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Deadline for articles is the 18<sup>th</sup> of preceding month to have it printed in the following issue. Articles from the membership are welcome and will be printed as space permits. Members may advertise at no charge, either for items for sale or requests to obtain.

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# FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK

#### From the President – Mark Kubancik



In previous messages, I've shared how Pat's and my ability to participate in KYANA activities and local car events have been pre-empted by personal travel and grandkid activities. Aside from one local cruise-in, most of my old car driving this season has been to provide wedding transportation with the '55 DeSoto. In April, KYANA member Wayne Hartman's daughter and new son-in-law were transported around Louisville in the DeSoto following their nuptials. In early June, I received a call from a man in Lexington whose daughter was getting married later in the month on a Wednesday afternoon. He had found our club via the KYANA website.

Ideally, his daughter wanted a black '50's car, preferably a '57 Chevy. I called Steve Koonter, who owns an AACA Senior winning '57 BelAir hardtop. Due to Janice's stroke recovery, Steve could not commit to being away from home for the several hours required to support the wedding duty. I made the bride's dad aware that my DeSoto is black, shared a photo, and his daughter approved! I later found out that the wedding was taking place on the grounds of a grand old home on Gardner Lane, near Bardstown Rd. It turns out the bride is Tom Drexler's niece, her father Tom's brother-in-law. Yes, that Tom Drexler.... the plumber whose name is his number. The home belonged to Drexler. While waiting for the ceremony to begin, I lounged in the shady backyard. I had been informed by the bride's father that Tom was an old car



guy himself, so when he approached, our conversation soon turned to cars and KYANA. It turns out that Tom attended our swap meet for the first time this year. He showed me two of his muscle cars that were stored on the property. He owns a couple others stored elsewhere, including a '57 "E" code Thunderbird. Tom was very pleasant and gracious, and in parting, I shared a KYANA business card with him. You never know who you will meet when you share your old car with others!

It's been noted before in prior Sidelights that Membership Chairperson Carol Bass is

doing a great job shepherding a large group of new members into KYANA. Point being.... if you see new folks at a KYANA event who you do not recognize, please extend a welcoming hand, introduce yourself, and welcome these new folks to the KYANA family. Understand that we do not purchase KYANA name badges until a new member attends six events and works the swap meet. Thus, you will likely see some new members without name badges; again, please extend a hearty welcome.

If you received your snail-mailed copy of the July Sidelight early in the month, consider yourself fortunate. It appears that another post office, namely Middletown, has lowered its service standards to be more in line with other local branches offering poor, delayed mail service. The Sidelight printer apologized for the poor mail service at the Middletown branch and promised to take ready-to-mail Sidelights in future months to the small Eastwood post office, where they typically see great service. We will see if things improve with this issue.

Speaking of The Sidelight, you will read later in this issue that our current Editor, Sandy Joseph, has elected to end her duties as Editor. Sandy has served admirably for many years, taking over with little transitional training and creating an AACA-award winning monthly newsletter. Her reasons for stepping down are family-focused, and we accept her decision with both hesitation and understanding. Sandy has graciously agreed to continue to edit The Sidelight until a suitable replacement volunteer Editor emerges, and she has also agreed to work with that person to allow for a smooth transition. That said, if you have basic computer skills and are looking for a way to serve our club, please reach out to either Sandy or me. You do not need to be a long-term member to do this job, so if you are a new or relatively new member and are looking for a way to become more involved, this is your opportunity. I hope to hear from several folks very soon.

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

# FROM THE SECRETARY ALEX WILKINS

KYANA Region Board Meeting Minutes – July 9, 2024 Location: KYANA Clubhouse KYANA Region Board Members Present: Alex Wilkins, Mark Kubancik, Tim Truax, Stan Gaus, Shawn McDonald, Willie Wilhoite, Chester Robertson KYANA Region Members Present: None

Meeting called to order at 5:36 p.m.

**Secretary's Report:** Chester Robertson moved to accept the June meeting minutes, Shawn McDonald seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Alex Wilkins moved to accept the June report, Tim Truax seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor. The board discussed opening a separate account for handling finances for the 2025 National Meet. Activities: The board discussed the upcoming cave tour and the possibility of running the NSRA Swap Meet. Membership: Nothing new to report. Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report. Sidelight: Nothing new to report.

Website: Nothing new to report.

**Old Business:** Alex Wilkins updated the board on National Meet preparations. A meeting will be held at the Harrison County Fairgrounds on Aug 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

The board discussed the upcoming dues increase.

New Business: The board discussed a call for candidates for club officers and two open board positions.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Brian Koressel and seconded by Chester Robertson. The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m. The next meeting will be held at the clubhouse on August 13 at 6:30 p.m.

# 🗅 KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON 🤇



The month of July is coming to an end with no one receiving their Sidelight by mail. Our local paper must be really important. I was chairing the cave tour on July 27th, but only a handful of KYANA members registered to attend because of the above problem. A new date for the cave tour will be on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. I hope you receive The Sidelight in August or September to get registered. If you have trouble getting registered, just give me a call.

We start the month of August with the Street Rod Nationals, from the 1st to the 4th. KYANA's sponsored day is Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, the National Night Out

event will have a new location at Highview Park on the Outer Loop. The Shepherdsville Country Music Show will finish the month with some good old foot-stomping country music. Please see the articles below for more information about these events.

Chester



- Thank you for your prayers and fruit basket. Tom McCarty
- Dear KYANA friends,

Thank you for the lovely floral piece. It was like a ray of sunshine on a rainy day. Chris will be missed. The Ostby Family

## Please continue to pray for our KYANA members.

- John Flechler continues to be in rehab in LaGrange.
- **4** Tom McCarty is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Shelly Curtis still cannot put weight on her foot.
- Jeanne Crawford has macular degeneration.
- Glenda Clark continues to have chemo.
- ↓ Janice Koonter is home recovering. Steve and Janet welcome your calls and visits.
- Steve Hoehler is doing well.
- We have an unspoken prayer request.
- KYANA wishes to express our deepest sympathy to the Ostby family in the death of Chris. He will be missed!

Stay well KYANA, and enjoy this hot summer! Patsy



## KYANA Day @ NSRA Street Rod Nationals – Friday August 2

KYANA will return to the NSRA Street Rod Nationals at the KEC on Friday, August 2. Any KYANA member attending that day on a one-day ticket will be reimbursed for the cost of their ticket on the show grounds. Here's how this will work:



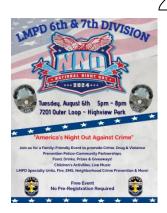
- Notify event sponsor Terry Craven of your plans to attend NO LATER THAN Wednesday, July 31.
- Attend the Street Rod Nationals on Friday, August 2, paying your way into the KEC, including parking.
- Once on the KEC grounds, find the registration tent at the outdoor swap

meet. The outdoor swap meet is located on the east side of the KEC, alongside the ring road that parallels I-65.

- Terry Craven will be stationed at the outdoor swap meet registration tent from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Display your one-day entry credential, and each KYANA member will be refunded the one-day entry fee cost in cash. Parking fee will NOT be refunded.
- We are reimbursing entry fees for those who attend on Friday only. If you are already an NSRA member and attend all four days, there is no reimbursement.

Please contact Terry Craven with any questions or to register to attend. You MUST register with Terry in advance for this event. Call or text Terry @ 502-269-0536. Email: <u>tc48caddy@gmail.com</u>

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



Just a short note to remind everyone that the LMPD National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. This year it will be at Highview Park, 7201 Outer Loop, next to LMPD Seventh Division HQ. Please come out and support this worthy cause. There will be food, drinks, prizes, and giveaways. KYANA will be providing Papa John's Pizza, soft drinks, and water. Shade will be provided.

Please arrive around 4 p.m. to get in position before the start of the cruise.

For more information or to register, please call Jerry or Carol Bass at (502) 296-3814.



## Shepherdsville Country Music Show Saturday, August 24, 2024



Come join us at the Shepherdsville Country Music Show located at 1833 KY 44, Shepherdsville, KY 40165. The show will start at 7:00 p.m. The cost for the show is \$13.00 per KYANA member, children under 12 are free. You will receive \$10.00 for a meal per member at the show. KYANA members will also get free ice cream. The guests for the evening include: Heidi Baldwin, Glen Rice, Artis Green, and Billy Keith, along with Pat Portman and the 44 Country Band.

Send your check made payable to KYANA by August 20, 2024, to: Ruth Hill, 123 Dorchester Road, Louisville, KY 40223, (502) 640-8510



# The Second Annual KYANA Charities Open Car Show

The time grows near for the Second Annual KYANA Charities Open Car Show, which will be held at the clubhouse grounds on Labor Day, Monday, September 2, 2024. There will be some improvements to the show this year. Fast Fish Hot Wheels Drag Racing will be there, a new menu is planned, a better sound system, and hopefully more participants. LMPD will be back again with a display, and I have invited Oxmoor Ford to bring out some of their new cars to display. Jegs will be supplying goodie bags. There will be trophies awarded for first, second, and third places in the classes, along with a veteran trophy this year. A silent auction is planned if we can get enough high-end prizes donated. We will sell surplus KYANA t-shirts again this year. This will be a regular judged show instead of people's choice. There is a need for volunteers to staff the following positions:

Utility/JanitorialRegistrationMarshalling/ParkingConcessionsT-Shirt sales / WaterCommunications / RafflesJudgesMembership Table

Look for continuing updates in upcoming Sidelights and emails.

Jerry Bass



# SQUIRE BOONE CAVE TOUR



Stalactites, stalagmites, flowstone, and more adorn the cavern walls, ceilings, and floors in a natural wonder that has taken millions of years to create. You'll walk about 1/3 of a mile through this living and growing ecosystem deep below the Earth's surface and learn how its passageways were slowly formed over eons of time, even as dinosaurs roamed the earth!

The caverns stay a pleasant 54°F year-round; a jacket or sweater is recommended. The tour takes place along lighted, paved walkways and steel bridges and ends with a 73-step spiral staircase (not recommended for those with serious medical conditions).

We will meet on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 11 a.m. at Mr. Gatti's Pizza Buffet. The restaurant is located at 10035 Dixie Highway. If you are going north on Dixie Highway from the Gene Snyder Highway, you will pass Valley High School and take the 2<sup>nd</sup> right past KFC.

Cost per KYANA member:

Adult Buffet AND Cave	\$16.00
Adult Buffet	\$7.00
Child Buffet AND Cave	\$10.00 4-12 YEARS
Child Buffet	\$5.00

**The deadline for this event is Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**. You can call Chester at the number listed below if you miss the cut-off date. Reservations must be made ahead of time to have the correct number of workers available!

Reservations for the cave must be made in advance. Send checks to: Chester Robertson, 10012 Northridge Dr., Louisville, KY 40272. You can contact Chester at: 502-619-2916 for more information, or if you miss the cutoff date.



## ST. FRANCIS CAR SHOW: SEPYEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>

The St. Francis of The Fields Car Show is back Saturday, **SEPTEMBER 21**<sup>st</sup>. Please mark your calendar for this fun annual event. KYANA usually has good attendance and **PAYS ALL** entry fees ... **FREE** to all KYANA members and pre-members.

The location is <u>6710 Wolf Pen Branch Road</u> (Harrods Creek, KY 40027) on the pleasant hilly, park-like grounds at the St. Francis Church. <u>Times: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.</u>

There will be plenty of shade available for you to relax and share your car stories with other car enthusiasts. Getting there on time lets us all park together on the hilltop. The rain-day option is the next day, Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

We anticipate hundreds of cars on display, including antiques, some newer ones, hot rods, and custom cars. Something nice for everyone.

There will be judging and drawing for prizes, and of course, food is available, with some of the greatest barbecue around.

Please pre-register with your intent to be at this car show. <u>Bonus</u>: send me \$5, and for that, you will receive a \$10 food voucher once you arrive at the show ... without limit, for each \$5, you get another \$10 voucher! Please call me if I can help or have questions. Mail the money to me ahead of time if you want any vouchers.

Steve Lippmann, 2206 Merrick Road, Louisville, KY 40207, phone: 502-681-6788

# KYANA & KYANA CHARITIES PICNIC

WHEN: September 22, 2024

WHERE: Ole KYANA Home at 2:00 p.m.

WHAT: A time of fun to enjoy fellowship with all our members and enjoy some great food. Just come on out. RAIN OR SHINE We can be inside. *This event will not be a pot luck affair, it will be catered.* 

As we have done previously, we want to once again help Ronald McDonald House. Last year, the response was SENSATIONAL! Please, let's try to equal or exceed the giving. We would love for everyone to bring something to contribute to their needs. Some items that are always needed are: individually packaged snacks (chips, cookies, brownies), baking mixes (cake, cookie, brownie), icing, and assorted breakfast cereals. Of course, they are always in need of cleaning supplies (dishwasher detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, liquid bleach, glass cleaner, laundry detergent, and garbage bags – (10, 13, 30, and 55 gallon).

So please be generous and lend a helping hand to those families that are away from home with their ill children.

We will also have a 50/50 drawing where the dollars collected will go to Ronald McDonald House to help with other necessities.

Please be considerate and send your money in by <u>September 13</u> so we can make sure we order the right amount of food for everyone. We certainly don't want to turn any of our members away hungry if we don't order the right amount of food for everyone. Thank You.

Please make checks out to KYANA and send \$8.00 per member (children under 12 \$5.00) to: Pat Palmer-Ball 5504 Felker Way Louisville, Ky 40291 Any questions just call 502-693-3106





Are you ready for a new adventure? KYANA is traveling to Huntsville, Alabama, for the AACA Southeastern Fall Nationals. We have reserved a block of rooms for Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at Fairfield INN in Huntsville, AL. The rooms reserved for KYANA members and pre-members are for Friday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at the Fairfield Inn by Marriot on 1385 Enterprise Way, and they will only cost you \$80. This includes a free breakfast at the hotel. If you want additional nights, you will need to make these

reservations on your own.

We will have dinner on Friday night as a group. You will receive \$10 per person for the group dinner. If you do not want to go to dinner with the group, you will need to pay for your own dinner. It is always nice to spend time together, visiting over a great meal.

Please make a check out to KYANA for \$80 for the room. Let me know if you prefer 1 king bed or 2 beds in your room, and I will let the hotel know.

Send the check to Jim Joseph, 1925 Pine Run Lane, Batavia, Ohio 45103. If you have any questions, call 502-558-5075. Hurry, rooms are limited to the first 15 responders. These rooms tend to go quickly.

# SIDELIGHT EDITOR NEEDED



As Mark stated in his President's Message, I am resigning as The Sidelight editor (for family reasons). When I first took over in 2018, I told everyone that I would be more than happy to be the editor, however, The Sidelight would be very basic. For the past 8 years, I have used Microsoft Word to compile the newsletter. Again, very basic, but a platform that I was comfortable with. You can use whatever program you feel is best.

I would be more than happy to help the next person get set up. KYANA Charities has provided the editor with a dedicated computer and printer. KYANA pays for all the paper and cartridges.

This is an easy job for anyone interested. You will have two or three dedicated people who will proofread the newsletter before you send it out. Which is greatly appreciated!!!

If you think this would be something that you are interested in doing or have any questions, please send me an email at: <u>sidelighteditor@gmail.com</u> or call me Sandra Joseph at 502-558-9431.





If you sponsor one of the events for this year, please reach out to me for the latest copy of the event signup sheets. This will ensure that when our members attend an event, everyone's name will be included. We have had a lot of changes to our roster for 2024, and have been blessed with an influx of new members. Please call me, Alex Wilkins at (615) 430-8027.



It threatened but did not rain on our parade. In fact, the sun came out, and so did a lot of folks along the parade route. All the kids were rewarded with lots of candy. I want to thank the following for braving the weather to attend the parade: Glen and Marilyn Ray {Camero}, Dick and Julia Renders{T-Bird}, Bryan and Lynne Valentine {Pontiac}, Terry and Rosie Cravens {Cadillac}, Ed and Deanna Ferguson {Buick}, and Helen and I were there with the Corvair. **George Fackler** 







KYANA member Ken Martin passed away in late December following a brief illness. Ken's widow, Dana, is selling Ken's prized '79 Buick Electra Limited two-door, affectionately known as "Big Red." Below is information about the car, and attached is a list of parts added and repairs performed since Ken purchased the car. Dana Martin can be reached via phone or text at 502-445-6500 or via email at <u>danaruah@att.net</u>

Multiple photos of the car can be viewed here: <u>https://1drv.ms/f/s!AsYhesU6ZCC2iWCsEyB2S2Xp3df-?e=Y8gdvR</u>

**1979 Buick Electra 225 Limited 2-Door Landau Coupe** Burgundy. Vintage cruiser with 53,850 original miles. All original, 2<sup>nd</sup> owner. Statement from the first owner attesting to its upkeep.

Interior: very clean, plush, and comfy, with unfaded red velour cloth seats, plush carpets protected by new color-matched floor mats with the Buick logo. Beautiful woodgrain has unblemished accents throughout the cabin, including the dash, door panels, and original steering wheel. No drooping headliner, no split armrests, no cracks in the dash.

Exterior: OCD-tailing brought the luster back. The original Landau roof is beautiful and elegant.

**New right-sized** 215/75/15 whitewall radials are her "sneakers" to finish her look. No sagging doors, no rust around the vinyl top on the quarter sail panels.

**Mechanics:** Original 350 cubic inch V8 engine. The master cylinder and brakes are new, tightened and aligned on the front end, and a new carburetor was installed. It's completely stock; automatic transmission, cruise control, tilt wheel, power windows, power locks, and the power seat adjusting mechanism was recently repaired. We replaced the a/c compressor with a GM OEM compressor. Original AM/FM radio. Maintenance to accommodate a relaxed and safe "driver."

Owner's manual and maintenance records.

**The ride:** Big Red starts easily, runs quietly, and floats like the boss ship down the highway! It is a very comfortable and roomy ride. Whenever we stop or pull into a station, folks would admire her and reminisce by sharing their stories.

She was babied over her years and has no issues. Just get in and enjoy the ride! Awards:

- Buick Club of America Gold Award, 2022
- Buick Club of America Senior Award, 2022
- 14<sup>th</sup> Annual JDRF 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 2022
- 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Mission Driven Car Show Top 100, 2023

## The story:

Big Red hails from Virginia's Eastern Shore and has been a one-family car since new! She was garage kept. Father and son were both mechanics, so the car was babied and proudly shown at local events. Her original paint matches the real Buick 350. A friend who inspected her called me to say this car is a keeper!

You'll love the portholes, the full-width taillights, the Buick hood ornament and logos, and the shiny chrome. According to Ken, the trunk is "big enough for 5 bodies!" It has the original spare tire and jack assembly, too.

As Ken said in the AACA and BCA magazines, "Big Red is a fine car...(to) enjoy for a long time, "running down the highway, going to a show."

You can bring this beautifully original cruising ride home for **\$14,500**. **Call Dana: 502-445-6500** 

#### WHAT ABOUT PACKARD ENGINES DURING WWII? ... aviation & maritime...

#### **By Steve Lippmann**

Packard automobiles have a fantastic legacy, same for their engines. Between 1899 and 1958, Packard engines powered lots of excellent cars, but there is more to the story.

During World War II, The Packard Motor Car Company of Detroit famously helped win that conflict for the Allies. They manufactured great engines that superbly powered a huge number of different aircraft, tons of boats, and just a few land-based vehicles.

The Packard good wartime production reputation of excellence in WWII originated partly from World War I with their prominent, ship-based marine powerplants. Also, from 1917 to 1919, Packard had additionally fabricated a variety of mass-produced, good WWI aircraft engines in several different number-of-cylinder versions.

The maritime, WWI internal combustion boat engines were named Victory engines. However, they were not the huge 6,000-8,500 horsepower steam-turbines that propelled the WWII ocean-going Victory cargo ships of 1943-1945, built by Kaiser-Frazer. Nor were they related to the earlier 2,500 horsepower steam power source of Kaiser-Frazer's 1941-1943 Liberty vessel freighters.

During WWII, Packard also and most famously applied a modern assembly line method to build aircraft engines. They made 55,523 supercharged, 1,650 cubic inch Merlin V-12 liquid-cooled, gasoline powerplants. In the early 1940s, under British license, they notably machine-mass-produced this fabulous, previously handmade English Rolls-Royce airplane engine. Manufacture began with Rolls-Royce Merlin engine blueprints and advice from British automotive engineers; that included details about the parts, style, fit, and tolerance details, etc. Interestingly, Ford Motor Company was initially scheduled in the late 1930s to produce these Merlin copies, but that plan was reportedly canceled early on by Henry Ford. He indicated not wanting Ford to arm military combatants during a conflict; WWII was still undeclared by the United States. Massive construction with interchangeable parts, in high volume, was the major innovative advantage of Packard engines made in the U.S.A. Also boosted by high-octane fuel, they became a famous aviation engine of that era.

Back in Great Britain, Rolls-Royce also built Merlin aeronautical engines, 82,117 of them throughout those war years. They were produced in three different, geographically separated Rolls-Royce factories and one owned by English Ford. There is discussion about whether the Packard or the Rolls-Royce versions were the best; this controversy is not settled. Rolls-Royce produced their engines from an engineering concept – off of paper- very precisely, but under the constant, potential danger of Luftwaffe bombing British factories. Packard fabrication methods quickly followed already-developed Rolls-Royce engine plans, with some improvements on an outstanding construction process. In Detroit, this was faster, cheaper, excellent, and without threat from an airborne attack. It is impossible to accurately judge which was the best engine- at that time, under wartime constraints, and during urgent circumstances.

Packard and Rolls-Royce aeronautical Merlin engines outfitted into the P-51 Mustang airplane made it the best performing fighter of its time. This engine replaced the original Mustang under-powered Allison version. Packard-made Merlins also powered lots of British Royal Air Force aircraft including, Hurricanes, Lancasters, Mosquitoes, and Spitfires. Less recognized is that they also were in the U.S. Army Air Force's Corsair, several *Grumman fighters*, and Vought aircraft (and maybe other planes, too, yet, with some conflicting statements in the historical documents).

Packard marine engines from WWII prominently powered U.S. Navy Patrol Torpedo (PT) boats. Indeed, like the one that then Lieutenant John F. Kennedy skippered, and that later was sunk in the Pacific Ocean during 1943. Packard powered PT boats from Elco, Higgins, and Huckins manufacture, as well as several British designed ships. They were also utilized on numerous U.S. Army and Navy rescue vessels.

These WWII ship powerplants were reportedly a different engine, not a Merlin aircraft type; yet, many historical sources suggest that they were a Merlin design. What is true? There is confusion about this point since records evidence at least two or even more different stories about their origin. It seems likely that they were a new and improved mid-1940s ocean-going design, up-graded from the much earlier Packard WWI fresh-water-cooled marine engines. At 2,490 cubic inch displacement, they were bigger than the airplane engines and also required high-octane fuel. Packard built between 12,000-13,000 of them.

PT boats used three of these V-12 internal-combustion Packard gasoline engines for each vessel, with a total of about 4,500 horsepower. Two of these marine powerplants were mounted in the aft, and one was placed mid-ship for easier maintenance. In their time, PT boats were said to be the fastest ships afloat, at about 41 knots (or a speed on water of around 47 miles per hour, since one nautical knot is about equal to a land-based 1.15 miles).

Automotive production was curtailed in WWII, but at least two Packard car models were being built until 1941. Packard trucks were produced during WWI and available up through the 1920s, but seemingly not newly manufactured for WWII. There are statements in the historical records about Packard engine use in WWII tanks, yet with little substantiation or detail.

After the U.S.A. declaration of war, heavy industrial production was exclusively shifted to military use; however, a very few passenger automobiles (e.g., the Packard Clipper) were produced through 1942. Car production in this country began again soon after the war ended with Packard initially using 1940-1941 model designs.

Despite a great reputation, Packard was not robust in sales rivalry after WWII with other automobile companies. For example, Kaiser-Frazer had a technological head start over them immediately at the war's end, and competition was especially intense with the Detroit Big Three US automakers. Even following a 1954 merger with Studebaker, their last car was made in 1958. The Packard automotive brand name was discontinued by 1959.



Packard maritime ship engine



Packard Merlin aircraft engine



Rolls-Royce Merlin airplane engine version.



Region board member Tim Truax brought an idea to the board to design and print KYANA business cards. The cards would include pertinent information about the club allowing members to give to non-members for recruitment purposes. The board liked the idea and gave Tim the go-ahead. Examples of the cards are presented here. In addition to an email address and website address, the reverse side of the card includes a QR code that takes anyone with a camera phone to the club's website. If you would like some cards to take with you to local car shows or other events, please contact one of the Region board members.





# Mark Kubancik

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# KYANA REGION APPAREL



Apparel for KYANA members will now be available year-round. All garments will be embroidered with the KYANA Region logo and the member's first name at your request. No extra charge for your name. **To order contact KYANA member Tom McCarty: email: Tommc204@gmail.com or Text: 502-649-7421.** 

When placing your order give stock number of garment, description (Polo, Hoodie, T-shirt), color, and size. To view apparel and color choices go to SANMAR.com, search for 8000 (t-shirt), CS410, CS418 (Polos), 18000 (Sweatshirts), 18500 (Hoodie), 18600 (Zippered Hoodie).

Garments will be available for pickup at the next meeting. You can also have garments mailed to you at a shipping cost of \$5.00 each. Make payment at time of purchase with cash, check, credit card, Venmo, PayPal. You may also order from Tom before and after meetings if you need help. Some leftover premade shirts may be available at meetings with special pricing.

- Polo CS410 Sm-XL =\$36, 2X-3X =\$38, 4X = \$41, 5X = \$43
- Polo CS418 Sm-XL = \$30, 2X-3X =\$34, 4X =\$37, 5X-6X =\$41
- T-shirts (8000) Small-XL \$16, add \$2 for each XX large size.
- Sweatshirts (18000) Sm-XL = \$27, 2X-5X= \$32
- Hoodie (18500) Small-XL = \$31, 2X-5X=\$37
- Zip Hoodie (18600) Sm-XL= \$40, 2XL-3XL=\$44, 4XL+= \$47

Also, Maureen Vannatta is still collecting old KYANA shirts to make a quilt for the clubhouse. Please contact her at 502-931-2173 for more information.



KYSWAP KYANA SWAP MEET LARGEST INDOOR SWAP MEET 58<sup>th</sup> YEAR - SINCE 1965 <u>March 8 - 9, 2025</u> KY State Fair & Exposition Center

Saturday – 8:00am – 6:00pm Sunday – 8:00 – 4:00pm Room for over 1140 Vendors under one roof Regular Space - (10x20) - \$100.00 Corner Space - (10x20) - \$115.00 Carpeted Space - (10x10) - \$60.00



100 Space Outside Car Corral Contact: Ned Steinke 502-836-2961 \$30.00 per space



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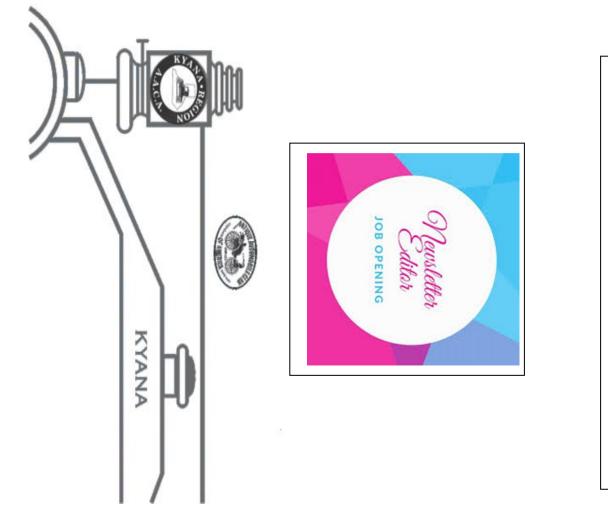
KYANA EVENTS FOR 2024

DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR
January 28	January Business Meeting	Donna Burchett
February 16	Derby Dinner Playhouse	Alethea Hayes
February 17	Collector Car Insurance and Woodgraining	Mark Kubancik
February 25	Swap Meet Planning Meeting	Morgan Howard
March 8-10	KYANA Swap Meet	Robertson & Vannatta
March 23	Easter Egg Hunt	Beverly Foster
March 29	Salvage Yard Tour	Mark Kubancik
April 1	Business Meeting 101	KYANA Charities -
April 7	Country Music Show	Ruth Hill
April 13	Mt Washington Police Foundation Car Show	Willie Willhoite
April 14	Swap Meet Appreciation Dinner	Jenni Mulrooney
May 11	KYANA Spring Clubhouse Clean Up	Jerry Bass
May 18	Bluegrass Barn Blast	Don Wesner
June 2	Middletown Police Foundation Car Show	Greg Gitschier & Willie Willhoite
June 15	Whiskey Row Car Show	Chris Mueller
July 4	Norton Commons July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade	George Fackler
July 5	Shepherdsville Cruise In	Tim Truax
August 1-4	NSRA Street Rod Nationals	Terry Craven
August 6	National Night Out	Jerry Bass
August 24	Country Music Show	David Hill
September 2	KYANA Open Car Show	Jerry & Carol Bass
September 14	Squire Boone Cave Tour	Chester Robertson
September 21	St Francis Car Show	Steve Lippmann
September 22	KYANA Picnic	Pat Palmer-Ball
October 5-6	Bowmanfest	Chris Mueller
October 8-11	Hershey Fall Nationals	AACA
October 19	Kentucky Railway Museum Car Show	Neil White
October	Corydon Fall Auto Show	
October 24-26	Huntsville Alabama AACA Car Show	Jim & Sandy Joseph
November	Toys for Tots Breakfast	Alan & Maureen Vannatta
November	Veteran's Day Parade	Chester Robertson
November	Awards and Elections	Beverly Foster
December	Light up Louisville Parade	Alan Vannatta
December	Adult Christmas Party	Brian & Shelly Koressel
December	Children's Christmas Party	Bass, Kubancik & McCarthy Families
December	Christmas Country Music Show	Brian & Ruth Hill
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