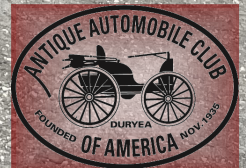


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Sunshine Region AACA Newsletter



1972 Duesenberg  
~ Gene Cohen ~  
(See Page 2)



## Gene Cohen's Duesenberg

*(Continued from Cover Page)*

The Duesenberg is a real production car that was made by Duesenberg Motor Car Company of Gardena, California. They had saved the rights from the original Auburn Cord Duesenberg Company when it had closed in the 1930's. The company opened up again under the name of Duesenberg Motors. They made less than a dozen cars from 1971-1974 before going out of business. Gene Cohen's Duesenberg is a copy of the SS Speedster that the original Duesenberg Company built for Gary Cooper and Clark Gable. The front view of the car is a faithful copy of the original. The fenders and the lights are the same distance as the original, as referenced from parts left over from the 1930's. Gene's Duesenberg has a 400hp Chevrolet motor.



~~~Carolyn Skaggs  
Photos by Carolyn Skaggs

## Future Sunshine Membership Meetings - Location Change

The Sunshine Region has found a new home for our monthly general membership meetings at Heroes Grill located inside of Shriners at 600 N Beneva in Sarasota. Before the meetings you have the option of having lunch. Heroes Grill opens at 11am, so just stop by the bar and order your lunch and pay & tip (no waiting around after the meeting to settle up your tab). Your lunch will be delivered to you in our private meeting room. After lunch we will have our meeting. Not sure of the exact time, but approximately 12:15 to 12:30. Hope to see you at our next meeting on Wednesday, June 15th.



September of 2021, moved to our area from Atlanta. In her spare time, she enjoys singing & painting. She has two pet cats, one is named after her favorite wine, Pinot Grigio and the other is named Sushi. Her favorite movie is the Wizard of Oz.

Annalea is the young lady that delivered our food to us at the last meeting. Her job description varies moment to moment as she checks her phone and schedules events. She is the events coordinator plus whatever needs to be done immediately. She is an angel to work with because she is so positive and always figures out a way to make things work. Her degree is in Hospitality & Restaurant Management.

Annalea is 27 years old and comes to Florida from Colorado. She has worked at the Shrine for almost two years.

~~~Carolyn Skaggs



Heather

I would like to introduce you to two of Heroes Grill staff members: Heather and Annalea. Heather is the young lady who takes your food and drink orders and greets everyone with a big friendly smile. She is 26 years old and in



Annalea

### Magnolia Street Grill, Arcadia FL: 14-May-2022

Saturday, the Sunshine Region AACA and Suncoast British Car Club joined together and caravanned to the Magnolia Street Seafood & Grill, 9 West Magnolia Street, in the Old Plaza Hotel in downtown Arcadia. 24 members and 14 cars toured tree covered back roads around Myakka City on our way to restaurant. Cars included Linda Langeneger's 1963 Studebaker Gran Turismo, a very rare 1962 Daimler SP-250 owned by Brad & Carol Rosenbarten, Alex Huppé & Jeryl Shriver's 1956 Coral (Pink) Ford Thunderbird, and Ray & Sinda Dougherty's gorgeous red Jaguar F Type. The weather was perfect and the roads were clear. Lunch was great, with the Grill's exceptional food, friendly service and both clubs' wonderful comradery. More lunch trips to come!

~~~~Jim Wilson

Photos by Malaney & Huppé

See "Ruminations from Linda" on Page 6



Bill Lessig

Jim Wilson



'51 MGTD MKII

'73 Triumph TR6



'63 Studebaker



The Skaggs

The Knueses



'56 Thunderbird

'99 Jaguar

## Membership Meeting: 18-May-2022

Our AACA Sunshine Region met for the first time at the Shriners Heroes Grill and meeting room at 600 N Beneva, in Sarasota. The general membership meeting of the Sunshine Region AACA was called to order by President John Cavanaugh. He led the pledge to the flag. 34 members were in attendance. Our newest member Steve Estok was welcomed as well as Bob ZuHone's grandson, Robert.

### Reports

Treasurer: Joe Malaney has received proceeds from the D-K Show corral plus one additional donation from the show. Secretary: Carolyn Skaggs read the April minutes. Bruce Skaggs made a motion to accept both reports as read. It was seconded and passed.

Sunshine: Julia ZuHone noted we have several members in attendance that are experiencing walking issues.

Legislature: Bruce Skaggs No reporting concerning Florida. National Car Appreciation Day is Thur, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Newsletter: Jimmy Mayne needs photos and articles, especially the old photos with the old cars and members when they were younger.

Membership: Lorraine Orr. Linda Langenegger reported new members recruited at the D-K show for AACA and SBCC.

### Past Events

May 1, Devereaux-Kaiser Show: Bob ZuHone sold a car at the corral. He thanked all the many members who volunteered at the show. A discussion followed regarding the pros & cons of the show this year. Jimmy Mayne spoke about the questionable fairness to our Sunshine Region. Lorraine Orr suggested that our club might want to consider having our own club corral & car show. This discussion was tabled and referred to the Board of Directors meeting scheduled for June 1.

May 14, Magnolia Street Seafood & Grill, Arcadia: Jim Wilson reported 24 participants, one car had to scratch. Great slow drive and great lunch. Thanks Jim!

### Future Events

May 30, Memorial Day Parade: Linda Langenegger, Meet 9:15 at 2<sup>nd</sup> and Osprey with lunch afterwards. Lunch afterwards at Hob Nob.

Saturday, June 18: Bob ZuHone, Senior Living Tour. Lunch also to follow.

Saturday, June 25: Jim Wilson, Birthday drive to wish his Mom a happy 99<sup>th</sup> birthday with lunch following. Jack Knuese, presented a slide show of racing at Road America and Milwaukee State Park. Thanks Jack. Respectfully submitted,

~~~Carolyn Skaggs, Secretary

## Calendar of Events

**\*\* Wed, Jun 15, 12 Noon: Membership Meeting**  
Shriners Heroes Grill, 600 N Beneva Rd, Kitchen opens at 11AM for lunch orders

**\*\* Sat, Jun 18, 11AM-2PM: Brookdale Palmer Ranch.**  
5111 Palmer Ranch Pkwy. Food will served. This facility will give a donation to our club. Bob ZuHone

**\*\* Thr, Jun 23, 4-6PM: Brookdale Colonial Park**  
4730 Bee Ridge Rd. This event will be a BBQ competition between the several Brookdale locations. Food will be provided. Colonial Park facility has agreed to provide a donation to our club. Bob ZuHone

**\*\*Sat Jun 25: Birthday Drive-By.** Event Planner - Jim Wilson (See Pg7)

**\*\*Fri, Jul 8: National Collector Car Appreciation Day**  
Event Planner - Linda Langenegger

**\*\*Thr, Aug 18: Breakfast Drive.** Event Planner - Carolyn Skaggs

**\*\*Every Monday, 11:30AM: Lunch at Papa Nick's**  
4940 Fruitville Rd, Sarasota, FL 34232 (in Shopping Plaza) Questions? Guys call Bob ZuHone (941) 371-9339, ladies call Carolyn Skaggs (239) 281-6288.

\*\*AACA Sunshine Region Events

## AACA National Meets & Tours

**Jun 11** • 54th Annual Collector Car Show & Swap Meet  
• Richmond, VA

**Jun 16-18** • Eastern Spring Nationals • Beckley, WV

**Aug 11-13** • Central Fall Nationals • East Moline, IL •  
Mississippi Valley Region

## President's Corner

We had our monthly meeting, May 18 at the Shriners/Sahib Temple on North Beneva, a good location for the coming summer months. We agreed to meet there again for our June meeting. The meal ordering starts at 11:00. The food was excellent. We can order lunch and start the meeting at 12:00 which will give us time for eating and conversation.

Carolyn Skaggs, secretary, gave an excellent recap on our May meeting and the events that will take place through June. More details on the June events to follow.

On Monday, September 5, we will meet at the Ringling Museum. Lunchroom opens at 11:00, and we can pay when ordering. After lunch, we can tour the museum & the grounds with no entrance fee. To visit the Ringling home, the Ca d'Zan (House of John) there is a \$10 charge. To visit the two circus museums, there is a charge of \$25. Valerie & I visited the museums last year, and they were excellent. We strongly encourage our group to visit the circus museums. We will have a sign-up sheet at our June meeting. Tour details going to the Ringling properties will follow.

~~~John Cavanaugh

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## Ruminations from Linda

*(Reference Tour to Magnolia Street Grill - Page 3)*

I have been doing a lot of a thinking lately about the recent Sunshine Region tour to Arcadia.

Actually, it wasn't a tour, it was a Road Rally, you know, a fast and furious competition to see who could keep up with the leader.

Our leader did say he would wait at certain points along the predetermined route to allow everyone to "catch up!" Actually, what transpired at every pause along the way was the leader waiting to see that tiny red speck (my red Studebaker) out of the corner of his eye and then immediately taking off again! I, unfortunately, had much more difficulty seeing the blueish gray Jaguar in front of me, having to exceeds speeds of up to 62 MPH at times, and still could hardly get the car in front of me in my sight! Apparently, I missed the clue given that this was an organized speed competition for all those who had joined the group!

The scenery along the various byways was beautifully landscaped with the local flora and fauna, although my navigator and I hardly saw anything but the road ahead! In fact, I am not even sure what faunas were present in those lovely fields and pastures! Trees,

poles, fences, and gates whizzed past us before we even had the chance to see them!

Suddenly, as I entered the final town on route, and followed that beautiful Jaguar as closely as I could, the leader quickly turned into the parking lot of the Magnolia restaurant. Whew, I actually had to slow down, thankfully! The lunch was awesome, and I will give the leader credit for his choice of a great eating establishment, and besides, here no one was moving once seated at a table.

I couldn't find the "back roads" we came on, so as I returned home, I took Clark Rd all the way, driving only about 40 mph. This allowed my navigator and I to actually see the scenery along the side of the road. Don't worry, when the yellow center line became dotted, I pulled over and allowed the faster cars to pass!

A few days later the leader told me he is going to do another tour and he will drive much more slowly. I said, "I WANT THAT IN WRITING!"

~~~Linda Langenegger

## Editor Comments

*Finally, summer has arrived! But actually for us Floridians, it never really left. Several of our members participated in the downtown Sarasota Memorial Day Parade, but the timing was such that I couldn't cover it in our June Newsletter. So we'll do that next month*

*I am down to my last "Mystery Photo" submission. If you would like this feature to continue, send them in. Also, for our Snowbird members, please keep us informed of what's happening in your neck of the woods.*

*And for everyone, article submissions (technical, historical, personal, etc) are always appreciated. Varsity is what keeps our Newsletter interesting.*

*Some of you have heard that I am adding a new vehicle to my stable. It's similar to the car that Connie and I had when we got married in 1965. And it's something that I've wanted for several years. We are both pretty excited. Enough said, stay tuned*

~~~Jimmy Mayne  
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## June Mystery Photo

Can you identify the Club Member & Vehicle in this photo taken in 1957?  
Answer will be published in the next Newsletter.



### May Photo

**Jack & Carolyn Knuese** at a costume party in the late 70's or early 80's.

## Thank You

I have been overwhelmed by the kindness of many of you in our club. Thank you for the good thoughts, prayers, and cards. They all aid in the healing process. ~~~Connie Mayne

*Give more than you promise.*

~~~**Studebaker Brothers**

## Birthday Drive-BY

Saturday, June 24th my Mom, June, will celebrate her 99th Birthday. We have planned a Drive-By and lunch outing. We will caravan from Sarasota, meeting at Publix at 5100 Clark Rd, then south to Chestnut Creek in Venice. We will meet at 10:45 am and leave at 11. We will travel the length of Honoré Ave, then left on to Center Rd down to Chestnut Creek. Our southern members will meet us at 11:45 on East Venice Ave in Chestnut Creek. Birthday signs are encouraged. We will make two passes through The Isles, then head to our Lunch destination. On the last pass members who know June may stop to wish her well. We have two choices for lunch, first is Sharky on the Island at Venice Pier, second is Snook Haven on the Myakka River, both are close by. You can vote for our lunch destination. Please save the date and help us celebrate this wonderful event. RSVP to [debandjimwilson@aol.com](mailto:debandjimwilson@aol.com) with your lunch choice if you plan to attend. ~~~Jim Wilson

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## Birthdays



|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Jacki KAISER            | 02-Jun |
| Tootie KENNEDY          | 03-Jun |
| Joe MALANEY             | 06-Jun |
| Jimmy MAYNE             | 08-Jun |
| John ANDERSON           | 08-Jun |
| Al RUCKEY               | 11-Jun |
| Elaine SMITH            | 12-Jun |
| Alex HUPPE              | 18-Jun |
| Cliff WILSON            | 22-Jun |
| Carolyn SKAGGS          | 23-Jun |
| Gordon* LANGENEGER      | 23-Jun |
| Nita ZUHONE             | 01-Jul |
| Ed SMITH                | 05-Jul |
| Mary WILSON             | 06-Jul |
| Jeryl SCHRIEVER         | 07-Jul |
| Jackie RUCKEY           | 09-Jul |
| John CAVANAUGH          | 09-Jul |
| Tony PIAZZA             | 10-Jul |
| William MARTIN          | 10-Jul |
| Calvin HIGH             | 10-Jul |
| Barbara Ann KEFALONITIS | 15-Jul |
| Gerry SHAPIRO           | 25-Jul |
| Joe ANDREWS             | 26-Jul |

\*Deceased

## Anniversaries



|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Tootie & Dan KENNEDY           | 03-Jun-1968 |
| Linda & Tony PIAZZA            | 03-Jun-1969 |
| Janet & Calvin HIGH            | 17-Jun-1954 |
| Barbara Ann & John KEFALONITIS | 24-Jun-???? |
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