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NORTH FLORIDA REGION AACA, JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

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JULY 2024 VOLUME 46 NUMBER 07
CELEBRATING 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

July 11th at 11:00 AM at Bob Evans Restaurant, 3163 Hartley Road,
Jacksonville

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AACA MINUTES ---JUNE 13, 2024 CANTINA LOUIE – SAN JOSE

CALL TO ORDER – Ken Lawson
PLEDGE – Chris Parker

MINUTES: Prepared by Joan Wagner, and published in Newsletter. Minutes for month of April were not voted on at May Meeting, due to time frame of Newsletter. Motion to accept April minutes by Rob Daley, Seconded, Richard Wagner, and approved.

Motion to accept the May minutes by Richard Wagner, Seconded by Rick Wyman, and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Prepared by Woody, read by Ken Lawson. Copies given to everyone. Income: \$68.00 (Dues \$44.00) (Donations) \$24.00. BALANCE 06/31/24 is \$3721.90. Report Accepted.

ATTENDANCE: 21

Dan Lyman, Linda Crider, Dee Scott, Ken & Carol Lawson, Gerry and Kris

Geddings, Richard and Joan Wagner, Chris Parker, Rick Wyman, George Breslin, Rob and Brenda Daly, Jim and Judy McCrory, Robert and Katherine Easley, Richard Bendetti, Dan and Pat Baxter (New Members).

SICK: Woody has been hospitalized again in Alaska with a Lung Infection. His Address is posted in Newsletter.

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MINUTES CONTINUED

BIRTHDAYS: Bob Easley, 6/7, Larry Bryanton, 6/18, Richard Bendetti 6/27.

ANNIVERSARIES: McCrorys'; Pinters'; Lymans; 6/25, Dalys' 6/26.

OLD BUSINESS:

We received 3 new members from the Cruise-Ins at Players. However, due do schedules, none have attended.

May Events: Moosehaven: There were 279 cars and 6 Club cars. Bill Gillespie made the top 25 with his 41 Packard. May 15 was the final Cruise-In at Players, 11 cars, 4 club and 7 members. Management Pulled the plug. However, it did give the Club exposure, resulting in 3 new members. May 9, Sandollar gave us great service and food as usual. We had 22 in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

We are in the process of updating our Web Site.

Check out the article in the newsletter on License Plates for the State of Florida prior to 1980.

ACTIVITIES: None Scheduled for June, July and August, due to Hot Weather.

Next Activities planned

September, Ice Cream Social Witt's, San Jose

October – Cruise to Creek

November – Cecil Pines

October 31 – Nov 3, Gainesville Regional Studebaker Meet

It's been noted we have unused Club Cars sitting Dormant and need some Care-takers to share some "love".

We discussed ways to receive more exposure as a club, by Attending The Avenues Mall Cruise in, and have club Banners. Event is 2 nd Saturday.

A warm welcome to new Members, Dan & Pat Baxter who have been members of the AACA for 50 Years. They were referred by Nancy & Ellis Ulrich.

NEXT MEETING – BOB EVANS, SAN JOSE

HISTORICAL COLLECTION: - Kris Geddings's sister has a large collection from Cape Canaveral. If anyone is interested, contact her from details.

50/50 - \$51.00 \$ 26.50 to Pat Baxter (OUR NEW MEMBER!!0

Door Prize – Bob Easley

WOODYISMS

June is in the rearview mirror and we're looking at July through the windscreen. July 4th is the only major holiday during the summer and one of the biggest BBQ and firework holidays in America. So, whether you plan on celebrating with a backyard party or by watching local fireworks show, the fourth of July has a lot of traditions.

Growing up, you may have learned *why* we do those things. We celebrate Independence Day on July 4 because that's the day the Founding Fathers signed the Declaration of Independence. However, that's not technically true.

Although the Declaration was adopted on July 4, 1776, it wasn't signed by most of the Founding Fathers until a month later.

Meanwhile, our neighbors to the north celebrate their birthday on July 1st. This holiday is appropriately called Canada Day, previously called "Dominion Day".

July has a full moon called the "Super Buck Moon" on July 21. According to the Old Farmer's Almanac, the full moon that we see in July is called the Buck Moon because the antlers of male deer (aka bucks) reach their peak growth at this time of the year. Bucks shed and regrow their antlers each year, regrowing a larger set with each passing year.

In the middle of the month, Major League Baseball holds its All-Star game. The city of Seattle, Washington hosts the game this year on July 16. Speaking of sporting events, the 2024 Olympic Games hosted by Paris France begins on July 26th this month. The long, four-year wait and countless hard hours of training are over. Great athletes from around the world come together to participate in the Summer Olympics, and 2024 is the big year. Athletes will "Go for the Gold" in a variety of sporting events. Go Team USA.

Let's look at the Cash Flow statement for June. We had income of \$26.50 from the June meeting 50/50 drawing and no recorded expenses. Our total available funds as of July 1 is \$3,748.40.

Our Budget versus Actuals report is tracking except for "Donations" under income. We are slightly behind in this line, but I anticipate that we will recover during the second half of the year.

On a personal note, I want to thank the members who have shared emails and cards of support as I struggle to overcome the lung infection and chronic blood disorder that has plagued me this Summer. **These two maladies will continue to sap my energy and because of that I have decided that I will resign as Treasurer at the end of this year.** I have enjoyed maintaining our books for the past eight years, but it is time for someone else to volunteer as Treasurer. Please consider volunteering.

Attached is an updated club roster that includes our newest club members, Dan and Pat Baxter. Please destroy any previous rosters you may have on file..

Regards, Woody

UPDATE ON WOODY SUBMITTED BY KEN LAWSON

WOODY IS IN THE HOSPITAL NOW HOPING TO BE RELEASED IN A FEW DAYS....

THE ANTIBIOTICS USED TO TREAT HIS LUNG INFECTION SHUT DOWN HIS KIDNEYS...

HIS BLOOD DISORDER HAS BEEN LABELLED AS STAGE 1 LEUKEMIA, CHRONIC NOT CURABLE....GOING FORWARD WOODY WILL EXPERIENCE WEAKNESS AND REQUIRE FREQUENT INFUSIONS AND TRANSFUSIONS...

WITH WOODY'S KIDNEYS BACK WORKING, DOCTORS WILL FOCUS AGAIN ON HIS LUNG PROBLEMS AND WILL ULTIMATELY PERFORM SURGERY ONCE THE PROBLEM IS BETTER DIAGNOSED...

HIS SPIRITS ARE GOOD, SUPPORTED BY HIS LOCAL ALASKA FAMILY. HE IS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF COMMUNICATIONS FROM OUR CLUB MEMBERS...CARDS, NOTES, EMAILS, ETC/ LET'S CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND PRAY FOR WOODY AS HE DEALS WITH HIS HEALTH ISSUES....

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUST A REMINDER OF OUR UP COMING FALL EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER 14 – 6:00 PM IS OUR 3 RD annual Ice Cream Social at Whit's San Jose.

OCTOBER 5 – 9:00 AM – 3PM Cruising to the Creek. If you need a registration form, see Richard Wagner.

NOVEMBER 9 – 9:00 AM – 2 PM- Our Annual car show at Cecil Pines. With the long break of no activities, let's get our cars for these activities. It's always a fun time to drive our cars and enjoy the fellowship with one another. Hope to see you then. Enjoy your summer and stay well and safe.

REMEMBER, THESE EVENTS ARE PLANNED FOR YOU!!

**RICHARD WAGNER,
VICE PRESIDENT**

BIRTHDAYS:

SHERYL ROGERS JULY 24

DEE SCOTT JULY 31

ANNIVERSARIES:

THE WAGNERS JULY 02

THE SCHUDELS JULY 10

CONGRATULATIONS !!!!

FOR SALE

SUBMITTED BY KEN LAWSON:

Hi Kenneth -- I am the care manager helping an Orlando family with their elderly family member -- who has 2 “project” cars that need to be sold.

We’re looking to get the best cash price available.

Located in the Conway Orlando area.

Garage kept – 1964 220S Sedan – Not running, need to be towed, some extra parts

Kept outdoor – 1963 VW Beetle– Not running, need to be towed, some extra parts

If you can direct me to the best folks that may be interested in either of these – that would be great



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