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FROM THE PRESIDENT FRED TRUSTY

Looking at the membership report from our Membership Chairman, Roger Stephan, it looks like we have over 30 new members this year. This is one of our best recruiting years in a long time. The bad part is that I've only met a few of them since KYANA has only had a few events before the pandemic hit. I know Roger calls all the pre-members regularly and I hope the sponsors are doing the same. A lot of you might not realize that normally the swap meet is the second weekend of March but this year KEC moved us up a couple of weeks to February 29th. They sold our weekend to another group, a port-a-toilet convention. Yea, go ahead, I've heard all the jokes. But, if they hadn't moved us we wouldn't have been allowed to have The Swap Meet. Sometimes things happen for a reason.

You joined a car club to participate in activities with your old car, travel, and basically have fun. A then what happens? A worldwide pandemic forces us to pull over to the emergency lane. I realize that you might feel cheated out of your first year of membership. We understand. We don't want to lose any of our pre-members but we have to consider the safety of everyone. One of KYANA's bylaws is that pre-members must attend at least six events during their first year, with one of the six being work at The Swap Meet. If you joined KYANA before The Swap Meet and worked, you have met that requirement. If you joined after The Swap Meet, then working in 2021 will fulfill that requirement. Thanks to all the pre-members that worked the Swap Meet. It takes everyone in the club to make the Swap Meet happen each year. Obviously, we are going to have to make some special allowances for attending the other 5 events since there hasn't been any events to attend so far. We hope to have some events this fall but until we're sure it's safe, we will just have to sit in the emergency lane a little longer.

I hope everyone will be able to attend the first KYANA Tour de Lite on June 27th. I look forward to meeting everyone. I'm so excited but I just can't decide which mask to wear. Maybe I can just strap an old air filter on? In 20 years of belonging to KYANA, I don't think I've attended an event where we didn't have food. This might be the first ever. The running joke is that KYANA is actually a dinner club. It just so happens that we all own old cars. I look forward to meeting our new members so see you on the road, with your mask of course.



FROM THE SECRETARY MARK KUBANCIK

KYANA REGION BOARD MEETING

June 9, 2020

Location: Meeting held via conference call

KYANA Region Board members on the call: Brian Hill, Brian Koressel, Mark Kubancik, Pat Palmer-Ball, Chester Robertson, Roger Stephan, Fred Trusty, and Alex Wilkins.

Meeting called to order @ 6:40 p.m.

Secretary's Report: Pat moved to accept the May report, Brian K seconded the motion, and the motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Alex made a motion to accept the May Treasurer's report. Mark seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor.

Activities: Mark and the board discussed a sponsorship opportunity of Classic Car Night at the Sauerbeck Family Drive In on July 20. Mark agreed to contact the drive in for more details. Neil White has a car tour planned for June 27. Need someone to step forward with plans for a tour in July or August. The NSRA Nationals are scheduled to take place in early August at the KEC.

Membership: Roger noted that language in the proposed by-law change for accepting new membership applications needs minor correction. The board agreed that the change should not influence the vote, and the corrected language will be included when results of the voting are tallied and communicated. Roger then updated the board on the number of ballots received thus far. Following discussion, Fred agreed to address the topic of pre-member eligibility given the virus impact to our schedule of events for 2020.

Clubhouse: All rentals for May were cancelled. The Model Club has returned to holding its regular meetings in June.

Sidelight: Roger noted that the date and volume number have disappeared from the cover of recent issues of The Sidelight. Sandy will be notified and asked to correct.

Web Page: The link to the now-cancelled AACA Meet KYANA was to host in Corydon has been removed.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Following last month's decision to cancel this year's Southeastern Fall Meet in Corydon, Fred discussed possible reschedule dates in future years. There are very few open dates in the next three years. Due to conditions at the show location as well as other events scheduled there annually, our options are very limited. Fred will perform some additional investigation and the board will revisit this topic at next month's meeting.

Mark presented to the board an idea to provide a meal to LMPD's Sixth Division on Shepherdsville Road. KYANA's Clubhouse is located in the Sixth Division, and he believes it is worthwhile outreach to remind LMPD that there are names and faces behind our building. The board agreed and Mark will explore details and determine a date. Between Charities and the Region, the meal will be catered using our regular caterer. More details to follow.

There being no further business to discuss, Mark moved to adjourn. Brian K seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. with all in favor. The next KYANA Region meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, perhaps again at the KYANA clubhouse since meetings of ten or more people are now allowed.



KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

Times may be improving as we had a cruise on the first and third Saturday nights on Dixie at the Dairy Queen with about 100 cars showing up. On the same weekends on Friday nights the younger group are at the same spot showing off their pride and joys. These guys are very proud of their cars. It makes me remember how I felt about my first car. That was a 1959 Studebaker Lark that I wish I had kept. You might want to look at these guys because they are the antique car guys of tomorrow.



PRAYERS, THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

✚ Marsha Garey had a torn meniscus and a bone spur on her knee.

✚ Please remember all our Kyana members. Larry Wherthey, David Hill, Lynn Valentine, Bob Johnson, Karen Hall, Bob and Jane Burke, Ed Ferguson, and Norene Alford all who have been or will be hospitalized since March.

Stay well KYANA Patsy Basham

1989 Thunderbird Supercharged For Sale

Hello Thunderbird Fans,

A Bible study friend who is an LMPD officer is looking to sell his '89 Thunderbird Supercharged that has been parked in his mom's Shively garage for 15 years. Let me know if you or anyone in your Thunderbird club circles have interest in the car and I'll connect you with the owner.

1989 Thunderbird SC Supercharged

5-speed manual

Silver Out / Dark Blue cloth

Approx. 110,000 miles

All options except leather

Original rims

Been parked in a Shively garage for ~15 years (mother's house)

Ran when parked

Needs tires, battery, fuel system cleaning

Owned by an LMPD officer relocating to FL in a couple years

Asking \$5,000

Mark Kubancik

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Parts For Sale



Freshly overhauled Cadillac/Lasalle engine 346 CID. New pistons, rings, oil pump, valves honed, crank ground. Has been test run.

Pictures available.

\$3,000.00

Dennis Buchholz 2909 Hwy 1694, Crestwood, KY 40014. Buchholz001@bellsouth.net

STRAIGHT-EIGHTS! (...and our '48 Pontiac)



For years, my Dad drove a 1948 Pontiac; of course, it had an elongated hood to accommodate every one of those in-line, eight cylinders. It was one long engine! As I was 8 years old at its purchase, I liked Pontiac's Native American motif, model names with its eye-catching plastic hood ornament, and sitting along those prolonged front fenders. Pontiac had switched from a straight-6 engine to a straight-8 in 1933 in a flat head version. At 249 cubic inches displacement (just over 4,080 cc), it yielded 100 horse power. Initially, they were cheaper than making V-8s, ran smoothly, and were less complex (e.g., only one camshaft), but power came only from sheer size. The 1948 models were still actually of 1946 engineering, but offered an innovative, fully-automatic Hydramatic transmission, to the amazement of lots of folks. Ours had this option.

Crankshaft torsional vibration was a problem with these engines, so they were built with harmonic dampers at the accessory end of crankshafts. This was designed to avoid otherwise disastrous crankshaft cracks near the rear main bearings. The firing order was: 1-4-7-3-8-5-2-6; balance did not seem to be a major problem. Their smooth running made straight-8s quite popular with the car-buying public!

Straight-8 emerged in the early 1900s and first became popular in airplanes during World War I; being narrow was an aerodynamic advantage. Since these early engines ran at relatively low speed, crankshaft and camshaft fracture was not an issue (propeller tip speeds were below the speed of sound). After the Great War, these engines became popular especially in luxury cars. They were widely utilized by numerous manufacturers - like Duesenberg, Packard, Stutz, Stearns-Knight and many European brands, including Mercedes, Bugatti, Alfa Romeo, etc. Valve placements varied: side-valve, F-head, over-head, sleeve, and overhead-cam.

By the 1920s, straight-8 engine use expanded to wider markets, such as for Auburn, Cord, Marmon, Locomobile, and others. Lycoming produced engines for automobiles and also airplanes. Between 1920-1940s, many race cars selected straight-8s, with improvement lead by war-time aircraft engine designs. Valving varied widely, with dual over-head types and even three valves per cylinder forms. Torsional stress remained an engineering concern, but several of these racing engines were famous speedsters—for example, Miller, Mercedes, and selected others listed.

Passenger cars like Hudson and Studebaker adopted this engine as well and were followed by Nash, REO, Buick, Oldsmobile, and Pontiac. Interestingly, Buick straight-8s were over-head valves (remember the advertisement for “Valve In-head Buick”?), while Oldsmobile and Pontiac were flathead designs. During the early 1940s, straight-8 production included Chrysler and Imperial automobiles.

Nevertheless, torsional vibration was still an issue at high speeds. It could result in crankshaft whip due to centrifugal forces that could damage connecting rods and cylinder walls, etc. In addition, these forces also make camshafts vulnerable at high engine speed. These issues were voided by mass production of V-8s, a more compact engine with shorter crankshafts and camshafts. Besides that, V-8s were better suited to modern automotive designs. That pretty much terminated the straight-8.

The decline of these engines started after World War II; but for a few years, they were still popular in luxury cars and some buses. War-time advances in engine technology with high compression ratios and high-octane gasolines gradually pushed the move toward a switch especially to V-8s, and also retained some straight-6s and other designs later. By 1955, V-8s essentially replaced straight-8 engines in cars.

Steven Lippmann July 2020

GOOD NEWS: A DRIVING TOUR IS ON THE HORIZON

Are you tired of staying at home all the time? Is your old car kicking the garage door trying to get out? Well gas it up and here is what we can do about that.

A DRIVING TOUR!!!!



We can meet June 27th in the Oxmoor Mall parking lot next to Shelbyville Rd. Then we can drive back roads for a while through the east side. Maybe we can parade through a nursing home or two to give those folks something to look at in their parking lots. You could bring your own mask, gloves, water and a snack if you wish.

We will pick up the directions and leave from Oxmoor Mall at 1 PM. We are planning a catch- up area during the tour for anyone who becomes separated from the group which will be noted on the directions.

The tour will last about two hours and cover twenty to twenty five miles from start to finish. We will finish in the Kroger parking lot on Rt 42 east of the Gene Snyder. Rain date is June 28th.

If you are interested call Neil White 502 241 9243 so we know how many cars will be in the tour. See you there!

CLASSIC CAR NIGHT AT THE DRIVE-IN

Although it was not an official KYANA event, KYANA was nonetheless well represented on Saturday, June 20 at the Sauerbeck Family Drive In in Lagrange, KY. Prior to the showing up at the drive in, several members were fed hot dogs and sausages at Dick and Julia Renders home nearby.

The drive in sold over 100 classic car tickets and there was quite a selection of classic, vintage, and specialty cars and trucks. The movie card for the night was American Graffiti followed by Bullitt, however, many members left once the first feature ended.

Enjoy the accompanying photos of a fun evening!

Mark Kubancik



KYANA Activities for 2020

Date	Event	Sponsor
January 12	January Business Meeting	Donna Burchett
January 25	KYANA Memorial Service	Mark Kubancik
February 2	Swap Meet Planning Meeting	Morgan Howard
February 15	Derby Dinner Playhouse	Alethea Hayes
February 28-29, March 1	KYANA Swap Meet	
Postponed	Salvage Yard Tour	Mark Kubancik
Postponed	Appreciation Dinner	Jenni & Mike Mulrooney
Cancelled	Iroquois Park Car Show	Denis & Melody Buchholz
Cancelled	Auburn AACA Meet	James & Sandy Joseph
Cancelled	St. Francis Car Show	Dwight Hardesty
Postponed	Little Colonel Playhouse	Jane & Robert Burke
Cancelled	Cruisin for the Crusade	Therese & Frank Hayden
Cancelled	Marengo Cave Tour	Roger Stephan
Cancelled	KYANA Yard Sale	Hill Families
June 27	KYANA Car drive	Neil White
Cancelled	Southeastern Fall Nationals	Fred Trusty
October 2-4	Bowman Field Festival	Chris Mueller
Cancelled	Hershey AACA Meet	AACA
October 17	Kentucky Train Museum	Neil White
November 7	Toys for Tots Breakfast	Alan & Maureen Vannatta
November 11	Veteran's Day Parade	Chester Robertson
November 14	Ole KYANA Clean Up	Pat & Chester
November 15	Awards and Elections	Jesse & Beverly Foster
November 27	Light up Louisville Parade	Alan Vannatta
December 6	Adult Christmas Party	Brian & Shelly Koressel
December 12	Children's Christmas Party	Kubancik & Mulrooney

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KYANA GIANT INDOOR SWAP MEET

**Kentucky Exposition Center Louisville KY & Pavilion, West Wing, West Hall, & Broadbent
Arena** Saturday, March 13, 2021 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Sunday March 14, 2021 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

- 56th YEAR

- 7 Acres & Still the Largest Indoor Swap Meet
- 100 Space CAR CORRAL
- Admission: \$10 per day Children under 12 free with a parent
- FREE to KYANA members

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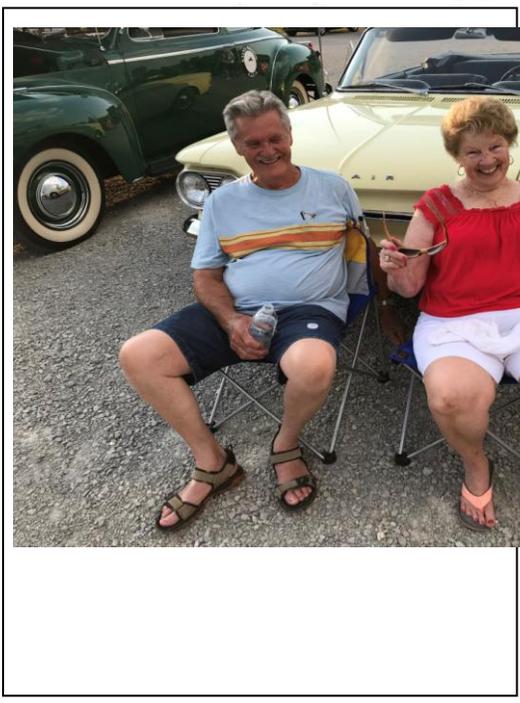
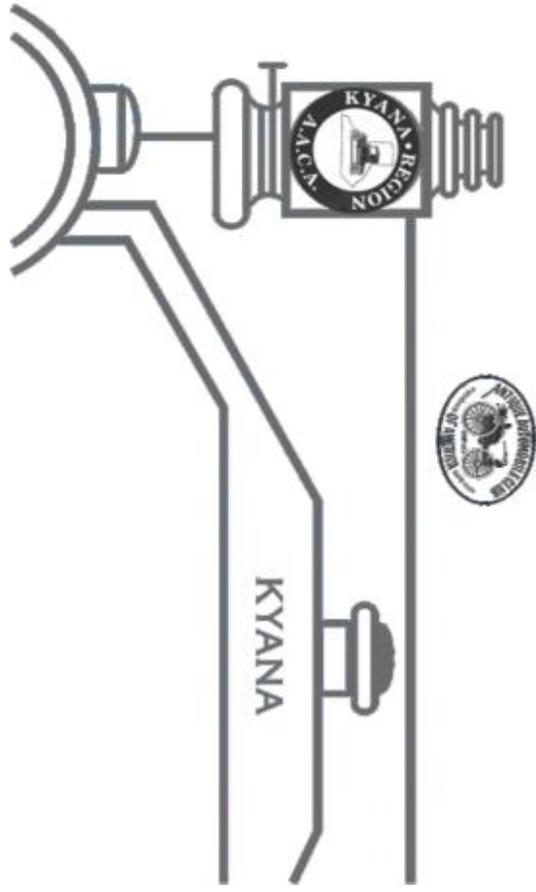
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Get to Know Your Members

Betty and Howard Hardin drove their 1964 Chevrolet Corvair to the the Sauerbeck Family Drive In in Lagrange, KY.



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