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ANCIENT CITY AUTO CLUB INSTALLS NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Ancient City Auto Club met January 5th, 2012, to install new officers and thank the outgoing board at the Gallery Cafe.

Forty two members applauded outgoing President Dewey Porter as he presented his gavel to Jim Weiss.

Joining Jim on the Board: Vice President: Cliff Williams; Secretary: Bob Quackenbush; Treasurer, Tuni Weiss; Newsletter: Kathy Young; Activities Chairperson: Charlie Williams; Dining Chair: Ron Leone; Membership: Bill Soman.

New members Cam and Sue Baker were welcomed, with their '64 Falcon Convertible.

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Forty-two ACAC members enjoyed the Installation Dinner of 2012 board members at the Gallery Cafe

partment, Carley King reported the purchase of a 1957 Shasta Travel Trailer, Doug Nietzel has added a 1954 Catalina, 2 door Chieftan to his garage, Jim Weiss parted with Tuni's '46 Caddy, and Bob Quackenbush said goodbye to his 1951 Buick.

Gallery Cafe surprised the club with a drawing for his painting of a '52 Chevrolet by Russell Kilgore. Dewey Porter held the winning ticket.

February's meeting will again be at the Gallery Cafe on Feb. 2, 6 p.m. Information on the menu will be e-mailed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. on a motion by John Guarnieri.

By Robert W. Quackenbush, Secretary



We joined ACAC members Bill & Pat Meyer and Bob & Jinny Quackenbush in Sarasota, FL. Saturday morning we went to the MOAT Aquarium. Our friend Joe Malaney is a docent at the aquarium and gave us the real presidential treatment. The fish tanks had col-

orful fish and exotic corals. What a wonderful collection of sea life! We encountered everything from manatees to South African Penguins.

Finishing our tour of aquatic life, we were off to a car event at Tom Kaiser's property cele-

brating Packards, the brass era and The "Slow Spokes" car



SARASOTA WEEKEND

One of the members even towed a car that had a sick radiator, but he wouldn't pass up the chance to come to this meet. Not all of the cars on the property were Packards!, a Chevy and a Checker were there as well!! After lunch and a lot of car talk, we were off to the Classic Car Collection Museum of Sarasota.



The collection had some very unusual cars, as the owner of the museum arranged with some car owners to store their cars in the museum while on display as part of the collection.



On Sunday morning, we toured the Ringling Museum. A wonderful sight, the "home" was a mere 35,000 square feet. Situated right on the bay, life was good to the families housed there. The dock would have housed a small 150 foot yacht. John and Mabel Ringling travelled to the towns where the circus was playing in their private train car, which had servants, a kitchen several sitting rooms and bedrooms.

John Ringling was reputed to be the fifth wealthiest man in the United States when he s bought an estimated 67,000 acres of what is now Sarasota and Longboat Key as investment property.

In the spirit of America's wealthiest Gilded Age industrialists, John Ringling gradually acquired a significant art collection, including paintings by Peter Paul Rubens, Velàzquez, Poussin, van Dyck and other Baroque masters, as well as rare antiquities from Cyprus. He built a palace for his treasures in a 21-gallery Museum of Art on his Sarasota property.

The Circus Museum's Tibbals Learning Center houses an exhibition of circus posters. Ranging in size from window to barn sized, these colorful posters were plastered on buildings, walls and fences all across America and broadcasted in no uncertain terms that the circus was coming to town. The cornerstone of the Circus Museum is The How-



By Tuni Weiss

ard Bros. Circus Model. The model is a replica of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus from 1919 - 1938. It was created over a period of more than 50-years by master model builder and philanthropist Howard Tibbals

HOT RODDING FOR HEROES

Gainesville, FL is introducing a new event for 2012, the Hot Rodding For Heroes Classic Auto Tour and Show. It is a classic car event that will be taking place in Gainesville FL on February 10th-11th 2012. On Saturday 2/11 participants will enjoy a 30 mile police escorted tour of

Gainesville and Alachua County, followed by a unique car show at the Haile Village Center and the Haile Plantation Golf & Country Club (cars will be on the fairways). There will be live music, military flyover, drill teams, vendors area, kids activities, and other entertainment. This event

is designed to involve the North Central Florida community, and most importantly a way to give back to our military veterans.



SANTA ARRIVED!



Santa in Peter & Gina Starr's 1956

And liked what he saw. When new ACAC members Peter and Gina Starr got home from participating in the Saint Augustine Christmas parade, their neighbor, Joe Devlin, (moonlighting in fleece and beard), asked for a sleigh ride shot in Peter's '56 convertible.

young grand daughters were particularly impressed that Gramps could "put in a good word with Mr. Claus." Peter told them he loaned Santa the car while the sleigh was in for repairs!

The resulting photo became the Starr's 2011 Christmas card. Their

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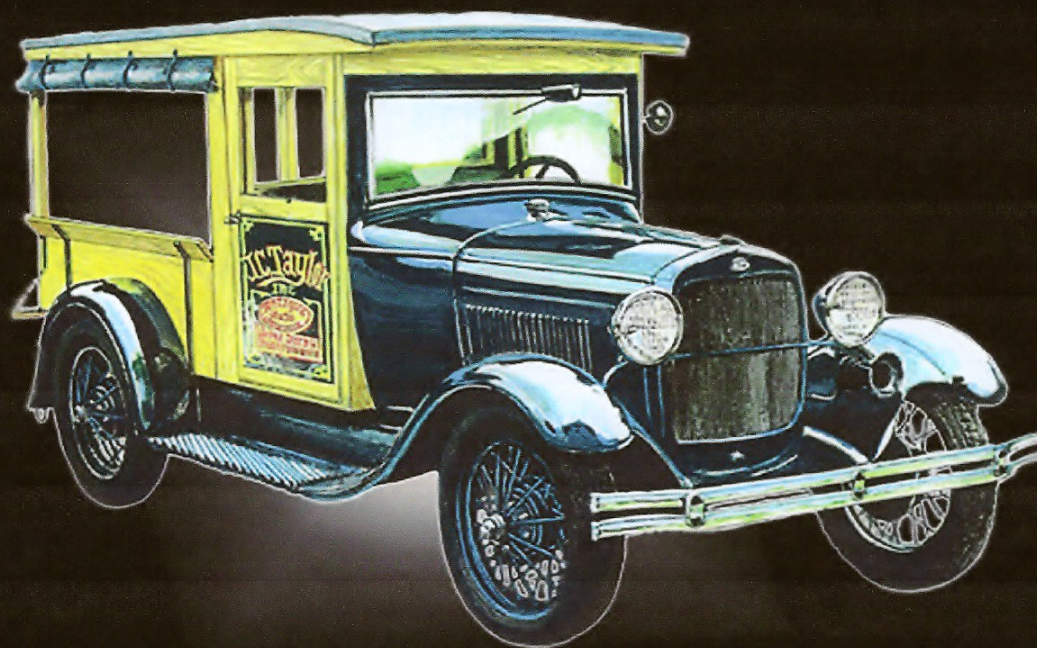
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The club was formed in 1983 and operated independently until 1988 when the Ancient City Auto Club received accreditation and became the Ancient City Region of the Antique Auto Club of America. Founding members Bob Quackenbush and Dewey Porter are still active today. Membership in the Ancient City Region automatically gains inclusion into the national Antique Automobile Club of America located in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

The purpose of the club is to promote the acquisition, restoration, preservation, use and study of all types of motor vehicles including motorcycles and trucks.

ACTIVITIES

Jan. 19 ACAC Monthly Board Meeting
@ Quackenbush's7 pm

Jan. 21 St. Augustine Cruiser's monthly
cruise night: Ponce Mall 5-8 pm

Jan. 26 ACAC Eat-Out Night at the
Golden Corral, Palm Coast, FL
Restaurant Meister Ron Leone suggests
meeting at Moultrie Publix by
5:45 pm. If going it alone, take I-95 to
Palm Coast Exit, exiting West to the
first light. Left turn. At next light, turn
left again. Golden Corral will be 1/4
mile further, on the left. Special of
\$20.00 per couple this night.

Jan. 29 Sarasota AACA Kaiser-

Devereaux Annual Car Show

Feb. 2 ACAC Monthly Meeting: The
Gallery Cafe Ron Leone is planning a
special event this night, which he
is calling A Chinese Auction. Members
are asked to bring small items to offer
for 'sale'. Purchasing tickets will be
sold 10 for \$1-.. Collection bags will be
placed in front of each item offered.
Winners will be determined by the
number of tickets in each bag. We
could call this: Swap Your Stuff Night!

Feb. 3-5 Moultrie, Georgia: Car show
and Swap Meet.

Feb. 11 ACAC Monthly Cruise in: Steak

and Shake.....5:30-7:30 pm

Feb. 11 Hot Rodding for Heroes,
Gainesville, FL. 30 mile escorted ride
followed by car show at Haile Village



**Dewey Porter wins drawing for free artwork
sponsored by The Gallery Café at the January
Open Club Meeting**