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FROM THE PRESIDENT, MARK KUBANCIK



Pat & Mark Kubancik

As we transition from weekly outdoor car activities to the winter season, we do so with fond memories of the fun we've had with our vehicles and fellow members. In just the past month alone, many of us enjoyed some great local events thanks to our volunteer event sponsors. The St. Francis show sponsored by Steve Lippmann saw KYANA again win the club participation cash award, which was promptly donated back to St. Francis for their mission work.



A week later, Chris Mueller arranged for many KYANA members to attend the car show at

Bowmanfest. Despite it being primarily an air show, the cars had steady traffic and much interest throughout the weekend. And how about the air show itself? Just ask Tommy Dolson!

The third weekend of October featured five activities, including the Mt. Washington Police Foundation show sponsored by Willie Willhoite, the Kentucky Railway Show sponsored by Neil White, Cars & Coffee sponsored by the Steinke family, the Corydon show sponsored by Reagan Lanum, and the LMPD Trunk or Treat sponsored by Jerry Bass. Amongst all this local activity, many members hit the road to visit Graceland in Memphis thanks to the sponsorship of Carol & Jerry Bass. Others found time to head east to Hershey, PA, for the AACA annual fall meet. Needless to say, we are an active group. Not yet enjoying the fun? Time to get involved.

This edition of The Sidelight includes some critical information. In addition to announcements about upcoming activities and meetings, including the Louisville Veterans parade, Light Up Louisville parade, Toys for Tots breakfast, and the Awards & Elections meeting, you will find our annual Region officer and board election candidate bios. Please study the candidates carefully and be prepared to cast your vote at the upcoming Awards & Elections meeting. This is also our second month for dues collection, and you will find renewal information included in this issue.

Membership chairperson Carol Bass continues her crusade to sign

up all local car enthusiasts as KYANA members. Carol signed up a dozen new members on day one of Bowmanfest alone. The Steinke clan also signed up several new members at the last couple of Cars & Coffee events. If you are one of these new members, or one of the many new members who joined KYANA in the past year or two, you may have questions about

our current dues collection process. Suppose you have questions or are unclear about the amount you owe to continue your membership. In that case, you are encouraged to contact the Membership chair, Carol Bass, Secretary Alex Wilkins, or me. You will find all of our contact information on the inside front cover of this Sidelight. Keep in mind that the annual dues collection deadline is November 30.

Remember, it is supposed to be fun!

KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON

Even though we will soon put our beloved cars away for the winter, November has three exciting events for KYANA members to enjoy, including one more for the cars!



Chester Robertson

The Veterans Day Parade is for our members to enjoy on the 8th at 11:00 am. Call and sign up for a spot to show off your American colors at the new location -Nulu Market Street.

The second event of the month is your opportunity to kick off the holiday season in the giving spirit. KYANA will host breakfast at the clubhouse. Just bring

some toys for the Toys for Tots drive. KYANA has always put an emphasis on shopping for the older children, so lets continue that tradition.

The last event of the month is the Awards and Elections dinner at the clubhouse. We elect our new officers for the upcoming year. On November 23rd, at 2:00 pm at the clubhouse, come vote, enjoy the friendships we've built along the way, and have some food. Members who have chaired an event will receive special recognition.

Before you know it, it will be December, so mark your calendar now for the adult Christmas Party on December 7th, the children's party on December 20th, and the Christmas Country Music Show in the evening on the 20th.

You will find more information on all of these events elsewhere in this issue of the Sidelight.

KYANA Region Board Meeting
Minutes – Oct 14, 2025

Location: KYANA Clubhouse

KYANA Region Board Members

Present: Alex Wilkins, Mark Kubancik, Tim Truax, Stan Gaus, Brian Koressel, Shawn

McDonald, Willie Wilhoite

KYANA Region Members

Present: Butch Mahoney, Ned & Kim Steinke

Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm

Secretary's Report: Stan Gaus moved to accept the September report, Willie Wilhoite seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Brian Koressel moved to accept the September report, Willie Wilhoite seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

The board discussed logistics of handling digital payments for club dues and activities.

Activities: The board discussed the upcoming events at Mount Washington, Cars & Coffee, Railway, and Corydon.

Membership: The board discussed upcoming dues. New membership recruits continue to rise thanks to Carol Bass!

Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report.

Sidelight: The new printing of The

Sidelight still has a few adjustments to make for ease of handling at the Post Office.

Website: Nothing new to report.

Facebook Page: Willie Wilhoite reported increased activity on the Facebook page.

Old Business: Kim Steinke reported that we have started our 14-day trial for the text messaging notification system for the club. The board discussed the logistics of who will be responsible for sending messages and for maintaining the system.

The board discussed the upcoming awards and elections meeting and the call for new board members.

New Business: A motion to close the meeting was made by Brian Koressel and seconded by Willie Wilhoite. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm. The next meeting will be held at the clubhouse on Nov 17 at 6:30 pm.

KYANA COMMUNITY

With sadness we report the passing of **Darlene (Mary) Douglas**, wife of Roy Douglas and **Harvey Russel Gay**, the husband of Joanne Gay in October. Both families joined KYANA in 2024. Our sympathies to both Roy and Joanne on their loss. KYANA sent a peace lily to both families.

We are saddened to also report the loss of **Joe Nizzi** in May. Our sympathies to his wife, Linda. Please welcome **Chester Robertson** back - he is continuing to recover from illness but has resumed many activities. Please keep all those who are dealing with loss, illness or loneliness this holiday season in your thoughts and prayers. Share a smile or hug and make a difference to someone.



Nancy Ray

You know that KYANA Car Club sends flowers when a member passes away? Did you know the club will send a nice fruit basket when you are released if you or your spouse is hospitalized (minimum 2 days inpatient)? Please let me know when these events occur so I can ensure they are sent. If you are aware of a member dealing with illness, surgery, or the loss of a family member, please don't hesitate to contact Nancy Ray at (502) 931-9433 via text or phone call.

VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

VETERANS DAY PARADE

When: November 8, 2025

Where: DOWNTOWN

Market St. in NULU

11am

Please let Chester Robinson know if you are coming!

Phone: 502-619-2916





Drop off a New Toy on
Saturday, November 15, 2025
Between 9:00am - 11:00am



Kyana Club House
3821 Hunsinger Lane
Louisville, Ky 40220

Questions contact: Maureen Vannatta - 502-931-2173

Free breakfast to the first 100

Sponsored by:

Kyana Charities



KYANA REGION AWARDS & ELECTION MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd

WHEN: Sunday November 23, 2025

Social Hour 1-2PM

Meal served promptly at 2pm

WHERE: KYANA Clubhouse

3821 Hunsinger Lane, Louisville, KY.

MENU: Crackel Barrel Fried Fish or
Chicken Fried Chicken, sides & dessert



\$10 per member

THIS IS A MEMBERS ONLY EVENT

PLEASE SEND A CHECK FOR \$10 PER MEMBER TO

BEV FOSTER

P.O. BOX 238

FAIRDALE, KY 40118

PLEASE CALL BEV AT 502-415-1236 WITH QUESTIONS OR TO LET
HER KNOW YOU HAVE PUT CHECK IN THE MAIL. THE LAST DAY
TO REGISTER IS NOVEMBER 15TH. AFTER THAT DATE, PLEASE
CALL TO SEE IF DINNER IS AVAILABLE

AACA and KYANA Membership Renewals

It's that time of year again for us to renew our memberships with both AACA and KYANA!

There are a few different ways to renew this year. Both AACA and KYANA have the option to renew online, as well as paying by mail.

If paying by mail, please submit a single payment of \$55 to cover both KYANA Region and AACA National dues to Secretary Alex Wilkins at the address below. The club will submit all dues on behalf of the region.

Alex Wilkins

2520 Corydon-New Middletown Rd SE

Corydon, IN 47112

There is also the option to pay all dues online. AACA National dues can be renewed through the website link below:

<https://members.aaca.org/membership/ReNewMembership.php>

If you receive email from AACA, you will have received an email titled "2026 Membership Renewal Time," with a direct link to this page.

You can also pay your KYANA dues through the "Join/Renew" section of the KYANA website.

<https://kyanaregionaaca.org/>

Please note that if you received a complimentary AACA Membership form on or after Sept 1, 2024, then you will need to renew both AACA and KYANA memberships for 2026.

If you have received a Complimentary AACA Membership form and paid your local KYANA dues on or after Sept 1, 2025, then you are considered paid up for the 2026 membership year. You do not need to submit any forms.

If you take the option to pay and renew everything online, please also send in the renewal form to Alex Wilkins if there are any changes to your address, contact information, or antique cars that you would like published in the roster.

Regardless of the option that you use, dues must be *received* (not postmarked) before December 1, 2025.



KYANA Region Dues & Roster Information

Dues must be received before December 1

If you have a change in address, etc, from last year, please check the box next to that info so we can make the change to the membership list that goes to AACA and the roster.

☐ Member

Names: _____

☐ Street

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____

☐ Mobile

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Year Joined KYANA: _____

AACA No.: _____

☐ Antique Cars Owned: _____

☐ Sidelight Mailing Preference: ☐ Email

☐ Paper

Check one box below for your payment method:

☐ Option 1: I'm paying AACA and KYANA dues to KYANA

☐ Option 2 - I'm paying my dues online

AACA Dues =	\$45
KYANA Dues =	\$10
Total Owed =	\$55

AACA Dues =	Paid online (\$45)
KYANA Dues =	Paid online (\$10)
Total Owed =	\$0

Make all checks payable to **KYANA** and mail with this form to:

Alex Wilkins, Secretary
2520 Corydon-New Middletown Rd SE
Corydon, IN 47112

KYANA ELECTIONS NOVEMBER 23rd

CANDIDATE RESUMES & STATEMENTS

KYANA Region President:

There is one candidate for this position

MARK KUBANCIK

Pat and I have been KYANA members since 2005. We enjoy the many activities and benefits available to us as KYANA members and enjoy the company of the many friends we have made in the Club. I began serving you as the KYANA Region Secretary late in 2010 and assumed the role of Region President in January of 2022. I've been honored and humbled by the many kind words you have shared with me as your club President.

Your club is blessed to be supported by a dedicated group of board members and volunteer service providers. These talented folks make my job as President easy.

Should I be fortunate to be reelected to another term as President, I would like to set forth a couple specific goals:

- 1) Help our many new members get acquainted and get involved,
- 2) With our new members come new perspectives and new ideas.

My goal as President is to foster an environment where all members, both new and tenured, feel free to offer their suggestions and opinions and are provided the tools to take any necessary action.

It is a pleasure to serve such a great Club that returns so much back to its members and the community. Your thoughtful vote for me as President is very much appreciated and valued.

KYANA Region Vice-President:

There is one candidate for this position

CHESTER ROBERTSON

I am running for your VP to urge you to get your antique buggies out and have lots of fellowship with your Kyana friends in the coming year. I have served on our KYANA board for thirty-eight years in each of the board positions several times each. The most exciting job is that of being your VP, helping plan the activities for the year. We need your help to lead and plan new activities for the new year. This would be a great year to be a chairperson of an event. I ask for your vote and help to make 2026 an excellent year for KYANA.

KYANA Region Secretary:

There is one candidate for this position

CAROL BASS

My name is Carol Bass, and I am enthusiastically running for the position of Secretary on the KYANA Region Board. I have been a dedicated member of KYANA since 2015, and during that time, I have actively contributed to our club through a wide range of responsibilities. My involvement has spanned numerous successful activities, including the Ford LAP Plant tour, Clubhouse upkeep and improvement, numerous car shows, LMPD Trunk or Treat, and LMPD National Night Out event. I have also been instrumental in co-sponsoring a variety of memorable club events over the years, including: the KYANA Charities Labor Day Car Show, Bluegrass World of Wheels, Biltmore trip, the Lane Motor Museum trip

and the Graceland trip.

Since serving as Membership Chair, I understand the importance of organization and efficient communication, skills honed through my career.

Since 1994, I have successfully operated my own data entry business, a venture that has grown to be very successful. This experience has instilled in me a strong work ethic, attention to detail, and the ability to manage complex information. In recent years, my commitment to KYANA has deepened. I readily stepped into the role of Membership Chairman following the passing of our esteemed Ken Martin. I am proud to report that since assuming this position, I have successfully recruited 189 new members, demonstrating my dedication to growing our community. If elected as Secretary, I see a significant opportunity to enhance our club's operations. By consolidating the duties of Membership Chairman with the role of Secretary, I can streamline processes, improve efficiency, and ensure that vital membership information is meticulously managed and readily accessible. I am passionate about KYANA and believe my proven dedication, organizational skills, and commitment to growth make me an ideal candidate for Secretary. I am eager to bring my energy and experience to the Board and continue serving our members. Thank you for your consideration.

KYANA Region Treasurer:

There is one candidate for this position

SHAWN McDONALD

I would like your consideration to return as Treasurer of our KYANA auto club. I joined the club during the fun of 2020 and have been blessed to attend several events where I have been able to meet my fellow club members and learn their stories. Thank you for your support so I can continue to serve as the club Treasurer.

KYANA Region Director:

There are 3 candidates for 2 positions

STAN GAUS

My name is Stan Gaus, and I am interested in running for the KYANA board of director's position. I am currently serving on the board and am willing to continue to serve if elected.

My wife Jeanne and I joined the KYANA car club in 2019. I have held many leadership positions in both work and church. I retired this year as the VP of Projects at Vogt Power International and am currently a deacon at Shelby Christian Church in Shelbyville. As VP of Projects, I was responsible for managing project teams to supply major equipment to utilities worth several million dollars. In my church I have previously served as elder, treasurer and frequently lead SS classes or small groups. Whether you vote for me or not, I would be happy to speak with you sometime about your story.

Thanks in advance for your vote.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP AND SEND IN YOUR CHECK FOR THE AWARDS AND ELECTIONS DINNER ON NOVEMBER 23RD. DETAILS ARE ON PAGE 8.

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS NOVEMBER 15TH

KYANA Region Director:

There are 3 candidates for 2 positions

REAGAN LANUM

I am a proud and active member of the KYANA Region of the AACA, having been involved since 2024 with my 1960 Ford Thunderbird. Alongside my passion for automotive history and preservation, I have had the privilege of sponsoring two KYANA events, supporting the growth and engagement of our region's classic car community.

I recently graduated from high school in May 2025 and am currently pursuing a Finance degree at Indiana University Southeast. My current coursework is providing me with a solid foundation in financial planning and organizational management skills I am eager to bring to the Board. Additionally, I completed Leadership Southern Indiana's NEXGEN program, a youth leadership initiative that enhanced my communication, teamwork, and project management abilities.

My goal is to bridge generations within our club and raise KYANA's visibility among younger audiences, ensuring that our shared passion and legacy continue to thrive. I would be honored to have your support and the opportunity to serve this incredible organization.

NED STEINKE

As a lifetime car lover, Ned's 40+ year professional career centered around cars in the auto repair industry as a service advisor, service manager, and parts manager in independent repair facilities and early in his career, at dealerships.

He is retired and is enjoying having time to work on his '55 Hudson Metropolitan and '58&'59 AMC Ramblers. His wife, Kim is also retired. They have two children, Nathan (Bridget) and Natalie (Brian). Nathan is also a KYANA member!

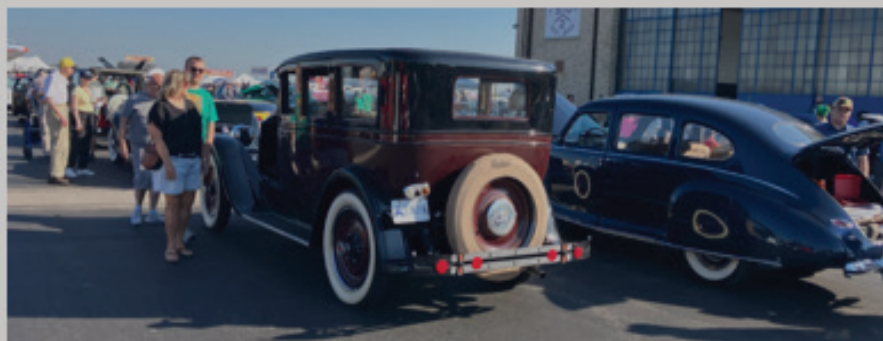
Ned is enthusiastic about KYANA and helped start the monthly Cars & Coffee at the KYANA Clubhouse and has worked the Car Corral at the Swap Meet the last two years.

He continues to look for ways to serve and help KYANA grow, and as a member of the board would continue to help KYANA in every way he can.

KENTUCKY RAILWAY MUSEUM CAR SHOW
Saturday, October 18th



BOWMAN AIRFIELD SHOW



Airplanes, Classic
Cars & Sunshine.
The perfect day!



HOOSIER KNOBS CAR CLUB ANNUAL CAR SHOW DOWNTOWN CORYDON, INDIANA SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

The weather started less than ideal in the early morning with light misting, but as the day went on, conditions improved, the sun came out, and brought some much-needed warmth. At its peak, the show featured around 50 cars, including about 10 from the British Sports Car Club, and 4 cars from KYANA. The KYANA members in attendance were Steve Clark, Reagan Lanum, Darrell Graham, and Fred Shearer.

This event also marked the final show for the Hoosier Knobs Car Club, which has proudly hosted it annually since 1985, and it also marked the final event for the Hoosier Knobs Car Club as they are disbanding at the end of the year.





KYSWAP
KYANA SWAP MEET
LARGEST INDOOR
SWAP MEET

59th YEAR - SINCE 1965

March 21 - 22, 2026

KY State Fair & Exposition Center

937 Phillips Lane

Louisville, KY 40209

Saturday – 8:00am – 6:00pm

Sunday – 8:00 – 4:00pm



Admission - \$10.00 per day
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Room for over 1140 Vendors under one roof

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Corner Space - (10x20) - \$130.00

Carpeted Space - (10x10) - \$60.00

100 Space Outside Car Corral

Contact: Ned Steinke

502-836-2961

\$50.00 per space



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ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Hosted by: Brian and Shelly Koressel

When: Sunday, December 7th, 2025

Time: 1:00 p.m. Social Hour with **Cash Bar**

2:00 p.m. Dinner Served

Where: Big Spring Country Club

5901 Dutchman Lane

Louisville, Kentucky 40205



This year the cost will be \$20.00 per person, this is non-refundable.

If you send in your money for reservation, but don't attend, your money will not be refunded.

**Money (\$20.00) per person needs to be received by
Friday, November, 28th 2025.**

Send Money to: Shelly Koressel, PO Box 206214, Louisville, KY 40250,

Make checks payable to Kyana, and if you have any questions

call me 502-724-5040.

As in prior years, we want to again help with donations for
Louisville's Ronald McDonald House.

Last year, the response was SENSATIONAL! Please, let's try to equal or exceed the giving. We would encourage 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. They always need cleaning supplies (dishwasher detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, liquid bleach, glass cleaner, laundry detergent, and garbage bags – (10, 13, 30, and 55 gallons).

This is a time for members to wear their holiday finery. As a reminder, since the venue is located at the Country Club and not our clubhouse, it's essential to abide by their dress code for a holiday event. Ladies, please wear something nice, like a dress or dress pants. Men are also advised to wear dress pants, with a dress shirt, and a sport coat (ties optional). **No blue jeans, overalls, shorts,**

Christmas music will be provided again from the Shepherdsville Highway 44 Country Music Show, Pat Portman. We will be taking up donations again this year for her services. We are so happy to have her again this year!

THREE of the EARLIEST AMERICAN CARS by Steve Lippmann

A French Cugnot steam-drive, carriage of 1771, might have been the world's first powered vehicle. In the 1800s, there were many developments toward making automobiles —initially often by adapting self-propelled bicycles. Steam-powered boats had emerged in France in 1783. Bigger steamships followed using this new technology. Steamboat service by Robert Fulton's Clermont began on the Hudson River in 1807. Steam locomotives had already been greatly improved, powerful, and well established in the rapidly expanding railroads. Subsequently, many people hand-built 2-, 3-, 4-, or more-wheeled versions of self-propelled conveyances. They used external-combustion steam engines, electric motors, or internal-combustion engines. In many countries, there were already numerous self-propelled bicycles, carriages, intercity buses, wagons, and the velocipede, a charcoal-fired steam bike.

Philadelphia's steam-dredge of 1805 is the first, well-known powered land vehicle in this country. Steam engines and electric motors were often selected for the propulsion of early vehicles. Besides gasoline, internal combustion engines in these early automotive days often used other fuels, including ethanol, kerosene, benzene, ammonia, and hydrogen gas.

(interesting nowadays again), coal gas, and coal dust (shared use of diesel came later). While many automotive factories and car shops emerged beginning in the late 1800s

and very early 1900s, Duryea, Ford, and Olds are among the names most prominently associated with making the very earliest of these cars in the U.S.A.



In 1893, Charles and Frank Duryea built and drove their initial car on the roads of Springfield, MA.

The brothers had previously been bicycle-builders. They added an internal combustion gasoline engine to a second-hand, conventional horse-drawn buggy. It heralded Duryea vehicles as the first successful piston-engine automobiles in this country. By 1896, they started the Duryea Motor Wagon Company, which became America's first company to produce and market automobiles. They used a German design guidance from a Karl Benz 1886 patent description. These events generally marked the launch of the horseless carriage business, which then became a significant part of the future industry and society here and elsewhere.

Power was provided by a 4 horsepower, single cylinder engine fed by a spray carburetor. People in Massachusetts were excited about this vehicle. Thus, the Duryea Brothers demonstrated it at several exhibitions and raced it. It came in first place in the first-ever US automobile race in 1895 and continued racing even in England. Subsequently, it was soon put into storage, where it reportedly stayed until 1920. The car was then given to the United States National Museum (of the Smithsonian

system). It was restored to its original condition in 1958 and is on display at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI.

Apparently, the Duryea Motor Wagon Company manufactured about 15 copies of this car in Chicopee, MA by 1896. It is said that these Duryea cars were the most popular US vehicles of this era. Their initial 10 cars were reportedly the first sold in this country and were advertised in print media. They even produced an armored version and, by 1905, had made about 60 cars a year, many of them in Pennsylvania. However, Duryea ceased production in 1917; an initial attempt at a reemergence was not successful.



In 1896, Henry Ford built his first automobile in Detroit. He was a kind of combination inventor, engineer, and a mechanic. The

car was called the Quadricycle, and it was basically a wood frame with four spoked bicycle wheels having pneumatic tires and powered by a two-cylinder, ethanol-internal combustion engine. Henry Ford reportedly had initially preferred alcohol as an automotive fuel. Output might have yielded 4 horsepower by a chain drive to the rear wheels and propel the car up to 20 miles per hour. A couple of years later he founded the Detroit Automobile Company, later the Henry Ford Company, and finally the Ford Motor Company by 1903. With his mechanical expertise, he was and became an automotive icon in this

country and around the world.

A tiller steered the Quadricycle; the transmission had two forward speeds but no reverse. Seating was a buggy seat, and the fuel tank was underneath. There were no brakes, and a doorbell was the traffic warning system. Mr. Ford had been building and experimenting with this car for a long time, and he was an innovator in the horseless carriage era that lasted well beyond. Some mechanical problems with the ignition system compromised that first official trial run, but it was soon fixed for the drive back home.

This Quadricycle automobile is on display at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, MI. Not satisfied with this version, Henry Ford rebuilt the Quadricycle into a better version over the next few months. Together with some associates, he replaced wooden parts with metal, added an engine cooling system, and attached more robust wheels. Much of the remaining Ford story is our common car history; their cars have retained a prominent automotive position ever since here and in many other countries.

In 1897, Ransom E. Olds began automotive marketing in Lansing, MI with the Olds Motor Vehicle Company. Merging with Olds Gas Engine Works resulted in Detroit's Olds Motor Works. Their automobiles were called Olds automobiles - then just "Oldsmobiles." They produced hundreds of cars by 1901 and were then the most numerous internal-combustion gasoline-powered vehicles in this country. John and Horace Dodge made transmissions and many other Oldsmobile automobile parts (and also for Ford).

In Spring 1901, the factory burned

down; the cars were ruined. Insurance funded the rebuilding and was aided by the Dodge brothers and Henry K. Leland for engine manufacture. The only undamaged vehicle was a prototype of their future very successful automobile. That famous early Olds car was the Model R, also known as the Curved Dash Oldsmobile. Between 1902 - 1907, on their famous assembly line, the Curve Dash was the first car type to be mass-produced; Mr. Olds learned this production technique from Chicago meat-packing facilities (Henry Ford greatly improved the process in 1913, with the moving assembly line). The 1905 hit song "In My Merry Oldsmobile" popularized this car, so much so that Oldsmobiles were number one in US auto sales.

The initial Curved Dash had a mid-chassis-mounted, one-cylinder, 5-horsepower water-cooled engine with a gravity-fed brass carburetor. It was a two-seater, tiller-steered, with a two-speed transmission and a reverse gear. A better two-cylinder engine, cooling system, and brakes were added over time. Production peaked at 19,000 vehicles. Disputes over quality control in 1904 led Mr. Olds to leave the firm and found the REO Motor Car Company. The last Curved Dash automobile was made in 1907. Oldsmobiles remained a popular brand, but the manufacturer ceased operations in 2004.

LIGHT UP LOUISVILLE PARADE DECEMBER 6TH

KYANA is sponsoring the Light Up Louisville Parade event on Saturday, December 6, 2025. We will again support the Marine Corps Reserves and Toys for Tots this year. The parade is in downtown Louisville on the

evening of Saturday, December 6th.
Note the new date.



KYANA is looking for cars to participate in the parade. This is always a fun event. Once the

parade gets started, it proceeds at a steady pace. It is great to see the people lining the streets enjoying seeing our cars in the parade

If you would like to join us, contact Alan Vannatta at (502)445-3810 and let me know what automobile you will be driving. We will look forward to seeing you.

Alan Vannatta

Light Up Louisville Parade chairperson

KYANA EVENTS for 2025 - 2026

DATE	EVENT	SPONSOR
September 1	KYANA Open Car Show	Jerry & Carol Bass
September 6	Howard Steamboat Museum Car Show	Reagan Lanum
September 14	KYANA Members' Picnic	Pat Kubancik
September 19	Louisville East Post Acute Car Display	Mark Kubancik
September 20	Cars & Coffee at KYANA Clubhouse	Ned Steinke
September 21-22	KYANA trip to Memphis TN, Graceland	Jerry & Carol Bass
September 26	VIVERA Senior Living Car Display	Mark Kubancik
September 27	St. Francis in the Fields Car Show	Steve Lippmann
October 4-5	Bowmanfest	Chris Mueller
October 7-10	AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA	
October 17	Mt. Washington Police Foundation Car Show	Will Willhoite
October 18	Kentucky Railway Museum Car Show	Neil White
October 18	Cars & Coffee at KYANA Clubhouse	Nathan Steinke
October 19	Hoosier Knobs Car Club Annual Show, Corydon	Reagan Lanum
October 19	LMPD Trunk or Treat	Jerry & Carol Bass
November	Veteran's Day Parade	Chester Robinson
November 15	TOYS for TOTS Drive & Breakfast	Alan & Maureen
November 23	Awards & Elections Meeting	Beverly Foster
December 6	Light Up Louisville Parade	Alan Vannatta
December 7	Adult Christmas Party	Brian & Shelly Koressel
December 20	Children's Christmas Party	Kubancik & McCarty Families
December 20	Christmas Country Music Show	Brian & Ruth Hill
	2026	
February 5-7	AACA Annual Convention/National Awards Chantilly, VA	
March 26-28	AACA Winter Nationals, Cartersville, GA	Lake Allatoona Region
April 9-11	AACA Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC	Hornets Nest Region
May 28-30	AACA Eastern Spring Nationals, Indiana, PA	Shannock Valley Region
June 11-13	AACA Southeastern Fall Nationals, Oak Ridge, TN	Volunteer Region
July 23-25	AACA Central Spring Nationals, Green Bay, WI	
August 19-22	AACA Annual Grand Nationals/Zenith Awards, Allentown, PA	
September 9-14	AACA Founders Tour (1932-2001) Williamsburg, VA	Historic VA Peninsula Region
October 6-9	AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA	

AREA CAR SHOWS & EVENTS

1st Saturday of the month:

Fante's Cars & Coffee

2501 Grinstead Drive 40206

April – November 8am – noon Free

2nd Saturday of the month:

Captain's Quarters Cars & Coffee

5700 Captain's Quarters Rd.

8 am -10 am (usually goes longer)

\$5 donation per car goes to a charity

3rd Saturday of the month

KYANA Cars & Coffee

3821 Hunsinger Lane 40220

Cruisin' Bud's Tavern

Hosted by the Falls City Corvette Club 4 pm-8 pm

Bud's Tavern, 9119 Galene Drive, J'Town KY \$5 donation per car

4th Saturday of the month

Louisville Cars & Coffee

Cox Park

It was a great first season for the KYANA Cars & Coffee. If you would like to sponsor it, please let Kim & Ned Steinke know. They would love the help and there will be some Days they can't be there! Come out and join us in the Spring!



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KYANA members with
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