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JULY MEETING
LUNCH AT THE MEDITERRANIA ON BAYMEADOWS RD.
THURSDAY JULY 12 TH. AT 11:30

MINUTES
AACA NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGION
THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2018
DON JUAN RESTAURANT LUNCH MEETING

MEMBERS ATTENDING

WOODY&MARY ANN WITCZAK, ELLIS & NANCY ULRICH, RICHARD WAGNER,
JOEL & KAREL DANIEL, ALEX ORR, ALAN SNOW, ROB & BRENDA DALY,
GEORGE BRESLIN, CHUCK WINTZ, MARLIN CRIDER, KEN & CAROL LAWSON,
RICHARD & JANICE BENDETTI.

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT KEN LAWSON. KEN WEL-
COMED CHUCK WINTZ BACK TO "ACTIVE DUTY". LAST MEETINGS NOTES
WERE ACCEPTED AS WAS WOODY'S TREASURER'S REPORT. WOODY RE-
PORTED THAT ALL IS WELL IN REGARDS TO OUR BUDGET FOR THE YTD. WE
DISCUSSED ADDITIONAL MONIES GOING TO RODEHEAVER BOYS RANCH.
KEN RECAPPED THE PREVIOUS MONTH ACTIVITIES AS DESCRIBED IN THE
NEWSLETTER. HE NOTED A CHICK-FIL-A SHOW ON JUNE 23 RD. AS WELL AS
OUR OWN BAKER COUNTY GARAGE TOUR ON THE SAME DATE.

ELLIS DISCUSSED HIS SON'S CAR CLUBS ROAD TRIP TO TEXAS BOTTANICAL
GARDEN. AT THEIR MONTHLY MEETINGS, THEY AWARD 3 \$20 PRIZES. IF YOU
DROVE YOUR OLD CAR, YOU WIN \$100.

RICHARD WAGNER DISCUSSED THE FLORIDA YOUTH CHALLENGE ACADEMY
THAT HE IS INVOLVED IN WHICH HELP YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ACTIVITIES AND
WITH LIFE AFFIRMING GOALS. MEMBERS SPOKE OF MAKING DONATIONS.

MEMBERS ENJOYED HAVING LUNCH ON THE OUTSIDE PATIO AT DON JUAN. WE
WERE JOINED BY A NON MEBER GUEST AND HIS DOG. THEY HAD ARRIVED IN A
TESLA. HE DISCUSSED THE MERITS OF DRIVING SUCH A CAR.
KAREL DANIEL RECEIVED \$21 FOR THE 50/50. ATTENDANCE WAS NOT WON BY
SHERYL ROGERS. (SHE WAS NOT THERE) . WE VOTED TO RETURN TO THE
MEDITERRANIA FOR NEXT MONTHS LUNCH MEETING.

A REPRINT OF WOODYS THOUGHTS
REGARDING THE 4 TH.

As we move into July we have the Fourth of July holiday and Independence Day celebration. It seems every city and town celebrates with fireworks on the fourth. Why? Because John Adams wanted us to. Before the Declaration of Independence was even signed, he envisioned fireworks as a part of the festivities. In a letter to Abigail Adams on July 3, 1776, he wrote that the occasion should be commemorated *“with Pomp and Parade, with Shows, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.”* The first commemorative Independence Day fireworks were set off on July 4, 1777. The Pennsylvania *Evening Post* wrote that in Philadelphia, *“The evening was closed with the ring of bells, and at night there was a grand exhibition of fireworks (which began and concluded with thirteen rockets) on the Commons, and the city was beautifully illuminated.”* The paper noted that *“Everything was conducted with the greatest order and decorum, and the face of joy and gladness was univer-*

STARTING POINT OF THE ROAD TOUR TO THE GILSONS CAR MUSEUM IN MACCLENNY FLORIDA



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It's been a couple months since we took our trip to St Augustine. On June 23rd we are planning another drive to MacClenney, Florida. While in MacClenney we will visit the garage of Matt and Lacie Gilson. They are members of the Model A club. They own several cars and they have tons of memorabilia on display. Their garage is any antique car owners dream. We will eat lunch at Crystal River Seafood. The plan is meet at 9 AM at the shopping center located on Normandy Blvd and Fouracre Rd. There is a Cedar River Seafood located on the end of the shopping center. We would need to depart at 9:30. The tour will not be on any interstate highways. I will need a response from anyone interested in attending. As usual modern cars are always welcome.

JUNE 23 TOUR AND LUNCH WITH THE GILSON'S.
 24 MODEL A'ERS AND AACAs TOOK PART IN THE ROAD TOUR. 5 MODERN CARS AND 6 ANTIQUE CARS MADE UP THE CARAVAN. GILSON'S HAD A TWO STORY GARAGE FILLED WITH OLD CARS, SCOOTERS AND MEMORABILIA. THE TOUR TO MACCLENNY WENT SMOOTHLY, MEMBERS TOURED THE GARAGE AND THEN RETURNED TO SAM'S CRYSTAL RIVER FOR LUNCH. THE GILSON'S WERE INVITED TO JOIN THE CLUB FOR LUNCH. PARTICIPATING: THE WALLS, THE DALYS, MODEL A MEMBER CURTIS, HARVEY ROYAL, THE RULES, THE ULRICHS, THE MARCOMS AND GUESTS, DOUG ROYAL AND GUEST, THE DANIELS AND THE LAWSONS. THIS MAY BE THE LAST TOUR FOR THE SUMMER DUE TO THE HEAT FACTOR...MANY THANKS TO THE SMARTS FOR SETTING THIS UP AND FOR LEADING THE TOUR.



OUR HOSTS
 MATT AND LACIE GILSON

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

THERE WERE NOT ANY JULY BIRTHDAYS..... :)

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| DENNIS AND LAURA RAMSEY | JULY 1 |
| RICHARD AND JOAN WAGNER | JULY 2 |
| CHARLIE AND MARGIE SAULS | JULY 8 |
| JON AND MARY VANATTA | JULY 28 |
| ELLIS AND NANCY ULRICH | JULY 29 |

ALSO CAPTAIN KEN SEZ...

SAVE THE DATE....SATURDAY OCTOBER 13. BROOKDALE CAR SHOW

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MET AT EL JEFE MEXICAN IN JULY WITH 21 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE ARRIVING IN 9 CARS

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A DAY AT THE MUSEUM



DINING AT SAMS AFTER THE TOUR

