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Ancient City Auto Club
Antique Automobile Club of America

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October

November is going to be a very big month for me and the club. It begins with our General Membership meeting on the 6th, followed by an all hands gathering at FSDB for the set up day on the 7th. Our 41st annual show happens on Saturday the 8th. Please attend the General Membership meeting on the sixth at the Village Inn if you can. That's the time when everyone will get their assignments and have all their questions answered. We already have a significant number of preregistered vehicles and the list continues to grow.



For me, November also means covering the Turkey Run in Daytona over the four-day Thanksgiving weekend, something I've been doing since 1994. This year will be a special occasion since on Saturday, the 29th, I will be inducted into the MiniTruckin' Hall of Fame for the journalist award. Quite an honor! I'll take a photo or two and include it in the December newsletter.

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Since the fourth Thursday is Thanksgiving, we are planning an alternate day for our Dine Out, probably on 25 November and probably a luncheon. You will get more details in the activities list once the date is firm.

Until then, let's hope for a beautiful Chamber of Commerce day for our car show on November 8.

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 November, you will see the see the '54 Corvette owned by Tara and Jeff Dougherty.



Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

We had a good turnout at this month's general membership meeting where the prime topic was the upcoming car show.



All the details are coming together nicely and virtually everyone in the club has been contacted in some way.

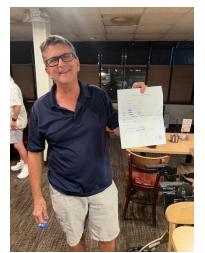
Our guest speaker was one of our newer members, Kevin Brooks who filled us in on the cars of his collection,



including his latest high-speed adventure on the track with his 2008 Ford Mustang GT 500 KR coupe.

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Ron Leone was in charge of the mind bending trivia competition this month that stumped most members

but Chris Zima had the answers, earning car wash certificates and free pie coupons for his win.

The 50-50 cash went to Bill Soman.

Our next general

membership meeting on 6 November, where we will cover all last-minute details before our November 8 car show. Let's hope for good weather.















I love it when someone takes the initiative to get the job done. Here's a prime example. Take a look at this beautiful trophy display created by our hard-working member, Ron Leone. In his travels, Ron located several unique cut glass pieces and turned them into beautiful trophies, similar to the ones he created for us last year. Obtaining bases from the local granite supply, he trimmed and then bevel-



cut the stone with his diamond saw, custom fitting each base to each vase. Silicone joined glass to stone and small metal plaques will identify the Best of Show, Founder's trophy, Driver's Choice, FSDB trophy, Jake's Choice, and even one for the Village Inn. It will make a dazzling, eye-catching display at our car show and add to the exclusivity of our event. Thanks again, Ron, for your combination of imagination and hard work.

Old Guy's Breakfast

The **Old Guys Breakfast** and a local cloudburst teamed up to minimize participation this month except for 1/2 a dozen hardy souls with no fear of raindrops.

Health issues seem to dominate the conversations lately, either for members themselves or for their immediate families. Everyone faces problems as we age, and we can only hope that the medical establishment continues to pull off their growing collection of routine miracles.



On the positive side, however, we do get to enjoy our days with great people and cool cars. If you're up for an event where the conversation always circles back to the automotive world, put the Old Guys Breakfast on your calendar for November, happening on the 14th. And if the weather is good, dust off that specialty vehicle and get behind the wheel. That's what they're for.







Culver's Cruise-in

There was a clear Halloween theme to this month's cruise in at Culvers, combining cool decorated cars along with bloody cadavers. Halloween Fun!.



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Joe Greeves, Lexus SC 430



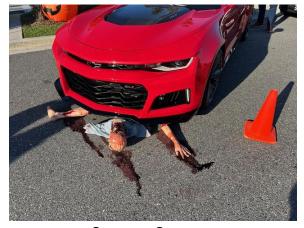
Ed Downing's recent Duster purchase



Paul McCarthy, 57 Chevrolet wagon



Jim Athas in charge of door prize tickets



Camaro Carnage



Camaro Carnage



A new interpretation of a Mako shark.



Halloween Jeep



Bill Soman's classic Corvette



Ron Leone's BMW convertible

Monthly Dine Out

All the regulars turned out for this month's dine out at Bono's. The restaurant set up one long table for us and our waiter was amazing. Everyone said the food was great and the service was quick. Your president failed to publicize the event in advance and ask for a headcount, so a few members missed the opportunity. Next month's Dine Out conflicts with Thanksgiving so we will be



trying out something new, this time a luncheon at a time and date to be determined soon. Watch the activities list for details







The gang

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum

The fourth Thursday of the month is always a treat. That's when we get up at the crack of dawn, head to the Classic Car Museum, and enjoy the wonderful early morning collection of vehicles. The variety at this two-hour get together is amazing with low buck and high dollar rides parked next to each other, foreign and domestic, old and new, radical customs next to restored originals, and don't forget,

free doughnuts and coffee! What a combination!





Choosing a vehicle for this award is so much fun! Several cars "caught my eye" but, when I happened upon Brett Sutton's '74 Dodge Maxi Van tricked out to the uttermost, so many memories flooded my brain. "It's All About the Journey" is the slogan that permeates this beautifully artistically-presented van, complete with sleeping accommodations, kitchen

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facilities and comfortable seating--and the pirates pictured in the air brushed murals covering the exterior are faithful and exciting representations of the classic owners. (Airbrush by Ed Beard Jr.) With prizes at the SEMA show, 2020 Best of Show at Carlisle (PA), this owner has completely and lovingly restored this van.



Bob Q's '74 Chevy Van had nothing but front seats coming home from Catskill, NY, with a new van instead of turning in license plates to save \$30------but that van is so historically pertinent to the car hobby in St. Augustine, because that van towed the '57 T-Bird (The T-Bird was Dusk Rose at that time.) that Sidney Hobbs ultimately purchased from Bob, and the old cars that also came at that time are why Bob and Dewey met; and that's how the Ancient City Auto Club got started. By Jinny Quackenbush



Brett Suttin, Sidney Hobbs and Jinny Quackenbush





Also in attendance at the cars and coffee were Rickey Bobby and his Smoken Hot Wife, with his NASCAR car. By all means, come to Cars and Coffee for the cars and coffee, but certainly stay for some of the surprise discoveries!

Put November 22 on your calendar so that you don't miss this amazing automotive event.

Photo captions





Joe Greeves Lexus SC 430





Ron Leone '04 BMW 330 convertible



Pete King '57 Thunderbird



John Bagg '68 Mustang convertible



Tony Evangelista '92 Corvette



Bill Soman '61 Corvette convertible



Paul McCarthy '57 Chevy wagon



Jimmy Pucci '18 Corvette Stingray



Ed Downing's latest Duster



Kevin Brooks '08 Mustang KR



John Kaiser '67 Ford Ranchero



The Pirate

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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