
THE VOLUNTEER REGION AACA

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Volunteer Region AACA

2025 OFFICERS & BOARD

OFFICERS

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Be on the lookout for our new bylaws on our website! @vraaca.com

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UPCOMING REGION EVENTS



Sept 20: Morristown tour & poker run.



Stay tuned for future emails regarding upcoming events!

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS



Run For the Son Car Show
by Covenant Life
October 4th, 2025
9 AM - 2 PM

Check out full flyer on page 10

UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS



September 7-12, 2025 - Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943) - Owensboro, KY (VMCCA Hosted)



October 7-10, 2025 - Eastern Fall Meet - Hershey, PA - hosted by Hershey Region AACA



October 18-22, 2025 - Central Divisional Tour - San Antonio to Gonzales TX - hosted by Texas DFW Region



October 23-25, 2025 - Central Fall Nationals - Galveston, TX - hosted by Gulf Coast Region AACA



Check out full 2026 Calendar on page 11

PRESIDENTIAL PARTINGS

Wow, what a way to start a new region! Immediately after our first meeting we had the AACA Grand Nationals in Dayton, Ohio with 11 of our members attending.

The Grand National event is the best national show of the year. In this event, you can show your vehicle if you have attained a senior award in a prior event. Everyone obtained the award they were going for.

This event can't happen unless you have volunteer judges to support the event. Tom Howard and Rick Lay attended and participated with the Nation Awards judging team. Jordan Lay attended and judged race vehicles.

Ben Curtis hosted our first monthly event for our brand-new region with the annual Cars for Canines Show at Melton Lake Park in Oak Ridge. We all met at Calhoun's parking lot and convoyed into the show field together. We had 17 vehicles from our region and 32 Volunteer Region members attending. After the show, we had 24 members stay over at Calhoun's for an early dinner. A great time was had by all who attended.

Oh, and don't let me forget to add, we did get our Volunteer Region approved by AACA National on August 12th. Thanks to Jordan Lay, we have our Facebook page and Instagram up and running. Jordan has also agreed to be our newsletter editor, and Roger Frazee has our web site up and running.

I want to thank everyone of you for becoming a part of our new region, and I look forward to more exciting things happening in the future!

RG

NATIONAL ACTIVITIES



Hershey is fast approaching, and I am happy to report we have more vehicles registered for Friday's Fall Nationals than we did last year! Following Hershey are the Western Fall Nationals in

Galveston, TX. And if you haven't looked, you need to check out the [2026 calendar of National Activities](#) for AACA. Six months ago, we had only a few events scheduled, but now... 10 different regions (including our own Volunteer Region, will be hosting a national show or tour in 2026! The National staff will be hosting on 2 of the events, and your National Board of Directors will even be hosting a tour! And we will be going to all parts of the country from Delaware to Nevada, and Wisconsin to Georgia - plus Puerto Rico, too!

With 8 Nationals, 3 tours, 2 Grand Nationals and 1 convention, there will be lots of opportunities to have some old car fun next year. Please take a look at the [list of events](#)... 2 Nationals will be in our backyard - Cartersville, Georgia and Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The Lay family plans to go to Puerto Rico and make a vacation out of it! So, look at all the other places and maybe tack on a few days before or after the show or tour to explore the area, sightsee, shop, eat local, relax, etc.

In closing, let me say that I am honored to serve as an AACA National Director representing all the great people in the Volunteer Region. I look forward to seeing all of you at an AACA event!

TENNESSEE RESIDENTS DISPLAY THEIR CARS AND JUDGE AT THE AACA GRAND NATIONALS IN DAYTON, OHIO



AACA members from Tennessee gathered in front of a cargo plane after the Gran Nationals Award Banquet.

Several area AACA members traveled to Dayton, Ohio in July to participate in the Grand National Meet, which was held at the National Museum of the United States Air Force and at the Packard Museum.

This was the second Grand National Meet of the year. The first one was held in Tucson AZ last May. The Dayton meet featured 300 cars, all of which were competing for First Grand National, or Repeat Grand National awards.

A select few individuals were invited to compete for the coveted Zenith Award. The Zenith competition, where the "Best of the Best" cars are on display, was held on Friday, July 25th at the Packard Museum, while the Grand National Competition took place on Saturday, the 26th on the grounds of the Air Force Museum.

Among the estimated 125 judges at the event were East Tennessee Residents Mike Tullock, R. G. Lewallen, Jordan Lay, Rick Lay, and Tom Howard.

Five East Tennessee residents showed cars at the meet. All five scored the Grand National Award they were going for.

Kenny King, who had shown his '56 Mercury Montclair in seven previous Grand Nationals brought home yet another Repeat Grand National Award.

Robbie Gray, also scored a Repeat Grand National Award for his '52 Jeep Willys Military Jeep.

Receiving First Grand National Awards were Henry Hart, who displayed his '62 Pontiac Catalina; Roger Frazee, who competed with his '63 Corvair Spyder, and Sherry Lewallen, who brought her '58 Chevrolet Impala.



Henry Hart's rare 1962 Pontiac Catalina Super Duty awaits judging at the Dayton Grand Nationals

The Awards Banquet was held in the museum as AACA members dined beneath the wings of Vietnam era bombers and fighter jets.

Kudos are in order for the AACA National and Ohio volunteers who put together a truly spectacular Grand National Meet.



Kenny King, president of the Clinton Region, displays his 1956 Mercury Montclair on the Dayton Show Field.

CARS FOR CANINES 2025

The sun had just come up and the morning fog was thick over Melton Lake when fifteen cars from the Volunteer Region gathered in the parking lot of Calhoun's Restaurant in Oak Ridge.

The first-ever event of the new AACA region was about to get underway.

Long-distance participants included Debbie Bullen, who drove her 1938 Chevrolet to the show from Claiborne County, and Robbie and Beverly Gray, who brought their 1952 military Jeep to the show from Spring City.

Once everyone had arrived, the club caravanned to Melton Lake Park where the Cars for Canines car show and festival was just getting under way. The group arrived early enough to secure a block of parking spaces along the lake shore. The row of trees behind the cars provided essential shade as the August sun drove the temperatures up.

Although the festival didn't officially open until 10:00 AM, the primary show area was full of classic cars by 9:00. An overflow lot was opened up in order to accommodate all of the show cars.

Besides hundreds of beautiful automobiles, dog owners turned out in force with their canine friends. Vendors were there too, with products and services for both car and dog lovers. Food trucks were on hand to provide lunch for participants and spectators.

Throughout the day, spectators selected their favorite cars and submitted their choices to show officials. At the conclusion of the car show, awards were presented to the top 35 cars in attendance. Several members of the Volunteer Region were honored with trophies for their cars.

Following the festivities, club members made the short drive to Calhoun's restaurant for dinner and a chance to relax and recap the day. The first-ever Volunteer Region event was deemed an overwhelming success!



VOLUNTEER REGION AACA

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SHONEY'S IN LENOIR CITY, TN
AUGUST 5, 2025

OFFICERS

President: RG Lewallen, Present
Vice President: Ken Lund, Present
Secretary: Debbie Hixon, Present
Past President: None

BOARD

Director: Jordan Lay, Present
Director: Ben Curtis, Present
Director: Herb Thomas, Present
Director: Keith Pierce, Present

GUESTS

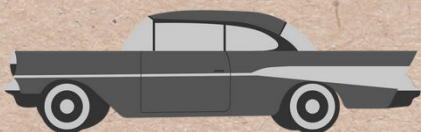
Rick Lay
Sherry Lewallen
Stephanie Cooper
Jan Frazee
Roger Frazee, Webmaster

CALL TO ORDER

The President, RG Lewallen, called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

ROLL CALL

Members and guests present as listed above.



MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the first meeting of the Volunteer Region founding members, which was held on July 22, 2025, were presented and discussed. Roger Frazee made a motion to accept these minutes as presented. Tom Howard seconded the motion. the motion carried with none opposed.

STATUS OF APPROVAL FOR VOLUNTEER REGION FORMATION

Rick Lay reported the approval for the Volunteer Region AACA will be on the agenda for the National AACA Board meeting one week from tonight, August 12, 2025. Officers and board members will be notified as the National Board votes.

FINANCE REPORT

Treasurer, Tom Howard, reported the Volunteer Region is off to a good start financially. Thirty families have joined so far with \$1,094.00 collected. As soon as the club is approved from National, then Tom will open a bank account for the Volunteer Region.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Secretary, Debbie Hixson, will keep the Volunteer Region roster updated with 30 paid families at this time. The club also received new membership applications from Robbie and Beverly Gray and also Robbie and Allison Raymes. A motion was made to accept these new members. The motion passed with none opposed.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Ken Lund is working on club events for the remainder of 2025. Several ideas were presented. more information will be forthcoming.

WEBMASTER REPORT

Roger Frazee has agreed to be the Volunteer Region webmaster. Roger reports that the cost of creating a website is \$250.00 a year. RG Lewallen made a motion to approve giving \$250.00 to Roger and Jan for the web page creation. Ken Lund seconded the motion. The motion passed with none opposed.

NATIONAL AACA LIASION

Rick Lay is the newest AACA National Board Member. Rick had agreed to be the National AACA Liaison for the Volunteer Region AACA.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Jordan Lay has agreed to be the editor of our newsletter and also the administrator of the Volunteer Region Facebook and Instagram accounts.

ROTATION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Rotation of Board Members was discussed for the remainder of the 2025 and 2026. It was proposed to have two Board Members rotate off at a time instead of all four Board Members. Since we are in the middle of 2025, two Board Members would serve 1 ½ years, and two would serve 2 ½ years. This will be voted on at a later date. RG Lewallen as president will serve 1 ½ years.

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL FALL MEET UPDATE

The proposed Southern Fall Meet in Oak Ridge, TN was discussed. Roger Frazee stated the need to form a planning committee in the near future of at least 6 volunteers. Further information to come. Roger also paid \$35.00 to Oak Ridge Parks and Recreation to old the date for the meet. The Volunteer Region will reimburse Roger for this.

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BY-LAWS DISCUSSION

Roger Frazee outlined the by-laws for The Volunteer Region. The National AACA Board reported to use the National AACA by-laws and structure them to meet Volunteer Region needs. A change was made of the structure of the Board and Nominating Committee to specify no two members of the same household can serve on the Board simultaneously. The Nominating Committee will consist of four members at large plus the past President.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

This will be discussed at a later meeting.

OPEN TOPICS/DISCUSSION

One of the main goals of The Volunteer Region AACA is to have an active club along with a strong Board. Looking for new members who want to participate in club events.

Cars for Canines will be August 16, 2025. Club cars will meet before the event and go in together with lunch after the event at Calhouns in Oak Ridge. Ben Curtis will put this together and send out more information.

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The By-laws state that the Board will meet a minimum of 6 times a year, every other month. Tom Howard made a motion to meet the first Thursday of the month for the meetings. Roger Frazee seconded the motion. The motion passed with none opposed.

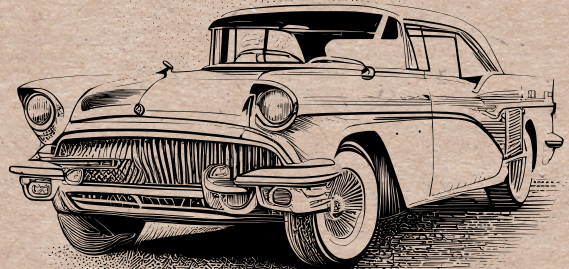
The next Board meeting will be Thursday, September 4, 2025.

The November Board meeting will be Thursday, November 6, 2025.

ADJOURN

Ben Curtis made the motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 8:00 PM. Ken Lund seconded the motion. The motion passed with none opposed.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
DEBBIE HIXSON, SECRETARY





RUN FOR THE SON

OCTOBER 4TH, 2025 9AM-2PM

CAR SHOW

**ALL VEHICLES
WELCOME**

**FREE ADMISSION
TO THE PUBLIC**

**FREE
LUNCH**

**GUN RAFFLE
&
DOOR PRIZES**



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DONATION
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2026 AACA NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

2026 Annual Convention

February 5-7 ▪ Chantilly, VA
Steve Rossi, sldmrossi@aol.com

2026 Eastern Spring Nationals

May 28-30 ▪ Indiana, PA
Paul Colligan, thefarmrv@windstream.net

2026 Special Nationals

March 19-21 ▪ Guaynabo, PR
Jose Davila, guillodavila57@gmail.com

2026 Southeastern Fall Nationals

June 11-13 ▪ Oak Ridge, TN
Roger Frazee, rkfrazee@gmail.com

2026 Winter Nationals

March 26-28 ▪ Cartersville, GA
Kraig Bolus, kbolus3@gmail.com

2026 Sentimental Tour

June 15-19 ▪ Mechanicsburg, PA
Don Barlup, pullman1914@aol.com

2026 Southern Spring Nationals

April 9-11 ▪ Charlotte, NC
Phillip Cole, pcole@wnccumc.net

2026 Central Spring Nationals

July 23-25 ▪ Green Bay, WI
Russ Walker, rusellwalker@aol.com

2026 Western Spring Nationals/Grand Nationals

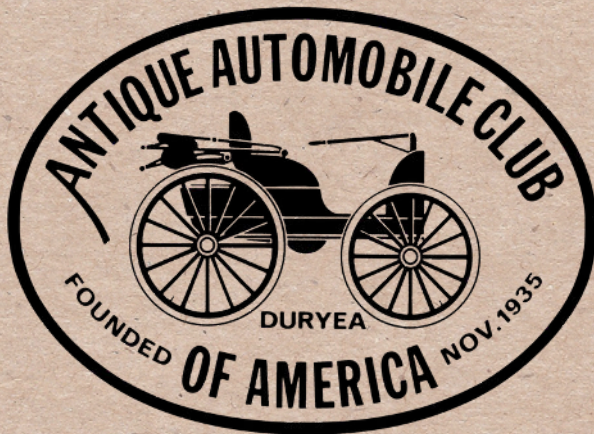
April 23-25 ▪ Las Vegas, NV
Micael Fecchino, chevyfordply@gmail.com

2026 Grand Nationals/Zenith

August 19-22 ▪ Allentown, PA
Steve Moskowitz, aaca1@aaca.org

2026 Founders Tour

September 9-14 ▪ Williamsburg, VA
Scott Dayton, smdayton40@gmail.com

**2026 80th Revival AAA Glidden Tour (AACA)**

September 20-26 ▪ Dover, DE
Dave Anspach, aacadave1054@yahoo.com

2026 Eastern Fall Nationals

October 6-9 ▪ Hershey, PA
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