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Upcoming Meetings

The February General Meeting will be on **Sunday, February 22nd**. Please see the announcement on page 4 for details.

Happy Valentines day and Presidents day during the month of February.

We've had our first meeting of the 2026, where we visited the Project Lift Facility for a tour and then caravaned down to the Light-house restaurant in Tequesta for brunch.



February's meeting will be hosted by board member Charlie Ulrich and his wife Sherri.

They are originally from Texas where Charlie was in the oil industry. After retiring, they spent over a decade sailing the Caribbean with other boaters in their individual vessels. That's cruising of a different kind, not cars or buffets. After those adventures they settled in Port St Lucie where they have a nice collection of classics including a 1962 Austin Healey, a 1964 Buick Riviera, a 1970 Triumph GT6 coupe and a 1971 Jaguar XKE convertible. Charlie was past president of the TCVCC in 2018, and they have both been key volunteers by chairing and managing the judging at several past COOL shows, as well as past board members. They are great folks, and if you ask questions, you will hear some fantastic stories of their adventures.

Speaking of adventures, the club will be teaming with the Treasure Coast Classic Chevy Club to put on an informal open car show at the Road to Victory Museum in Stuart. This is our second one. Last year we were almost at capacity with 158 cars. This year, Angela Malloy, a new member, has volunteered to chair the show. Naturally she will be supported by all club members and as usual we will be looking for help in registration, parking, judging etc. The date for this March 8, 2026. (Daylight savings time) Look for flyer in this newsletter.

Membership renewals have been trickling in, and there are still a lot of outstanding ones. I certainly understand why... you swear you paid your dues, but then when you look at your checkbook, it was back in January 2025, and a year has gone by in a blink.

On a less upbeat note, we lost a long time member Larry Nicholson. I had spoken to Larry at length over the past years, and thought I knew a lot about him, but when I read his obituary, I realize that I knew very little. He was one of the most accomplished individuals I have ever met.

See you soon, *Andre*

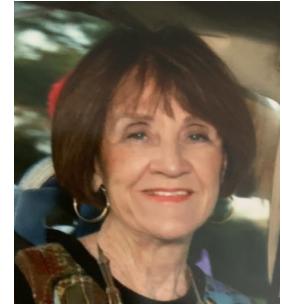
Secretary's Report

Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club/AACA General Membership Meeting – January 25, 2026

The general meeting of the Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club was held on January 25, 2026, at the Lighthouse Diner in Tequesta, FL. President Andre Rayman called the meeting to order at 10:40 AM. There were no guests or new members present at this meeting.

Secretary Report: Secretary Molly Hoffman was not in attendance.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer Barb Joyce provided an update on the club's finances. She announced that the club donated \$200 to the meeting host, Project Lift.



Newsletter Editor Report: Sally Franklin shared that the Indian River AACA club will be hosting their annual Speckled Perce Parade and has invited our club to participate. Further details will be included in the upcoming newsletter.

Website Editor Report: Bob Ridle was not in attendance at this meeting.

Special Events Chair Report: Denny Dahle was not present. Information about upcoming events will be posted on the club's website and in the newsletter.

Club Store Chair Report: Rosemary Rayman reported that club items are available for purchase. Official club shirts can be bought through the Lands' End Club Store.

Legislative Report: Chair Jay Smith was absent. President Andre Rayman provided updates on pending legislation concerning license plate frames and government discussions related to the electronic management of registration tags.

Sunshine Chair Report: Rosemary Rayman sent a sympathy card to Mary Kay Nicolson for the passing of her husband, Larry. She also sent a get-well card to Peter MacMillian and an encouragement card to Cindy Keegan.

Sergeant at Arms Report: Curt Francisco had no report for this meeting.

Tour Updates: The Browns are organizing the Cracker Tour, with further details to be announced soon.

Show Updates: The club's "Cool Show" will be chaired by Russel Caterinicchio, while the Spring Show is still seeking a chairperson.

Old Business: There was no old business discussed.

New Business: There was no new business raised at this meeting.

Members are encouraged to check the newsletter and website for information about upcoming meetings and events.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Rayman (standing in for Molly)

General Meeting Notice

TCVCC February General Meeting

MOVE THAT BUS!! It's Charlie's Garage Reveal

The February General Meeting will be held at Charlie Ulrich's
newly remodeled garage located at

1037 SE Holbrook Court C-6
Port St Lucie, FL 34952

11:00 am

February 22, 2026

Directions: From Highway 1, turn east onto Village Green Drive. Turn left on Holbrook Court, which is the second left just past the StorQuest Self Storage. Come to the end of the street. If you drive an old car, park on the circle at the end of the street for a small car show. Others continue to the end of the building on your right as you enter the parking lot and proceed to C-6.

Lunch: After a lunch of subs, chips, potato salad and dessert, we will have our meeting. **Bring** \$5.00 per person to cover lunch and what you would like to drink.

Please RSVP by email to lantana292@hotmail.com or
text Charlie at 772-342-2210 or Sherry at 772-418-9614 by **February 16, 2026**.



Upcoming National Events

AACA National & Regional Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

AACA Winter Nationals
March 26-28, 2026
Georgia Highland College • Cartersville, GA

Host Hotel: Courtyard by Marriott Cartersville
5460 Highway 20, Cartersville, GA 30121
678-721-1660, ask for AACA rate

For more information, visit Lakeallatoona.aaca.com
Request registration materials from AACA National

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Event Highlights: Thursday Trip to the Beautiful La Marquesa Forest Park • Friday Judging School, Membership Roundtable & CJE • Friday Evening Welcome Party in the Capitol District Old San Juan • Saturday Special Nationals Car Show at Music Museum of Guaynabo • Saturday Evening Awards Banquet at Pedrin Zorrilla Coliseum, San Juan

Host Hotel: Courtyard by Marriott San Juan Miramar
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We NEED mainland AACA Judges for this show!!
Please visit AACA.org to register today.

AACA Southeastern Spring Nationals
April 11, 2026
at Charlotte AutoFair
Hosted by Hornets Nest Region

AUTOFAIR
April 9 - 11, 2026

Hornets Nest Region
9307-H Monroe Road
Charlotte, NC 28270
hnraca@gmail.com

Information:
Region Office
704-841-1990
Mon-Thur 9-3

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SAVE THE DATE!

2026 AACA Eastern Spring Nationals
May 28-30 • Indiana, PA

Questions?
Nationals Chair: Paul Colligan
724-599-8711, sv26spring@gmail.com

Request registration materials from AACA National



Sunshine & More

SUNSHINE REPORT

A sympathy card was sent to Mary Kay Nicolson for the passing of her husband, Larry. Rosemary also sent a get-well card to Peter MacMillian and an encouragement card to Cindy Keegan. Please pass on information to Rosemary Rayman: email: rrayman03@gmail.com, phone 561-371-5498.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Our 2026 membership count has slowly climbed to 45 family-memberships consisting of 82 members. We're approaching the halfway mark for renewals. I'm still waiting for 57 renewals (100 peeps). **TCVCC and AACA renewals for 2026 were due by January 1st.** Your current **AACA membership is required** for you to be included in our region's Chapter roster. We're planning to send the roster to print by February 6th, so please send in your renewals ASAP to be included.

TCVCC 2026 Renewal Forms, as well as a link to AACA's online renewal, are available on our website at: <https://treasurecoast.aaca.com>. If you have not renewed both memberships, please take a moment now and check it off your list! Mail your TCVCC 2026 Membership Renewal form with your TCVCC dues of \$30 to our Treasurer:

Barb Joyce
5513 Pinetree Dr
Fort Pierce, FL 34982

If there are NO changes for our roster, you can simply print your name(s), write "Same as last year," then send the form and TCVCC dues to Barb Joyce.

2026 AACA Membership Renewal Information:

The renewal notice for 2026 dues was included in the September/October and November/December mailing packages of *Antique Automobile*.

Renewing online is quick and easy! Just log in with your membership number and pin number, review the information currently listed on your membership record and make changes if necessary. Review your information one more time and click on Credit Card. Payment options include Visa, MasterCard or Discover. **Your payment will automatically update your membership record.**

Mike & I missed the January meeting. We were cruising the Caribbean along with three other TCVCC couples, the Arnones, Cashins, and Flahertys. This was TCVCC's 2nd Ocean cruise. Stay tuned to see when and where we plan #3! We would love to have more members join the next *Sail-away*.

Help me welcome new members, David and Judy Margulies with their 1954 Chrysler Windsor Convertible. Have you met them yet? Let's make them feel welcome!

Let's hit the road...

Sandee Searle

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Upcoming Local Events

Spring Forward To Victory Car Show

Presented by Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club in partnership with the Treasure Coast Classic Chevy Club

Benefitting the Road To Victory Military Museum

Sunday, March 8, 2026

10 AM—2 PM

301 SE Stypmann Blvd, Stuart

Behind the Courthouse, Under the Water Tower

Join us in the parking lot at the Road To Victory Military Museum for a relaxed atmosphere judged car show. Proceeds to benefit the Museum, which will be open for your viewing pleasure.

All years, makes and models are welcome: new, old, modified, stock, rat rods, military vehicles... You get the idea. **There is no preregistration necessary, pay upon arrival, \$20 per car, cash only.**

Self parking so you can park with your friends or with your club, or all by yourself. Music and food provided by the Museum, cash only. Dash plaques to the first 75 cars registered and 30 trophies will be awarded.



TCVCC Website

For more information, contact: Angela Workinger at

gabby168@yahoo.com or 410-808-2223

Yes, it is last minute, but the January General Meeting provided an opportunity to push forward with having the Spring show again this year.

As you know, this show is a more casual, relaxed atmosphere and is open to all makes and models. There is no pre-registration, no classes to choose from, just come and hang out with your friends.

Each registered vehicle will receive a free lunch provided by the grill masters from the Road to Victory Museum.

Please take a minute to reach out and volunteer to help us make this a great show. There is still work to be done but it is not nearly as intense as our COOL Show and the groundwork has already been laid.

TCVCC is having our Spring show again this year. We are looking for volunteers for the following:

- Set up and breakdown
- Registration
- Judging

and all the usual activities involved in putting on the show.

For more information on how you can help, contact:

- Angela at gabby168@yahoo.com
- Sally at sfranklin_2000@yahoo.com
- Andre at arayman@aol.com

We will have a meeting in the near future to get everyone organized.

Upcoming Local Events

LOCAL EVENTS (Courtesy of Jim Serra)

EVENTS FOR FEB 2026 ONLY

- Sun Feb 1st, Angelo's Italian Restaurant noon to 4 pm, Free Event, 15% dining discount for cruisers, 155 Tonny Penna Dr Jupiter, hosted by Lew and His Crew 772-708-3790
- Sunday Feb 1st, Village Club & Preserve Vintage Car Expo, 2261 SW Racquet Club Dr Palm City (in Martin Downs Country Club), 1pm to 4 pm, \$5 donation, Ken Kraft 516-429-6174 Gate Code 677811
- Friday, Feb 13th, Brennity at Tradition Lunch cruise in hosted by the no name car club. 11 am to 1 pm, 10685 SW Stony Creek Way Port St Lucie, 772-528-4247 to reserve a spot. Buffet lunch for cruisers, awards at 1230 pm
- Sat Feb 21st, Angelo's Italian Restaurant Stuart Cove Center 5801 se Federal Hwy Stuart (at Cove Rd), noon to 4 pm, free event, 15% dining discount for cruisers, Hosted by Lew and His Crew 772-708-3790
- Sat Feb 21st, Summer Crush Winery all GM car & truck show, sponsored by Dyer Chevrolet Fort Pierce. Address is 4200 Johnston Rd Fort Pierce. Registration opens 1030 am. Show hours noon to 4 pm, entry fee \$20 (exact change please). Live entertainment and dancing. Food, drinks, etc

EVENTS THAT REPEAT MONTHLY

- Sun Feb 1st , Recovery Room Sports Grill Cruise- In. Repeats on the first Sunday of the month 4 to 8 pm, cars should be in place by 330 pm, 10350 sw Don R Led Duke Dr Port St Lucie. 772-345-8490. Hosted by Riverland Car Club.
- Sat, Feb 7th, Cars & Coffee on the first Saturday of the month that used to take place at McKees on Jack James Drive will be 851 Johnson Ave in Stuart and will be held using a different format. It will be called a monthly informal cruise in and will resemble the cars & coffee held on Becker Rd in that participants will be responsible for bringing their own coffee and other refreshments and we will not have a trailer with music, 50/50, etc. Event times will remain the same (8 am to 1030 am). Wawa and McDonalds are a short walk from the location and Max's Bagels, Publix and Dunkin Donuts are within a mile for those wanting to purchase "coffee/and" nearby.
- Sun Feb 8th and Sun Feb 22nd, Valencia Cay Cars & Coffee 662 se Becker Rd, 8 am. Free event - Dunkin Donuts and Publix are in the plaza. (2nd and 4th Sunday of the month).
- Sat Feb 14th Monthly Cars & Coffee at The Elliott Museum 8 am 825 NE Ocean Blvd Stuart. Free event - \$4 buys coffee/donuts/ice water - now featuring Jupiter Donuts. Sponsored by McKees 37. (Repeats on the 2nd Saturday of the month). THIS IS NOW A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT (in case of inclement weather, feel free to come down with your daily driver and we will move the refreshments inside).
- Sun Feb 15th, 3rd Sunday of the month at Carmela's Coffee Shop, 10308 sw Discovery Way Port St Lucie (in the heart of Tradition) 8 am to 10 am 772-800-5711.
- Mon Feb 16th, 5 PM – 8 PM T/A Truck Stop Car & Truck Show I-95 & State RD 60,(repeats on the 3rd Monday of the month) Carlos 772-528-4247
- Sunday Feb 22nd, Monthly Cars & Coffee at City Diner 2660 se Federal Hwy Stuart, 772-291-2794, 9 am to noon, music, awards, Dining Discounts, Gift cards and more. Repeats the last Sunday of the month. Carlos 772-528-4247

EVENTS THAT REPEAT WEEKLY

- Tuesdays, Weekly Car Show at Lowes, 5 pm - 7:30 pm, 3620 SE Federal Hwy, Stuart, FL 34997. Free for spectators - repeats weekly, hosted by Lew and His Crew, Lew 772-708-3790 (Please have exact change or small bills to expedite entry to the show)
- Wednesdays, Weekly cruise in at Dairy Queen, 9019 US Hwy 1 Port St Lucie at 3:00 pm FREE event and a dining discount for cruisers. Butch White 772-618-3794.
- Thursday nights - WEEKLY EVENT - Lowes Jensen Beach, 4100 NW Federal Hwy. 4:30 pm to 7 pm. \$3 to show a car, spectators FREE. Hosted by Lew & His Crew...Lew 772-708-3790. Please have small bills or exact change.
- Friday nights, Cruise in at Culvers in Jensen Beach 4 pm, located at 4151 NW Federal Hwy Jensen Beach 34957. 954-650-4356 (Brian), dining discounts.

January 2026 General Meeting

The TCVCC general meeting was hosted by Andre and Rosemary Rayman. It was a tour of the recently completed Project Lift in Hobe Sound followed by a short cruise to Tequesta where we enjoyed lunch at the Lighthouse diner. We had a total of 36 members and guests who drove 13 classics.

Vic Miller represented Project Lift and explained the various components of the program and how it got started. The facility teaches various technical skills such as auto mechanics, carpentry, HVAC, plumbing etc. However it also teaches soft skills such as attendance, punctuality and resume building. The third leg of the program helps the students to cope with the life obstacles of the mid 2020s- addiction, broken families, hunger etc.

The program runs 14 weeks and is quite popular with local businesses who recruit from here. We learned that young females seem to be the best welders much to the chagrin of the male students.

After our tour and question and answers the club made a donation of \$200 to the program.

Chris Cichorek presents Vic Miller with a donation from the TCVCC



We were able to hold our meeting in one of their lunch rooms which had 2 things of note. One was a wooden lock box that students deposit their cell phones into at the start of the day which is then locked. The second was a large bell that looked like a ships bell. Maybe it was a dinner bell, but it came in handy to keep the meeting on track-Thanks Angela. At the end of the meeting I drew names to see which participants would get a \$10 gift towards lunch. The three winners were Ed and Barb Joyce, Bob and Nancy Elzin and new members Don and Angela Malloy.



Bob & Nancy Elzin
1988 Mustang conv Lx



Ed & Barb Joyce
1969 Mercury Cougar



Don & Angela Malloy
1956 Ford Victoria

Member Stories

Our January General Meeting

Here is the link to the remaining meeting pictures- [TCVCC Janauary 2026 General Meeting | Flickr](https://www.flickr.com/photos/14410313@N00/sets/72157687030113333/)



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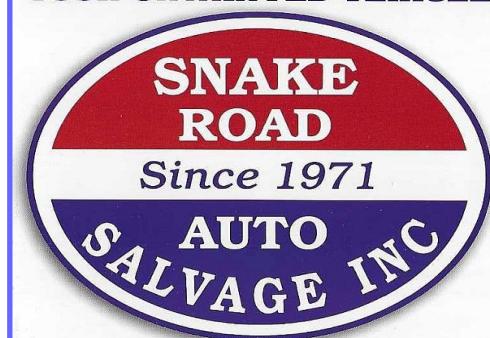
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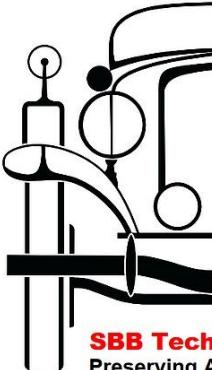
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