



GAS BUGGY GOSSIP



NORTH FLORIDA REGION AACA, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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XMAS PARTY STARTS 11 AM

Holiday Inn and Suites Orange Park, 620 Wells Rd, Orange Park, FL

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50/50

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AGENDA FOR PARTY: CLUB VOLUNTEERS WILL BRING DESERT** IF A XMAS MIRACLE OCCURS I.E. NO RAIN, DRIVE YOUR COLLECTOR CAR ** THOSE WHO WISH, MAY DONATE DOOR PRIZES WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED USING THE 50/50 TICKETS** A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING WILL OCCUR AFTER DESSERT**A PRESENTATION BY BILL ROGERS** CLUB BOARD WILL HOLD A SHORT MEETING WITH CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS.....



HIGHLIGHTS OF CLUB HISTORY: CLUB WAS FORMED AS A CHAPTER OF TAMPA REGION ON FEB. 16 1966 **PRESIDENTS: CLYDE DAVIS 6 YRS; CARL BOWLES 3 YRS; RAY HUPPEE 5 YRS; BOB TOWERS 2 YRS **CLUB BECAME A REGION UNDER CARL BOWLES IN 1974**FIRST CAR SHOW HELD AT WOLFSON PARK IN 1974 WITH 79 CARS **FIRST NEWSLETTER JAN. 1975** MEETINGS WERE HELD AROUND TOWN; WW GAY, BAYMEADOWS APTS, LONDONTOWNE APTS, AND FLA TIMES UNION AUDITORIUM.

***1979 CLUB ROSTER SHOWED A MEMBERSHIP OF 96 MEMBERS !!! ***

BIRTHDAYS: IN MEMORIAM MARLIN CRIDER 12/7
JIM McCRORY 12/23
JUDY McCRORY 12/27

ANNIVERSARIES: THE BARSKYS 12/4
THE ONSAGERS 12/18

CONGRATULATIONS *PEACE ON EARTH AND GOOD WILL TO ALL OF US**

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY HEALTHY NEW YEAR !!!

CALL TO ORDER: Ken Lawson

PLEDGE: Jerry Johnson

MINUTES for October Meeting, Published in Newsletter. Motion: Jim Orth, 2nd Rob Daly.
All in Favor

TREASURER'S REPORT: Woody provided copies to everyone. Balance Oct 1st
\$4456.22.

DONATIONS: Roadheaver \$100.00, Cecil Pines Car Show \$200.00 (Cancer Society)

November 1st balance \$4340.80. We should end the year with approximately \$3500.00.

We increased the 2024 proposed budget to \$600.00 for club outings. Motion: by Erling On-
sager, 2nd Gerry Geddings. Budget approved. Woody recommended we increase this year's
budget for outings to \$1250.00. Motion: Gerry Geddings, 2nd Jim Orth. All in favor.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Dec 16, 11:00 - 3:00. Club will subsidize 17.50 per person. Members
pay \$15.00. We are expecting a great turn-out and enjoyable time.

ATTENDANCE: 28 - Witzzaks', Sandy Wintz, Karol Daniel, Lawsons', Dee Scott, Wagner's',
Jim Orth, Chris Conover, Rogers', Bill Gillespie, Daly's', Bendettis', Johnsons', David Pinter,
Onsagers', Geddings', Pat Schudel, Rick Wyman,
(Guest) Wayne Hodges

ELECTION OF OFFICERS (2024) - Motion by Woody to retain our 2023 Slate of officers.
Motion: Chris Conover, 2nd Gerry Geddings. All in Favor.

President, Ken Lawson, VP, Richard Wagner, Secretary, Joan Wagner, Treasurer, Woody Witc-
zak, Webmaster, Rob Daly, Editor, Richard Bendetti.

BIRTHDAYS: Karol Daniel, Nov 3, Jim Orth, Nov 5, Pat Schudel, Nov 26.

ANNIVERSARIES, Woody & Maryann , Nov 21, (55 Yrs)

SICK : Joan Wagner having Shoulder replacement Dec 4. Richard Bendetti will handle duties
of Secretary during recovery.

NEW BUSINESS: (EVENTS)

CECIL PINES: NOV 11TH

PONTE VEDRA CAR SHOW NOV 12

MOULTRIE NOV 17-19

CHRISTMAS PARTY - DEC 16TH 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Social hour 11-12)

Lunch Served 12-1 (Desserts provided by club members.)

CAR STORY - Wayne Hodges (Guest). He was surprised with a Corvair Monza Spider for his
70th Birthday.

50/50 \$70.00 - 38.50 to Rick Wyman

No further business.

Submitted by Joan Wagner, Secretary 11/28/23

CECIL PINES SHOW NOVEMBER 11, 2023: SEVEN AACA CARS AND TWO CHEVY CARS MET AT ADVANCE AUTO AND PROCEEDED TO THE VENUE, WE WERE MET BY TWO MORE AACA CARS. IN ALL, WE HAD NINE

CLUB CARS AT THE EVENT **WAGNERS CHEV SSR; SCOTTS 71 BUICK RIVIERA; BENDETTIS 61 RAMBLER CONV; DALYS 63 DODGE CONV; GILLESPIES 37 BUICK; LAWSONS 62 STUDE PICK UP; ONSAGERS 64 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL CONV.; SCHUDELS 63 STUDE GT HAWK; AND WINTZS 78 DODGE LIL RED WAGON.

WE ALL ENJOYED VISITING WITH OTHER CAR OWNERS AND CAR CLUBS** AT NOON, THE MODEL A CLUB AND OUR CLUB PRESENTED OUR ANNUAL GIFT TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY** AS USUAL, A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL....THE BEST SHOW OF THE YEAR!!!



WOODYISMS

November is in the rearview mirror, and we are looking at December through the windshield. December ushers in the winter holidays Christmas, Kwanza, Chanukah and New Years Eve. It is also a time when families gather in the warmth of their homes. Throughout the month, our thoughts and actions turn toward charity and peace. During this twelfth and final month of the year, we experience a flurry of activity both in the business world and our personal lives. Sales, shopping, family gatherings, school holidays, baking, and seasonal changes remind us of the past while we look to our futures.

The name December comes from the Latin word '*decem*' meaning ten. On the Roman Calendar, December was the 10th month. However, Numa Pompilius adjusted the calendar when January and February were added. December became the twelfth month, and the calendar more accurately reflected the length of a year on Earth.

In December, the winter solstice tips the Northern hemisphere its furthest distance from the sun. Through most of the month, we lose about 2 minutes of sunlight per day until the winter solstice on December 21st. The winter solstice marks the start of winter and the day with the shortest amount of daylight. However, from that day forward, the amount of daylight will slowly increase. The days may not be warmer, but the Earth is tilting on its axis back toward the sun.

Let's look at the Cash Flow Statement for November. Our income took a dramatic rise due to 2024 Dues payments and the collection of payments for the December Christmas party. The \$390.00 collected for the Christmas party this month with the previous amount collected totals \$495.00 and the club will add in \$569.25 to pay for the Holiday Inn gathering on December 16th. We have one check outstanding to the American Cancer Society (Cecil Pines) for \$200.00. As of the December 1st we have \$4,724.30 available funds in our bank account.

A review of our Budget versus Actuals report shows a positive variance for income, and this is due to the collection of Tallahassee Museum fees and the Christmas party payments. Excluding these we have a positive variance of about \$150.00 in income at the end of November. Although the report indicates a positive variance of \$600 for Income-Expense this month, next month we will have a payment of \$110.00 to AACA for Liability Insurance and \$1,064.25 for the Christmas party we will wind up with a negative variance of approximately \$500.00 as we close out the year. Our bank balance will be approximately \$3,600.00. There may be some minor variation depending on any donations and 2024 dues collected before the end of the year. Which brings me to the comment that if you haven't paid your 2024 dues take a minute to write a check for \$20.00 made out to NE FL Region AACA and send it to me at 230 Range Crescent Ct., Fleming Island, FL, 32003.

I have attached a copy of the club roster for your information and review. It includes Wayne Hodges who joined us at the November meeting. Please take a few minutes to review your own information and let me know if it is correct. I must publish a 2024 roster to send to AACA in January, so I'd like to have the roster information updated and corrected.

I want to wish you all the best during this holiday season and may you enjoy the blessings of good health and family thorough out the New Year.

With warm regards,

Woody