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Lunch meeting on 11/14/21..Exit 95 at Baymeadows, head East to where Old and New Baymeadows split, look for the sign below in front of the strip mall. It is on the left. On Southside, head West on Old Baymeadows, mall is on the right.**LUNCH AT 11 A.M.**

SEPTEMBER LUNCH MEETING AT ATHENIAN OWL

IN ATTENDANCE:

THE BENDETTIS; THE LAWSONS; THE MCCRORYS; THE WAGNERS; LARRY BRYANTON; PAT SCHUDEL; ELINOR SNOW; BRENDA DALY; BILL GILLESPIE.

WE SEEM TO HAVE ADOPTED THE OWL AS A GOOD PLACE TO HAVE A LUNCH MEETING. WE HAVE A SPACIOUS PRIVATE ROOM, THE MENU IS VARIED, PRICING IS REASONABLE AND WE HAVE GOOD AND FRIENDLY SERVICE. WE ARE NOT UNDER ANY PRESSURE TO LEAVE AFTER LUNCH WHICH ALLOWS TIME FOR ADDITIONAL BANTER AND FELLOWSHIP.

RICHARD BENDETTI HAD A SHOW AND TELL OF AN OLD LEMON PRESS WHICH I CLAIMED TO BE A WHEEL BEARING GREASE PACKER...HA HA...PAT SCHUDEL HAD A RECREATION OF AN OLD DEALERSHIP DECAL THAT HAD BEEN MODIFIED TO FEATURE SCHUDEL AS THE NAME OF THE DEALERSHIP.

PREZ KEN SPOKE OF THE UPCOMING CRUSIN TO CREEK SHOW. IT APPEARS WE WILL HAVE 6 OR 7 MEMBERS GOING TO THE SHOW. KEN CONTINUES TO SPEAK OF THE PDQ CRUISE IN HOPING TO GIN UP MEMBER INTEREST. HE WAS ALSO ABLE TO ANNOUNCE THAT CECIL IN THE PINES CARS SHOW WILL RETURN IN NOVEMBER. I HAVE ATTACHED INFO ON THIS SHOW AND THE FERNANDINA SHOW IN THIS ISSUE.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CAROL BARSKY 10/04 ERLING ONSAGER 10/10

PHILLIP MCDOWELL 10/23 JOAN WAGNER 10/30

ANNIVERSARIES

(IN MEMORIAM) ALAN AND ELINOR SNOW 10/10

AACA INFO FROM SPEEDSTER NEWSLETTER

Pandemic-Related Issues Cause Antique Automobile to be Late

As many of you are aware, the pandemic has wreaked havoc on many businesses causing both staffing shortages and supply issues. The company that publishes our magazine, *Antique Automobile*, has been experiencing both of these issues in recent months. Our July/August issue was about two weeks late because of this and, unfortunately, the September/October issue has been affected as well. As you are reading this, the September/October magazine is finally in the mail. We are very sorry for this inconvenience. In the meantime, if you need your *Antique Automobile* fix before your printed issue arrives, simply use your member number and PIN to login here to review the digital version now.

It's Time to Renew Your AACA Membership By Karen White, AACA Membership Department, kwhite@aaca.org

As most of you know, your AACA membership runs for a calendar year -- January 1 through December 31. From about mid-September through the end of the year, AACA Headquarters gets a little crazy with membership renewal phone calls and mail. It's not uncommon for us to receive several hundred renewals in a day. Even though it's our busiest time of the year, making sure we get our 55,000+ members renewed is always our top priority. A renewal form was included with your September/October issue of *Antique Automobile* magazine. Simply fill out the form and send it back to the office with a check or credit card information. If you're going to be at Hershey, you can also stop by the AACA trailer, tent or any of the special membership stands and renew your membership in person with us. We look forward to seeing or hearing from all of you very soon!

EXAMPLE OF A CAR STORY THAT MEMBERS COULD SUBMIT THIS WAS FROM A 2015 GAS BUGGY GOSSIP THE BECKERS NO LONGER HAVE THIS CAR.....

The Search for a new Antique Car

By Hilary Becker

They say that "everything happens for a reason" I don't know who they are but that's what they say".

Mark and I were thinking about what the next car should be. Mark wanted it to be a pre-war since we already have post-war cars. We had talked months ago about a Chrysler Airflow. We had the opportunity to see a beautiful one at The Elegance in Hershey back in June. After seeing the car and talking to the owner we were convinced that is what we wanted and that we wanted a 1934 because of the waterfall grill. We put the word out for what we were after and Mark did his nightly search on the internet trying to locate one. After many weeks we decided that the car that we wanted was not in our budget so we decided to look in another direction. A friend of ours told us about a Chrysler Highlander. We were not familiar with the car and did a lot of research to learn about it. The car was coming up for auction in July in Detroit. We were going to be in Detroit in July for the Concours of the America's and made arrangements with the auction house to evaluate the car. We arrived on a Thursday and spent the next two days evaluating. There were quite a few people interested in it as well. We set our limit as to how much we were willing to spend and on Saturday we went into the auction. The car was third from last so we were able to watch the whole auction process. The car came up for auction and immediately it was clear to us that the car was going to be bid for more than was budgeted. When it was over we looked at each other and neither one of us was upset. It was a nice car but it wasn't "the" car.

We get back from Detroit and the first night back Mark restarts his internet Airflow search. The first listing that comes up is a Chrysler Airflow and where is it? Jacksonville, Florida. Mark made some phone calls and went to look at the car. He decided that it was "the one" and purchased it. The car had been in Jacksonville for the past eleven years and we have no recollection of ever seeing it. We found out that the previous owner had passed away about 18 months ago and his family decided to sell it. How nice to find a car that we could drive home.

The car is a 1934 Chrysler Airflow that was built in Canada. Only 445 Canadian built Chrysler Airflows were produced. It is actually a DeSoto body and running gear with Chrysler trim on it. This makes it the only six cylinder Chrysler Airflow. It is only one of three known to exist and the other two are not in the United States.

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September is in the rearview mirror and we're looking at October thru the windshield. October is the second to the last month of the Atlantic hurricane season and it can't end too soon with the destruction these storms have wracked across the country this year. October has only one official holiday, Columbus Day. Columbus Day is the celebration of Christopher Columbus' discovery of the Americas on October 12, 1492. Christopher Columbus was an Italian-born explorer who discovered the Americas for the Spanish King in 1492. King Ferdinand of Spain sponsored the expedition west in the hopes of sailing to India. In August of 1492, Columbus set off into the Atlantic with three ships, the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. Two months later he would set foot on the Bahamas and establish settlements on Hispaniola Island, now Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Upon his return to Spain, he spoke of gold in the New World and with the thought of large deposits of gold, the Americas became targets for European colonization.

In 1937, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared October 12th every year as Columbus Day. In the US, Columbus Day is celebrated by all US states except for Hawaii, South Dakota, and Alaska. In order to provide a three day holiday Columbus Day is now celebrated on the second Monday of October. This year that is October 11th.

In place of Columbus Day, many regions and organizations in the US recognize the holiday as Indigenous Peoples Day and use the holiday to highlight the history of Indigenous peoples in the US, their ongoing presence, and the continuing impact of colonialism in their communities.

We complete the month of October with the unofficial holiday celebration of Halloween. Halloween, also called All Hallow's Eve, occurs on the eve of the Western Christian celebration of All Hallow's or All Saints Day - a day set aside to honor all the Saints of Christendom. Halloween is also a popular celebration with ties to the Celtic festival of Samhain, a celebration of the end of the harvest. The name Halloween comes from the longer name 'All Hallow's Eve'. This is a popular holiday for young and old and involves dressing up in costumes, harvest parties, and 'trick or treating'. It is celebrated every year on the 31st of October. There is a movement to change the day for 'trick or treating'. National Trick or Treat Day began as a movement led by the Halloween & Costume Association to change Halloween's date from October 31st to the last Saturday of October. The Association argued that it would be safer and more enjoyable for kids to go Trick or Treat on a Saturday rather than on a week day. The leaders of the movement stated that the lack of time and supervision when Halloween occurs on a week day increases the number of kids injured. The movement circulated a petition, picking up over 120,000 signatures to designate a 'trick or treat' day. In 2019, the organization created the National Trick or Treat day on the last Saturday of October.



September 8, 2021

Jon Vanatta 1881 Osprey Bluff Orange Park, FL 32003

Dear Jon.

Greetings from everyone at Cecil Pines. We hope you made it through the summer safe and healthy and enjoyed your Labor Day holiday. We are writing to invite you to the 19th Annual Cecil Pines Antique Car Show and Open House. As always, it will be on the second Saturday in November, this year the 13th, from 10AM – 2PM. The hope when we had the show last year was that Covid would be a memory by now. As we all know some things have gotten better, some worse, and some have stayed the same. So although we will once again have our show this year it will remain the compact version. We will have soft drinks, sno-cones, popcorn, and boiled peanuts for everyone to enjoy. Music will still fill the air and hopefully some of you will come out and bring your cars to show off to all of us that love to see them each year! Last year even though the show was not the grand show we normally have, we were proud to have collected \$1635.14. Thanks so much to all that attended and gave so generously. Even though the show was a bit smaller I do believe everyone enjoyed the beautiful day and it was nice to finally be outside and at an event! We will continue on this year with our charity, The American Cancer Society receiving all donations collected.

There will be very limited promotion this year and invitations are being sent to past attendees who are welcome to bring their friends and family. We are happy we have such a wonderful area to share where we can social distance and enough room for everyone to remain safe. We ask for those attending to wear your mask when in close contact with others. If you plan to attend give us a call or email cpurdy@frontporch.net with the number of people & number of cars you will be showing. We will ask for good contact number or email just in case something should drastically change with the status of the various Covids here in Jacksonville.

Once you arrive please sign in at the registration table and there will be a drawing for those that bring a car to show as our thank you to you. So don't forget to mark your calendars for November 13th and to contact us to reserve your spot and give the number attending. Please stay safe and healthy and hope to see you at the show!

Sincerely,

Christina Purdy General Manager



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Car Show Benefits Local Charities

For registration forms go to: www.ameliacruizers.org
For more information see our website or email us below at:

carshow@ameliacruizers.org

Pre-Registration: \$25.00 (postmarked by 10/9/2021), after this date and Day of Show: \$30.00

Vendors Minimum Sponsorship - \$100.00 Make Checks Payable to: Amelia Cruizers Mail the below to: The Amelia Cruizers, P.O. Box 15714, Fernandina Beach, FL 32035

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