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## FROM THE PRESIDENT FRED TRUSTY

The president's column is supposed to inform members each month of issues related to the club. As this pandemic wears on I'm finding it much more difficult to write an article. I could report on the recent bylaw change but our Membership chairman, Roger Stephan is doing that. I could report on the tour we had a couple of weeks ago sponsored by Neil White but he is writing about that. I could ask for gas can donations just in case someone runs out of gas on a tour but who would forget to put gas in their car before a tour? Send your gas cans to Neil White.

How about national AACA events? As of the writing of this article the AACA Grand National in Allentown, PA is going to take place August 20th – 22<sup>nd</sup>, unless the governor of Pennsylvania cancels it. There is no Hershey Swap Meet but the car show on Saturday is still on the schedule, unless the governor of Pennsylvania cancels that, also. And last, the AACA Central Division tour in late October in Broken Arrow, OK is still going to take place, we hope.

As I look down the list of new members I'm sad to say that I've personally met only a few of you. For me, part of the fun of the club is meeting new people at our events which usually leads to conversations about the old car they own or maybe are looking to buy. If you are a new member, please be patient. Eventually things will get back to normal and I look forward to meeting everyone in person.

How about a technical paragraph? Did you know that the gasoline of yesteryear had a boiling point of about 180 degrees but our new modern gas boils around 130 degrees? The fuel line of my '35 Packard is very close to the exhaust manifold so on a warm day it will usually vapor lock. Several years ago I installed an electric fuel pump at the gas tank which helped but on very hot days I still have the problem. So, I'm going to install a vapor separator fuel filter just before the fuel line goes into the carburetor. Never heard of one of these? It looks just like a small canister fuel filter except that it has 2 outlets. One goes to the carburetor and the other goes back to the gas tank. Yes, I will have to run a ¼ inch line back to the gas tank but this extra outlet lets vaporized gas go back to the tank instead of the carburetor. Since more gas is flowing in the line it also helps keep it cool. The other thing I'm going to do is wrap the gas line in the engine bay with aluminized fiberglass insulation to help insulate it from the heat of the engine. I'll let you know how this works out next month.

I've been calling 2020 the year that wasn't. I'm running out of things to fix around the house so I'll be glad when this year is over. Virtual board meetings and virtual food just isn't the same as the real thing.



FROM THE SECRETARY MARK KUBANCIK

## KYANA REGION BOARD MEETING

July 14, 2020

**Location:** KYANA Clubhouse

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

Meeting called to order @ 6:45 p.m.

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

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

**Activities:** Members of the Region and Charities boards will deliver food to the officers of LMPD's 6<sup>th</sup> Division on Friday, July 17. Both boards agreed to this important community outreach as the 6<sup>th</sup> Division is responsible for patrolling the neighborhood surrounding the KYANA clubhouse.

The board discussed a sponsorship opportunity at the Shepherdsville Country Music show, however, there was no interest in participating. Fred discussed a couple activity opportunities resulting from contact via our new website. Both opportunities lacked sufficient detail to allow participation and Fred agreed to try and contact both event organizers for additional information.

A new member notified Chester of an upcoming car show in Henryville, IN. He is to send the details to Chester who will have the article published in The Sidelight. Mark provided an overview of an ice cream tour in southern Indiana, however, the board agreed to postpone such interactive events due to the resurgence of COVID-19.

**Membership:** Roger reviewed results of the recent bylaw change vote that affected timing of new member intake. He prepared an article for The Sidelight. Please see that article for a summary of the voting results.

**Clubhouse:** The modelers club plans to use both upper and lower levels on July 18. Brian and Ruth Hill are trying to contact the clock club that rents the clubhouse to determine their plans for this year.

**Sidelight:** Sandy continues to do a great job!

**Web Page:** The site continues to generate inquiries including the two activity opportunities mentioned above under Activities. Fred suggested we include information regarding joining KYANA on the website.

**Old Business:** Nothing to report.

**New Business:** Fred advised the board that it is unlikely he will again run for Region President. Someone on the current board or in the club needs to step forward and take on this role.

There being no further business to discuss, Mark moved to adjourn. Pat seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. with all in favor. The next KYANA Region meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, likely again at the KYANA clubhouse with social distancing practiced.



## KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

With the COVID-19 reaching levels not seen in our area, we need to be extra safe in the weeks ahead. We may not be on guard as time moves along, but the most dangerous time lies ahead. We need to stay with our families as much as possible and wear our masks out in public, keep our distance, and soon we will be doing KYANA events and having fun with our friends again.

I believed from the beginning there would be no Hershey this year. The largest indoor swap meet in the country may be in trouble next spring if a cure isn't found this fall. Just remember KYANA will remain strong if you stay SAFE! Chester



## PRAYERS, THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

✚ Norene Alford was attacked by a pit bull while walking. Her left hand is messed up. She will have surgery soon for her ring finger at least, with a possible skin graft.

✚ Shelly Curtis had a foot surgery and is doing well.

✚ Michael Bryant is home after a very long stay at the nursing home. He is recovering from a fall. He replied saying: Thank you KYANA for all the kindness showed to me during my illness. You are a great bunch of people. Michael Bryant.

Stay well and stay cool KYANA. Patsy

## CHANGE IN BY-LAW SECTION 3 PAGE 2

The following information is the results of our June mail in voting. All postcards had to be postmarked no later than June 30, 2020. During the voting period I received a total of 92 postcard ballots back in the mail. There were 149 votes in favor of the change and 14 against. So the change in our by-laws has been adopted and our club will start taking in new pre-members throughout the entire year instead of only during the month of October.

I want to thank all of you who gave this issue your attention and consideration. From the vote count I'd have to say that most of you do agree with me that this was the right thing to do and it will help our club to grow and prosper. But, we could be wrong. If we are wrong, it's not a major problem. We used ink and paper to make the change and not a chisel or a block of stone. So for those of you who voted against the change, if it doesn't work out for the best, we can always change it back, and you'll be able to say, "I told you so". Thanks.

Roger Stephan  
Membership Chairman

## Guess this car



Hint: This car company merged with Studebaker in 1954.

1937 Packard 120

## SPONSORS

According to our by-laws, all pre-members must be sponsored by a KYANA member who has a minimum of two years membership, and that sponsor may not sponsor in more than two consecutive years or more than one pre-member in the same year. No, I am not suggesting we change that by-law. Sponsors play a very important role. Their job is not difficult or highly time consuming. They simply keep in touch with the new pre-member making sure that he or she is receiving their Sidelight each month. They also advise about upcoming events and club house activities. Just reading about these events in The Sidelight is good, but having a sponsor give you detailed information of the fun we have at these events encourages our pre-members to participate even more. Sponsors also introduce pre-members to our regular club members, helping us all to get to know each other much faster. I still remember how I felt when I was a pre-member and I walked into the clubhouse for the first time. It can be very intimidating, not knowing anyone. A sponsor is there to help that pre-member feel welcome and to introduce them to the other members. The way we welcome a pre-member to our club could make the difference if that pre-member becomes a life-member or drops out after a few months.

I am writing this article because I am looking for club members who would like to sponsor a future pre-member, I would like to organize a group of members that I can call on from time to time to be sponsors. If some of you would like to help me with this I sure would be grateful, and who knows, you might even wind up with a brand new life-long friend.

Please give this some thoughts, and if you have any questions, feel free to call me. I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,  
Roger Stephan  
Membership Chairman  
502-640-0115

*Thank You!*  
*Sponsors*

## KYANA DRIVING TOUR

June 27<sup>th</sup> was a nice summer day, warm, but not hot. About a dozen older cars met at the Oxmoor Mall and drove on a relaxing tour out through some of Oldham County's scenic back roads. Most roads had light traffic so we were able to stay together, most of the time.

We saw pretty horse farms, a bed-and-breakfast, lots of woods, a crop circle in the form of a peace sign and a big foot family walking in a field (see picture below). We stretched our legs at the West Point boat ramp parking lot and visited awhile.

Due to restrictions we didn't stop for a meal and couldn't even stop at any nursing homes, but everyone had a good time getting their cars out for a little while. Hopefully we can do this more often this summer and if some of the restrictions are lifted we could stop for a meal along the way. Keep watching the Sidelight for more events in the future.







## COMMUNITY OUTREACH- LMPD'S 6<sup>TH</sup> DIVISION

Needless to say, the rank-and-file LMPD officer has had a lot to endure lately. Riots, protests, lack of support, calls to defund, etc. In an effort to express KYANA's thanks for the support and protection LMPD offers our clubhouse on Hunsinger Lane, both the Region and Charities boards approved having our caterer prepare lunch for the 6<sup>th</sup> Division officers and staff. On Friday, July 17, members of both boards accompanied by Metro Councilman Kevin Kramer's assistant delivered 50 box lunches to the 6<sup>th</sup> Division. We expressed our thanks and appreciation to the officers present for all they do to keep us safe. It was a very rewarding experience!



# STUDEBAKERS



## STUDEBAKER - THE RISING AND FALLING

Two brothers from South Bend, Indiana began a Studebaker business in 1852. They were blacksmiths making wagons, buggies, metal parts, and horseshoes. As producers for the US Union army, they prospered during The War Between The States. In 1868, the Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing Company was incorporated. Wheelbarrow manufacture added to their rising growth during the Gold Rush.

Five of the next generation Studebaker brothers diversified to build electric vehicles in 1902, under the Studebaker Electric name. Two years later, gasoline-powered automobiles emerged. These were initially manufactured with the Garford company of Ohio (and others), but under the Studebaker name by 1913. The cars attained a rising market share, with a reputation for quality. After some disagreements, the Garford portion of the corporation then left and was purchased by John Willis, also of Ohio. Studebaker acquired Pierce-Arrow in the 1920s and sustained automotive recognition for design simplicity, being light weight, and economical.

During the depression Studebaker fell into bankruptcy. Following reorganization, they made a comeback and hired designer Raymond Loewy, who introduced some well-known cars in American automotive history. They produced some popular vehicles just before and shortly after World War II. Profitable during WW II, they manufactured a huge number of trucks, personnel carriers, and aircraft parts. The many trucks exported to the Soviet Union's army were important in the war effort and became prominent in the minds of the Soviet people. With military contracts, Studebaker was again a major industrial power.



As the war ended, Studebaker was well-prepared early for going back to civilian vehicle manufacturer. Engineering expertise and innovative designs excited the public. These automobiles had sound mechanical technology and were considered futuristic. Some outstanding models were offered. The 1947 Starlight had unusual-but-desirable styling; so was the iconic Champion series. Though you could hardly tell the front from the back, the Champion image was immensely popular. The 1950 and 1951 versions still remain desired collectables. Along with them came Commanders, Cruisers, Presidents, and Starliners, etc.

Studebaker lost market share during the 1950s. Despite merging with Packard, both businesses were already financially troubled; so even that failed to save them. The public lost confidence in the company's survival. Cars produced in those years remained interesting, but sales declined so that the corporation was increasingly less viable. That whole series of Silver Hawks and Golden Hawks, some of our first muscle cars, did not help. Lots of people liked the 1958/59 Larks as practical examples of a good compact car; yet, it too did not sell well. Good relations between workers and management did not reverse this trend, and even that deteriorated in 1962. Finally, the amazing, asymmetrical 1962 Avanti arrived. It was exciting, but too late to save the business.

In 1963, Studebaker ended US car production. To maintain franchises, manufacture continued in Canada until 1966, when they faded from existence. Some Avanti automobile manufacture persisted, through other sources. American Motors, Bendix, Bosch, and others have had interest in their factories and proving grounds.

Rising and falling, the Studebaker record had plenty of company, like Auburn, Cord, Frazier, Kaiser, Packard, Nash, etc. Over the years, GM, Ford, and Chrysler have similarly experienced rising and falling fortunes. For over a century, Studebaker had enjoyed a prominent place in automotive glory days.

Steven Lippmann August 2020



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



**56<sup>th</sup> YEAR - SINCE 1965**

**March 13-14, 2021**

**KY State Fair & Exposition Center  
937 Phillips Lane  
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## 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

### KYSWAP INC.

### 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

- 56<sup>th</sup> 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

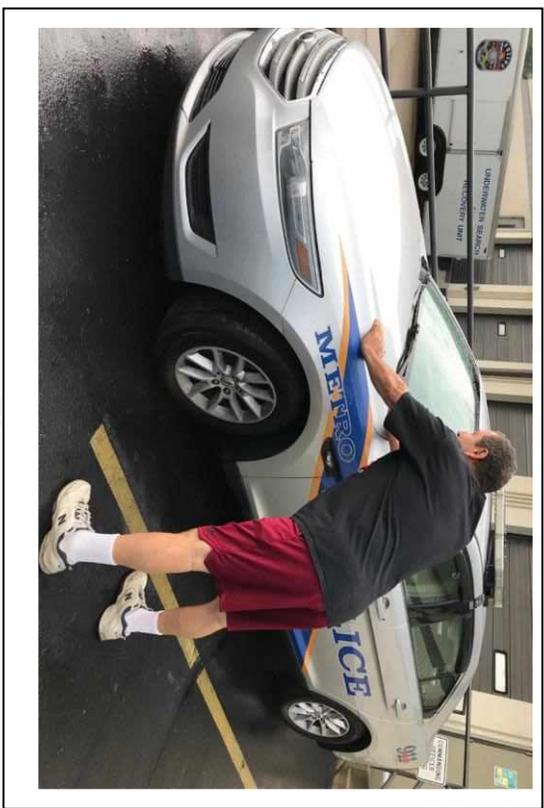
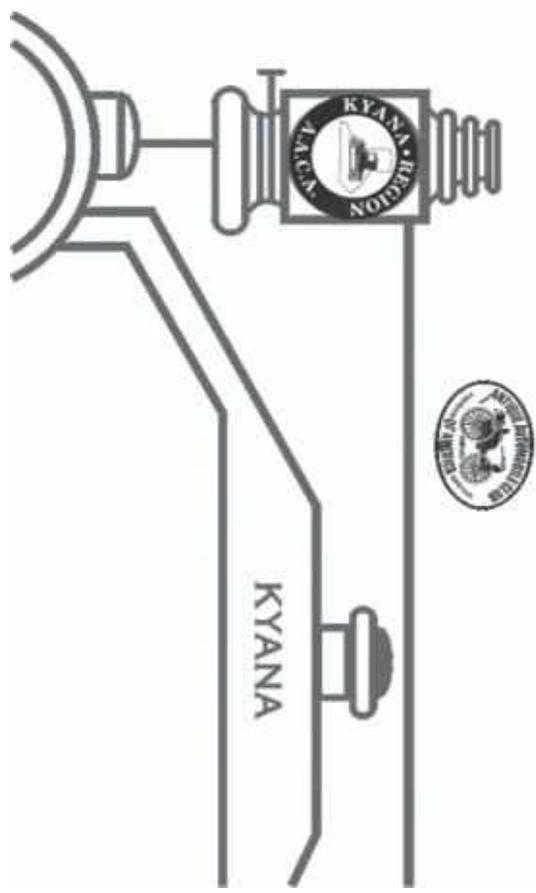
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Please read the article regarding community outreach to see if Fred was really arrested or is just helping the community.



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