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Ancient City Auto Club Antique Automobile Club of America

June, 2018



# Would Y'a in a Woodie?

Would y'a in a woodie?--That is the team name for my 1948 Mercury in the Great Race--After lots of help from Jim Weiss and Bob Beach to rebuild the front end; such as, king pins, lots of bushings and sway bar mounts-- Suzanne and I headed out on the tour circuit.

The original plan was for Suzanne to drive the MG and I in the woodie going to the MG GOF in Altamontie Springs and follow up with the woodie boat show in Tavares the next day. [GOF is gathering of the faithful]. The MG is with a new owner in Georgia so we took the Merc. Suzanne didn't mind being a passenger. We had nice visits with friends at the GOF on Friday March 23 then drove over to Tavares on the 24 th

The Tavares wooden boat show was a dry show as the docks hadn't been rebuilt after hurricane Irma's wrath. Ten woodie cars made the show this year. There were two first timers ,one a 1948 Mercury and the other a 1949 customized Ford. The pictures show only the dock pilings--no boards to walk on. This was our fifth show.



Last Saturday, April 14, we were spectators at the Fruit Cove Baptist Church car show.

The cars are about the same as in previous years--lots of Vettes, Camaros and hot rods. A Chrysler Airflow was there and beautifully restored-nice paint and an interior redone with original material. The Chrysler Airflow was the first full size American production car to use stream lining.

Contributed by Dave Burrows—Thanks!

ACAC Regular Club Meeting—May 3 At Caddy Shack



The regular meeting of the ACAC was held at Caddy Shack on May 3. Attendance was down a bit but some very exciting things took place. The first was that Ron Leone brought a podium with a microphone attached that he had constructed in light of the problem we

seem to be having hearing. The club voted to give Ron \$100 to defray his costs on a motion by Jim Arpaia, seconded and passed.



Dewey Porter called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. using Ron's podium, which is appropriately decorated and which is easily transported to any location, with microphone, speakers, etc.

The appropriate reports including the approval of minutes were accomplished. Dick Sherrod and Donna were not able to be in attendance due to medical tests.

The second exciting happening was the talk that Brian Wirz had prepared for us about racing motors. He worked with this and gave excellent advice to those who are trying to get the most out of their car motors. See page 3 for more photos.

Activities are sparser as the days get hotter, but we still have plenty to do. See your Activities Page!



Great Information presented by Brian Wirz!



Ron Leone at the podium.

John Kaiser was the winner. But we all went home happy. There was no board meeting during May, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Quackenbush, Secretary Pro Tem.

# Next Meeting! June 7 At Denny's At I 95 and SR 16 Meet at 6-Eat at 7

## **See You There!**



Proper photographic pose for people of ACAC at Breakfast May 11, 2018, Steak 'n' Shake. Below—proper eating pose.



# JOHNS OLD GUYS BREAKFAST MAY 11 2018





Another good group of 18 Old Guys with 10 collector rides in the Steak & Shake parking lot. The weather man gave us no rain in sight to encourage driving that old car and after breakfast viewing in the parking lot with abundant free advice and praise.

Attending were Mark Young 67 Ford Ranchero, Dewey Porter 68 Buick Skylark, Joe Greeves, Tony Castellano 69 Chev Camaro Z28, Gary Steinberger 70 Chev Camaro Z28, Paul McCarthy 59 Chev Corvette, Rob Daly, Bob Quackenbush, Jim Arpaia 50 Olds 98 Convert, Dennis McDonald 99 SVT Cobra, Brian Wirz, Stan Zwiercan, Ted Michael 30 Mode A Ford Sedan, Bob Barton 93 Chev C10 pickup, Lee Harrington, Roland Pavasic, and Bob Parker. Tony Castellano won the monthly free breakfast drawing.





Save your fork; the best is yet to come.



Jim Arpaia



John Battistini



Dennis McDonald



Mark Young





Dewey Porter.

Next Breakfast
Steak 'n' Shake
9 a.m.
All Men are welcome!
June 8

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ACAC May Dine Out La Cocina May 24, 2018



Mexican cuisine must be popular as we had 22 of us all at a long table enjoying the offerings of this popular restaurant on US 1 South. We even had 4 collector cars driven on a night with rain threatened. Participating were Dave Burrows, Doug & Marion Hunsworth, Dewey Porter 90 Ford Mustang convert, Mark & Kathy Young, Bob & Jinny Quackenbush, Ann & Joe Greeves, John Bagg (who has since become our newest member) driving his 68 Ford Mustang convert, Deenya & Bill Soman 61 Chev Corvette, Jim & Rita Arpaia, Bob & Kathy Johnson 80 Pontiac Indy Pace Car Trans AM, Ray & Hope Emery, Dick & Donna Sherrod, Paul & Chris McCarthy.



It was another beautiful evening in our lovely city. Good friends, Good food, Good times.

Next Eat-Out
June 28
See Activities
for details.



June 16
St. Augustine
Cruisers
Cruise Night
At Hobby
Lobby Lot
5-7 p.m.



# The Best Kind of Therapy

When Bob Parker needed this car to be running again, he couldn't have known that this would be the best therapy for Bob Quackenbush, who is still recuperating from the hip surgery that he had last December.

What sounded like a simple carburetor rebuild or clean out or whatever that might have taken an hour or so turned out to be at least a month of trial and error for Bob Q.



At first he tried to use the old carburetor, cleaning it and trying to make sure that all the timing and fuel issues had been settled. But every time he put it back together there was another issue.



So he went onto Ebay and won the bid for a new carburetor that soon came in the mail. It seemed to good to be true for the price, but when it was installed with patiently cut-out gasket,

there were still issues that caused Bob Q. to know that the job was

not yet complete.



New fuel lines; fresh gas; redid the timing—it must be perfect now! (NOT)—The gas tank needed a good cleaning!

So back and forth with the carburetors, adjusting screws and listening to the sound of this motor to hear what would be good went on for a long time. But when it works, there is healing not only of the machine but the man.



One more problem asserted itself. The little button on the floor of the car that needs to be pushed by a foot to get the car started was very hard to reach by itself when the foot on the driver is size 14.

We needed a flashlight to pinpoint the exact location of this button in order to hear the music

of those cylinders pulsing in Model A rhythm.



So, would it really run when Bob Parker and wife Elaine came to pick it up?



Bob , Ginny

Got home all right have taken the Model A out twice already

for a Joy Ride I have not been this e4xcited since the birth of our first

People are beeping their horns to me and waving. " I love it " Bob , Thanks again so much.

Wont be able to make the meeting this month but will be at Ginny's book club on Tues 9:30 am and can pick you up for the Friday breakfast next week, Regards , Bob

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### **ACTIVITIES**

June 7 ACAC monthly meeting 6 PM dinner 7 PM business meeting. location Denny's at I95 & SR 16. We have their meeting room reserved.

June 8 Johns Old Guys Breakfast 9 AM Steak & Shake US 1 So. next to Home Depot. You do not have to be a member to attend so bring a friend who has an interest in things with a motor.

June 14 ACAC Celebrate Flag Day. Meet for Ice Cream at Cold Cow 7 PM US 1 So and Wildwood Drive on East Side of US 1. Drive a collector car and get a Blue Ticket

June 16 St. Augustine Cruisers monthly Cruise Night at Hobby Lobby Shopping Center behind Longhorn restaurant 5-7 PM, DJ Door Prizes, 50/50. Bring chairs, always a great selection of vehicles to see.

June 21 ACAC Monthly Board meeting at Arpaia res. 3144 Kings road south 7 PM

June 28 ACAC Dineout, 6 PM location TBA

June 30 Palencia's Street Festival 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Come join the Palencia residents in our fundraiser for St. Jude. It will be a Festival filled with fun, food, friends and everything under the sun. We will have Live Music, a silent auction, classic cars, a battle of the balconies, golf cart parade, food trucks, vendors, and much more. Donations are welcome. All proceeds go to St. Jude. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact Erin.Gunia@hines.com

July 5 ACAC monthly meeting & Fourth of July picnic and fireworks at Sherrod's res. 8249 Colee Cove Branch Road on the St. Johns River. The club will provide food and refreshments and fireworks. Plenty of parking so drive that collector car or truck. Arrive about 5 PM, food served 7 PM, fireworks when it is dark enough, approx

9:30 PM. There will be a very brief business meeting. This will also be our dineout event for month of July

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Sept 29 FCCC Cruisin to the Creek annual car show.

http://www.carcouncil.org/showregistration/

All cars on grass. We are members of the Car Council. We can park together if we request club parking ahead of time. This show usually attracts several hundred cars. Food trucks on site. Videoed by Drone. Several awards as selected by the FCCC. Bring chairs.

Oct 6 40th ANNUAL PALATKA CAR SHOW, open to all cars, trucks, motorcycles & boats!!! Pre-register at premiumcarshows.com or call Larry (727) 321-1211 For Show, Vendor & Sponsor info, go to azaleacitycruisers.com or call/text John (561) 602-8686 or Phil (443) 513-6414

Oct 10-13 AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey, PA

Oct 20 Amelia Cruisers 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual 8 Flags Car Show, Fernandina Beach 8 AM-2PM, info www.ameliacruisers.org

Nov 17 ACAC  $34^{TH}$  Annual Auto Show at the FSD&B School 207 N. San Marco. Details to follow.

Nov 22-25 Daytona Turkey Run Join us at the largest combined classic car show and

swap meet in the U.S. Four days of fun for the entire family held in the infield of Daytona International Speedway. More than 6,000 classic cars for show and sale, a massive swap meet, art and fashion on Artisan Alley, great food, drink and entertainment. \$15 per day Thursday - Saturday and \$10 on Sunday. Kids 11 and under free. Thursday - Saturday 8am-4pm and Sunday 8am-2pm. Registration info will be posted when they release it.

Feb 14-16 2019 During Daytona 500 Week, Daytona Beach, FL Wheeler Auction of 500 Vehicles all inside Ocean Center's Climate Controlled Facility, More info to come.

Feb 21-23 2019 AACA Winter Meet Ocala, FL. Ocala Hosted by Kingdom Of The Sun Region 352-538-1338 for info.

Below submitted by Anne Brakman





THIS IS BOUND TO MAKE THOSE OF A CERTAIN AGE SALIVATE

1957, 1958 & 1959 ~ all rolled into one!

This car was built by N2A motors (No Two Alike).

Unbelievable! The company is planning a production run of about 100 vehicles.

It sits on a Corvette C6 chassis The front is styled like a 57 Chevy,

the side like a 58, and the rear like a 59. Hence the designation, "789."

Is this a cool looking car, or what!?!

You probably need to be at least 60-years old to really appreciate this!!

Even if you're not, you'd have to agree that it's very special and a thing of beauty . . . wow!

### Message from Dick Sherrod, ACAC President

It's hard to believe that this year is half gone; please mark your calendars—early—your club is sponsoring 4 July food and fireworks again this year at our house.

We also need to get involved with early action on the car show. It's time to start selling ads for the brochures and for getting the new flyer completed.

This year we have made major changes in the classification of cars that should speed the flow in in the morning and make the show much less stressful. during judging. We are looking forward to having an excellent turn-out as early interest has been shown and some registrations have already been made.

On a personal note I would like to introduce you to my and my nephew's newly rebuilt drag race truck. Here are a couple of

pictures:



The truck was dubbed Red Bull by local people because of its color, the Nitrous vapor when clearing the fuel system, and the way it picks up the front wheels coming off the starting line.



It has a new larger engine 499 cu. in. plus a nitrous fogger and is expected to run in the high 4-second range at approximately 150 miles an hour and 1/8 mile drag race!



We hope that you all enjoy your summer and that we see you Thursday night at Denny's for our June meeting.
Sent from my iPhone
Dick



Sad News—
Doug Nietzel's faithful friend,
Bonnie, passed away recently.
There is no friend more Loving
and accepting than this kind. We
extend our condolences to Doug
at this time.

Below is the logo that Mark Young designed for the club. I think it is particularly handsome.



Please send your activities and car related stories to me, Jinny, at magaquack@aol.com. You can just send an email—especially nice if pictures are included and we will share them with the club. Thanks to Joe Greeves for faithfully photographing and

sending the pictures to me. And Thanks to Dewey Porter for writing up the activities. By the way, records are being kept of the times you drive your old car to the various activities, and at the Christmas party in December, the blue tickets that you have earned will be used for drawing the winner of this year's \$100.



Everbody loves olde cars!



The Auburn had a chance to go out.

Also, please know that you can advertise for free your cars for sale and parts for sale. Anything car related—just be sure to include contact information and the price of the items you wish to sell.

Happy Motoring!

Jinny, Editor in Chief.