

Trans Am Club of America Dayton Chapter, Inc.



Host of the Trans Am Nationals since 1985

Club website: www.TACADCinc.com

Trans Am Nationals website: www.tanationals.org

A word from the President...

The Club decided to keep the current officers and appointed positions for 2026 at the November meeting. The position of Treasurer remains open. We agreed that I would continue taking on the responsibilities for now. I will be reaching out to a few specific individuals to determine if they would be interested in taking the lead role going forward. We will then take a vote to officially place them in the position. Being the last newsletter of 2025, I want to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season!

-Jerry

Birthday's & Anniversaries

November Birthdays -

11.01 Phil Farmakis
11.04 Cheryl Minor
11.05 Paul Fries
11.05 George Roberts
11.06 June Ashcraft
11.06 Bryan Montgomery
11.10 Trish Shaw
11.12 Chellie Sheffar
11.15 Debbie Okurowski
11.18 William Nordstrom
11.18 Mandi Scheel
11.2 Shayna Erwin
11.20 Mikey Uszak
11.22 Mike Ashcraft
11.22 Mike Freeman
11.22 James Maley
11.23 Melanie Leshner
11.23 Rob Reece
11.26 Lee Fogel
11.26 Amy Pannel
11.27 Crystal Kindinger
11.28 Pam Nault
11.29 Jenn Bodine

November Anniversaries -

11.08 Mark & Belva Parrett
11.13 David & Maryann
Chmielewski
11.15 Spike & Judi Phillips
11.30 Jim & Sherrie Davis

December Birthdays -

12.01 Larry Hufford
12.01 Sarah Harston
12.02 Debbie Pederson
12.06 Debra Bay
12.06 Bob Deuel
12.07 Marcia Deuel
12.11 Paul Freese
12.11 Gary Thompson
12.12 Lisa Harrelson
12.15 Jamie Jackson
12.16 Ciara Minor
12.17 Michael Maloof
12.20 Jeff Bowling
12.23 Eric Freese
12.27 Don Helcher
12.29 Geno Nemetz

December Anniversaries -

12.03 Mike & June Ashcraft
12.18 Joseph & Lisa Krimmer

January Birthdays -

01.07 Philip Fillios
01.10 Chris House
01.11 Valerie Waite
01.14 Jim Davis
01.15 Tina Reece
01.17 Dianna Cordle
01.20 Dave Logsdon
01.21 David Harris
01.22 Vern Cook
01.24 Spike Phillips
01.24 Mark H. Schuessler
01.25 James Harrelson
01.25 Joseph Krimmer

January Anniversaries -

01.07 Rick & Angel Landis
01.07 Mike & Becky Woodruff
01.29 Everett & Jamie Jackson

Secretary's Report - 11/2/2025

Jerry presided over the meeting with 19 attending. Cheryl said membership is at 113. She will send out reminders for dues that are due in January. All of the Nationals bills have been paid. The Club has donated \$195k over the years to A Special Wish. Cheryl said registration for 2026 Nationals is 43, Tipp City 30, Concours 1, vendors 1. It was discussed to add an alternate and backup name on our bank account (Treasurer). Jerry showed some of the nice comments from the show (see pg 4). Next year will be the 100th anniversary for Pontiac. Next year shirt color and design were discussed. Judging sheets for 102 have been emailed. The Club voted to keep same officers for next year. Treasurer to be determined. Dates for next year's meetings are January 4th, March 1st, May 3rd, July 12th, August 16th, Nat's 28th-30th, September 13th and November 1st.

-Bev



Bev Zellers
Recording Secretary

Membership



Cheryl Minor
Membership Coordinator

Welcome to our 2 new members...

Debra Siela & Scott Biberstine
Blufton, IN 1978 Solar Gold T/A

Frank DiCicco
Venice, FL

Please check page 2 to see if you owe dues. Thanks!

Trans Am Nationals

We started discussing the show design for 2026 at the November meeting. It will be the 50th anniversary of the 1976 Trans Am LE next year, which was also the 50th anniversary of Pontiac, at the time. That means that 2026 will be the 100th anniversary of when Pontiac began back in 1926! That will be our focus for the new design. I have been in contact with our show logo designer and plan to have some preliminary designs to share at the January meeting. The 2026 flyers are up on the Nat's website and registration is open. We already have 40+ cars registered! Flyer mailing will be cut back to just those that registered by mail last year, first time attendees in 2025, Best in Class winners and vendors/sponsors. This will save us quite a bit in flyer printing and postage, as we decided at the beginning of the year.



Jerry Minor
Nationals Chairperson

Calendar of Events

November - 2025

27th - Happy Thanksgiving!

December - 2025

25th - Merry Christmas!

31st - New Year's Eve

January - 2026

1st - Happy New Year!

4th - Club meeting, DoubleTree, Fairborn @ 2pm

Use your Show & Shine calendar to find tons of other car shows throughout the season!

Please check below for your dues owed. This will take you through January, 2027

Last Name	Dues Owed	Last Name	Dues Owed	Last Name	Dues Owed	Last Name	Dues Owed
Wessel	\$48	Shepherd	\$24	Okurowski	\$24	Alger	\$8
Maley	\$48	Lane	\$24	Wilson	\$24	Woodruff	\$8
Uszak	\$32	Parrett	\$24	Roberts	\$24	Tripoli	\$8
Palumbo	\$32	Amburgey	\$24	Waite	\$24	Wong	\$8
Pennington	\$26	Hufford	\$24	Mesaros Jr.	\$24	Sanders	\$8
Nemetz	\$24	Maloof	\$24	Harrelson	\$24	Davis	\$8
Mitchell	\$24	Heimbush	\$24	Montgomery	\$24	Ervin	\$8
Tucker	\$24	Shepherd	\$24	Freeman	\$18	Schuessler	\$8
Freese	\$24	Manning	\$24	Wilder	\$16	Freese	\$8
Phillips	\$24	Hickman	\$24	Eastham	\$14	Fogel	\$8
Sheffar	\$24	Cook	\$24	Jones	\$14	Reece	\$8
Chmielewski	\$24	Nezamis	\$24	Hamilton	\$10	Ashcraft	\$8
Natto	\$24	Parrish	\$24	Cordle	\$10	Nault	\$6
Helcher	\$24	Holloway	\$24	Palasek	\$8	Harston	\$6
Cabala	\$24	Bay	\$24	Rossell	\$8	Farmakis	\$6
LaFave	\$24	Krimmer	\$24	Stephenson	\$8	Siela	\$4
Earl	\$24	Harris	\$24	Landis	\$8	Menke	\$2
Fentz	\$24	Leshner	\$24	Erwin	\$8	DiCicco	\$2
		Basye	\$24	Thompson	\$8		



Together, we make Special Wishes come true!

September 17, 2025

Mr. Jerry Minor
Trans Am Club of America Dayton Chapter
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Dear Mr. *Jerry*

"We just wanted to say thank you to you and A Special Wish for the best and most memorable trip to Disney. We feel so blessed and thankful that you provided us this amazing vacation for Kase and our family. Being able to watch Kase and our kids enjoy every moment and see their innocence and excitement is indescribable." – Kase and his family

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, wish children, and families of A Special Wish Foundation, Inc. - Dayton Chapter, I extend our gratitude for your recent contribution of \$15,000.00 made on 09/09/2025. This donation represents funds raised at the Trans Am Nationals fundraiser. We sincerely appreciate your efforts in planning this event on our behalf. It is through the continued support of the community that we are able to provide children, like Kase, who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening disorder their very Special Wish.



A Special Wish Foundation is the only wish-granting organization located in the Dayton region and all funds donated to the organization stay in our community to grant the wishes of deserving local children. Since the founding of the Dayton Chapter in 1983, over 1,900 wishes have been granted.

Thank you, once again, for your generous support of A Special Wish Foundation but, more importantly, thank you for helping to create memories that will last a lifetime for a child and their family.

Sincerely,

Dave
David Seyer
President

Wow! You all are simply the best! You continue to set the bar to serve to the community and making Special Wishes come true. I am filled with gratitude!



A Special Wish Foundation-Dayton Chapter is a recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Your contribution is fully tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your generous donation.

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2025 Nat's comments...

Great show! Thanks for all you guys do. I've put on similar charity events. No one realizes how much work is required! Great job and see ya next year!

Thanks to everyone for another great show.

Thanks for organizing another great show. Special shout out to whoever was in charge of the weather!

Great show this year! Hard to believe its been 40 years. Where did the time go?? Even through all of the construction going on, we could see how the hotel is going to look once done, and know it will look great!

First of all, thank you for another great year at the Nats!

This was our first year to attend the Trans Am nationals. We had a wonderful time!

I hope all is well and you've been able to recover a little from the awesome job you and your team do every year.

Thank you for the judge's sheet. I felt the judges had a difficult time with the quality of cars there and they spent a good amount of time on each car. I think they did a very good job! I did not place but that's not what it's all about. This was our first year going and we had a good time. We visited with a lot of people and liked looking at all the cars.

I want to say thank you to you and the whole staff for the hard work and dedication you all put into this show We've been attending for over 15 ish years and it's one of our favorite events we plan our summers around this one. Great job 🙌 us 🙌

To the TA Nationals Staff, members, hotel employees, Host Hotel, ya'll did a Fantastic job. We enjoyed our stay, the experience, the crowd, the cars, the entire weekend was off the chain. We came to Nationals the first time in 2023 and had to do it again, so we did, now we're hooked. We will register soon, and with the aid of the Judges sheet work on making our car better. Thank you once again for being great hosts. See you next August!

You guys are doing a great job! Please don't stop.

Thank you very much. Yes, my sister and I very much enjoyed ourselves and yes we plan on coming next year.

Thank you so much and thank you to everyone involved that make the show happen, we love attending! Have a great day!



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Editor's Comments

PLEASE, let me know if there are any misprints or omissions in this newsletter!

As always, if you have anything that you would like to be included in our newsletter or any comments, please send it to me. I'll get it in a future newsletter.

- Cheryl

