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#### 1928 Buick

#### **Coming Events**

Nov. 6 Florida Region First Sunday Breakfast, Bahia Shrine, 2300 Pembrook Drive,
Between Keller St. &Forrest City Rd., 9:00 AM

Nov. 12, (Saturday) Florida Region "**Turkey Trot"** Mystery Driving Tour, meet at Rest Area (Mile Marker 96) on Interstate 4 Eastbound, 10 AM

Nov. 14 Florida Region Board Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, Formosa Ave., Winter Park 6:00 PM

Nov. 14 Florida Region General Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, Formosa Ave., Winter Park 7:00 PM



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#### **Cover Car**

This month's cover features the 1928 Buick. This year Buicks were available in two series, the Standard Six 115 and the Master Six 120. The Standard Six came on a 114.5 inch wheelbase and had a 207 cubic inch six cylinder engine rated at 63 hp at 2,800 rpm. The Master Six came on a 120 inch wheelbase and had a 274 cubic inch six cylinder engine rated at 77 hp at 2,800 rpm. Factory prices ranged from \$1195 for a Standard roadster (weighing 3,310 lbs) to \$1995 for a Master 7 passenger sedan (weighing 4,085 lbs). Buick produced 221,758 cars for the 1928 model year.



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#### **President's Letter**

By: Bob Coolidge, FL Region President

I am sure that we all are enjoying the delightful fall weather. It was so nice this past weekend to work with very little humidity.

The Mystery Driving Tour headed up by Mark Regnier is quickly coming. The date is Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. All members are welcome to drive their daily driver vehicle if their collector vehicle is not used. There is no requirement to participate only in an older vehicle. We want to have as many as is possible participate.

From the details that Ray Eckhart provided at the October meeting, the potential location in south Orlando for a Florida Region antique vehicle show in 2012 sound promising. More details should be forthcoming at the November meeting.

The reports given from those attending the AACA Fall Meet (Hershey) were all great. It was nice to hear that the weather was totally cooperative this year. I hope to make this event for the first time in 2012.

The Florida Region has been asked to provide several vehicles for display at the International Auto Show at the Orange County Convention Center, Thanksgiving Weekend. The Region will receive a payment of \$1,000.00 for supplying these vehicles. Darrel Cole is in charge vehicle arrangements.

With the Holiday Season rapidly approaching, please keep in mind the date of December 3<sup>rd</sup>. That evening will be the Florida Region's annual Christmas Party. Dick and Millie Gauchat are in charge of this event, which will be held at the clubhouse in Winter Springs where we have met before.

The nominating committee of Howard Gilkes and Dick Gauchat has been hard at work lining up new officers and directors for the Florida Region next year. There selection of and the acceptance by Darrel Cole to serve as President of the Florida Region next year is a major accomplishment. Remaining to be filled is the Region's Secretary position. I know that following Howard Gilkes is an intimidating prospect but please someone take the plunge and offer your services for this important position.

See all of you on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Best Wishes Bob

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#### **Nominating Committee Slate For Executive Board**

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Board.....Howard Gilkes

Tom Holt, Jerry Eakins, Mark Regnier and Mickey Bryant will be serving their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of their term.

Respectfully submitted by Dick Gauchat and Howard Gilkes

#### Florida Region Board Meeting Minutes 10-10-2011

The Board of the Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Coolidge at 6:00pm. Other Officers and Board Members present were Mickey Bryant, Howard Gilkes, Marilyn Roy, Gene Roy, Dick Gauchat, Jerry Eakins, Bob McMullen and Mark Regnier.

Marilyn Roy gave the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

The Minutes of the September Board Meeting were approved as published in 'The Running Board'.

The general discussion continued on possible show sites for our 2012 Florida Region Car Show.

Our Nominating Committee, Howard Gilkes and Dick Gauchat, reported that we are looking for a volunteer to be Secretary for 2012. If you want to serve your Club, this is one opportunity to do that. (Update, Dena has volunteered to be Secretary. Thanks, Dena)

Mark Regnier recapped plans for our November 12<sup>th</sup> Mystery Tour and requested approval for approximately \$105 to cover prizes and printing costs. Mickey Bryant made the motion to accept those charges. The motion passed.

Dick Gauchat suggested that the \$25 catered meal cost for our Christmas Party be shared \$15 for Members, \$10 by Club, \$25 for Guests. The Board agreed.

Mickey reported that Winter Springs is requesting antique convertible cars to carry dignitaries for their Christmas Parade in the first week in December.

Gene Roy is arranging our November program. Ron Hewett will speak to us on the damage from ethanol being added to our gasoline. Ron rebuilds carburetors and has access to kits for **all** cars.

Upcoming tentative monthly activities include the following:

Nov. 5-6 Winter Park Concours d'Elegance...Darrel Cole

Nov. 6 Eddie Clark Memorial Antique Car Show 8:30am-2:00pm...Dot Clark ( See Flyer)

Nov. 12 Mystery Tour 10:am-12:00 noon...Mark Regnier

Nov. 13 Ninth Annual Antique Car Show 9:00am-2:00pm...Ray & Annette Morrison ( See Flyer )

Nov. 19 Villages Region Get-Together 3:00pm-8:00 pm Cruise-In

Dec. 3 Christmas Party...Dick & Millie Gauchat and Helpers

Dec. 12 Election Night

Jan. 9 Awards, Installation of officers, Pot Luck Supper ( Kendra Gilkes )

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Howard Gilkes, Secretary

#### Florida Region General Meeting Minutes 10-10-2011

The General Meeting of the Florida Region AACA was held at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on October 10, 2011. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Coolidge at 7:05pm. Twenty-Five (25) members were in attendance.

The program was a video of the "Jeep" and how it all started during World War II, presented by Mark Regnier.

Marilyn Roy gave the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

The Minutes of the September General Meeting were approved as published in 'The Running Board'.

Kendra Gilkes, in Dena Holt's absence, gave the Sunshine Report.

Mark Regnier, Mickey Bryant and Dick Gauchat gave a summary of our November 12<sup>th</sup> Mystery Tour. The only thing they let slip was that there was a Seafood Restaurant involved.

Ray Eckhart reported that he had more contacts to make at The Gatlin Shopping Center for our 2012 Florida Region Auto Show. March 3<sup>rd</sup> is a favored date for the show.

Ray also reported on Hershey. At least ten (10) Florida Region members made the trip. Eleven Hundred (1100) cars were on display.

Gene and Marilyn Roy went on the Glidden Tour, 265 cars.

Darrel Cole announced that we will be displaying 10 to 15 cars in The New Car Show at the Orange County Convention Center. Cars go in on November  $23^{rd}$  and out on the  $27^{th}$ .

It is important that Members sign-up on the schedule for sitting with the cars.

Darrel also announced the Winter Park Concours d'Elegance on November  $5^{th}$  and  $6^{th}$ .

Mickey Bryant reported that the Winter Springs Christmas Parade is scheduled for the first week in December. They are looking for antique convertible cars to carry dignitaries.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Ray Eckhart. Silver Dollar winners were Dick Gauchat, Bob McMullen and Wayne Bostak.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Howard Gilkes, Secretary





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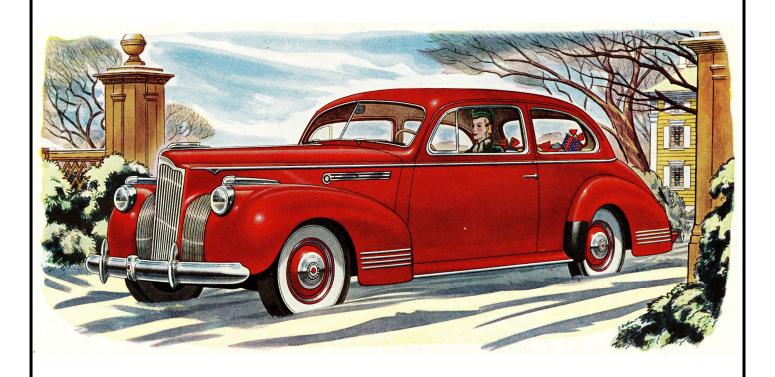
# Florida Region AACA Christmas Party

The AACA Christmas Dinner will be held at the Highlands Clubhouse again this year on Dec 3 (Saturday) at 6:00PM Social Hour and dinner at 6:30PM. This will be a buffet style dinner. The menu will be Turkey and dressing, Roast Beef, Baked Ham, vegetables, side dish, salad and dessert. The cost per member is \$15.00 each. Please send your checks to Dick Gauchat, 737 Galloway Court, Winter Springs, FL 32708, by November 26 (phone: 407-695-4412).

This will be a B.Y.O.B. Set-ups will be provided. There will be iced tea and soft drinks available.

Please bring an unwrapped toy for needy children. If you wish to participate in the Chinese Gift Exchange, please bring a wrapped gift for the fun part of the evening.

DIRECTIONS: Heading north on S.R. 17-92 1.2 miles north of S.R.434 turn right at second traffic light onto Shepard Road. There is a 7-11 on the corner. Proceed straight ahead (east) 9/10 of a mile; the Club House is on the left hand side at 2200 Shepard Road.



### OVERVIEW of the NOVEMBER 12, 2011 "TURKEY TROT" MYSTERY DRIVING TOUR

By: the Mystery Tour Committee

This Saturday, November 12, 2011 **FREE** driving event's purpose is to enjoy a leisurely and relaxing midday outing in your older automobile, traveling on parts of the "Florida Scenic Highway"

It's called the Mystery Driving Tour because our final stop and the many after-lunch events aren't revealed at the start of the tour.

Written driving instructions to the restaurant are given at the start.

Club member participation in this Mystery Tour **is more important** than the vehicle you drive! Minivan, pickups, SUVs are welcome to participate in this free, fun driving event.

Your safety is important. The Mystery Driving Tour is not a race, driving competition or rally timed event. Drive at or under posted speed limits. There is no advantage gained in arriving at the final stop before everyone else or passing a lot of vehicles during the tour.

**EVENT COST**: **FREE**, no cost to enter the November 12, 2011 Mystery Driving Tour

**REGISTRATION**: Must Pre-register online at **http://aacafloridaregion.com/TurkeyTrot.php** to drive in the Mystery Tour, The automobile driver must be a *current AACA member* (for insurance purposes). Every Mystery Tour driver must bring the signed event entry form to tour start to receive their written

WHAT TO BRING

tour directions.

**IMPORTANT:** Bring a pen and a hard writing surface in order to answer the Tour questions.

ANY YEAR automobile is allowed to participate in the Mystery Tour. We prefer a vehicle older than the 1986 model year. No motorcycles or 3 wheeled vehicles allowed to participate in the Mystery Tour. We strongly recommend a minimum of a driver and passenger, one to drive and one to read driving directions and answer driving questions. If you drive your vehicle by yourself, you may have trouble reading the driving directions, answering the Tour questions and driving your car. If driving by yourself, pull off the road to read or write down Tour directions and answers. Drive a well running vehicle with any spares needed for repairs (jack, spare tire, tools, battery, water, etc.). Make sure you fill up your gasoline tank before the tour starts. Make sure your AAA road card is current. It will be helpful to have a car with a working odometer. The Tour directions will be given in tenths of a mile. A portable GPS navigation unit is not required but would be helpful to "see" upcoming roads and turns.

#### START of the TOUR:

**REST STOP**: Interstate 4 eastbound, REST STOP, Mile Marker 96, meet in car parking area to the right (not truck parking area). This REST STOP is located 2 miles east (towards Daytona) from Exit 94 –

Longwood / SR 434 on Interstate 4.

GPS coordinates for the REST STOP are: N 28.72462 W 081.37316 Must bring signed entry form (downloaded from web site listed above) to receive written tour directions. Arrive at REST STOP by **9:30 am**, Saturday, November 12, 2011. First Mystery Tour vehicle leaves REST STOP at **10 am** Final Mystery Tour stop GPS coordinates and a phone number are provided in the written tour directions.

#### DRIVING THE MYSTERY TOUR

We'll be traveling on portions of the "Florida Scenic Highway", mainly on county and state roads. There is no "sweep vehicle" in this tour for stranded vehicles, please provide your own spare parts and tools. There is a total of **19 turns** in this event. Approximate total tour driving time is **2 hours**. Approximate total tour mileage is **68 miles**. Maximum posted driving speed on the Mystery Tour (after we exit I-4) is **65 mph for 3 miles**. Mystery Tour directions include questions to be answered to be eligible for prizes after lunch. Tour directions are simple and clear. Turn landmarks (such as stop signs and traffic lights) will be provided. If you get totally lost during this Mystery Tour...call the emergency number in the written tour directions or enter the restaurant GPS coordinates in your GPS navigation unit and drive straight there.

#### FINAL TOUR STOP - RESTAURANT PARKING

Restaurant lunch stop is optional, at your own expense. Look for our man in the fluorescent vest parking cars. Turn in your written tour directions to our man parking cars. Easy car parking.

#### RESTAURANT INFO

Restaurant opens Saturday at 11:30 am for lunch. Good disability access, wide aisles inside restaurant, no steps. **Our lunch reservations are under "AACA Car Club"**. It's a great local seafood restaurant, not a national chain. Lunch food prices range from \$4 to \$15. Soup, salads, sandwiches, steaks, hamburgers and vegetarian food are available. You can drop off your passengers at the front door of restaurant before parking your car. A large dining area is reserved inside for our car group with large window views and comfortable padded booths. About 20 minutes after LAST DRIVER arrives for lunch, gift card prizes will be announced. You must be present at lunch, to win prizes. Written driving directions from restaurant to roads leading back to Orlando will be handed out after lunch.

#### AFTER-LUNCH EVENTS

The After-Lunch events are optional, at your own expense and time. Some places are within walking distance, others require a few minutes in your vehicle to drive to. Events include, but are not limited to, an evening car cruise, Historic landmarks, water activities, museum and nature walks.

Remember to pre-register for this event at <a href="http://aacafloridaregion.com/TurkeyTrot.php">http://aacafloridaregion.com/TurkeyTrot.php</a>

HOPE TO SEE Y'ALL ON THE ROAD IN THE MYSTERY TOUR!

# "Turkey Trot" Mystery Driving Tour



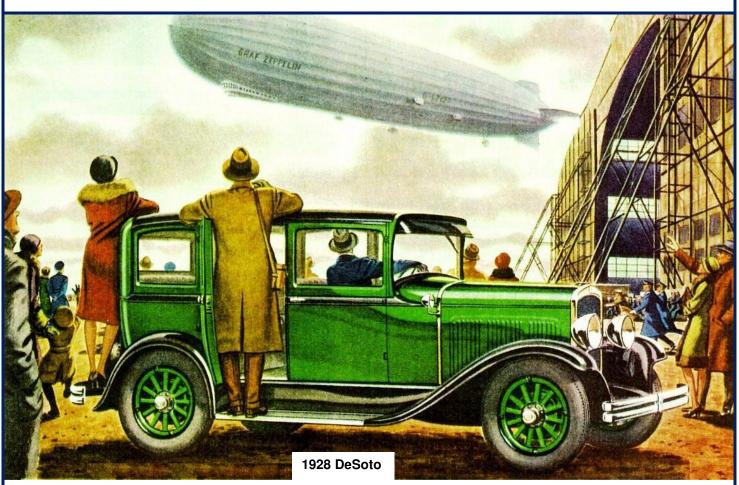
more info at: http://aacafloridaregion.com/TurkeyTrot.php Saturday, November 12, 2011

| Mystery Driving To   | OUR ENTRY FORM |
|--|----------------|
| Name:  |                |
| Address:   |                |
| Cell Phone: (for contact during Mystery Tour, if needed      | )              |
| Email: (for contact for next Mystery Tour event)             |                |
| Tour Vehicle (year, make, model)                             |                |
| The Mystery Driving Tour driver is a current member of AACA. |                |
| Signature:   | Date           |

On Saturday, November 12, 2011, 9:30 AM, bring this completed and signed entry form to the staging area of the Mystery Tour, at the Rest Stop at mile marker 96 on Interstate 4 (eastbound). The Mystery Tour starts at 10 AM.

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