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FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK

From the President – Mark Kubancik



To borrow a song title, “It’s the most wonderful time of the year”! Seems like the holiday season starts earlier every year, and many don’t seem to mind. Still not feeling the holiday spirit? You’ll find several opportunities in this Sidelight to have some holiday fun and share Christmas greetings with friends and strangers alike. The fun begins with the Light Up Louisville parade on Saturday, December 2 (new date and time this year!) followed the next day by the adult Christmas party. One week later is the Children’s Christmas party, open to kids, grandkids, great-grandkids, etc.

We wrap up the holiday festivities with our annual visit to the Shepherdsville country music show that will feature your favorite holiday tunes. If you plan to attend any or all these events, please be considerate and register in advance or notify the sponsor of your plans to attend.

Speaking of the holidays and sharing, please pat yourselves on the back! KYANA members and KYANA Charities jointly donated over 500 toys and gifts in our annual Toys for Tots collection drive. Thanks to all who donated and a special thank you to the Vannatta family for their sponsorship, organization, and support of this important charitable event.



If you attended the Toys for Tots breakfast or another recent event at the clubhouse, you may have noticed some changes, improvements, and a cleaner overall appearance of the facility.

Carol and Jerry Bass are responsible for most of the recent work, including a new trash can enclosure and landscaping improvements. Many thanks to the Bass family for their efforts to maintain and improve our KYANA home. We have also installed a USPS mailbox at the clubhouse to allow mail to be received at one address instead of being sent to different club members home addresses. Kudos also to Tim Truax, who in conjunction with our webmaster, successfully implemented an option to renew KYANA dues online. Both KYANA and AACA dues can now be renewed online with several electronic payment options.

Finally, as we close out what was a very active year and look forward to even more fun in 2024, it’s good to reflect on the KYANA family members who passed this year. We lost members this year who were vibrant, active, and many who were long-time members of our club. They and their contributions to our club will continue to be missed so please keep them and their surviving family members in your thoughts and prayers.

- Bob Burke
- Dollie Flechler
- Tootsie Howard
- Donnie Meyers
- Charlie Myers
- Roger Stephan

Thanks, Mark

Remember...it's supposed to be fun!

FROM THE SECRETARY ALEX WILKINS

KYANA Region Board Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2023

Location: KYANA Clubhouse

KYANA Region Board Members Present: Mark Kubancik, Alex Wilkins, Stan Gaus, Chester Robertson, Tim Truax, Brian Koressel

KYANA Region Members Present: Ken Martin, Butch Mahoney

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Secretary's Report: Chester Robertson moved to accept the October meeting minutes, Tim Truax seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Chester Robertson moved to accept the October treasurer's report, Brian Koressel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor. Tim Truax updated the board on online KYANA membership renewals.

Activities: Chester Robertson updated the board on upcoming events.

Membership: Ken Martin updated the board on new pre-members that have expressed interest in the club. Alex Wilkins updated the board on renewals for existing members.

Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report.

Sidelight: Nothing new to report.

Website: Car related articles are still needed for the website. Please send them in!

Old Business: The board discussed upcoming elections.

New Business: The club has a new mailbox to be used exclusively for club business.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Chester Robertson and seconded by Tim Truax. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm. The next meeting will be held at the clubhouse on December 12 at 6:00 pm.



KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

This year KYANA set a donation record of 517 gifts for our collection of Toys for Tots. Way to go KYANA. The Veterans Parade was a success with 15 antique vehicles joining in the fun. The last event of the month was the Awards and Elections held out at our Ole KYANA Clubhouse with lots of fun for all. Hope you didn't miss out.

With Christmas only days away, we still have four events left this year. The Light up Louisville Parade is on the first Saturday of the month, December 2nd. The Adult Christmas Party at Big Springs Country Club is on Sunday, December 3rd. The Children's Christmas Party is on Saturday, December 9th. Bring the children and grandchildren to see Santa. This is always a great way to celebrate the season. The final event of the year will be at our own Hardin's Christmas Music Show, where we will enjoy Christmas entertainment at its best. Let's all share the joy of the winter season together by attending these events.

Some dates have been finalized for 2024, so mark your calendars. On Sunday, January 28th Donna Burchett is sponsoring the January business meeting. On Friday, February 16th Alethea Hayes is taking us back to Derby Dinner Playhouse. Make sure you contact Alethea quickly as this play sells out quickly. More information will be coming in the next Sidelight. Chester

PRAYERS, THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS



✚ I would love to thank KYANA for their prayers, and Patsy and Carl Basham for their visit. Wonderful people and wonderful fruit basket. Thank you KYANA.
Betty Hardin

✚ Please keep Alan Vannatta in your prayers for his recent ICU visit. He is home resting and will follow up with his family doctor.

LIGHT UP LOUISVILLE



KYANA is sponsoring the Light Up Louisville Parade event on **Saturday, December 2, 2023 (please note the date change)**. We will be supporting the Marine Corp Reserves and Toys for Tots again this year. The parade is in downtown Louisville in the evening of December 2nd. KYANA is looking for cars to participate in the parade. This is always a fun event. Once the parade gets started, it proceeds at a steady pace. It is great to

see all the people lining the streets as they enjoy seeing our cars in the parade.

If you would like to join us, contact Alan Vannatta at (502)445-3810 and let him know what automobile you will be driving. We will look forward to seeing you. Alan will update everyone who registers with the details of the meeting place and time.

Thanks,
Alan Vannatta
Light Up Louisville Parade chairperson



Adult Christmas Dinner Party!!

Hosted by: Brian and Shelly Koressel

Sunday, December 3rd, 2023
Big Spring Country Club
5901 Dutchmans Lane
Louisville, Kentucky 40205
Time 1:00 p.m. Social Hour
2:00 p.m. Dinner Served

The Adult Christmas Dinner Party is heading our way! We can come together with friends and reflect on good times, making it a special event. We will gather for social hour to visit, swap stories, and just enjoy the holiday starting at 1:00 p.m. A cash bar will also be available, this is “cash” only no credit cards accepted. Dinner will be served @ 2:00PM going until 4:00 p.m. Please bring a canned good item with you, and all donations will go to Dare to Care.

The cost per member for salad, buffet dinner, soft drinks, and dessert is only \$20. If you send in your money for reservations, but don't attend, your money **will not** be refunded. All money (\$20.00 per member) **needs to be received by Friday, November 17th, 2023**. Hard deadline necessary to provide the kitchen staff with an accurate count for dinner preparation.

Send check payable to KYANA to: Shelly Koressel, PO Box 206214, Louisville, KY 40250

Note: Checks will not be returned at the dinner. Any questions call me at 502-724-5040.

Just a reminder, this is a special event, so ladies please wear something nice, like a dress or dress pants, no blue jeans please. Gentlemen, no blue jeans please, dress pants, with dress shirt, sport coat, (ties optional). Please come out, see your friends, and have a relaxing meal!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday December 9 @ noon

The Children's Christmas Party will take place on Saturday, December 9 at 12:00 noon. We will start the fun with holiday themed crafts and activities, enjoy a hearty lunch, have some fun with a balloon artist, and finish the festivities with a visit from Santa.



PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

The deadline for gift ideas is December 3.

We need three \$25 gift ideas for member's **children**.

Grandparents need to bring a wrapped gift or gifts for their grandchildren.

For more info and to RSVP please contact

Pat Kubancik (502) 445 4993 or Jenni Mulrooney (502) 550-7288

SHEPHERDSVILLE CHRISTMAS MUSIC SHOW



Come out and join us for the Shepherdsville Country Music Show. This is always a great show and a lot of fun. You might even find yourself singing along to the wonderful music during the show. We hope to see you there!!!!

WHERE: Shepherdsville Country Music
1833 HWY KY. 44 WEST for 3 miles off I65

WHEN: Saturday, December 16, 2023 @ 7pm

COST: \$12.00/member Checks need to be made out to KYANA

Must register by Dec. 15th

Please send payment to Ruth Hill at: 123 Dorchester Road Louisville, KY 40223. Call Ruth Hill @ 502-640-8510 if you have any questions.

KYANA CLUBHOUSE UPDATE FOR NOVEMBER

Renovations and updates are top on the list for the clubhouse. The most important thing regarding the clubhouse is the replacement of the three heat/AC units. As of the date of this writing, both basement furnaces have been removed and replaced with new Bryant units and are operational.



The three condensing units outside by the entrance ramp have been removed and will require a larger concrete pad due to the units increased size. Local code requires 36" of distance from the gas meter and at least 12" of clearance between each of the three units, which means a larger 12' x 4' pad will need to be poured. I will be building the form and pouring the concrete the week of Thanksgiving so the installers can come back and install the new units. The whole job, including installation, should take about 3 days to complete. After the awards and elections meeting, demolition of the upstairs AC unit over the women's bathroom will begin.

A note regarding the storage closet in the downstairs hallway by the kitchen

There will be no more items stored in the basement closet next to the kitchen. The city of Louisville inspectors pointed out that this area is a cold air return ONLY for the HVAC system and there should be no chemicals, cleaners, mops, brooms, or other items stored in it due to the risk of drawing chemical vapors into the air system and potentially making the building occupants sick. I am putting a lock on the door to discourage its use as a storage area.

Locks, Light Switches, and Drapes

Two doors were inadvertently locked and no keys could be found which required members Glen Ray, Marilyn Ray, and Vience Johnson to spend 2 hours picking locks. The two doors in question are the storage room in the basement at the far end of the room and the door to the men's bathroom upstairs. They were able to open the lock in the basement, but not the other. The men's bathroom lock upstairs will require drilling. I will be replacing the two locks with new ones the week of Thanksgiving.

Please do not turn off any light switches that have tape over them and please leave the window blinds open. Leaving a few lights on and the windows uncovered helps LMPD see in the building if they are called to do a security check.

The Trash Can Enclosure and other ongoing work



The trash enclosure was rebuilt by Carol Bass and I a few weeks ago. The old one literally fell over. We were able to salvage the original posts and just replace the panels.

The brush pile in the corner of the parking lot still needs to be removed before winter and a few more bushes will be removed as well. By eliminating the old overgrown bushes, it will make routine maintenance much simpler. This work will be performed by Fred Trusty and me soon.

I will begin working on cleaning up and edging the sidewalks around the property this fall and winter. This is not being done regularly by the mowing company.

Jerry Bass

Editor's note: If you see Jerry and Carol please express your appreciation for all their hard work. It is not an easy job and their dedication is appreciated.

REQUEST



Jerry Bass is requesting electronic photos of KYANA members' cars to be displayed at the KYANA booth for the 2024 World of Wheels Show in January. Please email the photos Jerry to at creekdeer5004@gmail.com.

KENTUCKY RAILWAY MUSEUM SHOW

Ten KYANA members displayed eight vehicles on a beautiful day in October at the 2023 Kentucky Railway Museum car show in New Haven, KY. Overall, turnout for the show was great with over 200 registered cars, trucks, and tractors in attendance. KYANA was well represented when the awards were presented, with Steve Hill and Neil White both receiving Top 20 classic awards. Joining Steve and Neil in the group photo is former KYANA member Dean Smith who showed his freshly restored 1940 Dodge.

KYANA's Bill Willhoite was again Chief Judge for this show. Bill presented a special award to honor the memory of Dollie Flechler (see photo on front cover). The award was presented to KYANA with John Flechler accepting the award on the club's behalf. Please enjoy these photos from the show.





TOYS FOR TOTS

Toys for Tots Breakfast November 4, 2023

We had a breakfast including sausage, biscuits, gravy, donuts, fruit salad and drinks. Big thanks to George Fackler for getting the biscuits and sausage donated from the Dairy Queen on Shelbyville Road. We had everyone who attended sign a big card thanking them for their generosity.

There were numerous toys for all age children. We even had one member, Deanna Wathen, make and donate a dollhouse with all the furniture. Thank you Deanna! Your donation meant a lot to us, and some lucky child will be playing with this for years to come. The club purchased over 350

items and with everyone's generosity we donated a total of 517 toys and other items! Cletus from the Marine Corp was delighted with all the support. Several guests from the Modelers Club donated toys and everyone enjoyed the breakfast.

I made and donated some car/truck fleece blankets to raffle off at the door. The winner was Donna Burchett. This endeavor along with other donations raised \$136.00 that was given to "Toys for Tots" to help purchase batteries for the items.

A big thanks to everyone who attended, donated, helped with setting, and cleaning up for this event. A special thanks to our daughter, Lynnette Jones and our grandchildren, Nina, and Will Jones for helping.

Alan and I are happy to have been a part of this wonderful event.

Alan and Maureen Vannatta



VETERANS DAY PARADE

There hasn't been a Veterans Day Parade in downtown Louisville since 2019. When the pandemic hit, organizers worked to protect public health by creating alternate events for veterans. This year, the streets of Louisville were filled with veterans, military vehicles, and lots of red, white, and blue. KYANA was proud to honor veterans by participating in the parade. Thanks to all the members who brought out their cars.





THE BIG THREE DETROIT AUTO COMPANIES

How we got here, nowadays, and who knows where cars go in the future?

Steven Lippmann

December 2023

We have recently been hearing so much in the news about the now settled United Auto Workers Union (UAW) strike against the **Big Three Detroit** auto makers. The media usually refers to them as Detroit's Big Three, The Big Three auto makers, Detroit's Big Three or even simply the Big 3D. What? Is the 3D really the biggest three vehicle makers? Are they based in Detroit? By 2023, there is only partial truth to the **Big 3D**.

The three biggest automobile companies in the world are: #1-Toyota, #2-Volkswagen, and #3-Hyundai-Kia. They are based in Japan, Germany, and Korea, respectively. Next, the fourth largest sized auto company, is Stellantis, the successor owner of Chrysler. Stellantis is a multi-national corporation with large holdings in Italy, France, the U.S.A., and a few other countries; their headquarters is in Hoofddorp - Amsterdam, the Netherlands. They also have a main US office located in **Auburn Hills**, Michigan. Besides Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, and Ram, they produce a vast percentage of all French and Italian automobiles and some British and German vehicles.

General Motors (GM) is the world's fifth biggest automobile manufacturer, and GM is the only one actually headquartered in **Detroit**. Ford is sixth in the size ranking of vehicle making businesses, and Ford's F-Series truck is for years the best-selling US vehicle; their headquarters is in **Dearborn**, Michigan. Tesla, based in Austin, Texas, comes in as the number 10 in volume car sales-ratings; they are the largest at producer of electric vehicles in this country. Auto sales numbers in the US are

currently led by Ford as the best-selling brand, ahead of #2- Toyota, and General Motors is #3 in domestic vehicle marketing numbers. It seems that two car companies are considered to be among the world's largest financial corporations: Tesla at about 5th place and Toyota at 33rd.

Henry Ford in his third attempt at forming an automobile business, started the Ford Motor Company in 1903, and of course, it took off in 1908 with the Ford Model T. At about that same time, William C. Durant began forming what became General Motors with a conglomerate of automobile brands. Then in 1924, Walter P. Chrysler joined the Maxwell Motor Company and the American Motor Body Company to form the Chrysler Corporation. There are those who also refer to other Big Three auto makers: a big three in Japan at Toyota, Nissan, and Honda; one for France with Renault, Peugeot, and Citroen; and Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz, and BMW as the German big three version.

Some of this information was somewhat surprising to me, to some of you too? These major companies have offices, manufacturing sites, and assembly plants throughout the world in multiple countries. China, the world's biggest automobile builder since 2008 already has large firms selling car brands like Changan, Chery, Dongfeng, FAW, Geely, Great Wall, and SAIC; there are about a dozen domestic vehicle varieties being manufactured there. Reportedly, China is said to be the number one country in electric vehicle production and makes well over a third of all the world's car production. There are also "foreign-imported" cars coming to China, that include Audi, BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Tesla, Volkswagen, and with Toyota – as the biggest recent one. GM's Buick had been a popular brand made in China, long built there, and a big moneymaker for GM. In 2022, Buick had about 1% of the Chinese automobile market and that accounted for 80% of all Buick sales world-wide. These companies and their rankings vary a lot with changes in market sales.

For most of us, during much of our lives, the Big Three Detroit automobile makers were really the biggest three in car production. The U.S.A. emerged from World War II to be the most powerful nation in many ways, and that was especially so in manufactured goods. Remember, many British, French, German, Italian, and Japanese factories were destroyed and not making family cars, while here, automobile production restarted soon after the war was over. China, India, and Korea were not yet doing much motor vehicle manufacture.

In 1946, after World War II, Volkswagen (VW) was saved as an automobile company by the British military once they occupied what became the British sector of West Germany. With only very few car sales, VW started in the US in 1949, and was originally made fun of. However, as sales escalated, Volkswagen got popular, even a fad option, and a decade later was part of the precipitant for the Detroit Big Three to enter the compact car market. Beginning in the late 1950s, there were multiple reasons for why all our national-brand car sales began to decline. It was a competitive marketing field (... it still is!).

First, there was increasing competition from European and Asian businesses, especially so beginning in the late 1950s. Partly to counter this rivalry and to be more economical, witness the 1960 Corvair, Falcon, and Valiant. Also, Lark, Metropolitan, Opal, Pacer, Rambler, Vauxhall, and a whole bunch of others were into the more fuel-efficient car spirit of that era. The 1960s' public appetite for smaller cars added to the trend and the mid-1970s' national energy crisis furthered that direction. Some people back then were already saying that the US companies were paying too little attention to what their customer base wanted. There were several US car company fiascoes with generally poor-quality cars that damaged reputations. Here are just two examples: the Ford Pinto with its gas tank fires and overheating by Chevrolet Vega engines. Imported cars also were increasingly well-made, boasted better gas-mileage, and US companies were perceived as producing less good technology and substandard manufacture. Any time the brand name of an item is widely viewed in a negative way, that reputation has persistence and yields a decline at brand purchase loyalty.

Many established Detroit Big Three US brands disappeared: Continental, Edsel, DeSoto, Imperial, Oldsmobile, Mercury, Plymouth, Pontiac, and the whole American Motors Company lineup. And before that there were other non-Big Three demises including: Allstate, Henry J, Hudson, Kaiser, Frazier, Metropolitan, Nash, Packard, Studebaker, and more. There were also hundreds of firms that had already long disappeared from the late 1800s through the 1940s, like Auburn, Cord, Duesenberg, and way too many more to list here.

As foreign cars got increasingly popular, with firm brand loyalty and prestige factors, that pushed up their market share. Some are still prevalent, such as BMW, Land Rover, Mercedes-Benz, and VW, while others faded from the market, like Fiat, MG, Opel, Peugeot, Renault, Saab, Triumph, and Vauxhall. Still others stayed, but in smaller volume like Jaguar, Ranger Rover, and Volvo, but all that reduced domestic purchase percentages and profitability. There are also a host of less common, expensive other import options, like Bentley, Ferrari, Rolls-Royce, Lamborghini, Maserati, and still lots more. With all these other newer automotive alternatives to choose among, that adds to competition and down-pressure on US or any other company's sales.

Japanese and Korean companies only came late to the US market, and they were initially considered to be suboptimal in design and manufacture; however, that quickly changed dramatically over a short time. As our population gained confidence in these brands, they built a substantial customer base. Japanese cars first came to the United States in the 1950s, but they did not make much market impact until the 1970s; manufacturing here began in the 1980s. These latter years gradually saw the emergence of Korean automobiles. Many of our citizens deplore the fact that US name brands were in relative decline, perhaps more so for older folks than young ones.

Nowadays many of the top-selling, once "foreign" vehicle makers operate manufacturing and/or assembly plants in the U.S.A., as well as in their home countries. Some examples include BMW, Honda, Hyundai-Kia, Mercedes-Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Subaru, Toyota, and Volkswagen. In addition to cars, Volvo is also big into the larger truck manufacture. Several non-3D brands are already very productive at lots of pickup trucks in this country. Since these smaller trucks and larger SUVs are now 50% of the US market, and with so many companies to choose from, that created an additional loss of US market share for our 3D. True or false, many people perceive Japanese and German cars as being the best of the bunch.

Between 1913 - 1925, Ford in Louisville was an early producer of Ford Model T's, and Ford has for a long-time had two truck factories here. Kentucky's Corvette assembly plant began operations in 1981 in Bowling Green. Our Georgetown, KY, Toyota Motors Company factory started in 1986, with its first cars in 1988, and reportedly it might now be the world's largest automobile factory, making over half a million Toyotas annually.

Interestingly, many of these new auto factories are not unionized, while Stellantis, GM, and Ford have UAW contracts. Unionized businesses generally have better pay and benefits - like vacation time, work environment, and retirement plans. The non-unionized ones offer less regulation, cheaper production costs, and greater potential company profitability. The high income of many of their management personnel is a point of contention for many of those companies with and/or without a union. The just ended 2023 UAW strike outcome will profoundly impact the future of automotive manufacturing in this country. It has profound implications for the electric vehicle, battery, and infrastructure production plans since corporations use some of their profits for "becoming electric." News about this topic updates quickly.

The increasing advent of electric vehicles (EV) adds to an unpredictable future. There are numerous issues about rare-earth metal procurements, transport shipping, material processing, computer chip or other technologies, and battery manufacture. Beyond battery cost and weight, there are other considerations regarding the duration of battery life. There is much anxiety about the cost of replacing and recycling worn-out batteries and stories about specific batteries not being available years later when needed. Some EV car owners already complain about batteries not being replaceable over time, while the car itself is otherwise still good, and has thus become worthless - even as secondhand options. This issue has become an increasing concern globally. Also, the public needs to know more about the influence of cold weather on EVs; very cold temperatures shorten the power duration of a charge and can slow the speed of re-charging. Additionally, fast-chargers appear to deteriorate battery life quicker than slower ones. The large long-distance trucking industry has indicated plans to go electric, too. The influence of driverless cars, taxis, and/or trucks, brings further uncertainty to our future. In recent months, there has been less optimism in EV market-sales, cost, future timelines of car availabilities, more chargers, and/or batteries, and even in less production of pure "electrics." For example, some automakers have more investment in hybrid versions and maintain parity also with engines using gasoline, diesel, or a host of alternate fuels (e.g., ethanol, propane, natural gas, hydrogen, etc.) and many different types of batteries or fuel cells, or even other power options.

Nowadays, with more big SUVs, vans, and pickup trucks, saving energy and/or the air quality seems much less of a market force, despite what our government advocates and the public generally says. Witness the significantly increasing weight of average cars sold in this country. Heavier vehicles add stress to roads, bridges, and requires bigger tires - also requiring more energy expenditures. Producing these cars, especially those with high-capacity automotive batteries, escalates cost to our society, environment, and government. Fewer assembly line workers may be required to assemble an EV; much manufacturing arrives already built and ready to go from the electric motor company. What about workers at electric motor companies? Expensive pricing of vehicles these days has become an escalating problem, and even more ominously so for people in the used, second-hand market.

Beyond the above electric vehicle issues, there are still more matters to confront. Consider the new need for building charging stations with wide, equitable accessibility. What about the cost of installing millions of charging stations, conveniently located for the wider public, time involved for a recharge, who pays for charging, and how is that energy consumption to be taxed? We have only started to establish the hopeful strategy of recycling of components from worn-out batteries.

Kentucky is betting on batteries. The Blue Oval SK, a lithium-battery manufacturing company together with Ford is currently building a huge factory in Glendale, KY. Similarly, Envision AESC has plans for battery-making plant in Bowling Green. However, the future of these facilities is uncertain; one of them is said to already maybe be (?) cancelled. A battery recycling plant is scheduled to be built in Hopkinsville as well. The EV market, results of the strike, and world events will influence the final results.

In addition to the worldwide struggle for procurement of certain materials needed for battery manufacture, even in this country, there is infighting over securing lithium, for example ... everybody wants lithium to be available for their own new batteries, but lithium must just not to be “mined from my backyard.” Sources cite Bolivia, Argentina, the U.S.A., Chile, and Australia as the countries with the biggest quantities of lithium; Nevada and Oregon seem to have our largest deposits. China appears to be the main supplier of lithium to this country, mostly for battery production. Similarly, there is also conflict in many locations over the placement of extensive solar-energy capture fields, or for large land-based wind farms or even those off-shore in oceans. We all want the power, but “absolutely do not want that to block our beautiful view.” In the meantime, what do we do about our lack of energy independence, a weak electric grid, need for more energy infrastructure, existing natural gas pipelines, and what about all the existing gasoline filling stations, their personnel, supply trucks, and equipment, etc.?

The partisan infighting in our governments at all levels compromises getting something done for the common good. We are experiencing rising oil prices, political indecision about how to deal with that, and with some of it not even in our control, like the big impact from wars in many critical places. Obviously, the automobile business is buffeted by many factors, and they are a huge part of our society and financial balance sheets. So much to think about – not just about cars, but also with them - lots of personal, social, financial, engineering, energy source, national, and world-wide political considerations.

HALLMARK MOVIE EVENT




The Hallmark Biltmore Christmas movie is playing on November 26th at 8 PM on the Hallmark Channel. It will repeat on Tuesday, 11/28 at 10 PM and again Saturday 12/2 at 6 PM. What a great way to end an evening. I know I will be curled up on the couch with my This is My Hallmark Christmas Movie watching mug of hot chocolate watching!!!

!! AACA and KYANA Membership Renewals – NEW FOR 2023!!

It's that time of year again for us to renew our memberships with both AACA and KYANA!

This year we have a new option of partial online renewal since AACA has adopted a new system making national dues easier than ever to pay. If you receive emails from AACA, you may have already seen a notice titled "2024 Membership Renewal" that looks like this:



2024 Membership Renewal Time

Member Name: Alex Wilkins

Membership Number: [REDACTED]

Pin Number: [REDACTED]

It's 2024 Membership Renewal Time

It's our busiest time of the year here at AACA Headquarters – it's membership renewal time! The first renewal notice for 2024 dues will be included in the September/October mailing package of *Antique Automobile*.

Members can also use our new and improved online renewal option on our website ([click here for link](#)). Renewing online is quick and easy! Just log in with your membership number and pin number, review the information currently listed on your membership record and make changes if necessary. Review your information one more time and choose your payment type. Payment options include Visa, MasterCard, Discover or PayPal. **Your payment will automatically update your membership record.**

If you click on the link in the email (highlighted above for emphasis), it will direct you to the AACA website where you can update your membership details and pay with a Credit/Debit Card or with PayPal.

Since AACA has made this option available, you are free to choose it when paying for your AACA National Membership dues. When you turn in your separate membership dues for KYANA, please check the box on the updated KYANA form.

!! Please be aware that this new option only allows you to pay for AACA dues, NOT KYANA dues. If you fail to pay your KYANA dues separately, you will be removed from the KYANA roster!!

If you do not receive emails, or if you don't wish to pay online, not to worry – we can still handle your dues the way that we have been doing before. Just submit a single payment of \$55 to cover both AACA and KYANA, and the club will submit all paperwork and money on behalf of those who take this option, just like before.

!! Regardless of the option that you take, dues must be received (not postmarked) before December 1, 2023. !!

KYANA Region Dues & Roster Information

!!! Dues must be received before December 1 !!!

Member Names:

Street Address:

City, State, ZIP:

Home Phone:

Mobile Phone:

E-mail Address:

Year Joined KYANA:

AACA No.:

Antique Cars Owned:

Check one box below for your payment method:

Option 1: I'm paying AACA and KYANA dues to KYANA

Option 2 – NEW: I paid my AACA dues online already

AACA Dues = \$45
KYANA Dues = \$10
Total Owed = \$55

AACA Dues = Paid online (\$45)
KYANA Dues = \$10
Total Owed = \$10

Make all checks payable to **KYANA** and mail with this form to:

Alex Wilkins, Secretary
2520 Corydon-New Middletown Rd SE
Corydon, IN 47112



**KYSWAP
KYANA SWAP MEET
LARGEST INDOOR
SWAP MEET**



57th YEAR - SINCE 1965

March 9-10, 2024

**KY State Fair & Exposition Center
937 Phillips Lane
Louisville, KY 40209**

Saturday – 8:00am – 6:00pm

Sunday – 8:00 – 4:00pm



Admission - \$10.00 per day
Children under 12 Free with an adult

Room for over 1140 Vendors under one roof

Regular Space - (10x20) - \$90.00

Corner Space - (10x20) - \$100.00

Carpeted Space - (10x10) - \$50.00

100 Space Outside Car Corral

Contact: Kevin Alwes

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\$30.00 per space



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KYANA EVENTS FOR 2023

DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR
January 22	January Business Meeting	Donna Burchett
February 12	Derby Dinner Playhouse	Alethea Hayes
February 26	Swap Meet Planning Meeting	Morgan Howard
March 10-12	KYANA Swap Meet	Robertson & Vannatta
March 18	Salvage Yard Tour	Mark Kubancik
March 25	Roger Stephan Memorial Service	
April 8	Easter Egg Hunt	Beverly Foster
April 15	St. Joseph Catholic School Car Show	Alex Wilkins
April 23	Swap Meet Appreciation Dinner	Jenni Mulrooney
May 13	Day at the Movies	Bethany Coates
Cancelled	Kentucky Down Under	Chester Robertson
May 20	KYANA Spring Clubhouse Clean Up	Jerry Bass
May 21	Middletown Police Foundation 1st Car Show	Greg Gitschier
June 2	Chili/Hot Dog Dinner Chrome Plating Seminar	Ken Martin
June 10	KYANA Yard Sale	Hill Families
June 24	KYANA 1 st Open Car Show	Jerry & Carol Bass
July 4	Norton Commons July 4 th Parade	Mark Kubancik
July 7-8	Auburn AACA Show Overnight	Jim & Sandra Joseph
July 15	Keeneland Concours Day Trip	Kenneth & Donna Martin
July 29	Car Collection Tour & Lunch- Northern KY	George Fackler
August 1	National Night Out	Jerry Bass
August 4	NSRA Street Rod Nationals	Terry Craven & Mark Kubancik
August 4	Hot Wheels for Wilt	David Hill
August 7-9	Biltmore Estate in Asheville, NC	Jerry & Carol Bass
August 18	Traditions at Hunter Station Car Show	Eric Hill
August 19	Country Music Show	David Hill
September 15	Louisville East Acute Post Car Display	Mark Kubancik
September 17	JDRF /Ford KTP Car Show – Mike Linnig’s	Shawn McDonald
September 19	Forrest Hills Commons Car Display	Howard Hardin
September 24	KYANA Picnic	Pat Palmer-Ball
October 3-6	Hershey Fall Nationals	AACA
October 7	St Francis Car Show	Steve Lippmann
October	Corydon Fall Auto Show	Cancelled
October 19	Magnolia Springs Senior Living Car Display	Howard Hardin
October 21	Kentucky Railway Museum Car Show	Neil White
November 4	Toys for Tots Breakfast	Alan & Maureen Vannatta
November 11	Veteran’s Day Parade	Chester Robertson
November 19	Awards and Elections	Beverly Foster
December 2	Light up Louisville Parade	Alan Vannatta
December 3	Adult Christmas Party	Brian & Shelly Koressel
December 9	Children’s Christmas Party	Bass, Kubancik & Mulrooney Families
December 16	Christmas Country Music Show	Brian & Ruth Hill

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