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LUNCH MEETING THURSDAY 12/10 AT 11:00 A.M. WICKED BARLEY 4100 Baymeadows Road Jacksonville, FL 32217 DON'T BE SQUARE....SEE YOU ALL THERE !!!!!

WE WILL CELEBRATE MARLIN'S DEC.7 th. 100 YEAR YOUNG BIRTH-DAY AT THE WICKED BARLEY ON DEC.10. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. 10 DAY FORECAST SHOWS A SUNNY DAY WITH A HIGH OF 68... WE DINE OUTSIDE. WOODY'S SURVEY: 9 TO 15 ATTENDING. MARLIN HAD A DAN SCANLAN PROFILE IN THE TIMES-UNION WHICH WOODY FOWARDED TO MEMBERSHIP... (DID YOU READ YOUR EMAILS?) WICKED BARLEY NOW OPENS AT 11A.M. THERE IS AN OUTSIDE ENTRANCE TO THE LEFT....



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KRIS GEDDINGS

50/50

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CECIL IN THE PINES SHOW NOVEMBER 14

ATTENDING: MATRLIN AND LINDA CRIDER, KEN LAWSON, RICHARD BENDETTI, JOHN GINAKES, DEE SWCOTT, JOEL DANIEL, RICHARD WAGNER, PAT SCHUDEL, ERLING ONSAGER, SANDY WINTZ.S DAUGHTER JULIE WITH THEIR 66 DODGE.

A BEAUTIFUL DAY WITH ABOUT 1/2 THE PARTICIPATION OF PREVIOUS YEARS. MARLIN WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS BIRTHDAY AS WELL AS 18 YEAR ATTENDANCE AT THIS SHOW. AS MENTIONED, DAN SCANLAN WAS ON HAND TO RECORD THE EVENT.

SEVEN OF OUR MEMBER WERE AWARDED DOOR PRIZES THAT WERE QUITE NICE. !!!





LUNCH MEETING AT WICKED BARLEY NOVEMBER 12

14 HALE AND HEARTY SOULS ATTENDED...
THE WITCZAKS, THE LAWSONS, THE DANIELS,
THE BENDETTIS, THE DALYS, BILL GILLESPIE,
ELINOR SNOW, HILARY BECKER, DEE SCOTT...

KEN CHAIRED THE MEETING, DISCUSSED UP-COMING CECIL PINES SHOW AS WELL AS CANE GRINDING EVENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PALATKA GROUP. WE HAD 11 CARS GOING TO CECIL AND 5 CARS TO PENNEY FARM AREA FOR CANE GRINDING AND LUNCH BUFFET.



WOODY DISCUSSED BUDGET. TO MAINTAIN OUR BANK STATUS WE VOTED TO LIMIT DONATIONS TO \$300 PER YEAR. WE ELIMINATED THE ATTENDANCE REWARD BUT MAINTAINED THE 50/50. WE VOTED A DONATION IN ALAN SNOWS MEMORY TO THE AACA. WE WILL HAVE A BALANCED BUDGET FOR 2021 DUE TO THESE CHANGES.



50/50 AWARD OF \$21 TO......JANICE BENDETTI!!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS:

MARLIN CRIDER DEC. 7

NANCY ULRICH DEC. 10 (WE WISH NANCY A SPEEDY RECOVERY)

ANNIVERSARIES:

RICHARD AND CAROL BARSKY DEC. 4

ERLING AND SANDY ONSAGER DEC. 18

LOOKING OUT THE WINDSHEILD AND NOT THE REAR VIEW MIRROR....

AS MEMBERS KNOW, WE HAVE LOCKED IN TO THE WICKED BARLEY TO TRY AND ESTABLISH A SENSE OF NORMALCY. IT IS OUTSIDE, THE BENCHES ARE OK. THE FOOD IS JUST OK. BUT IT ALLOWS US TO HAVE MEETINGS. PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND... I AM YOUR EDITOR... I COULD USE A FEW REPORTERS AND STORY TELLERS.

WE HAD THE PONTE VEDRA SHOW. KEN MENTIONED THAT HE ATTENDED AND THAT IT DID NOT SEEM WELL ORGANIZED...DID ANY ONE ELSE ATTEND?

I COULD USE SOME CAR STORY SUBMISSIONS, WHERE DID YOU FIND YOUR CAR, HOW DID YOU GET IT HOME? YOUR FAVORITE FIRST AUTO, LIKE MARLIN, DO YOU STILL OWN IT??? KEEP THOSE CARDS AND LETTERS COMING!!!!!



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It's Membership Renewal Time

This is our busiest time of year here at AACA Headquarters - it's membership renewal time! Membership renewals come pouring in every day through the mail, online and on the phone. If we receive any new membership applications from here on, they will be processed for the 2021 membership year.

REMINDER: If your region or chapter collects yearly National AACA dues and sends one bulk payment to us, please get that in as soon as you can so all of your members' memberships can be processed before the end of the year. You can use this easy reporting form.

Also, as a reminder, make sure your newsletters and your website have the correct National dues fee of \$45 for U.S. members and \$50 for non-U.S. members.

Click here for the 2021 National Membership Application.

WOODYISMS

Hurricane season and the beginning of the holiday period leading up to the NEW YEAR that hopefully will see us return to some sense of normalcy.

December ahead of us is the twelfth and final month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Before January and February were added, it acted as the tenth and final month. This explains its name, which comes from the Latin decem, meaning "ten".

In the Northern Hemisphere, December signals the full emergence of the <u>cold winter season</u>. Of course, here in Florida it means we may have to wear long trousers and long-sleeved shirts for a few days. December 21st is the Winter Solstice the day with the shortest period of daylight. Christmas Eve and Christmas follow right after. Usually these holidays are a time filled with <u>holidays and parties</u>, when people get together with family and friends and celebrate all that they were blessed with throughout the past year. This year we will have to forego these gatherings and look forward to sharing the holidays with family and friends next year.

December is also a time to make realistic new year's resolutions. Instead of focusing on the drab aspects of the past year and the pandemic, focus on the opportunity to relax, and make plans for the new year where you'll be able to meet with friends and family.

CANE GRINDING 11/10 AT ELROD ACRES

HEARTY SOULS AGAIN!!! THE LAWSONS, THE DALYS, JOEL DANIEL, RICHARD BENDETTI, PAT SCHUDEL, DEE SCOTT, BRAVED RAINY MORNING DRIVING TO PENNEY FARMS FOR THIS EVENT. ENDED UP A NICE DAY WITH A HUGE BUFFET LUNCH AS WELL A CANE SYRUP BEING AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. THIS APPEARS TO BE AN ANNUAL NEIGHBERHOOD EVENT WITH OUR CAR CLUBS IN ATTENDANCE. PHOTOS AND STORY ON NEXT PAGE

A BEAUTIFULL DAY FOR CANE-GRINDING

The morning of November 21 started out rainy and cool but a few intrepid club members made their way to Penney Farms to the Elrod Acres farm for their annual cane grinding. As we arrived, things were just getting started. The cane juice was already in the large vat cooking into the syrup. They had pressed the cane stalks the day before due to the weather. We started out with 4 club cars: the Hall's Corvette, the Kash's Pontiac, the Cox's 56 Ford, and the McLean's Chevelle. Soon, we were joined by 6 cars from the Jacksonville region and 2 from the Model-A club. By the afternoon, the sun came out and it was a pleasant but cool day. This is always a very relaxing and interesting outing. We enjoyed a bountiful lunch, good music, and a great time of visiting with friends, old and new in a farm setting. It was a very good day!

By: Clara Cox



Squeezing the sugar cane.



Cooking the squeezings into syrup, an all day process.



Studebaker and Riviera from the Jacksonville club.



Very unusual to see a Studebaker pick-up.



Bob's '56 Ford doesn't get out of the garage often.



Two very nice Model A's from Jacksonville.