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FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK

As I'm writing this message, my first as President of the KYANA Region, I'm technically not yet your President. In order to meet the Editor's deadline to prepare the Sidelight for printing and mailing, any articles are due to the Editor by the 18th of the month. It's mid-December and temperatures have been moderate for this time of year, allowing some of us the opportunity to take our antiques out from under cover for an exercise. Hopefully when you are reading this in two or three weeks, the moderate temperatures will continue and the old car season can be extended.

Speaking of changes in officers, the KYANA Region board will look a bit different in 2022. After nine years of service, Fred Trusty chose not to re-run for the Region President's position, instead devoting his time and talent to the KYANA Charities board as well as the AACA board. We all owe Fred a large debt of gratitude for his service and stewardship to KYANA during the past years leading the process to establish our new corporate structure. I'm truly honored to follow in Fred's footsteps and continue the good work and dedication he exhibited. Thanks for your confidence in me to assume this important position. I encourage all KYANA members to reach out to me any time they would like to discuss any club-related questions or concerns.

Similarly, Pat Palmer-Ball decided to step back from her duties as Region Treasurer and concentrate exclusively as Treasurer for KYSWAP and KYANA Charities. Pat will be working with new Region Treasurer Beth Coates to allow for a smooth transition. Taking over my former role as Secretary is Alex Wilkins. Alex has been on the board for several years and I will be working closely with Alex as needed to again ensure a smooth transition. Finally, we also welcome new board member Tim Truax in 2022. Such smooth transitions do not always occur so I am thankful we have a "deep bench", as the saying goes, from which to draft new talent. If you are interested in serving the club in any way, do not hesitate to contact me or any of the other board members.

There is information elsewhere in this issue of The Sidelight about the January Business Meeting. If you are a new member and have not yet attended the annual business meeting, please consider attending this year's meeting. This is an important meeting where we discuss the event calendar for the balance of 2022 and listen to member requests and ideas regarding future events. If you have an idea for an event, please bring that idea to the January meeting. If you are unable to attend but still want to offer up an event for consideration, please contact VP Chester Robertson. I'm looking forward to a full year of KYANA events in 2022 and pray that the virus and its descendants are held at bay. See you in '22!

Thanks, Mark

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

KYANA REGION BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2021

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.

KYANA members present: Jerry Bass, Donna Burchette, Beth Coates, Eric Hill, Ruth Hill, Sandy Joseph, Ken Martin, Charlie Myers, Tim Truax, Alan Vannatta, Maureen Vannatta, and Neil White

Meeting called to order @ 6:55 p.m.

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

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

Activities: Jerry Bass updated the board on plans for the KYANA display at the World of Wheels show in January at the KEC. Member support to staff the booth will be needed.

The date for the January Business Meeting was set as January 16. Due to possible late delivery of the Sidelight via surface mail, the calling committee and email blasts will be used to ensure all members are aware of the January meeting. The Swap Meet Planning Meeting date is set for February 20. Mark is working on a chili supper Friday night event with a KYANA book author.

Membership: Mark updated the board on 2022 renewals. With a strong group of pre-members we are still growing despite losing a few members for a variety of reasons. Roger provided the board a list of 2021 pre-members listing their event attendance thus far. Discussion was held regarding qualifications for the pre-members to achieve full member status. Roger reminded Mark to update the electronic copies of the new member forms to reflect the sponsorship requirement changes.

Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report.

Sidelight: The Sidelight was delivered late in December likely due to the increase in holiday mail.

Web Page: Neil White's story about his '41 Dodge is the KYANA Kars feature article on the website. Mark asked Sandy to send the webmaster some photos from the adult Christmas part.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Neil White proposed a membership info form to provide new, prospective members. Neil will explore options and cost and report details at a later meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, Pat moved to adjourn. Brian Koressel seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. with all in favor. The next KYANA Region meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at the KYANA clubhouse.



KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

Car clubs across the country have experienced drops in attendance and income the past two years. There are signs that members will get out and participate more in the new year. Fred, Mark, and I have registered for the AACA Annual Convention in Philadelphia next month. We still need to be safe by using masks at times, and getting our vaccines as needed.

KYANA will strive to get back into our activities like in the good old days. Hopefully, we can add some new events that will get your attention and make you want to drive the old buggy again.

Please make plans to attend the January and February meetings. Make plans now to work our swap meet in March. Remember all pre-members **MUST** work the swap meet as one of the required six events.

P.S. The Model A Swap Meet is on the 8th of January down in Shepherdsville, and Roger may have a Chili Supper this winter. Get Out in 22 **Chester**

PRAYERS, THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS



✚ We received a thank you card from Clarence Chesser. It reads: Kathy and I are enjoying the great fruit basket. It was loaded with fresh fruit, cheese, crackers, cookies, nuts and candy. Everything is delicious. Thank you very much for your kindness. God bless, Clarence.

✚ Dwight Hardesty had a fall and broke his hip.

✚ Thomas Lyvers had a fall but seems to be doing ok.

✚ Tim Truax had shoulder surgery.

✚ Barbara Jones had surgery but is doing ok.

✚ Rosie Craven was hospitalized with a blood vessel in her leg.

✚ Steve Koonter will have a hip replacement on December 21st.

✚ David Koressel's son David is suffering from back surgery.

Please pray for these members for healing. We all could use prayers. May each of you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you next year. Stay well. Call me if you are having surgery and especially if you are spending the night. **Patsy**

JANUARY BUSINESS MEETING



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WHAT: January Business Meeting

WHEN: January 16, 2022 @2:00PM

WHERE: Ole KYANA Home

Please send a check payable to KYANA in the amount of \$8.00 per member to:

Donna Burchett

4907 Seville Drive

Louisville, Ky. 40272

502-851-0715

Deadline Jan.10, 2022

BLUEGRASS WORLD OF WHEELS- JANUARY 22 & 23

After several years without an annual custom car show in Louisville, event organizers are again planning such a show for January 2022 at the Kentucky Expo Center. The show promoters are accepting applications for car club displays and Jerry Bass of KYANA is working to assemble a display for our club. Jerry has prior experience in organizing such displays for the Cougar club at the Carl Casper shows.

Club displays are limited to only four vehicles and both the vehicles and the display theme must be reviewed and accepted by the show promoters. Jerry is working on both the list of vehicle candidates and the booth theme. If you are interested in displaying your vehicle at the Bluegrass World of Wheels, please contact Jerry Bass to discuss. He will tell you the information he needs to include your vehicle on the short list.

What is needed now are volunteers to help Jerry with set up on Friday the 21st and help manning the booth and representing KYANA on Saturday and Sunday the 22nd and 23rd. Please note that anyone working the booth on Saturday and Sunday will be responsible for paying their own KEC parking fee and event admission. Discount admission tickets can be obtained at any local O'Reilly Auto Parts store. If you would like to assist with set up or working the booth please contact Jerry Bass via phone or email at the below listed number or address.

Jerry Bass Mobile phone: 502-296-3814 Email: creekdeer5004@gmail.com



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DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE



KYANA @ Derby Dinner Playhouse

Sunday, Feb 13, 2022

A Matinee Showing of:

RED VELVET CAKE WAR

Doors are open at 11:30AM.

Please arrive early to check in with me if you would like to sit with a group. All parties of your table group must be present when you check in so I can account for all members in attendance. I cannot hand a ticket to you for someone else if they haven't checked in with me first.

Prices are below, and I look forward to seeing you at the show! -Alethea Hayes

Members Pay: \$17.50 per person

Non-Member Pay: \$35.00 per person

This event fills up quick! So please send in your checks Addressed to **KYANA** to the address below:

Alethea Hayes
199 Mudd Lane
Fisherville, KY 40023

KYSWAP BUSINESS & SWAP MEET PLANNING MEETING



WHEN: February 20, 2022 2:00PM

WHERE: Ole KYANA Home

Please send a check in the amount of \$8.00 per member payable to KYANA to:

Morgan Howard
5408 St. Gabriel Lane
Louisville, Ky. 40291
502-553-4413
Deadline Feb. 14, 2022

2021 ELECTION SUMMARY

At the November Awards & Elections meeting, 108 KYANA members welcomed new officers and board members. George Fackler, supported by his team of vote counters, ran the election process. With no opposition, the following officers were elected by acclamation for 2022:

- President – Mark Kubancik
- Vice-President – Chester Robertson
- Secretary – Alex Wilkins

The contested election for Treasurer was won by Bethany Coates. The contested board election saw Roger Stephan re-elected to the board and Tim Truax elected to a new term on the board.

The board appreciates all the members who stepped forward and ran for office. We also thank the members in attendance for their thoughtful votes. And finally, we extend our thanks to George Fackler and his team of volunteers for running the election process.

Mark Kubancik

Featured on the cover:

L-R: Chester Robertson, Tim Truax, Mark Kubancik, Alex Wilkins, Bethany Coates, Roger Stephan



2021 PRE-MEMBERS

At the November Awards and Elections meeting Membership Chairman Roger Stephan welcomed and introduced the 2021 pre-members in attendance. From left to right are Roger Stephan, Greg Gitschier, John Campbell, Fred Shearer, Pope Beeler, JJ Westphal, Tim Schnell, Rita Schnell



got ideas? 
LET'S HEAR THEM!

Do you have an idea for an event that you would like to set up and organize? Is there a place that you visit that we could take our cars to and show them off? In the past years we have visited nursing homes, caves, and show cased our cars in parades. We have also been to restaurants and just enjoyed the company of others. There might even be an overnight trip that you are just dying to take. Think outside the box.

If you are dying to share your favorite place or event, please contact Chester Robertson at (502) 935-6879.

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



CORD: EMERGED AND DISAPPEARED TWICE

By: Steve Lippmann

Indiana once rivaled Michigan as the biggest USA producer of automobiles. There is lots of talk about Studebaker, Auburn, Cord, and Duesenberg. In the 1900s there were several dozens of car makers in Indiana including Marmon, Stutz, Graham-Paige, Crossley, Albany, Premiere, and even Packard, as a rebadged Studebaker. And more recently, Chrysler, General Motors, and Honda had factories in Indiana. What about the Cord?

Cord was an innovative, streamlined most desirable automobile. Its originator was Errett Lobban Cord, founder of the Cord Corporation. He took over the failing Auburn Automobile Company and owned many different transportation businesses (e.g., Checker Cab, New York Shipbuilding, and the forerunner of American Airlines, etc.). Auburn sales were declining, and expensive Duesenberg purchases alone could not support the company. Under his leadership and after some fancy paintjobs, Auburn sales improved and Cord emerged, initially conceived to be called the "Baby Duesenberg." As a luxury car, Cord was to be priced above Auburn and below Duesenberg.

Because of eye-catching styling and interesting engineering, this car came to the market with the L-29 model between 1929-1932, followed by the famous 810 and 812 versions in 1936 and 1937. There was only one single Cord manufactured for 1938. The style and mechanics of the Cord 812 was subsequently copied in 1941, by the Hupmobile Skylark and Graham Hollywood models.

Cord, with its "coffin-nose" hood, horizontal wrap-around, louvered grill, and impressive looks was to be competitive with Cadillac, Packard, Lincoln, and Stutz, etc. However, the Great Depression hampered sales and ultimately led to the demise of Auburn, Cord, and Duesenberg.

Elegant aerodynamic styling and advanced engineering of Cord placed it ahead of much of its automotive competition. It was one of the first successful front-wheel-drive cars, especially with constant-velocity joints, that now are standard on that drivetrain. That advantage helped to have a low-slung body, eased by no drive shaft. It was one of the first cars to have hidden headlights, deployed at night by mechanical hand cranks. The four outside-of-the-hood chromed exhaust pipes were functional, popular, and like those of the Auburn and Duesenberg. It had a practical full instrument panel. Cord's horn ring on the steering wheel became standard for many manufacturers thereafter. The same applies to some Cord-installed features like built-in radios and door hinges mounted inside door jams, there along with the gasoline filler pipe-cap.

Power and setting a speed record were other attractive features. Lycoming, also owned by E.L. Cord, supplied a flat-head V-8 engine as the power source. It could be electively coupled with a supercharger that boosted horsepower. It was a smooth-running engine, suited for the 1930s developing highway system. The engine starter was activated by depressing the clutch when the engine was off. Transmission gears were changed via a vacuum and electro-mechanical semiautomatic shifting device. Preselected gear changes were activated while driving, also by depressing the clutch. Years after Cord manufacture ended, when the 1948 Tucker automobiles were being developed, their initial transmissions failed to operate well. Cord transmissions were junkyard-salvaged and utilized or copied for Tuckers.

Despite these features, unfortunately Cord also suffered many disadvantages. Some of the problems stemmed from being experimental and rushed into production. The advanced designs were complicated, reliability suffered, and problems were difficult to fix. The initial version brakes overheated, but that problem dissipated with a series of holes placed in the wheel covers. The fancy body design prevented an ample trunk. It was a stable, heavy car, with cornering less impressive.

There were bigger problems. The engine was prone to over-heating and vapor lock. Its cooling system was susceptible to leaking. Transmissions would frequently slip out of gear while driving. While there had been initial enthusiasm about Cord's market entry, their image was tainted and though an exciting vehicle, sales were not robust. The Auburn Automobile Company was often short of cash, and thus compromises in design were necessary. One not-so-bad example is that the front and back doors were similar, simplifying production. So-called "suicide front doors" were common back then, Cord had them too.

These issues combined with the 1930s financial downturn hampered sales. By 1937, Auburn Automobile Company with Auburn, Cord, and Duesenberg all faded into bankruptcy and stopped production.

Auburn, Cord, and Duesenberg were iconic at their time. They remain desirable collector items. Despite being outstanding in many ways and ahead of their time, but an unfortunate economy and design failures led to their demise.



L-29 CORD



1937 CORD



1937 CORD



1941 Graham Hollywood



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