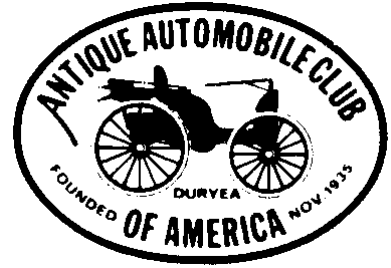




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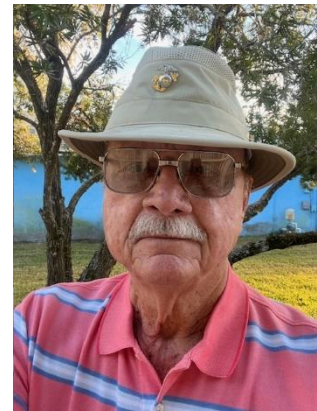
June, 2026

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June

Warm weather is upon us and many of us have travel plans during the summer. High temperatures mean most car shows are postponed until cooler weather arrives in the Fall. That means those of us in the car culture have to find another way to enjoy our sport.

I was very happy about the positive turnout for our Ride and Dine to the Baliker Gallery in Palm Coast. The ride down was a sunny delight, Captain's BBQ made sure no one went away hungry, and everyone who visited the gallery came away with a better understanding as to why it is a legend. We were honored to have a private showing and meet Paul Baliker himself, thanks to the efforts of Ron Leone who made the arrangements and also provided desserts.



If you have a location that would make for a great club event, please let me know so that we can incorporate it into the schedule.

Thanks, Joe

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Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

We had a full table at the June Village Inn get together with the first order of business discussing a change to the schedule. It was agreed that the meetings will continue to start at 6 PM but since most folks arrive early and are finished eating, we will begin the business portion of the meeting at about 6:30 rather than waiting until 7 PM.



This month's dine out came under discussion, with the group agreeing that it will be a drive and dine, tentatively scheduled for the Baliker Gallery in Palm Coast and lunch at the Captain's BBQ. We will provide more details as we get closer. We are also in the early stages of organizing a club cookout by our friend Bill Marshall that will occur sometime in July.



The Group



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Ron Leone was in charge of this month's trivia competition and President Joe Greeves had the answers. Once again, our lucky VP, Jeff Dougherty took home the 50-50 money and our Treasurer Fred Cooper, was the free dinner winner.

Our next general membership meeting will be July 2. Come join the fun if you can.



Joe Greeves's Lexus SC 430



Jeff Dougherty's Mercedes Van



John Bagg's '68 Mustang



Bill Marshall's 2016 Ford Focus



Trivia winner Joe Greeves



Free dinner winner, Fred Cooper

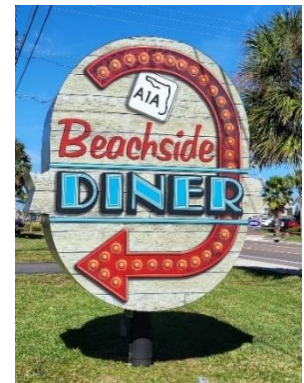


50-50 winner, Jeff Dougherty

Old Guy's Breakfast

The Old Guy's Breakfast in June was automatically better than the one in May since none of us got rained out.

Alan, our host at the Beachside Diner always sets tables aside for us in the alcove and the club members launched into what has become a tradition of genuinely offbeat topics. This month we shared open heart surgery details comparing sternum splits with problems of repairing a backyard shed. As you can imagine, discussions are nonstop until the pancakes arrive! It was agreed that next month we would consider limiting topics to cars and sports.



This month's big winner was Ed Downing, enjoying a free breakfast, courtesy of the club. Come join the group if you can and certainly, drive your old car. Our July gathering occurs on the 10th.



The Gang



Dick Hewett, 2007 Mustang



Joe Greeves, Lexus SC 430



Bill McCaw 27 Bugatti replica



John Bagg, 68 Mustang



Ed Downing 2023 Dodge Challenger



Free breakfast winner Ed Downing

John and Jinny

Several members of the Ancient City Auto Club were privileged to attend the social event of the year. Our friends John and Jinny were married on the 17th of June and had their reception at the Coquina Crossing clubhouse. It was a genuinely memorable gathering with the families of the bride and groom in attendance along with about another hundred-plus good friends. The huge selection of great food got the party started, followed by rousing sing-alongs, trivia competition, and Jinny's specialty, line dancing. Everyone had a wonderful time, and your president even won the drag race competition. John and Jinny, we wish you all the happiness in the years to come. Who thought spearing a potato at a picnic would lead to this?



It was a packed house at the Coquina Crossing clubhouse



The bride and groom arriving



Jinny greeting everyone at the event.



Jinny leading the line dancers



Gold place settings along with Jinny's poetry on the pen.



Mr. and Mrs. dancing to the band.



A specialty dance that J&J have been practicing.



That's John's white Mustang at the head table.



Beautiful table decorations were everywhere.



The winning car at the drag race.

St. Augustine Cruisers monthly cruise in

Although the Weather Man said rain, the June Cruise In had warm sunshine that brought out a wonderful collection of vehicles to the event. Lined up in front of the museum, drivers enjoyed the collection of cars, music, old friends, and trivia, along with free hot dogs. Obviously, a great combination! As always, there were several unique vehicles that we haven't seen before, adding to the fun.



Put July 18 on your schedule and come join the fun next month.



Brett Sutton's '73 Dodge charger 400



Our friend Scott Pirie's latest pickup.



The hot dog stand is always well attended.



Joe Greeves Lexus SC 430



We loved this beautiful Packard-Powered Street Rod.



Packard-Powered Street Rod.

Monthly Dine Out

Almost two dozen club members enjoyed our latest automotive adventure, meeting in St. Augustine and caravanning to Capt's BBQ in Palm Coast, the first stop of our Thursday plan. The restaurant is as popular with folks arriving by car as it is with boaters tying up at the public dock. Air-conditioned inside and fairly cool in their screened in porch, everyone found a spot that was comfortable and a menu item that worked.

The second phase included a visit to the Baliker Gallery and we were very happy that the artist, Paul Baliker joined us for lunch. Our man behind the scenes, Ron Leone had already set up a dessert table at the gallery and when everyone

finished their meals, we traveled the short distance up the road to view Paul's amazing creations. Incorporating a profound respect for nature, his grand scale sculptures are often intricate art pieces made from natural materials like driftwood. As we wandered through the gallery, we were impressed with the diversity of his art in multiple mediums. We certainly enjoyed the opportunity to view such an amazing collection and it was a wonderful afternoon get-together with friends. Special thanks to Ron who always goes the extra mile



Dave Cameron and friend Chris



Rich Boyle



Richard and Pam Kloetzli



Rob Daly



Joe and Ann Greeves



Inside the gallery



Intricate Outdoor Sculpture



The goodie table, thanks to Ron Leone



Ron and artist Paul Baliker addressing the group



The Group (with a few outside).



The Camera Man and His Lady

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum

There's a good reason for the strong turnout every fourth Saturday at the Museum. Drivers are invited to a mini car show that begins around 8 AM, are treated to a free light breakfast, and you're on your way by 10 AM. In between, you get to see a great collection of cars, chat with old friends, and applaud the winner of the DQ Award.



Doughnuts make everyone smile.



Get yourself a cup of ambition!

This month's D-Q Award is a truck! In all the celebration of the 250 years of our precious country, "See the USA in your Chevrolet....." was wafting through my mind. However, my search for THE winner did not preclude other makes from the running. Many entering vehicles that morning "caught my eye" and it was a lot of fun perusing all that gorgeous iron. We are so thankful for every driver who chose to spend this splendid morning sharing cars, stories, and smiles. I (Nancy couldn't be there.) picked Cliff Hammond's 1957 Chevrolet 3100 with a '56 Grille that he bought in 1998 from California. Bob Q. (DRIVE YOUR OLD CAR) would have been proud of Cliff, Dewey also, because this 350 with a 9" rear end is a daily driver, even used to launch boats when appropriate. The truck bed is beautifully finished

wood and the interior is very smart plus the body is a special kind of red. Much mechanical work has been done so that it can safely and comfortably D R I V E. Thanks, Cliff, for bringing this entrant. Jinny Quackenbush (Bagg).



Cliff Hammond's 1957 Chevrolet 3100



Cliff describing his truck



Jinny presenting the DG award

As if that weren't enough, Sidney Hobbs has added the newest aspect of the event, the Corn Hole Competition. Sign up for five dollars, play a sudden-death game of Corn Hole, and maybe go home with cash. The winner this month put \$175 in his pocket and the runner-up got \$25. And both were *already* having a good time! Of course, the real plus of this event is enjoying the intense collection of vehicles, actually wrapping around the museum with some parked on the grass in the back.



Sidney announcing the Corn Hole competition



Fun for all

Next month's Cars and Coffee, on July 25th, will include a Powertec rally and we will give you more details on that as we get closer.



Bill McCaw, Bugatti replica



Bill McCaw's dream car



Joe Greeves, Lexus SC 430



John Bagg, Mustang convertible



Brett Sutton's Dodge Charger



Bill Soman, Corvette convertible



Auburn Boattail Speedster,
Quackenbush and Hobbs



Kevin Brooks, Mustang GT



Ron Leone, BMW convertible



Speed Racer on the scene.



Ken Bryan, Chevrolet Street Rod



Standing room only! Park on the grass.



Hollywood Graham restomod

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

Our regular monthly events:

First Thursday; ACAC General Membership Meeting, Village Inn, 6:00 PM dinner, 6:30 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.

Fourth 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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