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January 2013

The Christmas Parade December 1st was once again well attended by the members of the Ancient City Auto Club. We had everything from Old and New. With breakfast being handled by Carley King! ~ Thanks Carley! We're sure everyone enjoyed your goodies.



More parade photos inside

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Activities

Jan 3 ACAC Monthly meeting and installation of new officers 6 PM **Wildflower Café**, 4320 A1A S, Saint Augustine.

Jan 11 John's Old Guys Breakfast at Steak & Shake US 1 So. next to Home Depot 9 A

Jan 12 ACAC Monthly Cruise Night at Steak & Shake US 1 So. 5 PM – 7:30 PM

Jan 12-13 19th Annual National Parts Depot Ford & Mustang Roundup at Silver Springs, Ocala, FL. Any Ford powered vehicle, Registration forms at www.NPDlink.com

Jan 12 Early Ford V8 Club 12th annual car show at Lake Worth. Fords T's & A's and all flathead powered Fords, Mercury's and Lincolns . See Dewey for flyer.

Jan ACAC Monthly Board Meeting to be determined

Jan 19 St. Augustine Cruisers monthly cruise night at Ponce Mall 5-7:30 PM

Jan 19 2nd Annual Winter fest Charity Car Show @Walt's Live Oak Ford, www.nationofstangs.org

Future Events

Feb 1 – 3 37th Annual Swap meet and car corral at Moultrie GA. Spence Field

Feb 7-8 National AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Feb 21-23 AACA Winter Meet, Lakeland, FL

March 2 AACA Azalea Region 14th Annual car show at Riverfront Park, Palatka, FL

April 4-6 AACA Southeastern Spring Meet at Charlotte, NC





Here's a little note we received from one of our members, Many thanks to the "Classic Car Pit Crew" who pitched in and obtained and changed an O ring in my Carb that was flooding gas. We had only 15 minutes before the parade started and somehow, someone secured an O ring that fit!!! The repair was completed in about 10 minutes with everyone helping and the 57 T Bird was on its' way into the Parade with my three 12 year old passengers on the back deck. Funny enough, their picture in the parade ended up on St Augustine's facebook front page! To say the least, they were very excited. None of which could have occurred without the "Classic Car Pit Crew". NASCAR ain't got nothin on you guys! Thank you!!! Sidney Hobbs

Members go A Cruising Another Way!!! Members and friends went cruising right after Thanksgiving on Monarch of the Seas. The Weiss, Bartons, Quackenbushs, Bauers, Millers & Goodlings



Relaxed a bit by the pool, had some laughs, dressed up and dressed down. We had a great time together! We all hope to do it again in the near future only bigger and better! Hope you'll all join us next time!!



John's Old Guys Breakfast 12 14 2012 from Dewey Porter

Only 7 Old Guys showed up, but they were all superb conversationalists so there was no letdown on car hobby discussions. As always, no religion or politics allowed. Because of rainy weather none of the Old Guys drove an old car but they will be out in force to kick off 2013 in January. Enjoying food and opinions were Glen Klein, Dewey Porter, Max Miller, Bob Barton, Dick Sherrod, Stan Zwiercan and Doug Nietzel.

The Prez Says The past few months have gone by in a blurr! Thank you all for "pitching in" to cover my absence in the past few months. The summer ended with Tuni & I traveling to Colorado to visit my Mom and attend our Niece's wedding. (It snowed there the first week of October) We returned on a Sunday and packed the RV for our trip to the Granddaddy of all Car Shows; Hershey PA. We returned from that trip and had to meet up with Tim and Amanda in Sarasota for more wedding plans, in between, we met up with Jinny & Bob Quackenbush to make arrangements for our annual Christmas Party back in St. Augustine only to receive the call that my Mom had passed away, and off I flew again to Colorado, to help with final arrangements, burial was held in New York so I traveled to NY, Tuni met up with me in NJ. NJ was a mess, super storm Sandy played havoc with the area, rental cars and hotels rooms were practically impossible to get. Tuni & I returned

from the NJ area to celebrate Thanksgiving and pack once again, this time for the “Cruise” we had planned months and months ago, with some of our Club members, we returned home on Friday, and regrettably missed the morning parade on Saturday but had the honor of attending our best friend Cam Baker’s daughter, Margaret’s wedding that afternoon. Thursday of that week was our annual Christmas Party and time to finally slowdown...but it didn’t. We packed our bags again and left on a road trip with members of the CCCA for a trip to Micanopy, which you’ll read about in this Olde News.



Moultrie, Ga. Swap Meet & Car Corral Nov 16, 2012 from Dewey Porter

Members attending were Glenn Klein, Dick Sherrod, Bob Quackenbush, Mark Young, Rob Daly, Dewey Porter, Peter Starr and Bill Soman. Weather was cold and windy but bright sunshine most of the day. Car parts and supplies were purchased but no one made the big step to purchase a car.

Glenn Klein was a flea market vendor and was happy to sell his wooden canoe he has lugged around for a few years trying to sell. He also sold

out of his Bantam car parts so



hence the big smile you see in the photo.

Early Ford V8 Club Ormond, Visits “The Cave” Nov 10, 2012 from Dewey Porter

The Quackenbushes hosted a large group of V* Club members to view Bob’s collections of Cars and memorabilia. They also enjoyed Jinny’s homemade baked desserts. Most of the visitors drove vintage cars of various makes and years.





A Trip to Micanopy from Tuni and Jinny

Jinny Quackenbush organized a trip to Micanopy, FL. for members of the Classic Car Club in December, for those of you who aren't aware; Micanopy is the oldest continuously occupied inland settlement in the state of Florida. The Town of Micanopy (mick-ah-NO-pee) encompasses 1.03 square miles near the Alachua-Marion county line between Gainesville (home of the University of Florida) and Ocala in rural north-central Florida.

Cholokka Blvd. is Micanopy's main street, a designated historic district and the Town's primary tourist destination famous for its antique shops. Micanopy's authentic rustic storefronts lure casual shoppers, collectors, and seasonal scouts from all over the country. Our stay included the (established 1845) Herlong Mansion Historic Inn.

We traveled behind Jinny and Bob, they drove in the Cadillac Resto-Rod.



First stop upon arriving in Micanopy was to register and check into our rooms. Then off to lunch...First stop Roberto's Italian Eatery, although the restaurant wasn't normally open for lunch, the lovely soft spoken Jinny convinced them to open just for us. While waiting for the doors to open there was another old building on the property, Jim joined Bob and a few others to explore what treasures that might found inside...it housed old scooters, automotive, motorcycle parts and other good junk...of course, it was all FOR SALE. No purchases

were made that afternoon. There were 12 of us at 12 on the 12th 2012 How about that!?!? More members joined us along the way on our travels for the next couple of days.



We drove from lunch to a car collection owned by Larry Perry. He was in the process of restoring an old Ambulance and a BMW Isetta car. He also had another mini car (a jeep styled type of mini) with a miniature trailer in one of his garages, I venture that if you did fit into the mini trailer, you wouldn't have enough room to roll over!



Larry had a Lincoln Zephyr, a Lincoln convertible, farm tractors, hit and miss engines, a vintage RV, a Volkswagen beetle, a T-Bird and others. Another of his talents included restoring vintage campers and the gift of gab. He convinced some of us to meet with him later in the day for a ride out into the countryside to view an

outstanding display of Christmas lights. Wine and cookies were served at 4:00 in the afternoon at the mansion and so not to miss another opportunity to partake, we drove back to the Mansion and agreed to meet with him at dusk. We drove out onto roads I dare to venture out on my own, through woods, past the agricultural lands of UF onto dirt roads. I thought we were on a wild goose chase but when we came to a fork in the road, we stopped. A magnificent display. We walked through the pathways



around the property, each section had a different scene or theme. We crossed over a small bridge and wandered yet through another themed area. This was definitely well worth the ride out into the countryside.

Back at the mansion dinner was catered and served in a building called the “long room” We all retired to our rooms to meet at breakfast in the dining room. In the morning our travels would take us to Cross Creek State Park and the home of Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, author of “The Yearling”, “Cross Creek” and others.



Our docent was informative and very entertaining; he spoke of the history of Cross Creek as well as Rawlings personality and adventures. (A trip well worth the time). Of course lunch was calling us (no car trip is without many eating adventures!) lunch was arranged at the “Yearling” restaurant. I was very happy to see that the inside was so much nicer than what we saw on the outside...another well scheduled stop! Great food, especially if you have a little adventurer in you...the menu included things like venison, soft shell crab, quail, escargot, etc...I had the sampler that included frogs legs, alligator, green tomatoes etc. but you could have a good old burger and onion rings if you chose.



Our leisurely drive back to the mansion gave us time to relax and meet again for wine and cookies in the afternoon, then of course get dressed in our Holiday Finest for our catered Christmas dinner. Our entertainment included each of us drawing a number and joining with others in a group to sing holiday songs (some of which we actually knew the words to), no windows broken this time...our evening also included a gift exchange, some of us retired into our rooms while others continued our camaraderie in the living room of the mansion. Breakfast in the morning gave us an opportunity to decide what we wanted to see and do. We opted to visit the oldest constantly running Post Office in Evinston, Florida, which was truly a step back in time. You could buy your fresh veggies, meats and canned goods whilst you were in there to pick up your mail from you postal box.



I had a craving for some of those homemade pickles, but we had more travels to make today. Back into our cars we made the trip to visit and view Payne’s Prairie. Florida’s first state preserve and is now designated as a National Natural Landmark. Noted artist and naturalist William Bartram called it the great Alachua Savannah. During the 1800’s, steamboats were a frequent sight on what was called Alachua Lake. American Alligators and small herds of Florida Cracker Horses and Florida Cracker cattle, first herded by the

Seminole can be seen if you venture into the Park. The Plains Bison were reintroduced to the park from Oklahoma in the mid 1970s, as part of the park service goal of restoring Florida's natural resources to pre-European settler conditions. We parked our cars and ventured out onto a walkway off highway 441, to view this spectacular site.



This is where we thank those that contributed to this issue of the *OLDE NEWS*. Thanks to Dewey and Jinny for articles and photos.

There are no advertisements in this issue as we have not received any renewals as of this issue.

Happy New Year to you all and May all of your travels be in a collectable car!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Tuni

If you haven't sent in your dues...please do so real soon!

*****Please wear your name tags at our monthly meetings***