

Arizona License Plate Society

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

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How did you start collecting plates? Was there someone who was your mentor?

A lady gave me a whole collection of New Mexico Plates 1915-1970. My brother Steve has been my mentor, he has had Arizona plates since we were teenagers back in the 1970's

How did you hear about the Arizona Regional?

My brother Steve encouraged me to join

What plates do you collect and which are your favorites? Where do you get most of your plates?

I collect Arizona, New Mexico, and Pennsylvania plates. My favorites are the plates from Arizona. I get most of my plates on eBay.

Do you have tips for newer members on the best places to acquire plates?

I recommend looking on internet sites and at antique stores. And of course don't forget to attend our local license plate meets.

How often do you make it to Arizona License Plate Society events?

I make it to about 4 or 5 meets per year.

Which plate in your collection has the best story?

My 1934 Arizona copper plate was from my Dad's birth year in 1934. The sequential number on the plate had "AZ" in the center, and was flanked on either side by "5" and "9", which was my own birth year (1959) and I was born in Arizona – Plate number 5AZ9.

How many plates are in your collection? What types? What do you wish you had more of?

I have about 100 plates in my collection, all passenger and truck plates. I wish to finish the earliest years of Arizona collection from 1914-1917.

Do you display your plates?

I have my plates displayed in my house on boards and around the top of the walls in my garage.

What other non-license plate hobbies do you have?

I am in to vintage cars and antiques, like radios, telephones, and phonographs. I also am in to N-scale model trains.