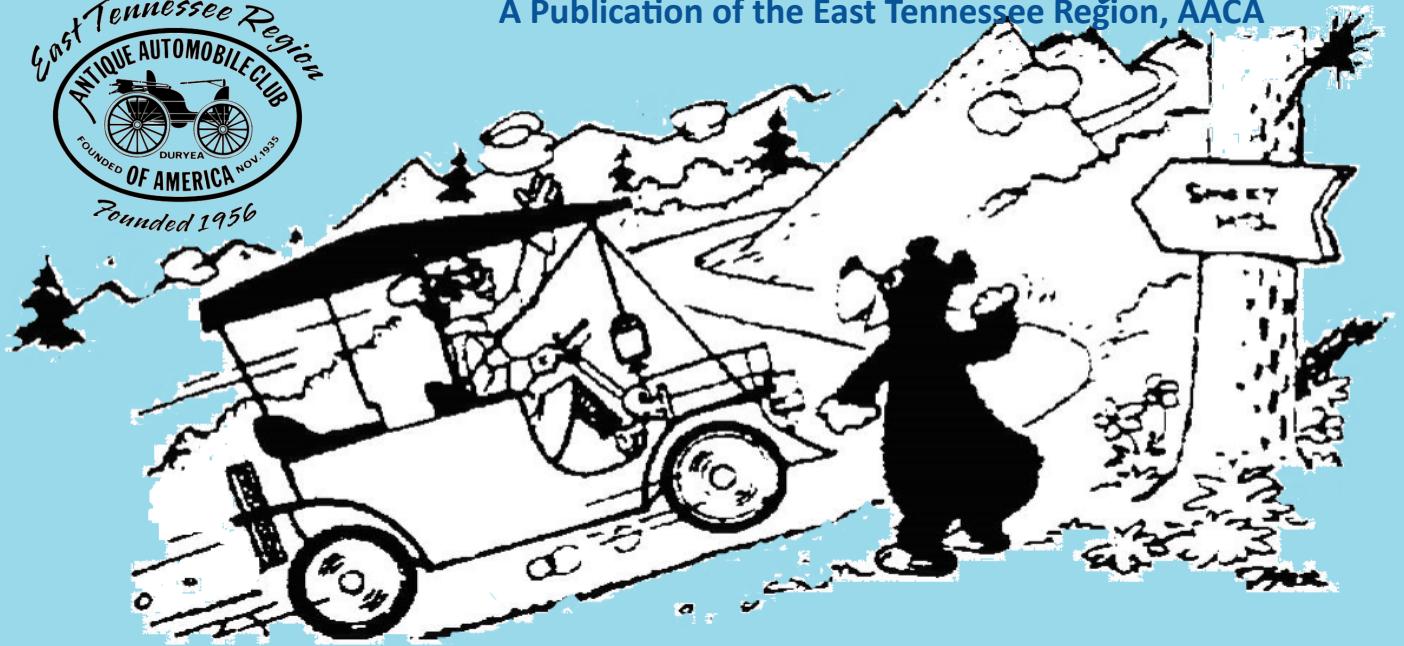


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Allyn Julien, Smithfield, VA, performs last-minute detailing on his 1933 Chrysler in preparation for class judging at Charlotte.



Local and National Events

ETR 2021 Calendar of Events

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May 22:	"Get Re-Acquainted" Picnic at the Williams' Farm, Farragut TN
June 12:	Lenoir City First Baptist Church Cruise-In, Lenoir City TN
July 17:	Autos Through the Ages Car Show, Smoky Mountain Heritage Center, Townsend TN
August 21:	Cars for Canines, Melton Lake Park, Oak Ridge TN
October (Date TBD):	City Garage Car Museum, Greeneville TN
November (Date TBD):	ETR Business Meeting
December 17:	East Tennessee Region Christmas Party

Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

Cruise In:	Every Friday night, 5 – 9 PM, through October, Foothills Mall, Maryville TN
May 8:	4th Annual Fairview Church Car Show, Maryville, TN
May 14—15:	British Car Show, Tally Ho Hotel, Townsend TN
May 15:	Knox County Sherriff's Office Vintage and Antique Car Show. 10 AM – 3 PM, Townsend TN

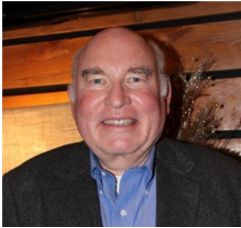
AACA National Events

May 20—25:	Founders Tour (1932-1996) Davis, WV.
June 2—5:	Eastern Divisional Tour - Eastern Shore of Maryland
June 4—5:	Annual Convention - AACA National - Williamsburg, VA
June 17—19:	Eastern Spring Nationals - Saratoga Springs, NY
July 1—3:	Central Spring Nationals - AACA National - Auburn, IN
July 11—16:	Vintage Tour (1931 and earlier) Lock Haven/ Wellsboro, PA



Robert's Ramblings

From President Robert Quillin



Spring is here and we are ready to get our antique cars out and drive! Thank you to the 63 members and guests who attended our April 11th Impromptu Faragut Dogwood Drive. Those attending seemed to thoroughly enjoy the fellowship at the Ingle's where we met and at the Founder's Park on Campbell Station.

Then a week later, twenty-one attended the tour from the Maryville Walmart to Rustic Rumlbers south on US 411. The fellowship as we gathered was great and everyone seemed to enjoy the unique collection at Rustic Rumlbers. A big thank you to Art Fensod for hosting this tour.

I personally feel that we have lost about a year of our lives due to the restrictions imposed because of Covid-19. Since most of us that are going to take the vaccine have been vaccinated, we need to make up for lost time this year provided we feel safe, and the pandemic does not spike.

This past week the ETR Board had a special called meeting to discuss club activities in the coming months. Your Board's decision was to pursue activities if we feel they are safe. This is not meant to put any social pressure on members if they do not feel comfortable with the club activities.

It is with pleasure that I am sharing that our first major activity will be a Board sponsored "Get Re-Acquainted" club picnic on May 22nd. This event will take place at the Riverview Family Farm of long-time club members Lafayette and Janice Williams. The lunch will be catered and free to the members. More details will be sent to the membership in a few days. We are expecting to have a large turnout of members for our picnic.

Our second major event for the year will be the third annual "Autos Through the Ages" car show at the Heritage Center in Townsend, July 17th. I want to remind our members that ETR gained 23 new members at the 2019 show. Please keep in mind that we will need many members to help us pull off this large event.

Recently, Sherry Seay as activities coordinator hosted a zoom meeting where members could give suggestions for activities for ETR in 2021. Several ideas were discussed and some of our members are following up on these suggestions. Please let your ETR Board know of ideas for future events in which you feel our members would like to participate.

I am looking forward to seeing each one of you at the "Get Re-Acquainted Picnic" on May 22nd.

Editors' Corner

From Co-Editor Roger Frazee



First of all I want to thank everyone for the cards, calls, prayers, and thoughtfulness following my recent mishap and subsequent knee surgery. I am happy to report that I have put the crutches away in the closet and am making good progress with my physical therapy. I was even able to get

both legs inside the Corvair the other day and go for an antique car ride. Life is good! I have to give credit to Nurse Jan for taking wonderful care of me and keeping me in line during my recovery.

Like everyone else I am excited that the AACA and the East Tennessee Region are gearing up for an exciting year of meets, touring, old cars, and fellowship, as America gains the upper hand on Covid 19. Hopefully it will be just a matter of time before this horrible disease is eradicated worldwide.

The upcoming "Get Re-Acquainted" picnic on May 22 will be a fantastic opportunity for all East Tennessee Region members and guests to get together. Many thanks go out to the Williams for making their beautiful Riverview Farm available for this event, and to the ETR Board for making the picnic a club sponsored event, and picking up the tab for the expenses.

On the national front, it was good to see that the East Tennessee Region was well-represented at the Southeastern Spring Meet, which many of us refer to, simply, as "Charlotte."

Congratulations to Tom Howard for being the AACA's 21st member to achieve 275 judging credits. Tom received a certificate of recognition for the accomplishment during the Charlotte Judges Breakfast.

Congratulations too, to the Bullens, the Lewallens, and the Grays for bringing home the awards they sought during the Class Judging at Charlotte. Thanks to these three families, the East Tennessee Region dominated the Tri-Five Chevy class during the Spring Nationals.

Upcoming National events include the Founders Tour which will be held in Davis, WV on May 20—25, and the AACA Annual Convention which will be held on June 4—5 in historic Williamsburg, Virginia. Jan and I looking forward to attending the convention in Williamsburg. Traditionally, the convention is held in February in Philadelphia, but it was postponed and relocated this year due to Covid restrictions. It will be nice to attend the event during warm weather for a change!

There are a lot of local and national events scheduled for 2021. We hope to see everyone soon and often!



Sunshine Report

By Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent



Spring, Sunshine and Hope!

With the arrival of spring, we are looking forward to a busy 2021! Thankfully, we have Covid vaccines and safer opportunities to "get out of the house"!

Sadly, we have suffered too many losses in recent months. On behalf of ETR AACA, I have sent a sympathy card to the family of Dallas Burns, former ETR President, after his sudden passing. On behalf of ETR, I also sent a sympathy card to the family of Corky and Theresa Coker (Coker Tire) in the loss of their son and brother Cameron. Recently I sent a note of sympathy to Gary Bright in the loss of his brother George Raymond Bright.

On behalf of ETR AACA, I sent a note of cheer to Roger Frazee as he recuperates from a recent surgery to repair a ruptured quadricep tendon in his left knee.

To share some *sunshine*, I purchased plastic Easter eggs and filled them with of prepackaged vanilla Oreos, chocolate Oreos, Kit Kat bars, Reese's peanut butter cups, Snickers, or soft peppermints. On behalf of ETR AACA, I donated 114 Easter eggs for the residents of Foothills Transitional Care and Rehab, Maryville. The activities director was extremely excited to share this contribution with the residents. If you have something you would like to suggest, please share it with Sandra Quillin! Looking forward to our next Sunshine adventure!

Lindsey Kizer Receives Academic Achievement Award

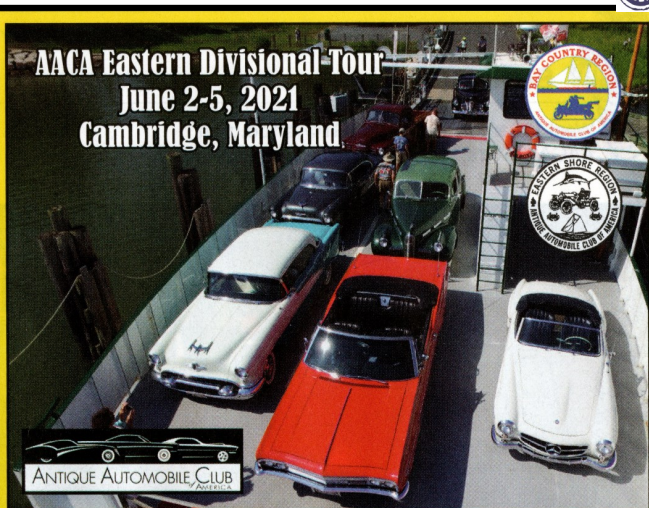
East Tennessee Region member Lindsey Kizer was recently awarded the West Chevrolet Academic Award, for her accomplishments as a student at Maryville College.

The award recognizes a student who scores in a top 10 on the mathematics competition conducted by Maryville College's Division of Mathematics & Computer Science or to an outstanding freshman or sophomore from Blount, Loudon or Sevier County majoring in the division.

Lindsey is a junior at Maryville College. She is majoring in mathematics with teacher licensure major. She is the daughter of Preston and Angie Kizer.

Congratulations Lindsey!

AACA Eastern Divisional-Tour June 2-5, 2021 Cambridge, Maryland



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Opening Strawberry Extravaganza & Reception
• Seafood Processing Plant & Shipyard • Harriet Tubman Visitor Center & Blackwater Wildlife Refuge • Old Salty's Eastern Shore Buffet • Dorchester Historical Society • St. Michaels Classic Motor Museum • Lunch by Union United Methodist Church, St. Michaels, MD • Oxford Bellevue Ferry • Scottish Highlands Creamery • Adkins Arboretum Tour • Luncheon at Suicide Bridge Restaurant

HOST HOTEL:

Holiday Inn Express, 410-221-9900
2715 Ocean Gateway (Rt. 50)
Cambridge, MD 21613
Rate: \$119/night plus tax

TOUR CHAIRMAN:

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Mark your calendar!

More information coming soon—stay tuned!

2021 AACA Southeastern Fall Nationals

September 9-11 • Greenville, SC



**Honoring our First Responders
on the 20th Anniversary of 9/11**

Chairman:
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East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes Via Zoom, March 9, 2021



By R.G. Lewallan, Secretary

OFFICERS:

President: Robert Quillin, Present
 Vice President: Tim Seay, Present
 Secretary: RG Lewallan, Present
 Treasurer: Charlie Simpson, Present
 Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator, Present
 Tom Howard, Past President, Present
 Jan Frazee, Newsletter Editor, Present
 Roger Frazee, Newsletter Editor, Present

Board:

Wayne Tudor, Director, Present
 Matt Sartin, Director, Present
 Vic Varady, Director, Present
 JW Weeks, Director, Absent, excused

GUESTS:

Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Representative, Present

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Robert Quillin, at 6:34 PM. Roll call was conducted and all board members were present on the Zoom bridge and were accounted for, as noted.

President's Report: Robert Quillin welcomed everyone to the zoom meeting. Robert stated he is hopeful that Covid-19 numbers will continue to decline so we can start having some tours and club gatherings. Robert mentioned the recent loss of club members Dino Griffiths and Dallas Burns.

Vice President's Report: Tim Seay stated he is hopeful our club can get out more and have more activities and events this year. Tim mentioned the new CDC guidelines that inside social gatherings are ok when people have been vaccinated.

Past President's Report: Tom Howard mentioned the upcoming AACA National Meet at Charlotte in April and that registration has been very good, indicating that everyone is ready to go. Additionally, in July there will be a meet in Auburn and it should be a good meet, as well. The AACA Annual Meeting has been rescheduled for later this summer. There is still no announcement where it will take place.

MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The January 12, 2020 Board Minutes were previously sent to the board by RG Lewallan, Secretary. Motion was made to accept the minutes as written, seconded and motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Charlie Simpson, Treasurer, previously sent out the financial report as of February 28, 2021. Motion was made to accept the treasurer's report as written, seconded and motion carried. It was suggested and agreed for Charlie to forward all the annual financial reports to Rick Lay for the annual audit.

ANTIQUER REPORT: Jan Frazee stated the latest issue of the Antiquer was just sent out. Jan stated that articles submitted

by Tom Howard and Melissa Johnston have added a lot of additional input which has improved the Antiquer. Jan thanked everyone on the board that has submitted articles as well. Roger mentioned the great article that Jan submitted with David Tinsley's Ragtop Picture Cars! Roger stated he had checked with Mr. Tinsley about the possibility of our club doing a tour to his facility but Mr. Tinsley said at this time he just doesn't have the room for this type of event.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Roger Frazee said there is nothing new to report on our web page at this time but feels that once the club becomes more active that the website will become more active.

EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT: Sherry Seay reported that not much has been going on but that she had sent an email to all our members to get some ideas for a tour. Sherry had suggested that we could get folks together on a zoom call to discuss possible tours, but as of today she has not gotten any response.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Sandra Quillin's report was sent out earlier and cards were sent out as listed below:

Get Well:

Brad & Debbie Berger	01-14-21
Bill Little, Judy Levy, Gary Bright	01-29-21
Richard Crawford, Tracy & Loretta Rollin	02-05-21

Sympathy:

Bob Griffiths & Family (loss of Dino)	01-22-21
Dallas Burns' Family	03-08-21

Memorial Contribution: The \$100.00 memorial contribution in memory of Dallas Burns will be made to the organization that will be chosen by Liz Burns. Bob and Dino Griffiths were not active members this year due to the failing health of Dino. They were very ac-



News From National

Meets and Tours Pack the 2021 AACA Schedule



By Tom Howard, ETR National Affairs Liaison

Hooray! The long inactive stretch for National AACA meets and tours has come to an end with the successful Southeastern Spring Nationals in Charlotte April 8-10, 2021.

This meet is usually held each year in conjunction with the Charlotte Auto Fair. However, this year, due to Covid-19 concerns and the state's restriction on gathering of large crowds, the fair had to be cancelled for the third time in a row. Since the meet was held outdoors at a private property, the meet was approved.

The attendance was outstanding considering there was no flea market. The weather cooperated and it surely was good to see old friends after such a long time.

Now it is on to more national functions. With a successful Divisional Tour in Florida already completed and the upcoming Founders Tour in West Virginia, we are off to a good start.

Then with the additional Nationals in New York, Minnesota and then Auburn, Indiana July 4th weekend, we will enjoy being on the road again. Also, our national convention usually held in February has been rescheduled for June 3-5 in Williamsburg, Virginia.

For those who cannot attend the long distance meets, we are fortunate that in September there will be a Nationals in Greenville, South Carolina. This event will be held the 9th - 11th, and the theme will be honoring our many first responders on the 20th anniversary of 9/11. Some very special activities are planned with this in mind.

Of course, then there will be **Hershey!** Considering this event's cancellation last year and the new AACA Headquarters and Library and Research Center to be open for tours, a record attendance is anticipated in Hershey in October this year.

Speaking of the AACA Headquarters and Library and Research center, our facility is still not yet available to the public due to some small items to be completed soon by the contractors and some ongoing sorting and placing of material by the library. The latest target date to open is the middle of May. In the interim, the entire staff is hard at work and are available by email, text or phone.

In considering our library, some of you might not realize what

a valuable asset it is. But by just knowing that currently there are an estimated **three million** separate historical automotive items stored there you can understand it's importance. It is already considered to be the guardian of the largest collection of late 1800's and early 1900's automotive historical material. You can learn more by accessing the library website aacalibrary.org.

Now, until next time, make plans to attend a national AACA function if you can. Be safe and healthy. I look forward to seeing you at a national or local club activity soon.

Central Spring Nationals Auburn, IN July 1-3, 2021

From the AACA Speedster

AACA is continuing the tradition of inviting other car clubs to join us at our national events and this year promises to be our biggest and best. The traditional show at Auburn Auction Park courtesy of RM Auctions will be held July 1-3 in Auburn, Indiana. Located on hundreds of acres with a LOT of asphalt and several large buildings, this property will allow us to do everything we need to do to host a safe event in a year still filled with some uncertainty due to the virus.

Auburn is the home of great car museums and wonderful countryside. The facility we use is directly off an exit on an interstate highway, so it is easy access on and off. There are plenty of hotel rooms in the vicinity as well.

Friday night we will have a cruise-in to downtown Auburn. Both the A-C-D Museum and the NATMUS Museum will stay open late for our car clubs. We expect to have a great flea market and car corral from Friday to Saturday as well and the cost for spaces is more than reasonable. Saturday's show will allow all of the car clubs to park separately, but anyone who is an AACA member will still be eligible to get their car judged even if it is parked with the marque club. Our world-class banquet by award-winning BBQ chef Tim Johnson and family will be held again, and anyone who has been at Auburn in the past can tell you it is amazing! Tim will also be serving breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

Our goal for this event is to continue our mission of helping everyone in the hobby, not just our members. This is why our library is a free library and our website hosts other car club forums for free. This is also not the first time we have hosted other cars clubs as we have done this for many years.



Remembering Dallas Burns



If you knew Dallas Burns at all, you knew him to be a tough-as-nails Marine with a heart as big as the South.

Dallas was active in the East Tennessee Region AACA for many years and served as president of the club in 2006. He was instrumental in planning the ETR divisional tours of 2003 and 2015. He also co-hosted many monthly tours, along with other ETR members from the Athens—Sweetwater area.

One of the club's most memorable tours was a visit to the International Towing and Recovery Museum that Dallas and Liz hosted in June of 2004. After a great backroads tour and picnic, Dallas let the group into Chattanooga, where he encountered unexpected detours and street closures. Undaunted and fearless, Dallas pressed forward and led the club on an impromptu tour of Chattanooga's most "scenic" side streets, proving that the best laid plans of mice, men, and Marines do oft times go astray. In all it was a great day and one of the best tours in ETR's history.

Charlie Simpson recalls his memories of Dallas, writing, "My first remembrance of Dallas and Liz began in the '90's when they purchased the Hallmark Card store here in Athens. I found out that Dallas had a '69 Cadillac convertible and talked to him about it. I was looking for one since Rick Lay had been talking to me about the ETR-AACA and I wanted to have a good touring car before I joined.

I bought my '63 white convertible in '99 and joined the club shortly thereafter. I soon realized that my mechanic Freddie Foster also worked on Dallas's Cadillac as well as Ed Ashcroft's cars. We would talk cars each time we saw each other at local events. A few years later we convinced David Sheffey to bring his '52 Cadillac and let Freddie work on it. Before long David, Dallas, Rick, Ed, Freddie, and I would meet occasionally and have breakfast at the Cracker Barrel in Athens. One of us almost always had a car in Freddie's shop.

About 2012 we started preparing for our 2015 Moonshine and Mountain Mist Tour. Dallas, Rick and I agreed to take day 3 going across the mountain to Cherokee and back.

Dallas and I and sometimes Rick made many trips over the mountain arranging coffee breaks, lunch stops and sites to see. I think we ran the route at least three times just getting the mileages for the tour book correct. Dallas, being a retired Marine, was very proficient in organizing things like this.

I made the mistake of saying something about an Ex Marine one time and Dallas quickly let me know that there were no Ex



Dallas and Liz pause for a photo while on tour with the East Tennessee Region AACA

Marines. Once a Marine, always a Marine. We will certainly miss his help on the 2023 tour. "

Rick Lay recalled, "Dawne and I joined the Region in the early part of 1996 and Dallas and Liz came in shortly afterwards. Dallas was always up for an adventure. In May, 2001 we decided to go on the road to the AACA National Meet at the Talladega Speedway. We all left early on Thursday morning – the Burns in the '69 Cadillac and Dawne and I in our '71 Mustang. Tops down, we went down Hwy 411 until we got to our destination and had a blast there. Dallas really liked the touring aspect of the club rather than the National Meets, although I finally coaxed him into putting the '69 Caddy (he called "The Beast") into DPC."

Cadillacs were a passion with Dallas, but not his main passion. His primary passion was the United States Marine Corps. Dallas began his service to his country in 1961, while he was a still a student at Southern Mississippi University and rose to the rank of Major before his medical discharge many years later.

Dallas was a patriot and he was also a dedicated family man. He and his college sweetheart, Liz, celebrated 59 years of marriage last December. In addition to Liz, Dallas is survived by two daughters, Beth Burns and Jody Church; and two grandchildren, Reese and Erin.



Dogwood Tour Celebrates Spring and The Beginning of the 2021 Touring Season



More than thirty cars and sixty members and guests turned out for the April 11 Dogwood Tour.

By Meilissa Johnston

The first club tour of 2021, hosted by Robert and Sandra Quillin, was a welcome event, as ETR members were excited to get their cars out and reunite with old friends.

What a turn out we had for the Dogwood Tour! More than sixty people and thirty antique cars were in attendance. The weather, the cars, and the tour route were absolutely beautiful.

The neighborhood residents seemed to enjoy watching our cars drive by just as much as we enjoyed looking at their dogwood trees. There were quite a few people standing in their yards waving at all of the ETR AACA antiques rumbling through.



Rick Rawe's 1956 Corvette and Len Royston's 1956 Thunderbird



1931 Ford Cabriolet, belonging to Dr. Bob Helsel

The snacks and the meet and greet afterwards at the park were very enjoyable with this many members present. We even had a few people give their information about upcoming events. There's no better way to spend a beautiful day than cruising and corralling with good friends.



Folks Around Here Call it “Charlotte”

Contributors: Rick Lay, Art Fensod, and Keith Bullen

It's officially called the “Southeastern Spring Nationals,” and sometimes referred to as “The Charlotte Auto Fair,” but for antique car enthusiasts in East Tennessee, the second week-end in April is simply referred to as “Charlotte.”



With their Bel Air safely back in the trailer, Keith and Debbie Bullen proudly display their Senior Award.

Traditionally, “Charlotte” is held at the Charlotte Motor Speedway. There, the famous NASCAR racetrack is transformed into a two and one half mile car corral, and the infield becomes a massive flea market. This year, due to COVID restrictions, the Speedway was not available for the event. So the Southeastern Spring Nationals was held at the nearby Embassy Suites Hotel.

More than 250 cars filled the show field for the AACA tentpole event. Among the participants were several members of the East Tennessee Region.

Tom Howard Receives Judging Award. During the judges breakfast, Tom Howard received recognition and a certificate for attaining 275 judging credits. Tom is the 21st person in AACA history to achieve 275 credits. According to ETR member Rick Lay, Tom shares the honor with Bo Crowley (340 credits) and the late Pat Crowley (289 credits). Congratulations Tom!

ETR's Tri-Five Gang Make a Clean Sweep. Beverly Gray, RG Lewallen, and Keith Bullen all attended the meet, and entered their Tri-Five Chevys in the judging competition. When the awards were handed out, Keith captured the Senior Award for

his 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air, Beverly Gray took home the Preservation Award for her 1957 Chevrolet, and RG Lewallen received the Repeat Preservation Award for his 1957 Bel Air. Congratulations to Beverly, Keith, and RG!

Rick Lay was on hand, working as a National Awards Judge during the event. While there, he spotted several more ETR members in the crowd, including Art Fensod, Bob McMullen, Randy Rutherford, Charlie Simpson, and Vic Weals.



Among the many interesting cars at Charlotte was this original unrestored Model T Ford, owned by John Laurents, from Matthews, NC.

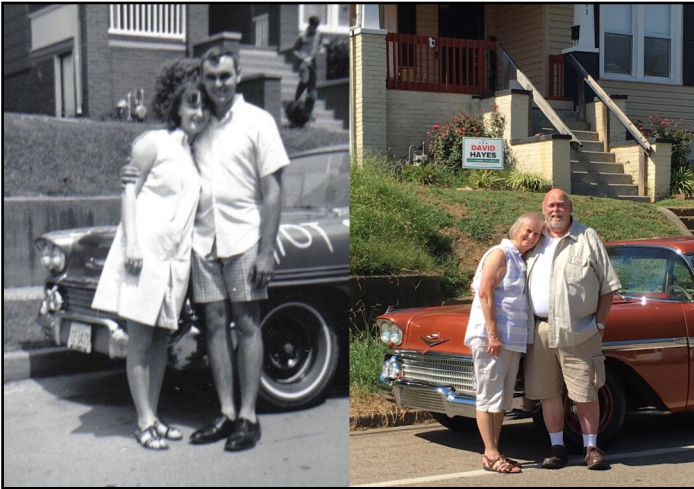
“There were 227 total vehicles registered” Rick said. Of those, 179 were entered for class judging while the remainder were DPC and HPOF, Minus the DPC and HPOF vehicles. Art Fensod reported that there were several beautifully restored cars on hand from the brass and pre-war eras. Among the older vehicles were two 1904 Curved Dash Oldsmobiles, a 1910 Chalmers Detroit Model K, a 1911 Thomas Flyer, and a 1933 Chrysler Continental Convertible.

“One of the most interesting cars,” Art said, “was an original unrestored 1915 Ford Model T” owned by John Laurents, from Matthews, NC.

Despite the scaled-down version of the meet and a few showers, everyone in attendance agreed that the 2021 Southeastern Spring Nationals was a huge success and a heck of a lot of fun!



Wayne and Myra Tudor Say Goodbye to One Chevy and Hello to Another



Different cars, same sweethearts. Wayne and Myra stand by their '58 Chevrolets in photos, separated by a few years.

By Melissa Johnston and Roger Frazee

Wayne and Myra Tudor's first car was a 1958 Chevrolet Biscayne.

Years after his first car had come and gone, around 1992-1993, Wayne heard about the East Tennessee Region AACA from a neighbor and decided to join the club, even though the Tudors did not have an antique car at the time. Along the way, Wayne acquired a 1954 Nash Metropolitan and another '58 Biscayne, very similar to his very first car.

Since first joining, Wayne and Myra have become active members of the club. Wayne is currently serving as a director on the Executive Board of the club.

Wayne and Myra were instrumental in the planning and execution of the 2015 Southeastern Divisional Tour and they are serving again on the planning committee for the 2023 Southeastern Divisional Tour.

During the ETR Fall Tour, Wayne took his freshly finished 1958 Chevrolet Biscayne out for its second car tour. He had worked endless hours on this beauty. Headlight to taillight. This was a fine work of art with a lot of extra chrome detail he had personally created himself.

When Wayne bought this '58 Biscayne it had a 283 motor in it which he swapped out for a like new 350 motor. The body was all original, stainless steel.

He worked on this part of the restoration alone for 15 months,

and spent endless hours perfecting the body. A friend of Wayne's did the paint. The paint and body work took roughly two years to complete.

In 2019, Wayne finished this beautiful Chevy, with the original rear end and transmission. The radio had only been turned on once and that was upon installation. The car also had Vintage Air.

Then, out of nowhere, while on the cruise, a large commercial truck hit Wayne and Myra. The driver's side of the '58 was smashed in. The glass was shattered and the frame was bent. Wayne had to exit out the passenger's side. He was covered in glass. They were taken to Sweetwater Hospital where Wayne was treated and released. This was the last time Wayne would get to drive his beloved Biscayne.



The Tudors' newly acquired 1963 Impala Super Sport is undergoing mechanical repairs and will be ready for shows and tours soon.

After months of gathering estimates and negotiating with his insurance company, the Biscayne was declared a total loss. Wayne has just recently found a replacement for the '58 Chevy. He now has a red 1963 Chevrolet Impala Super Sport which he rescued from having sat in storage for thirty years.

The Impala is currently in the shop for minor mechanical work and should be touring with the club soon. Wayne says the mileage on his '63 is within forty miles of the mileage on his '58.

So what about the '54 Nash Metropolitan? Wayne and Myra want everyone to know that the little car is available for sale. See Page 13 for details!



Jimmie and Debbie Hixon Plan and Execute the 2021 National Chrome Glidden Tour

More than 100 vintage cars and 216 people from all over the country converged in the Foothills of the Smokies for the 2021 Chrome Glidden Tour, sponsored by the Vintage Motor Car Club of America, and organized by ETR members Jimmie and Debbie Hixon.

The oldest driver on the tour was 85 year old, while the youngest driver was 34. The driver who traveled the furthest distance in his antique car, drove 1,500 miles from Wyoming to Knoxville.



Debbie and Jimmie Hixon take a breather during the five day Glidden Chrome Tour.

The tour was originally scheduled for last year, but, like so many other events, the event had to be postponed due to Covid 19, and finally happened during the week of April 25—30, 2021.

Jimmie and Debbie Hixon began planning the Glidden Chrome Tour in 2019 and were the only local organizers of the event. “We had phone help,” Debbie Hixon said, “but we did all the running.”

The five-day tour was headquartered at the Airport Hilton Hotel in Alcoa, TN. Participants with campers stayed at the Whispering River Resort in Walland.

The tour kicked off on Sunday (April 25) with a visit to a private car collection in Blount County. Monday’s route featured a trip to the Norris area, where the group toured the Museum of Appalachia and enjoyed a barbeque lunch, catered by Buddy’s Barbeque.



Photo by Melissa Johnston

Among the 100 classic cars on the tour was this beautiful 1941 Cadillac convertible.

On Tuesday, the group went to the Smoky Mountain Heritage Center, where they enjoyed a presentation from a representative of Appalachian Bear Rescue.

Wednesday’s destination was Brushy Mountain State Prison, followed by an ice cream social back at the hotel.

On Thursday, guests had the opportunity to visit the area attractions on their own. Many of the attendees enjoyed the day in Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge.

Friday’s route was a tour to the Tellico Plains area, where the group visited the Charles Hall Museum and the Sequoia Birthplace.

Debbie said that it would be hard to pick a favorite tour stop, but the visits to the Museum of Appalachia and the Brushy Mountain Prison were probably the biggest hits among the tour participants. “We never received a negative comment during the entire tour,” she said.

After the conclusion of the five-day tour Jimmie and Debbie Hixon took a few days to rest and recover. They are pleased with the success of the tour and the memories it created for them and their guests.



East Tennessee Region Joins Other Area Car Clubs at the Rustic Rumblers Cruise-In



Photo by Robert Quillin

It was a perfect day for a drive, as old-car fans from several local clubs came together for the Rustic Rumblers Cruise-In.

By Sandra Quillin

The Rustic Rumblers Tour was hosted by Art Fensod on Sunday, April 18. Members and their guests met at the Maryville Walmart at 1 p.m. The tour group traveled 6 miles south on US

411 to arrive at the Rustic Rumblers Cruise-In and Swap Meet. Twenty-one ETR members and guests attended the tour, twelve cars were present. Parking was tough because of the large turnout for the venue. Three car clubs had been invited to the venue and other passersby stopped to visit the show. At least 20 cars were parked on the shoulder of US 411 because more than 50-75 cars were on site during our tour.

The Rustic Rumblers venue had a variety of collections for visitors to see as well as purchase. Some of the items on display included: a statue of Elvis, older bicycles, a horse drawn buggy, vintage soft drink machines, gasoline pumps, and collections of all kinds. A food truck was on site as well. ETR members were on their own once they arrived at the site.

A thank you to Art Fensod for hosting this tour!

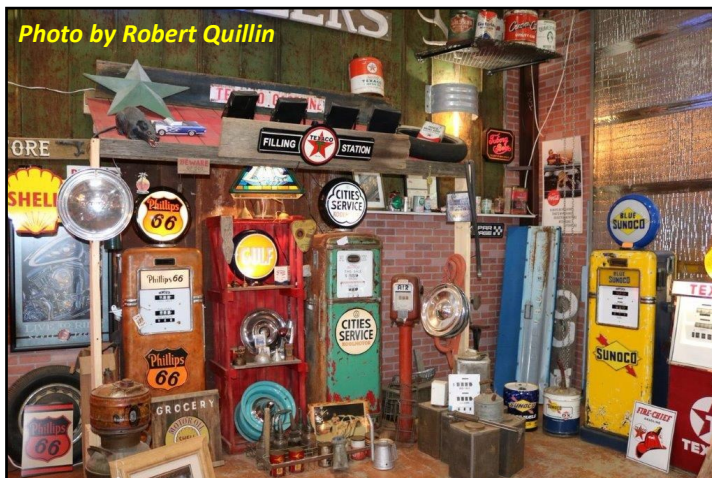


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Vintage gas pumps were among the collectables at the Rustic Rumblers Garage.

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tive in past years and were always contributing to the ETR club. There was a motion made to make a contribution of \$100.00 in memory of Dino Griffiths to the organization chosen by Bob Griffiths. This motion was seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business:

ETR Dues: Charlie Simpson reported there are 12 members who have not paid their dues for 2021. RG Lewallen will follow up with the list and determine if they have paid their national dues.

NEW BUSINESS:

Simple Tours: Robert Quillin suggested we consider some safe and simple tours to get the club up and touring again. The Dogwood Arts Trail will be opening up soon and would be simple to put together. Townsend will be hosting an Old Timers Festival both in the spring and in the fall that we could consider for a tour destination. Additionally, Townsend Gateway Alliance is hosting a Bigfoot Festival on May 22nd that we could consider. The Heritage Center at Townsend is still interested in us doing another Autos Through the Ages Car Show later this year. A motion was made and seconded to sponsor an Autos Through the Ages Car Show at Townsend Heritage Center in August this year. The motion carried. Tim Seay will take the lead in working with the Heritage Center as well as the sponsors that we normally have to support this event.

2023 Divisional Tour: Roger Frazee reported that the Divisional Tour Committee had their first zoom call last month and the committee is up and running and going well. There are 20 people who have volunteered to help hold this event and, of the 20 people, 10 are new to tour planning and 10 were involved in the planning in 2015. The next meeting will be on March 16th and Jan Frazee has contacted Katy Watt (President of the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce) and she is planning to attend our next meeting to discuss options available in the host city of Oak Ridge. One issue that needs to be addressed is the trailer parking. They are also planning to meet with the Double Tree Hotel and lock in the room rates and dates. Robert Quillin mentioned we may be able to get the historian from TVA to assist and meet with the tour group. TVA will celebrate 90 years in 2023, the year we are hosting the tour! The dates for the Divisional Tour will be April 30, May 1, 2, and 3rd, 2023.

Board Meeting Schedule: The schedule for our Board meetings for the remainder of 2021 will be the following dates May 11, July 6, September 14 and November 9.

Respectfully submitted,
R. G. Lewallen, ETR Secretary

George Hodges, Wayne Tudor Have Antique Cars for Sale



Photo by Robert Quillin

For Sale: 1950 Ford Crestline

This car has completely restored and is in showroom condition. It has a V8 engine and a three-speed transmission. Everything is correct on this car, and it is a great drive. Asking \$24,900.00. Contact George Hodges at 865-643-4109.



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1941 Ford Super Deluxe 2 Door Sedan

This car is all original, with well preserved paint and chrome. The car has nice natural patina. It has always been garage kept. The interior is original and in excellent condition. The car starts easily, runs good and is road worthy. It has a V-8 engine and a three-speed transmission and is a low-mileage vehicle. Asking \$14,900.00. Contact George Hodges at 865-643-4109.

For Sale, 1954 Nash Metropolitan: New Headliner, new Master cylinder and Brakes, Nissan B210 Motor, needs paint. Asking \$9,000

Also: 21ft Dovetail Trailer, 2 in Ball, Tool Box & Ramps, Tandem Axle, 3500 lbs Weight Limit. Asking \$3,200

Contact Wayne Tudor at 865-385-3781

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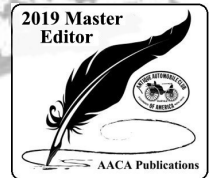


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Parting Shot: Dallas Burns' iconic 1969 Cadillac was parked at the entrance to his memorial service.
