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Ancient City Auto Club Antique Automobile Club of America

August, 2022

Rita Arpaia

We notified you earlier of the passing of Rita Arpaia. Jim and Rita were long time members of the Ancient City Auto Club and Jim is a former president. Always active and present at every car show, it was a treat to see them driving either their 1948 Oldsmobile convertible or their elegant 1956 Lincoln hardtop, complete with continental kit. As a result of Rita's medical condition, Jim and Rita



moved to South Carolina last year to be closer to family. Current plans include a



Celebration of Life for Rita at the Classic Car Museum here in St. Augustine and we are certain that Jim will be happy to reacquaint with friends during the visit. We will publish the date once it's established. Jim's favorite charity is the Alzheimer's Foundation of America and donations can be made in Rita's honor.

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Jim and Rita Arpaia with their '48 Oldsmobile Convertible

Minutes of the Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

Minutes of the member meeting and the board meeting are distributed separately.

With the return of nicer weather, several members drove their collector cars to the member meeting. The 50 / 50 drawing was won by Joe Greeves.





Club members enjoyed breakfast at the Oasis for the August get together. The weather being a bit iffy, 11 members but only 3 classic vehicles showed up.

This month's free breakfast drawing was won by Skip Ferguson.

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Jim Athos - Model A



Skip Ferguson – Dodge



Joe Greeves - Lexus

Bob Kessler brough the new banner to be exhibited at club events to identify ourselves to the world. Very nice, Bob.



August Monthly Dine Out

Two dozen members of the Ancient City Auto Club family enjoyed dinner at St. Augustine's famous Arnold's Lounge. A landmark attraction for decades, it has become even more attractive now that it is smokefree. Although Arnold's features live music several evenings each week, our Dining Out director, Ron Leone made the best decision, choosing Steak Night Thursday where Ribeye dinners come



with all the fixings for \$14.99. Adding to the fun was some genuinely entertaining Karaoke that started at 7 PM. The combination of good food, great company, and the opportunity to audition for America's Got Talent ensured that everyone had a wonderful evening. Review your weekly copy of the Activities List to find out your next opportunity to get together with friends and food.

















Ron Leone had the only collector car because of the threatening weather.

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum



The fourth Saturday of the month is always a special time for classic car owners. That's the day when Sidney Hobbs, the owner of St. Augustine's Classic Car Museum welcomes about a hundred close friends to his monthly get-together, Cars and Coffee. With cool custom cars outside and an even wilder selection inside, it's always a great start to your Saturday morning. Add this one to your event calendar and enjoy meeting friends, munching doughnuts, and getting your weekend rolling in style. Although the event is scheduled for 8 AM to 10 AM, anyone arriving at the official start will be lucky to find a place up front. Fortunately, there is

plenty of room on both sides of the museum as well as in the rear. Attendance is

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not limited to local drivers. Lots travel from as far away as Jacksonville and Daytona for this monthly event. Thanks to Bozard Lincoln, the coffee is hot, the doughnuts are sweet, and the car stories are never ending in this enthusiast crowd. Owners Brenda and Sidney Hobbs know everyone by name and are always part of the welcoming charm of this event. Put this two-hour Saturday event on your calendar, get there early, and we'll see you in September.



The batmobile was out today.

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Joe Greeves - Lexus





David Cameron - Corvette



Danny Stevens – '92 Mustang



Ron Leone – '04 BMW



Tony Evangelista - Corvette



Paul McCarthy – '57 Chevy Wagon



Bob Kessler – '91 Cadillac



Bill Soman - '61 Corvette



John Battistini – '70 Stingray



Ron Carmichael – '63 Galaxie



Jim Athos - Model A



John Bagg – '68 Mustang



Jim Weiss – '27 Willy's Knight



Skip Ferguson - Pontiac





Glen Bakst – '68 Buick Skylark

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Up Coming Events

Sept 1 – ACAC Monthly Meeting at Village Inn US 1 North, 6 PM dinner,7 PM Meeting.

Sept 2 – NOTE: SLIGHT TIME CHANGE – START TIME NOW 6:30 PM Friday for the Calendar Car Photo Shoot. IMPORTANT! In order to capture the 26 cars on the list, we will shoot the vehicles at the Classic Car Museum, using the solid white wall on the south portion of the building as the background. It should only take a few minutes to photograph each car. All cars should arrive detailed and camera ready. I will do a second shoot at 6:30 PM Saturday, September 3 for anyone who can't make the first session. Everyone on the list has either responded by email or has been contacted personally by phone. Hopefully Mother Nature will allow us to accommodate everyone. Rain date if necessary to be announced.

Sept 6 – Culvers Cruise In, US 1 South. 5-8 PM.

Sept 9 – Old Guys Breakfast 9 AM at the Oasis on A1A.

Sept 17 – St. Augustine Cruisers monthly Cruise Night at CCM 5-7 PM.

Sept 21 – Captain Cones Ice Cream. 5-6 PM. Every third Wednesday, Captain Cones offers 10% off your purchase if you drive your classic or custom vehicle. They have a great variety. The location is 197 Blackford Way, St Augustine, FL 32086 (US1 South in the shopping center behind Walgreen's.)

Sept 24 – Cars and Coffee at CCM 8 AM- 10 AM. Coffee and pastries sponsored by Bozard Lincoln.

Oct 1 – 2022 First Coast Car Council Cruisin to the Creek 36th Annual Car Show Trout Creek Memorial Park 6550 SR 13 N. St. Augustine FL. 32092 9 AM- 3PM Rain or Shine, Over 50 Awards, \$25 pre registration to Sept 20, \$30 day of show, spectators free. Register Online at www.carcouncil.org/show-registration. Always a great show.

Oct 4-7 – AACA Eastern Fall Nationals Hershey, PA.

Oct 6 – ACAC Monthly Meeting at Village Inn US 1 North. 6 PM dinner 7 PM Meeting.

Oct 14 – Old Guys Breakfast 9 AM at Oasis on A1A.

Oct 14-16 – The Lake Mirror Classic Concours & Car Show is back! This year's event, in Lakeland, FL, is scheduled for October 14-16, 2022. There are multiple events throughout the weekend but Note: registration closes September 15. For more info, check out https://lakemirrorcarshow.com/

Oct 15 – St. Augustine Cruisers monthly Cruise Night at CCM 5-7 PM.

Oct 19 – Captain Cones 5-6 PM. 10% off your purchase if you drive your classic or custom vehicle.

Oct 22 – Cars and Coffee at CCM 8AM to10AM, coffee and pastries sponsored by Bozard Lincoln.

Oct 22 – 44th Annual Buick-Oldsmobile-Pontiac-Cadillac Car Show & Swap Meet 9:30AM 2:30 PM Auburndale, Florida \$25 registration. Info contact Olds Club of Florida- Pat Whissel 727-744-5689 or patwhissel@gmail.com.

Nov 3 – ACAC Monthly Meeting at Village Inn US 1 No. 6 PM dinner 7 PM Meeting.

Nov 5 – 38th Annual Ancient City Auto Club car show at Classic Car Museum, 4730 Dixie HWY, 8 AM-4 PM flyer at http://ancientcity.aaca.com/

Nov 24-27 – 49TH ANNUAL TURKEY RUN at the Daytona International Speedway. More than 5000 cars on display, huge car corral, and parts vendors. Registration for the 49th Daytona Turkey Run www.turkeyrun.com.

Dec 10 – ANCIENT CITY AUTO CLUB ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY at the Classic Car Museum, We will have a dinner catered by Sporks (same format as last year), dancing to disc jockey after dinner. More details to follow as we are closer to the Dec 10 date.

Future Event Alert: June 24, 2023, THE ANNUAL GREAT RACE will depart from St. Augustine and will end in Colorado Springs, CO. As details on the departure location are released, we will advise members. Several years ago, the race departed from Jacksonville, FL and several members went to be a part of the huge crowd seeing them off. Our member Dave Burrows was entered in the race driving his 1948 Mercury Woodie station wagon and he completed the race without any car problems.

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