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#### **GLENMOOR CRUISE NIGHT**

Jim Weiss received a request to provide atmosphere for a Roaring 20's type car display with only cars from the 20's and 30's.. Providing atmosphere and costumes were Jim & Tuni Weiss with 1928 Willy Knight roadster, Bob & Jinny Quackenbush with 1931 Cadillac 4 door limo sedan. Dewey Porter with 1933 Chevrolet 4 door sedan, and Toby & Karen Erwin with their 1931 Ford roadster. The four cars were displayed under the Porte-Coche're at the clubhouse entrance and 30's live music supplied by a tenor saxophone player. Glenmore residents and guests were all dressed in 20's styles. A "Waldorf Astoria Buffet was served in the elegant dining room. Of course, none of us were around in the roaring 20's but some of our cars were.



#### REQUEST: Please try to photograph your Olde Vehicle(s) and send a copy of the photo to Rob Daly at the address on the bottom of this page, or to his email: robontheweb@bellsouth.net. Photos can also be sent to K8 at Olde News.

Thanks for your attention.

## FIRST COAST TECH AUTO DISPLAY

Ancient City Auto Club members turned out in force to put on a display of collector cars for students and teaching staff. Bill Soman, our Scholarship Chairman, had made the arrangements at the request of Merlene Thomas, Marketing Specialist for the college.

- Attending with their vehicles were:
- Bill Soman '54 Corvette
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- Bob Barton '96 Chevrolet Pickup
- Ron Leone Tricycle style Pickup
- Ron Leone Electric Car
- Doug Neitzel '53 Pontiac 4 door Cliff Williams – '60 MGA Rdstr.

Dewey Porter – '28 Chevrolet 4 door Charlie Williams '66 Cobra replica Peter Starr – '56 Oldsmobile Convertible Dick Sherrod – '06 Mustang Shelby Convertible Jim Weiss – '28 Willys Knight Playboy Roadster Toby & Karen Erwin – '31 Ford Model A Rdstr. Bob Quackenbush - '41 Lincoln Cont. Coupe

At noon, all attendees were invited to the FCTC dining room, where a meal prepared by culinary school students was served buffet style. What could be better than collector cars and wonderful food.







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

# Frolicking at Fruit Cove

#### From John Guarnieri

It was a great day for a car show! Caravanning from Winn Dixie North at 9 a.m. were: the Q's in their '51 Ford Woody, Dewey Porter and his '33 Chevy, Ron Leone with his electric car, Cliff Williams in his Chevy SS, Doug Nietzel in his '54 Pontiac, John Guarnieri driving Doug's '53 Pontiac, and Lynda G. chauffeuring his Caddy Biarritz convertible, 7 in all. And for the first time that I can recall, all 7 vehicles stayed together, until the Q's were separated by 2 pesky red lights!

We arrived just before 10 a.m. and were some of the last of 410 registered cars to arrive. This show gathers many car lovers from the Jacksonville and surrounding area. Street Rods dominated, but every other type and style of truck and vehicle were represented. The CMOJ Mopar Club of JAX had over 25 members with their cars, and 2 independents driving their DeSotos, one of them my friend Marlin Crider who is 91 years young and rarely misses a local show!

If you are unfamiliar with this show, Everybody, car owners and the general public, are treated to all the food one could eat throughout the day: hot dogs, burgers, roasted corn on the cob, several chilies, and other foods. Cold drinks and water were provided, along with the best coffee from Kenya that Dewey and I have tasted.

There were well over 30 vendors selling their wares and services, plus door prizes that were handed out during the day. We were able to set up our chairs and tables under tall trees to take advantage of the shade on a warm, but not too humid Florida day.

Just after 2 p.m. the awards were handed out, including some big dollar door prizes. All that was due to the generosity of the many sponsors that the Fruit Cove Baptist Church has.

I would recommend to our ACAC membership to try to attend this show in 2012! (Photos on page 6)

## New Members: *Meet the Millers*

Max & Jan Miller came from the Chicago area in 1990 -- and they love St. Augustine. They live in a house on Anastasia Island, which was once owned by Jinny Quackenbush's Dad! Max is particularly fond of the cars of the 50s. He fondly remembers when he met Jan, he was driving a 1957 Chevy convertible. Wow -- if he

only had that car now! Max & Jan are excited about celebrating their upcoming 50th anniversary in July. They met in Des Moines, Iowa -- when they both attended the same college. Jan's Danish family chose that particular college -- and Max, luckily, just happened to live in the area. Both Jan and Max are accomplished artists -- Max having spe-



cialized in stained glass, and Jan a variety of genres -- with much of her work on display at her gallery Butterfield Garage.

Max & Jan have been blessed with two grown children, and two grandchildren from each. Their son resides in Chicago, and their daughter lives here in St.Augustine. So, don't forget to learn more about them when they attend our next meeting!

## ACTIVITIES OF NOTE

- 5-11 OGWOC breakfasts at Steak & Shake, 9 a.m.
- 5-12 Cruise-In at Steak & Shake, 6 p.m.
- 5-17 Board meeting at Charlie William's
- 5-19 St. Augustine Cruiser's Show! On the grounds of FSDB on San Marco Ave.
- 6-7 General Meeting at the Young's home at 160 W. Genung St. PIZZA NITE!

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### CRANKIN' A's SHOW

#### by Dewey Porter

In perfect weather, our cars performed flawlessly as we toured to the Pioneer Art Settlement for this old time car show featuring the Model A's of the Crankin' A's club. Clever trophies made out of hand tools, dash plaques, and NO registration fees are features of this event.

Participants are entertained by country and bluegrass music provided by a sit down jam session of musicians who attend. Attractions at the Settlement include a blacksmith shop, a fire engine with equipment, farm animals, exotic birds, and of course the displayed cars.

Bob and Jinny Quackenbush drove their '51 Woody wagon, Bill and Pat Meyer their '41 Cadillac special sedan, and Dewey Porter his '76 Buick LeSabre hard-top for the scenic route through Bunnell to Barberville.

Awards and 50/50 were finished by 3 p.m. with the Meyer's Cadillac winning  $2^{nd}$  Place Best of Show.

Support the Cruisers! They support us. May 19th is The Day, and FSDB is the Place.

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First Coast Technical School not only fed ACAC members well, they provided a perfect, beautiful Floridian day in which to display collector vehicles and to answer questions from the Tech students. A wonderful time was reportedly had by all who enjoyed the sunshine and the great food.





#### VIVA LAS VEGAS 15

Every Easter weekend a strange type of time travel takes place in Las Vegas, Nevada. People from around the world congregate in order to celebrate the 1940's and 1950s lifestyle. Cars, fashion and music overtake the grounds of the Orleans Hotel & Casino for four days in an extravaganza called Viva Las Vegas.



The opening night began with a gorgeous fashion show highlighting wild looks like the above, as well as more demure "New Look" fashions featuring tiny waists and huge skirts. Enthusiasts no longer have to haunt vintage shops for fashion finds—they can easily locate reproductions of their favorites or even have custom clothing made to specification.

Later in the evening a fantastic 50's style burlesque showcase displayed artists from Spain, the Netherlands, the UK and the USA. No pictures here, but I can say there was a bit of tassel twirling involved. How do they do that??? Like the artists of the fifties, I never saw these ladies in public without stockings, makeup and perfect coiffures.



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Saturday morning opened the Viva Las Vegas 15 Car Show on a cool & windy morning. The Metropolitan above is one of the few cars that still appear stock. Most of these West Coast vehicles are highly modified. Chopped, dropped, lowered and customized cars were everywhere.



From the lime green Caddy above to the mosaic wheels below, there was great variety. Headliners from the 50's performed on the main stage while the crowd gawked at the many cars brought in for the event. Spectators arrived in their best retro fashion, hairstyles and menswear.



The car clubs here appear to be organized like the motorcycle gangs of the 1950's. Every car bears the name of the car club, and every member wears the logo of their club prominently. Prospective members must remain "supporters" for as long as one year! Before gaining admission!





Racecars also abounded. Drag racing, Baja and others were all represented.



A survivor like the delivery below completed a wonderful trip back to the days of the forties & fifties!



## **April 19 Board Minutes**

President Jim Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:15; he reported that AACA wants us to get new members and they also want donations for the AACA library. Jim also speculated that a meeting devoted to information about an additive to fight ethanol might be good.

Membership—holding at 45.

Scholarship—we have two kids interested in the scholarship.

**Meeting Special Speaker**—Dewey has an individual who could present information regarding interiors with upholstery for the restoration of automobiles.

Eating Out—Cliff reminded us of the eat-out at Yamato's April 26.

**Cruise-In**—The 50/50 garnered \$75. Cliff informed the attendees that better door prizes will be provided in the future. It was agreed to spend half and half on prizes for men and women. There was discussion regarding speeding up the registration process at our upcoming car show. Also some concern on the class placement of some modified and/or stock vehicles.

Treasurer's Report—was accepted as presented.

**Scholarship--**Jim Weiss and Bill Soman will be attending the Dinner at the Technical School for the scholarship winners. We are changing the age for the scholarship qualification to 18 and older.

**Car Show**—Mark is working on the flyers to hand out; classes need to be etched in stone. There will be no craft show this year. Bill Soman and Fred Bauer will do the field layout.

Olde News—New members' bios will be included along with other special things for new members.

Activities—Crankin' A's at Barberville, Saturday, April 28. Moosehaven—May 12. May meeting May 3 at Creekside. Dewey reminded members to send car/event pictures to Rob at <u>robontheweb@bellsouth.net</u> for inclusion in the website.

May Board meeting is scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup> at Charlie Williams' home.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Delicious refreshments, of course, were served.

Respectfully submitted, Robert W. Quackenbush, Secretary

## CRUISER'S SHOW—FSDB—MAY 19

#### GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

May 3: President Jim Weiss called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Charlie Williams introduced his guest, another Charlie Williams!, who is from Texas and is an active collector/restorer.

Jim asked if members wanted information on dealing with ethanol issues and much interest was expressed. He also asked that anyone possessing a copy of the AACA magazine for Nov/Dec 1998 please contact him.

VP Cliff Williams reported that the 50/50 share at the Cruise-In paid for door prizes. Also, he still has unclaimed name tags.

Treasurer Tuni Weiss said that the scholarship checks have been sent and a show-healthy balance remains.

Car Show Chairman Mark Young emphasized the importance of securing show sponsors.

Membership Chairman Bill Soman introduced new members Max and Jan Miller.

Activities Chairman Charlie Williams handed out the list of upcoming activities.

Eat-Out Chairman Ron Leone said May's Eat-Out, on the 24<sup>th</sup>, will be at the King's Head English Pub on Hwy. 1 N.

Scholarship Chairman Bill Soman said that this year's competition enjoyed 9 applications, and that the two winners were highly qualified and praised by their instructors.

In New Business, Dewey Porter reported that the Fruit Cove show plans to cut off registrations at 400 next year, and that car owners pre -registering may be able to park together, as clubs.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49.

Respectfully submitted, Kathryn Young

## <u>OGWOC REPORT</u>

#### **Dewey Porter**

Only 8 Olde Car-ites breakfasted together this month, but the attendee quality remained at an exalted level. The usual car talk dealt with weighty subjects on the past, present, and future of all things in the transportation field. Dining well were Fred Bauer, John Guarnieri, Glen Klein, Ron Leone, Dewey Porter, Bob Quackenbush, Charlie Williams, and Mark Young.





## FRUIT COVE BAPTIST CAR SHOW CONTRIBUTED BY JOE GREEVES



The Fruit Cove Baptist Church event draws a huge collection of cars and people every year, probably because it is as much fun for the kids as it is for parents, thanks to rides for the kids and free food for everybody!



Called a Blind Back Victoria Cabriolet, the above is replica of Gordon Buehrig's personal car & is under construction by Michael Widman. Buehrig designed the Auburn Boattail Speedster and the 810 Cord.



About as low as you can go without digging a trench, this Ford F-100 Rat Rod is owned by Tony Brookshire.



Ron Ferrell's slick '49 Ford convertible sports a chopped top, Pontiac grille, and custom paint, along with a 350/350 power train.



The team of Lee Walker Junior and Senior created this twin turbo Barracuda, based on a 360 ID Commando V-8. It looks good and goes fast!



One of the advantages that Joe and Carla Looney have with their 1913 Stanley Steamer is the boiler is the perfect place to keep lunch warm!



The lines for free food may have been long but the price was right! Various vendors supplied free food and drink to all attendees.

Lots of folks were looking at the awards table with envy but everyone was a winner.





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