Hershey will include an enhanced state-of-the-art automotive library to benefit the hobby.

Explain these advantages to a car person and they may be a great candidate for membership in AACA and help keep our organization alive!

## Free Memberships!

Mark McAlpine, Vice President National Activities



Who doesn't like receiving free things? AACA Regions & Chapters have something of value that they can offer to people possibly interested in joining their local region/chapter and the national club— complimentary one-year memberships—yet only about 50% of our Regions and Chapters are taking advantage of them. So far this year, only 182 Regions/Chapters have used even one of the four complimentary AACA memberships sent to their Presidents.

Another great under-used recruiting tool is our Military Sponsorship Program free one year memberships for military veterans. While the numbers have increased compared to last year—only 137 applications have been received so far this year (almost as many as received in 2018 and a few more than 2016 & 2017 combined). When you consider the millions of military veterans in our country, this represents a drop in the bucket.

Many Regions and Chapters complain about the difficulty in attracting new members. Take advantage of the free one -year AACA memberships and AACA Military Sponsorship Program memberships and bring some new members into the AACA, then match these with a one-year free membership in your Region/Chapter. The next time you meet someone interested in antique vehicles, tell them about your Region/Chapter and our club and offer them a free membership. (About 60% of the people who join our club with a free membership renew their membership the next year. That's a pretty good return rate). If your Region/Chapter President can't find the four free memberships they received or if you need more, contact AACA Headquarters. Military Sponsorship Program applications can be obtained from the AACA website or from AACA Headquarters.

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## East Tennessee Region

# AACA Board Meeting Minutes

TN BANK, Sept. 17, 2019



*By RG Lewallen, Secretary*

### Officers:

President: Tom Howard, Present  
 Vice President: Robert Quillin, Present  
 Secretary: RG 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., Present  
 Vic Varady, Dir., Present  
 JW Weeks, Dir., Present

Roger Frazee, Newsletter Editor,  
 Present

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Tom Howard at 6:40 PM. RG 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. Tom commended our club on all the activities over the past few months, the success of each event and the addition of new members.

**MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** The July 16, 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 August 29, 2019. Motion to approve the Treasurer's recommendation was made and seconded. Motion carried. The complete report is available to members upon request.

**ANTIQUER REPORT:** Jan Frazee stated she is very appreciative of everyone submitting articles for the newsletter, especially from new members. Jan asked for anyone attending the Eastern Fall Nationals in Hershey, Pennsylvania in October to submit an article for the upcoming Antiquer publication.

**WEBMASTER REPORT:** Roger stated that he has recently updated the photo gallery on our website. He asked that anyone having new photos they would like placed on our webpage to email them to him. Roger stated that a membership application is in the mail from Andre and Joan Bourque, who found the application on our website. As far as we know, this will be the first family to join through our website!

**EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT:** Sherry Seay reported that ETR has been very active. The Heritage Center car show was a big success because of all our members helping out at this event. We had 12 new members join our club as a result of the Heritage Center car show. Art Fenzod's event was a great event

as well. The next event will be our Member Appreciation Picnic. As of this evening we have 91 confirmed coming to the picnic! The October event will be the Fall Foliage Tour that the Royston's and Blake McCampbell are hosting. They are still working out the details on this tour but are planning to go to Parrottsville, TN and visit a woodworking shop and an old type vintage service station with gasoline memorabilia items. We are planning to invite the Ford Club to participate as well. Once the details are worked out, Len will get the information to Sherry for notifying all of our members. Sherry Seay stated that the Top Wrench Competition at Crown College will be Thursday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup>, with the car show being on Saturday, 10AM to 3PM. This show will be inside so the weather will not be a factor. The November ETR meeting will be Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> with our annual covered-dish business meeting. The Christmas party will be on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at Rothchild's in West Knoxville.

### UPCOMING:

September 21- Membership Appreciation Picnic at Springbrook Park. Sandra reported that the driving tour would start at 10:30 AM. Tom stated that this driving tour would be a slower paced tour with a lot of interesting locations in Blount County on the tour route. Sandra also reported that lunch at Springbrook Park would start at 1PM with Buddy's Barbecue catering the event. Sandra suggested that each Board member host a table and encouraged members to engage everyone at their table in the discussions. Sandra suggested that each table participate in a Q & A about cars, driving experiences and tours from the past. She also suggested that the responses be documented for future use.

November 17 – Annual Business meeting hosted by Tom Howard.

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



## Mobile: A Tale of Two Chevys

Despite torrential rains and tornado warnings, the Southern National meet proceeded on schedule in October, as more than 100 cars turned out in the iconic city of Mobile AL.

Among those competing were Beverly and Robbie Gray and Beverly's brother, RG Lewallen. Coming off of a First Junior win earlier in the month, Beverly and Robbie were hoping to capture their Senior Award in Mobile. When the awards were announced during the evening banquet, the Grays learned that they had captured the award they were seeking. They will continue to perfect the restoration of their 1957 Chevrolet and plan to take the car to the Grand National Meet in Allentown PA in 2020.



Photo by RG Lewallen

Southern Belles of Mobile AL enhance the beauty of the Gray's and the Lewallen's 1957 Chevrolents.

RG accompanied the Grays to Mobile and entered his '57 Bel Air. He was successful in winning his Repeat Preservation Award for the car. During the meet, RG also helped with the judging. When he returned to his car after judging the Driver Participation Class, RG discovered an envelope on the front seat of his Chevy.

The envelope contained a notice that his car has been nominated for a coveted National Award. Receiving a nomination for a National Award is a high honor that is presented to the owners of the finest restored and HPOF vehicles in the AACA. The National Awards Committee will convene at the National Headquarters this December to determine the winners of the National Awards. The awards will be presented during the Annual Meeting in February, 2020.

Congratulations go out to the Grays and the Lewallens for their accomplishments at Mobile!

## Remembering Pat Croley



Pat Croley

Members of the East Tennessee Region and the National AACA are saddened by the loss of one of the most active and groundbreaking members of the antique automobile hobby.

Patricia "Pat" Croley loved old cars and the people who drove them. For many years she, and her husband, Bo, participated in local

and national AACA events, including ETR club activities, Glidden and AACA Tours, and National Meets.

Pat proved that the antique car passion is not exclusive to males. Pat was a regular at AACA meets and could usually be found on the showfield with her judge's clipboard. In fact, at the time of her death, Pat had accumulated an astounding 289 judging points. She holds the record for the most judging credits by a female.

Pat also served as First Lady of the East Tennessee Region in 1978, and as First Lady of the National AACA in 2006.

Aside from her active participation in the AACA, Pat was also a member of Sequoyah Hills Presbyterian Church. She was an Alumnus of the University of Tennessee School of Nursing, Class of 1967.

Pat served on the Board of Directors of Ronald McDonald House of Knoxville and was a member of the Cherokee Country Club, and a former member of the Racquet Club.

Pat also enjoyed boating and spending time at the family home on Norris Lake. She loved to travel, having visited five continents, and very much enjoyed ocean cruises.

During her life, Pat enriched the lives of all who knew her and made the antique car hobby one that both men and women can enjoy.

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## Welcome New East Tennessee Region Members!

The East Tennessee Region is excited to welcome the following new member families to the club:

**Andre and Joan Bourque** - The Bourques live in Seymour, TN and are both retired. Their antique car collection includes a 1962 Chevy Impala and a 1924 Model T. They belong to the Model T Ford Club of America.

**Brett and Maria Coulter** - Brett was born and raised in Maryville, TN. His family has been in the Maryville community since the late 1790's. Maria was born in Crossville, TN. Brett is the Assistant Principal at Maryville High School and Maria is retired. They have four children and enjoy hunting, hiking, camping and fishing.

Currently, the Coulters have the following in their collection of Fords: four model T's, a 1931 Model A, a 1941 Super Deluxe, and a 1971 Lincoln Mark. Brett's Grandfather was Kenneth Coulter, one of the founding members of the East Tennessee Region of the AACA.

**Ken and Glenna Heckert** - While Glenna is retired, Ken is actively involved in the field of auto restoration. They live in Madisonville, TN and own a 1963 1/2 Ford Galaxie. They are Life Members of the AACA. The Heckert's membership is sponsored by Bob Carter.

**Jimmie and Debbie Hixon** - Jimmie and Debbie Hixon live in Walland, TN and are both retired. They belong to the VMCCA, the Model T Club of America and Model T International Clubs. The Hixon's antique car collection includes the following: 1915 Ford Speedster, 1933 Hupmobile Cycled Fendered Coupe, 1950 Chevrolet Convertible and a 1993 Mercedes-Benz Roadster.

**Jerry and Teresa Mauch** - The Mauchs own a 1993 Ford Mustang Feature Car and live in Loudon, TN. Jerry is a retired engineer and Teresa is retired from car sales. They are members of the following car clubs: Tellico Village Vehicles and the Mustang Club America. Their membership is sponsored by Brad Berger.

**Ed and Peggy Prichard** - The Prichards live in Madisonville, TN. Ed is a retired medical technician and Peggy is a retired medical transcriptionist. They own a 1939 Plymouth, a 1949 Plymouth, two 1959 Plymouths, and a 1960 Plymouth. Not surprisingly, they belong to the Plymouth Owners Club, and the Gunger Steel (Madisonville) Club. The Prichard's membership is sponsored by Glenn Sokolofsky.

## New Members Jimmie and Debbie Hixon Introduce Themselves

The Hixons, East Tennessee region's newest members, have been active in the old car hobby for many years. They reside in Walland, Tennessee. Debbie was born in Hopewell, Virginia and Jimmie was born in Dunlap, Tennessee. Below is their old-car story.



Photo submitted by Jimmie Hixon

New Members Jimmie and Debbie Hixon

The car that got me started in the hobby was a 1930 Ford 2-door sedan that was bought new by my great uncle in Chattanooga, Tennessee and given to me when I graduated from high school.

Debbie and I married in 2005 and have been on several Glidden tours. This year was my 35th Glidden tour in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Jerry Hodge got me started in 1969 when he and Frances hosted the Glidden tour in Gatlinburg, Tennessee.

I have several fond memories but judging AACA National meets with Charlie Coulter was a treat. Tom Howard and Sis were great tour companions with Sis encouraging me to ride a roller coaster until they closed the place down.

My mom, Mary Frank Hixson, who now lives with us, is 94 and still loves the antique cars. She and my father attended several antique car shows and tours.

Our current cars include a 1950 Chevrolet convertible, 1915 Ford speedster, 1927 Ford Roadster pickup, 1933 Hupmobile cycle rendered coupe and a 1997 Mercedes-Benz roadster convertible.

We are both retired now and are enjoying our leisure time. We are hosting the VMCCA Chrome Glidden tour in Maryville/Alcoa in April 2020.

Cars accepted are 1935-1995 to the first 100 applicants. If you are interested in attending this event, you may email Debbie at [debbieowens1953@aol.com](mailto:debbieowens1953@aol.com) or call 386-478-6668.





## Hammel “Ham” Carey Recalls The Wicked Lady



Ham Carey

While relaxing at the Member Appreciation Picnic, new member Ham Carey recalled his college days, back in 1947, when he and three of his buddies, Mark “Mac” McGlauthlin, Steve “Stick” Harwell, and Bowers Clement pooled their resources and purchased a 1929 Model A Ford four-door sedan.

“We each chipped in \$25,” Ham said. “Of course it didn’t have any brakes.” But that didn’t seem to matter much to the four youths who now had the freedom that

comes with owning an automobile. It also didn’t seem to matter that there was no glass on the car, except the windshield and rear window.

Soon they took possession of the Ford and piled in for a ride. But when one of the passengers opened the left rear door, it came off in his hand. The door was immediately deemed unnecessary and was discarded. They now owned a rare three-door Model A. They christened it “The Wicked Lady.”

“We couldn’t afford to buy gas,” Ham recalled, “so we would drive to closed filling stations late at night and drain the hoses from the pumps.” “We could get almost a quart of gas from each hose,” he said.

Other than the lack of brakes and windows, it turns out that the hundred-dollar three-door “A” had a few other issues. Among them was its reluctance to start.



Photo by Ham Carey

Ham Carey’s college ride, “The Wicked Lady.”

“We used to roll the car down the hill on 19th St. from Clinch down to Cumberland, to start it,” Ham said. “If a car won’t start on that hill, it’s not going to start.”

Unfortunately, one fateful evening, the “A” rolled from the top to the bottom of the 19th Street hill and never hit a lick. The four owners pushed it to the curb and walked away. When they returned to retrieve the car the next day, it was gone. “We never did find out what happened to the car,” Ham said. “The police probably towed it away.”

Ham and his partners continued their education at the University of Tennessee without the benefit of the Wicked Lady. Ham went on to graduate in 1951 before entering the Air Force, where he was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant. After his military service, he settled in Loudon County, where he resides today. To this day, he carries a photograph of his beloved “Wicked Lady” in his wallet.

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### Nominating Committee Established to Recommend 2020 Board Members

The nominating committee, elected this fall by the ETR membership, has completed its work and will report the proposed slate of officers for 2020 during the November Business Meeting.

The Committee consists of Robert Quillin, Sandra Quillin, and Tim Seay. Sandra served as the committee chairperson.

In accordance with the club’s bylaws, the nominations will be announced at the November Business Meeting.

After the Nominating Committee has reported, the Chairman will entertain nominations from the floor. If there are no nominations from the floor, the president may ask for a show-of-hands vote from the members in good standing present. If the majority of the members present vote in favor, the president may declare the slate of candidates elected by acclamation.

In the event that there is more than one candidate for an office, an election will be held during the meeting. The Nominating Committee will distribute ballots to the members.

in good standing present, upon which they will mark their choices of candidates for the Executive Board.

The Chairman of the Nominating Committee will then announce the new Executive Board.

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# New Member Michael “Bubba” Allen Talks About His Life, His Family, and His Love for Cars

I was raised in Lakeland, Florida about 70 miles from Sebring. When I was in high school my buddies and I would drive to Sebring for the race and all of us but the driver would get in the trunk of the car. I had the opportunity then to see some of the most famous racecars and drivers in the world go at it for 12 hours for free. As an adult I had the opportunity to return to Sebring and other races around the country and I never lost my fascination for fast cars.



*Photo submitted by Bubba Allen*

Bubba Allen and his dog, Porter, with their 1953 Jaguar replica.

Susanne and I were married in 1966 and raised 2 children, Henry and Susanne. They now have their own families. Henry lives in Chattanooga and Susanne lives in Germantown. We have 4 grandchildren who we spoil at every opportunity.

I pursued a career in finance and accounting and was CFO of a division of BASF when I retired in 2007. We lived in Memphis and in 1998 purchased a vacation home in Gatlinburg. In September of 2016 we sold our home in Memphis and moved to Gatlinburg permanently. Unfortunately our home was lost in the wildfire of November 2016. We began the process of rebuilding almost immediately and the new home was finished in March of 2018. The fire and loss of everything we owned was quite a journey for us but we survived it and are enjoying our new home and the beautiful Smoky Mountains.

I never lost my love for cars and knew at some point I would own “something” I could tinker with and would resemble a race car of some kind. That “something” turned out to be a replica 1953 Jaguar XK 120 on a Volkswagen chassis.

I knew I couldn’t afford the real thing so this was perfect. I set out teaching myself how to work on the engine and have spent many hours repairing and improving the reliability of the engine. The car belonged to a priest who is also a race car driver (long story for another time).

When I saw it I knew I had to have it. It’s absolutely gorgeous and I look forward to sharing it with all the other members of the club.

## Mason Hewett Spotted With His Limo At Cars & Coffee Event



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Robert Quillin was pleasantly surprised when he was at Harper’s Cars and Coffee recently and saw ETR Member, Mason Hewett, in his chauffeur’s uniform next to his newly acquired 1988 Lincoln Limo.



**East Tennessee Region**

**Annual**

**Christmas Party**

**December 13th**

**Rothchild Event Center**

**Check the Website**

**For Details as they Develop**







# East Tennessee Region Celebrates Member Appreciation Day with a Record Turnout



East Tennessee Region members gather at Springbrook Park for Member Appreciation Day.

More than thirty cars were lined up for the tour when President Tom Howard employed a vintage bulb horn to honk the drivers meeting to order. In all, 95 people turned out for the East Tennessee Region's Member Appreciation Day, hosted by Sandra and Robert Quillin.

Tom welcomed several new members who attended the event and provided driving directions to the tour group.

The caravan of antique cars was soon on its way through some of the most remote and picturesque roads Blount County has to offer. The route was created by Blount County native Blake McCampbell, who had installed telephones in most of the homes on the route during his career with the phone company.

The tour was obviously getting the attention of people along the route as bystanders stopped their outdoor activities to wave at the cars as we passed.

One highlight of the tour included a drive past the Millennium Manor, a house that was built without the aid of machinery in 1937 by William Nicholson. The pink marble house was constructed to "survive Armageddon and a thousand years beyond." The mansion is currently undergoing a restoration by its current owner, Dean Fontaine.

At the end of the 36 mile tour, the group arrived at Springbrook Park where the Quillins and a group of ETR volunteers had the picnic pavilion decorated and ready for the hungry guests.

A delicious lunch was catered by Buddy's Barbeque prior to a brief business meeting. Len Royston provided a preview of the

Fall Foliage Tour, hosted by Len Royston and Blake McCampbell.

Roger Frazee talked about ETR's participation in the annual Top Wrench Competition which will be held at Crown College on October 31st. Member Richard Payne has been working with the event coordinators to include a display of East Tennessee Region automobiles.

Secretary RG Lewallen announced the members of the 2019 Nominating Committee, who were elected by the club membership. The three members of the committee are Robert Quillin, Sandra Quillin, and Tim Seay. Alternate members are Jan Frazee and Sherry Seay. The committee will work together to provide a slate of club officers and board members for 2020.

Finally, Roger Frazee provided an overview of the new scholarship that has been established by the East Tennessee Region. The club will grant a \$1,000 scholarship in the spring of 2020 to a deserving individual who is pursuing a career in automotive technology.

At the conclusion of the announcements, members enjoyed dessert and fellowship as they shared their old-car stories with others at their table. The car conversations were inspired by a series of written questions Sandra had prepared for each table during the picnic.

Grateful appreciation goes out to the Quillins and all of the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the 2020 Member Appreciation Day a record-breaking success.





## Member Appreciation Day Memories



New Members Fran and Dewey Clark



New Members Peggy and Ed Prichard



New Members John and Julie Rochelle



New Member Phil Mizell with Sherry Seay



Tom Christenberry and Bill Sliger relax after lunch.



President Tom Howard welcomes the group.





## Member Appreciation Day Memories



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Tim Fisher, Mason Hewitt, and Tim Seay visit prior to the tour.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

David Sheffey hurries to get his driver's handout.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Gabe Rives helps his grandfather, Alvin DeFord, jumpstart his Chevy.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Kathy and Ronnie Boring arrive at the picnic.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Event Hostess Sandra Quillin welcomes the group to the Member Appreciation Picnic.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

East Tennessee Region members relax and visit after lunch.





# October Fall Foliage Tour Includes a Visit to Roger Brown's Woodworking Shop and Private Automobilia Collection

*By Len Royston and Blake Mc Campbell*

This past winter in the Planning Meeting, tour hosts Len Royston and Blake McCampbell had envisioned a beautiful fall day with a bright blue sky, a cool temperature, and a palette of beautiful colors displayed on the trees as the tour passed by the lakes, rivers and into Cherokee National Forest.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

John Payne, Vic Varady, Jerry Guthrie, Roger Brown

That was not the case. The sky was overcast, the temperature was a bit cooler than expected, and there was not a tree to be seen that had displayed its colors. Nevertheless, our group came out in numbers with 47 members and guests, eager to enjoy the last tour of the season.



*Photo submitted by Ed Barrett*

Lorna and Ed Barrett stand next to a Woodie wagon restored by Roger Brown.

Blake and Len had put together a very nice route that showcased the beauty of East Tennessee, choosing roads less traveled that few of us had ever traversed. But as anyone who has toured knows, unexpected things happen along the way. This outing was no exception. The caravan was delayed unexpectedly when a piece of road-striping machinery broke down, blocking traffic.

Soon enough, however, the group arrived at Roger Brown's Heirloom Woodworking Shop and Vintage Texaco Gas Station, near Greeneville, Tennessee. Mr. Brown's private collection of automobilia contains over 8,000 pieces of collectables. It includes several vehicles that had been restored, some farm tractors and about half a dozen travel trailers to enjoy. He also has a large collection of vintage gasoline pumps and auto-related signage.



*Photo by Ed Barrett*

One small corner of Roger Brown's automobilia collection.

As a special treat, Roger's neighbor catered a fantastic barbeque dinner for the hungry guests. Once everyone was fed, Roger took the group on a tour of his massive woodworking operation. He is currently restoring the woodwork on a vintage Rolls Royce station wagon. The finished car will have fresh wood on the doors and sides of the vehicle.

Roger has done the woodwork on many vintage automobiles, and is a master furniture and cabinet maker. He is currently working on creating a conference table for ETSU, using a \$5,000 cypress stump as the base.

The club is grateful to Roger Brown for making his facility available during this very memorable scenic Fall Tour.





## 2019 Fall Foliage Tour



Carole and Jerry Guthrie



Roger Brown's collection of more than 8,000 automotive antiques



Lindsey Kizer, Blake McCampbell, and Angie Kizer



Roger Brown and Daniel Paransky



Matt Sartin and friend Teresa



A few of Roger Brown's antique gas pumps





## East Tennessee Region Members Share Their 2019 Hershey Experience

Several ETR members attended the Eastern Division Fall meet, AKA Hershey Nationals, aka **HERSHEY**.

Some of the members have been attending the meet every year for decades. For Rick Lay, this was his 23rd consecutive trip to the meet. Tom Howard has also attended Hershey for many, many years. For others, 2019 was their first year to attend the largest gathering of antique cars in the world.

Below are the impressions of the 2019 Hershey Nationals, by the East Tennessee Region members in attendance:

**From Robert Quillin:** Each year in October, the 330-acre AACA show field in Hershey, PA comes alive! The meet features the largest flea market in the world specializing in automotive parts, tools and memorabilia. This year the showfield included approximately 1,200 antique automobiles.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

This 1932 Packard was among the many world class cars on display at the Hershey Fall Meet.

Some of the rare and never to be built again autos that I enjoyed most were a 1932 Packard 12-cylinder convertible, a 1932 Chrysler Imperial 8-cylinder convertible, and a 1930 Duesenberg Model J. These depression era autos were built to attract the wealthy at that time as they were still able to afford them. These are examples of autos are so unique that they are not shown in auto shows in this area. So, for car guys that have not been to the Fall ACA show in Hershey, I recommend that you put it on your bucket list.

**From Charlie Simpson:** My first trip to Hershey was an amazing experience. I have been promising Rick Lay for several

years that I would go with him to the AACA Fall Meet in October and committed to go this year. Rick found a perfect three bedroom home in Linglestown on Air B&B for him, Tom Howard and me. We were only 10 miles north of the Chocolate Field flea market.



*Photo by Art Fensod*

All manner of parts, tools, and curiosities can be found in the Hershey Flea Market.

I arrived on Monday afternoon and after unpacking, Rick, Tom and I drove around Hershey to see the sights. We spent some time in the AACA Museum, then went by the headquarters office just as they were closing about 4:30 pm. Had a good visit with Steve Moskowitz and he showed us the video of our new office building that is currently being remodeled. We drove by the new location and it appears to be an excellent location for us. The show field this year backed up to our new building.

Tuesday was setup day for approximately 9,000 flea market spaces that covered 150 acres or more. Tom started selling his auto literature before he got it all unloaded. Buyers from Sweden and Norway and Brazil came by. It is estimated that in excess of 200,000 people come through Hershey that





# East Tennessee Region Members Share Their 2019 Hershey Experience

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week. Wednesday through Friday involved walking through the flea market, touring Chocolate World, eating great food, and talking to old friends as well as meeting new car enthusiasts.



*Photo submitted by Art Fensod*

Art Fensod set up shop at the massive Hershey Flea Market.

My favorite activity during the week was walking the car corral. There were over 1,000 cars for sale lined up for about a mile on both sides of the street. Just about anything you would want was there. By Friday several had "SOLD" signs on them so apparently sales went well.

The week in Hershey was one to the most eventful weeks that I have spent in many years. I look forward to going back again next year and hope to have a scooter to ride.

**From Art Fensod:** On Monday, Oct. 8th, Vic Varady and I left Maryville for Hershey, PA. The weather was fine during our trip, except for a light rain the last two hours of our trip. In fact, the entire week at Hershey the weather was picture perfect temperatures, in the seventies.

On Tuesday, I set up the booth and had a very busy day, selling most of the garage (junque) items I have had for years. I also sold many Trump stickers and almost a dozen Trump Hats.

Many vendors were there although I did not see many cars being sold. The car corral was almost two miles long and I

walked the entire length, with a smile on my face. So many nice pre-war cars were there, including Pierce Arrows, Packards, Buicks, and Cadillacs, set up all around the Hershey track.

Saturday was a killer day. The weather was perfect! I had the pleasure of witnessing the finest car show ever! Cars were being driven in from the local clubs from Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York, and elsewhere. There were many cars from the Brass Era. I must say that I really enjoyed the original cars the best, and I spent most of the day Saturday on the show field.

In the HPOF class, I found a low mileage '40 Ford Coupe, an original 1930 Model A Ford, a beautiful 1934 Pontiac, a '37 Nash and a '32 Nash sedan that I really liked.



*Photo by Art Fensod*

Not every car at Hershey is pristine. The HPOF class features unrestored original vehicles.

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Jay Leno was there last year, but I did not see him this year. Blake McCampbell was seen at the museum, Charles Simpson and Rick Lay stopped by the booth, but I was not there to greet them. In summing up, I would say this was the best Hershey ever for me. I wish all the East Tennessee Region could have attended.

**From RG Lewallen:** I have heard Art Fensod refer to Hershey as the holy grail week! Now I know why. It was such a gathering of more great people, more great cars, more flea market vendors than you could ever imagine.



*Photo by Robert Quillin*

Beverly and Robbie Gray captured a First Junior Award at Hershey with their 1957 Chevrolet.

This was my first time attending this event that I have heard so much talk about and now I know why! We had the opportunity to show my sister Beverly Gray's '57 Chevy at her first AACA National Meet and what an experience it was for both her and Robbie. They had a blast at this show and were successful in bringing home their First Junior Award. To have won their First Junior at their first showing and to have done it at Hershey will always be memorable for them.

I don't know the official count of automobiles that entered the showfield but heard that it was over 1200! There were so many vehicles there was no way I could see them all.

A couple of thoughts and impressions that were made on me was first, the fact of how much the new AACA headquarters building is needed for our National Club! I have heard in other National events of the need for this building but being there and witnessing this really made an impression on me of how



*Photo by Art Fensod*

This restored 1914 Oldsmobile was for sale for \$38,000.

badly it is needed.

The second was the joy and happiness that was displayed by all who won awards at the banquet! It was uncommon to see award recipients so happy! Whether it was a Third Junior Award a Senior Award, HPOF Award, DPC Award, it is a great testament of what the AACA has done with their judging guidelines and ways to recognize antique automobile owners!

I have been to several other car events that are judged events, and I just have not seen any others surpass what the AACA has been able to create in their award process!

Great event! Great week! Next year's dates are already set for October 7-10, 2020! Mark your calendars, or ink this in your day planner for next year! You will only be disappointed if you do not go!

**From Tom Howard:** In the 53 years since Sis and I first attended this yearly AACA meet, we have missed fewer than five.

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During those many first-week-in-October stays in the Hershey area, we made many friends, both inside and outside the club.

We established our own traditions such as Amish market visits, favorite restaurants to enjoy, country stores and flea markets



This Model A custom camper arrived at Hershey complete with a beautiful wooden canoe and vintage camping gear.

and learning to appreciate the small Pennsylvania towns in the area. We also made friends with some interesting Amish people. Over the years, we returned to many of these places many times. With these traditions and participating in the AACA events, as well as my involvement in the national club's business management for more than twenty years, we looked forward to this trip each year.

This year was different for me. Without my partner, I knew it would be difficult to manage. The Hershey meet will always mean a lot to me and I certainly plan to continue to attend, but our established traditions will now be viewed in the light of important and pleasant memories.

Yes, the trip **was** different for me this year, but it became an enjoyable time because of the support of our AACA friends, many of whom I had not seen or spoken to in a while; and several ETR members who were there. And especially the evenings with Rick and Charlie in the lovely home that Rick had secured,

where our discussions of many subjects continued long past a proper bedtime.

And, **YES**, we accomplished the toast to Sis that Rick had promised at the service and in the *Antiquer* article with Rick, Charlie, myself and Randy and Rita Rutherford (our Pennsylvania ETR members) in attendance.

All in all, at weeks end, I knew I **did** have a very good trip to Hershey this year.

**From Blake McCampbell:** I haven't been to Hershey in a few years, until this year when I attended with Anita Young, her son, Kirk, and Ernie Patty.

The first time I went to the meet in Hershey was 1973. Mom and Dad made the trip with us. My daughter, Angie, was eleven months old at the time. I can remember Sue and I taking turns pushing Angie's stroller through the mud fields at the flea market.

A lot has changed since then. The Giant Arena has been built and the flea market fields have all been paved. Blacktop sure make things more convenient.

This year, the four of us drove up in a single day and stayed in Carlisle, about forty miles away. We thoroughly enjoyed seeing the hundreds of antique cars, browsing through the flea market and visiting with other old-car people. We didn't come to buy or sell anything. We were just there for the "Hershey Experience."

What could be better than being among friends on a beautiful fall day at the Hershey Fall Meet?

**Your 2020 Region  
and National Dues are  
Due by December 31st.**







# Top Wrench Competition Showcases Students' Automotive Skills

School buses decended on Crown College on Halloween Day, as students from 23 area high schools gathered to compete in the 29th annual Top Wrench Competition.



Photo by Roger Frazee

Retired NASCAR Driver Trevor Bayne addresses the students at the 2019 Top Wrench Competition.

Top Wrench is a local organization dedicated to helping students develop automotive skills in a drug free environment. Each year, participants compete in various areas, including welding, painting, engine troubleshooting and pit crew skills. Winning schools receive trophies and bragging rights. Winning individuals receive scholarships, made available by sponsoring businesses and trade organizations.

Trevor Bayne, the winner of the 2011 Daytona 500, kicked off the competition with his opening remarks to the group. "Only ten to fifteen percent of racing is the driver," Bayne told the students. "85 to 90 percent of winning is due to the crews that build, repair, and maintain the race car."

Members of the East Tennessee Region, along with members of the Knoxville Area Corvair Club, participated in the Top Wrench event by displaying cars and distributing information about the

ETR Scholarship. It was an unique opportunity for club members to interface with students, faculty, and administrators from the schools in attendance.



Photo by Roger Frazee

Top Wrench students browsed among the exhibits and antique cars at Crown College.

In all it was a great day, filled with the excitement of competition and the fellowship that is enjoyed whenever a group of car lovers gets together.



Photo by Roger Frazee

Top Wrench students assemble an engine.





# East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes

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

Get Well: Ken Lund 9-10-19  
Sympathy: None

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Scholarship Award** – Roger Frazee had previously sent out an update on the Scholarship Award. Roger presented the proposed objective and application for the scholarship program. After discussions and questions, a motion was made to sponsor this Scholarship Award program for one year awarding the successful recipient the scholarship in April, 2020. This motion was seconded and motion carried.

**Memorial Donations-** There were none made but Charlie Simpson stated he had received a thank you letter from the AACA Library for donations made in memory of Sis Howard and Perry Anthony.

**New Call Committee** – Tom Howard asked for a report of how the call committee is working out and if it is making a difference. There was some input that it is a good thing and it seems to be helping. Everyone was encouraged to reach out and make these contacts. Thanks to Robert and Sandra Quillin for putting this together. Sandra suggested that if we don't get a response from a phone call, we may want to try to introduce ourselves over an e-mail.

**ETR AACA History** – The recovery of the ETR historical artifacts is being tabled for now as it has been reported that Mr. Moats' estate is not settled.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Robert Quillin** – Robert is looking for a 1919 vehicle for the city of Alcoa to showcase as they celebrate their 100th year anniversary. Robert said one of our new members has suggested that we do a Cars and Coffee event next year. Robert is thinking about setting up a tour at Local Motors in Knoxville.

**New Members** – Charlie Simpson reported that we have added twelve new members as a result of the Autos through the Ages Show at the Heritage Center in Townsend. In addition, we have just added three more new members to our club!

Respectfully submitted,  
R. G. Lewallen, ETR Secretary

*Editor's Note: Approval for the September meeting minutes will be voted on during the November 19th board meeting. Board meetings are open to all ETR members.*

## Getting to Know Our Members

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vertible, which he still has. He bought it with cash earned working at UT while he was a student. Robert and Sandra dated in this car.

Tom Howard's first car was a 1941 Chevrolet 2-door coupe.

Bill Jurkonie's first car was a 1967 Chevrolet Malibu, 2 door hardtop, 283 cu, 3 speed straight shift. He had the car 5 years and has no idea where it is currently.

Sherry Seay's first car was a 1961 Ford which she got after she got her driver's license. Sherry says they called it "The Bomb" and not in a nice way...when you started it up, blue smoke poured out the exhaust. Sherry had it until she graduated high school. She has no clue what happened to the car.

Charlie Simpson shared: "When I graduated from Arkansas State, I purchased a 1968 Torino GT fastback, red inside and out. I drove the car about a year and half and traded for a 1970 Torino GT.

Two years ago, my sister Becky was in Arkansas for her class reunion and one of her classmates, Jerry Mansfield, came up to her and asked if she was Charlie Simpson's sister. She said yes and he told her to tell me that he had my red Torino. After she came home and gave me his phone number, I called him and talked for some time. His father had purchased the car in late 1969 when I traded it in and had kept it all these years. Jerry's father had passed away a few years ago and Jerry, his son, had inherited it. I went to Arkansas over Labor Day this fall for my 55-year reunion and called Jerry to see the car. He had it at a car show in our hometown. The car still looks good for a 50-year-old and he has pledged to keep it in his family as long as he can.

## Check Out Our New Facebook Page

With the help of Ed Barrett, the East Tennessee Region Facebook page is all new, easier to use, and is becoming very active.

Everyone is invited to join the page. Once you have joined the Facebook Group, you are free to post your comments and pictures pertaining to old cars and the antique automobile hobby. Click [HERE](#) to check out the new page.



## Smoky Mountain Antiquer

Roger and Jan Frazee, Editors

4535 Deer Grove Way

Powell, TN 37849



*Photos by Beth Fisher*

Parting Shots: Thank you, Robert Quillin, for your hard work in capturing our ETR activities "on film."