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[sidelighteditor@gmail.com](mailto:sidelighteditor@gmail.com).

## FROM THE PRESIDENT MARK KUBANCIK



Is it really *that* time again? The most wonderful time of the year? As I write this article the local weather forecast is calling for several days near 80 degrees. Yet, when you read this edition of The Sidelight, you will find several opportunities to don your favorite ugly Christmas sweater and celebrate the holiday season. Toys for Tots breakfast, Light Up Louisville parade, both adult and children's Christmas parties, and the Christmas Country Music Show are all detailed in this Sidelight. Make your plans now to celebrate the holidays with your KYANA family.

If you are a new KYANA member and are uncertain about attending these or any other club event, please contact Membership chair Carol Bass. You will find Carol's number on the first page of The Sidelight. Carol will explain how the event works and answer any questions about attending, including any event dress code if appropriate. I'd like to make a shameless plug for the children's Christmas party hosted by the Bass, Kubancik, and McCarty families. This event is open for both children and grandchildren, so consider attending if kids are part of your life. Carol, Dee Dee, and my wife Pat invest a lot of time planning holiday crafts for the kids and we have already sent notice to the North Pole to ensure Santa has our party on his busy schedule.

November 17 is the date for our annual awards & elections meeting. Inside this Sidelight you will find candidate biographies so please review them before the meeting and be prepared to cast your vote. November also continues our annual dues collection process. All dues must be paid by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Again, if you are a new member and have questions about if you owe dues for 2025 and how much you owe, please contact Carol Bass. Most new members paid only \$10 to join KYANA as the AACA provides membership forms for new members' first year dues. In your second year, you will likely owe \$55, which includes \$10 for KYANA and \$45 for AACA. You will find details in this Sidelight regarding payment options that include the ability to pay both KYANA and AACA electronically.

Last month I shared news regarding the KYANA Region Facebook page. I'm pleased to report that Willie Willhoite has assumed the site admin role for our page and it is now a very active page with 137 followers. If you have a



Facebook account identifiable by your name, you have likely already received an invitation from Willie to join the KYANA page. If not, or if you use a Facebook ID that is not your name, please reach out to Willie via call, text, or email (Willie's contact info is on the first page). The goal for our Facebook page is to recruit new members and add another tool to our toolkit to communicate with our existing members. Please visit the

page and give us a like! When on Facebook search for "KYANA Region of AACA" to find our page. I'd be remiss if I did not recognize and thank David Hill for creating the page many years ago, maintaining it, and graciously providing Willie the opportunity to assume the new admin role.

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

## FROM THE SECRETARY ALEX WILKINS

KYANA Region Board Meeting Minutes – October 15, 2024

**Location:** KYANA Clubhouse

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

**KYANA Region Members Present:** None

Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm

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

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

Shawn McDonald reported that the club has opened a separate account to handle expenses for the National Meet in 2025.

**Activities:** Chester Robertson reported on the upcoming events. The board discussed the upcoming awards and elections meeting.

**Membership:** Members have been sending in their dues money for renewal for the 2025 membership year.

**Clubhouse Rentals:** Nothing new to report.

**Sidelight:** Sandy Joseph will prepare the Sidelight for the November printing and will then hand over responsibility to Kim Steinke. Thank you Sandy for your work as editor!

**Website:** Stories are needed for the website.

**Old Business:** The board discussed the upcoming elections process.

A new club Facebook page has been created called the "KYANA Region of AACA." Please look it up and join!

**New Business:** The next set of tri-fold handouts that will be made will include a QR code to direct readers to the club website.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Willie Willhoite and seconded by Shawn McDonald. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm. The next meeting will be held at the clubhouse on November 12 at 6:30 pm.

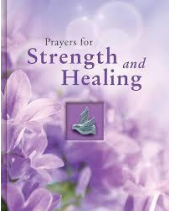
## KYANA EVENTS BY CHESTER ROBERTSON



November is here with three exciting events for you to attend! The Toys for Tots Breakfast is on the 2nd. It will feature gravy, biscuits, and many kinds of sweets. Just bring out a toy or toys to help needy kids in the area and meet old friends. The Veterans Parade is next on November 9th. The time and staging will be decided by November 2nd. Call Chester (502-619-2916) for final details or ask at the Toys for Tots event.

Come November 17th. we will select your club's leaders for 2024 and reward all members who contributed to Kyana in 2024. We are having a delicious meal hosted by Beverly Foster before the awards and elections. Please call each chairperson to get your name on their list. Looking ahead, December has four holiday events for you to enjoy. Chester

## PRAYERS



- ❖ Janet Hoehler is finally home from rehab!
- ❖ Please keep all our KYANA family members in your prayers. Many members don't come forward but still need that extra spiritual support.

Hope to see you at the Awards and Elections meeting. Happy Fall to all. Patsy

## THANK YOU

I wanted to say a great big thank you to everyone who has helped me with The Sidelight. First, thanks to Mark Kubancik for reviewing every Sidelight and providing the needed changes. Without him, there would have been many mistakes in grammar and event dates. Mark is also responsible for getting event pictures to me to put in each newsletter. Your help is greatly appreciated!! Second, thanks to Steve Lippmann who provides The Sidelight with a feature car story each month. You have helped me out so much and I love reading your articles. Thank you Chester Robertson for your monthly events articles. This allows members to review the upcoming calendar of events. Thanks to Alex Wilkins who sent me the KYANA board meeting minutes. Alex also compiles the mailing and email addresses each month. With all the newly enrolled members (thanks to Carol Bass), this has been quite the task. Also, a great big thank you to my husband for his support. There were times when I cursed and wasn't too pleasant when trying to configure a particular article. Lastly, thanks to all the KYANA members. Your kind words were truly appreciated. We have an amazing car club and I am so proud to be a member.

Sandy Joseph

## WELCOME TO THE NEW EDITOR



Sandra will tell you I tried to avoid this "introduction." My plan was to stay in the background and learn to fill her very competent shoes...

I have been married to a "motohead" (Ned) for over 44 years. We are originally from Dayton, Ohio where we helped start a chapter of POCI (Pontiac Oakland Club) back in the mid '80s. We sold the Pontiac after we moved to Louisville. We have two adult children, Nathan (Bridget) and Natalie (Brian). Nathan is also a "motohead".

Ned and I recently retired from our mainstream jobs but continue with a little business we started about 11 years ago, selling concrete yard art for an artist out of Ohio. I like to garden, read, cook, and do new things...like jump in the truck to hunt parts for cars or to look at potential cars. I don't know what we will do if we find another car because the garage is FULL!

While Ned's car passions center on the Met and the Ramblers and I drive them to shows for him, my hand itches for a 5-speed that can GO, so maybe someday we will find the right car to scratch that itch, but I'm not in any hurry because I get the most pleasure from watching him and all the other car lovers at the shows and meets and hearing their stories.

If I can help tell those stories, bring you a smile, and help you stay informed on club activities, I will be happy.

Sincerely, Kim Steinke

**PLEASE SEE THE NOMINATIONS BELOW**

**FOR OUR ELECTIONS MEETING**

**For KYANA Region President: There is one candidate for this position**

**Mark Kubancik – For President**

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.

As your President, I've worked with my fellow officers, our dedicated board of directors, and the general membership to offer and provide support for a full calendar of varied activities. Thanks to the efforts of several board members, we now offer electronic payment options for annual dues renewal as well as for new member enrollment. Thanks to the efforts of dedicated member volunteers, we have transitioned the Membership Secretary role and will soon transition to a new Sidelight Editor. We have worked with our sister organizations KYSWAP and KYANA Charities to leverage their support for our activities and aid in promoting the annual swap meet.

As we look forward to 2025, we have a stake planted in the ground in September to host an AACA national meet. Alex Wilkins has assembled a talented team to make this meet a success and I will serve as registration chairman. 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.

Mark Kubancik

**For KYANA Region Vice-President: There is one candidate for this position**

**CHESTER ROBERTSON for Vice President**

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 several times on our Kyana board for thirty-eight years in each of the board positions. The most exciting job of being your VP is 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 make 2025 a great year for Kyana.

Chester Robertson

**For KYANA Region Secretary: There is one candidate for this position**

**ALEX WILKINS for Secretary**

With so many new members joining our club this year, I am taking this opportunity to introduce myself to those whom I have not yet met. My wife, Rebecca, and I joined the club in 2015, and I started serving on the Board of Directors in 2017. I've been your secretary since 2022, and I appreciate your support in continuing that service for 2025.

Best Regards,

Alex Wilkins

For KYANA Region Treasurer: There is one candidate for this position

**SHAWN McDONALD for Treasurer**

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.

Shawn McDonald

**For KYANA Region Director: There are 2 candidates for 2 positions**

**WILLIAM "WILLIE" WILLHOIT**

My name is William Willhoite, I am a current board member of KYANA and am running for a second term. I have been a club member for 15 years and an AACA judge since 2010. I am currently working on a 1967 Lemans but have restored and sold 4 other vehicles since my involvement in classic cars.

I have run security for the swap meet for the last 10 years, you may recognize me as the money runner as well if you have ever worked any of the doors.

I have been in a leadership position in many organizations from a First Sergeant in the U.S. Army, Grenden Fields HOA, LMPD/JCSO School Resource Officers, Derby City Camaro Club (Vice President), University of Louisville Southern Police Institute (President), Knights of Columbus (Deputy Grand Knight).

My strong point on the KYANA board is to be an advocate for all members and a neutral bridge to the KYANA Charities board where I occupy a chair as well.

I rely on my experience and honesty to present my qualifications for a second term and humbly ask for your vote.

Thanks,

William K Willhoite (Willie)

**BRIAN KORESSEL**

Hi, this is Brian Koressel. I have been a board member for three years and enjoy working on the board. I enjoy trying to get benefits for our members to have more activities and further the increase of money from Charities for us to be able to travel on weekend adventures. I have been in the car club about 18 years and really enjoy being associated with other car loving members. I have the opportunity to know several people very well and feel that you're more of a family than you are just club members. I enjoy and look forward to serving you further on the board. Vote for me for board member in the November elections. I would appreciate it. Thank you so much and I hope everyone has a great year!

Brian Koressel







Drop off a New Toy on  
**Saturday, November 2, 2024**  
**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**

## VETERANS DAY PARADE



VETERANS DAY PARADE  
When: November 9, 2024  
Where: DOWNTOWN  
Detailed info available soon... call Chester!!  
Please let Chester know if you are coming!  
Phone: 502-619-2916



## AWARDS AND ELECTIONS DINNER



**AWARDS AND ELECTIONS DINNER**  
**WHEN:** Sunday, November 17, 2023 @ 2:00 PM  
**WHERE:** At the Ole KYANA Home  
Please send \$8.00 per member to:  
Beverly Foster  
P. O. Box 238  
Fairdale, KY 40118  
Phone: 502-415-1236

**The last day to register is Tuesday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> by mail.**  
Must call after that date to see if dinner is available.  
This is a member's only event!

## AND THE WINNER IS.....

David Hill was the winner of the mystery tool. He correctly identified it as a wheel puller for a Model T.

## LIGHT UP LOUISVILLE



KYANA is sponsoring the Light Up Louisville Parade event on Saturday, December 7, 2024. 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 7th. 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. The kids really appreciate it if you throw candy from your old car.

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.

Thanks,

Alan Vannatta

Light Up Louisville Parade chairperson

## Adult Christmas Dinner Party!!



Hosted by: Brian and Shelly Koressel

**Sunday, December 8th, 202**

Big Spring Country Club

5901 Dutchman Lane

Louisville, Kentucky 40205

**Time** 1:00 p.m. Social Hour

2:00 p.m. Dinner Served

The Adult Christmas Dinner Party is heading our way! We can come together with friends and reflect on good times, making it a special event

We will gather for a social hour to visit, swap stories, and enjoy the holiday starting at 1:00 p.m. A cash bar will also be available; this is “cash” only; no credit cards are accepted. Dinner will be served at 2:00 p.m. and will continue until 4:00 p.m. Please bring some canned food items with you; all donations will go to Dare to Care.

This year the cost will be \$20.00 per person, which is non-refundable. **If you send in your money for a reservation but don't attend, your money will not be refunded.**

Money (\$20.00) per adult member needs to be received by Friday, November 22nd, 2024.

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

40250, payable to KYANA. Any questions call Shelly at 502-724-5040.

Christmas music will be provided again from the Shepherdsville Highway 44 Country Music Show, we will be taking donations again this year for their services.

Just a reminder, this is a special event, so Ladies please wear something nice, like a dress or dress pants, no blue jeans please. **Men's no blue jeans please**, dress pants, with dress shirt, sport coat, (ties optional).

Please come out, see your friends and have a relaxing meal!



## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



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**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> @ noon**

The Children's Christmas Party will take place on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon. We will start the fun with holiday themed crafts and activities, enjoy a hearty lunch, and finish the festivities with a visit from Santa.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- ❖ The deadline for gift ideas is December 7<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ We need three \$25 gift ideas for members' children.
- ❖ Grandparents need to bring a wrapped gift or gifts for their grandchildren.

For more info and to RSVP please contact  
Pat Kubancik (502) 445-4993 or Carol Bass (502) 425-2712

## SHEPHERDSVILLE CHRISTMAS MUSIC SHOW



Come out and join us for the Shepherdsville Country Music Show. This is always a great show and a lot of fun. You might even find yourself singing along to the wonderful music during the show. We hope to see you there!!!!

**WHERE:** Shepherdsville Country Music  
1833 HWY KY. 44 WEST for 3 miles

**WHEN:** Saturday, December 21, 2023 @ 7 pm

**COST:** \$13.00 per person Your admission includes a free dinner buffet.

Send check to: Ruth Hill, 123 Dorchester Road, Louisville, KY 40223, or call Ruth @ 502-640-8510. Checks need to be made out to KYANA.

**Must register by Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>**

## KYANA'S GENEROUS DONATION



Due to the successful KYANA Car Show in September, KYANA donated \$2,500 to The Crusade for Children. Thanks to Willie Willhoite for taking the check to the charity.

Again, thanks to everyone who worked hard to ensure this event succeeded. This is a reminder of how generous we can be. We are all lucky to have such a great club.

## A NOTE FROM MEMBER RONNIE RUDOLPH



I bought this 1936 Auburn boat tail speedster in Mooresville Indiana in 2006. The little lady I bought it from said it sat for 15 years after her husband passed. She kept me there for over an hour wanting to know where I was going to store her precious Auto and ask if it was okay with my wife. After a Coke and a few cookies, I finally got her to sell me the car. It has approximately 125 awards so far, it's been on a calendar, and it has an oil painting by a world-renowned painter Peter Williams live painting on this car.

## KYANA YOUTH OUTREACH



### KYANA Youth Outreach – Greathouse / Shryock Elementary

Through our website, KYANA was contacted by a teacher at Greathouse / Shryock Elementary School on Browns Lane in Louisville. He teaches a class of ELS (English Second Language) students about Cuba. They were reading a book about Cuba post-revolution and keeping American cars from the 1950s in running condition. Our youth outreach coordinator Tim Truax took the lead and arranged for some KYANA members with '50s cars to show the students. On Wednesday, October 9th, George Fackler, Mark Kubancik, and Don Ledington drove their '59 Buick, '55 DeSoto, and '54 Oldsmobile, respectively, to the school. We were greeted with special parking spaces in front of the school. The students had worksheets to complete by inspecting all three cars as George, Mark, and Don welcomed the well-behaved kids to enter inspect the cars, and take notes. Both kids, teachers, and administrators were very appreciative of us for bringing our cars. The smile on the kids' faces says it all!





# BOWMANFEST

## Bowman Fest 2024 - October 5th and 6th

Great Crowds, Great Weather, and a Great Venue. This sums up a beautiful Saturday and Sunday spent at this century-old airfield that is a Louisville gem.

KYANA was well supported again with over twenty members attending both days. The show area outside of Central American Airways hanger is the perfect location. Seeing families, military personnel, and military veterans enjoy some old cars made the weekend very enjoyable. It was great to see some new KYANA members and their cars in attendance.

Bowman Burgers and Field Franks were served both days, and I heard no complaints. There were numerous food trucks, radio-controlled planes, military tents, some unique planes on display, a children's area, paratroopers presenting the flag, and helicopters and planes buzzing around all day.

Again, a great turnout of cars on Saturday and Sunday made the car show as popular as the planes that were on display.

I would like to thank all the KYANA members who attended the event, it's always great to share some car show time together. Hopefully, you will put it on your calendar for next year.

Happy Fall and Happy Motoring,  
Chris Mueller - faithfully submitted





## ST.FRANCIS CAR SHOW

The St. Francis Car Show on September 21<sup>st</sup> was a success for the community, car enthusiasts, the church, charity and for KYANA. Between “late comers” and “short timers”, there nevertheless were about 300 cars exhibited. Mighty nice!

KYANA had about 20 club vehicles pre-registrations at the show.

KYANA won the prize for the highest participation of any club at this event. That resulted in a \$100 club prize, which Ronnie Rudolph gave to the church for a \$100 charitable donation! Great!

New member Kaoru O'Bryan's Studebaker won the prize for popular best choice automobile for the 2024 show!!

Other members that were recognized for their automobiles in the top 100 were: Dennis Buchholz. Jim Crotty, Don Ledington, Kenny Mitsch, Ronnie Rudolph and Neil White. We did well.

Indeed the 2024 St. Francis event was good for all involved and for our club.





## AACA AND KYANA MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

### !! 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 "2025 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/>

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

**!! Regardless of the option that you take, dues must be received (not postmarked) before December 1, 2024. !!**

## PIERCE-ARROW MOTOR CARS

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37 years of luxury: 1901 – 1938

Submitted by Steve Lippmann



In 1872, George Norman Pierce bought out his two previous business partners to take control of an 1865-establish household goods firm to start the George N. Pierce Company. Headquartered in Buffalo, New York, it was located on Great Arrow Avenue; they were famous for birdcage production. Starting in 1896, they also manufactured bicycles for about three decades, featuring an "Arrow" logo on the bike's nameplate.

Pierce entered the automobile business in 1900, unsuccessfully attempting to manufacture what was hoped to be a steam-powered vehicle. That next year, they built their first automobile, the 1901 Motorette, with a one-cylinder internal combustion engine.

The first Arrow-named car made by Pierce emerged in 1903, as a two-cylinder powered vehicle. The appearance of the so-called Great Arrow in 1904, marked the beginning of a sustained trend of this company marketing primarily for the luxury car market. Over time, however, they also produced commercial trucks, fire engines, boats, and trailers; motorcycles were also made for a decade.



The Great Arrow car, with a 4-cylinder gasoline engine, was a consumer success. In 1905, it also won a 350 miles-long endurance contest, beating 33 other automobiles, and demonstrating reliability. George Pierce sold the business in 1907; the firm's name was changed to Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Company one year later. Besides its unique style, the company was known for high-quality engineering.

Two Pierce-Arrow autos and two White Model M, stream-powered Tourers were ordered by President William Taft in 1909. They prestigiously were the first official cars for the White House. George Pierce died the following year; and Herbert M. Dawley gradually became the chief automotive designer for the firm. Advertisements for these vehicles generally focused more on artistic attraction than on mechanical data, perhaps to stress a fancy, elitist image. Yet, some other advertisements pictured them in rural settings to yield the impression of automotive robustness.

Pierce-Arrow four-cylinder engines were initially sized at 453 cubic inches, over time increased to a 714 displacement, and later to their biggest, an 825-inch-sized version. Then, from 1910 until 1929 the company only manufactured innovative straight-six engines, with four valves, and three spark plugs for each of the T-flathead's cylinders. An eight-cylinder powerplant emerged in 1929, and an up-scale V-12 version was built between 1931-1938.

Styling became a big part of Pierce-Arrow's success. In 1914, headlights were molded into the front fenders to make the cars look advanced, distinctive, and easily recognized. This placement was patented and could be seen from the front and sides - even at night; that also gave Pierce-Arrows the appearance of being wider than other autos. Fender-mounted headlamps initially were a beneficial, very well-liked Pierce-Arrow exclusive.

Over the next two decades, Pierce-Arrows increasingly became an automotive luxury status symbol. Famous and/or prominent, rich people in this country sought this auto ownership; prestige acquisition also spread widely to many other nations. Some of these cars were featured in popular movies and a few of them were upgraded with fancy additions (one wealthy movie actor had his gold-plated). Along with Packard and Peerless, Pierce-Arrows were favored in the upscale US car market (and lots of others too, like Cadillac and Duesenberg, etc.).

A four-speed transmission was added in 1919. A Pierce-Arrow of this same year is on display in the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library. Warren G. Harding was transported in an open-body version for his 1921 Presidential Inauguration. With recognized quality and big size, many of their chassis and engine components were converted into fire engines, after extending the wheelbases. Reportedly, they provided good service in those capacities for decades.

There was a big change in 1928. For the next several years, the Studebaker Corporation took over business control of the company. Despite sharing engineering expertise, the two firms operated independently. Both car brands were sold by Studebaker dealerships, but Pierce-Arrow also gradually built their own dealership network. An improved Studebaker-designed 366 cubic inch displacement L-head straight-eight engine was used in manufacture starting in 1929.



In 1933, there were other notable events; despite financial shortages, Pierce-Arrow introduced an expensive, stylishly streamlined new car model, the Silver Arrow. In their new bigger engines, they included an advanced form of hydraulic valve lifters. The Silver Arrow famously got lots of popular public and news media acclaim. People liked their styling, especially the headlights, sloped V-shaped grill, and fast-back boattail. Nevertheless, the U.S. Depression gravely hampered almost all vehicle sales, particularly the costly brands. It was too expensive for those years, and very few Silver-Arrow were sold. Studebaker began manufacturing car bodies for both brands. Studebaker also expanded

their marketing lineup with a lower-cost car; however, this new model was never popular with the public. Despite low sales volume, Pierce-Arrow never entered the more affordable automobile market.

A still more luxurious and expensive, newly designed V-12-engined sedan was introduced in 1936. Besides being fancy, it was also said to offer top-quality safety. Marketing sales did not improve, thus in that same year, diversity also emerged with the production of the Pierce-Arrow Travelodge, a camper-trailer. About this time, five Pierce-Arrows were converted into railroad-track-driven vehicles by the Rio Grande Southern Railroad company; three of them reportedly still exist in the Colorado Railroad Museum.

Pierce-Arrow finally became bankrupt in 1938, despite them by then having reportedly built up to about 80,000 vehicles. Most of their assets were sold at auction; the sale is thought possibly to have included about 40 already finished new cars. A last Pierce-Arrow was later assembled from pieces acquired from their group of previous auto parts suppliers. Seagrave Fire Apparatus Company purchased the V-12 engine factory for the manufacture of fire trucks.

Pierce-Arrow disappeared during the Great Depression, along with many other automotive brands! Some reports suggest that there might be up to about 3,000 of these cars still in existence. Their factory is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



1902 Pierce-Arrow



1911 Front View



F1919 Pierce-Arrow Housecar



1930 Pierce-Arrow



1935 Pierce-Arrow Silver Arrow

## KYANA REGION BUSINESS CARDS

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 to take some cards with you to local car shows or other events, please contact one of the Region board members.

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### KYSWAP KYANA SWAP MEET LARGEST INDOOR SWAP MEET 58<sup>th</sup> YEAR - SINCE 1965

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Sunday – 8:00 – 4:00pm



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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](mailto: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](http://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

## A JOKE COURTESY OF AACA

This hot blond is speeding down the highway in her Corvette roadster when she gets pulled over by a female state trooper. The trooper asks for her license but the blond, while digging through her purse, says she can't remember what it looks like. The trooper says "Well it's a little square thing with your picture on it". The blond finds her compact, opens it and sees herself in the mirror. She says "Oh, here it is" and hands it to the trooper. The trooper looks in the mirror and says "Gee, if I'd known you were a cop too, I wouldn't have pulled you over".

# 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 7	Middletown Family Fun Fest Parade	Glenn Fields
September 13	Louisville East Post Acute	Mark Kubancik
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 20	LMPD Trunk or Treat	Jerry Bass
October 25	Huntsville Alabama AACA Car Show	Jim & Sandy Joseph
November 2	Toys for Tots Breakfast	Alan & Maureen Vannatta
November 9	Veteran's Day Parade	Chester Robertson
November 17	Awards and Elections	Beverly Foster
December 7	Light up Louisville Parade	Alan Vannatta
December 8	Adult Christmas Party	Brian & Shelly Koressel
December 14	Children's Christmas Party	Bass, Kubancik & McCarthy Families
December 21	Christmas Country Music Show	Brian & Ruth Hill

# THE SIDELIGHT

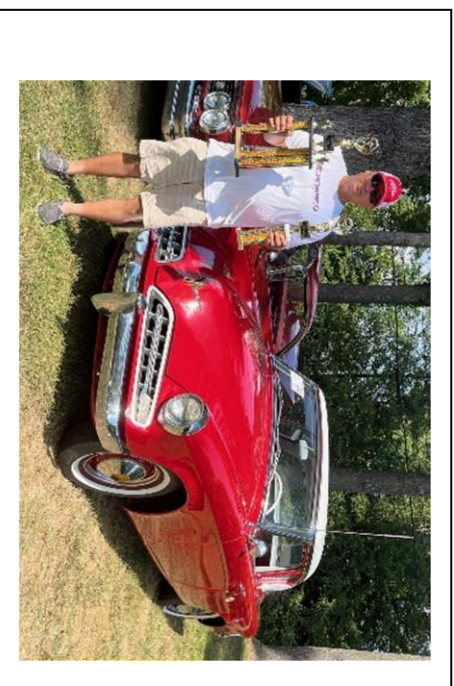
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