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Sunshine Region AACA Newsletter



Asolo Repertory Theater  
Sarasota, FL  
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## Asolo Repertory Theater Backstage Tour: 06-May-2019

For me Live Theater has always been magical. On Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, I was able to share that magic with 21 of our members with a backstage tour of the Asolo Repertory Theater. But first we drove there through the beautiful neighborhoods of Indian Beach/Sapphire Shores along Bay Shore Road. Once at the theater our Asolo tour Directors (Jonathan & Colton), shared the history of the theater as we looked at the intricate set on stage of "Sweeney Todd", in the beautiful Mertz Theater. We got to go backstage in the wings to view the workings of the show, toured the dressing rooms, the green room & the costume shop ... another place where the magic occurs as the actors are transformed into the period of the show. Then on to the Cook Theater which is the home of FSU/Asolo Conservatory for Actor Training (MFA program) and learned more about what a gem we have right in our own back yard. All told it takes a full time staff of 75 (not including actors) and over 600 volunteers for Asolo to bring the magic to its audiences. Check out the magic at <https://www.asolorep.org/>

Then in the true spirit of our Car Club with an eating disorder ... we had a fabulous lunch at the Anna Maria Oyster Bar. Special thanks to Joe Malaney who assisted me greatly in mapping out the route and Bob zuHone who suggested the restaurant.

~~~Barbara Shapiro  
Photos by Jimmy Mayne



Backstage Workings



Impromptu Auditions



Costume Shop



## Salt Works Tour: 14-May-2019

Salt Works is a custom shop in Sarasota that works on Hot Rods, Customs, & Metal Shaping. They have six employees. When they take in a vehicle they work on it until it's finished to the customer's needs or work order. So, they don't start on a vehicle and push it off to the side.

The shop has two work areas, one for metal shaping & fabrication and the other section for mechanical work. They are a dealer for several companies such as Vintage Air; Roadsters Shop for frames (which can take up to six months because frame shops are so busy); American Autowire for wiring harnesses; and Hotchkis for suspension parts. Once all fab work/body work is completed they take them by enclosed trailer to a PPG shop in Kokomo, IN. The outcome is fabulous as we saw in the dark blue 1950 Chevy! The shop is very clean, tools are all organized and they can do "one off services". So if you want louvers for your hood, fender skirts created, or CNC plasma cutting, they have the tools & knowledge to satisfy your needs. They don't advertise and all their business is word of mouth. ~~~Bill Swanton



1950 Chevy



Photos by  
Jack Knuese  
Bill Swanton



### June President's Message

The pizza in the park meeting was held at Urfer Family Park on Wednesday evening, May 22nd. This was a new location for our annual pizza meeting. Hopefully, everyone likes the new location and had a good time. I was told that it might have been the first time the pizza was hot. For me hot pizza is good; however, all the great desserts were even better. We had about 30 members at the park. The business of the meeting was kept to a minimum. I inquired of Dana Anderson if they had any numbers from the Devereaux Kaiser show and at this time the numbers are not in yet. Many of our Snowbird members are going or have gone back north and we wish them a great summer.

~~~Bob zuHone

### Membership Meeting : 22-May-2019

General meeting of the AACA Sunshine Region was held May 22,2019 at the Urfer Family Park on Bee Ridge Rd, in Sarasota.

The Pizza party was well attended by the membership. After eating the meeting was called to order by President Bob zuHone. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### Old Business:

June 15th will be a fundraiser at the Brookside Nursing Home. We would like 10 cars to participate.

Linda Langenegger reminded everyone that July 12th is Collectible Car Appreciation Day, and that there is a tour on August 10th, information to follow.

Gene Cohen announced that the Monday lunch will be on Tuesday because of Memorial Day.

Salt Works Tour was very informative. Dinner was held at Sommers Restaurant.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

~~~Joan Bowles

### Swap Corner

**1999 Mercedes SLK** hardtop/convertible with 81,066 mi. No rust or dents, interior has no rips, have the original window sticker along with some service records. Retractable hardtop works great, all the mechanisms were replaced at 54647 mi by Mercedes dealer at a cost of \$1,973. Very clean with a desirable color combination of white exterior & charcoal gray interior. 5 speed automatic, factory radio with AM/FM, weather band & 6DISC CD player. Heated seats, new brakes & rotors. Wheels look new and tires have many more miles to go before replacing. Bill Swanton (513) 349-7414..... **Asking \$6,250**

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*Do you have "Auto Related" items to sell, or is there something that you are looking for? Let people know by listing it in SnS. ~~~Editor*

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## June Mystery Photo

Can you identify the Club Member and Vehicle in this photo taken in the 1930's?

Hint: He (or She) is very active in Multiple Clubs & Regional Events. Answer will be published in next month's Stutter 'n Sputter.



## Calendar of Events

**\*\*Sat, Jun 15: 11AM-1PM: Club Fund Raiser**

Brookdale Senior Living, 5111 Palmer Ranch Pkwy. Sarasota, FL 34238. We need 10+ Cars.

**\*\*Wed, Jun 26: 7:00PM Membership Meeting**

Firehouse #2, 2070 Waldemere St, Sarasota, 34239

**\*\*Fri, 12 Jul: 10:00AM, 10th Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day** (See tour announcement on Page7)

**\*\*Sat, 10 Aug: Sunshine Region Tour** Details to follow.

**\*\*Every Monday : PizzaSRQ Informal Lunch**

11:30AM, 5674 Palmer Blvd, Sarasota FL 34232.

Questions? Call Gene Cohen (941) 587-4311.

~~~~~\*\*AACA Sunshine Region Events

## AACA National Meets & Tours

Jun 2-7 • Founders Tour • Seward, NE

Jun 26-29: • Eastern Spring Nat'ls • Parsippany , NJ

### May Photo

Joe Malaney with his 1951 Cadillac 60S. He was 25 years old when this photo was taken in 1960.

## Anniversaries



|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Tootie & Dan KENNEDY | 03-Jun-1968 |
| Janet & Calvin HIGH  | 17-Jun-1954 |
| Connie & Jimmy MAYNE | 31-Jul-1965 |



The reason so many people never get anywhere in life is because when opportunity knocks, they are out in the backyard looking for four-leaf clovers.

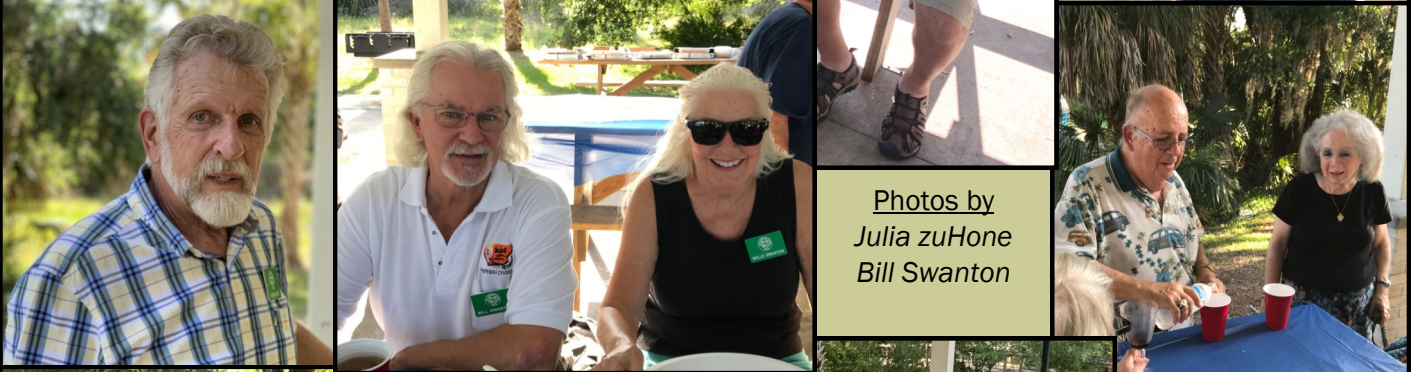
~~~~Walter P Chrysler

## Birthdays

|                    |        |                   |        |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|
| Jacki KAISER       | 02-Jun | Ed SMITH          | 05-Jul |
| Tootie KENNEDY     | 03-Jun | Mary WILSON       | 06-Jul |
| Joe MALANEY        | 06-Jun | Jeryl SCHRIEVER   | 07-Jul |
| John ANDERSON      | 08-Jun | Georgia NICHOLSON | 07-Jul |
| Jimmy MAYNE        | 08-Jun | Jackie RUCKEY     | 09-Jul |
| AI RUCKEY          | 11-Jun | John CAVANAUGH    | 09-Jul |
| Elaine SMITH       | 12-Jun | Tony PIAZZA       | 10-Jul |
| Alex HUPPE         | 18-Jun | William MARTIN    | 10-Jul |
| Cliff WILSON       | 22-Jun | Calvin HIGH       | 10-Jul |
| Michael GOESE      | 22-Jun | Patricia SCOTT    | 24-Jul |
| Carolyn SKAGGS     | 23-Jun | Gerry SHAPIRO     | 25-Jul |
| Gordon* LANGENEGER | 23-Jun | Janice SPEARS     | 27-Jul |
| Nita ZUHONE        | 01-Jul |                   |        |

\*Deceased

# Annual Pizza Party: 22-May-2019



Photos by  
Julia zuHone  
Bill Swanton



## Editor Comments

This is the time of year that our Snowbird members have made their way North, and many of us full time Floridians, myself included, are taking summer vacations. Most of us will find ways to work in some automotive related activity regardless of where we are. We will find time to go to car shows & swap meets, visit museums, and work on our special projects. A few will even add another vehicle or two to their collection. Whatever you're doing, the rest of the membership would like to know, so please keep the photos & write-ups coming.

~~~Jimmy Mayne  
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**JULY 12, 2019**  
COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

### AACA Sunshine Region 7th Annual National Collector Car Appreciation Day Tour

We will meet at the Serving Spoon restaurant 1825 S Osprey Ave at 10:00AM Friday for breakfast. The tour will take us through downtown Sarasota where we will show off our collector vehicles and share a bit of visual automotive history with spectators along our route.

A sign up sheet will be passed around during the June 26 Sunshine Region meeting. You may also contact me directly at:

941-960-3477  
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~~~Linda Langenegger

## 1918 Milburn Electric

One of the rarest and most interesting of the cars shown at 2019 Devereaux-Kaiser is this 1918 Milburn Electric. The Milburn Electric was built in Detroit from 1914 to 1923, when it was sold to General Electric. Powered by a 76 volt General Electric DC motor, the car was advertised with a top speed of 18mph, though owner Ron Milburn (no relation) of Sarasota claims that going downhill he can hit 21mph. What is more unusual is that this example is entirely original, with paint and upholstery that came from the Detroit factory. It has an elegant deep brocade interior, with all original running gear, switches and accessories. An amazing original that is sound, solid and runs like new.



Only half the ganged six volt batteries that power the Milburn

~~~Alex Huppé

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 ~Bill Swanton~



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