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George and Ellie Nosky's 50th Anniversary Corvette at the 2023 Woodward Dream Cruise

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General Meeting:

Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse, 495 Belville Blvd., Naples. Meeting time is 7:00 pm.

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George and Ellie Nosky's 2003 50th Anniversary Corvette at the August 19 Woodward Dream Cruise in Detroit, MI. The Woodward Dream Cruise attracts nearly one million viewers and thousands of cars, making it the world's biggest event of it's kind.

President's Page

Hello,

Well, it is still 90 degrees here in Naples as I write this letter. Need some cooler temperatures!!

Have you taken notice to all the houses-condos construction going on in Naples- getting harder to arrive anywhere timely.

The Great Wolf Construction is moving along- hard to believe how enormous this project has become.

Paul and I are headed to Hershey Pennsylvania for the AACA Fall Meet. Not showing any car this year because we loaded our trailer with lots of car parts 49 Mercury and 57 Chevy heads and intake manifolds to sell. Trying to get inventory as minimal as possible.



As. We. Will not be in town Ron Schlechtweg has agreed to preside over our October meeting. Really appreciate being able to count on club members to help out in time of need!!!!

TIME 7PM. Place; Berkshire Lakes Club House

Happy Trails

Paul and Yvonne

Member input needed

Per the discussion at the last club meeting, we'd like input on the following items....

Welcome Back Party.... Need ideas for the "Welcome Back Party". This could be suggestions for dinner locations, do we want to include our cars as part of event, how to accomplish this, when, etc....

Holiday Party.... Need ideas for a "Holiday Party" as well.

Please bring any ideas to the Oct. 9 meeting or pass on to Yvonne.

Editor's Note

Hope things are going well for you as the summer ends.

We held our first regularly scheduled meeting last month at the Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse. We plan on meeting there for the next several months. Rudy's minutes summarize the meeting. Of particular note was the request by Yvonne for input on upcoming events. See the request at the bottom of Yvonne's note. Please take time to think about this and discuss at the October or follow-on meetings.

You'll see on the Events page that there is not a lot going on this month. There are a few car events including the Eastern Fall Nationals in Hershey.



In this issue, see George Nosky's excellent pictures from the Woodward Dream Cruise held in July. There are several photos of some really "unique" vehicles. Remember to send any "Cars around town" photos you take (none received this month). Recall this idea is to send in pictures of classic cars that you see, driven or parked, around town. See Rudy's request below to collect car magazines for the next Depot Show.

Thanks to 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

From Facebook, Twitter(now "X"), etc.

I'm terrified of elevators and I'm taking steps to avoid them.

If attacked by a mob of clowns, go for the juggler.

Turning on your lights and siren after losing a drag race is just poor sportsmanship.

Childbearing is hereditary. If your parents didn't have children, you are less likely to yourself.

I may be old, but at least our music didn't make you want to jump out of a moving car.

The best nicknames are usually the ones people don't know they have.



I THINK IT'S FLOODED ...

Events

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

October 3-6....2023 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey PA, See also https://aaca.org/events/

October 9.... Naples-Marco AACA meeting. 7pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse located at 495 Belville Blvd., Naples

October 20-22....Lake Mirror Classic, Lakeland, Fl. Includes Open Car Show, Concours, Road Rally, etc.. For more, see www.LakeMirrorClassic.com/

November 4 San Marco Knights of Columbus Car Show, 9am-2pm, 851 San Marco Road, Marco Island, at the San Marco Church parking lot. \$25 registration, \$10 admission. No preregistration needed. Contact John 239-272-0816 for more information.

November 13.... Naples-Marco AACA meeting. 7pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse located at 495 Belville Blvd., Naples

November 18.... 5th Annual Rookery Bay Classic Car Show. 9am-1pm at Florida Southwestern State College, 7905 Grand Lely Drive, Naples. Proceeds benefitting education, research, and conservation at Rookery Bay. Over 150 classic cars, arts and crafts, food vendors.

Ongoing Events

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.

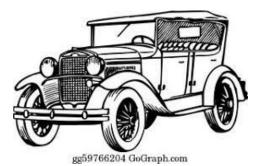
Third Sunday each month... Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. All makes welcome. See https://carsandcoffee239.com for details.

Additional AACA National Meetings and Tour info can be found at https://aaca.org/events/

2024 Depot Show Items

First 2024 Show Committee Meeting....

Hello to All- I hope this finds everyone in good health and spirits and that your Summer was enjoyable, relaxing and relatively uneventful. It's now time for us to roll up our sleeves, sharpen our pencils and begin planning for the 2024 Depot Show. Thanks to all of your good work our Depot Show last March was successful- fun for all who visited and/or displayed cars. I hope I can count on you to participate in planning for our next Depot Show. I would like to have our



first show committee meeting on Wednesday October 18- please let me know if you are

available and willing to serve. If that is not a good date for you, let me know. I hope we can develop a schedule for future meetings. Last year meeting Wednesdays at the South Collier Library at 10 am seemed to work for most of us. I hope to see everyone at our next Club meeting on October 9. Rudy- Show Chairman

We want your magazines.....

The Depot Show Committee would like to have your Antique Automobile magazines for next year's show! This year our visitors quickly cleaned us out of our old car magazines. For next year's show we would like to have many more magazines- perhaps with stickers affixed encouraging membership in the Club. It doesn't take much effort to put your car magazines aside and then bring them to a meeting at the beginning of 2024. It's an easy way to show your support for the efforts of our Show Committee!



Help us make next year's show an even greater success. Thanks- Rudy

September Meeting Minutes (9/11)

The meeting was called to order by President Yvonne Rhoads at 7:10 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. New member Manny Puenpe was welcomed. He is a retired police officer who restored a 1967 Pontiac GTO to original condition.

Gratitude was expressed to Edythe Newbourne for having been our Secretary these past several years. She is retiring after admirably discharging those responsibilities and Rudy Socey has volunteered to be our new Secretary.

Committee Reports:

Depot Show- Rudy Socey would like to begin meeting with members interested in serving on the Show Committee next month. He will email previous Committee members with the hope each will agree to serve on the Committee for our next show. It having been previously reported that the Naples Lionel Train Museum/Club has applied for a permit for the weekend of March 16, 2024, we will plan for our show to be on the fourth Saturday of March- the 23rd. He will contact Toms Traveling Tunes to reserve a DJ for that date. He will also initiate inquiries regarding obtaining the necessary municipal permit. It is his desire that we have more local advertising for next year's show.

Old Business:

Wes Kunkle reminded Rudy that he was going to contact Florida Weekly and Coastal Breeze regarding publicizing our Club meetings. Rudy will follow up with each publication.

New Business:

Yvonne asked that all members give thought to what the desire is regarding a December/January Holiday Party. She also asked what the desire is for a Welcome Back party.

Should we have one, or should we have a car showing event? Last year's lunch at the Mexican restaurant was enjoyed by all.

Mal Newbourne opened a discussion on engaging more members to participate in Club activities and resurrecting interest in Club activities. Too few members volunteer to help. Asking for volunteers has not been productive. It was suggested that the Executive Committee reach out directly to individuals seeking their help in sustaining the Club. There is a core of 20 or so members who attend meetings and are active in the Club's business. To generate more interest, should we have more local shows, such as at assisted living facilities? If we do show our cars at such facilities, should we seek monies from them or be content to have lunch provided? How many members can we count on to show their cars?

Program:

Yvonne led a group discussion in which all in attendance participated. The apt topic was- Where were you and what were you doing when the events of 9/11 unfolded. Heroes were remembered and the discussion was solemn.

By consensus the formal meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm followed by refreshments and socializing.

Respectfully submitted: Rudy Socey, Secretary

September 16, 2023

Legislative

Breaking News: U.S. House of Representatives Passes Bill to Stop California's ICE Vehicle Ban

The U.S. House of Representatives passed the "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act" (H.R. 1435), which now awaits consideration in the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee. This SAN-supported bill seeks to preserve vehicle choice for consumers and prevent the State of California from choosing only one form of technology (such as electric vehicles) over the many others to achieve their emission reduction goals. The "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act" has also been introduced in the Senate (S. 2090), which includes the same text as H.R. 1435.

The "Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act" prohibits the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from issuing a waiver to California for regulations that would ban the sale of new motor vehicles with internal combustion engines (ICE) in the state by 2035. The bill is essential to stopping California's plan to ban new ICE vehicles, which limits vehicle choice in states around the country. Seventeen states have followed all or part of California's previous clean-car rules, adopting similar proposals.

Grant Simon, Legislative

History

The March, 1999 issue of the Running Board has some "Points of interest" from the Historians Judd and Evelyn Thoman.

- 1. Following the acquisition of Lincoln by Ford Motor Co. in 1921, Edsel Ford required these luxury cars to be shipped in dust proof bags, installed in covered freight cars which had been scrupulously cleaned beforehand.
- 2. Back in 1904, when we were still wrapping chains around our tires, Harry D. Weed of Canasto, N.Y. invented grip treads for better traction on bad roads.
- 3. Prior to 1909, most automobiles were built from parts that were far from interchangeable. The conditions of the Dewar Trophy Test conducted by the Royal Automobile Club of Great Britain were dramatic and severe. Three single-cylindar Cadillac cars were sent to London for the unusual test. They were completely dismantled and the various parts were thoroughly mixed by throwing them into a conglomerous heap. The 3 cars were then reassembled from the mixed parts. Wrenches and screwdrivers were the only tools allowed. The cars were then immediately and with no testing, started in a 500 mile test run, which all completed with absolutely no trouble at near record speed. American precision manufacturing methods and workmanship had scored a triumph by winning this famous Dewar Trophy Test.

Is he lonesome/ or just blind/This guy who drives/ so close behind Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Last Days of Summer

Peter and Sandy out for a casual drive.....yes, that's Sebring!



Contributed by Peter Blackford

Woodward Dream Cruise

Pictures from the 2023 Woodward Dream Cruise held July 19 in Detroit. The Woodward Dream Cruise attracts nearly one million viewers and thousands of cars, making it the world's biggest event of its kind. Photos by George Nosky.













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