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MEETING TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK THURS. AUGUST 10, 2017 AT SANTIONI'S
3315 HIGHWAY 17, FLEMING ISLAND
7 P.M.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING

Minutes of July 13 meeting of the N.E.FI.AACA, held at Mediterranean Restaurant. Members attending included, Brenda Daly, Woody & Mary Ann Witczak, Chuck & Sandy Wintz, Marlon Crider and Linda Crider, Ken & Carol Lawson, Joel & Karel Daniel, Lloyd & Sharol Hoffman, Alan & Elinor Snow and Richard Bendetti. Guests included Wanda Ames, Pat, Cindy & Michael Mitchell.

Meeting was called to order by President Joel Daniel at 7:10 p.m. The Treasurer's report was given which included the expense of the plaque and donation we gave to Tulsa Welding School. Birthdays and anniversaries were announced. Former member, Fred Ames' wife Wanda came to the meeting to give us many dash plaques that Fred had saved over the years. One of our guests, Pat Mitchell is an AACA Judge and mechanic. He has a "few" cars.

Richard Bendetti spoke about the Great Race that started in our home town of Jacksonville. Joel gave a list of the upcoming shows including the Car Council show on October 6th. Our members, Ellis & Nancy Ulrich are both doing better. The 50/50 was won by guest, Mrs. Cindy Mitchell and Gerry Geddings wasn't here to collect the attendance award. Meeting ended at 8:00 p.m. with Joel promising to let us know where the next meeting will be held.

Respectfully submitted,
Elinor Snow, Secretary

GREAT MOMENTS IN TIME

Birthdays:

ROB DALY	8/16
KEN LAWSON	8/21
CAROL LAWSON	8/23

Anniversary:

JOHN & KAYLA GINAKES	8/16
JOHN & CLAIR FLANNERY	8/16
RICHARD & JANICE BENDETTI	8/26

MY LIFE IN CARSOR HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE CARS. (with liberty...Dr. Strangelove Movie subtitle 1964)



Can you spot your editor? Can you name the cars? The city is Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, my birthplace. The date is 1954. The cars are older as Brazil was like Cuba, most cars were imported. Chevrolet built an assembly plant in 1925. Land Cruiser and VW in 1959, Fiat in 1960 and Ford and Chevrolet assembled cars and trucks in 1960. In Brazil the importation of most American cars was limited unless the company had an assembly plant in the country. American citi-

zens were allowed to bring in personal cars and the wealthy Brazilians managed to work around the system. Brazil did not have much of a middle class during this period. In the large cities there really was not a need for personal transportation as we had trolleys, buses and lotacao which was similar in size to the airport parking shuttles in America. These smaller buses would stop at any corner, the trolleys and buses would stop at their assigned stops. We did not own a car. My dad worked for Moore McCormack, a steamship company. He was picked up by a pool company car. A 1950 Ford Wagon. At thirteen, I had a bicycle with a motor over the back wheel. It was soon stolen. In 1958 we ended up in Jacksonville, I resumed my motoring ways with a Lambretta scooter part of a MC "gang" of a Cushman and a Sears Allstate. My first car was a 1953 Ford Tudor. (Please note, I am not "tooting my own horn" please send in your stories for publication)