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Presidents Message



Our Grandson, Keller, turned 16 this month. I was anxious to share with him the excitement I experienced when I first received my official driver's permit.

Thanks to my grandparents early to bed routine, I had driving experience prior to taking my test. I would push their car down the street, quietly start it up and then spend the entire evening cruising around town with my friends. My Grandparents were puzzled why their 6-cylinder Chevy got such terrible gas mileage!

Combine my unauthorized driving experience with the typical cocky attitude of a teenager and I was certain to pass my driver's test with ease. As expected, I breezed through the driving and parallel parking test without a mistake. However, the written test took me a little longer.....actually....three attempts.

With permit in hand, I now had a plan. My first step was to cash in the \$25 savings bond that my Grandparents gave me for my Birthday. I then found a well-used car for only \$25. (Remember that was 60 year ago!) With no muffler and only 2nd and 3rd gear operational, I was on my way. Add in some pocket change for gas and I was on top of the world.

The inevitable parental questions followed, "Where do you think you are going?" "Oh, I am just heading over to Diane Parkers to "Study." Followed by, "You better be home by 9, tomorrow's a school day." But the numerous mechanical breakdowns provided a creditable excuse for getting home late.

Fueled by many great memories, I called Keller and enthusiastically asked, "Did you get your learners permit yet?" "Nah, I'll probably apply for it in a week or so." What followed was far more depressing for me than Keller. Apparently, to obtain a driver's license in Maryland, the law requires new drivers to be accompanied by a licensed driver over the age of 21 for an unbelievable 6 months. Forget that! I can't imagine a 21-year old willing to teach a teenager to drive! What's even worse, in an effort to help him through the next six months, he probably will be seen driving around with his....Gray haired Grandfather.

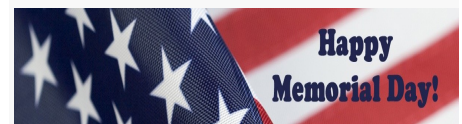
I felt so sorry for what Keller will miss. So much so I just wanted to "hot wire" his Father's car and expose him to all of the joys of cruising with friends. Tooling through all the Drive-in Restaurants, checking out the girls who were checking out the guys, loading your friends in the trunk for a double feature at the Drive-in theater, followed by a Cherry Coke with a girl at the malt shop.

Oh, well, Keller's current experience is proof that all of us have lived through the best times this Country will ever see. So, my friends.... let's keep enjoying life and never stop cruisinguntil we run out of gas! *Craig & Mary Henry*

Remembering on Memorial Day
Thank You, Veterans!



Happy
Memorial Day!





Even though many club members were heading north in the next couple of days, they all took the time to attend our first annual "Bon Voyage" party. Entertainment was provide by Al Saucier and a few "Gators"!





There is no truth to the rumor that Rich has a drinking problem. We were just enjoying Muscle Car City's new dining room!



Punta Gorda Isles car club invited a PG policeman to their morning Coffee & Donut cruise-in. Of course, the first point of interest was the squad car's engine!



On our Friday Pie & Ice Cream day MaryJane and Al were the only ones able to resist the temptation and choose fruit!




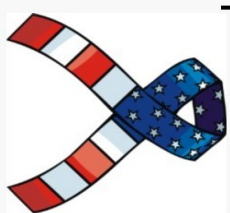








Peace River Car Club Calendar

For up to date events and any changes please check our website!!!

MAY, 2019

<http://www.peacrivercarclub.com/UpcomingEvents.html>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Events In red & underlined are PRCC Events</p>	<p>For info on upcoming events, Visit Larry Day's site at: www.larrycruisinlist-swfl.com/</p>		<p><u>1 Clubhouse Open 9 - 11a</u></p>	<p>2 Abbe's Donuts 9a-12p <u>Club Meeting 7:00p</u> <u>Moose Lodge Dinner 6:00p</u></p>	<p><u>3 Clubhouse Open 9 - 11a</u></p> 	<p>4 Dearborn St 4 - 8p</p>
	<p>Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>		<p>8 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>9 Abbe's Donuts 9a-12p</p>	<p>10 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u> <u>McDonald's Cruise-in PC - Promenades Mall 5 - 9p</u></p>	<p>11</p> 
<p>12</p> 	<p>13 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>14 Zoets Sweet Boutique Ice Cream Cruise-in 6:30pm-8ish</p>	<p>15 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>16 Abbe's Donuts 9a-12p</p>	<p>17 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p> 	<p>18</p> <p>MCC 9a-1p</p>
<p>19</p> <p><u>Luigi's Pizza Cruise-in PC 4:30</u></p>	<p>20 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>21 Coffee & Donuts Bal Harbor Ctr. 8am-9:30</p>	<p>22 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>23 Abbe's Donuts 9a-12p</p>	<p>24 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>25</p> 
<p>26</p> <p>MCC Flea Market</p>	<p>27</p> 	<p>28</p> 	<p>29 Clubhouse <u>CLOSED</u></p>	<p>30 Abbe's Donuts 9a-12p</p>	<p>31</p> 	

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