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General Meeting:

Regularly scheduled meetings will no longer be held at the Depot Museum. *Next meeting is Nov. 9, 6:30-8:30 pm, at Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse, 495 Belville Blvd., Naples. See page 3 inside for more.*

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Cover Photo

Garland Pobletts' 1915 Model T Touring car at the 2019 Naples/Marco AACA Depot Show. Photo contributed by Garland. See page 7 for more about this car.

President's Page

Happy November greetings to all!! Impossible to accept another month has gone by so rapidly!!

We made our trip to AACA Hershey Pennsylvania Show! No buyers from any of the foreign countries were allowed to travel due to COVID. Thus the Flea market sales were unusually low!! We literally sold nothing after all that effort to arrive and set up. Any buyers there bought for pennies on the dollar.

Our 49 brown Mercury made that long trip for nothing. Car Corral was empty of serious buyers. Not even an offer to turn down.



However, Saturday the show was wonderful! We had over 1100 cars for us to judge -it was a wonderful day 😊

Our club monthly meeting location has to change again. We were thrown out of the train station location. Luckily Hank S. Achieved the Moose for October! Thanks again!!

However again we are changing location for November and December to Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse . Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse is located at 495 Belville Blvd., Naples. Actual location is corner of Santa Barbara Blvd. and Radio Road. We have use of this thanks to Roger and Barbara Donald 😊

The date for November is the 9th. And for December is the 14th. The second Tuesday of each month. Our meeting time is 6:30 to 8:30pm.

Remember to bring checks for your dues of \$20.00 made out to Naples AACA
Our treasurer Patrick Parker will be with us as will our new membership chairman Drew Johnson!!!!

ALSO. Time for club officers election. All nominations will be gratefully accepted 😊😊

November meeting will include 50/50's and prizes, drinks, snacks, and a movie short.

See you November 9th at 6:30 pm

Happy Trails
Paul and Yvonne

***Meeting November 9, 6:30-8:30pm at Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse,
495 Belville Blvd., Naples (near Santa Barbara Blvd. and Radio
Rd., check GPS)***

Editor's Note

It's November and many of our seasonal members are now back in town. The Holidays will soon be upon us !

We had good attendance at our October Welcome Back Picnic, including lots of cars. Thanks to Hank Schwietering for his help on this. In addition to the picnic, some members supported the Classic Car Cruise-In at the Arlington in Naples on October 23rd.

In this issue, Hank Feinberg has shared some photos and experiences from his trip to Hershey. There is also a note about Garland Pobletts' Model T which many of you saw at the picnic and Arlington (it's also on the cover). There are also a few other interesting items contributed by Peter. See the note about Burma-Shave signs after Kathy's History and check your Sept./Oct. Antique Automobile Magazine.

Remember that going forward our monthly meeting location will not be at the Depot Museum. Look again at Yvonne's note for more info on this.

On the events page you'll see lots of near term items, including the Knights of Columbus Car Show in Marco Island on Nov 6 and the Rookery Bay Show on Nov. 20. The long awaited Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance is Dec 3-5. Also see that Malcolm has highlighted a December 4 show in Pt. St. Lucie that members may want to attend as a group (page 11).

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, thanks

Ron

From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

I once heard a joke about amnesia but I forgot how it goes.

I once prayed to God for a bike but quickly found out he didn't work that way—so I stole a bike and prayed for his forgiveness.

You can't be late until you show up.

Tip of the week: When going through airport customs and the TSA agent asks, "Do you have any firearms with you?" do not reply, "What do you need?"

Whoever says that pizza is not good for you is so wrong. You can actually get every single food group into a single slice. You can't say that about much else.



"Could you prescribe a drug that has a better television commercial?"

Events

Every Saturday... 8:00 am Breakfast at Perkins (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).

Nov. 6... 4th Annual Knights of Columbus Car Show on Marco Island. 8:30am-1:30pm, San Marco church, 851 San Marco Rd, Marco Island., \$20 car entry fee, \$5 spectator. Contact J. DeRosa 239-272-0816 or Island Automotive 239-394-1887 with questions.

Nov. 6... Lotus Themed Cars and Coffee, 9am-12pm, Naples Motorsports, 1250 Airport-Pulling Rd. S, Naples. (nice breakfast buffet, no cost)

Nov. 9... Naples-Marco AACA Meeting, 6:30-8:30pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse, 495 Belville Blvd., Naples (near corner of Santa Barbara Blvd. and Radio Rd., check GPS)

Nov. 13... NCH 4th Annual Car Show. 10am-2pm, 1100 Immokalee Rd., Naples. Open to NCH staff and patients. Call 239-624-2480 if interested as registration deadline has passed.

Nov.20... Rookery Bay 3rd Annual Classic Car Show, 9am-2pm, 300 Tower Rd., Naples, \$25 registration, \$10 spectator, See www.rookerybay.org or call 239-394-1887 for more info.

Dec. 3-5... Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, New venue at TPC Tampa Bay Golf Course, 5300 W. Lutz Lake Fern Rd., Lutz, Fl. See <https://gasparillaconcours.com/> for more info.

Dec. 4... Island Automotive Open House, 8:30am-12pm. 801 East Elcam Circle, Marco Island. E-mail carshows@hotmail.com if you would like to attend

Dec. 4... Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club Show, 9am- 3pm. Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens, Port St. Lucie, Fl. Contact M. Newbourne if interested in attending as part of AACA group. See also <https://TCVCC.com> and page 11 for additional info.

Dec. 14... Naples-Marco AACA Meeting, 6:30-8:30pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse, 495 Belville Blvd., Naples (near corner of Santa Barbara Blvd. and Radio Rd., check GPS)

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.

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

Please let Ron Schlechtweg know of any additional events. ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com

Oct 16 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was the Welcome Back Picnic held at the Moose Lodge.

Nice representation of antique cars in the parking lot and the event was well attended with 34 attending.

Many thanks to Hank S. for arranging for a great picnic - nice venue and good food and company.

Respectfully submitted
Edythe Newbourn, Secretary



History

The end of the Corvair, by Mo Trembly

Was the end of the Corvair the result of Ralph Nader? Ralph didn't even have a driver's license. In his book "Unsafe at any Speed" he charged that the swing axle, under severe lateral forces during turning, tended to lift the rear wheels so that both wheels leaned outward from an acceptable angle of 4 degrees to a dangerous 10 to 11 degrees. This made the wheels tuck under, in an instant, to cause a rollover.

The Corvairs were involved in a number of one-car accidents, including one that struck and killed comedian Ernie Kovak. Nader went on to say that GM should have spent more time and money on safety research as their return on the Corvair investment was 20.4 per cent. The more conventional Chevis however, were more profitable than the Corvair.

While Nader was still producing his book, word went down the line at GM to stop any new developments on the Corvair. The biggest threat to Corvair was not Nader, but Iacocca with the Mustang. The Monza needed a much larger engine to compete with Mustang's V8 and there was no more room at the rear end. Mo Trembly is the Club Historian for the Mid-State Antique Auto Club of Massachusetts.

At crossroads/ Don't just trust to luck/ The other car/ May be a truck Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Editors note.... Kathy Hollis has used Burma-Shave ending lines on her History items for the last ~10-15 years. Take a look at your Sept./Oct. Antique Automobile Magazine, page 84-85, for an article about the history of Burma-Shave signs, along with lots of the phrases on them.

Legislative

ILLINOIS BILL TO EXPAND ANTIQUE VEHICLE USAGE SIGNED INTO LAW

Success in Illinois! Governor JB Pritzker signed into law SAN-supported legislation (H.B. 2548) to allow "Antique Expanded Use" vehicles to be driven without limitation for two additional months. Expanded-use antique vehicles are defined as being more than 25 years old or a "bona fide replica" and were previously limited to traveling to and from auto shows, exhibitions, service stations, and demonstrations during the colder months (November 1 through March 31), but could be driven without limitation during the warmer months (April 1 through October 31). The new law expands the months without driving limitations to March 1 through November 30. The law went into effect on August 20, 2021.

Grant Simon, Legislative

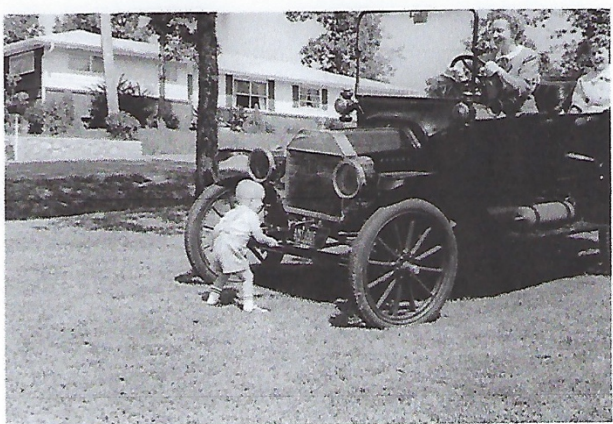
Garland Pobletts' 1915 Ford Model T Touring

If you were at the Welcome Back Picnic or the Arlington House event, you probably noticed Garland Pobletts' 1915 Model T. A photo of this car from the 2019 Depot Show is on the cover this month besides the pictures shown here. The car has been in his family since ~1959, having been purchased by his father in Tennessee prior to a move to Florida. It was manufactured in early 2015, before the changeover from brass to electric. It features original type running gear, gas lights, coils, no starter, Rocky Mountain Brakes, and a Ruxstell under-drive (useful for hilly terrain). It has the 1915 steel firewall.



At Arlington House, Oct. 23

The photo below shows Garland in 1959, apparently preparing to take his mother and sister for a ride. When the Jackie Gleason Show moved to Miami Beach in the early 1960's, the car was part of the Miami Beach welcoming celebration. Garland's father is shown transporting star Frank Fontaine in the car along with Garland's sister. Garland is in the back seat, hidden from view by Mr. Fontaine.



Photos from Hershey by Hank Feinberg



Some people brought more than one car to sell in the car corral. I'm not sure about what that new gray SUV thing was doing on the trailer.



For Sale in the Chocolate Field. 1931 Model A Ford Victoria Coupe, asking \$18,500 and the seller was ready to make a deal.



A 1927 Rolls-Royce Springfield Silver Ghost in the car corral. Only about \$100,000 more than I wanted to spend.



A Rolls-Royce Phantom I circa that I needed, again about \$100,000 over my thinking.



Fabulous 1906 Packard on its way to the show field.



1951 Ford Crestliner, Ford's answer to Chevrolet's hard-tops.



1932 Hudson Eight, what a rare and magnificent sight.



1931 Jordan "Somewhere West of Laramie" Phaeton. How could you not like this rarity?



Classic Hispano-Suiza. Wow!



1930 Marquette (companion car to Buick). The gentleman who owned it was from central Ohio, but winters in Fort Myers and is contemplating moving to SW FL full-time. Yes, I gave him my card and asked him to join the Naples-Marco Region!



Talk about rare, two DuPonts side-by-side, one completed and one restoration in progress.



Brass Model T's, each one nicer than the other.

Repair Mistakes and Blunders...contributions from Hank Feinberg and Peter Blackford

As Forwarded by Hank...from the Rock Auto Newsletter, "Repair Mistakes & Blunders"

"Repair Mistakes & Blunders"

In the spring of 1979, I lived in a town whose sports teams and the town nickname were the Maple Leafs because the streets were lined with maple trees. By the fall, my 1975 Chevy C10 with the straight six needed a new fuel filter, air filter, spark plugs and some other maintenance. Living in an old house turned into a duplex, there was no garage or even driveway so I had to work on my truck at the curb. I headed to work the next day, but the truck would barely run above idle; it had very little power, and consumed twice the usual amount of fuel.

I double checked all my work; the ignition, wires, cap, put in another fuel filter - no change. I gave up and took it to the Chevrolet dealer in town. They called me after lunch and said everything in the ignition system measured correctly, the fuel pressure was good, the compression was good, so they were stumped as to why it ran so poorly - "What else can you tell us about the work you did?" To which I replied, "Nothing out of the ordinary."

*Late in the day, I got a second call telling me that after **six hours of labor** they had finally found the problem. Apparently, with the hood open, the air cleaner snorkel off and a breeze blowing, one of those falling maple leaves had landed in my carburetor and lodged itself in the venturi which greatly disturbed the airflow. Lesson: when working under a tree, put a cover on any open part of the engine.*

David in Illinois

From Peter's experience...

When living in MA many years ago, we had a Renault 16. Doing similar shade-tree wrenching (changing plugs - remember when that was more frequent?), work completed and later on headed for a drive-in movie (remember them?). A couple of miles down the road, heading up a highway ramp, the car died....and smoke emanated from the edges of the bonnet. Fortunately we had packed a two-liter bottle of soft drink, which made a sufficient fire extinguisher to quell the blaze without more extensive damage.

What had gone wrong? Best I can figure out is that I had knocked loose a fuel line, leaving enough in the carburetor to run, while at the same time spraying gasoline onto the running engine until some fumes found a source of ignition. Happily (I guess) the engine stopped running at about the same time, and we had the impromptu extinguisher at hand....

Jerry (our mechanic) later quipped that the remains of the extinguisher we had used were considerably easier to clean up than a commercial powder extinguisher!

Peter Blackford

Some Interesting Items on the Internet.

10 Unforgettable TV Ads about Cars and Trucks

Watch YouTube videos of memorable car and truck commercials.

<https://www.imsa.com/news/2021/10/18/10-unforgettable-tv-ads-about-cars-and-trucks/>

Thomas Edison, a man ahead of his time, built his own electric car in 1912

Interesting article about Thomas Edison and his work on an electric car, as well as his friendship with Henry Ford.

<https://www.hagerty.com/media/automotive-history/thomas-edison-a-man-ahead-of-his-time-built-his-own-electric-car-in-1912/>



Treasure Island Vintage Car Club Show *Malcolm Newbourn*

Below is a link that will provide more information and allow you to register for the December 4th Show of our x-Sister club (Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club). Edythe and I plan to attend and will be happy to buddy up with any interested members

(email: MALNAPLESAACA2@GMAIL.COM) and advise as to any scheduling, and sleeping accommodations the night before.

This Show is usually about 100 cars in a pleasant venue (Botanical Gardens in St Lucie, FL), nice people. E and I have been attending the event for the last 15-20 years. It is a leftover from years back when our club would send a contingent north for this TCVCC Show, and they would send exhibits to the Depot Show. One of the nicer AACA events we have enjoyed over the years.

https://tcvcc.com/2021/06/28/2021_coolcars/



A judged vintage car and truck show under the trees on the beautiful lawn of the

Port Saint Lucie Botanical Gardens
2410 SE Westmoreland Blvd, Port Saint Lucie, FL 34952
Saturday, December 4, 2021

9:00am to 3:00pm ~ Awards at 2:00pm

Dash Plaques to first 100 registered cars
Formal Judging & Awards for Multiple Categories
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[Click here to Print and mail registration form or,](#)

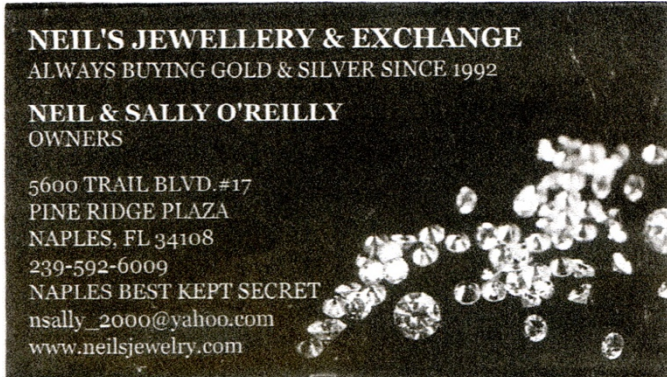
Register and pay online at [COOL Show Registration](#)

Registration only \$30/car Deadline Nov 29, 2021
Limited Space No Day of Show Drive-on
Questions: Charlie Ulrich, Show Chairman
772-342-2210 or lantana292@hotmail.com



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