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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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The Sidelight is automatically delivered to all members by email each month. Anyone wishing to receive a paper copy via US mail may email her (preferred) at [sidelighteditor@gmail.com](mailto:sidelighteditor@gmail.com), or call Kim Steinke (502) 836-0154.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK



**Volunteer.** Look up the term online and there are multiple definitions from several sources. The one that best describes the focus of this message, I believe, is “a person who works for an organization without being paid”. Volunteers are the lifeblood of many of the organizations that we interact with, directly or indirectly, daily. Think about your local religious, civic, fraternal, neighborhood, and social organizations. Many would collapse and likely cease to exist if their volunteer staff decided to leave en masse. KYANA is one such social organization that thrives thanks to the enduring support of many volunteers. KYANA Region has only one paid staff person, our webmaster. He is paid on billable hours only upon our request. One of our largest expenses is for his time to upload photos to our website. Bill Willhoite has graciously volunteered to accept the challenge of learning this upload process, reducing our expenses for website maintenance.

Speaking of volunteer Bill Willhoite, he has created a new KYANA Region Facebook page that allows for greater interaction between admins, members, and non-members. If you don't already have the new page saved as a favorite search this on the web and it will take you to our new page:

**<https://www.facebook.com/kyana.472227>**

The more positive interaction non-members see on the page, the better we look to prospective members. We recently shared that our Sick & Visitation chairperson, Patsy Basham, was stepping down to deal with health issues of her own. I'm pleased to report that Nancy Ray has volunteered to fill this role. Several of our long-term members know Nancy and report she will do a great job in this role. You will find Nancy's contact info on page one of this Sidelight. If you know of a KYANA member who is hospitalized, had surgery, suffered a family loss, or simply needs prayer support, please contact Nancy.

Club members who are over-achievers when it comes to volunteering are the Bass family. As I draft this message, Carol and Jerry are hard at work preparing KYANA's display at the Bluegrass World of Wheels. That display would not exist if it were not for club members volunteering to display their vehicles at the show. Thanks to car owners Mike Brackett, Bruce Domeck, Tommy Dolson, and Ned Steinke for graciously agreeing to be part of our 2025 display.

February is when our planning for the annual KYANA swap meet shifts into high gear. Did you know that this massive, largest in the country, indoor swap meet continues year after year thanks exclusively to an all-volunteer work staff? In this Sidelight you will find opportunities to add to those volunteer hours by helping Joanna Miller sell admissions or helping yours truly staff indoor security. We expect any capable member to work at least a four-hour shift, and extra shifts are welcomed and encouraged. If you are not sure how you would like to contribute, plan to attend the Swap Meet Planning meeting on Sunday, February 23, and see where your talents and energy would best serve the swap meet.

A sincere thank you to all our KYANA volunteers!

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

## FROM THE SECRETARY ALEX WILKINS

KYANA Region Board Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2025

**Location:** KYANA Clubhouse

**KYANA Region Board Members Present:** Mark Kubancik, Chester Robertson, Shawn McDonald, Will Willhoite Present via the phone: Brian Koressel, Stan Guas, Tim Truax

**KYANA Region Members Present:** Kim Steinke

The meeting called to order at 6:45 pm by Mark Kubancik.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Chester Robertson moved to accept the November report, Brian Koressel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor. Shawn reported that expenses for maintaining our website in 2024 were substantial. Will Willhoite has volunteered to upload the pictures to the website as a cost-containment measure.

**Activities:** Chester Robertson reported that KYANA would have 4 cars in the World of Wheels car show and have members talking to people about KYANA to recruit new members. The next big event will be the January Business meeting on Sunday, January 26th at the KYANA Clubhouse. There are a few activities already planned and sponsored for 2025. Additional events will be scheduled as members come forward with events they would like to attend and sponsor. Chester reported that some events in 2024 were not well attended. The Board discussed ways to increase participation and will explore activity options with the membership.

**Membership:** Alex Wilkins was absent due to work commitments. Mark Kubancik reported for him that there was some confusion at the end of 2024 regarding dues and renewals for new members. Alex, Mark, and Carol Bass (Membership Chairperson) worked through the problems and resolved the issues. The Board will work more closely with Carol Bass in 2025, particularly during the 4th quarter of the year to make sure members are given every opportunity to renew their membership.

Clubhouse Rentals: Nothing new to report.

**Sidelight:** The paper copies of the Sidelight were mailed very late because the printer was closed between Christmas and the Monday after New Year's. The new editor was unaware of the closing and will try to prevent a reoccurrence. The snowstorm and mail delivery delays exacerbated the problem.

**Website:** Will Willhoite volunteered to upload photos to the website to keep it fresh and engaging.

**KYANA Facebook Page:** Will has had to make some changes to the page to get good engagement. He has also launched KYANA on Instagram.

**Old Business:**

**Sick & Visitation:** Nancy Ray has volunteered to be the new point of contact.

**New Business:**

Kim Steinke is working on the Membership roster. The Board wants to publish a 2025 version with a target distribution availability date of late February at the swap meet planning meeting. It will be updated and reprinted every other year in the future. Kim will be available at the Business Meeting on January 26th to take member pictures.

The next meeting date will be February 4th at 6:30 pm

Will Willhoite moved to close the meeting and Shawn McDonald seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

## KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON



Can you believe in January KYANA has already scheduled two events for this month? We have been a part of the World of Wheels Custom Car Show again this year. This show is a great advertisement for the KYANA Swap Meet just a few weeks away. This event exposes the name KYANA to the younger generations viewing the special cars at the show. January 26<sup>th</sup> is our annual planning meeting. I hope to report next month a record turnout of members who came with great ideas of events they want to sponsor and participate in – and a calendar of diverse activities you can participate in with your car.

The Derby Dinner Playhouse is a great time for our members to get out despite the cold and gloomy weather, visit, and enjoy a meal and play. Call Alethea and maybe get a seat for the 15th of February.

On the 23rd of February, we have the most important meeting of the year, the KYANA SWAP MEET BUSINESS MEETING. Directions are given, questions are answered and all last-minute preparations are made. The chairpersons will complete their worker list and give assignments of times and places to work. The workers can sign up for their usual jobs or try something new. The jobs can range up to 5 hours. The most important reason to come out is to pick up your PARKING PASS. This pass lets you come and go all weekend. A new elite food caterer will make their first showing at the Ole KYANA Home for this meeting. You don't want to miss it!

Please make plans to work and shop all weekend on March 7,8,9, 2025.

- Chester

## PRAYERS

- Tim Truax is recovering from successful knee replacement surgery.
- Condolences to Barb and Ernie Jones on the passing of Barb's mother.
- Continue to pray for Terry Craven and Janet Hoehler on the passing of their spouses, Rosie and Steve, respectively.

KYANA has a new point of contact for our sick & visitation ministry. Nancy Ray has graciously volunteered to assume chairperson duties following Patsy Basham's request to step down to attend to her health issues. If you know of a KYANA member dealing with illness, surgery, or a family loss, please contact Nance Ray at 502.931.9433 (call or text).

**WE NEED YOU!**

### **KYANA Swap Meet Volunteers Needed!**

KYANA's annual Swap Meet in March only succeeds thanks to our many member volunteers. The two functions with the most need are for admission sales at entry doors and security monitoring at the remaining entrance and exit doors at the KEC. **We need volunteers to work at the Swap Meet.**

Admission sales have a variety of shifts available Friday afternoon, all day Saturday, and Sunday morning. Joanna Miller will again be scheduling volunteers for admission sales. If you work on Joanna's team, you will be selling admission wristbands, ensuring attendees wear the wristbands, and checking those that walk in are wearing their wristband.

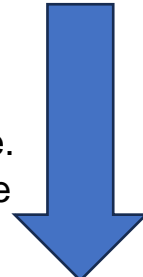
Security volunteers will be assigned a four or five-hour shift and a door to monitor. Door monitors check people entering that door and ensure they have the proper wristband to enter. You are provided a comfortable chair while performing this task. We monitor doors Friday afternoon, all-day Saturday (with morning and afternoon shifts available Saturday), and Sunday morning. Mark Kubancik will again be scheduling security volunteers.

Your requests to work admission sales or door security will be recorded at the Swap Meet Planning Meeting in February. If you will be unable to attend this meeting but want to volunteer or have a specific request for a particular date or time, please feel free to contact Joanna or Mark before the meeting:

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Joanna Miller  
Phone: (502) 321-5699  
email: [rem120948@yahoo.com](mailto:rem120948@yahoo.com)

We need your help to get the  
Swap Meet across the finish line.  
Please volunteer! Sign up for the  
meeting below and volunteer!



### **KYSWAP SWAP MEET PLANNING MEETING**



**WHO:** All Members, Pre-Members, *especially* those who have not signed up for a shift/work assignment at the Swap Meet

**WHEN:** February 23, 2025, 2:00 PM  
Social Hour 1 pm, meeting begins at 2:00 pm

**WHERE:** KYANA Home

Please send an \$8.00 per member for dinner  
check payable to KYANA & mail to:

Morgan Howard  
[5408 St. Gabriel Lane](#)  
[Louisville, Ky 40291](#)

502-553-4413

Deadline Feb. 15, 2025



# KYANA SWAP MEET LARGEST INDOOR SWAP MEET



**58<sup>th</sup> 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**

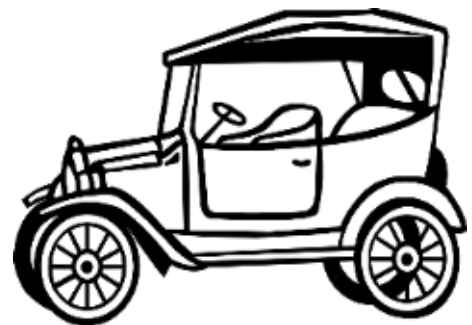
**Broadbent – 4 available**

**Carpeted Rooms – 10' x 10' – 36 available**

**If you know of someone who may want spaces please have them give me  
a call at 502-619-2917**

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!**





## DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE

### KYANA AT DERBY DINNER PLAYHOUSE LOVE, LIES & THE LOTTERY SATURDAY, FEB 15, 2025

Doors are open at 6:00 PM Overtures Pre-Show at 7:15 PM Main Show Begins at 7:45 PM

Please arrive early to check in with me if you want 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

**Members Pay:** \$23.00 per person

**Non-Member Pay:** \$46.00 per person

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

Alethea Hayes  
199 Mudd Lane  
Fisherville, KY 40023



## TANKS OF WORLD WAR ONE (and some of their current legacy)

Submitted by Steve Lippmann

Tanks first emerged on battlefronts during World War I. They were the earliest, modern form of armored vehicle, as an innovation to overcome the disastrously high, attritional-death-rate trench-warfare that was static on the Western Front. The intent was to provide crew protection, deliver more firepower, overwhelm enemy troops, and traverse inhospitable terrain. The first tanks were unreliable and cumbersome. While yielding small arms or shrapnel safety, they were vulnerable to war-related artillery, mortar fire, and even machine guns; yet, they were improved over time during the fighting. How did it all get started? Soldiers have sought protection from their enemies since the beginning of time (e.g., using shields or wearing armor, etc.). By the 1800s wheeled, steam-powered tractors were equipped with guns, but they were not too successful. By the very early 1900s so-called "Chain-tracked" tractors were being developed. Armies all over the world were experimenting with armored car-like vehicles even before WW I; the French army was one of the earliest to mount a canon on them. These did fine on roads but not well on soft or wet areas and at crossing obstacles. Several countries experimented with heavily armored gun tractors, but the initial versions were too slow and not effective.

Prototypes of steam and other power source armor-protected tractors were increasingly being tested. By 1911, British and French engineers began copying a caterpillar-tracked tractor observed in Belgium. One Austro-Hungarian Army version included a main gun mounted in a rotating turret. Over time these developments later led to the first more practical tanks that were heavily armored, powerfully cannon-equipped, and could drive across difficult grounds.

Already, in 1914-1915, Great Britain experimented with tank prototypes. The British Army is credited with being the first to field their initial introduction into military conflicts. They were called "tanks" to keep their production secret; workers initially were told that they were "mobile water tanks" for desert warfare. In 1916, a practical version, the Mark I, was battlefield-tested by the British Army. In addition to two side-mounted main guns, they had two machine-gunned versions. Its long rhomboid-caterpillar track-all-around shape, theoretically allowed it to cross trenches or counter obstacles. Transportation from Britain to France was shrouded in secrecy.

Too quickly rushed into the Battle of the Somme, many of these tanks were not usable; only nine out of 49 reached a tactical advantage. British authorities admitted that they were unreliable, sluggish, often got stuck, but did negotiate terrain with trenches and some reached defended German lines. Nevertheless, they yielded no strategic breakthrough.

Winston Churchill was instrumental during WW I at encouraging more upgraded models; that trend has continued well-beyond, up to the present day. He advocated for an armored troop transporter for the Royal Navy. The Mark IV version was Britain's most successful WW I tank and hundreds of them were entered in combat. Reportedly, its first battle-tested application initially induced

panic among German soldiers. Military use of tanks then began to revolutionize ground warfare; their design also led to the development of armored personnel carrier vehicles.

France developed their first tanks in 1917, called Saint-Chamond or Schneider; they were suboptimal in mobility as armed fighting vehicles, especially limited at trench-crossing. Their 75mmgun, however, was the most powerful vehicle-mounted antitank weapon operational for the next couple of



decades. These two tanks were replaced by a better-designed, Renault – a light tank. Also tracked, it was considered to be the first modern tank, with an armament-mounted, fully rotating gun-turret (360°), rear engine, and was smaller, thus more mobile. They fabricated more of these tanks than all other nations combined. A fourth tank, the Char (French for = tank) 2C,



the was produced too late in that war to participate much in the conflict. French manufacture of armored vehicle expertise continued well into the 1930s.

Germany was late at utilizing tank technology, but in 1917, they introduced their so-called



Sturmpanzerwagen (German for = storm tank vehicle). It had one cannon, eight machine guns, but was only produced in very small volume. Not having many tanks themselves but being assaulted by British and French versions, the German army instead fielded a purpose-made, effective antitank rifle with powerful impact. After having lost WW I, the German engineering industry began developing new, outstanding tanks with excellent designs. Called

panzers, they evidenced improved fighting capacity, especially early in WW II and also some very famous, powerful examples near the end of that conflict (e.g., Panthers and Tigers).

Early estimates about tank usage effectiveness in WWI ended up being militarily exaggerated. Function was globally inadequate tactically and crew safety was grossly deficient with dangerously poor ventilation and way too thin armor. Being slow they were also vulnerable to grenade attacks by infantrymen. Field commanders were often more familiar with horse cavalry tactics than with appropriate ways of committing armor to battle. Tanks did not have a strategic impact on the WWI outcome; their value was recognized and then augmented much more after that war.

During World War II tanks had a major role in fighting. For all armies, these machines were much more effective. German blitzkrieg techniques utilized tanks to great advantage early in WWII. Massive tank battles were fought in North Africa and on the Eastern and Western fronts later in this war, with many thousands of heavy armored vehicles participations, and also huge losses by both sides.

Tank warfare remained common in subsequent wars, most famously in the Middle East and Asia. They have also been used in non-combat, civilian rebellion suppression, and at crowd control. Much like during the Vietnam and Afghanistan Wars, the advent of powerful ammunition and precision-guided anti-tank missiles, the supremacy of tank deployment has gradually diminished. The introduction of drone warfare nowadays has further and very dramatically limited the utility of tanks. In fact, while tanks – propagandized as “game-changers” – and utilized a lot in the ongoing Russia War, they have not yielded a decisive effect. Even the most expensive, modern well-equipped, and heavily armored current types are devastatingly vulnerable to low-cost drone attack. The future role of tanks remains unknown.

## 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](mailto:Tommc204@gmail.com) or Text: 502-649-7421**

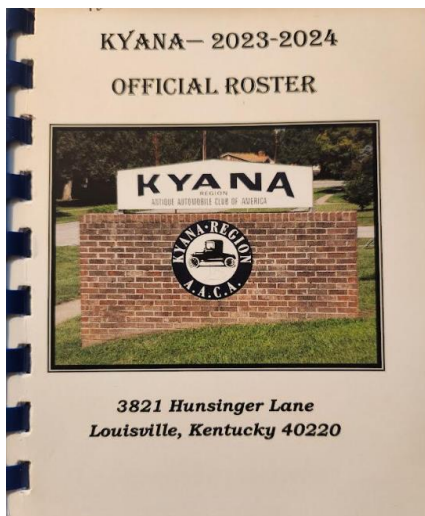


When placing your order include the stock number of the garment, description (Polo, Hoodie, T-shirt), color, and size. To view apparel and color choices go to [SANMAR.com](http://SANMAR.com), and search for 8000 (t-shirt), CS410, CS418 (Polos), 18000 (Sweatshirts), 18500 (Hoodie), 18600 (Zippered Hoodie).

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

## KYANA OFFICIAL ROSTER



Do you recognize this handy little book? We will update it again this year, but then it will stand until 2027. Please check your entry to ensure the address, phone numbers, and car list are current. Please send changes/corrections to [sidelighteditor@gmail.com](mailto:sidelighteditor@gmail.com) by February 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you would like a new photo included, email it, too. Or we will be set up before and after the business meeting to take photos.

-Kim Steinke

**KYANA EVENTS FOR 2025**

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