## 240407 BRA St Pete Classic Car Show

Spectacularly, clear crisp cool April day the best kept antique cars you could imagine assembled in St. Petersburg Florida. This is an annual event which is well attended.



These are beautiful old magnificently maintain cars. This Pontiac GTO convertible is just a dream come true. It really should not exist. But you know what does because you can see it.



The crowds were deep and passionate. People wandered around the entire park area and just took it all in. In all over 300 cars were displayed.





This was the Alfa Romeo GT that I drove in Italy when I was 18 years old. I visited my cousin in Modena and he had a green one just like this. I remember that car so well.



This car brought back memories of me zipping around northern Italy as a late teen. That's what these cars do. They make you remember when you were young and these cars were new and now they're still not old and you're no longer young.



So many classic cars. This one was a favorite with foreign tourist for some reason. I stood there for sometime and watched many a person speaking some foreign language taking many pictures of this car. Who knows?





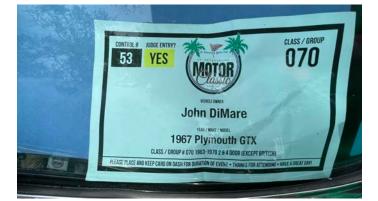
These cars were absolute land boats. The trunks were enormous, and you certainly would not have problems with airport luggage with these vehicles.



I have a 1965 mustang with manual steering. There's a reason the steering wheels are 2 feet across. When you're in a parking lot and you need to turn, you'll need that diameter to rotate the wheels. But the insides are enormous and gorgeous. Real style.



This is a classic car from the 60s. The 60s cars were greatly simplified from the 40s and 50s designs. They had straight lines, less but better placed chrome and they were lighter in design. This is a beautiful car which reminds me a lot of the Tesla cyber truck in profile.





Coupes were always more popular than the four doors. They were real muscle cars in their day. You have to really appreciate how powerful these cars were when they were manufactured.



Then there are those with a good sense of humor. Who knows what this car is or was or what it has become. I would say it's a great car for Halloween parades. It did get more than its fair share of attention that's for sure.

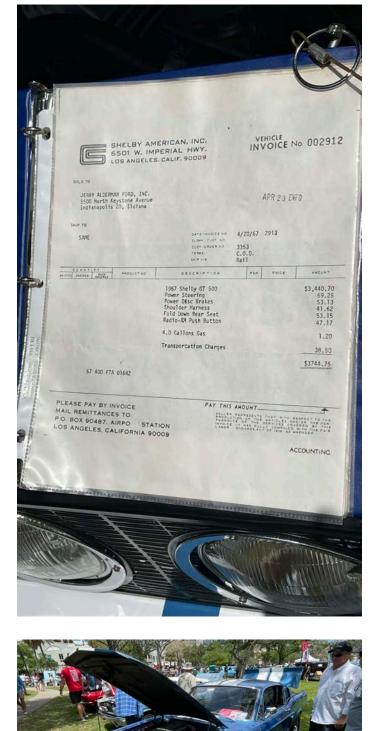


My later saw this car in downtown St. Petersburg driving away from the event. It looks as strange on the street as it did in this display. I suppose you can park it outside with no issues.





My car, in 1965 Mustang fastback is a baby when compared to this beauty. This is a 1967 Shelby. The bill of sale is shown here. \$3744.75 for this car. Amazing when you think about it but back then this was real money.



I remember these cars very well as I was 12 years old when they were sold. I could not drive, but I could stand on the side of the street and see others come by me with these gorgeous cars. It's great to relive those memories by looking at them so many years later.

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This was another one of my claims to fame. I was just about to order the first Viper V10 when I changed my mind. When first introduced the MSRP was \$35,000. Sometimes I wish I had ordered that car.





I would've loved to have had the viper and my Mustang. Talk about having a great ride no matter which day you wanted to go out and show off. But I do have my Mustang which I greatly appreciate.









What beautiful cars. Clean, simple lines. These were absolutely gorgeous cars then and they are now. That's why you see still these in the movies all the time. That is not true of the 40s and 50s cars and the 80s and 90s cars? I can't tell you what they are because they've long been forgotten.



The interior of these cars are so wellmaintained. They are like new. It's a tribute to the owners, and to the intrinsic value of these designs that they are so wellmaintained. They will always have a market for these cars as long as men are boys.





This guy had more pictures taken of him than the best antique car displayed. He was a real eyecatcher too, as he went up and down the street with his pet on his motorcycle. A good way to meet girls.



Keep smiling! END