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## *Scholarships Awarded*



Bill Soman, Colton Cade, and Matthew Merchberger pose at the school with checks from Ancient City Auto Club for scholarships. These young men pursue excellence in the wonderful field of auto mechanics. We all wish them success!

Dear, Ancient City Car Club, and Mr. Soman,  
 I am so grateful for the scholarship you have given me at St. Augustine Tech. It will be put to good use for mechanic's tools. Thanks again,  
 Colton Cade

Dear Ancient City Auto Club,  
 I would like to express my appreciation for being awarded the scholarship. It is really going to help me in school and allow me to purchase the supplies necessary to excel in the field of automotive repair.  
 With much thanks  
 Sincerely,  
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#### *Day of Beauty Report:*

*Only Tuni Weiss, Lynda Guarnieri, and Jinny Quackenbush were able to enjoy the three hours of pampering offered by Debbie's Day Spa in honor of Mother's Day. We all were smiling broadly and enjoying our "new" beauty secrets imparted by the friendly staff. Kudos, Deb*

## Ancient City Auto Club Board Meeting

Minutes: April Board Meeting

Date/ Time: Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 2013 @ 7:00PM

Location: Weiss Residence

Attendees: Jim Weiss-President

Karen Erwin

Carley King- Vice President

Dewey Porter

Tuni Weiss-Treasurer

Bob Quackenbush

Brian Wirz -Secretary

#### Minutes:

President Jim Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM. The following issues were covered:

1. Carley King reported that both the club ID cards and business cards were issued at the April 4<sup>th</sup> General Meeting.
2. Carley King reported that Cliff Williams is aware of the approved budget for door prizes for the Monthly Cruise In. As previously reported, the Board decided that a budget of \$ 50.00 plus the club's share of the previous month's, Cruise In, 50/50 drawing would be an appropriate amount for door prizes.

3. Jim Weiss briefly reviewed the status of the club dinner to be held at the Hilton on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Fifty-two people have signed up.
4. The May Board Meeting has been moved from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at Carley King's residence.
5. Jim Weiss indicated that the club now has 54 members. Dewey Porter will update the membership roster and e-mail it to club members.
6. The "John's Breakfast Committee" reported that those members attending the breakfast voted to continue meeting at the Steak and Shake. This completes the committees work (Action Item 20)
7. Carley King provided the Vice President's report. It included the following information:
  - a. A club member has suggested an alternate location for the general meeting, the "Friday's" restaurant at the intersection of US1 and 312. After a contact was made with the restaurant, it was decided that the restaurant's available seating, 40 people, was too small. Board members had several other suggestions: "Jay Birds", The Hilton, and Zaharias were mentioned. Bob Quackenbush agreed to Contact Zaharias to see if they were interested and available.
  - b. Carley is going to do some preliminary work on a possible trip to the SEMA show held in Las Vegas. Once some ideas have been pulled together, club member interest will be solicited.

Note: Subsequent to the Board meeting it was decided via a telephone vote to hold the May club meeting at Wildflower Cafe.

8. Tuni Weiss provided a Treasurer's report. She indicated that the club's financial status is excellent.
9. Karen Erwin provided an update on this year's car show including the following information:
  - a. We have received the first official entry.
  - b. She will be meeting with Cliff Williams on sponsorship
  - c. Dewey Porter is handling advanced publicity in publications. Dewey indicated he is making good progress.
  - d. We have 600 fliers out so far. When new fliers are printed they will include an additional truck category.
  - e. Karen is currently working to secure food vendors.
  - f. Karen will get quotes prior to finalizing "Port a John" services.
10. The coming month's activity sheet was reviewed and is ready for issue. The Board recognized Dewey for the great job he is doing in this regard.
11. Dewey Porter noted that May 16<sup>th</sup> is the 30<sup>th</sup> birthday of the ACAC.
12. Tuni Weiss, Carolyn Williams, and Jinny Quackenbush are working together on the Olde News. Brian Wirz will submit approved copies of Club and Board Meeting minutes to Jinny for inclusion in future newsletters.
13. Dewey Porter gave an update on his efforts to bring the Club's car roster up to date.
  - a. He still doesn't have replies from 13 members.
  - b. Board members gave him the pertinent information for several of these members.
  - c. Bob Quackenbush agreed to personally contact the balance of the members and solicit their information.

**Action Items:**

4. A date needs to be set for the July Club meeting **Ongoing**
5. A decision needs to be made as to whether or not to reschedule the July Board meeting, **Ongoing**
12. Jim Weiss to continue to work with club members to secure an editor for the newsletter. **Ongoing**
16. Dewey Porter will organize a car tour to the Federal Point Fish Fry. **Completed**
17. Dewey Porter will issue an activities sheet monthly. **Ongoing**
18. Jim Weiss to inform Cliff Williams of the Board's action on door prizes for the cruise in. **Completed**
19. Jim Weiss to e-mail additional information /sign up request to club members for the Hilton dinner. **Completed**
20. The "John's Breakfast Committee" will select an appropriate location for this ongoing event. **Completed**
21. Bob Quackenbush to head a committee to plan and stage the club's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary party. **Ongoing**
22. Jim Weiss to talk to Dewey Porter about compiling and publishing an updated roster of club members' cars. **Completed**
23. Bob and Jinny Quackenbush to organize a trip to the Crankin A's event to be held April 27<sup>th</sup>. **Ongoing**
24. Doug Nietzel to forward a picture of his car to Rob Daly **Completed**
25. Dewey Porter to update the club roster and reissue it.
26. Brian Wirz to submit Club and Board Meeting minutes to Jinny Quackenbush for inclusion in the newsletter.
27. Bob Quackenbush to contact club members who haven't updated their car information, gather the information and forward it to Dewey.
28. Carley King to do some preliminary work on a possible trip to the SEMA show.

Minutes prepared April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 by

Brian M. Wirz, Secretary

## Ancient City Auto Club

Minutes: May Club Meeting

Date/ Time: Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2013 @ 6:00PM

Location: Wildflower Café, 4320 A1A South, St. Augustine FL

### Minutes:

President Jim Weiss called the meeting to order at approximately 7:10 PM. The following issues were covered:

14. Jim Weiss asked for club approval to send a thank you letter to the Hilton Hotel for their great work at last weeks, club dinner. This was moved and approved.
15. Jim Weiss announced that Ron Leone is the caretaker for the official, club banner. Any member wishing to display the banner at an event should make arrangements with Ron.
16. Carley King announced that she is doing preliminary planning for a Club trip to the SEMA show to be held in Las Vegas November 5<sup>th</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>. As details become available, she will forward them to the membership.

17. Brian Wirz announced that future issues of the club newsletter will contain both Board Meeting and Club Meeting minutes. Reading the minutes is a good way to stay abreast of Club business.
18. Tuni Weiss announced that club finances are in good shape.
19. Jim Weiss gave a brief report on the Club's Car Show. All aspects of the show are moving along well.
20. Jinny Quackenbush asked for club input to the "Olde News". She is willing to help in the preparation of articles. Send your submittals directly to her.
21. Bill Soman, Membership Chairman, announced that the club now has 54 members.
22. After first disclosing that his recently acquired, 36 Ford is constipated, it just won't go, Dewey Porter gave an activities report. He briefly discussed the open house at Moultrie Creek Nursing Center, the Moosehaven car and motorcycle show, the Spa event, the May 9<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, John's Breakfast, the Ladies Breakfast, the monthly Cruise In, the First Coast Car Council car show and the St. Augustine Cruisers show at the D&B school. Interested members can get pertinent information from the monthly activities update that is e-mailed to club members.
23. Dewey also announced that he is in the planning stages for a June visit to a car collection in south Jacksonville.
24. Ron Leone announced that the next club dining event will be held at the Columbia Restaurant, on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.
25. Bill Soman announced that the club has awarded \$500 scholarships to Colton Cade and Mathew Merchberger. Bill indicated that there were many fine applicants and that choosing these two, very deserving recipients was extremely difficult. Mathew attended the Club meeting, spoke briefly about his career path and thanked the club for his scholarship. Club members were invited to attend the official presentation ceremony at First Coast Technical Institute on Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>. Contact Bill for details.



26. Jim Weiss announced that the next Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on May 9<sup>th</sup> at Carley King's residence.



- a. The first letter concerned the willingness of the National organization to provide a speaker for a local meeting. The letter laid out a number of topics that could be covered. The Board indicated some interest in this possibility. Jim Weiss will look further into this matter and make a recommendation as to how to proceed.
  - b. The second letter contained a second request from national for funding for the national museum. The Board confirmed its previous decision not to donate at this time.
31. Jim Weiss reported that the scholarship checks were paid out today.
32. Jim Weiss indicated that the “thank you” letter to the Hilton Hotel has been sent out.
33. Jim Weiss indicated that the club now has 54 members. Dewey Porter will update the membership roster and e-mail it to club members on an as needed basis.
34. Jim Weiss provided the Treasurer’s report for Tuni Weiss. It indicated that the club’s financial status is excellent.
35. Carley King provided the Vice President’s report. She indicated that the club business cards have been handed out to the majority of members.
36. Jim Weiss related that he and Tuni attended a Rolls Royce/Bentley event at Hammock Dunes. While there, they handed out fliers for our car show.
37. Karen Erwin provided an update on this year’s car show including the following information:
  - a. She will be meeting with Cliff Williams regarding the possibility of attaining additional sponsors for this year’s show. Prospective sponsors include the O’ Reilly Auto parts on SR16, Field’s Cadillac, Beaver Toyota, and the new VW dealership.
  - b. Karen also reported that some of the “perks” for sponsors are being improved to make the experience more valuable to them.
  - c. Karen is currently working to secure food vendors. Cold Cow and Chubby Boys Corn have already been identified. She is still working to finalize a Bar-B-Que, hot dog and or Pizza vendors.
  - d. Dewey Porter is handling advanced publicity in publications. Dewey indicated he is making good progress. He is working with both print and virtual media.
  - e. Jinny Quackenbush indicated that the line dancers who performed at last year’s show are willing to come again. However, they have asked for \$100 to defer their transportation costs. The board voted to approve this request.
38. Dewey Porter gave an update on his efforts to bring the Club’s car roster up to date. He has received responses from all but 4 club members. He anticipates that the roster will be ready for issue within 2 weeks.
39. The coming month’s activity sheet was reviewed and is ready for issue. Pertinent information was as follows:
  - a. Club meetings will continue to be held at Wildfire Café
  - b. Dewey is working to set up a visit to Noel Dana’s car collection during the month of June. He will canvas club members to find the optimum date. Dewey asked for and received authorization to buy Noel’s lunch on the day of the event.
  - c. There are no local car shows in the month of June.

- d. Jinny Quackenbush reported that the Cummer gallery is displaying a collection of Automobile related art from May 14<sup>th</sup> to September 8<sup>th</sup>. She suggested that the club plan a trip to visit this exhibit.
  - e. Jinny Quackenbush is organizing a trip to the Blackwater Inn in Astor Florida. Details will be developed and forwarded to club members.
40. Bob Quackenbush reported that there are now 4 to 5 cruise nights held in St, Augustine every month. They include: ours, the Cruisers, the facility on 207, the Dairy Queen and the VW club.
41. The Board voted to move the July club meeting from July 4<sup>th</sup> to July 11<sup>th</sup>. Time and location remain the same.
42. The June Board Meeting will be held June 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at the home of Dewey and Annette Porter.

**Action Items:**

- 4. A date needs to be set for the July Club meeting **Completed**
- 5. A decision needs to be made as to whether or not to reschedule the July Board meeting, **Ongoing**
- 12. Jim Weiss to continue to work with club members to secure an editor for the newsletter. **Completed**
- 17. Dewey Porter will issue an activities sheet monthly. **Ongoing**
- 21. Bob Quackenbush to head a committee to plan and stage the club's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary party. **Ongoing**
- 23. Jinny Quackenbush to organize a trip to the Blackwater Inn. **Ongoing**
- 25. Dewey Porter to update the club roster and reissue it. **Ongoing**
- 26. Brian Wirz to submit Club and Board Meeting minutes to Jinny Quackenbush for inclusion in the newsletter. **Ongoing**
- 27. Bob Quackenbush to contact club members who haven't updated their car information, gather the information and forward it to Dewey. **Ongoing**
- 28. Carley King to do some preliminary work on a possible trip to the SEMA show. **Ongoing**
- 27. Jim Weiss to work on the possibility of a national speaker attending a Club or Board meeting.
- 28. Dewey Porter to update and issue a car roster for the Club. **Ongoing**
- 29. Dewey Porter to organize a trip to Noel Dana's car collection.

Minutes prepared May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 by

Brian M. Wirz, Secretary



**I found these three sheltered in the storm at the last Steak 'n' Shake Cruise-in. As usual we had faithful members of the St. Augustine Cruisers in attendance and actually, as you will see some pretty impressive cars showed up! People who are faithful like Cliff Williams and Ron Leone made it a party any way. And we didn't get too wet.**

LoV-e-ly weather for ducks!





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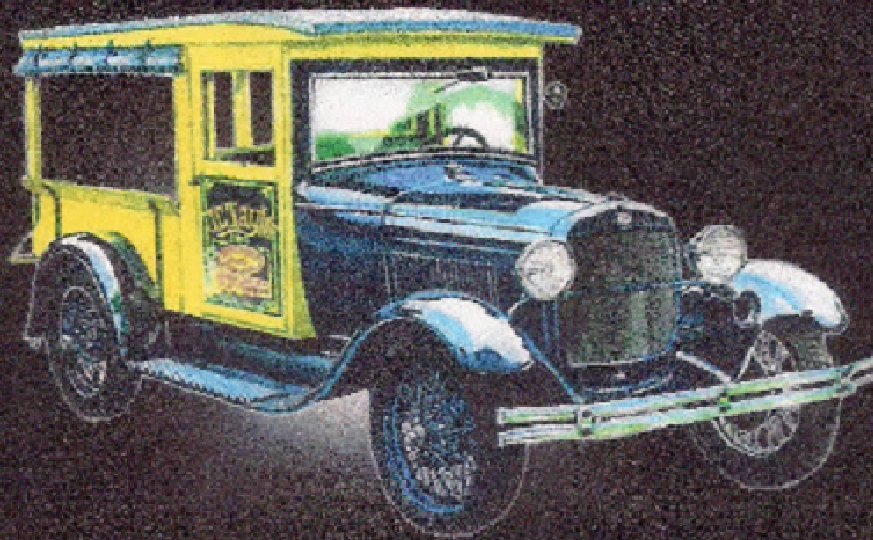
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When people are really into cars, they will show up in any kind of weather—



My grandson said this was a Lamborghini; they left before I could get their names, etc.



And then in a few minutes, the weather cleared, we ate at Steak 'n' Shake and proceeded to hand out the door prizes and went home.



These guys, Bob Q. Edgar Wynne, Bob Barton started to smile a little as the clouds rolled by.



# ***St. Augustine Cruisers' Car Show at the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind***

***May 18, 2013***



**What a beautiful centerpiece this gorgeous '57 Chevy Bel Air 327 Convertible made for the Cruisers' show! Owned by Skip Burdette, it has**



700K Auto Transmission, Positrac, tilt wheel and as you can see, custom interior.

The day could not have been more perfect as more than 100 cars gathered to be judged, admired and enjoyed by the happy crowd of spectators. The DJ, Cary Wisenbaker, kept the crowd in stitches and good humor, announcing the various events that augmented the show.



There were hula hoop contests and a visit from our favorite cow—Cold Cow—for those extra portion servings of real, real ice cream.





Toby Buck from Apopka brought along this 2001 Plymouth Prowler; the paint job was Auburn-inspired; really good wood graining; Ron Leone thought he should get paid for the advertising on the hood.



Next to it you can see the '33 Ford Vicky 302, Ford in Ford. And across the way was this interesting



1974 VW—all steel total custom 1915 cc, power locks, 19”wheels owned by Allen Beard from Jacksonville: he bought it this way.



The white Vicky mentioned earlier was really sweet.

Ken Beasock displayed this 2000 Corvette with graphics, 5.7 engine, extra chrome—He wants to sell this beauty and also won a trophy at the end of the day. Kenbeasock@yahoo.com



Spectacular!



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You wouldn't want to miss seeing this 1936 Mercedes 540K Cabriolet approx. ¾ scale replica. Built for Classic Roadsters in Fargo, ND, with a Ford 302 c I V-8 Engine and custom built frame. Looks like it came off the set for "The Great Gatsby."



Lots of pretty Corvettes—Red, White, and Blue.



This beautiful 1939 Ford Wagon came with Don and Donna Sasser from Atlantic Beach. They've owned the car for 10 years and the restoration was complete 7 or 8 years ago.



Sidney Hobbs made a party of the show, bringing drivers so that 6 of his cars could be on the grounds—there's even a photo with a trophy on my camera!



Larry McMurry displayed this sweet 1937 Ford 350.



The Cruisers had invited the Dixie Stars to perform line dancing for the crowd. These ladies come to us from Palm Coast. Charla Schram does the choreography and arranges the dances



and the performances. Edgar and Jinny joined in afterwards for some simple line dances.



Cindy Johnson, Jen Martin, Charla Schram, Sandie Ostresh, Beverly Lauria, and Penny Sienko (l to r) line up for a photo before performing.



And relax afterwards.



Olds 1972 Cutlass Supreme—1 Owner—Charlie Brandt



Pat Payne's 1955 Chevy Bel Air, 350 hp, power disc brakes, power steering, 4-speed, custom interior, 12-bolt rear, Cragar mags.



This is the interior of a 1960 Chevy Impala 348 with 3/2's, 4-speed Hurst, Custom Interior, 3:3 rear with disc brakes. Photo of car on next page.





Nice T-Buckets.

Bob Barton's "first car".



George Glisson's '87 Buick Grand National 231, Porteo heads, stock cam & intake.

Doug Nietzel relaxes by his Lincoln.

The judges did their work; Dewey Porter always is helping our sister club in this matter and the prizes were ready to distribute in record time. About 3 o'clock the DJ called the participants to the announcer's table to receive trophies.

Crowds admired this Bantam Speedster-----







This couple came up from Vero Beach and had spent the night Friday. They are Jim and Sheila Whipp and the car is a 1941 Chevy, 2-Door Sedan, 350 cu. in. They also went home with a trophy.



And here is Charlie Williams with his trophy for his Cobra—notice the shirt.



I think this is Mr. Whipp, but not sure—so many trophies; so many happy people. Thanks to the Cruisers for another fine show!

*Letter from your editor:*



Well, I usually figure that photos of me will look good in about three years. But this car is one of my favorites. Bob Barton had me take several photos of it while it was at the Cruisers' show as the first car he owned was a '38 LaSalle. As I go through the beautiful cars displayed, I also am drawn to cars that bring back memories—your first date, your first kiss, lots of things. I look forward to the events that Dewey has planned for the future and back with pleasure to the events which we have experienced. Here is my favorite photo from the Cruisers' Car Show--



He never gives up and he never gives in! Dick Sherrod is an example to all of us in overcoming overwhelming odds. We're so thankful for all the members of our club and hope to get to know each better as time goes by. -Jinny Quackenbush

(See next page for activities!) See you there!

## ACTIVITIES

**May 23 ACAC Monthly Dine Out at Columbia Restaurant 6 PM** Let Ron Leone know if you will attend so he can advise them number expected. Columbia has their own parking lot near the restaurant.

**May 24 Classic Cars And Customs SR 207 Monthly Cruise In 5 – 8 PM** The fourth Friday of each month. Music and food vendors

**May 27 Memorial Day car show at Classic Cars & Customs 9AM – 5 PM**

**June 6 ACAC Monthly Meeting at Wildflower Café 6 PM**

**June 8 ACAC Monthly Cruise Night at Steak & Shake 5 – 7 PM**

**June 13 Cruise In at Dairy Queen San Marco 6 8 PM**

**June 14 John's Old Guys Breakfast at Steak & Shake 9 AM; also Ladies Breakfast at Wildflower Café 9 AM** let Jinny Q. know if you plan to attend so she can advise restaurant.

**June 15 St. Augustine Cruisers Monthly Cruise Night at new location in front of Hobby Lobby SR 312 5 7:30 PM**

**June 16 Good News Church has requested a few vintage cars to display on Fathers Day for Dads to enjoy viewing after the church service. Time would be 10 AM – 12:30 PM. The church has 2 locations. 1357 Wildwood Drive or 134 Poole Blvd on International Golf Parkway between US 1 & I 95. If you would like to participate and enjoy a FREE BBQ lunch phone Karen Erwin 814 3011**

**June 20 ACAC Monthly Board Meeting 7 PM at Porters home 769 Crestwood Drive.**

Enter off US 1 So. at the entrance to Mayo Clinic and continue on to Southwood subdivision, 3<sup>rd</sup> left turn (the next one after tennis courts.

**June 22 ACAC Tour to visit Noel Dana car collection ( address is 8219 Alderman Road, Jacksonville, FL 32211. To drive together we will leave Publix at Wildwood Drive at 9:30 AM. If you will join us at Dana's house, plan to arrive at 10:30 AM. After viewing the cars we will have lunch at a nearby restaurant to be announced. Let me know if you will attend so I can give Noel a head count.**

**Note: for future planning the July ACAC monthly meeting will be postponed to July 11. as the first Thursday falls on July 4<sup>th</sup>.**



# ***Post Script!***

## **SAINT AUGUSTINE CRUISERS CAR SHOW MAY 18 2012, by Dewey Porter**

A nice sunny day at the FSD&B School brought out 103 entrants for this 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Show.

Working at the show were ACAC members who are also Cruiser members, Bill Soman, Dewey Porter, Bob & Jinny Quackenbush, and Carley King. Bringing the 1938 LaSalle out for the first time in several years brought out oohs and ahhs for Bob Q. Dewey P. also displayed his 1936 Ford sedan and Bill Soman rode in on one of his motorbikes.

Ancient City had 12 entries in the show. Sydney and Brenda Hobbs with assistance from extra drivers brought 6 cars to the show: 63 Corvette split window coupe, 61 Corvette, 71 Corvette, 31 Model A coupe, 76 Pontiac Trans AM and a 57 T Bird. They took home several trophies.. Skip Ferguson brought 2 cars, a 55 Chev Nomad and a 52 Studebaker sedan. Doug Hunsworth brought his 39 Ford Tudor, Doug Nietzel entered his 51 Lincoln sedan, Charlie Williams brought his 65 Cobra replica, and Mark young brought his 34 Ford Coupe. If I missed someone or did not mention any awards won, I apologize as I am doing this from memory which is none too good.

Carley and Mark placed flyers for our Nov Car Show in all the cars. Awards were completed by 3 PM and the campus police helped with traffic control on San Marco so all cars were able to exit quickly.



**Definitely the end!**



**Is this Skip Ferguson's Car?**