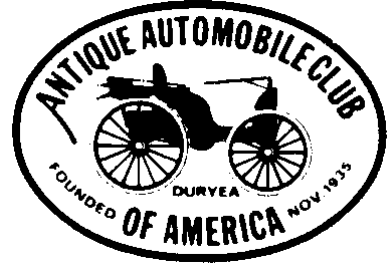




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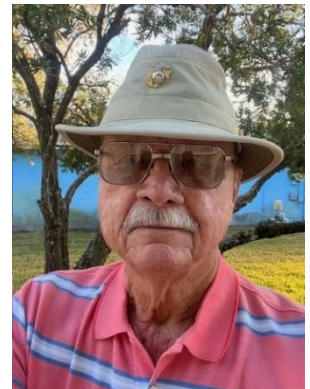
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April

April has been an interesting month for me, beginning with the idea of adding speakers to our general membership meeting. Thanks to John Kaiser for his informative rundown on one of the cars in his collection. Ken Bryan is slated for our May meeting.

I also enjoyed the camaraderie of the Old Guys Breakfast at the Beachside Diner. Our good friend Paul McCarthy is back in town and orchestrated our reserved parking, making a cool specialty car display in front of the restaurant. We said so long to several Snow Bird members this month as they headed back to the chilly North land.

Coming soon, our hard working Activities Director, Ron Leone has two different road trips in the works and once we've worked out the details, we will publish the facts in the Activities List.



On a personal note, for the first time in quite a while, I got reacquainted with my cameras. When our daughter visited from North Carolina and stayed with Ann, I was able to shoot two feature articles for Street Trucks magazine. I used to shoot an average of ten features a month and it felt good to be looking through the lens again.

On a sad note, we lost Piper, our eleven year old Terrier to spinal issues. She was a wonderful, fun little dog and we will certainly miss her.

That's it for now. Remember to get behind the wheel at every opportunity. Old cars are more fun when you actually drive them.

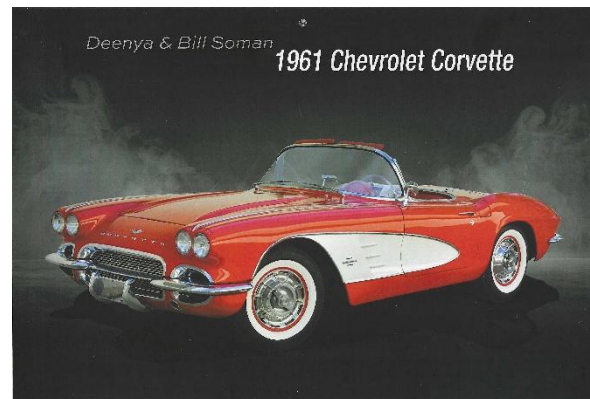
Warm regards,

Joe Greeves, President

Calendar Car

We realize that everyone does not have a car calendar, so we are highlighting the upcoming car that you will see as you flip the calendar each month.

For May, you will see the 1963 Corvette owned by Deenya and Bill Soman.



Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

This month's April general membership meeting at the Village Inn saw 18 members enjoying the opportunity to chat with friends. We were happy to see new members actively taking part in club functions. Willie Sadler and Marty Wylie, along with Kevin and Christine Brooks joined us for dinner. Our old friend, Chris Snyder was also back in town.





Lots of topics were discussed. We learned about a significant car in the collection of John Kaiser, discussed the club's approach to a November car show, and considered a possible road trip to the Balikar Gallery in Palm Coast.

Everyone enjoyed the trivia contest that tested the group's automotive knowledge. Our Newsletter Editor John Bagg got the win and he has won this contest before. Hope Emery was the 50-50 winner, another repeat winner!

Put May first on your calendar for the next general membership meeting.





Bill Marshall's wrapped Ford Focus



John Bagg's 1968 Mustang convertible



Willie Sadler's 1991 Saab 900 convertible



Joe Greeves' 2004 Lexus SC 430

St Augustine Cruisers Annual Car Show

Congratulations to the St. Augustine Cruisers, presenting their annual show at the Museum and setting a record breaking attendance. With more than 170 vehicles on hand it was a great opportunity for both drivers and spectators to enjoy seeing an amazing collection of vehicles, while reacquainting with old friends.

Charitable support from the event went to the St. Augustine Youth Society and K9's United. Great show!



The Bombshell Belles





Joe Greeves - Lexus SC 430



Ron Leone - BMW convertible



Ken Bryan - Chevrolet Street Rod



Dean Stires - Shelby GT500 Mustang



Bill McCaw - Bugatti replica



Chet Sveistrup - classic Cadillac



Radical ride - McClaren?



Bill Soman – Corvette

The April Old Guys Breakfast.

The April Old Guys Breakfast welcomed a familiar group including our old friend Paul McCarthy who created our reserved classic car club parking opportunity out front at the Beachside Diner. Outside diners enjoyed the colorful display, with many taking photos and commenting on the rides.

Inside, Beachside manager, Alan had an alcove set up just for us and Holly, our favorite lady made sure everyone was well served. Car topics made their way around the table with everyone sharing their favorite stories.



Sadly, we will say so long for a while to a pair of recent members, leaving for homes in the chilly North. John Caruso and his wife Susan will be heading to northern New York while Willie Sadler and his wife Marilyn will be towing their boat to their second home in Ontario Canada. We look forward to seeing them again late in the fall.

Another one of our new members, Kevin Brooks had the winning breakfast lottery ticket, with the club picking up his bill. Our next gathering will be May 9 and we hope to see you behind the wheel of your specialty car.



Bill McCaw's Bugatti replica



John Caruso's '73 Volkswagen Super Beetle Convertible



Chris Zima's '69 Mustang convertible



John Bagg's 1968 Mustang convertible



Joe Greeves '04 Lexus retractable hardtop



Willie Sadler's yellow '91 Saab 900 leading The Group



Kevin Brooks, breakfast club winner



Willie Sadler showing where the three Saab chipmunks live

Monthly Dine Out

The April Dine Out at Brisky's was a treat with almost two dozen members and friends in attendance. The restaurant had arranged a single long table for us, and we slipped in a few additional tables as more members arrived. Many of us had been there before and knew all about their great food. First timers also came away praising the restaurant, the great menu selection, and its pleasant atmosphere.



Everyone had such a good time that we stayed until closing time!

Our next get-together will be May 22. Watch the weekly Activities List for details.



Everyone enjoyed the food and conversations at our one long dining table.



Joe Greeves Lexus SC430



John Bagg's 1968 Mustang convertible



Marty Wylie's 1995 Ford F250

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum

The monthly Cars And Coffee held at the Classic Car Museum always draws a wonderful collection of cars and enthusiasts. Somehow, the event seems to be getting bigger every month. The April gathering saw collector cars filling every spot around the museum and spectator vehicles filling the parking spaces on the grass.



Doughnuts and coffee add to the fun along with the opportunity to catch up with old friends.



Master of Ceremonies Sidney Hobbs always welcomes the crowd and introduces the DQ award.

We were surprised and delighted to have amongst the gathered special cars an '81 DeLorean. Back to the Future right before our very eyes--kept looking for the clock tower! Joe Stinchcomb has owned this show stopper for four years--during which time he completed a full frame-up restoration--mostly original. This car was chosen to receive the D-Q award--a fitting reminder to us all of the fleeting



moments of time we get to enjoy with our old cars--Joe's birthyear was in '81--seems like just yesterday.

Thanks to all the wonderful car owners who provided a great show for April's Cars and Coffee at the St. Augustine Classic Car Museum--Dewey and Bob (Q) would be proud.



Put May 24 on your calendar, set your alarm clock, and join the early morning fun at the museum with all your friends.



John Kaiser's Ford Ranchero



Chet Sveistrup's classic Cadillac



John Bagg's Mustang convertible



Jimmy Pucci's Corvette Stingray



Joe Greeves Lexus retractable
hardtop



Bill Soman's classic Corvette



Skip Ferguson's Dodge Challenger



Ron Leone in front of a peacock Blue
'56 T-Bird, identical to the one in his
garage.



Kevin Brooks' Mustang GT 500

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

Our regular monthly events:

First Thursday; ACAC General Membership Meeting, Village Inn, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting.

Second Friday; The Old Guys Breakfast at the Beachside Diner on A1A. It starts at 9 AM and goes until the stories run out. The cars always draw an admiring crowd.

Third Thursday; Monthly dineout. Check the weekly activities list for more information.

Fourth Saturday; Cars and Coffee at the museum. You know the drill! Cool cars, free food, great people!

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Member articles are welcome. Tell us the story of your car or an outing. Just send the story and pictures to John Bagg, jcmabagg@yahoo.com