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## A GARAGE EVENT!

New member Brian Wirz opened his nearly completed mega-garage for inspection by fellow Cobra cosseters Dick Sherrod and Charlie Williams. These three gearheads displayed some 2000+ horsepower for a photo op in the pristine, not yet cluttered space.

Brian's new shop/garage offers an area 50'x26' with a polished and waxed concrete floor that will resist solvent spills and has a sheen that can be seen in the photos.

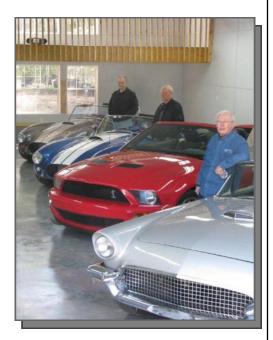
When complete, this workspace will be a high performance engine building shop, complete with milling machines, lathe, drill press, sanding machine, sand blaster, band saw, valve grinding equipment, metal bending press, hydraulic press, welding equipment, lifts, etc.

High on one wall is a storage mezzanine, which provides a protected area for completed work. Brian commented that, with a few additions like a tv, a cooler, a comfy seat.....it could serve other options as well!

In his earlier years, Brian raced both stock cars and sports cars and was well known for his machine work on racing engines, particularly for building heads that produced that little bit of extra horsepower that separates winners from the also-rans.

Brian's gray Cobra is a 1965 Backdraft car on a BMW suspension that was built by a group of 10 friends, including Dick Sherrod, over a 3 year period. Working one night a week, the group produced a car with an engine built from a 351 cubic inch Windsor Ford block that was bored and stroked to 408 cubic inches with a T-5 transmission that is upgraded to handle more horsepower and torque.

The blue Backdraft Cobra belongs to Activities Chairman Charlie Williams. It also boasts a Ford engine stroked to 408 cubic inches, with AFR heads, Tremic TKO 600 transmission, Mass Air



flow fuel injection, and super handling from a BMW suspension.

The red '07 Shelby GT 500 drive train is a supercharged 500 HP with a six speed transmission. It and the platinum 1957 T-Bird are Dick's. The T-Bird is a street rod and is powered by a big block Ford 428 Super Cobra Jet with three carburetors and 4 speed transmission. Brian's super-duper new shop is bound to be a hugely popular resource for our club members.



Check it out: Club web site: http://local.aaca.org/ancientcity/

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

MARCH 9 OLD GUYS WITH OLD CARS Breakfast at Steak & Shake (by Home Depot) 9:00 am

MARCH 9-11 AMELIA ISLAND CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE

MARCH 10 ACAC MONTHLY CRUISE - IN Steak & Shake 5:30-7:30PM

**MARCH 15 – 17 AACA NATIONAL MEET, MELBOURNE, FL** Apply to AACA by Feb.  $29^{th}$  to be eligible to show your car. Tuni & Jim, Dewey, and John & Linda are showing cars. (ACAC members should try to support this event, by attending as a group and traveling together. Hotels are available in the area. Contact Jim Weiss for information. <u>904-540-5956</u>

MARCH 17 Mount Dora's Classic Car Festival

**MARCH 22** <u>ACAC Eat Out Night</u>, Raintree Restaurant, 102 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine. Contact Ron Leone 471-0511 or rjleone111@yahoo.com

**MARCH 24 VERO BEACH, ANNUAL ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW** Registration 8-11am, Riverside Park. Show chairman Clark Ballard 772-567-8920 Class judging, entertainment, car corral, flea market & food court.

**MARCH 25 KINGDOM OF THE SUN REGION – LIVE OAK CARRIAGE & CAR SHOW** 9 am to 3pm at the Live Oak Stud Farm in Ocala. (*ACAC members meet at Bank of St. Aug., 7:30am (on 312) to drive together.*) <u>No Street</u> <u>Rods, Hot Rods, or Customs.</u>

Directions: Exit 352 off I-75 to Hwy. 40 West in Ocala. Go 7 miles to

S.W.110<sup>th</sup> Ave., turn left (south) and go 1.4 miles to the Main Entrance.

Follow signs to Live Oak Combined Driving Event.

\*Vehicles model years 1975 and older are invited to participate in 10 different classes. Registration closes at 11:30 am. Prizes awarded at 2 pm. A prize for the Club with most cars present. Live Oak Club members are not eligible for prizes. Pre-Registration by March 20<sup>th</sup>: \$15.00; after March 20<sup>th</sup>, \$20.00. Dash plaques to the first 100 pre-registration cars. The show will be rain or shine. Proceeds to benefit local charities. <u>A Fire Extinguisher is now required, and MUST BE DISPLAYED.</u>

**APRIL 1 CLAY COUNTY FAIR, SUNDAY CLASSIC CAR SHOW** (Cattlemen's Arena) 12 Noon. As you stroll through the village, you will see a number of antique automobiles. These vehicles have been restored by our volunteers and are in perfect running condition. They remind us of the simple but important forms of transportation that gave rural farms and homesteads access to growing urban areas

**APRIL 14** 9<sup>TH</sup> Annual Hammock First Baptist Custom & Classic Car Show 11 am to 3 pm. Free lunch to all participants. Live DJ Contact: Terrance Shea cell: 386-237-7004 <u>tjssrnyi@yahoo.com</u> 5328 N. Oceanshore Blvd., Palm Coast, Fl



## The Prez Says:

#### **From Jim Weiss**

We received information from AACA about a program designed to encourage driving your old car. Here's what you must do to participate in the Mileage Award Program (MAP).

- The vehicle owner must register each vehicle that they would like to include in the MAP by filling out an application and mailing a \$25.00 check payable to AACA. Once the application is received at national, a vehicle badge will be mailed to the owner. (These badges will not be mailed until after May 2012).
- When the vehicle is driven 2,000 miles, it is eligible for the first MAP award. The badge has a section where the number of miles is placed; the section is upgraded at each level. A. 1<sup>st</sup> Award – 2,000 miles B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Award – 5,000 miles C. Subsequent Award(s) – at each 5,000 mile increment.
- After you achieve your first 2,000 miles, you fill out a record keeping form and mail it to Sherm Carey. Once Mr. Carey approves your request, the award(s) will be mailed to you from National Headquarters.

All mileage is retroactive to January 1, 2012. Any questions should be directed to Sherm Carey at: <u>scarey@vnet.net</u>

If you don't want to participate in this National program, then just **drive your old car for your own enjoyment!** Onlookers wave, smile, and ask you what year it is.

That kind of recognition is free to us all, so by all means: *Drive Your Old Car!* 

#### Breaking Up is Hard to Do

Joe Lando says: "I'm gonna miss her." But his 1950 Styleline 4-

door Sedan Deluxe Chevrolet is for sale. \$15,000.00 Original 102,000 miles. Black with grey interior in excellent condition. Threespeed manual transmission, 216 cu.in., 85 hp. Detailed engine and trunk. Paint in excellent condition. 5 Coker



BF Goodrich silvertown tires. New chrome bumpers. Multiple award winner at several car shows. 904-794-5476 or 904-540-4884

#### **The Welcome Mat**

ACAC is happy to welcome new members Brian and Carolyn Wirz. Please read the Olde News Garage Event article about Brian's new shop. Also, Sidney and Brenda Hobbs have rejoined our club.

#### **For Sale**

<u>Three</u> Red & White'57 Chevy Bel Airs

- 1. V8 P.G. \$10,500
- 2. V6 P.G.\$7,000
- 3. \$5,000 (No engine or transmission)

All with:

- R&W Leather Interiors
- Automatics

For more information, call: 704-746-7264

## For Sale

1982 Jaguar Asking \$1,000.00 New transmission, Rebuilt engine 80,000 original miles Call: Pat or Dave 794-5509

Your Olde News Ancient City Auto Club members are encouraged to contribute items of interest to antique car enthusiasts. Photos of ACAC members at play in their hobby are especially useful. Please send photos as an attachment to email to: 123kathrynyoung@gmail. com

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WE ALL HAD SUCH A GOOD TIME! Ron did a fantastic job of running the "Cruise Ship". The Chinese auction went very well. The prizes that had been donated were stylish, classic and carthemed. We think everyone there enjoyed seeing the cars and participating in the event. The meal was terrific and a good price, too. We could do this again. Jinny Quackenbush









## **February Board Minutes**

The Board meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm on Feb. 16. Present were: President Jim Weiss, Dewey Porter, Bob Quackenbush, Dick Sherrod, Tuni Weiss, Cliff Williams, Kathy Young. Items of discussion: The Cruisers club has been invited to join ACAC at the monthly eat-out at Ar-

nolds. Old cars will be parked out front. Cars for sale by non-members will be allowed in

Olde News for one month at no charge.

Cliff will arrange door prizes for Cruise-In night. The Treasurer's report was approved. Purchase of name tags by Tuni was authorized. There will be a 25-cent fine imposed on those who forget to wear their name tags to meetings and gatherings. Motion seconded and approved.

Rick Molner was suggested as a possible Scholarship recipient.

Dewey Porter mentioned that Allisyn Woods, who is the daughter of new members John and Gretchen Kepich, is in the business of refurbishing automobile interiors. She repaired the upholstery of Dewey's '55 Buick. Bob Quackenbush suggested that she be invited to give a presentation at a regular club meeting.

March Board meeting will be on the 13<sup>th</sup>, as several members will be at the Melbourne meet.

President Weiss adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.



#### OGWOC REPORT

From Dewey Porter February 10—Old Guys with Old Cars breakfast at Steak & Shake saw a new high for attendance, with 17 Old Guys enjoying car talk with their bacon and eggs.

Since some regulars were missing, the next meeting on March 10 could reach the 20 level. Several Old Guys drove collector vehicles for a nice parking lot display.

Attending were: Bob Barton, Fred Bauer, Ray Cornett, Jim Crozier, Dutch Devilbiss, Jack Dillon, Joe Greeves, John Guarnieri, Lee Harrington, Jack McDonald, Bill Meyer, Dewey Porter, Bob Quackenbush, Dick Sherrod, Peter Starr, Johnny Vogel, and Charles Williams.

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