January 2024



Monticello Cars and Coffee 1/27/2024



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Special points of interest:

- Edsel Ford's 1935 Ford one off build car
- Burtz engine build continues
- Cars and Coffee Tallahassee

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50/50 2.0 Vice President's report



The big winner in the 50/50 was Tommy Smith. He won \$51.00!

Bob Grimes won a TRAACA cap.

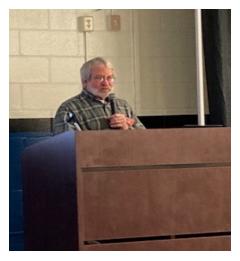


Rebecca Mireless won a \$25.00 Shell gas card!

Phil Reichert gave an interesting program about his recent trip to Hersey events, and the Corvette Museum.

Nice pictures and interesting information





Upcoming Events for February

As we go into February the following events are known to be held:

South wood Cars and Coffee . Saturday , February 10th 8 a.m. til 11 a.m.

Gerber Collision Cars and Coffee. Sat, February 3rd,

9 am until 11:30 am. The location is on Appalachee Pkwy 2345 Appalachee Parkway. TLH February 24th . Carquest Monticello Cars and Coffee. 9am. The Winn-Dixie shopping Center in front of

Carquest.

Breakfast at the Cracker Barrel on Friday morning after our monthly meeting. 8:30 am. TRAACA club meeting will be on Tuesday February 13th 2024.at 6 p.m.

TRAACA car show. April 13 2024. Tallahassee Car Museum. More details to follow.

Watermelon Festival car show. June 15th 2024. More details to follow. Raising funds for a scholarship for Jefferson County student.

TRAACA Cars and Coffee January 6th 2024













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Visit to the Collection of Chris Koch

On January 10th 2024, Don and I visited the private collection of classic cars belonging to Chris Koch. Don had previously appraised three cars from his collection.

When we arrived, I was instantly amazed by the museum I saw. There were 25 classic cars, all in beautiful condition. The walls were covered with neon signs and advertising for various car related products. All the neon signs were bright and in original condition.

The first car I was drawn to was a one of a kind, special build done by Edsel Ford. It was a 1935 Ford one off design. Edsel Ford commissioned this car through Ford of Germany in 1934. He had to hide the construction from Henry Ford. He knew that Henry would not approve of it and stop its construction. I have attached several pictures of this beauty. Mr. Koch has a entire folder of documentation, rebuild pictures, and shipping manifests.

Chris Koch purchased the Ford in 1963. It was basically a car in need of complete reconstruction. As such, and as a young man he couldn't afford a lot of money, an extremely low price was set. The only condition was that he had to get it out of the shop that day. The vehicle was thoroughly researched by the Kochs. Numerous visits to the Ford foundation finally led him to discover the rarity of the car he owned.

After numerous years, much research, and hard work, the car was completed. Mr Koch has shown this vehicle numerous times at Amelia island, and Pebble Beach., garnering best in show accolades there. He also showed it at AACA shows, winning every award available.

There were many wonderful cars in his private museum, and I would like to do another article in February regarding them. The Edsel Ford car is the pinnacle car in the collection. As such, it is priceless.

Thank you goes out to the Koch Family for opening up the museum to us. They are

gracious hosts, and great car folks!!

- Chantel Romaine



More to come in the March issue. –DWR









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Chuck Kunstbeck's Burtz Motor Build

Another very productive build day was held at Neal Davis's shop on Saturday, January 13th 2024.

We had a record number of "wrenchers". Bob Williams, his son, Donald, John Schanbacher, John Wells, Fred Jordan, Bill Halsell, Bill Brundydge, Bob Newman. Bob Hanson, Tommy Smith, Sheldon Brock, Neal Davis, Carson (Neal's grandson), Chuck and KK Kunstbeck, with grandson RJ. John Wells lent his "engine tuning" expertise.

Donald jumped in and installed the starter, Bill Brundydge installed the water hoses, A generator was installed, Chuck tightened the bolts and installed the fan belt. RJ wrenched on the engine.

Next up: Hook up electrical, add water, and "dinosaur juice" (oil).

Cross your fingers. Will video the first start and run up! Stay tuned for the final event.

Chuck Kunstbeck









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FOR SALE

1969 AMC Javelin

Fewer than 64,200 original miles, 232-CID six cylinder, Automatic, Power Steering and Brakes, Air Conditioner, 5 new Tires in 2022

Becky and I bought this in 1981. We are the second owners. We were able to verify the car had only 24,500 miles on it when we bought it at 12 years old.

The car was on jack stands in our garage for 18 years. In 2022, we got it running properly again with the following work done: New fuel tank and fuel system, new brakes, rebuilt power brake booster, rebuilt carburetor, updated aluminum radiator, new belts, hoses, new carpeting, and it has electronic ignition with new wires and plugs.

I am interested in exploring the purchase of a different classic car and do not have room for extra autos. These photos were shot on January 1, 2024 after the car was cleaned up. It does need paint and upholstery, but the upholstery is original to the car. It had one repaint in the late 1980s. The AC needs refrigerant, but it works. There is minor rust behind the rear wheels, but it is basically a solid 55-year-old automobile. We drove it in the 1980s as

our second car (thus, the extra 40,000 miles). I'd like to start at \$9250 for an asking price, but will consider any offer to keep it in the club. For questions or interest, please call me.

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NEWSLETTER TITLE

Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America (TRAACA) The Jack Hanbury Scholarship for Lively Technical College Automotive Services Tech II Program

Each year the TRAACA (the Car Club) Jack Hanbury Scholarship Fund awards two \$500 scholarships to Lively Technical College Automotive Services Tech II students. Students eligible for the scholarships must be enrolled in the Automotive Services program and have satisfactorily completed the Automotive Services Tech I program. These scholarships are based on demonstrated achievement and expressed interest in pursuing employment in the automotive industry.

The Scholarship Fund began in 2016-2017 school year, when the Car Club sponsored a local Soap Box Derby. Jack Hanbury, Car Club Past President (2001), suggested that an additional \$250 from the Car Club be added to the \$250 funds that were left over from the Soap Box Derby, and donate \$500.00, in the Club name for 2 Lively scholarships. This was approved and 2 scholarships for \$250 each, were awarded to students in the Lively Automotive Services

Tech II program, for the 2017-2018 school year. The following is a timeline of the TRAACA Jack Hanbury Scholarship Program.

- 2016-2017 The TRAACA Jack Hanbury Scholarship program began as described above.
- 2017-2018 Matthew Cook and Rogelio Santiago Awarded \$250 scholarships each.
- 2018-2019 Greg Jackson and Scott Parker Awarded \$500 Scholarships each. First TRAACA Lively Scholarship Awards Luncheon.
- 2019-2020 Kenneth Stevens and Devontrez Jackson Awarded \$500 scholarship each.
- 2020 -2021 Spiro Pappas and Scott Griffith Kunkel Awarded \$500 scholarship each.
- 2021-2022 Viktor Elder and Aaron Black Awarded \$500 scholarship each.
- 2022-2023 Willis Wells and Sayer McCullough Awarded \$500 scholarship each
- 2023-2024 Jahvell James, Brandon Cartagena, and Jacob Kever Awarded \$500 scholarship each.

We are proud to say that each student who has received a Jack Hanbury Scholarship Award successfully completed the Lively Automotive Services program. At this time, the only scholarships available for the Lively Automotive Services Tech students are from TRAACA.



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"Don't Store them, Drive them"

The Tallahassee Region AACA (TRAACA) is the Regional club chartered to the AACA National Organization. The AACA was established in 1935 and is dedicated to the history of the automobile, and the preservation and/or restoration of vehicles 25 years old or older. This includes cars, trucks, commercial vehicles, and motorcycles in original or restored condition.

TRAACA was established in 1970. Activities include, regular meetings, judged and non judged shows, displays, local tours, Rallies and Participation in national events put on by AACA.

If you wish to become a member of our regional club, Then you are also required to join the AACA national club. Belonging to these clubs gives you many benefits. There is access to the National AACA show held at Hersey Pa each year, access to other members that are a wealth on information on most car projects. You may just enjoy the fellowship of other car owners. You can download an application at TRAACA.org.

Ownership of an antique automobile is not a requirement for membership.

Club Officers: 2024

President: John Lester Vice President: Bob Skrob Secretary: Sam Lester Treasurer: Ken Hart Newsletter Editor: Don Romaine Webmaster: TBD Executive Committee: John Schanbacher Norm Madsen Scott Scearce Chuck Kunstbeck Historian: John Schanbacher

Ada Alice Wells

When Ada Alice Wells passed in December, John Wells asked me to put something in the newsletter from him to the club. I slipped up and it did not make the December issue. John, I apologize for that and print it now. =DWR

John Wells would like to thank all those who attended the Services held for Ada Alice. It meant a lot to have the club members there. He would also like to thank those who kept Ada Alice, and him in their prayers during this difficult time.

-John Wells, charter member TRAACA