



# OLDE NEWS

**ANCIENT CITY REGION  
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## ANCIENT CITY AUTO CLUB PROVIDES THE FIRST TEN CARS TO CROSS THE NEW BRIDGE OF LIONS



### Bridge of Lions Reopening Ceremony

**Wednesday, March 17, 2010  
10:00am  
on the bridge's western approach**

#### *Welcome*

Joseph L. Boles, Jr.  
Mayor, City of St. Augustine

#### *Invocation*

Fr. Thomas Willis  
Pastor, Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine

#### *Remarks*

Alan Mosley  
District 2 Secretary  
Florida Department of Transportation

Theresa Segal  
President, Save Our Bridge

#### *Ribbon Cutting*

Mrs. Isabella Ingraham Heard  
Hannah Elaine West & Gracie Anne West

#### *Procession of The '27 Club*

*Procession of the Ancient City Auto Club  
Bridge of Lions open for the pedestrian general public*

#### *12:00pm / Noon*

*Bridge of Lions open for vehicular traffic*



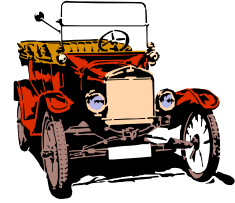
### Ancient City Auto Club

The Bridge of Lions has served millions of vehicles transporting residents to and from work and school, and visitors on vacation. The Ancient City Auto Club, Dewey Porter, President, has assembled a procession of vehicles representing each decade of the bridge's service. The procession is led by DOT-1, the last vehicle to cross the bridge before it closed in 2006, and includes these vehicles driven by their owners:

1928 Chevrolet Sedan	Dewey Porter
1934 Ford Coupe	Mark Young
1946 Cadillac Sedan	Jim Weiss
1951 Ford Station Wagon	Bob Quackenbush
1961 Chevrolet Corvette	Bill Soman
1970 Pontiac Trans Am	Bill Snyder
1987 Chevrolet Monte Carlo	Bob Barton
1994 Cadillac Sedan	Ray Cornett
2006 Dodge Charger	John Guarnieri
2010 Chevrolet Camaro	Jack Wilson Family of Dealerships driven by Allan Moskowitz

**Above is from the official program by City of St. Augustine**

*Sorry but the last 3 cars we did not get separate photos*



## ACTIVITIES

**April 1** ACAC Monthly Meeting at Village Inn 6 PM for dinner, meeting at 7 PM

**April 4** St. Johns Flea Market SR 207 & I95 annual car show note this is Easter Sunday 7 AM- 3 PM

**April 8 – 11** AACA SE Spring Meet Hornets Nest  
Region Charlotte, NC. 704 536 0727

**April 9** Old Guys with Old Cars: 9 AM *Old guys with old cars is moving! Due to seating and noise considerations, I am moving the monthly meeting of Old Guys with Old Cars to "Sluggers Restaurant" at the Avenida Inn, 2800 Ponce Deleon Blvd, located at US1 and SR16. It offers plenty of parking for the old cars. They have plenty of seating and will organize the free standing tables so the we may sit as a group. Their breakfast menu includes 6 full specials all around \$6.00 that include coffee!*

**April 10** First Baptist Church in Hammock car show 11 AM – 3 PM Lunch provided for car owner's. Door prizes. Fund raiser for community youth. To caravan lv. Wildwood Publix at 10:30 AM

**April 10** Fruit Cove Baptist Church SR 13 8 AM – 2 PM 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show Free food, prizes \$25 after April 4. Over 300 cars attend. One of the largest shows in North Florida. Those attending will get to see member Chip Mitchell's 1928 Marmon Model 78 (it does exist ???)

**April 15** ACAC Board Meeting Young's @ 7 PM

**April 17** Federal Point Church annual fish fry. Don't miss this great time under massive oaks and wonderful food. Serving starts at 12 PM to 4 PM Call Jinny or Bob Quackenbush for info

**April 17** Azalea AACA Region annual car show at Riverside Park Palatka. Note this will be our monthly club activity for April. Depart Publix at Wildwood at 9 AM

**April 17** St. Augustine Cruisers Monthly cruise night at Ponce de Leon Mall 5 – 8 PM

**April 22** ACAC monthly eat out night at Shaunessey's at Publix Moultrie Road & US 1 So. 6 PM

**April 24** Crankin A's Car Show at Barberville Restored Village

**April 24** N.FL Car Show Assoc Car Show Moosehaven Orange Park info [northflshowcar@aol.com](mailto:northflshowcar@aol.com)

**April 24** AACA Volusia Region show in Lake Helen. Thru 1982 Including modified. Several ACAC members will be going. Check with John Guarnieri or Dewey.

**May 13-15** AACA Annual Grand National Meet First Capital Chapter New Bern, NC 252 637 2319

**Oct 2** Cruisin Couples Car Show, Eustis Ferran Park by the lake. Live music with Elvis, 1985 & earlier, 80 trophies with cars judged. 8 AM – 3:30 PM info at [www.cruisincouples.com](http://www.cruisincouples.com) or Kent 352 301 5368  
We have fliers

**Oct 6-9** AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey Region Hershey, PA 717 834 9146

**Oct 28** Annual ACAC Halloween Costume Party at Sherrod's house at the River. 6 PM

### MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING MARCH 18, 2010

March board meeting held at the Q's Dewey Porter. Mark Young, Bob Q and John G. in attendance.

Treasurer report \$5012.89 with no outstanding bills. Membership reports 36 members paid with 2 recent applications in the mail. Club shirts are expected for delivery by the April open meeting, members will be reminded to bring money to pay \$30 for each shirt ordered.

John G reports that he and Dewey will be meeting with Rob Daly who have been putting in many hours to get our web site updated and working.

John also reports the he is moving Old Guys with Old Cars to Sluggers Grille at the Avenida Inn, which is on the N/E corner of US1 and SR16. He has checked this location out with Bob Barton and feels it will better meet the groups needs. It will still be the 2nd Friday of each month at 9AM. Hope to see you there on April 9th.

Dewey went over the activities (see the Olde News) for Dick Sherrod, who is out of town.

Dewey reports that he is happy with the first new issue of the Olde News and will be further tweaking it with the help of Arnold DeLorenzo

Dewey also reports that he was happy with the turnout for the reopening of the Bridge of Lions and wishes to thank the members who drove their car across. He further believes that the club will benefit from the good publicity.

Dewey reports that he is making slow progress on the clubs car roster as he only has received half the memberships information.

Bob Q has agreed to call the rest of the membership within the next few days.

Mark Young distributed the club roster which s up to date as of 3-17-10. John G. will forward the new roster to the National as required. He also wishes to remind new members who have recently got or are about to receive the first AACA ID card to either call or email him with the membership number.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Bob Barton is trying to get the club involved in its own Cruise night. He has been in contact with Manny Gomez, who wants to host the cruise in at the old Winn Dixie parking lot, located at SR312 and US A1A on Anastasia Island. The board is in favor of Bob contacting Mr. Gomez and make sure that there is permission from the owner of the property and other tenants. Some sort of public address system, sufficient lighting and door prizes. The board also feels the second Friday of each month would be a good night to hold the cruise. John G. suggests if this site works out it may be a good location for us to hold our 2011 car show!

Mark Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Q. John Guarnieri Secretary



#### **BUZZ GEORGE'S 71 OLDS CUTLASS CONV. AT ATLANTIC DODGE SHOW MAR 13 2010 WELCOME OUR LATEST NEW MEMBERS**

Wayne (Buzz) and Lyn George have lived in St Augustine since 1997 and were frequent visitors prior to that date - Lyn's parents lived here since the early eighties.

Wayne retired from the computer software business in the medical field

and has become very active in our community - 7 years on the Airport Authority; 8 years on the Board of Directors of Flagler Hospital, and 5 years on the Limelight Theatre Board.

Children: Buck George (St .Augustine) - United Airlines pilot & local builder, wife (Lindy) and 1 daughter;

Kristen Gibbs (St. Augustine) - full time mother of 3 great kids (and it IS a full time job);

Kurt George (Norfolk, VA) - Branch Manager for Patterson Dental Supply, wife (Angela) and 1 daughter..

Wayne's prior involvement with antique automobiles dates back to a 1972 Cutlass Convertible (in his family for 18 years) and a 1966 Caddy Convertible. Presently, he's finishing a frame-off restoration of a 1954 Chevy Pickup (like the one he learned to drive in) and a 1971 Cutlass Convertible restoration.

They live in Davis Shores and look forward to meeting all the members at future events.

## ST AUGUSTINE CRUISERS VISIT "THE CAVE" FEB 27 2010



Once again Bob & Jinny had a group visit "The Cave" collection with Bob describing facts and history of the various cars.

Jinny served refreshments afterwards. Several of the Cruisers had not seen the cars previously plus there is usually something new that the others did not see on a previous visit.

## ATLANTIC DODGE HOSTS CAR SHOW MARCH 13, 2010



Rob Daly displays his 63 Dodge Convert. Also entering cars were Buzz George, Dewey Porter, Bill Soman, Bob Quackenbush, Bob Barton, and John Guarnieri. The host dealership served Hot Dogs and chips to go with it. Also several nice door prizes were awarded. This was a St. Augustine Cruisers activity and they supplied their music trailer with DJ.

### Minutes of Open Meeting April 1, 2010 @ Village Inn

John G. Treasury report of \$3973 including just over \$1000 paid for the new club shirts, once the shirts are paid for the balance will get back, with the exception of the silk screen set up \$75 and the tax on the complete purchase. Membership is holding at 36 members, with 2 recent applications not returned.

New club shirts are in, all the men's sizes are correct, but there was a problem with the ladies sizes, Lynda G showed the ladies in attendance the new 4 sizes. It appears that the ladies will have to order the next size up, i.e.: medium will be a large etc. \*8of the ladies new sizes have been obtained, Lynda will call the other 3 ladies, so that John can get the order back to the silk screener

Mark Young reports the club roster is up to date and will email all on the list and send out the other 3 members by US mail

Dewey still requests that all members report their list of cars to him by email so that he can complete the list.

Both Mark Young and Dick Sherrod report to have gone to Daytona and reported that the number of vendors has been drastically reduced as well as the amount of collector cars in attendance. But that the foot traffic was heavy. They also reported that the price of cars was considerably less than those at Moultrie last month? Mark was not successful in selling his '67 truck. Dick also went to the auction and said that the cars were moving quickly through the line with little or no bidding! 2 trucks went for less than \$5000?

Dewey asked if any member bought or sold a car recently. Bob Q, reports having sold his '79 VW convertible. The one that had a car fire on his return from a recent VW show. Fellow, a VW collector, who bought it saw it on Craig's list and was bringing it back to Nova Scotia?

John G reports buying another '55 Dodge (parts car) on eBay, vehicle being shipped from Wisconsin this weekend and should be in St Augustine on Tuesday. John is mainly interested in the engine and transmission. which he will rehab/detail and install in his AACA Senior car. He will do the swap after returning from the Grand Nationals in mid-May.

Dick Sherrod reports selling his '95 Z28 Camaro, to a retired Police Trooper from Tenn. he had the car for 10 years, enjoyed it and made a few dollars on the sale

Dewey reminded us to buy low and sell high, seems I always get that reversed!

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Dick Sherrod went over the upcoming activities. **CHECK IN THIS ISSUE FOR ACTIVITIES**

Ron Leone states that he planning a return trip to the Sculpture Gallery in Hammock Dunes, this will be the clubs third visit as the members have enjoyed it in the past.

Ron also reports that he has been invited to show his Isetta Zmolding micro car at the Concourse in Hilton Head in November of this year. Well done Ron!

Ron also suggests that the members check Bruce Wiener's Micro Car Museum on line, where over 150 micro cars are on display. (when we got home Lynda and I Goggled the site and is truly an outstanding collection)

Bill Soman reports that he has 3 letters from students who are seeking our clubs annual scholarships. We are giving out 2 this year, so Dewey and Bill will get together with other members and select this years recipients. Nice job Bill

50/50 was won by Bob Q, who turned his \$15 winnings back to the club to assist our treasury. Thanks you Bob. The meeting concluded with Bob Q, giving us a talk on remedying fuel system problems. He handed out a nicely detail hand drawn easy to read diagrams. The main point is to use clean gas, use a good gas additive, like Stabil, Sea Foam etc to help keep gas viable. He also suggests adding a fuel shut off to run car dry when storing it. He also suggested adding an extra gas filter to minimize crud buildup, update fuel hoses, as they do deteriorate over time and that they are being taxed by today's modern fuels. which can contain up to 10% ethanol which will be increased to 20% sometime in the future. Thanks Bob for the informative talk, it raised several questions among the members.

### **JOHN GUARNIERI GETS A HPOF AT HOMESTEAD FL. AACA SE NATIONAL**

On Thursday March 4th ,Lynda and I loaded up my 1973 Plymouth Gran Fury, the newest acquisition (Aug '09) to my fleet and headed approx 340 miles south to Homestead FL for the S.E Florida Region Diamonds in the Sun AACA winter meet. This meet kicked off the AACA's 75th Diamond Anniversary. The trip down was an uneventful 6 1/2 hours with my Rumble Bee towing the long Plymouth on the Feather Lite trailer only stopping once for a pit stop and for lunch and gas. We arrived at the Homestead Motor Speedway which was the site of the show. Everything for the show was being conducted at the speedway. So we left the car on the trailer and went and located our hotel. On Friday morning we were the first to get our car on the show field. Weather was somewhat cool as it has been for the rest of the state, and they have prevailing winds that do not stop, so the mornings were chilly. After parking the car, in class, on the show field Lynda and I drove around the area



Saturday morning we were joined by friends, Hamlet and Elvia, of the Wheels in Motions AACA club, who came down just for the show. We arrived at the field a little after 10AM. Most of the 200 plus vehicles were already in place.. Luckily I was correctly parked as the rest of the field filled in around us. The car was parked in the first row so we set up our chairs, in the shade of some big trees.. At 11AM the judging began and my Plymouth was the second car the team of judges had to inspect. So in less that 20 minutes I was free to tour the flea market, that had about 50 vendors, I was able to pick up 3 plates for my 50 state collection. With the guys off looking at the cars Kathleen Koch came by and spent some time with the ladies, she followed Chris down who was driving their motor home pulling their car hauler.

The weather was great. We spent several hours walking the 200 plus car show field, as usual only a few Mopars were being displayed but those that were worth the trip. There were over 35 Corvettes there for judging along with a high number of Model A's. I counted 9 Packard's, many had come over from the Tampa area for the weekend. In speaking to the members of the host club I learned that the majority of the cars came from Florida and many of those were "snow birds" Being so far south they do not draw from neighboring states! I also learned that a core group of 15 members of the 57 year old Club put on 5 to 6 shows a year in the Miami/Homestead area!!!

Saturday evening the banquet dinner was also held at the speedway, with over 200 people in attendance. The hall was long and narrow but overlooked the speedway, where many early attendees lined the windows to watch the end of a Rolex championship event while taking in the cocktail hour. At exactly 7PM the banquet began with the introduction of the visiting AACA hierarchy and the local club members who put on the show. After dinner was served they began handing out the awards. Chris and Kathleen Koch won a 1st Junior with their 1951 Mercury Monarch convertible. My '73 Plymouths HPOF class was the last to be called and my name was the 3rd last to be called for the evening. Luckily they did not run out of awards!

When I got home I called Tim the previous owner of the Plymouth and told him of the cars success (he maintained it for 20 yrs as part of his collection, but is not an AACA member) he related that he was glad I bought the car and was taking good care of it. He recently saw another of his cars at a cruise in and it was caked with the winter muck of Michigan and he was sorry he sold the guy the car! I too prefer to sell my cars out of the area so that I do not have to witness their deterioration.

All in all it was a great weekend to get away and enjoy another part of the car hobby

## **CRUISIN COUPLES VISIT "THE CAVE" MARCH 20, 2010**

Bob & Jinny hosted the Cruisin Couples Car Club from Eustis, Florida. Most of them arrived in a collector car and there were some beauties. (Cars) Several Ancient City members also attended to lend support.

Jinny had prepared two cakes for the visitors. That made 3 out of the last 4 days that she had hosted car club visitors to her house and provided home made delicious food

She also helps install front bumpers, hoods and fenders from time to time as Bob calls upon her..



## **ST AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL FAIR MARCH 21, 2010**

It was a rainy Sunday morning but Dewey Porter and I decided to go to the St Ambrose cookout in Elkton. We meet along SR207 at 1130AM and wound our way to the church. When we arrived we were given prime parking just next to the church. We parked right next to some Model A's that came down from JAX, so I can not complain about our 20 or so mile jaunt in the rain. My 1930 Chrysler had a small amount of water inside, as it has a leak in the rubber? top, that I can not locate. But its 80 yrs old and is almost all original, so a bit of water will not harm it any further!

In following Dewey in his 1933 Chevy I noticed that he has directional signals. I had purchased the after market kit for my car and have not gotten around to installing it. So in order to drive in a safer and dryer manner (I had to keep the drivers windows down to hand signal) I will make an appointment with A & R Auto Electric and have the unit installed and also have it wired to my 3rd brake light that I purchased in Hershey in 2008.

We met up with Ellis Ulrich from the N.E. Florida Region and David and Lois Usina from the St Augustine Cruisers. Altogether 10 old cars and 3 street rods were in attendance. I am sure more would have come if the weather had been better.



Using umbrellas and I had a clear poncho we headed to the dining area. We were given free lunch for bringing the old cars. Portions of baked ham or perlaw, with sides of cabbage, green beans, cole slaw, potato salad and biscuits. Iced tea, water, coffee or decaf. Numerous home made desserts were available for an extra \$1.

Outside tents were set up for a silent auction, homemade crafts and a "trash or treasure" booth was available. They ran 3 separate 50/50 drawings that I tried, so I wound up giving them their dinner money, but did not win. This 50/50 was not a bad idea as it kept people stimulated throughout the day and allowed people who wanted to leave early still have a chance to play and win.

It was a nice day to get out and drive the old cars, but would have been more enjoyable and profitable if it had not rained all day long

**AACA KINGDOM OF THE SUN LIVE OAK  
HORSE & CARRIAGE SHOW MARCH 28  
2010 AT THE LIVE OAK HORSE STUD  
FARM IN OCALA**

John & Lynda Guarneri and Dewey Porter with Daryl Parsons riding with him made the 2 hour trip meeting with Rob and Brenda Daly in Palatka. John G drove his 73 Plymouth sedan and Rob drove his 63 Dodge convert .A light rain which continued all day made for a wet car show two Sundays in a row. The car turnout was down by one half due to the weather and only about 60 cars were registered. Participant judging was completed by noon and awards were passed out early to escape rapidly incoming turbulent weather. Dewey won a First Place in the 1921 to 1930 class with his 1928 Chevrolet which was trailered to the show as 200 miles round trip at 45 MPH in the rain with no wipers was not on the menu. We left the show at 2:30 PM and drove in rain all the way to Palatka where we enjoyed the Golden Corral buffet. After eating, we continued to St. Augustine in a fairly heavy rain all the way.



**BRIDGE OF LIONS WAS ORIGINALLY A  
TOLL BRIDGE IN 1927**



A local history buff, Terry Marshall loaned an original 1927 Bridge of Lions license plate complete with the 3 month tag and year 1927 to be used for the Bridge Opening Ceremony. It is one of 3 known remaining, of which 2 are owned by the Historic Society and Terry's is the third. It was displayed on the first car to cross the bridge at the opening ceremony.



It is interesting to note the tag is only good for 3 months. It can be assumed that each 3 month tag would be a different color so the bridge tender would know whether it was a current one. I would bet they quickly abandoned the idea as traffic increased and it became a burden just to keep renewing tags. The 1927 city fathers could never envision that the bridge would be recreated in 2010 at a cost of \$82 million.

**OLDE NEWS ARTICLES ARE NEEDED**

How about a write-up and photos of a car related project, a trip in an old car from years ago, your Dad's car, your first car, anything the membership might enjoy. We have to peak the member's interest. Variety in the Olde News will keep up the interest. Thirty Six members could supply many interesting articles, *just do it*, as they say in the Nike ads.

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