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FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK



KYANA was well-represented and well-recognized at the AACA's 2025 annual meeting held February 6-8 in Charlotte, NC. Pat and I attended the meeting to represent KYANA. National board member Fred Trusty also attended, arriving early for a board meeting and staying to host a SEMA-focused breakout session. John Flechler attended and presented a breakout session on the AACA's Driver Participation Class (DPC). John is the DPC Chairman for AACA.

The first day of the meeting offered tours to Rick Hendrick's private car collection and the North Carolina Transportation Museum. Both tours were great and unique in their way. If you are a NASCAR fan you likely recognize Rick Hendrick as a successful race team owner. He is also a very successful auto dealer throughout the southeast

and has a fabulous collection of vintage vehicles with a strong focus on Corvettes, including several serial number 1s of a particular model or year. As if the cars were not enough, Hendrick has an eclectic collection of autographed guitars and sports memorabilia. While at the Transportation Museum, we dined on a hearty lunch while traveling in a restored railroad dining car. Kudos to the annual meeting committee and the local Hornet's Nest Region for arranging these great tours!

The annual meeting features a vendor area with dozens of hobby-related vendors and clubs pitching their wares or upcoming events. This vendor area includes a table where brochures for upcoming events are available for all. I traveled with an ample supply of KYANA Swap Meet brochures that were placed on this table. At Friday's Region and Chapter dinner, representatives of a Region or Chapter are invited to promote their upcoming event. Relishing this opportunity, I bragged on the selling points of our swap meet, including no weather impact or empty spaces. KYANA was also recognized at the dinner with Awards of Excellence for regional publications (The Sidelight) and our Region website. Read further in this issue of The Sidelight for more details on these awards.

In case you are wondering about this month's photo, Friday's dinner was followed by a fun casino night event, with attendees encouraged to dress in 1920's attire. Thankfully, we were provided free play money to "gamble", or we would still be begging for gas money for our return home!

The final event of the meeting was the annual awards dinner banquet. The highlight of this dinner is all the vehicle awards, with many great stories of vehicles owned by a family for generations and only now getting the full restoration treatment. You will soon see all these stories in an upcoming issue of Antique Automobile.

Awards are also presented to Regions and Chapters for a variety of reasons, including tour hosting and performance metrics. I was pleased to represent KYANA and accept the very prestigious I.C. Kirkham Membership Award, awarded to the Region or Chapter with the greatest membership gain based on a weighted average formula.

When you are already a large club like KYANA, winning this award becomes increasingly more difficult. While I was proud to accept this award, it belongs to our over-achieving Membership Chair Carol Bass, and will be presented to Carol at an appropriate club gathering. In case you were wondering, KYANA recorded a gain of 83 new members in 2024! Way to go Carol!

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



FROM THE SECRETARY, ALEX WILKINS

KYANA Region Board Meeting Minutes – February 4, 2025

Location: KYANA Clubhouse

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

KYANA Region Members Present: Ned & Kim Steinke, Butch Mahoney

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm

Secretary's Report: Alex Wilkins moved to accept the January report, Shawn McDonald seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Chester Robertson moved to accept the January report, and Stan Gaus seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Activities: The board discussed the upcoming business meeting and general events planned for 2025. The Mount Washington car show will be on April 5.

Membership: Alex Wilkins updated the board on status of the 2025 roster submitted to AACA. Kim Steinke will be printing the new roster for distribution soon.

Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report.

Sidelight: Nothing new to report.

Website: Nothing new to report.

Old Business: More tri-folds for distribution as membership recruiting tools will be printed.

New Business: The board discussed printing the 2025 roster. The board discussed using text messaging as another way of communicating to the members as event reminders.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Brian Koressel and seconded by Tim Truax.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm. The next meeting will be held at the clubhouse on March 11 at 6:30 pm.

KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

Our biggest event of the year, THE GIANT KYANA SWAP MEET, is just a matter of hours away. Remember we work from Thursday, March 6, 2025, to Sunday, March 9, 2025. Pick out the day or days you can work and give one of our chairpersons a call. Fred Trusty could use more help on Thursday. Joanna Miller can always use some additional help selling tickets Please call me! I'll have a job for you. I just enjoy seeing all our members come together and enjoying the large Kyana Family we are.

Our show's most important part is being courteous to our vendors, shoppers, and KYANA members. When these people travel hundreds of miles home, we want them to remember KYANA with a smiling face. This year we are working to make KYANA bigger and better than in the past, but we need your help.

There are a couple of newly confirmed activities listed on the calendar at the end of The Sidelight, including a salvage yard tour at the end of March (see the article elsewhere in this issue). More activity information will be coming next month. See a note in this newsletter about a new "ask" when it comes to registering for our events!

-Chester

PRAYERS

-Louis "Pat" Millhollan was hospitalized and is now in Charlestown Place Rehab Center.

Please keep everyone battling illness or adversity in your thoughts and prayers. With all the snow and bad weather we have been having, the four walls of home can start to close in. Call a friend and check in. You may be the bright spot of the day for someone!



KYANA's point of contact for sick and visitation is Nancy Ray. If you know a member dealing with illness, surgery, or loss of a family member, please contact Nancy at (502)931-9433 via text or phone call.

2025 KYANA SALVAGE YARD TOUR

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 29! The KYANA salvage yard tour returns this year, and return is the operative word. We will be returning to a yard in southeastern Indiana



we last visited in 2013. These sample photos were taken during our 2013 visit.



I've contacted the yard's owner, and he remains in business and still has many vintage vehicles for our browsing pleasure. KYANA member Rob Johnson and I will be making a scouting visit on March 1, so details regarding a meeting place and time and choosing a lunch stop afterward are still taking shape. For your day-planning purposes, expect that we will meet as a group around 8:00 a.m. along the I-71 north corridor. The tour ends after lunch, approximately 2:00 p.m.



If you plan to attend the salvage yard tour on March 29, please contact me via phone, text, or email. Once we have confirmed all the logistical details, I'll send you the information. Any payment for lunch will be collected on the day of the event. An updated article will appear in the April Sidelight, due to be emailed during the last week of March. **The KYANA salvage yard tour is always a fun event so hopefully many of you will be able to attend. Guests are always welcome!**

Mark Kubancik

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KYANA SWAP MEET LARGEST INDOOR SWAP MEET



58th YEAR - SINCE 1965

March 8 - 9, 2025

Registration is going GREAT!

We have a total of 1028 – 10' x 20' spaces & 81 – 10' x 10' carpet spaces

Also around 100 spaces outside in the Car Corral

Contact Ned Steinke 502-836-2961 for Car Corral spaces

West Wing – SOLD OUT

West Hall – SOLD OUT

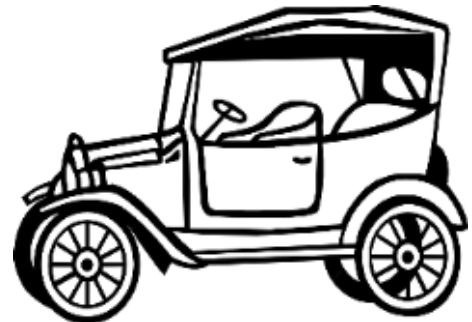
Pavillion – SOLD OUT

Broadbent – SOLD OUT

Carpeted Rooms – 10' x 10' – SOLD OUT

We can all be very proud of our Swap Meet. We are one of the few Swap Meets that are not only surviving but growing! It takes all of us helping to make this event work. Be sure and put these dates on your calendar to volunteer to help.

There is a job for everyone!



KYANA AACA NATIONAL AWARDS

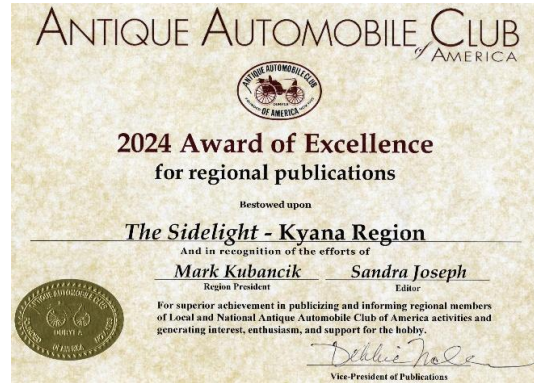
KYANA was presented with two AACA Awards of Excellence during the AACA's 2025 annual meeting in February in Charlotte, NC. I was honored to accept the awards as KYANA's representative at the meeting.

Our 2024 Sidelight Editor, Sandy Joseph, was honored with an Award of Excellence for regional publications. Sandy edited all but the December issue of The Sidelight before stepping down to spend more time with family.

Before resigning from her Editor duties, Sandy spent time with our new Editor, Kim Steinke, providing for a smooth and orderly transition of responsibilities. We expect Kim will maintain the high standards for The Sidelight established by Sandy. Congratulations Sandy!

KYANA also received an Award of Excellence for regional websites. Although my name appears on the award certificate, it is the hard work of our webmaster, John Giovenco

with Interon Design, who deserves the credit. John responsively updates the website each time The Sidelight is published via email and immediately addresses any select requests we make to add photos, update links, and post new messages. He was a great partner working with KYANA personnel to add online payment links to our website. Congratulations John!



KYANA OFFICIAL 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 include the stock number of the garment, description (Polo, Hoodie, T-shirt), color, and size. To view apparel and color choices go to SANMAR.com, and 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 the time of purchase with cash, check, credit card, Venmo, or 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 CS410SM-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) SM-XL = \$31, 2X-5X = \$37
- Zip Hoodie (18600) SM-XL = \$40, 2XL-3XL = \$44, 4XL+ = \$47

CROSLEY

A *LITTLE* CAR WITH A COUPLE OF *BIG* SURPRISES

Submitted by Steve Lippmann

Lots of KYANA folks remember back when Crosley cars were conventional vehicles. Nowadays, we know them primarily as antique automobiles. The brand emerged in 1939 but disappeared by 1952. Nevertheless, Crosley had some interesting innovative technology and automotive products.



As regular, mass-produced post-war vehicles, Crosley came to the US market prominently in 1946. They were small, practical cars, weighing between 1,000 - 1,500 pounds, with an engine capacity of about 61 cubic inches (~155 cubic centimeters). This resulted in excellent gasoline mileage, approaching 50 miles/gallon. Impressive, despite being in a low-price category, engines had an early

version of overhead camshafts by 1947. Another modern feature was the Crosley, the first American automobile equipped with four-wheel caliper-type disc brakes. And in 1949, the Hotshot emerged as our first real sports car.

Powell Crosley, an innovative entrepreneur, was said in 1907 to have built an automobile at age 12. Then, at 21 years old, he formed the Marathon Six Corporation, and built a vehicle prototype, but never got it into production. He also began an automotive components-making company in 1916, owned the Crosley Broadcasting Corporation, and by 1925, reportedly ran the world's largest maker of radios. His company then began constructing home appliances, like refrigerators, and by the late 1930s started toward the manufacture of low-priced small cars.



Their first experimental model came out in 1937, with a production version introduced at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in 1939. It became available as a relatively little two-passenger coupe or convertible and/or as a four-passenger compact sedan. An under-the-hood, gravity-feed fuel tank allowed engines to run without a fuel pump. By 1941, Crosley had introduced a station wagon, panel vans, and a pickup truck. They were favored for good fuel economy. In 1941, with the US converting to a war-related economy, Crosley Corporation began a switch away from commercial cars to military production. This included a wide range of products like bomb fuses, radio receivers, field kitchens, trailers, and gun turrets; their powered-version turrets equipped PT boats and B-24 / B-29 airplanes. Among conveyances, they built motorcycles, motorized tricycles, self-propelled artillery, and some tracked vehicles – even amphibious types. They also manufactured a few, small four-wheel-drive, jeep-like cars, called the “Pup,” and by 1942, a low number of so-called “Liberty” sedans. Engines were an air-cooled, two-cycle boxer-style design, and the company built a surplus of them. Designated as the “Cobra,” it was of copper-braised, stamped steel construction but was called the “tin block.”



Once war-time manufacturing needs abated, the Crosley Corporation returned to making automobiles. Production nicely escalated from nearly 5,000 cars in 1946, reportedly to approaching 27,000 by 1948. Prospects seemed so good, that they began to export some cars with only minor modifications. They were offered under the brand name Crosmobile, to be distinct from a British car

brand named Crossley.

The original engines had initially performed well under army-service maintenance but were less reliable in civilian consumer ownership. By 1949 a better, more practical cast-iron design was utilized. Nevertheless, Crosley's reputation suffered. Sales diminished to under 9,000 cars that year and dropped to less than 8,000 during 1950. Even introducing the Hotspot sports car failed to stimulate enthusiasm. Also, in 1950, the emergence of their "Farm-O-Market", an all-wheel drive vehicle, usable as a farm tractor, did not boost sales.

By then, competition from the other US auto manufacturers intensified. Chrysler, Ford, and General Motors, especially focused on larger, more powerful vehicles. With WWII ended, gas rationing stopped, thus, gasoline was cheap and available. Excellent gas mileage was no longer considered an advantage. Purchasing was further hampered since some prestigious and more desirable cars were only slightly more expensive. Sentiments of the buying public had altered. Less than 5,000 Crosleys were sold in 1951 and under 2,000 the following year. That ended Crosley car production by 1952. However, some engine manufacturing continued under contract, until copyrights were transferred. Their Marion, Indiana factory then came to the ownership of General Tire.

That was it; now we still see a few Crosleys at car shows. Maybe their compact, economical design might have been more successful had they emerged at a different time? Lynn Harpring, as a lifetime Louisvillian, remembers Crosley automobile races running in the Armory downtown. He enjoyed these back in the very early 1950s - indoor car races! He also attended circuses at the Armory featuring Crosley cars packed with people to see how many could get into just one of these very small vehicles - hooray for Lynn's interesting personal Sidelight comment for us all!

KYANA OFFICIAL ROSTER



The new roster will be available for you to pick up at the Swap meet in the Volunteer Room where you turn in your worker card. There will be a list where you initial your name to show you got your family's copy.

There are a lot of blanks where pictures of members go. My apologies for not chasing people down to ask for a picture. I will ask for pictures as well as corrections/updates in October of 2026 to make it more complete the next time.

You can email corrections/changes to Sidelighteditor@gmail.com.

MOUNT WASHINGTON POLICE FOUNDATION CAR



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REGISTRATION 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

AWARDS PRESENTATION 2:00 PM

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Mount Washington, KY**



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KYANA NIGHT at DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE

Sending out much appreciation to those who made it out on the cold, rainy, and flood-ridden night for KYANA at Derby Dinner!

We had 84 members in attendance, just shy of our normal 100, but its still a record number of members attending a single event!!

Despite the weather, our spirits were not dimmed! As I looked around during the show, I saw so many smiles and heard many laughs. What a joy it was to witness everyone, in a collective, enjoying themselves; Be it eating delicious food or sharing a laugh with members they wouldn't normally interact with, it warmed my heart! (More than my strawberry shortcake.)

Again, thank you to each and every one of you for showing up and helping to promote KYANA at this event, each and every year. Here's to many more!

-Alethea Hayes Catapano



Thank YOU, Alethea for sponsoring this great event!

KYANA EVENTS FOR 2025

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On the cover: Some of the 84 members in attendance enjoying KYANA night at Derby Dinner Playhouse, sponsored by Alethea Hayes Catapano



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