

Arizona License Plate Society MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Name: Jim Maiville

Birth Year: 1931

ALPCA #: 9310

NILPS #: 582

MLPCA #: 747

Residence: Ajo, AZ (winter) and Luther, MI (Summer) --You can't beat that!



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

It has to do with my birthyear, Model A's, and putting the right plate on the A's. Then it just mushroomed from there.

How did you hear about ALPCA and NILPS?

I blame **Sam Guthrie** for that... He invited me as a guest to one of the meets.

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

I collect all plates – my favorites are Michigan 1910 to 1914 and Arizona coppers. I get most of my plates at Arizona plate meets and Michigan swap meets, flea markets, and lots of Michigan auction sales during the summer.

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

Usually the meets are the best sources.

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

I go to all the ALPS events that I can, but during the summer the trip from Michigan is rough.

Which plate in your collection has the best story?

My best plate story is the pair of Arizona 1937's that were made into 1939's. It was number A-1 and came off of an older Lincoln in Michigan in 2002.



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

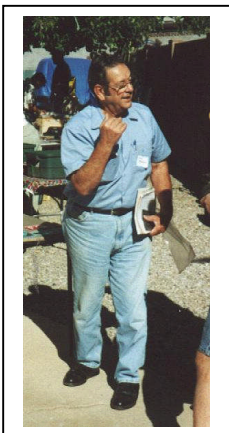
There are 2000 to 3000 plates in my collection of all types. I would like to have a pair of all the Arizona coppers that were made, both the 1932, 1933, 1934 and also the "old car" types issued currently.

Do you display your plates?

All over my garage in Michigan are license plates. I have a full pair run of Michigan, plus a pair run of Michigan depression plates 1938 to 1946 and a pair run of Michigan veteran plates 1935 to 1939.

What other non-license plate hobbies do you have?

I collect Ford factory badges and Model A Fords. I also have a complete wood shop in Michigan and do glass etching, wheeling, and brilliant glass cutting. Also, I peeled 67 trees and built my own log cabin on a small river in Michigan.



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