

Arizona License Plate Society

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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

I grew up in Illinois and asked my Dad for the old plates from the car. My first was the 1960 Illinois, then I saved each year. They were very colorful these years in Illinois. I resumed collecting again a few years ago.

How did you hear about the Arizona Regional?

I met Don Peterson on eBay, he saw that I was from Arizona and asked if I was a member. He and his daughter Cathy were very helpful giving me info on how to join.

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

I have some older Arizona pairs, odd Arizona counties, Arizona boosters, Yukon, Mexico, exotic countries, odd number combinations, pavers of 2, vanities that relate to the Suns, Beatles, and Tennis. One of my favorites is a beat-up NYC police plate. I get plates at meets, eBay, antique stores, and yard sales.

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

License Plate meets are the best I think, then I would say eBay.

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

I make it to 3 or 4 meets per year

Which plate in your collection has the best story?

A plate from Tonga which was hand delivered from New Zealand by Neale and Carmen, license plate collectors that were vacationing here.

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

I have about 150 plates that I consider part of my collection. I also have about a few hundred "traders." I wish I had more early Arizona (surprise!), more of everything, really...

Do you display your plates?

Yes, I have about 60 of my favorite plates hung in the garage.

What other non-license plate hobbies do you have?

I am in to Tennis, swimming, sports, decorating the house with antiques, and cutting firewood.

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