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Jack Dunning's 1939 Mercury

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General Meeting:

There will be no monthly meetings at the United Methodist Church in Naples until further notice. Meetings will be held at the Naples Train Depot Parking lot, west side, at 1051 5th Ave. South, Naples, from Noon to 2 pm on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Snacks and water provided.

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Cover Photo

Jack Dunning's recently acquired 1939 Mercury at the January 16 AACA Depot Museum meeting.

President's Page

February Depot meeting welcomed 36 people who enjoyed food and great companionship!! And we had beautiful autos!!

A discussion of an official sanctioned club auto show was held and determined not to be a viable happening for us at this time.

Second report on Paul's new garage- getting organized however slowly this is going= it will be wonderful when achieved!

Thank you to Drew Johnson, a new member for volunteering for membership chairperson.



We really appreciate everyone driving their cherished antique vehicle to our monthly daytime 12 noon meetings!! We all get time to have lots of conversations and viewing!!

Please donate to help with Hanks auction for our March event! And I am working on something special for April

Happy Trails

Paul and Yvonne

Naples-Marco AACA Auction is on !!!... March 20 at noon

Will be conducted by our superb, "well paid", Professional Auctioneer Hank Schwietering!!!! <u>Location</u> -Mar. 20, Naples Train Depot parking lot.

We need your donations to this most worthy cause!!

i.e. Car items

Priceless items (not your spouse)

Antiques

Unused gift certificates to stores and restaurants

Tools

Interesting lady's items (no diamonds please)

Old car books

Whole cars

No cats or dogs accepted

Let's make this a fun event!!

Contact Hank for advance pick-up or bring stuff to auction.

Thx. Yvonne and Paul



"They claim he's so good, he could get people to bid on roadkill."

Editor's Note

Many of us have now had at least one of our COVID vaccine shots, and that along with a reduction in new cases, may have encouraged some of us to venture out a bit more. The weather has been good, and last month there were lots of events for us to take our cars. There were 36 people and several cars at our February Depot meeting.

In this issue, on the Events page, you will see that like February, March will have a lot of car activities. Pay special attention to the March 10 event that Yvonne discussed in the February meeting and attend if you can. Also, you'll find some photos of the recent Cars on 5th and Marco Island Shows. There is an introduction to 3 recent Hagerty Media articles you may find interesting. By all means, remember the March 21 auction.

As mentioned last month, Peter is organizing a mini-tour to Amelia Island along with the Mercedes Benz club. On page 11, is a detailed description of the tour and more information. It looks like a good time!

Last month, you may have noticed the passing of Tom DeShane's brother, Dick, in the Sunshine Report. Dick was a longtime member of our club, along with Tom. Dick's family is having a sale on March 19 of items from his shop, including a 1928 Chevrolet. See below.

Thanks to all those that contributed this month. Send future articles, comments, pictures, ads, etc. to ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com Cut-off date for the Running Board is the last Thursday of each month.

Take Care,

Ron

Shop Sale on March 19

LET'S MAKE A DEAL!

Car Man Dick DeSchane Shop SALE

Date: Friday March 19, 2021

Time: 10am to 1pm

Location: 4585 Progress Ave, Unit 6, Naples Model A misc parts, 1928 Chevy misc parts, 1903 Oldsmobile misc parts and memorabilia, general shop tools, equipment and misc antique collectibles.

1928 2dr Chevy Landau Coup - Car Project 75% complete.

Motor and body finished, upholstery and interior remaining



Events

Naples-Marco AACA Meetings will now be held at the Naples Train Depot Parking lot, at 1051 5th Ave. S., Naples, from Noon to 2 pm on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

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

March 7... Ninth Annual British, Italian, German Car Show (B.I.G.). 200 cars, 10am-2pm, *Location Change*...now at Rotary Park, 5505 Rose Garden Rd, Cape Coral, Fl., \$35 per car in advance. See https://www.tswfl.org/b.i.g.-european-car-show.html for more details.

March 10... The Carlisle Naples Senior Living. 11am-2pm, 6945 Carlisle Ct., Naples. Lunch provided, arrive starting at 10am. Dress in clothing appropriate for the year of your car. Contact Yvonne at 239-877-3328.

March 19... Dick DeSchane shop sale. 10am-1 pm, 4585 Progress Ave., Unit 6, Naples. Sale includes 1928 Chevrolet. See page 4 for more details.

March 20... Naples-Marco AACA meeting. 12:00pm-2pm, Naples Train Depot (parking lot), 1051 5th Ave S., Naples. *This month is Hank's Auction-see page 3*.

March 20... Knights of Columbus Classic Car Show. 8:30am-1:30pm. At St. Peter the Apostle Church, 5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd, Naples. \$20 entry. 9 classes, up to 170 cars.

March 20... 44th Annual Antique Automobile Show sponsored by Indian River AACA. 10am-4pm at Riverside Drive, Vero Beach, FL. 325 cars expected, 15 classes, car corral. See http://local.aaca.org/indianriver/events.php for details.

March 21... 17th Annual Car & Truck Show 2021. 9am-4pm, North Collier Regional Park,15000 Livingston Rd., Naples. \$10 admission. Benefits Shriners Hospitals for Children, Register show cars at www.westcoastmusclecarclub.com

March 21... Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. All makes welcome. See https://carsandcoffee239.com for details.

April 3... Cars as Art hosted by Marco Island Art League. 9:30am-3pm at 1010 Winterberry Dr., Marco Island. Contact Island Automotive 239-394-1887 to register.

April 17, May 15... Naples-Marco AACA meeting. 12:00pm-2pm, Naples Train Depot (parking lot), 1051 5th Ave S., Naples. Bring your cars. Water and snacks provided.

May 20-23... Amelia Island Concours D'Elegance, Amelia Island. Fl. See https://www.ameliaconcours.org for details. *Note...Naples-Marco AACA will join MBCA for a mini-tour to Amelia. Contact Peter Blackford. priuspete@gmail.com if you wish to join the tour. More details page 11.*

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

<u>History</u>

The February, 1997 issue of the Running Board contains an article about the club members attending the Display of cars at the Edison-Ford Museum celebrating Thomas Edison's 150th Birthday. The region had over 50 cars displayed on the beautiful bay-front grounds of the historic home on a warm sunny day. Michelle Madison was a crowd favorite dressed in a stunning period costume . Many people requested permission to take her photograph next to the Madison "T". She was even asked to show her boomers and petticoats! The Early Ford V-8 Club, organizer of the event, arranged for box lunches which were enjoyed by all the participants. A good time was had by all. Lois Lane contributed this article.

Hardly a driver/Is now alive/ Who passed on hills/ At 75 Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Legislative

MINNESOTA REINTRODUCES BILL TO INCREASE ETHANOL IN GASOLINE

- S.F. 944 increases the standard biofuel blend at Minnesota gas stations to 15% ethanol blend (E15). The current standard is 10%. No other state uses E15 as a standard blend.
- S.F. 944 ignores marketplace economics in favor of arbitrary government mandates.
- S.F. 944 disregards the fact that ethanol, especially in higher concentrations such as E15, can cause metal corrosion and dissolve certain plastics and rubbers in automobiles that were not constructed with ethanol-resistant materials. High-performance specialty parts, along with older cars and parts, may be most susceptible to such corrosion.
- S.F. 944 fails to provide adequate safeguards for vehicles whose life spans can be reduced by misfuelling and subsequent corrosion of integral vehicle and equipment parts. Anti-corrosion additives are available for each purchase of gasoline but can become expensive, burdensome and require consumer education.
- S.F. 944 does not acknowledge that ethanol has been shown to decrease fuel mileage.

Overview: SAN-opposed legislation (S.F. 944) has been introduced in Minnesota to increase the standard biofuel blend to 15% ethanol. Currently there is a 10% state-wide standard, and there is an exemption in place for those selling or dispensing limited quantities of nonoxygenated gas for collector vehicles. This legislation would create a similar exemption for vehicles not approved to use more than 10% biofuel, which includes all model year 2000 and older vehicles. There is also an exemption for retailers who sell less than 300,000 gallons of gasoline/biofuel per year. Similar bills were introduced in the state last year and failed to pass their respective committees. The bill awaits consideration in the Senate Agriculture and Rural Development Finance and Policy Committee

Grant Simon, Legislative

Naples-Marco Island Feb. 20 Meeting

Meeting Minutes submitted by Edythe Newbourne

There were 36 attendees.

Meeting started with Pledge of Allegiance

Paul described raffle prizes.

Static car show at Carlisle Naples on 3/10 Wednesday from 11 to 2.

1 guest of Tom DeSchane, 1 birthday in Feb.

Treasurer gave report

Discussion of need for storage space. Some volunteered to store some stuff if necessary.

Hank Feinberg announced he had some rosters from 2020 available.

Drew Johnson will be membership chair.

Peter and John reported that Rookery Bay not viable as a site for a show. Vanderbilt Presb. church was mentioned as possible. March 27th not a good date. Question was to skip show this year.

Keith Basik gave a presentation on car storage units he has available.

Open time at the Naples Yacht Club \$20 entry fee. Any Friday. Sign-up sheet sent around Meeting adjourned and lunch was enjoyed by all.

Photos by George Nosky









Cars on 5th Feb 6





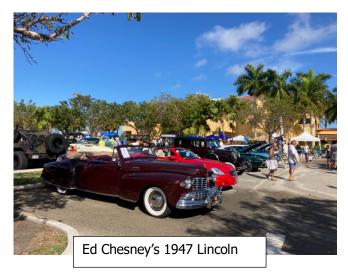








Marco Kiwanis Feb 14









From Hagerty Media..Some Interesting Articles

Catalytic Converter Theft

The link below is for a Hagerty Media article describing the theft of automotive catalytic converters. Catalytic converters came on the scene in 1975 with stricter emissions standards, so besides our daily drivers, some of our newer AACA cars have them. They contain the elements palladium (price quintupled in last 5 years) and rhodium (prices skyrocketed 3000% last year). A converter can be quickly removed with a saws-all and sell for several hundred dollars. Converter theft was reported to be up 800% in some areas per the New York Times. Lock your garage or buy a Doberman.

https://www.hagerty.com/media/news/with-precious-metals-in-demand-brazen-thieves-are-stealing-catalytic-converters/?utm_source=SFMC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=21_February_13_Newsletter_Weekend_

That Phillips-head screw

Peter sent this in, also from Hagerty, which talks about the "Phillips head" screw, (patented in 1936), and the later redesigned JIS (Japanese Industry Standard) version. The JIS version offers superior tool engagement. Read the article and you'll learn more about the differences and have an excuse to buy more screwdrivers.

https://www.hagerty.com/media/maintenance-and-tech/that-phillips-head-screw-isnt-what-you-think-it-is/



A #2 Phillips (Left) and JIS 2 (right). From Hagerty Media

How many wheels do you need?

You've not seen one of these before....it's a 1911 Reeves Octoauto. The article in the link below details the efforts of inventor Milton Reeves who was an early architect of the horseless carriage, beginning in the late 1880's. The car at right was a modified 1910 Overland which used the eight wheels to distribute weight and provide a smoother ride. This is an interesting read!

https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/the-1911-reeves-octoauto-was-an-8-wheeled-technological-



From Hagerty Media

marvel/?utm source=SFMC&utm medium=email&utm content=21 February 15 Newsletter NewDD

From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

I finally got it all together but I don't know where I put it.

I want to lose weight but don't want to get caught up in one of those "eat right and exercise" scams.

All of us stuck at home should call random numbers in India and ask them about their extended car warranty.

If you are sitting in public and a stranger takes a seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"

Let's all take a moment to be thankful that I don't own a taser.



Return to Amelia 2021

Time for an update with revised event schedule - joint event with Mercedes Club (with which we share several members), now changed to May 20-24

NOTE that the Clubs involved have no financial participation in the tour (as usual), and the organizer will therefore NOT collect any funds nor purchase any tickets, meals or lodging - that's all up to the participants.

DO purchase your tickets for the Sunday event at https://ameliaconcours.org/shop/tickets Some options are offered, but we recommend just the basic ticket. Select 'Sunday' at top of page for rates & purchase.

NOTE that the best price expires March 31!!

(Also, HOTELS may book-up, and our blocks do expire 30 days before arrival!)

You may also want to have a look at tickets for the Friday/Saturday seminars - always interesting, and these often sell out early.

If you wish "preferred" parking (a private residence, quite close to the main entrance), please advise and I will share the appropriate email address for application. Space is limited, but in addition to an assigned space, they provide refreshments & access to clean indoor restrooms.

The Tour: We plan to depart from the Cracker Barrel (north Ft.Myers) @ I-75 **Exit 141** at **9 AM** on **Thursday**, May 20, 2021. They open at 7 AM for breakfast.

We have arranged for a visit to a **privately-owned museum in Tampa (www.tbauto.org)** Thursday afternoon, so we will choose a "lunch stop" (to be recommended by the owner) in that area prior to the collection tour. We visited this collection a few years ago, and it was very well received - and we expect a mostly-new group so it's time for a redux.

Thursday night hotel & dinner will be in Gainesville (contracted rate of \$89 at DoubleTree using Group code MBCA), make reservation via this

link https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?&ctyhocn=GNVGLDT&groupCode=CDTMBC&arrival=20210520&depart ure=20210521&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,en,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT

or by calling the hotel directly at **352-240-6013** (Travis is our main contact/coordinator). NOTE that this rate <u>INCLUDES the DoubleTree Breakfast</u>. 3726 SW 40th Blvd., Gainesville

Friday morning, depart from hotel at your leisure and make your way to the DoubleTree by Hilton at JAX (2101 Dixie Clipper Drive, Jacksonville) for Friday & Saturday nights.

[Some may wish to depart earlier and take a familiarity tour of Amelia on Friday, and/or peruse some of the auctions that day.] Please use this link ONLY for our negotiated rate of \$134 per night (includes Doubletree

breakfast): https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?&ctyhocn=JAXARDT&groupCode=CDTMCC&arrival=20210520&departure=20210523&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,en,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT Group Name: Mercedes Benz Car Club .

Friday evening we will have a group dinner at the hotel, so no one will have to "drive after".

Saturday is the (free to spectators & participants) Cars & Coffee on the lawn, lots to see, and a good time to collect your Sunday tickets at "Will Call" at the Ritz (per instructions on Amelia website). *Anyone wishing to have their car on the field MUST apply in advance & receive a credential.*

Saturday evening there will be a group dinner, being planned at the hotel.

Sunday morning, <u>check out</u> of the hotel since we won't be going "by there" on the way to our next stop after the **Main Event**. No caravan is planned due to varied parking arrangements, but maps will be provided at the start (Thursday morning) for all.

Sunday afternoon we will sneak southward off the island by a gentler route, including a short ferry boat ride, to our 'usual' stop in St.Augustine **Booking: Use Corporate Contract 0550000553** - works best on-line at hittor.com **Hotel:** Hampton Inn & Suites St. Augustine-Vilano Beach (yes, right on the beach) rate: \$135 using code above, with good

Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites St. Augustine-<u>Vilano Beach</u> (yes, right on the beach) rate: \$135 using code above, with good breakfast buffet.

From there, we may drive or walk to a group dinner.

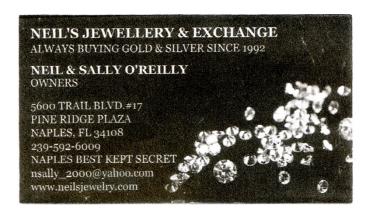
Monday, some may wish to "be tourists" in St.Augustine (hotel rate can be extended) and/or head home. We recommend the distillery tour (fun even for this non-drinker), historic fort (don't forget your senior US park pass) or just walking around the ancient city as well as lots of other things to see there.

All for now,
Peter
any questions,
priuspete@gmail.com

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1972 Cadillac Eldorado Car Cover. From Beverly Hills Motoring. Good condition but needs cleaning. \$100. Contact Sandy Doyle sdoyle2000@comcast.net or 239-571-8843

Wanted: We still can't go anywhere, so I might as well buy another old Ford to fix, prefer a Model A, but a Model T or a B is OK, too. Sixty-two years in the old car hobby. Call, text or email "the other Henry F.", **219-730-1684**, oldcars1959@gmail.com



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