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The Lequire's Creamland Drive In on our Garage Tour in October.



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Local and National Events

ETR 2021 Calendar of Events

November 14:

ETR Business Meeting-2:00 p.pm to 4:00 pm At the Knox County Association of Baptists

December 17:

East Tennessee Region Christmas Party At Rothchild Catering

Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

November 6:	Crown College Indoor Car & Technology Show
November 11:	Top Wrench Competition, Crown College
December 3:	Gatlinburg Christmas Parade
December 3:	WIVK Christmas Parade, Downtown Knoxville
December 4:	Rocky Hill Christmas Parade, 3:30 PM
December 5:	Townsend Christmas Parade, 2:30 PM
December 11:	Halls Christmas Parade, 6:00 PM

AACA National Events

November 11-13:	Special Western Nationals - Phoenix Region - Phoenix, AZ
November 14-17:	Western Divisional Tour—Phoenix Region— Metropolitan Phoenix and Central Arizona
February 10-12:	Annual Convention - Philadelphia, PA
February 24-28:	Winter Nationals - Melbourne, FL - Cape Canaveral Region
March 10-12:	Western Spring Nationals - Las Vegas, NV
March 20-28:	Founders Tour - Mobile, AL - Deep South Region
April 7-9:{	Southeastern Spring Nationals—Charlotte, NC



Robert's Ramblings

From President Robert Quilin



I want to announce that our annual "Autos Through the Ages" car show is scheduled next year for Saturday, July 16, 2022. When I approached the ETR Board with the idea of scheduling a date for the show in 2022, they not only agreed to set the date for 2022, but to make it the third Saturday

of July in future years. The staff at the Smoky Mountain Heritage Center agreed whole-heartedly with this proposal. Please save July 16 on your calendars for 2022. Scheduling in advance gives us time to plan and advertise this event. It will also give the public and other car clubs an advanced opportunity to schedule our show. It is my hope that our East Tennessee Region will be known for this outstanding event and the public will look with anticipation for this event each year.

As I approach the end of my term as ETR President, I want to reflect on some of the highlights of 2021.

As we cautiously resumed activities for our club in 2021, Sandra and I hosted an "Impromptu" Dogwood Tour in Farragut. The 63 members and guests taking the tour met afterwards in the parking area around the Farragut Branch Library for socializing and refreshments. On Sunday, April 18, Art Fensod sponsored a tour to Rustic Rumblers in Maryville. The site featured unusual cars and auto-related memorabilia.

Due to the large number attending the Impromptu tour, the Board decided to sponsor a "*Get Re-acquainted*" club picnic hosted by Tom Howard and the Quillins. Thanks to Janice and Lafayette Williams' generosity, the picnic was held at the Williams' RiverView Family Farm in Concord. This event proved to be a huge success for getting *re-acquainted* with 83 members and guests attending.

Our next club activity was attending the First Baptist Church of Lenoir City's 17th Annual Cruise-In. Forty-one ETR members attended this June 12th cruise-in. On July 17, we held our third annual *Autos Through the Ages* Car Show in Townsend at the Heritage Center. Even with the threat of rain, our car show had approximately 120 registered special interest autos. The response by the public to this car show was exceptional. A special thank you to the large number of ETR members who volunteered to work the various jobs necessary for putting together this fabulous show.

On August 14, Tom Howard and the Quillins hosted a fifty-mile driving tour from Oak Ridge to Norris, Rocky Top, Oliver Springs and return to Oak Ridge. The tour was a preview of the Day Three Tour for the 2023 Southeastern Divisional Tour hosted by ETR AACA. For August our Board suggested that we attend the August 21st Cars and Canines event in Oak Ridge. Many members participated by displaying their antique cars and other members by attending this fundraiser which supports local animal shelters.

Our next club sponsored activity was the September 18th *Tour to Memory Lane* in Rogersville by approximately 60 ETR members and guests. The sixty-plus mile trip along US/TN highways was a great route for our antique cars and the weather was perfect for this outdoor day. The hosts of this memorable tour to the re-created "fifties" town were the Frazees, Lewallens, Grays and Bullens.

On October 2nd, Sandra and I hosted the *Three Garages Tour*. It is impossible for me to count all the favorable comments that we received from the 64 members and guests attending. We are grateful to our garage hosts for opening their private garages and collections – Wayne LeQuire, Steve West and Jerry Hodge. With 40 cars driving from garage to garage, a special thanks goes to Steve West for arranging a Maryville police escort as we traveled through Maryville to the different garages. Several members expressed how special they felt with a police escort leading the tour.

On October 16th, Sandra and I hosted a tour to Greeneville to the City Garage Car Museum and other downtown sites in Tennessee's second oldest city. Even though the weather was rainy for most of the 60-plus mile trip, attendees enjoyed the history of Greeneville and Green County. Then, on October 30th, Tom Howard and the Quillins hosted the Fall Foliage Tour, a 78-plus mile driving preview of the Day Two Tour for the 2023 Southeastern Divisional Tour hosted by ETR AACA. Rain fell for most of the drive as we toured from Oak Ridge to Fort Loudoun State Park where we had lunch and a brief meeting, to the Foothills Parkway, and in to Townsend to visit various sites of interest. The fall foliage was wet, but gorgeous!

Looking ahead for the remainder of 2021, we will be holding our annual Business/Organizational Meeting on November 14. Members will enjoy a barbecue lunch and review 2021 as well as begin planning for 2022 ETR activities. Please come prepared to discuss ideas for tours and activities for next year. We will also be signing Christmas cards for residents of local nursing homes. We hope to have great attendance at this annual event. On December 17, Tom Howard and Sylvia Witt will host our annual Christmas and Awards Party for 2021. Details about this exciting evening will be sent to members after the Thanksgiving holidays.



Robert's Ramblings Continued

From President Robert Quilin



I am hoping that the year 2022 will be the best year ever for our ETR AACA club. Please notify your ETR board members if you have ideas and suggestions for tours/ activities for 2022.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your ETR AACA President for 2021.

Robert Quillin ETR Region President 2020 & 2021

Editors' Corner

From Editor-in-Training Melissa Johnston



A fall full of shows, cruises and tours! This has been such a great time for us all to get out and enjoy the weather and our cars together.

September and October both kept us all busy– Memory Lane was such a fun step back in time with the way things use to

be and where so many new memories were made! Seeing all of our cars lined up at the top of the town, just made it feel like I was standing there when all of this new! The 54th Annual Moonshine festival in October had a great turn out too with all the well known 39-40 Fords. A special thank you to all the members who attended!

Hearing all the stories of Hershey has been great while talking to everyone that attended during our tours this past month. Oh the cars that I have seen in the pictures taken, so beautiful!

Next we have the holidays upon us. I hope everyone enjoys a wonderful and healthy Thanksgiving and Christmas with their family and friends. I can't wait to see you all at our Christmas party and be sure to remember I will be taking pictures in front of the Christmas Tree this year!



Sunshine Report

Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent



Sunshine is Being Thankful!

On behalf of ETR AACA, I sent a note of sympathy to Lafayette Williams' family. On behalf of ETR, I sent get well cards with a note of cheer to Judy Levy and Jerry Guthrie.

Being thankful is a habit we should each

develop and encourage in others! Thankfully, Covid has slowed down a bit and we can breathe a little easier. This virus has taken us to places with new habits and lifestyles that we don't want to re-visit. Let us be especially cautious, but thankful for the slight improvement in our health crisis. We need to continue to make every effort to be smart, sensible and thankful in our daily activities.

To spread joy and sunshine at the holiday season, I have shared that at Christmas I give my grandchildren a basket of 24 wrapped gifts for Countdown to Christmas. They get to unwrap one gift every day beginning with December 1 through Christmas Eve. Most gifts are packaged cookies, peanuts, crackers, candy, etc. that I can buy in a box of 10 and have less than one dollar in a gift. This year I plan to do so with my husband and at least one other person that I think could use a little extra warmth from a friend. I hope you can share with us at the November 14th Organizational Meeting something that you do to spread a little cheer to someone. I will be asking for your input! As you prepare your 2021 Christmas cards for distribution, think of something you can add to the card to let those receiving the card know that you are thinking particularly of them, not just sending a card because it is a tradition. Consider this: Write in each card...I am so thankful to count you as a friend!

Do not forget to spread a little sunshine to someone every day. It is such a little effort for such a warm, fabulous feeling of joy! Let's all take the time to contact someone who is lonely just to say hello and go from there to a conversation about any subject so that the one you call feels useful, loved, worthy of another human's time and effort. Please let me know of any members who could use a note of cheer!



Your 2022 Local and National Dues are Due



News From National

Tom Howard, ETR National Affairs Liaison



Hooray! October is finally here! This is what many AACA members were saying about a month ago. Not only because fall is such a great season, but because after missing a year in 2020 of attending the Hershey Eastern Fall Meet we were once again packing our luggage and flea market

items with anticipation of spending the first week of October in Chocolate Town. Whether we spend a few days or a week, we just call it **Hershey**. And we were not disappointed!

Hershey in October means many things to AACA members. Some look forward to displaying and selling parts and memorabilia or just roaming the flea market looking for the same. Some especially love viewing and dreaming while walking the mile long car corral. And, of course, there is the highlight vehicle show on Saturday. Many of us just love it all!

This year Hershey was special! The weather was perfect for the entire seven days we were there with not a drop of rain. The flea market was going strong, the car corral was packed with cars and the show on Saturday saw record attendance. The public parking lots were filled on Friday and Saturday. One downside, however was that our many friends from Canada were not there due to a closed border and many from other countries were likewise absent due to airline and Covid restrictions. Hopefully that will change next year. Overall, though, it was a pleasure to have so many friends and others come by our flea market spaces and express their joy in just being there.

Finally, in addition, Hershey this year was very special as it was a week dedicated to the celebration and commemoration of the opening of our new National AACA Headquarters and Library & Research Center building. The facility was open every day with staff available to host and guide members and the general public who came to look. It was the first time that many had seen it and the excitement of what they saw was evident. Our club and library staff were happy to show their new offices and to let attendees view some of the working areas such as the very busy trophy and awards area and conference and meeting rooms. The library is beyond first class with climate controlled stacks and an inviting research area for members. There are also many displays of models, awards and memorabilia throughout as well as several beautiful club -owned vehicles parked in the wonderful two story atrium. It is a marvelous achievement for AACA to have obtained this beautiful and well located facility which will represent the club moving forward as the premier organization in the antique automobile hobby.

schedule of national meets and tours in 2022. Several of us in the ETR look forward to attending many of them as we all continue planning for ETR to host a national Divisional Tour in 2023.

Until next time, here's wishing for everyone a healthy, safe and happy holiday season.

Nominating Committee Completes its Work

In accordance with the bylaws of the East Tennessee Region, the club membership elected a nominating committee to provide a slate of candidates for the 2022 Executive Board.

This year's nominating committee consisted of Tom Howard, Jan Frazee and Roger Frazee. The results of the committee's work was announced during the October tour to Rogersville. The candidates will be voted on by the club membership during the annual business meeting on November 14th.

The nominations for the 2022 Officers are as follows: President: Roger Frazee, Vice President: RG Lewallen, Immediate Past President: Robert Quillin, Secretary: Debbie Hixon, Treasurer: Charlie Simpson.

Wayne Tudor and Matt Sartin will serve the second year of their two-year terms as directors. Directors Vic Varady and JW Weeks have completed their two-year terms as directors and will rotate off of the board. The committee has nominated Tim Seay and Keith Bullen to serve as directors for 2022—2023.

Melissa Johnston will become the editor of the Smoky Mountain Antiquer, and Roger Frazee will serve as the club Webmaster.

Sherry Seay will serve as the Events Coordinator for the East Tennessee Region, and Sandra Quillin has volunteered to be the Sunshine Correspondent for the club.

The nominating committee wishes to thank all candidates for their willingness to serve and is especially appreciative of JW Weeks and Vic Varady for their service to the board in 2020 and 2021.



Now Hershey is behind us and we look ahead to a packed



East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes September 14, 2021



By R.G Lewallen, Secretary

OFFICERS:

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

BOARD:

Matt Sartin, Director, Present Wayne Tudor, Director, Absent Victor Varady, Director, Present JW Weeks, Director, Present

GUESTS:

Sandra Quillin: Sunshine Representative, Present Sherry Lewallen Melissa Johnston

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Robert Quillin, at 6:52 PM. Roll call was made by RG Lewallen and members were present as listed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Robert Quillin thanked everyone for attending and welcomed Melissa Johnston to the meeting. We were all saddened with the passing of Lafayette Williams. Lafayette and Janice were previous presidents for our club.

Past President's report – Tom Howard reported that he and Rick Lay had attended the AACA event in Greenville, SC. Tom stated it was a good show with about 210 cars on the show field. There was specific recognition of first responders with this day being the 20th anniversary of 9/11. Tom stated the Hershey show is still on in three weeks with a lot of emphasis on the new building for our national club.

Treasurer's report – Charlie Simpson gave the Treasurer's report as of August 31, 2021. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report, the motion was seconded and the motion carried.

Antiquer report – Roger and Jan Frazee thanked Melissa Johnston for putting out the last two editions of our Antinquer. Roger stated that the Antiquer is in good hands for next year and years to come.

Webmaster report – Roger stated that if anyone has anything to add to the web to get the information to him and he will get it on the web.

Events Coordinator Report- Sherry reported that since our last board meeting we have had our Auto Through the Ages show in Townsend which was a success! On August 14th we did a tour of our proposed day three tour of our 2023 divisional tour

which was a success! On August 21st we attended the Cars for Canines at Melton Hill Park. We had about 17 members attend this event.

September 18 – Memory Lane in Rogersville, TN, as of now we have about 60 attending.

October – Greenville, TN tour - Mason Hewitt has agreed to host the Greenville tour on October 16th.

On October 30th we will plan on touring the Foothills parkway (day 2 trip of our Divisional tour in 2023).

November – Annual Business Meeting, Sandra Quillin will follow up with the details of the location and date.

December 17 – Christmas dinner at Rothchild Catering.

Sunshine Report – Sandra Quillin reported that get well cards and sympathy cards were sent out as listed below.

<u>Get Well</u> :	
Bill Little	8-4-21
<u>Sympathy</u> :	
Bob Griffitts Family	7-23-21
Jimmie Hixon (mother, Mary)	8-4-21
Janice Williams and family (Lafayette)	9-13-21

ETR Dues and Membership – There was some discussion on the amount of dues for our annual membership. The motion was made to hold the cost of our annual dues to \$20.00 per year. This motion was seconded and the motion carried.

New Business: The nominating committee for 2022 Board will be as follows:

Tom Howard, Jan Frazee, and Roger Frazee with Robert Quillin and Ken Lund serving as alternates.

Zoom annual contract- There was some discussion on the use



Remembering Marshall England



Several years ago the East Tennessee Region was invited to participate in a car display at the Shannondale Senior Living Center in Maryville. Most of those who attended knew nothing about the organizers of the event, but it was a sunny Saturday, so the turnout was good. We soon met the organizer, greeter, and car-parker of the car show. He was a Shannondale resident and an antique car collector. His name was Dr. Marshall

Marshall Eng-

England.

Marshall loved cars and he loved people. He was a native of Maryville who had returned to his hometown after a career as Program Director at the Medical College of Virginia School of Dentistry in Richmond. Shortly after that wonderful car show, Marshall joined the East Tennessee Region and developed



Marshall England's 1931 Chevrolet on display at the Shannondale Car Show in 2016.

many friendships within the club. He participated regularly in the monthly ETR events and made many friends along the way. A few years ago during an ETR Cabin Fever Therapy event Marshall shared the diversity of his interests with a slide show highlighting a trout fishing adventure he participated in, in western Canada. Marshall was an avid fly fisherman and made several fly fishing trips to the Canadian wilderness during his life.

Marshall had a particular fondness for pre-war Chevrolets and Buicks, and owned a 1939 Buick and a 1931 Chevrolet. Although the Buick was in storage back in Virginia, he kept his cute little '31 Chevy coupe in Perry Anthony's shop in Greenback. Every Tuesday morning, Marshall and Perry would hold court in the shop, where they would make mechanical adjustments to their cars and visit with friends who would stop by. Kindness and fellowship mingled with the aroma of gasoline and mohair upholstery during those Tuesday morning gettogethers. Memories were made and friendships were forged in that little garage.

Occasionally, Marshall would bring his antique cars out into the daylight. In the summer of 2017 he was invited to show his Chevrolet in the Concours D' Elegance at Keeneland, in Lexington KY. Several ETR members attended the event and cheered Marshall on, as he competed with the "best of the best."



Marshall England's 1955 Bentley at the 2021 Autos Through the Ages show in Townsend TN.

When it came to old cars, it never took Marshall long to make up his mind. Once, on a trip to Hershey with friends Art Fensod and Vic Varady, Marshall wandered off to browse the flea market and car corral. A little while later, he rejoined his companions holding the title to a fully restored 1932 Chevrolet. Most recently, Marshall located a 1955 Bentley in upstate New York, negotiated its purchase and had the massive automobile shipped to his Maryville home. The Bentley was, and is, a rolling work of art, but it had a few mechanical issues. Fortunately, ETR member Dan Paransky was able to remedy the engine and brake problems and helped Marshall get the car ready for its "coming out" event at the 2021 Auto Through the Ages show in Townsend. The window card described the Bentley as "Vastly Over-restored." Most agree that is an understatement.

It is often said that old cars bring people together. Our lives were enriched by Marshall's kindness and friendship. Happy motoring and good fishing, Dr. England — Godspeed.



The Memory Lane Tour, Two Years in the Making, Becomes a Reality

The forecast had been threatening all week, and several members were caught in a downpour on the way to the meeting place, but the clouds soon separated and gave way to a great day for the much-anticipated ETR tour to Rogersville and Memory Lane.

The tour, hosted by RG and Sherry Lewallen, with assistance from the Bullens, Grays and Frazees, was more than two years in the making. It was originally planned for the spring of 2020, but was cancelled due to Covid 19.

As the procession of nearly forty cars snaked its way east toward Rogersville, the group made a pit stop in Rutledge, at Edde Chevrolet, where manager David Jones welcomed the group and provided a brief history of the dealership. ETR guests enjoyed browsing the collection of automobilia on display in the showroom.

Refreshed, the caravan was soon on its way again toward Memory Lane, the final destination. Memory Lane is an unique private village on 200 acres of land just outside of Rogersville, TN. It was constructed by entrepreneur and bodyshop owner Otis Eldridge.



Memory Lane owner and host Otis Eldridge talks with ETR members about his massive collection of cars and antiques.

Over the course of many years Otis and his wife Kathy have recreated a replica village, complete with a general store, church, automobile dealership, diner, police station, and several other buildings that are reminiscent of days gone by. The sprawling collection of buildings and memorabilia used to be open to the public one weekend per year, but that was discontinued several years ago when the attendance became too large to be manageable.

It was a rare honor for the East Tennessee Region to be invited to Memory Lane. The Eldridges, in their gracious hospitality, opened up their private town to our group and spent several weeks getting the recreated village ready for visitors.



Members and guests gathered outside the Studebaker Diner, one of the many historic buildings at Memory Lane.

Several ETR members and guests took advantage of the airconditioned 1950s diner to enjoy their picnic lunch before touring the unique and historic collection

Members Keith and Debbie Bullen trailered several golf carts to the village which were used to shuttle guests around the grounds.

Mr. Eldridge stationed himself in the Texaco service station, which served as a front to a warehouse of nearly 100 antique and classic automobiles. The vehicles ran the spectrum from an unrestored Chevrolet Woodie wagon to a totally customized 1950 Mercury convertible and everything in between. Every car—in fact, every item in Memory Lane has a story and a special meaning to the Eldridges.

It would take weeks to see and learn about everything the Eldriges have accumulated over the years. It was a rare treat and an honor for the East Tennessee Region to spend an afternoon with Otis Eldrige and learn a little about the very unique little town known as Memory Lane.





Classic cars and engines are just a few of the many collectables on display at Memory Lane.



ETR members and guests gathered briefly before boarding golf carts for a tour of Memory Lane.



ETR member Angel Friant poses beside the Edsel she purchased years ago from Memory Lane host Otis Eldridge.



Hand me that wrench, dummy!



Help is on the way! ETR members hover over the Frazee's disabled Corvair Rampside.



William Johnston and Nathan Dobbs engage in a friendly game of checkers at the Memory Lane General Store.



Garage Tour & Cruise Around Maryville



A Saturday filled with three garage tours, breakfast and lunch along with 60 members and their cars cruising in perfect weather- does it get any better than that?

The Creamland Drive In was a favorite place for Burgers and Ice Cream now it sits in the Lequire's Garage.

Our first stop was at Wayne Lequire's Garage and the their

family's Creamland Drive In where the Lequires hosted the ETR AACA with a wonderful breakfast and a tour around the diner and his garage. Wayne had a variety of antiques from airplanes to automobiles, including Buicks, Thunderbirds, Jeeps and a few old Flatheads too! For many this was a step back in time with the old Creamland





Jerry Hodge's 1934 Packard Super Eight Convertible.

corted by the Maryville Police department to Jerry Hodge's garage where we had lunch and toured his garages and many collections of Buicks,

Army history and antique collection.

A special thanks to the Lequire, West and Hodge Families for hosting the club!



A BIG Thank You to the Maryville Police for Escorting our Garage Tour!

Decades of Styles and Changes to Tennessee over the past 50+ years

AACA Members line the lot with years of history in the making during out October Garage Tour. Cars from every make and decade.

Drive In, a common place many people use to cruise around at in the Maryville area.

Next we lined up and cruised on down the road to Steve West's Garage and checked out all of his Chevrolets. Steve has Chevy's of all ages from the popular Tri 5's, to the famous Corvettes and even a couple El Caminos and a Convertible Malibu!

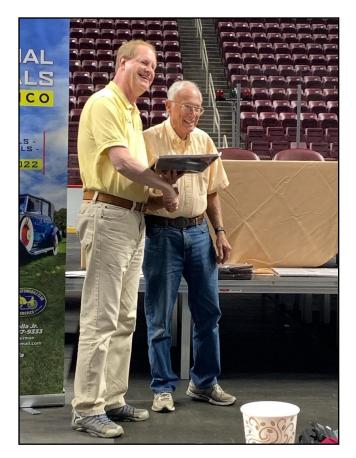
Finishing off our garage tour and cruise, we all were es-



Steve West has his Chevy Wagon set up for the Drive In.



Hershey AACA - Eastern Fall Meet



Chuck Crane, the Vice President of Judging, presenting Rick Lay with his pin and certificate for Rick's 275th Judging Credit at the 2021 Hershey Meet.

2021 marked my 25th time in a row to attend the Hershey Fall Meet. Reflecting back on those 25 years, I remember in 1997 wearing my winter coat and watching it spit snow as I walked the car corral. This year, I was wearing shorts as I walked the corral and thought about seeing almost every weather scenario



Charlie Simpson and Tom Howard setting up their booth at the swap meet.

possible in those 25 years.

The one constant has been that Hershey is the yearly gathering place for all of us car nuts and likewise the gathering place for all of those elusive parts and cars for sale. It seemed that about a third of those usually setting up in the flea market stayed at home. This is all understandable due to the fact that Covid is still with us and travel restrictions from Europe and Canada are still very much in effect. I can usually, on any given walk through the flea market, hear a multitude of languages being spoken – not so this year.

For the past few years, Tom Howard, Charlie Simpson and I have been renting a three bedroom, 2 bath house in nearby Linglestown for the week. We have a quiet neighborhood in a quaint little town with a local café called the St. Thomas – where we ate breakfast every morning! It is a short drive into Hershey – and very convenient to the Chocolate field where Tom and I both have spaces that we share with ETR member and native Pennsylvanian Randy Rutherford – who spent the nights in his RV parked there.

The flea market affords a great place to gather and hang out and we were happy to see Dave Hermanson, and later we were happy to see the Lewallens, Grays and Bullens come by periodically to drop off purchases they had found. There were 1,116 vehicles registered for Saturday and the Lewallens and Grays had their vehicles on the field. We saw Vic Varady on the field looking at vehicles and heard that Art Fensod was on the show field looking as well.

-Rick Lay



The fields were lined with almost every make and model including this beautiful Packard.



Greene County Tour & Cruise to Greenville

Saturday, October 16, six cars headed north for 62 miles from Asheville Highway to Greeneville. The one and ½ hour trip took the group through several small towns and communities located along Highway 11-E. The drive was wet but scenic as we explored East Tennessee's countryside.

Our first stop in Greeneville was for lunch at Aubrey's. Each attendee was given a walking map of downtown Greeneville with possible sites to visit. From lunch, we toured the City Gar-



A great and honorable display of military suits worn by Green County service men and women showing their part in the history of America.

age Car Museum which had 43 cars on display. Of special interest were a 1981 DeLorean Gullwing, 1936 Auburn Boattail Speedster, 1923 Ford T-Model Texaco Truck and a 1940 Ford Coupe with a moonshine still displayed.



1940 Fords were known for running Moonshine because they had a large trunk and could out run the police.

Once attendees left the museum, they could explore the historic grounds, sites, and homes of former President Andrew Johnson. Many attendees strolled through the lobby of the General Morgan Inn, a member of the National Trust Historic Hotels of America and the National Trust for Historic Preservation. All visited the Greeneville-Green County History Museum which was another highlight of the tour. The museum is located in a former 3-story high school building built in 1916. It contains 13 permanent galleries and over 12 walk-through exhibits which explore every facet of the region's history. Exhibited outside the main building in a glass enclosure was a



fully restored 1917 American LaFrance fire engine. The Museum's collection of antiques, fine furniture,

1917 Model T with Oak Trim, a very rare feature.

quilts and clothing illustrated the promise of America. Our attendees were very impressed with the artifacts, historical significance and organization of contents.

The Greeneville Tour which hosted a small group of members was a very relaxing, historical adventure in Tennessee's second oldest city.

- Sandra Quillin



The Iron Lung machine, these lined many hospital rooms helping children with Polio to breathe before vaccines became available in the 1950's.



Remembering Lafayette Williams

The AACA East Tennessee Region has lost another long time and dedicated member in the passing of Lafayette Williams September 9, 2021.

The year was 1998! Lafayette had already established a career in the Southeast livestock industry as well as serving as owner/manager of the Knoxville Livestock Center, a company he founded. By 1998 though, he had decided he needed a hobby to help relieve the stress of his "every day job". He had always liked old cars



help relieve the stress of ETR AACA President Lafayette Williams his "every day job". He in 2017

and admired what people were doing to bring them back to life. Consequently, that looked like the best hobby for him. To get started, he had just purchased a fully restored 1957 Chevrolet. Shortly after bringing it home he and wife Janice were driving by a parking lot in Farragut where there was a gathering of old cars (called a cruse in today) and stopped. During their visit, we told them about AACA and the ETR and gave them applications. They joined both on the spot. It just so happened that the ETR was hosting a National AACA meet in Oak Ridge a month later. I helped them get their Chevrolet registered just in time. They displayed it there and won a First Junior award which was presented to them at the banquet. All of this in five weeks time. They were hooked!

Lafayette went on to build his Chevrolet car collection until he had one representing every year from 1955 to 1963. All are two door hardtops or convertibles. While doing so, he began entering them in the AACA judging program and winning multiple awards. Included were several special top level National Awards. In 2002, Lafayette became aware that the National Awards Committee was wanting to establish an additional Chevrolet award since so many were being restored and shown. That year, Lafayette and Janice established and financially supported the new AACA Senior Car Award.

Through the years, Lafayette and Janice have been continually active in ETR, having planned and led numerous activities. As evidence of that support, Janice served as ETR President in 2014 and Lafayette did so as well in 2017. In addition, they certainly have been generous hosting the club on many occasions at their RiverView Family Farm, a seven generation farm located in Concord. We will never forget enjoying Lafayette's entertaining stories he loved to tell about local history and the farm's operation and evolution.

I am sure that all who knew Lafayette through the years would have many stories about him and experiences with him to relate. I am also sure that his many friends would agree that Lafayette always worked toward the highest level of achievement in all his endeavors. He was thoughtful, intelligent and his leadership was valued. He was generous with his time and his advise which was always appreciated by those who received it. Above all, though, he absolutely treasured his many friends, he loved his chosen career, he was dedicated to his church and he cherished his family. Those of us who were fortunate enough to have Lafayette as a friend know that we have lost a very special person in our lives.



Lafayette with their 1960 Chevrolet Convertible Impala that he and Janice often drove for cruises and parades.





Board Minutes Continued

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of the zoom calls and it was suggested that we renew the annual contract for our zoom call. There was a motion made to renew the zoom contract for the 2022 year. This motion was seconded and the motion carried.

There was some discussion about our future tours as to what we need to do concerning everyone's safety with the Covid counts, etc. It was suggested that we follow the local guidelines and be flexible. Most of our events are held outside and that is helpful. We will continue to monitor what is happening locally.

Autos Through the Ages – Roger suggested we go ahead and set the date for our next year's Auto Through the Ages show. The motion was made that we do the Auto Through the Ages car show on July 16, 2022. This motion was seconded and the motion carried. There was some general discussion concerning suggested changes to this event.

Heritage Show...Changes to Consider for 2022

- Provide a third table under a second canopy beside the Registration Canopy. This table would be used for 4 ETR members to sit with attendees wishing to join ETR and AACA.
- Keep four members assigned to the ETR table so that they can rotate in/out such that two people are always manning the table. Suggesting: Howard, Quillin, Frazee, Simpson
- Have another person in the driveway at the entrance all day whose purpose solely is to count spectators for the show
- Distribute, at the registration table, a welcome letter as prepared for 2021.
- Have an ETR Calendar of Events for the previous and current years for each attendee to hand to them along with a (color??) copy of the ETR Antiquer.
- Should we consider having the show 10 a.m. 2:00 p.m. or retain the 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.?
- Should we consider lunch at 11-12:30 rather than waiting until 11:30 to begin lunch?
- Can we establish the Heritage date by the January Planning Meeting?
- Continue to invite along with ETR AACA: Classic Ford Association, local Corvair club, Blount British Cars, Smoky Mountain Classic Thunderbird Club, etc.
- Canopy with water station (bottled water) halfway up the drive

- Have three people parking spectator parking in the grass area until about noon, we ran short this past show.
- Have cold water on the golf cart and make hourly runs for the parking staff to keep them hydrated.
- Have a designated place for troubleshooting tools and fender covers in case anyone has trouble with their vehicle.
- Have a golf cart available for handicapped and other uses.

The motion was made that we plan to host the Autos Through the Ages show the third Saturday of July every year at the Heritage Center. This motion was seconded and the motion carried.

November Business Meeting – It was decided that we look at having the November meeting at a restaurant and each member will pay for their own meal. Sandra will investigate the options and get back to the board with suggestions.

2023 Divisional Tour – Roger Frazee reported we are making progress on the upcoming tour. This month each tour chairman is putting together the cost of each tour. With that, we can come up with a budget with Bob Witt, our tour budget chairman. Then we will determine the total number of cars we can have on the tour as well as the total cost of the tour. There were several other brainstorming discussions of things to add to the tour days.

Memorial Donations – A memorial donation of \$100.00 will be made to the Williams Agriculture Legacy Fund in memory of Lafayette Williams. Charlie Simpson will forward this contribution.

Board Meeting Schedule: The schedule for our next Board meeting will be the November 9.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM.

Join us for BBQ & the November Meeting on the 14th!





Special Board Meeting Minutes

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September 28, 2021

Special Called Meeting of the Board

OFFICERS:

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

BOARD:

Wayne Tudor, Director, Present Matt Sartin, Director, Present Vic Varady, Director, Present

A special called meeting was called to order by President Robert Quillin for the purpose of our upcoming garage tour on Saturday, Oct 2^{nd} . It was suggested that we may need additional money to cover the normal expense for this tour. It is expected the expense could be more than the \$125.00 that we have budgeted for our monthly tours. A motion was made to raise this amount for this garage tour to not exceed \$200.00. This motion was seconded and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

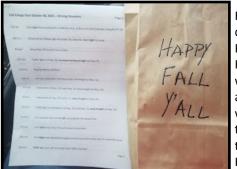
Respectfully submitted, RG Lewallen, ETR Secretary



Be sure to save the dates for future AACA Fall Meets In Hershey, PA!

Fall Foliage Tour

In preparation for hosting the Southeastern Divisional AACA Tour in May, 2023 the ETR took a fun but wet run at our day two tour map. This is planned to be a 78.4 mile tour of the Oak Ridge, Fort Loudon and Foothills Parkway area.



From Oak Ridge we drove down to the Fort Loudon State Historic Park and while it was a bit wet and rainy , there were still many beautiful leaves and sights to see along the way. However, the weather is always changing up here so we didn't know whether to

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expect rain, snow or sun until the morning of the cruise.

With not many people out due to the rain, ETR was able to have lunch on the picnic tables under the covered awnings and avoid the wet weather while we had a quick meeting, discuss the tour and finish up with a cruise down the Foothills Parkway.



Camping out for lunch at Fort Loudon State Park half way through the Fall Foliage Tour.



Smoky Mountain Antiquer Roger and Jan Frazee, Editors 4535 Deer Grove Way Powell, TN 37849



Lining up at Edde Chevrolet in Rutlidge, TN heading for a tour down Memory Lane.