



GAS BUGGY GOSSIP



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February 9th at 11:00 AM at Don Juan's Restaurant, 12373 an Jose Blvd,
LUNCH MEETING

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JANUARY LUNCH MEETING AT BOB EVANS

IN ATTENDANCE: THE WITCZAKS; THE ROGERS; THE DALYS; THE McCRORYS; THE BENDETTIS; THE EASLEYS; THE BRESLINS; ERLING ONSAGER; DEE SCOTT; GERRY GEDDINGS; PAT SCHUDEL; RICHARD WAGNER; BILL GILLESPIE; KAREL DANIEL; STEPHANIE FORQUER; CHRIS PARKER; LARRY BRYANTON; KEN LAWSON; JIM ORTH; GUEST: JOYCE HERNANDEZ

50/50 WINNER: DEE SCOTT WINS \$25.50 !!!

MINUTES: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY BILL GILLESPIEKEN LAWSON GREETES THE RECORD CROWD. KEN MENTIONS THAT THE DECEMBER PARTY AT SANTIONIS WAS NOT CONDUSIVE TO SOCIALIZING AS WE HAD TO SHARE THE ROOM WITH OTHER GROUPS.. WE PROCEEDED TO TAKE RICHARD WAGNERS "TESTS" ONE HAD TO DUE WITH "NUTS AND BOLTS" AND OTHER CAR PARTS. THE SECOND WAS IDENTIFYING AUTOS BY THEIR LOGOS.. WINNER TOOK HOME A FRUITCAKE.

WOODY GAVE TREAUERS REPORT MENTIONED THAT WE ARE DOWN A FEW MEMBERS BUT INCREASED ATTENDANCE AT LAST FEW MEETINGS HAVE HELPED OUR BUDGET. PLEASE SEE HIS SUMMARY ON THIS NEWSLETTERS LAST PAGE. MINUTES ACCEPTED BY KEN, SECONDED BY WOODY.

MEMBERS BILL AND SHERYL ROGERS ATTENDED THIS MEETING. BILL SPOKE OF HIS CAR COLLECTION WHICH WAS INSPIRED BY HIS DAD WHO HAD A 1928 HUPMOBILE AND A 1931 MODEL A TUDOR (STILL OWNED BY BILL) IT WAS HIS XMAS PRESENT...THE CATCH WAS THAT HE HAD TO GET IT RUNNING! OTHER CARS; 1911 MODEL T TOURING, 1924 WILLYS-KNIGHT TOURING; ;AND A 1940 CHRYSLER C25 4 DOOR SEDAN....THANKS BILL. A VERY ENTERTAINING TALK. !!!

BIRTHDAYS:

HILARY BECKER 2/22 SANDY WINTZ 2/24

ANNIVERSARIES:

KEN AND CAROL LAWSON 2/22

SEAFOOD & STEAK

"Taste will Tell at Corky Bell's"

Charles "Corky" Bell has been serving generations of hungry North Floridians perfectly delectable crispy fried, broiled, blackened, or grilled fish and shellfish since he opened his first restaurant at Pacetti's on the Trout Creek in 1979. Since opening Corky Bell's in Palatka with his wife Betty, he has created an array of specialty dishes from Garlic Shrimp Scampi, Creamy Seafood Alfredo's, Corky's

ROAD TRIP TO CORKY BELL'S EAST PALATKA FEB 21

WE WILL MEET AT COVE PLAZA JUST SOUTH OF GREEN COVE AND JUST BELOW THE SHANDS BRIDGE (HWY 16) MEET STARTING AT 10 A.M. DEPART AT 10:20 .COVE PLAZA IS ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HWY 17 JUST PAST THE SHANDS BRIDGE TRAFFIC LIGHT. BRING YOUR OLD CAR OR YOUR NEW CAR....JUST COME....CHRIS PARKER WILL LEAD ONE GROUP ON HWY 16, KEN LAWSON WILL LEAD THE OTHER GROUP DOWN 17....

BELOW LEFT KEN PRESENTS THE " **ROAD CHAMPS** " THEIR GIFT CARDS . EACH HAVING DRIVEN 2700 MILES TO ATTEND DIFFERENT CAR SHOWS.. CONGRATS DEE AND PAT !!!

BELOW RIGHT ARE MEMBERS ENJOYING FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP AT OUR JANUARY LUNCH AT BOB EVANS RESTAURANT.



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO YOU AND YOURS !!!!

WOODYISMS

January is in the rearview mirror and we're looking at February, It might be the shortest month of the year, but there are still several important holidays and observances. We get to enjoy the spectacle and fun behind Punxsutawney Phil's hypothesis on how long winter will last on Groundhog Day, which falls on February 2. Yes, fun fact, the see-his-shadow-or-not concept stems from Germany and the holiday, Candlemas. Early European Christians believed that if the sun came out on Candlemas (also February 2), winter would last for another six weeks.

Valentine's Day is on February 14, of course, so you can look forward to celebrating all forms of love through cards, Valentine's Day gifts, and delicious treats. There's also the unofficial holiday of Galentine's Day on February 13. For the uninitiated, February 13 is designated as a day to celebrate female friendship and platonic love shared between gal pals — fittingly called Galentine's Day. Other notable February holidays include Presidents Day (February 17) National Holiday, Abraham Lincoln's birthday (February 12), and George Washington's birthday (February 22). Mardi Gras falls on February 21 this year, though the celebrations begin as early as January.

A relatively new National Day celebration is Random Acts of Kindness Day on February 17. Do something nice for someone on that day

As for **monthly observances**, February is Black History Month where we celebrate, honor, reflect, on the contributions of Black Americans throughout history and today. February is also American Heart Month, making it a great opportunity to focus on your heart health by cooking heart-healthy recipes and taking note of these potentially life-saving facts about your ticker.

Let's take a look at our Cash Flow Summary for January. We had a large turnout for the January meeting at Bob Evan Restaurant. As a result we had a large 50'50 pot of \$51.00 which was split with Dee Scott who had the winning ticket which along with dues collected, donations and name tag reimbursements totaled income of \$138.50 Our expenses were payment of \$25,00 to First Coast Car Council for our 2023 dues to that organization, \$41.84 for purchase of Name tags for members a portion of which was reimbursed as income and \$61.25 for the filing of our 2023 Corporate Report. At the beginning of February we have available funds of \$,125.52. This early in the year the Budget versus actuals it is difficult to comment on any trends. Our income Actuals look reasonable based on Budget projections and expenses so far are those that were budgeted. The expenses for name tags are a wash since we pay for the name tags and then are reimbursed by the members who have ordered them. So at this point Budget versus actuals there are no significant variances or issues.