



# GAS BUGGY GOSSIP

**NORTH FLORIDA REGION AACA, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA**

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**SEPTEMBER 2018 VOLUME 40 NUMBER 9**

NEW LOCATION FOR OUR 9/13 LUNCH MEETING !!!!!!!  
WE WILL BE EATING ON THE DECK OF WICKED BARLEY  
4100 BAYMEADOWS RD. 1/2 MILE EAST OF SAN JOSE BLVD.

## OFFICERS

### PRESIDENT:

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## ACTIVITY/SUNSHINE

KRIS GEDDINGS

### 50/50

WOODY WITCZAK  
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## EXECUTIVE BOARD

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ELINOR SNOW  
NANCY ULRICH  
ELLIS ULRICH

## MINUTES

AACA NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGION  
THURSDAY AUGUST 9 AT TRENT'S SEAFOOD

### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Woody & Mary Ann Witczak; Bob & Katherine Easley; Joel & Karel Daniel; KEN & Carol Lawson; Chuck & Sandy Wintz; Marlin & Linda Crider; Larry & Judy Smart; Charlie Sauls; Bill Gillespie; Richard & Joan Wagner; Richard & Janice Bendetti; Ellis & Nancy Ulrich; Dennis Ramsey; George & Cindy Breslin; Rob & Brenda Daly...Guests: Joyce Hernandez; Helen Rowe; Jim & Gail Spanos; and Jim Orth (who joined our club).

50/50 won by Bob Easley...\$25. Attendance won by Bill Gillespie....\$35.

Last months Minutes were accepted by those in attendance.

Ken gavelled meeting to order...

Cruising to the Creek on September 29 was discussed as a club event..10 cars are needed in order to park as a group. We are teaming up with Model A Club in order to come up with 10 cars.

Jim with FCCC attended and thanked our club for donations thru the FCC towards Ronald McDonald House.

Woody reported a monthly outgo of \$65. we approved additional donations to Rodeheaver Ranch and to Cecil in the Pines Car Show and to Florida Academy.

Ellis Ulrich "Car Talk" was on the subject of Ford Assembly Plants in Jacksonville Fl.

Like much of the city's downtown, the Ford Motor Company's long-vacant 165,200-square-foot facility lies in dilapidated ruin. Over 80 years have passed since the last Model T rolled off the assembly line; the majority of the building's windows are shattered, the rotting wooden doors hanging freely from corroded hinges. A boarded-up section of the building has been repurposed as a wooden pallet storage facility, making it underutilized, to say the least. Even in decay, a portion of the protected historic monument, symbolizing America's manufacturing prowess, remains useful and profitable.

Ellis had a detailed account of Ford in Jacksonville as well as early Ford Motor history in Detroit. Ellis...the editor apologizes but I could not write fast enough to record all the you were saying. Suffice it to say that those in attendance enjoyed your detailed history of early 1900's Ford activity. I copied the above note found in Heming's Motor News authored by Chris Brewer.



Chuck Wintz 11/4/36 8/27/18

With sadness and fond remembrances. Friends, Family and Club Members bid farewell to Chuck on Sunday, Sept. 2 at the Hardage-Giddens Funeral Home at Riverside Memorial Park and Funeral Home.

“A beautiful life that came to an end, he died as he lived, everyone's friend. In our hearts, a memory will always be kept of one we loved, and will never forget”

### LUNCH BUNCH

THE “GANG THAT COULD NOT SHOOT STRAIGHT” MET AT THE ARMENIAN RESTAURANT FOR A DELICIOUS MEAL. OVER 20 IN ATTENDANCE.



### NOTES

#### BIRTHDAYS:

RICHARD BARSKY 9/6

BRENDA DALY 9/9

MARYANNE CAGE 9/9

KRIS GEDDINGS 9/11

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

NONE THIS MONTH

KEN "THE HISTORIAN" IS CLEANING OUT HIS VAST ACCUMULATION OF MEDIA AND ASSORTED JUNK. WITH NOTHING BETTER TO DO KEN COMPILED A CLUB ROSTER HISTORY GOING BACK TO 1984.

1984 TO 1999 THE MEMBERSHIP WAS AT A HIGH OF 73 MEMBERS AND A LOW OF 35 MEMBERS. 2000 TO 2008 A HIGH OF 39 AND A LOW OF 30, FOR AN AVERAGE OF 31 MEMBERS.

BASED ON THOSE YEARS, KEN FOUND THAT THE SNOWS WERE THE CHAMPS WITH MEMBERSHIP IN 12 OF THE 17 YEARS. MARLIN WAS SECOND WITH 11 YEARS, THE CHALUTS WERE THIRD WITH 10 YEARS.

WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS JIM & LYNDA ORTH. THEY RECENTLY PURCHASED A 1965 STUDEBAKER WAGONAIRE. WELCOME TO THE CLUB!

THE CLUB WISHES ALAN SNOW A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND HOPE HE IS BACK SOON!



#### 1948 CADILLAC LIMO

IN 1960 I PURCHASED A 1929 MODEL A TUDOR WITH THE HELP OF JOHNNY WHITE WHO WAS A CLUB MEMBER AND LIVED IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD. JOHN HAD A MODEL T, A AND A 1953 CADILLAC. MY ERROR WAS BUYING A \$50 MODEL A THAT NEEDED EVERYTHING. ( I STILL HAVE THE GAS TANK). HAVING LEARNED MY LESSON, I BOUGHT THIS 1948 LIMO THAT NEEDED EVERYTHING !!! IT WAS IN PALM VALLEY BEHIND A LARGE PILE OF SAND. I JACKED IT UP AND PUSHED IT OVER A FOOT AT TIME UNTIL I CLEARED THE SAND PILE. TOWED IT HOME FREED UP THE ENGINE IT PASSED THE EMISSIONS AND BRAKE TEST AT THE EMISSIONS TESTING. I DROVE THIS STICK SHIFT BEAUTY FOR SEVERAL YEARS "AS IS"

ALWAYS A HIT AT CAR SHOWS. THIS IS THE CAR I HAD WHEN I JOINED THE CLUB IN 1958. I THEN PURCHASED A 1948 CADDY CONV....BUT THAT IS ANOTHER STORY....

ELLIS AND NANCY SEEM TO HAVE THE RECORD OF HAVING OWNED 74 CARS THRU THE YEARS PRIOR TO PARING IT DOWN TO THE 1950 MERCURY CRUISER AND 1929 MODEL A.