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Ancient City Auto Club

Antique Automobile Club of America

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Dewey Porter Memorial

The memorial for our dear friend Dewey Porter saw the main meeting room of the Classic Car Museum filled with family and friends.



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Sidney Hobbs welcomed everyone and shared stories of their friendship over the years. Chuck Porter, Dewey's younger brother, created a wonderful video with dozens of photos from Dewey's life, showcasing his passion for both family and cars. Storytelling from guests painted a picture of a man whose memory will be dearly treasured. Afterwards, everyone got a chance to examine the memorabilia associated with Dewey, with plaques, photos, and the famous looseleaf book that captured the details of the 126 cars he owned over the years. Ron Leone created a beautiful plaque with Dewey's name on the front and invited guests to

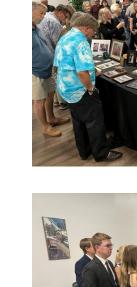


sign the back. Everyone at the event learned something new about our departed friend, adding even more to his wonderful memory.





















PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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February has been an interesting month, especially with the unseasonable weather. A couple of interesting events were rained out but the Frostbite Picnic was a huge success with Chamber of Commerce weather and a great turnout from the membership. Mid February was also the memorial for our good friend Dewey Porter with friends and family filling the activities room at the Museum. Wonderful stories were shared and your president regrets a bout of uncharacteristic emotion that prevented me from sharing my thoughts about my dear friend. I miss him and his wonderful ways. A surprise at this month's Cars and Coffee was a Dewey Porter Memorial trophy thanks to the always thoughtful Brenda and Sidney Hobbs.

Upcoming events, put March 18 on your calendars for the Knights of Columbus charity show at the Museum and the Daytona Turkey Run, March 24th through the 26th. Our next get-together is coming up soon, March 2 at the Village Inn. See you there.

Joe Greeves, President

Minutes of the Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

Official minutes of the member meeting are distributed separately.

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The February monthly meeting saw a new table arrangement at the Village Inn (everybody liked it!) and almost two dozen members enjoying each other's company. There was a lot to discuss about upcoming activities and we even did some maintenance, fine-tuning the bylaws to bring them into agreement with what we actually do. Now that the formalities of elections are behind us, the informal mood was a delight with everyone enjoying good food and conversation. Check out the activities list published every Monday to see the list of upcoming events. There are a few that you don't want to miss.

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Restaurant

John Bagg provided the questions for the everpopular trivia contest, won by Dick Hewett. He

won the extra 50/50 tickets and agreed to provide the trivia for the March meeting. Our member Hope Emery won the 50-50 raffle with \$30 going to her and the other \$30 going to the club.







Jim Weiss – '64 Falcon



Peter Starr - '61 Pontiac

Old Guy's Breakfast



The attendance at the monthly Old Guys
Breakfast was up in February, with more than
a dozen ACAC members on board even with
the brief threat of wet weather. All the usual
suspects were on hand, enjoying each other's
company and meeting our newest member,
Dean Stires. Dean is a consummate Mustang
enthusiast who benefited from one of the free

AACA memberships given to the club. We look forward to seeing more of him at one of our upcoming events. Special recognition goes to our webmaster, Rob Daly, who makes the hour-long, monthly trek from Jacksonville and rarely misses the event. Part of the tradition at the OGB is the drawing for a free breakfast. President Joe Greeves did the honors, pulling a ticket out of the box that turned out to be his. Looking for a more appropriate choice, Joe's next ticket draw meant that member Bill Scott ate for free this month. Put the next early morning get together on your calendar, March 10th, and you just might be a winner too.













Terry Brown – '73 Dodge Dart



Joe Greeves – '04 Lexus



Skip Ferguson – '69 Pontiac GTO



Dick Hewett – Mustang



Bob Hubbard – Chevy Impala SS

Monthly Dine Out

This month's dine out was cancelled because of the frostbite picnic scheduled 2 days later. Check the weekly activities list for the March location.

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum

The fourth Saturday of every month is a treat for automotive enthusiasts in the St. Augustine area. That's the time the drivers arrive at the Classic Car Museum for the monthly Cars and Coffee get together. With cars filling up the front, both sides, and a few even in the rear of the museum, it was the perfect blend of car show and breakfast of champions with owner Sidney Hobbs making sure the supply of coffee and doughnuts never ran out.

This month saw a special treat with Sidney presenting a Dewey Porter Memorial Award to one of the attendees. Bob Williams displayed his highly polished Cobra, CSX 7510, a continuation series of the original. Although Bob had never met Dewey, after a brief conversation, the award took on new significance when he learned about the accomplishments of the founder of the Ancient City Auto Club.





Paul McCarthy - Corvette



Dan Norbit - Pontiac GTO



Bill Soman - Corvette



Jim Athas – Model A



Peter Starr – Pontiac



Jim Weiss – Rolls-Royce



John Bacon – MG TD



Ron Carmichael – Ford Galaxie



John Bagg – Mustang



Joe Greeves – Lexus



Dean Stires – Shelby GT 500

If you'd like to be part of one of St. Augustine's unique automotive attractions, put March 25 on your calendar. It's the perfect combination of cool cars, hot coffee, and some of the best automotive camaraderie anywhere.

Followed by the Annual Frostbite Picnic

The annual Frostbite Picnic, held at Frank Butler Park West, brought out a large turnout of club members who enjoyed a unique opportunity for fine dining and fun with cars.

Our two heroes in the club made it all possible, beginning with the culinary expertise of Ron Leone. Fine dining runs in the family, with many folks over the years having eaten at Mama Leone's landmark restaurant in New York. Ron carries on that tradition established by his famous grandmother, putting out a spread that adds a new elegance to the word picnic. With a pair of turkeys and ham, augmented by salads, vegetables, drinks, and his famous strawberry shortcake dessert, Ron's lunchtime extravaganza was amazing, and no one left hungry. Ron spends days prior to the event putting his food package together and everyone applauded, recognizing his untiring efforts.







The second key player in the event was Bill Soman, in charge of the famous car games that entertained the group, whether you were behind the wheel or watching from your lawn chair. The three games began with a timed event requiring passengers to lean out and stab multiple groups of potatoes while the drivers kept their cars on course. Event number two saw drivers with a bag over their head trying to back into a make-believe garage outlined with a rope while their passenger gave directions. (Left and right somehow took on whole new meanings!) Finally, Over the Cliff saw drivers with a bag on their head starting at one rope and driving 50 feet to the next rope, getting as close as possible without going over. While every event was fun, each required a surprising level of skill to be successful. Bill provided prizes to the winners, with Jeff (Senior) and Jeff (Junior) Dougherty easily winning the Potato Stab, the John Bacon and Porter Dunn team capturing the Garage Back Up, and Joe Greeves coming within inches for the win in Over the Cliff. Oh yes, there was a third hero in the event. Mother Nature provided the perfect blend of weather, not too hot, not too cold, just right. It's get-togethers like this that make us glad we are part of the Ancient City Auto Club.













The list of Up Coming Events is distributed separately every Monday.

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