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1940 Pontiac "Woodie" owned by Paul and Yvonne Rhoads

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### **General Meeting:**

July's regularly scheduled meeting has been replaced by a July 10 luncheon and mini car show at Perkins, near I-75 and Pine Ridge Rd. See inside for details.

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#### **Cover Photo**

1940 Pontiac "Woodie" owned by Paul and Yvonne Rhoads. Taken at the Naples-Marco AACA June 17 Iuncheon at their home. Photo by Gene Nau.

## President's Page

Hello Everyone!

Summer has certainly arrived! Hot Hot Hot

Activities have really slowed down
Our recent showing of our cars at a retirement center was a success!!!! Our oldest vehicle was a 1929 Dodge
Touring! Everyone loved the show.

Next was our June summer monthly get together. Instead of meeting at a restaurant, we all brought food and had a picnic lunch at the Rhoads garage.

It is impossible to miss all the construction going on in every corner of Collier County. Seems like millions of new houses and condos are happening!! Going to be as populated as New York City soon. All with no new road work to go along.

Looking forward to going to the 55 to 57 Chevy Nationals in August in Kentucky!!!

Currently we are working on a 2200 square foot house we own trying to get it back to new condition so we can rent it soon as a annual.

Mal Newbourne is in charge of July get together !!

August is open. Help!!

Also the Club needs a volunteer for secretary for the meetings! Male or Female ok!!!!

Happy Trails

Paul and Yvonne





June 17 Luncheon at Paul and Yvonne's Garage. Photo by Gene Nau

Make sure you attend the Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon at Perkins on July 10 at 12 noon, 3585 Gateway Ln., Naples (near I-75 and Pine Ridge Rd.). Bring your cars for a mini-show. Let Malcolm know if you are attending (239-451-8301). If you text, include your name.

## Editor's Note

I hope this summer is going well for you...wherever you are. It's very hot here, but based on weather reports, that is not unique to Southwest Florida. There is not a lot in this months newsletter (only 10 pages), but there are a few interesting items.

Some items of particular note... (and things to do)

First...See the Classified page and look at the four outstanding cars shown there. They are from current or former members of our club.

Second... If you are in town, try and attend the luncheon on July 10 at Perkins (near I-75 and Pine Ridge Road) and bring your cars. See Events for more.

Also, take a look at the remaining items...including Grant's submittal on emissions standards and Peter's submittal on Lucas Electric.

Thanks those who have contributed this month. Send future articles, comments, pictures, ads, etc. to ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com. Cutoff date is the last Thursday of the month

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### **Events**

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

July 5-8... 2023 AACA Spring Nationals. Auburn In., See https://aaca.org/events/ for more

**July 10...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon at Perkins. 12 noon. 3585 Gateway Ln., near I-75 and Pine Ridge Rd. Exit 107. Bring your cars for a mini-show. Let Malcolm know if attending 239-451-8301 via text including your name.

August TBD... Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon. Details to follow.

### Ongoing Events

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

**Every Saturday...** Cruise-ins at Stock Plaza by Cool Cruisers. 9am-12pm, 7711 Collier Blvd., Naples, and also at Marco Island Lutheran Church, 10am-12pm, 525 N. Collier Blvd. Hosted by Marco Island Corvette and Muscle Car Club.

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

Additional AACA National Meetings and Tour info can be found at <a href="https://aaca.org/events/">https://aaca.org/events/</a>

## **Legislative**

EPA Pursues New Emissions Standards to Spur Transition to Electric Vehicles **By SEMA Washington, D.C., Staff** 

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed new federal emissions standards intended to dramatically increase sales of electric vehicles (EVs). The sales would be achieved by reducing multi-pollutant emissions, including greenhouse gas (GHG) and criteria pollutants (particulate matter (PM), ozone, nitrogen oxides (NOX) and carbon monoxide (CO) from new light-duty and medium-duty (8,501 to 14,000 lbs.)) vehicles for model years '27 to '32. The EPA maintains its proposal would reduce average fleet GHG levels by 56% between model years '26 and '32, resulting in an industry-wide target for light-duty vehicles of 82 grams per mile of CO2. As a result, the EPA estimates that two-thirds of new passenger vehicles sold in the United States would be EVs by 2032 under its proposed standards.

California is already pursuing stricter greenhouse gas standards with a goal that 70% of new vehicles sold in the state will be zero-emissions vehicles by 2030. California is also seeking to ban the sale of new gasoline-powered cars by 2035. This is significant, as 17 other states have followed all or part of California's previous clean-car rules.

SEMA advocates for the ability of consumers and the marketplace to choose what works best for them. There are many options on the road to zero emissions, as it is crucial for government policy to remain technology neutral. The specialty automotive aftermarket business has been built around the internal combustion engine. It is also the same industry that has led the way in fuel innovations and conversions of old vehicles into new and cleaner technologies. Yet it is clear from the Biden administration's actions and words that electrification is their technology of choice. Hydrogen and other renewable fuels, including synthetic eFuels, will allow legacy vehicles to operate in a carbon-neutral manner. Ultimately, consumers, not the government, should be allowed to choose the type of vehicle technology that best serves them and their families.

While the EPA cannot directly mandate EV sales under the Clean Air Act, sales of zero-emissions vehicles (ZEV), including battery electric, plug-in hybrid electric and fuel-cell electric vehicles may be the only practical way for the automakers to meet strict standards for carbon dioxide (CO2) and other greenhouse gases. Simultaneously, the agency expects automakers to increase the use of filters to reduce gasoline particulate matter emissions and deploy new CO2-reducing technologies for gasoline-powered vehicles.

In a related move, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has proposed changes to the way it calculates the "miles per gallon equivalent" (MPGE) ratings for EVs and hybrids versus gaspowered vehicles. The rule was last updated in 2000. The DOE is reassessing the energy efficiency of gasoline-powered vehicles versus EVs when taking into account the entire production and distribution system for electricity and petroleum. For example, here are two proposed recalculations: the current Ford F-150 EV would drop from 237.7 to 67.1 mpge, and the Volkswagen ID.4 EV would drop from 380.6 to 107.4 mpge.

The MPGe calculation is incorporated into NHTSA's Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards, which set mileage requirements for vehicle fleets produced by the automakers. The automakers buy credits or pay fines if they cannot meet the CAFE requirements. The reduced MPGe ratings for EVs would mean that the automakers would need to sell more EVs to help meet their CAFE fleet obligations. The NHTSA CAFE standards run parallel to the EPA greenhouse gas standards since there is an equivalence between CO2 emissions and the amount of petroleum that is burned. NHTSA is expected to soon issue proposed CAFE standards for the '27-'31 model years.

The EPA and DOE proposed rules are now subject to <u>public comment</u>. <u>Click here</u> to sign a letter opposing the EPA's proposal, which provides an opportunity to personalize the letter and explain how the agency's push to an all-electric future will impact your business.

For SEMA's official reaction to the EPA's new federal emissions standards, visit here.

Grant Simon, Legislative

## History, July, 2023

Continuing the article from the 1999 Running Board by Mo Trembly. This is the last half of the alphabetical list of different makes of private passenger cars that were manufactured with a minimum of three for each letter.

- N is for New England, Niagara, New York, etc.
- O is for Oakland, Oldsmobile, Otto, etc.
- P is for Packard, Page-Toledo, Peerless, etc.
- Q is for Quadrant, Queen, Quinlan, etc.
- R is for Rambler, Rapid, Renault, etc.
- S is for Simplex, Studebaker, Singer, etc.
- T is for Talbot, Tatra, Triumph, etc.
- U is for Union, Universal, Underbug, etc.
- V is for Vauxhall, Velie, Volkswagen, etc.
- W is for Willys-Knight, Wasp, Westcar, etc.
- X is for Xenia, Xtra and "X"
- Y is for Yale, Yankee, York, etc.
- Z is for Zenith, Zephyr (not the Lincoln), Zust, etc.

Mo states that there were only 3 makes for the letter X however, at that time he had the complete list of 5,000 as part of his collection.

Keep well to the right/ of the oncoming car/ Get your close shaves/ From the half pound jar. Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

## Joseph Lucas "The Prince of Darkness"

Peter Blackford contributed the following about the British automotive parts supplier Lucas. Their automotive electrical products were famous for their poor reliability. If you have owned a vintage British car, there is a good chance you have experienced their shortcomings yourself.

- \* The Lucas motto: "Get home before dark."
- \* Lucas denies having invented darkness. But they still claim "sudden, unexpected darkness"
- \* Lucas--inventor of the first intermittent wiper.
- \* Lucas--inventor of the self-dimming headlamp.
- \* The three-position Lucas switch--DIM, FLICKER and OFF.
- \* The other three switch settings--SMOKE, SMOLDER and IGNITE.
- \* Lucas dip-switch positions: LOW and BLOW
- \* The original anti-theft devices--Lucas Electric products.
- \* "I've had a Lucas pacemaker for years and have never experienced any prob...
- \* If Lucas made guns, wars would not start either.
- \* Did you hear about the Lucas powered torpedo? It sank.
- \* It's not true that Lucas, in 1947, tried to get Parliament to repeal Ohm's Law. They withdrew their efforts when they met too much resistance.
- \* Did you hear the one about the guy that peeked into a Land Rover and asked the owner "How can you tell one switch from another at night, since they all look the same?" "He replied, it doesn't matter which one you use, nothing happens!"



A prototype Lucas Electric taxi from the mid-70's. Photo from British Motor Industry Heritage Trust

- \* Back in the '70s Lucas decided to diversify its product line and began manufacturing vacuum cleaners. It was the only product they offered which didn't suck.
- \* Quality Assurance phoned and advised the Lucas engineering guy that they had trouble with his design shorting out. So he made the wires longer.
- \* Why do the English drink warm beer? Lucas made the refrigerators, too.
- \* Alexander Graham Bell invented the Telephone. Thomas Edison invented the Light Bulb. Joseph Lucas invented the Short Circuit.
- \* Recommended procedure before taking on a repair of Lucas equipment: check the position of the stars, kill a chicken and walk three times sunwise around your car chanting: "Oh mighty Prince of Darkness protect your unworthy servant."
- \* Lucas systems actually uses AC current; it just has a random frequency.

- \* Recently, Lucas won out over Bosch to supply the electrical for the new Volkswagens. So, now the cars from the Black Forest will come with electrics supplied by the Lord of Darkness -- how appropriate!
- \* Lucas is an acronym for Loose Unsoldered Connections and Splices.
- \* The Prince's last words to his son: "don't go riding after dark"

Submitted by Peter Blackford

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## From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

Real friends don't get offended when you insult them. They just smile and say something twice as offensive back.

I don't get why people have to "get ready" for bed. I'm always ready for bed.

A car's weakest part is the nut holding the steering wheel

I used to think I was indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.

Don't give up on your dreams. Keep sleeping.

Some people are like clouds. When they disappear, it's a beautiful day.



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### **NEXT MEETING:**

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