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NORTH FLORIDA REGION AACA, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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March 9th at 11:00 AM at Joseph's Pizza, 7316 N Main St.
LUNCH MEETING

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ACTIVITY/SUNSHINE

KRIS GEDDINGS

50/50

WOODY WITCZAK
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AACA MINUTES – FEBRUARY 9, 2023 – DON JUANS

Meeting called to order – Ken Lawson
Pledge – Bill Gillespie

Minutes as published in Newsletter – Woody Moved to Accept, Ken L. Seconded. - All in favor to accept.

Treasurers Report by Woody, Richard Bendetti moved to Accept, Ken Lawson Seconded. All in favor to accept. (Copies of report were given to all.)

Attendance: 24 - We set a record attendance for 2022, Averaging 16.
Those Attending were as follows: The Witzak's, Lawsons', Dee Scott, Bill Gillespie, the Daly's, Dan Lyman, Karel Daniel, Kris Geddings, The Rogers', Easleys', Wagners', Bendetti's, Christopher Parker, & Stephanie Forquer...
Guests: Linda Miller & George Michael.
New Member: Dan Lyman (Friend of Marlin Crider)

Birthdays: Hillary Becker 22nd, Sandy Wintz 24th
Anniversaries: Ken & Carol 22nd – 49 Years

Events: Feb 11, St Augustine Menendez School & Westside Baptist Church
Feb 21st, Tues, Caravan to Corky Bells, Palatka
March 4th, Azalea festival, Palatka
April 15, Spring Cruising to theCreek

New project: to have a yearly planner with pictures of our cars...
Gerry Geddings has offered to paint pictures of members cars, while recovering from hip surgery. Send pictures 3/4 view of all 4 sides...see next page for info.

Car Story – Bill Gillespie (update on his Packard)
50/50 \$56.00 - \$28. To Janice Bendetti

No Further business, meeting adjourned.

ROAD TRIP TO CORKY BELL'S EAST PALATKA FEB 21

OUR FIRST ROAD TRIP OF THE YEAR WAS A SUCCESS WITH 19 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE. WE MET AT BUDDY BOYS C STORE SOUTH OF THE SHANDS BRIDGE ON SR13. LED BY CHRIS PARKER OFF WE WENT AT 10:15. NOT WITHOUT DRAMA AS GUEST NOEL DANA'S 41 BUICK MANAGED TO STALL OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF SR13 NARROWLY AVOIDING A COLLISION WITH AN ONCOMING TRUCK !!! LITTLE DID WE KNOW THAT WE LEFT #1 MAN KEN LAWSON AND DEE SCOTT IN OUR DUST...(KEN WASS HELPING DEE START HER CAR)

WE HAD A BEAUTIFUL DRIVE DOWN 13 INTO EAST PALATKA, ARRIVING AT 11:15. THEY WERE ALMOST FULL BY THEN. FORTUNATELY THEY HAVE A "CONFERENCE ROOM" AVAILABLE TO PARTIES OF 15 OR MORE..WE HAD 19 AND WERE SEATED IMMEDIATELY !!!

LEAD PROWLER, CHRIS AND STEPHANIE; 37 BUICK, THE GILLESPIES; PORCHE, DAVID PINTER; RAMBLER AMERICAN, THE BENDETTIS; SL MERCEDES, THE WITCZAKS; 41 BUICK, NOEL DANA AND FRIEND; STUDEBAKER HAWK, PAT SCHUDEL; 71 BUICK RIVIERA, DEE SCOTT; 53 PACK-ARD; THE LAWSONS..ALSO ATTENDING WERE KAREL DANIEL AND HER SISTER LINDA.....JON AND MARY VANNATA MET US AT CORKY BELLS.

GOOD FOOD AND GREAT TIMES WERE HAD BY ALL WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BILL GILLESPIE WHO CONDUCTED A POST LUNCH SESSION ON HOW TO CHANGE A BIG TIRE USING A LITTLE JACK !!!

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

IN MEMORIAM... JOEL DANIEL

MARCH 17

Want your car painted?

No, I'm not Earl Sheib. I am very limited in getting around for the next three months and I am a part time artist. I thought I would take this time to paint some interesting old cars. If you would like to see your car immortalized just send me some photos. I MAY create a painting of your favorite car and if you like it I MAY make it available to be purchased. (The painting, not the car) In any case, you have nothing to lose. If you are at all interested, simply send me several photos of your car and I will add it to my list to be painted. If I complete a painting featuring your car I will let you know and make if available if you are interested.

Send info to my email address gerry@geddings.net

Thanks

Gerry Geddings



BILL AND RICHARD RASSLING WITH THE TIRE, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE LUXURIOUS "PRAYER" RUG..PRAY FOR SUCCESS...

WOODYISMS

February is in the rearview mirror and March is ahead as we gaze through the windshield. March is one of the months that have no official Federal holidays, but there are certainly several days that we recognize events or activities. I've listed a few of the many celebrations that take place during March:

- March 12th at 2:00 AM Daylight Savings Time begins. It was started to provide workers with more hours of daylight during the summertime. It also aimed to save energy. Daylight Savings Time was first introduced in 1918 in the U.S. It was not until the Uniform Act of 1966 that states had to either observe Daylight Savings Time or pass laws to abstain from it. It is observed annually in the beginning of March.

- March 14th Pi Day. This day is set aside to celebrate the mathematical constant π (pi), **3.141592653...** Pi is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. The circumference of a circle is defined as its arc length while the diameter is defined as the longest chord of the circle. Pi is a special number due to its infinite and pattern-less nature. This means that the digits after the decimal point never repeat themselves in a specific pattern. Pi Day was established in 1988 by Physicist Larry Shaw. Shaw was an employee at the San Francisco Exploratorium where the first Pi Day was held. It took place on March 14th (3/14), given that the first digits of Pi are 3.14. On March 12, 2009, the U.S House of Representatives recognized March 14 as National Pi Day.

March 17th St. Patrick's Day is a celebration of Irish pride and heritage. Saint Patrick was a British-born priest and former slave. He is known for converting the Irish to Christianity. He died on March 17, 461 C.E and was mostly forgotten. As time passed, stories started to spread around St. Patrick and centuries later, he was honored with the title of Patron Saint of Ireland.

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated annually on March 17th. Big parties and celebrations have become increasingly popular all over the world. Some themes include shamrocks, leprechauns, and lots of green both in clothing and beer.

March 20th The beginning of Spring in the US (Northern Hemisphere) It traditionally marks the end of winter and the beginning of Spring which signifies longer days and warmer temperatures. The first day of Spring is also known as the vernal equinox. This marks the day that the sun's path is directly over the equator. This day also contains an equal amount of daytime and nighttime.

Spring occurs annually either on March 19th or March 20th.

March 29 Vietnam War Veterans Day designated to thank and honor United States Vietnam veterans and their families.

This day acknowledges their service and sacrifices. It also recognizes those men and women who were denied a proper welcome when they returned home decades ago. According to uswardogs.org, more than 2.7 million Americans served in Vietnam.

The first Vietnam Veterans Day was in 1974, a year after the last troops were withdrawn from Vietnam. The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act, signed into law in 2017, designates every March 29th as Vietnam War Veterans Day.