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Jean Lund stands beside her 1999 Mercedes SL 500.

The car received its Original HPOF Award at the Eastern Fall Nationals in Hershey PA.



Local and National Events

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ETR Calendar of Events

November 17th: Annual ETR AACA Business Meeting, hosted by Bob & Sylvia Witt

December 13: Christmas Party, hosted by Tom Howard, and Bob and Sylvia Witt

Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

November 11: Knoxville Veterans Day Parade. The parade will begin at 10:40 AM at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium and Coliseum and continue down Gay Street

December 1: Townsend Christmas Parade. Sun, 2 – 4 PM, Blount Partnership Townsend Visitors Center, 7906 E Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Townsend, TN

December 5: A Fifties Christmas Parade, Harriman TN. 7:00 PM

December 6: Downtown Maryville Christmas Parade. 6:00 PM 8:15 PM

December 6: Downtown Knoxville Christmas Parade, Fri, 7 – 8 PM, 504 S Gay St, Knoxville, TN

December 6: Rocky Top Christmas Parade, Fri, 2 PM, Lake City Middle School, 1132 S Main St Rocky Top, TN

December 14: 31st Annual Seymour Community Christmas Parade, Sat, 3 PM. Valley Grove Baptist Church, 9000 Sevierville Pike, Knoxville, TN

AACA National Events

February 6-8, 2025: Annual Convention – Charlotte, NC

April 3-5, 2025: Southeastern Spring Nationals – Charlotte, NC

May 1-3, 2025: Western Spring Nationals / Grand Nationals – Tucson, AZ

June 1-7, 2025: Vintage Tour – Southern/Eastern Pennsylvania

July 2-5, 2025: Central Springs Nationals – Auburn, IN

July 24-26, 2025: Grand Nationals / Zenith – Dayton, OH

September 7-12, 2025: Revival AAA Glidden Tour® (Pre-1943) – Owensboro, KY

September 18-20, 2025: Southeastern Fall Nationals – Corydon, IN

October 7-10, 2025 – Eastern Fall Meet – Hershey, PA

October 22-25, 2025 – Central Fall Nationals – Galveston, TX



The President's Corner

From President Bob Witt



I can hardly believe I am writing my final message to you. November and December always brings thoughts of thankfulness to my mind. This year's excellent ETR AACA activities are reasons for all members to be appreciative of those who planned them.

The weather for the Gas Economy Run in September was less than perfect. However, the drive, museum stops, lunch and ice cream stop planned by the Gardners, Hermansons and Weeks led to a great time for all.

Our October covered dish picnic planned by the Quillins and hosted by Janice Williams at her farm started with a Colors Tour led by Matt Sartin. We had time to visit with each other and sample many delicious dishes brought by our members. We had an auction to help victims of the floods in upper East Tennessee.

On Sunday, November 17, 2024 the Annual Business Meeting will be held at TN Bank in Maynardville at 2:00 pm. A hot lunch with desserts will be served. You will receive a notification covering reservations soon. This is a very important meeting where a change in ETR AACA Bylaws will be introduced and discussed. Voting on Officers for 2025 will take place. Initial planning for 2025 Tour and Activities and signing of Christmas cards for nursing homes will be held.

Our Christmas Party hosted by Tom Howard and the Witts is planned for Friday, December 13, 2024 at Rothchild Conference Center in Knoxville. You will receive notification for making reservations. We will have a collection for our charity, "Connecting Hearts", rather than a gift exchange.

Lastly, I can't begin to tell you how grateful I am for the terrific Board members that I have had the pleasure of serving with the past two years. They have given generously of their time, insight and guidance. Thank you! It has been a pleasure to serve with you.

Finally, we have much to look forward to and be thankful for in the next two months. With special holidays approaching it is a great time to be thankful for friends, family, ETR AACA friends and our country. It is also a time to look around our holiday tables at our younger family members and ask ourselves how we can encourage them to enjoy our antique car hobby like we do. It is because of YOU, the Club members, that ETR AACA is successful. So let us all continue to have fun with our antique cars.

Thank you!
Bob Witt

News From National

From Dave Anspach, Executive Vice President



Everyone knows that membership has been down over the past few years. It had gone down a bit pre covid, dropped a lot more during covid, and has continued a gradual decline since then. There are a thousand reasons why this is happening, but we, as a club shouldn't just sit back and accept it.

It is up to every one of us to FIGHT this trend!! But HOW?? What can one person do?? Well, first of all, realize that you are NOT alone. The club provides all kinds of materials for you to use to promote membership. Get them from the office in Hershey and USE them. Carry them with you ever you go. See an old car at the gas station? Give the driver some literature. See a guy in the store with a car jacket, t-shirt, or hat on? Invite him or her to your next region meeting. Going to a car show? Set up a table with a batch of AACA Magazines and recruit members.

Just think, if every member just got one new member a year, in just a few years we would be a massive organization! I mentioned being part of a region. For many people the social aspect of the old car hobby is the primary factor for joining a club. Use our regions shows, tours, picnics, parties etc as a tool to get people to join. Push your region to do things together. A group of AACA show cars together going to a local show will surely dominate the prizes. People want to be a part of a winner and they will want to join your club. Invite every person to your Regional meeting. Carry with you and give to every one an introduction to your Region and the places and Another thing to remember is to get a name and email address. Then send that prospective member an electronic copy of your Region newsletter (which costs you nothing).

And don't forget those free memberships. Who can say no to something free? But please, don't just hand the form to someone. Get their information and have them sign it and take it with you! Then, be sure to mail it in to Hershey. So many forms have just been handed out and gone unused!! Remember we have special free memberships for veterans. Use them!! The fact that veterans are recognized is sometimes the difference that brings someone into the fold.

We ALL must fight this battle of declining membership. Every one of us had a special reason or person who got us involved. It is up to YOU to be the reason or person for the next new member to join!!

Editor's Note: Tom Howard, the National Affairs Liaison for the East Tennessee Region is taking a brief break from writing this column. He assures everyone he will be back in time for the next issue.



Upcoming Events

By Sandra Quillin, Events Coordinator



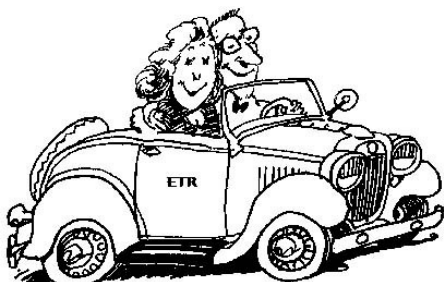
A big thank you Dave and Beryl Hermanson, Tony and Jan Gardner, and Joel and Susan Weeks for hosting the September 28th ETR AACA Fuel Economy. The hosts did a fabulous job of planning the route and stops for the tour. Members enjoyed their visits to the Charles Hall Museum in Tellico Plains and the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore. Our hosts have promised to host another Economy Run in 2025.

Our October tour was held on the 20th, when members took a short fall drive followed by a covered dish picnic at Riverview Family Farm in west Knoxville. Sixty-seven members and guests attended the picnic with a great variety and quantity of covered dishes. During the Picnic, the Nominating Committee presented their slate of members nominated to serve as officers and directors for ETR AACA during 2025. Several members donated items for a silent auction. One hundred forty-two dollars was raised for Samaritan's Purse. The picnic setting was beautiful, as was the weather!

On November 17, at 2 p.m., ETR AACA will hold the club's annual Business meeting. Election of the ETR AACA Board of Directors and Officers for 2025 will take place, a late lunch will be served, Christmas cards will be addressed for 8 nursing homes, and initial planning for ETR's 2025 Club Activities and Tours will take place. Further details will be sent to club members around the first of November.

In December, we will round out the 2024 ETR AACA activities calendar with the annual Christmas party to be held at Rothchild's on Friday, December 13. Be looking for an announcement for the party and where to send payment for your tickets.

The fall season is going to be busy for ETR AACA. Be sure to inform Sandra Quillin of other car activities and events so that she can share them with other club members.



Spreading a Little Sunshine

By Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Correspondent

The fall colors are finally showing! We've certainly had some beautiful days to enjoy the colors!

In September, we lost ETR member Carol Anderson. On behalf of ETR AACA, I sent a sympathy card to David Anderson.

With Thanksgiving and Christmas coming our way, if you think of a means to add cheer to folks who cannot get out to gather with others, share that idea with Sandra.

During the November ETR Business Meeting, we will sign Christmas cards to take to some of the residents of 8 area nursing homes.

Please send Sandra Quillin the names of ETR AACA members who need a note of cheer or who have lost a loved one.

If you have a Sunshine Activity that you would like to suggest to ETR, please give Sandra a call or send Sandra an email.

Editor's Corner

By Roger Frazee, Interim Editor



For the past few weeks I have been working with Dave and Beryl Hermanson on the transition of Antiquer Editors.

Dave Hermanson is a published author who is featured annually during the Hershey book-signing event. He is also a people person with plans to seek out stories from new and old members alike, to fill the pages of future newsletters.

So members, this is your opportunity to share your stories of your love of old cars. I know our new editors would love to learn about your first ride in an antique car, the first car you purchased when you were a kid, your most memorable breakdown while driving your antique, or your adventures at regional and national events. This newsletter is your forum. And, yes, other members do want to read about your adventures.

In closing, I would like to thank the East Tennessee Region and the AACA for allowing Jan and me to be your editors for the Smoky Mountain Antiquer. Working with the newsletter has been a wonderful opportunity to meet people and get to know them. The members of the East Tennessee Region made our job easy and fun.

Thanks again!



Remembering Carol Anderson

The East Tennessee Region lost a friend and an active member in September, with the passing of Carol Anderson. Dave and Carol joined the region in 2019 and enjoyed driving their Red 1957 Thunderbird to the monthly events.



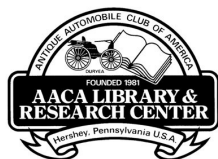
Carol and Dave Anderson during the 2022 ETR tour to Daisy Town in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Our condolences go out to Dave and to Carol's family. Carol was a friend to everyone she met and took great pleasure in being involved in the AACA. Carol's obituary is shown below.

Carol Jean Gilpin Anderson - age 83 of Lenoir City passed away September 11, 2024 at her home.

Carol was born and raised in Albert Lea, Minnesota. Carol retired from IBM after many years of service as an accounting manager. She was a former member and secretary of Smithville United Methodist Church. She was a faithful volunteer for her church and later at Roane Medical Center. Carol was an avid hiker and enjoyed being outdoors. She enjoyed playing pickle ball and sewing. Carol was a talented quilter and donated her quilts to local domestic violence shelters.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mike and Helen Gilpin, and her brother, Dan Gilpin. Survived by her husband of 60 years, David Anderson; sons, Grant Anderson (Elizabeth) and Reid Anderson (Suzanne); grandchildren: Samuel Anderson (Mackenzie), Timber Anderson (Jacob Hancox), Dean Anderson, and Jay Anderson; great-grandson, Leo Anderson; siblings: Paul Gilpin, Ruth Thomas and Jay Gilpin along with many nieces and nephews.



2025 Officers to be Elected During November Business Meeting

The East Tennessee Region's Annual Business meeting will be held on November 17th at 2:00 PM at the TN Bank in Maryville. One of the primary items of business to be handled is the election of the 2025 Officers and Board.

In August the membership elected a nominating committee to propose a slate of officers to fill each of the 12 positions that will make up the 2025 Executive Board. The nominating Committee consisted of Robert Quillin, Sandra Quillin, and Tim Seay.

After weeks of deliberation, research, and phone calls, the committee announced the proposed slate of officers during the October tour and picnic at the Williams Family Farm. The nominees for the 2025 Executive Board are:

President Matt Sartin, Vice-President Tony Gardner, Secretary Susan Baker, Treasurer Charlie Simpson, Past President Bob Witt, Director Tim Seay, Director Sylvia Witt, Director (second year) Jerry Mauch, Director (second year) Robert Quillin, Antiquer Editors Dave and Beryl Hermanson, Webmaster Roger Frazee, Activities Coordinator Sandra Quillin

Proposed Change to the Bylaws to be Voted on by ETR Membership

In 2023, President R.G. Lewallen appointed a committee of five members to review the East Tennessee Region Bylaws and to make recommendations on any changes that might be necessary. The committee members are Bob Witt, Chairman, Herb Thomas, Bob Bly, Janice Williams, and Sherry Seay.

The recommended changes have been presented to the board and will be presented to the membership during the November Business Meeting. The membership will vote on the proposed changes during the January 1925 Planning Meeting. The proposed changes are as follows.

Article VI, Section One, Last Sentence: Existing: The three (3) members with the highest number of votes shall make up the committee with two (2) members as alternates.

Change to: The five (5) members with the highest number of votes shall make up the committee ("with two (2) members as alternates" deleted).

Reason for Change: This change of number of members of the nominating committee will make it more flexible should one or more members have a conflict as to attendance of a meeting.



East Tennessee Region Gas Economy Run

By Dave Hermanson Despite the clouds and intermittent rain from the remnants of Hurricane Helene, 21 members of the East Tennessee Region participated in a Gasoline Economy Run and tour to Tellico Plains, hosted by the Hermansons, Weeks and Gardners. After meeting at Ingles in Farragut, four members topped off their tanks to participate in the Economy Run with the others using their regular vehicles due to the weather.

When the weather is better in the spring, we would like to stage another Economy Run with hopes of more members participating as everyone enjoyed the day on the road despite the weather.



Jerry Mauch and his 1993 Ford Mustang filling up before leaving Ingles on the ETR Gas Economy Run.



Members of the Mountain String Music Band at the Charles Hall Museum in Tellico Plains.

Travelling through Lenoir City, Tellico Village and Madisonville the first stop was at the Charles Hall Museum in Tellico Plains. Pam Hall Mathews, Director of the museum, made arrangements for the Mountain String Music Band to be on hand entertaining us with Porch Music as we took time for a brown bag style lunch in the museum. There was plenty of time to tour the museum which includes a vast array of historic telephone equipment as well as a beautiful 1934 Plymouth Sedan. The Plymouth was donated to the museum by Charlie and Deborah Young ... Charlie was a former president of the ETR as well as being active over the years with AACA.

Leaving Tellico Plains, the group headed to Vonore for a stop at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum where everyone had the opportunity to tour this interesting spot. Then it was a quick jaunt to Sloan's Shell in Vonore where the members participating in the Economy Run topped off their tanks. The Manager of Sloan's made available a seating area for everyone to gather for Ice Cream treats while the mileage figures were computed. All of the participants averaged in the mid-to-high 20 miles per gallon range with Jerry Mauch taking top honors in his 1993 Ford Mustang with 27.0891 miles per gallon. Roger and Jan Frazee had the oldest car participating with a very respectable 23.3028 miles per gallon in their 1961 Corvair Lakewood Wagon.



Bill Stewart, Beryl Hermanson and Roger Frazee next to Roger's 1961 Chevrolet Corvair Lakewood at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum.

Check out our Website
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October Tour and Picnic at Riverview Farm



Members and their cars arrive at Riverview Farm.

By Dave Hermanson On a sunny, beautiful Sunday afternoon in late October, 67 members and their guests gathered at the Riverview Family Farm for a picnic hosted by Janice Williams, Robert and Sandra Quillin. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous meal with more food than we could all eat!

Prior to the picnic, several members met at Ingles in Farragut for a tour of Loudon County led by Matt Sartin. The tour was a little late starting, and due to traffic conditions many of the planned activities were not completed as planned. A silent auction was held and \$142.00 was raised which was sent to Samaritan's Purse.



Plenty of Food for All



Tom Howard's 1931 Pontiac



AACA Hershey Region Fall Meet—October 2024

By *Dave Hermanson* Another Hershey Swap Meet and Show is in the record books and this year's event was on par with last year. The crowds were good, especially on Wednesday, and there were fewer empty spaces on the various fields compared to last year. Not quite fully back to pre-Covid Days but it was still wonderful as ever!

Mercedes-Benz SL500 in the HPOF Original Class. They walked away with the HPOF Original Award. Congratulations to the Lunds! Jean Lund and their 1999 Mercedes are featured on the cover page.



Vendors fill Chocolate Field South



A typical Hershey Vendor Space ...
That's a 1962 Mercury Comet in the background.

ETR members were there although not in the numbers as in past years. Those of us with spaces on the field were all fairly close to each other in the Chocolate Field (South). Tom Howard, Charlie Simpson, Rick Lay and Randy and Rita Rutherford were on hand at their usual ETR Hospitality Space when they were not involved in the various Judging Activities.

Rich Lentinello was at his space promoting the publication *Crankshaft* while Dave and Beryl Hermanson had a mini hospitality spot although you would usually find them walking around the show field while Dave was searching for new treasures. Joel and Susan Weeks made the trip for their first Hershey experience.

Everyone had a chance to visit AACA Headquarters and Library which was a popular spot on Tuesday afternoon for their annual Yard Sale which drew the usual large number of visitors to check out the items available for purchase. Included in this event was the annual New Books and Authors Tent where Dave Hermanson was there with his book on the Mobilgas Economy Run.

The only ETR AACA members who brought their antique cars for the show were Jean and Ken Lund entering their 1999

Finally, a trip to Hershey is not complete without a visit to the AACA Headquarters on display at AACA headquarters.



1948 Chrysler Town & Country Sedan on display in the AACA Headquarters Lobby

**Annual Business Meeting:
November 17th 2:00 PM, TN Bank, Maryville TN**



North Alabama Region Hosts Outstanding Fall National Meet

Huntsville Alabama, which has led the world in Rocket building technology since the first German Scientists arrived there in 1950, is also a city of natural beauty and cultural diversity. And during the last week in October, it became the host of the AACA Special Fall Nationals.

Nearly 150 car owners and their guests participated in the four day meet, which was organized and hosted by the North Alabama Region.

Among the events, designed to entertain and enlighten AACA visitors, was a boat cruise on Guntersville Lake, an evening at a high-tech game and entertainment center, visits to the Space and Rocket Center, and a social on the stage of the Orion Amphitheatre.

The week also included an AACA Judging School, a Member Roundtable discussion, a Saturday Car Show and a closing banquet at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center.

An special feature was the Greenpower Electric Car Races, where Middle and High School students built and drove electric powered vehicles in a series of competitive events.

Repeat HPOF Original award.



Rick Lay (left) and Tom Howard stand in front of Rick's 1998 Mercury Grand Marquis.

The North Alabama Region deserves special recognition for their outstanding work in planning this event and in their attention to detail, in order to make sure that every guest's needs were accommodated. In addition to providing entertaining events throughout the four-day event, they also operated a shuttle to take AACA members to and from the Space Center, the Amphitheatre, and the show field.



During the Greenpower Electric Car Races, students raced the cars they built.

On Saturday's show field, several East Tennessee Region members participated in various capacities. Rick Lay provided the morning's Owner's Briefing. Rick and Tom Howard also served as National Award Judges. Jordan Lay judged interiors and Mike Turlock served as a judge of exteriors.

ETR members who displayed cars at the Huntsville Meet included Roger and Jan Frazee who received their Senior Award for their 1963 Corvair Spyder, and Rick Lay, who received his



Among the outstanding cars at the Huntsville meet was this 1965 Ford Mustang, owned by Steve Addington, Murfreesboro, TN.





A Big Wow!

The American Automobile Experience in Kearny NE

By Beth Fisher This past August, Tim and I took a month-long trip to South Dakota, driving his F250 and pulling our travel trailer.

dle of cornfields, but at least we had space to park the trailer and take a break. From the outside, I wasn't sure how worthwhile the stop would be since the collection had a small, warehouse-type entrance, but once we entered the "Experience" our jaws dropped!

The unassuming entrance led to a collection of 150+ immaculately restored antique cars and commercial vehicles from virtually every era in American automotive history. The collection was displayed in fascinating vignettes, complete with authentic artwork, costumed mannequins, and a host of period items that really brought the collection's automotive narrative to life.



Tim and I outside the entrance to the collection with a "rust bucket" and Nebraska cornfields.



This 1910 Buick Runabout is among the many magnificent cars on display at the American Automobile Experience.

It made for a complex, but fun travel experience with multiple stops at some beautiful campgrounds. However, the drive was taxing at times, so one travel day I thought to treat Tim to one of his favorite activities along the way. In preparing our itinerary I had come across the "The American Automobile Experience," a classic car collection in Kearney, NE, that only took us 15 minutes off our route.

Needless to say, if I was impressed, Tim was over the moon!

He wouldn't leave until he spent an hour gabbing with the very knowledgeable and affable caretakers—and of course he just had to buy the collection's T-shirt. For those who may be traveling in Nebraska one day, this "Experience" is most definitely worth going out of your way for.



Two 1954 Ford Crown Victorias arranged in a "before and after" display.

So, there we were on a quiet weekday pulling around to the backside of a big Cabela's sporting goods building in the mid-

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to Treasurer Charlie Simpson
today!**

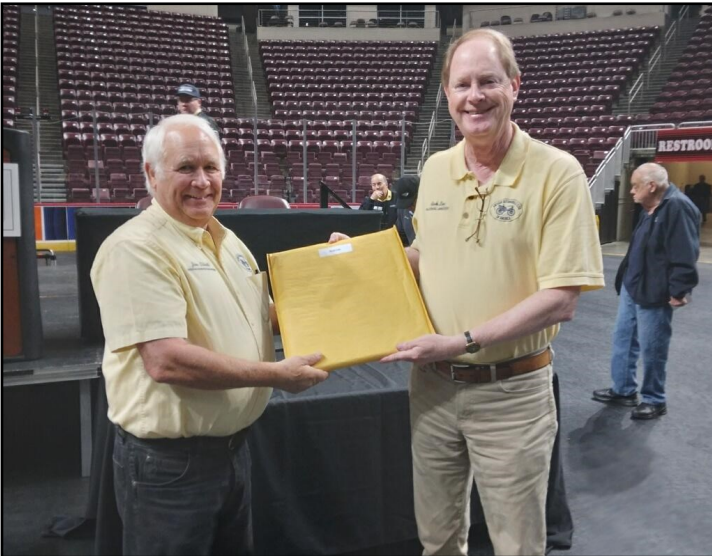




Rick Lay Receives Perfect Attendance Award for Judging at Every AACA Meet in 2025.

By Rick Lay In my 30 years of judging, I have always wanted to get the “Perfect Attendance” award. The award is a big plaque with all the dash plaques mounted on it from all the Nationals held during the year.

It has always been given out at Hershey at Judges Breakfast and, as the name implies, is given to any judge who has attended and judged at every National during the year. You may ask, “Well... what about Huntsville – it’s after Hershey this year.” As long as you are registered for the meet to come, it counts! As I was receiving the plaque from Jim Elliott, AACA Vice President of Judging, he said to me, “You know that you have to go to Huntsville... right?”



Vice President of Judging Jim Elliott presents Rick Lay with a Perfect Attendance for judging at every 2024 national meet.

Every year, since 1995 when I started judging, I thought to myself, “Next year, I’ll do it.” But as all of you know, life gets in the way and although I came within one National of getting it several years, I never quite could make it. In all honesty, I must credit my daughter Jordan with my finally being able to achieve my dream. Jordan, who has just started her judging career and has a dozen judging credits, said to me last December, “Daddy, why can’t we go to Puerto Rico?”

“Well... sure,” I answered and off we went – Jordan’s first plane ride to boot! The rest of the meets were within driving distance including a family trip of Dawne, Jordan, Tom Howard and I – all up to Saratoga Springs, NY. 950 miles and two days of driving up and two driving back.

But then, there was Loveland, Colorado. Once again, Jordan says, “Daddy, why can’t we go to Loveland?” Thanks to Frontier

Airlines, they had round trips from Nashville to Denver for \$ 135.00 per person. Not bad, but then they nickel and dime you for seats, bags, soft drinks etc.

Loveland is about an hour North of Denver, but we made it – and Jordan and I were part of the judging for all of 54 vehicles at the National.

But... there was great sightseeing including a trip to Clive Cussler’s Museum and a trip that the Lay family made to Estes Park, CO to the Stanley Hotel – the hotel Stephen King literally had a nightmare in and formed the basis for his book, *The Shining*.

We, of course, took *The Shining* Tour – an hour long tour of the hotel and the inspirational areas that King put into the book. Did you know that the bartender was really named “Grady?” and that he actually said to King, when he tried to pay his bar bill, “It’s on the house - your money’s no good here.” I guess you have to be a fan of the movie and the book to appreciate that.

Well, anyway, I finally have one of those Perfect Attendance plaques – now where am I going to hang that???

ETR’s Rick Lay Running for Director on the AACA National Board

East Tennessee Region’s own Rick Lay is a candidate for the 2025 AACA Board of Directors. Rick has been a member of the AACA since 1985. Rick is a Past President of the East Tennessee Region as well as a past editor of the Region’s newsletter, the *Smoky Mountain Antiquer*. He also is a past webmaster for the region and was honored to win the Master Webmaster Award from AACA in 2006.

Actively starting to show vehicles in 1994, he became interested in judging and today is a Senior Master Judge with over 300 Judging Credits.

Rick’s Complete biography is published in the September issue of the *Antique Automobile*.

Ballots for the 2025 AACA elections are included with the Sept.– October *Antique Automobile*. Ballots must be submitted to the AACA no later than November 15th.



ETR Christmas Party December 13Th





East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes September 10th, 2024

OFFICERS

President: Bob Witt, Present
 Vice President: Bill Jurkonie, Excused absence
 Secretary: Debbie Hixson, Present
 Treasurer: Charlie Simpson, Present
 Past President: R.G. Lewallen, Present
 Newsletter Editor/Webmaster: Roger Frazee, Excused absence
 Events Coordinator/Sunshine Rep: Sandra Quillin, Present

BOARD

Director: Herb Thomas, Present
 Director: Bob Bly, Present
 Director: Robert Quillin, Present
 Director: Jerry Mauch, Present

GUESTS

Tom Howard, National Affairs Liaison
 Sylvia Witt

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Present, Bob Witt, at 6:05 PM.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was made by Secretary, Debbie Hixson, and members present as listed above.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the previous meeting July, 2024 has been previously sent to each Board member and officers. A motion was made to accept the minutes. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT

The treasurer's report was previously emailed by Charlie Simpson for the time period of June 30 through August 31, 2024. Copies of this report were given to Board Members and Officers and a record is on file. A motion was made to approve the current financial report. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

NEW MEMBERS REPORT

A copy of all new members for the year 2024 was presented to each member present. Currently we have had 18 families to join this year. A copy of this list is on file.

SUNSHINE REPORT

Provided by Sandra Quillin as follows:

GET WELL

Alyce Anthony, 8-25-24
 Charlie Simpson, 8-25-24

SYMPATHY

Lynn Logan (Melissa Logan), 8-25-24

NATIONAL AFFAIRS LIAISON

Tom Howard gave an update on National AACA events. Hershey is coming up in October. A great meet was held at the Fall

Nationals in Hampton, Virginia. Four ETR members attended the meet. The Southeastern Fall Nationals will be held in Huntsville, Alabama October 23-26. Several members from ETR will be attending this event. The AACA library will be having a huge sale as there is a lot of excess inventory. Dave Hermanson will be there, signing his book.

EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT

Sandra Quillin handed out copies of Autos Through the Ages Car Show expenditures for 7/20/24. A copy of this list is on file. About 100 cars attended the event this year. Also ten new members signed up during the event.

The Rugby and Winery Tour was a great event. A total of 28 people enjoyed the tour.

A Celebration of Life for Melissa Logan was held at the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center on September 7, 2024. Several ETR members attended this celebration and drove their antique cars.

The Melton Hill Dam tour scheduled for 9-11-24 was cancelled by TVA.

The Lenoir City Street Festival was held 9-14-24. There were lots of vendors and live music.

The Fuel Economy Run Tour is upcoming 9-28-24. At this time would like to have more people sign up.

A covered disc picnic will be held 10-20-24. This will be held at Riverview Family Farm. Matt Sartin will lead members on a short driving tour on the back roads of Knox and Loudon Counties. ETR will fund the meat for the event. A motion was made for the club to provide an additional \$100.00 to purchase the meat if needed. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

NOVEMBER ORGANIZATIONAL/BUSINESS MEETING

Discussion was held regarding the location of the meeting. A



East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes

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small turn out at last year’s meeting was noted. After discussing options it was decided to have the meeting at TN Bank on November 17, 2024.

Discussion for the agenda of the meeting was held. Christmas cards will be done again this year as this is a great ministry to area nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Driving to local nursing homes to residents can see the antique cars was discussed. Will ask for suggestions for next year’s tours. A motion was made to have the meeting at TN Bank because of the small number attending. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

ANTIQUER REPORT

Per President, Bob Witt, Dave Hermanson has volunteered to be the editor of The Antiquer next year. Roger Frazee will help him with this transition. A motion to nominate Dave Hermanson to work with Roger Frazee on The Antiquer the remainder of 2024 was made. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

WEBMASTER REPORT

President, Bob Witt, will discuss with Roger Frazee if he will continue to be the webmaster for 2025.

OLD BUSINESS

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT: An extensive discussion on updating the by-laws was held. President, Bob Witt, has discussed this with all members of the committee. In regards to the Nominating Committee it is recommended to have five people instead of three. Also discussion of having a special called meeting. Members have to be notified of the subject to be voted on. No new business can be brought up at a special meeting. Also discussion of husband and wife on nominating committee. The committee recommended both could vote. These recommendations will be discussed at the Planning Meeting. A motion to adopt position set forth to the attachment of the agenda By-Laws committee to change By-Laws Section 1, Article 6 from 3 to 5 persons. The motion was seconded. One opposed. The motion carried.

BI-FOLD HANDOUTS: RG Lewallen presented quotes on printing the handouts. Melissa Logan was working on the editing and did not get to final stages. There is still about 2 hours editing time to have outsourced at \$75.00 an hour. Approximately \$386.03 to get completed with a total of 400 copies. The benefits of having the bi-fold handouts was discussed. They are a great tool to hand out at car events and can also be handed out with a club application form to give more information regarding the club. A motion was made to pursue out-

source editing for a cost not to exceed \$386.03 for the bi-folds. The motion was seconded. None opposed. The motion carried.

O'REILLY AUTO PARTS DISCOUNT: As per Herb Thomas, The ETR club has a cash only discount with O'Reilly Auto Stores. The club has an account #3560066 which will be given at time of a purchase. This has been set up at all stores with customer paying taxes. This will be published in The Antiquer and also through an email to all members.

REIMBURSEMENT TO WAYNE LEQUIRE: Bob Witt has a check to be given to Wayne.

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING: This will be held November 17 2024 at TN Bank in Maryville.

NEW BUSINESS

Robert Quillin stated that Melissa Logan’s mother has requested the donation in honor of Melissa be given to the Epilepsy Foundation of East Tennessee.

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting will be held November 12, 2024 at Witt Building Material Company at 6:00 PM

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting was made at 8:05 PM. The motion seconded.



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ETR Member David Wilhite's 1962 Plymouth Valiant V-100 Sedan. David is in the red shirt on the left.