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we got the Good Neighbors," said Frankie Hughes, a charter member of the club.

As Hughes explained it, each letter in the initials for the Good Neighbors Auto Club, or GNAC, stands for a letter in the abbreviations of the two member states, GA for Georgia and NC for North Carolina.

"We started out doing cruise-ins and the annual show in October, and our fundraising

money has all gone to charities or scholarships," said Hughes. "We were able to do six scholarships last year, and we try to divide it between Georgia and North Carolina."

Of course, the show on Saturday was a bittersweet occasion for everyone involved, as many friends have come together for many years to make the show a success.

And Hughes said she is

thankful for all of the support the club has garnered over the years.

"We've had people from all over the area within a 100-mile radius, and some further, that come for our show," said Hughes. "It's been a great run. Thanks to everybody who has attended."

The rain, which started in the morning and lasted until after lunchtime, kept attendance down for the last show, since many classic show cars don't take kindly to rainy conditions.

"A lot of people, that's the only car they have that they show, and they're not taking it out in the rain. And I don't blame them," said Joe McGinnis, a longtime Good Neighbor. "We always like to have a good show, and we do the best we can to put on a show."

"We've always had good reviews, because we try hard and we try to get the trophies out at 3 p.m. We try to stay on time and everything, and the members have worked hard."

From muscle cars to classic cars and trucks, the show on Saturday featured a little bit of everything, even though it rained early on.

Jim Logan of Ellijay brought his 1967 Mercury Cyclone to the show on Saturday, and he hopes another club will pick up where the Good Neighbors leave off, since the passion for cars is still strong in the North Georgia Mountains.

For Logan, a lifelong Ford man, collecting cars is about honoring the past and remembering times gone by.

"I bought (a '67 Mercury Cyclone) when I came out of Vietnam in 1967," said Logan. "I ordered a new one from Clark Air Base - they had a Ford dealership on the base - and I picked it up in Atlanta when I got home."

"I got married, and my wife couldn't drive the four-speed and hold the baby at the same time, so I ended up selling it. I always wanted another one, and they're hard to find. I found this one in Rhode Island, bought it from a 92-year-old woman who got too old to drive."

Also in attendance that Saturday were many members of the Blairsville Cruisers, who have assisted the Good Neighbors with their annual Car and Truck Show for the last several years.



From the Model A to the Mustang, the Good Neighbors Car and Truck Show had a little bit of everything on Saturday, Oct. 20. Photo by Shawn Jarrard



This year marked the 34th annual show, which has always been used as a way to give back to the community. Photo by Shawn Jarrard

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