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John Aibel's 1950 Cadillac Series 61 Le Mans "Petit Pataud" Replica

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Regularly scheduled meetings are expected to resume in the fall. Three Cook's night out events are planned for noon on Saturday June 19, July 17, and Aug 21 (3rd Saturday each month).

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Cover Photo

John Aibel's 1950 Cadillac Series 61 "Petit Pataud" replica. The original competed in the 1950 LeMans race and finished 10th overall. It was driven by Miles and Sam Collier. Photo taken at the May 15 Naples-Marco AACA Depot Museum meeting.

President's Page

Hello AACA members,

We are in Pennsylvania . Weather here has been up and down. A lot of dampness which is hurting my arthritis. Hoping to visit the Hershey AACA Museum before we leave.

Staying with my sister in Dillsburg as our new motor home has been nothing short of a terrible pain. The slide mechanism has decided it will not work. FUN

We purchased a couple Franklin Mint models while visiting antique shops.

Looking forward to Naples return. See you at June meeting. And where are we meeting? Hope someone came up with a great restaurant!!

HAPPY TRAILS
Paul and Yvonne



June 19 Cook's Day Off- Peter Blackford

As in past years, our Summer meetings (to be held at the now-usual meeting time of NOON on the 3rd Saturday of the month) will be planned at a range of local restaurants. June is set, July 'spoken for' and in planning, and August is open for a volunteer to coordinate.

On Saturday, June 19, we will meet at Seasons 52 in Naples, on Rt.41 just north of Vanderbilt Beach Rd. We will have the Front Row parking facing Rt.41 reserved for our cars - a great way to garner some visibility for our Club, and the menu is always good as well.

This year we plan to order from the menu thus no pre-selection of meals will be necessary - but please DO let me know if you plan to attend (reminders will be sent, so I don't forget who we're expecting....).

*Looking forward to a great Summer,
Peter priuspete@gmail.com 239 592 9814*



Editor's Note

For those of you in town, we hope to see you at the three Cook's Day Off luncheons this summer. Having them at noon on Saturdays is a change from past practice, as is ordering from the restaurant menu. Make sure you let Peter know if you'll be there at Season's 52 on the 19th.

There was not a large turn out (to be expected) at the May meeting. Edythe has submitted the minutes and there are also a few photos taken by Malcolm and Peter included here. The Amelia Island show was just completed. There were several AACA members in attendance.

You have seen George Nosky being quite active taking photos at some of our meetings and events. Quite a few appear in the Running Board, but there is simply too many to include them all. Yvonne had asked if there was a way all of the photos could be made available to members. Well...George has now uploaded photos from the Carlisle Show and the Farewell Luncheon where you can see them all. The bottom of the Events page gives the links to access the photos. You can download your favorites. There is a lot of great photos there !

See Peter's note on Amelia and their visit to a museum in Clearwater. Want to know how fast (and economical) your 40's-50's cars really are?... see page 9 which shows a few examples and how they compare with today. Going to be near Tampa yourself? Stop at the Tampa Bay Automobile Museum if you haven't been before. See page 10... it's a little different than many automotive museums.

Thanks to all contributors. Send future articles, comments, pictures, ads, etc. to ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com.. Cut-off date is the last Thursday of each month.
Take care, safe travels

Ron

From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

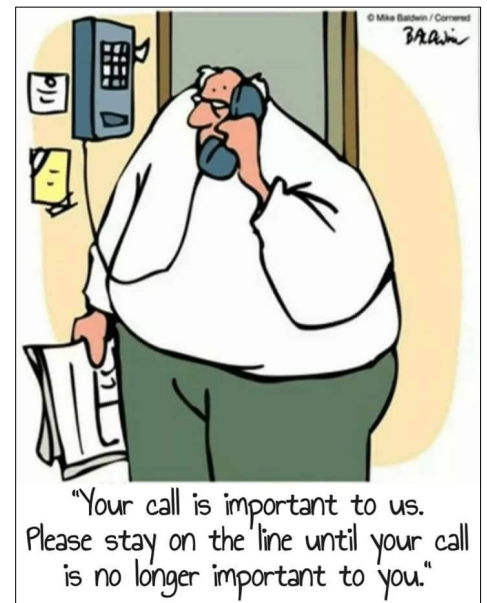
"Lazy" is a strong word. I prefer to call it selective participation.

You can leave \$5000 unattended in a room with me and every dime is gonna be there. Now if you leave M&M's or something...that's your fault.

It takes a lot of courage for a man to admit that his wife is wrong.

If I'm ever known as the one that got away, ... it will be from an asylum.

Do you ever feel like your body's check engine light has been on and you are still driving it like "nah, it will be fine" ?



Events

Every Saturday... 8:00 am Breakfast at Perkins (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).
Appropriate "keep your distance" in place.

June 3-5... AACA Annual Convention. Williamsburg, Virginia. 717-534-1910

June 19... Naples-Marco AACA Cook's Day Off. Noon at Seasons 52 in Naples (8930 Tamiami Trail N). Hosted by Peter Blackford. Bring your cars for special parking. We will order from menu. Contact Peter to let him know you're attending. priuspete@gmail.com 239 592 9814

July 17... Naples-Marco AACA Cook's Day Off. 12:00 noon. Hosted by Cliff. Details to follow.

Aug 21... Naples-Marco AACA Cook's Day Off. 12:00 noon. Details including host to follow..

Every Saturday... Cruise-ins at Stock Plaza by Cool Cruisers. 9am-12pm 7711 Collier Blvd., Naples, and also at NCH Health Center by Marco Island Corvette and Muscle Car Club 10am-1pm, 40 S. Heathwood Dr., Marco Island.

Third Sunday each month... Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. All makes welcome. See <https://carsandcoffee239.com> for details.

Some notable events outside Southwest Florida.....

July 23-25... Concours d'Elegance of America, Plymouth Mi., <https://concoursusa.org>

Aug 15... Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, Monterey Ca., <https://pebblebeachconcours.net>

Aug 21... Woodward Dream Cruise, Metro Detroit, Mi., <http://www.woodwarddreamcruise.com>

Oct 22-24... Greenwich Concours d'Elegance, Ct., <https://www.greenwichconcours.com>

Dec 3-5... Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, Tampa Fl., <https://gasparillaconcours.com>

AACA National Meetings and Tour info can be found at <https://www.aaca.org/meetinfo>

The information listed here is for Car Shows and Meets and other activities of interest to our members. Please let Ron Schlechtweg know of any additional events. ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com

Photos from the Farewell Luncheon and Carlisle Events.....

George has taken lots of photos of our events...far too many to post in the Running Board. You can see them now....

Click on the following link to view photos from the April Farewell Luncheon...

<https://flic.kr/s/aHsmVAaBjv>

Carlisle photos are here...

<https://flic.kr/s/aHsmVL4vLq>

If you want to download a photo, first click on it so it's the only photo showing, then click on the download arrow at the bottom right of the screen.



Thanks to George Nosky !!

Legislative

California chrome industry *(from a May 4, 2021 Hemmings article)*

That touch of blue to the chrome makes all the other colors pop, like looking through a mirror instead of at one. And pretty soon nobody in California will be able to replicate that reflection after a proposed ban on hexavalent chromium in favor of a more environmentally friendly alternative.

The push to ban hexavalent chromium from the chrome plating process isn't a total ban on chroming in the state, according to CARB representatives, and the state agency has yet to issue any draft regulations. However, it has started conversations with platers, plating groups, and other stakeholders to determine how it should go about replacing hexavalent chromium with trivalent chromium.

"We're still in talks with CARB, but this is a pretty serious issue," said Art Holman, one of the co-owners of [Sherm's Custom Plating](#) in Sacramento, California. "It's an uphill battle that we've been fighting for the last two years."

The difference between the two, from a public health standpoint, is significant, according to CARB materials. Hexavalent chrome (chromium VI), which CARB identified as a toxic air contaminant in 1986, is a carcinogen

Trivalent chrome (chromium III), on the other hand, is not considered a carcinogen, and is far less toxic to human health (in minuscule doses, it is [considered an essential dietary element](#)). In addition, according to CARB, it does not require PFAS compounds, the electroplating process requires less energy, and in high chloride environments it provides better corrosion resistance. A relatively new process (in 2017, [just 10 companies](#) in the United States plated with trivalent chrome), trivalent chrome plating has similar operating costs and has yet to be fully accepted by OEM automakers.

The above is excerpts from a Hemmings, May 4, 2021 article. Contributed by Grant Simon and Peter Blackford

History

More on the story of inventor, Margaret Knight.

In the 1870's Maggie went to work for the Columbia Paper Bag Co., in Springfield, MA. It was there she invented a machine that folded and glued paper to form our familiar brown paper grocery bag. Before she could apply for a patent, she learned that a man had copied her idea and patented a machine like hers. It took all her money and lots of time in court, to convince the patent office that it was her invention. Her persistence, copies of her drawings, and models paid off and she won the rights to the patent. The hardest part was to convince all –male groups that she, a woman, could invent things.

With royalties on every bag made, she was able to become financially secure and went on to other inventions. She was the first woman to ever receive a U.S. patent and her picture hung in the patent office shortly after that.

Maggie went on to patent several shoe-cutting machines, which she sold outright to the United Shoe Corporation. She continued to use her mechanical skills on the development of rotary engines (Wankel fore runner) and motors for automobiles.

Cattle crossing /Means go slow/ That old bull / Is some Cow's Beau. Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

May 15 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at noon by Rudy substituting for Yvonne

There were 15 in attendance. No new members and 1 guest.

Patrick gave the Treasurers report. Barbara reported that John Peterson is not well. No other Sunshine report.

The Depot Show is still in planning stage. If members have anything of interest please send to Ron the Running Board Editor. Peter announced there are still a few rooms left on the Amelia trip.

The summer lunches and Cooks night out will always be held on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Cliff volunteered to do dinner in July, Peter will do June and Yvonne will do August

No new business. We talked about what everyone will do this summer.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 and lunch was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Edythe Newbourne



Depot meeting photos by Malcolm Newbourne and Peter Blackford

Return to Amelia by Peter Blackford

As always, Bill Warner and his team put together an outstanding show. Several Naples-Marco members attended, some had even received a coveted invitation to participate in the Saturday "Cars & Coffee at the Concours" event, which is free to the public to attend. Overall, Amelia can be accurately characterized as bringing all the quality of any top concours event in the world, but in a much more fun and inclusive environment.

Sunday, the "special class" was IE (it's electric), bringing out many early (1890's +) electrics including Studebaker and lots of less-well-known marques such as Waverly. In addition, virtually all current EV makers were represented with manufacturers' pavilions.

On the "trip north", we visited a new museum in Clearwater which features a collection of early industrial engines (both steam and gasoline). Can you envision a flywheel about sixteen feet in diameter? Permits are in process to install a steam generator to make them operational! Lots of brass-era cars, and an early fire engine are also presented. The facility also emphasizes education, and has a classroom set up to better interact with school-age visitors. Oh yes, the name? Collection on Palmetto



A 1909 Model 13a Studebaker Electric at Amelia. Believed to be the only surviving example, Car is now on loan to the AACA and will be displayed for years.

These photos from Collection on Palmetto in Clearwater...



How well does your 1940's-1950's car perform ?

There is a question and answer website out there called "Quora" where someone had asked... *"How did the cars of the 1940's and 50's get somewhat decent gas mileage in spite of their weight"*.

The person answering this looked at 5 cars and compared their weight, performance, and economy. A summary of the response to the question is in the table below. It's not clear where the person responding got their data or how accurate it is. A 2021 Toyota Camry was added to the Quora response using data from the Toyota website and other web sources.

Not shown in the table is an electric car. Depending on range and other options, A Tesla Model 3 can have 0-60 times as low as 3.5 sec. The EPA assumes that a gallon of gas is equivalent to 33.7 kilowatt hrs. of electricity and uses this to assign the Tesla a combined city/highway value of 113 mpg.

As it can be seen, the questioner's belief that the 40's-50's cars produced good gas mileage was grossly incorrect. The performance was generally not so good either.



Year	Car	Weight	Engine	Transmission	0-60 mph (sec)	mpg
1948	Buick Super	3950	248 cu in straight 8	2 spd auto	18.1	12.7
1954	Packard	4400	359 cu in straight 8	3 spd or auto	13	11
1954	Chevrolet Bel Air	3165	235 in-line 6	3 spd manual	15.1	14.6
1955	Chevrolet Bel Air Conv.	3155	265 cu in V-8	3 spd manual	15.6	14.5
1958	Oldsmobile Super 88 J-2	4830	370 cu in V-8	4 spd auto	8.2	9.9
1958	Volkswagon	1600	1200cc flat 4	4 spd manual	32.1	31
2021	Toyota Camry	3310	2.5 Litre 4	8 spd auto	5.5	32

<https://www.quora.com/How-did-cars-of-the-1940s-and-50s-get-somewhat-decent-gas-mileage-despite-their-weight/answer/Michael-Kay-23>

<https://www.edmunds.com/tesla/model-3/2021/mpg/>

<https://www.toyota.com/camry/features/mpg/2532/2515/2557>

<https://www.carindigo.com/toyota/camry/0to60>

Tampa Bay Automobile Museum

If you are going to be in the Tampa area, consider a visit to the Tampa Bay Automobile Museum. It's located in Pinellas Park. The museum features a unique collection of vehicles that highlight the evolution of the automobile. Of particular interest today, it has early examples of steam, electric, hybrid, and hydrogen powered vehicles. Some examples with exhibit photos here are...

- The world's only faithful replica of the 1770 French Fardier de Cugnot, the first self-propelled vehicle
- A 1899-1901 front wheel drive car from France.
- A 1922 Milburn electric car. The battery pack is on rollers to allow fresh batteries to be quickly installed.
- A hydrogen powered Ford Model A (burns charcoal to produce hydrogen).

There's lots more here, with cars and exhibits show casing automotive innovations from all over the world. There is a new exhibit of vintage movie and circus posters being added which resulted in the museum being closed during May. Opening is set for June 2, but check before you go.

www.tbauto.org



First self-propelled vehicle replica (steam)



Early (1899-1901) front wheel drive car



1922 Milburn Electric- battery powered



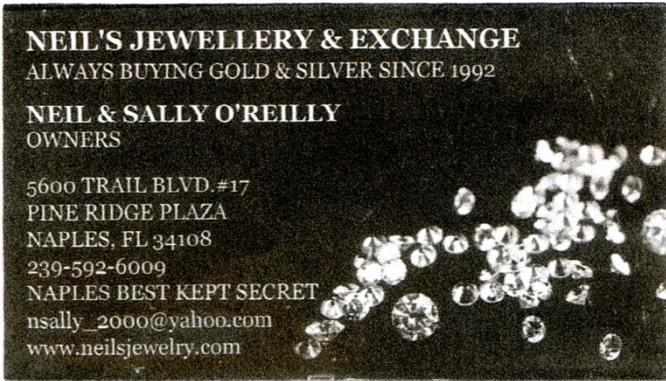
1929 Ford Model A with Alternative Fuel



The Model A is powered by burning hardwood lump charcoal in a sealed combustion chamber at the rear of the car. The fumes then pass through a series of filtration chambers (green canister). This yields pure hydrogen which is pumped directly into the carburetor.

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