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# **ANNUAL CAR SHOW IS ON FOR 2010 !!!!**

Dewey Porter was contacted by long time car collector, Mike Bowles as to the possibility of Ancient City Auto Club holding our annual show in conjunction with the Florida School for Deaf & Blind. The offer was discussed in our Board meeting of May 20 and a vote of 6 for, none against was taken to pursue the details of the offer. Accordingly, Board members Dewey Porter, Mark Young and Dick Sherrod along with Mike Bowels visited the FSD&B campus May 27<sup>th</sup>. The show site has grass with lots of big oak trees for shade. In addition the FSD&B school will erect a large tent with picnic tables for the use of participants. All expenses would be taken care of by the FSD&B and contributions from W.W. Gay Co. through the efforts of Mike Bowles Net profit would be split with the D&B school.

The FSD&B is promoting this event as a way to invite the community to view the beautiful campus grounds and architecture. Normally entrance to the school grounds is highly restricted. It would be a PR effort to make the campus available to the public for this one day event. There will also be arts and crafts vendors invited to make more things available for the participants and spectators.

Hopefully, if this new venue is successful, it could become an annual home to our car show. We will be preparing a new flyer and hopefully have registration forms downloadable from our web site.

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR SEPT 25<sup>TH</sup> CAR SHOW

# ST. AUGUSTINE CRUISERS CUSTOM COATINGS CAR DISPLAY MAY 22

Craig Taylor owner of Custom Coatings on US 1 So., in the Kenton Complex is one of the St. Augustine Cruiser's sponsors and as such can hold a car club activity at their place of business once a year. The Cruisers supply their DJ Booth and Karl, the DJ spins the 50's tunes. The sponsor supplies hotdogs, drinks and door prizes. About 40 cars attended with a good turnout on a clear sunny day. Ancient City members, who are also Cruiser members attended with Carley & Andy King showing their 55 Pontiac station wagon, Bill Soman with his 54 Corvette (see photo below), Dewey Porter with his 33 Chev. Ron Leone and Bob Barton attended to look over the cars.

Dewey Porter won a door prize for the oldest attendee with the oldest car. Combined ages of the owner and car was 155 years. Yikes!! That's old. Dewey also won one of the \$100 credits to be used at Custom Coatings for paint, powder coating or body work. Many door prizes were given throughout the day.







June 11 Old Guys monthly breakfast at Sluggers Grill 9 AM Avenida Inn US 1 No. & SR 16

June 17 ACAC board meeting at Guarnieri's 7 PM

June 19 Classic Corvette car show at World Golf Village. Corvettes only

June 19 St. Augustine Cruisers Monthly Cruise Night at Ponce Mall US 1 So 5 PM-8 PM

June 24 ACAC Monthly Eat Out night at Shenanigan's Restaurant US 1 SO strip center

June 25 Cruise Inn By The Sea sponsored by St. Augustine Cruisers & Ancient City Auto Club. Registration \$15

Parade from Holiday Inn St. Aug. Beach, 860 A1A Beach Blvd. assemble @ 5 PM. Note: parade starts @ 6 PM. Flyers & Registration forms are available @ www.EventsbytheSea.com

July 1 ACAC monthly meeting: Village Inn 6 PM dinner, 7 PM Meeting

July 9 Old Guys monthly breakfast location TBA

**July 10** ACAC Monthly Cruise night at Steak and Shake US 1 (by Home Depot) 5-8 PM meal discounts for drivers **Sept 18** 24<sup>th</sup> Annual First Coast Car Council Car Show at Jacksonville Landing

Sept 25 ANCIENT CITY AUTO CLUB ANNUAL SHOW AT THE FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND, ST AUGUSTINE, FL CAMPUS, DETAILS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT NEXT CLUB MEETING.

**Oct 2** Cruisin' Mopars of Jax car show at Baymeadows and Phillips Hwy, hosted by Woody's BarB Que. Open to all makes of cars and trucks and will be top 25 format with participant voting. \$20 registration day of show with no pre registration.

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 <a href="https://www.cruisincouples.com">www.cruisincouples.com</a> or Kent 352 301 5368 We have fliers Oct 6-9 AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey Region Hershey, PA 717 834 9146

Oct 16 Six Flags Annual Car Show by Amelia Cruisers Fernandina Beach

Oct 23-25 3 rd Annual Daytona Beach Dream Cruise info at Rick@DaytonaBeachDreamCruise.com

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

Nov 25-27 Daytona Turkey Run at Daytona Speedway

Nov 27 Volusia Region AACA annual Car Show at Fortunato Park

NOTE! If you haven/t visited our web site lately you need to check it out. Rob Daly has updated a lot of club information and needs any suggestions or contributions. The web address is: <a href="http://local.aaca.org/ancientcity/">http://local.aaca.org/ancientcity/</a>

# First Coast Technical College Awards Night May 13, 2010 photos and text by Tuni Weiss

Jim and Tuni Weiss were honored to accompany the Ancient City Auto Club, Scholarship Chairman Bill Soman and Deenya to the First Coast Technical College's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Night, "Showcasing Success". Parents, students and guests were treated to a buffet reception of appetizers and sweets, prepared by the Culinary Department at no charge to those attending. It was wonderful to meet the proud parents and friends of the students awaiting the awards.

The awards ceremony began with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by welcoming remarks and introduction of staff and coordinators. The Awards consisted of Skills USA, FCTC Award of Excellence, Scholarships, Outstanding Achievement, Student Specialty Awards and Adult Education Awards.

Ms. Merlene Thomas coordinated the ceremony. She spoke of the reason for the scholarship: "To encourage automotive technology preservation, the Ancient City Auto Club created scholarships for First Coast Technical College's Automotive Service Technology program." She cited that this is the 3rd scholarship Ancient City Auto Club has presented to a FCTC student. She then called on Bill to present the Ancient City Auto Club Scholarship to Kurt Schultz. The ACAC scholarship enables Kurt to continue and complete his auto tech training to graduate January 2011.

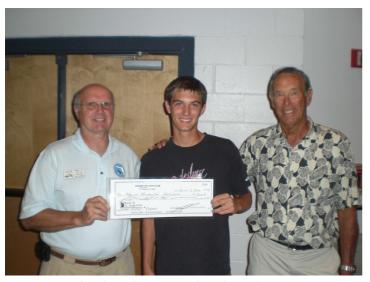




Kurt received 3 awards in addition to the scholarship, an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Automotive Technology, Award of Excellence in Automotive Technology and Skills USA 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Automotive Technology. Kurt began his technical education training in FCTC's Small Gas Engines program as a junior in high school and was awarded a state bronze Skills USA medal. To further advance his training, upon high school graduation, Kurt enrolled in our Automotive Service Technology program. Kurt is a vintage vehicle enthusiast and owns a 1983 Suzuki motorcycle that's currently under restoration.

The Ancient City Auto Club was also recognized, as, Emmanuel Torres, the recipient from last year's scholarship received the Award of Excellence in Automotive Technology as well.

The Antique Automobile Club of America would surely be proud that all of the members of the Ancient City Auto Club are able to sponsor these students to help continue the Hobby that we all love.



# ANCIENT CITY SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED AT BARTRAM TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL

On Tuesday night June 1, 2010, Bill Soman and John Guarnieri attended the awards night at Bartram High School. Bill and John presented the Ancient City scholarship to Chad Kozak, who is going to attend the NASCAR Technical Institute, located in Charlotte NC, in the fall. This is a 78 week course which encompasses a 42-week core automotive curriculum where the student will learn to diagnose, service and repair both domestic and foreign automobiles, using the latest engine analyzers, hand-held scanners and other computerized diagnostic equipment. The student will learn everything from basic engine systems

to computerized engine control and much more. NASCAR Tech will prepare the student for an entry-level position and a career in the automotive industry.. Chad was most appreciative of the award and wishes to thank all the members of the Ancient City Auto Club for their support,

# AACA GRAND NATIONAL NEW BERN, N.C. MAY 15, 2010

Well with May 15th fast approaching Lynda and I set out on Thursday May 13th and headed north to the AACA Grand Nationals in New Bern NC. We drove (350miles) to Florence SC and spent the night at a hotel I chose which had a huge field behind it to accommodate trailer and RV parking. The following day, Friday, we drove the last 200 miles and arrived at the Hilton Hotel, which was the host hotel for the meet. On arrival we were directed about 2 1/2 miles away where we had reserved trailer parking. I was able to unhook the Rumble Bee and drive back to the hotel. The host hotel was a bevy of activity. We checked in with the region hosting the event and learned that there were a total of 16 clubs working on the show. 517 cars were registered and everything was handled with precision; we picked up our meet packet which included the car windshield placard, judging sheet, tee shirts and tickets to the Saturday evening banquet dinner.

Friday evening we went to the barbeque mixer that was hosted by the region and were able to meet with other AACA members who were in town with their cars. I was surprised when I went to bed that I was able to get a good night's sleep, although I woke up an hour earlier than expected! By 7AM Lynda and I were in the truck and went to retrieve the 1955 Dodge from the trailer. On our way we passed the down town area, which was closed to traffic till 4PM that day...and already cars were parked in their assigned location. In fact I saw the other 1955 Dodge, which I thought would be my toughest competition, already in place! After unloading the car, we drove the 2 1/2 miles with no problem and drove through the only road open to the classic cars, where we were met by the AACA VP and given our show dash plaque. We were directed to our assigned location and a nicely-done name plate was on the street so we knew where to back the car in. I was 3 cars north of the other 1955 Dodge, and right in front of a coffee shop/ice cream parlor. This worked out well as we had not had breakfast, so after fresh muffins and coffee it was time to go over the Dodge. Even though I had spent hours on it the past week, it still needed attention from the drive down town. Around 930AM a judge came down the row of cars and checked our fire extinguishers and told us the judging would begin at 10AM, but that they would be starting with the cars further down the street and would be working their way south toward us and the host hotel which was 2 blocks from our location. At 11AM the judges showed up as expected; the host club had put out an appeal for judges to attend the show, but they were over 75 judges short, so our group of judges was responsible for 22 cars in two different classes! I stood back and watched them go over the Dodge. The head judge thanked me for attending and bringing the car to the show and then went on to the next car. Amazing!!! Three and a half years of work, 3 AACA car shows in a little over 14 months and it was all over; now we would have to wait for the banquet dinner and see how the car fared in competition?

Around this time I got a call from Hilary Becker, who said that Dewey was looking for me, so I called him and he made his way to the car. He said that Annette was further up the road and had found a park bench to sit on. I asked David, who was parked next to me with his '54 Willys, if he would keep an eye on the Dodge...we have been in direct competition since Lakeland and Charlotte in '09.

We went and found Annette while Lynda found a nice restaurant for lunch, which was nearby. So after lunch it was back to the car, I watched David's Willys for him,and Dewey went on his way to view the rest of the 517 cars, trucks and bikes. Around 2PM I was approached by a photographer from Hemmings and he asked if I would close the hood and trunk so he could take pictures for an upcoming issue of Classic Car magazine! He said that the Dodge was chosen as it had POP! as the brilliant Regal Burgundy Metallic glistened in the afternoon sun! I thanked him for his kind words and I am looking forward to the pictures in the magazine, which I subscribe to. My Dodge is also on a collage of Chrysler vehicles on the April '10 Issue of the Walter P Chrysler magazine, with an article and picture of the car within

Well suddenly it was 3PM and all show vehicles were directed to leave the down town area, so that the streets could be opened to the general public. We drove back to the enclosed trailer and loaded the car, but did not put on the dust cover as it had picked up some road grit and I did not want to scratch the paint or chrome. We headed back to the hotel to unwind and get ready for the awards banquet, at 7PM, with the cocktail hour to precede it at 6PM.

Again our friend Hilary stepped up and secured 2 tables and seating for the Porter's and us. At Dewey's table were the Koch's, also were Joe and Ann Brown of Jacksonville who asked Dewey about joining our club. (When I got home I sent them an application) The meal was served and the 3 choices offered were filet mignon, salmon and chicken and tasted like the food at all these banquets; but keeping in mind they were serving well over 600 people!

Then the introductions began, after about 1/2 hour I was feeling very anxious and wanted to get the show on the road. Lynda had counted and there were 105 classes to be called. The Dodge was in Class 27A, all 1954 and 1955 production cars,

except Chevy. When the car and my name were called I suddenly felt very relaxed. I had worked on the car for over 3 1/2 years

and faced several problems that at the time were devastating, but now all that was behind me. When I picked up the award I was surprised at the weight of it, the AACA surely presents trophies that are impressive.

It was a big night for the two tables, our friends Mark and Hilary Becker took 3 Grand Nationals for their American Bantams, 2 of which competed against each other. Chris and Kathleen Koch also won a Senior Grand National for their 1947 Mercury convertible. At a little past 10:30 the awards part of the banquet



was over, and we were ready to walk back next door to the host hotel. Too say I was too excited to go right to bed was an understatement, so with Lynda fast asleep I read for a while until my eyes got very heavy.

The following morning, Sunday, Lynda asked if I could drive the 550 miles home and I said I was willing to try. We hooked up the trailer and were on the way after 7AM and headed to St Augustine. The Sunday morning traffic was light and once we drove the 80 miles to I95, we stopped for breakfast at a Cracker Barrel that was located right at the exit. For those of you who tow a trailer, Cracker Barrel is always a good place to stop as they accommodate RVs and travel trailers. The ride home was easy and the semi's did not start appearing on the road till around 2PM and we were just entering Georgia around then. We got home around 545PM and I was glad I did not have to drive any further. All in all it was a great weekend and wonderful experience, that I will never forget. And of course I could never have gotten the project completed of the Junior, Senior and Grand National awards without Lynda's support and help along the way.

BY JOHN GUARNIERI

# MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING MAY 20, 2010

May board meeting held at the Porters, at 7PM called to order by Dewey Porter presiding with Mark Young, John Guarnieri, Ron Leone, Bob Q and Dick Sherrod in attendance.

Treasury balance is \$4108.83 with no out standing debt. But the second \$500 scholarship will be due sometime later this fall.

Membership is now at 38 with the addition of Carley and Andrew King and Stan Zwiercam and Audrey Demmerle, please get to know and welcome them to the club.

John reports there are still 6 club shirts that have not been paid for or picked up. And that 1 shirt has been paid for but not picked up. He will bring them to the next open meeting.

Dick Sherrod went over the upcoming activities, REFER TO THE OLDE NEWS FOR DETAILS The club will be helping the Cruise Inn by the Sea, a classic car parade, display and concert. Being held on Friday night June 25th at 6PM at Pier Park on St Augustine Beach. Main sponsors of the event are Holiday Inn and The Village Inn Our board has authorized \$125 for a pedal car which will be one of the prizes offered that evening. Please mark your calendar and support our efforts. Members participating with their car with be given a voucher for lite refreshments.

Dewey reports that he has the car roster finished and that we will be asking Rob Daly if it can be put on the web site. This will save the club the expense of supplying almost 40 rosters to the membership.

# Minutes of Board Meeting May 2, 2020 continued

Dewey would also like someone to assist him in getting out the Old News. He needs someone to bring the disc to the printer (too large a file to go by email?) Then pickup the copies, stamp and mail them. Presently he and Annette are doing it and they need a break! Call Dewey at 797-7732.

NEW BUSINESS ..Dewey has been contacted my Mike Boles, representing the FSDB, about our club putting on a fall show at the FSBD campus. They can accommodate over 400 cars including spectators. The cost of the show will be handled by the school and W.W. Gay Company. The board voted 6-0 in favor of Dewey pursuing this idea.

Bob Barton is still pursuing the idea of a Friday night Cruise In, he now has Steak and Shake on US1 lined up. anyone wanting to help Bob with this contact him at 829-0225

Bob Q. has checked on the library on US1 south it is again available for a 6 PM meeting as the library closes at 8 PM Thursdays. Dewey and John are not in favor of a covered dish affair, but the rest of the board was OK with it. Dewey suggest that possibly we could have pizza delivered to the library or some other sort of meal. Dewey and John's concern that with the covered dish, we sometimes do not have enough to be shared by all in attendance! One advantage of the library is that the club could get back to having an auto related demonstration at the meeting as we once did. Any members wishing to return to the library and the covered dish please contact Bob Q at 797-5191.

What the club is trying to do is stimulate interest in meeting attendance, do you want it at different restaurants on a monthly basis and combine it the monthly club dine out? We do have great attendance when we have it at members garages!. The board all feels that we need you the membership to give us some feed back on this meeting issue, please contact any board member with your opinion, all our numbers and email addresses are in the Olde News. Boy did this meeting go on, adjourned at 9:05PM

# Minutes of Ancient City Auto Club Meeting June 3, 2010, Village Inn, St. Augustine

The meeting was called to order by President Dewey Porter at 7:15 p.m. The Treasurer, John Guarnieri reported a balance on hand of \$4013.83, with all bills paid. He sent two applications to our national club on June 1, 2010. Mark Young distributed the updated roster.

John Guarnieri went with Bill Soman to award the scholarship at Bartram Trails for the NASCAR Technical Institute. The scholarship award was for \$500. They made a large check (24"—plastic) for the presentation but sent the money to Charlotte for the award winner, Bill Spath.

Those who are joining the club at this time need only pay half of the membership fee.

A letter from Kurt Schultz, the other winner of \$500 scholarship was read, thanking us for the help with studies. He is a student at the Technical Center.

Mitch Hall, promoter of the Event at the Beach, June 25 (Friday evening), gave a run down of the event and encouraged our participation. Approximately 10 of us will probably participate. He would like to have about 50 cars. There will be a band and a drawing. We have sponsored this event in purchasing a pedal car that will be raffled off. There is a \$15/car charge/donation for this event.

President Porter made an historic announcement: <u>We will be having a car show this year.</u> SEPTEMBER 25, 2010, --It will be our 26<sup>th</sup> and will be held in conjunction with the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind School, their 1<sup>st</sup> annual. The D&B School will provide the campus, parking under beautiful shady trees, and will be helping with the many costs involved in putting on the show. They are very much interested in getting the community involved with their mission and have long desired to offer this lovely location as the place for our show. Bob Quackenbush provided a sign-up sheet, which many volunteers used to enter their names for jobs and we are on our way------

Dick Sherrod voiced the many activities for June—the list is printed in "Olde News", and Dewey Porter declared that next Wednesday is officially "Drive Your Olde Car Day" in St. Augustine. So take your car out, take a photo, get the photo to Dewey for publishing in "Olde News" and have some fun with your old car.

<u>NEW CRUISE IN!!!!</u>—Bob Barton has arranged for a new Cruise In Monthly Event at the "Steak 'n' Shake, near Home Depot. It will be the second Saturday night of each month from 5 p.m. –till--. The Steak 'n' Shake is providing a \$1 coupon to each participant along with a 10% discount on all orders for participants. Bring your old car; there will be music.

We will be allowed to have a 50/50 drawing also.

Please let Dewey know if you buy or sell any iron for the roster/website.

Ray Cornett mentioned someone needing storage for a 2004 Corvette.

# Minutes of June 3 2010 meeting continued

Bob Quackenbush highlighted several interesting items—a steel bldg. Available for only \$4,500 20 x 20 x 8—set up on your slab. "EVAPO RUST available at Tractor Supply to soak rusted parts. Deep Creek Services—register your old car in Montana and save money.

Mark Young volunteered to spice up the meeting for next month.

Don't forget to "Drive Your Olde Car" next Wednesday, (June 9) – Presidential Decree. You will be given a ticket (red or blue) not citation. Take photo, get to Dewey.

Toby wanted to know how to get 6v lights. Several offered suggestions. (The Bulb Lady).

At 8:03 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

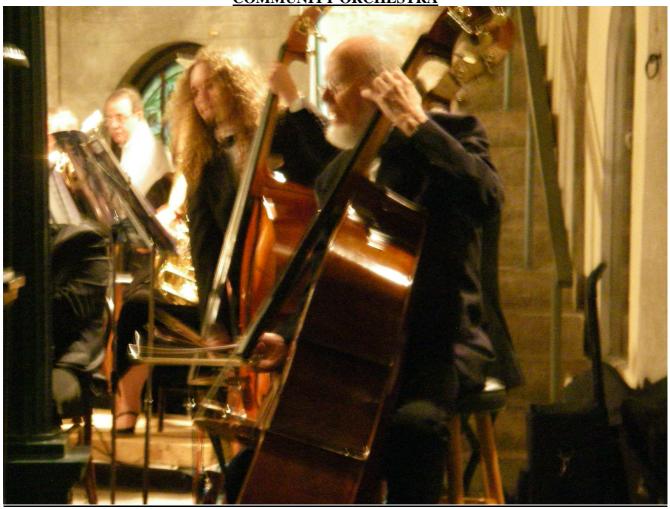
Respectfully submitted,

Virginia D. Quackenbush

Secretary Pro Tem

(John Guarnieri's computer is down.)

ANCIENT CITY MEMBER JOHN GOLDEN ALSO LENDS HIS TALENT TO THE COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA



Pictured here with his bass. John also is an authority on Packard's
He transports his instrument with a hatchback car which must be quite full when he leaves

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