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1953 Hudson Hornet - Jay Leno's
Garage <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-J-wuKfp-Pk>



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Coming Events:

March	Florida Region board Meeting	To be scheduled
March 8	Florida Region General Meeting, Magnolia Park by Lake Apopka at the #2 pavillon	3:00PM



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President's Letter

Greetings All,

This is a great time of the year weather wise for us - although this last week of February's temps are above average for us. This is a great time to take those golden oldies out for a spin

Bud Gross & Patty Ullrich have moved in with a daughter of hers in upper state New York and have sent their gracious farewells. Patty has asked to be removed from the mailing list since Bud has lost all interest in most anything these days. If anyone would like to send any goodbyes you should do it now since she still has mail forwarding, but most likely not for long since she has made this request.

For our meeting I task the memory of the members on that Day in Automotive History with some interesting achievements and some not so well known points of interest. There was continued discussion of a drive through the North Shore Lake Apopka Wildlife Driving Tour, continuation of an Antique Cars & Coffee and other Ideas. We need general input on these items and

other ideas that can be conducted under our restrictions.

Regards to our own annual car show - we can still be doing planning on this and need your input and volunteers to hold said car show. Point to mention is that of Volusia Region will be holding their 45th Car Show on

April 17th, 2021 at Cassia Community Center, Cassia, Fl. Last but not least Mary supplied us with some more great treats to cap off our meeting - thanks Mary.

Our next activity will be our meeting at Magnolia Park by Lake Apopka at the #2 pavillon at 3 in the afternoon on the 8th of March. Keep in mind that changes may be made due to weather or scheduling due to park needs but you will be informed by email of changes as soon as we know.

Keep up with the Running Board and the Florida Region Website. Stay tuned-up and healthy in your travels or idling at home!

Happy Motoring!!!

Letter from the Editor



<https://www.floridamemory.com>

The Tin Can Tourists of the World (T.C.T.) was an organization of camping and "trailer" enthusiasts founded at a Tampa, Florida campground in 1919. The goals of the group were to provide its members with safe and clean camping areas, wholesome entertainment, and high moral values. The origin of the term "tin can" in the name is not clear. Some have suggested that it refers to the campers' reliance upon canned foods. Others have asserted the name refers to the small Ford automobile of the era, the Model T or "Tin Lizzie," which was a popular and affordable automobile option among middle class Americans from which the majority of T.C.T. members came. The modified automobile driven by Tin Can Tourists often included large metal barrels for carrying water attached on the vehicles' exteriors. The original recognition emblem of the T.C.T. was a tin can soldered to the radiator cap of a member's car.



Otho Granford Shoup, Royal Chief of the Tin Can Tourists 1923-1925.

General Meeting –

AACA Minutes - February 2021

The monthly meeting of the Florida Region AACA was held on Monday, February 7, 2021 at Magnolia Park on Lake Apopka. There were 12 members in attendance. President Mickey Bryant called the meeting to order and Don Allen presented the Treasurer's report. There is currently \$2890.33 on hand. Mickey discussed possible activities that we might do in the near future. Ideas included visiting the Waste-Pro Museum, visiting Dezerland on International Drive, and/or taking in the Nature Drive around Lake Apopka. The drive could end at a pavilion with refreshments and/or a meeting.

Then Mickey presented an interesting "Walk Through February" with a short history of interesting car facts.

Here is a summary of these famous dates:

February 2, 1839 – Edmund Berger invented the spark plug

February 3, 1948 – Harley Earl introduced the first tail fins (Cadillac)

February 5, 1878 - Andre Citroen was born, founder of the automaker Citroen

February 6, 1954 - The First Mercedes 300 SL went on sale.

February 7, 1804 – John Deere was born. He later invented the plow and in 1923, the tractor

February 8, 1993 – GM sued NBC for defamation over exploding gas tanks in pickup trucks. GM won.

February 13, 1958 – Ford T-bird 4 seat car was introduced

February 16, 1843 – Henry Leland was born. He later founded the Lincoln and Cadillac

February 17, 1972 – 15 millionth VW beetle was built, replacing the Ford Model T as the most widely sold car ever

February 19, 1954 – The T-Bird 2 seat car was introduced

February 20, 1909 - The Hudson Car company was founded

February 21, 1948 – NASCAR founded

February 25, 1899 – Edwin Sewell was the first person to die in a car accident

February 26, 1725 – Birth of Nicholas-Joseph Cugnot the inventor of the first land-based self-propelled vehicle, called the "Fardier a vapeur." It carried 4 tons and traveled at 2 mph.

February 28, 1985 – Introduction of the AMC Pacer

The 50/50 drawing was won by Betsy Campbell. The dollar coins were won by Don Allen, Bill Morris and Tom Rose.

Valentine refreshments were enjoyed after the meeting.

Mary Rose

March Birthdays

Frances DenBesten	March 12
John Hernandez	March 30
Dena Holt	March 10
Jim Lane	March 18
David MacMillan	March 20
Mary Rose	March 17
Tom Rose	March 16

Howard's Quiz Part 2

Q: What was the first car fitted with an alternator, rather than a direct current dynamo?



A: The 1960 Plymouth Valiant

Q: What was the first car to be offered with a "perpetual guarantee"?



A: The 1904 Acme, from Reading, PA. Perpetuity was disturbing in this case, as Acme closed down in 1911.

Q: What car was the first to have its radio antenna embedded in the windshield?



A: The 1969 Pontiac Grand Prix.

Q: Where was the World's first three-color traffic lights installed?



A: Detroit , Michigan in 1919. Two years later they experimented with synchronized lights.

Q: What type of car had the distinction of being GM's 100 millionth car built in the U.S. ?



A: March 16, 1966 saw an Olds Toronado roll out of Lansing , Michigan with that honor.

Q: Where was the first drive-in movie theater opened, and when?



A: Camden , NJ in 1933

Q: What autos were the first to use a standardized production key-start system?



A: The 1949 Chrysler Corp. cars

Auction Results



1937 Lincoln Model K LeBaron
Convertible Sedan Sold for \$84,000
Hemmings Auction online February
2021



1935 Plymouth PJ Sold for \$11,865
Hemmings Auction online February
2021



1969 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray
Coupe with an L71 Tri-Power 427 Sold
for \$97,650 Hemmings Auction online
February 2021



1934 Packard Twelve 1107 Phaeton
Sold for \$571,500 Worldwide
Auctioneers Scottsdale January 2021



1947 Mercury Series 79M
Marmon-Herrington 4x4 Station Wagon
Sold for \$346,000 Worldwide
Auctioneers Scottsdale January 2021
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1976 Cadillac Eldorado Convertible Sold for \$27,300 Hemmings Auction online February 2021



1960 Cadillac Sedan de Ville Sold for \$9,000 Hemmings Auction online February 2021



1968 AMC AMX Sold for \$88,200 Hemmings Auction online February 2021



1957 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham Sold for \$184,800 RM | Sotheby's - Arizona January 2021