



# Presidents Corner

Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. The Lanning Meet was a very good meet. Congratulation to Dave Lanning for over all win at the Cruise in, to Kevin and Ed Lathrop for taking a trophy and a plaque, and Tom Fink for taking a trophy.

I would also like to thank Dave and Mary Louise Davis for all their hard work to put on the annual Christmas Party. Fun was had by all.

A very special thanks to all of those who have contributed to the computer fund. We as a club can be very proud of all our members

## Dave Hase

### Members in attendance on Nov. 21, 2009—

Dave/Sue Hase, Warren Lusk, John Romig/Friend, Ed/Deanna Lathrop, Kevin Lathrop, Tom/Joan Fink, Dave/Margaret Nelson, Al/Karen Smoke, Larry/Denise Wheeler, Bill/Nancy Pratt, George/Georgia Matt, Barron/Frances Evans, Sam/Alma Mills, Jim/Lu Houff, Dave/Babe Lanning, Roy Marks, Jim/Patti Cropper, Char Crumb, and (6) Hudsons and (12) of Lannings cars.

### Members in attendance on Dec. 19, 2009—

Warren Lusk, Dave/Sue Hase, Dave/Margaret Nelson, Sherm/Gloria Horton, Barron/Frances Evans, Sam/Alma Mills, Ed/Deanna Lathrop, Kevin Lathrop, Tom/Joan Fink, Jim/Lu Houff, Joan/Dave Waddell, Charles/Joyce Oates, Sharon Denman, Doug/Lorraine Bock, Roger/Lani Bentley, Dave / Mary Louise Davis, and (7) Hudsons and (1) Studebaker, (1) Ambassador.

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# Minutes from the November 21, 2009 Meet

I need to make two clarifications from the last minutes. First, the error concerning Mike Cherry was my error. Fortunately for him, the report of his demise was greatly exaggerated. By the time the error was corrected the newsletter was already in the mailing process. My apologies to all concerned. Second, the normal meet registration is not \$5 per person but \$5 per couple as always. The change is that it will be charged for public meets like Lake Wales because there are still expenses incurred (coffee, donuts, cups, and napkins for example)

President Dave Hase called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. He thanked Babe and Dave Lanning for their hospitality involved in putting on a great meet. Guests were introduced: Denise and Gary Wheeler came with the Smokes and Tony Morrison came with John Romig.

Old Business. George Matt reminded those who had volunteered to purchase a sign that cost \$22.50. They can pay Warren. Bill Pratt requested that a more complete Treasurer's Report be made in the "Sun Visor". This had been discussed and voted on one or two years ago. Bill would like a more detailed breakdown of income and expenses. Warren will print a more complete statement rather than just the account balances.

New Business. Sue Hase thanked everyone for signing her petition to run for Eastern Director of the HET Club. Her bio information and the ballots should appear in the Jan/Feb or Mar/Apr editions of the White Triangle News.

Warren Lusk gave the Treasurer's Report.

Ed Lathrop moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting with the changes noted in the first paragraph of these minutes. Bill Pratt seconded. The motion passed.

A discussion followed concerning the purchase of a new computer with sufficient memory to handle the newsletter and be compatible with our existing printer. Dave said we need to use monies in the checking account or borrow from a member who has offered to loan the Chapter the money. If we borrow the money, then we will need to have a fundraiser to repay the dept. The total cost of the computer, program, and service contract will be in the \$1,000 to \$1,200 range. The computer will be used and housed with the editor of the "Sun Visor", but will move whenever the editor changes. The Orange Blossom Chapter will own the computer. The newsletter is considered the "Life Line" of the club and is vitally necessary to keep members informed. Warren stated that each edition of the "Sun Visor" costs about \$425.00 to put out. Bill Pratt asked if that would be within our budget or would we need to raise dues like the National did. Warren stated that the cartridges are more expensive for the printer, but they are larger and would last longer. Warren also stated that most clubs are holding the line at \$ 15.00 dues. With the added registration fees for the public meets, we should be able to cover costs.

Bill Pratt commented that fundraisers always hit the same people. Sue Hase suggested that a request for fund raising ideas to cover the cost of the new computer be put in a letter to members. Nancy Pratt and Karen Smoke suggested using E-mail to send the newsletter rather than a hard copy. Kevin said he will try sending the "Sun Visor" via e-mail to see how well it works to those who wish to receive it electronically. Tom Fink suggested sending out four newsletters per year rather than the current six. Baron Evans suggested raising the meet registration fees. Bill Pratt suggested spreading out cost by raising the dues to everyone. Joan Fink wanted to know if any dues increase would affect those who already hold life memberships. The consensus was no. Bill Pratt moved to send a letter to the members explaining the computer purchase and asking for fund raising ideas. Lu Houff seconded. The motion passed. Ed Lathrop moved to purchase the computer now with checking account funds since the newsletter needs to go out again soon. Bill Pratt seconded. Motion passed.

Dave asked how many members were in favor of four issues rather than the current six. The consensus was to stay with six. If you wish to receive the "Sun visor" via e-mail, you will need to let Kevin know and be sure he has your current e-mail address. Sue suggested that Kevin increase the font size on the e-mail version to make it easier to read.

Winter Meet. We have quite a few volunteers for chilli for Friday night. What is needed are things for the goodie bags. Tom Fink reported that based on the Studebaker club, their caterer would be too expensive. Dave Hase said that Porky's would cost about \$375.00 for 75 people for chicken, ribs, & biscuit. Lu Houff mentioned a project Sue Hase is working on. Sue is making two Doc Hudson blankets to auction off at the Winter Meet. Lu suggested members bring anything they want and we'll have a bigger auction.

Dave received a letter from Charlie Nau stating that his chapter is raffling off a set of WWW tires from Kelsey Hayes with free shipping at a \$1200.00 value. Sue will be selling tickets at future meets.

Patti Cropper suggested that we need a person to head up the goody bag gathering. Ruth Harbrecht is ill and has had surgery. Charlie Reasor is ill and wishes to sell his cars. Babe Lanning's hip is doing well after a change in medication. The 50/50 drawing netted Dave Hase \$49.00 which he donated to the computer fund. Again, many thanks to the Lannings for a great meet.

Bill Pratt moved to adjourn, Kevin Lathrop seconded. The Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m. An on line sales site [www.classiccarpartsclassifieds.com](http://www.classiccarpartsclassifieds.com) is featuring free ads until March 10, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Houff, Secretary

# Minutes from the December 19, 2009 Meet

The Orange Blossom Chapter of the HET club met at Dave and Mary Louise Davis' home in Oakland. There were 8 Hudsons, 1 Studebaker, and 1 Rambler as well as 38 members in attendance. President Dave Hase opened the meeting at 1:40 pm. He thanked Dave and Mary Louise for all their great efforts. Dave Hase said there was a copy of the HET Historical Society newsletter being passed around. Warren Lusk gave the Treasurer's Report. Sue Hase moved to accept, Kevin Lathrop seconded. The motion passed. Jim Houff read the minutes of the November meeting. Dave Waddell moved to accept; Sue Hase seconded. The motion passed. Dave Hase asked Dave Waddell to show his shirt from the Ormond Beach show. Barron Evans and Roy Marks had their cars at the Howie in the Hills show.

Old Business— President Dave said the Winter Meet is still in the planning stages. Sue Hase is heading up the Friday night chilli dinner. We need volunteers for the Saturday am and noon meals. Francis Evans volunteered to provide paper plates, cups, etc. We are planning on 75 people. Kevin commented that we would need the help of the whole club to pull this off. George Matt was volunteered to head up the clean up committee. Kevin volunteered to build the ice table for the cold food. Barron Evans will bring extra tables; Ed Lathrop will be the iceman. Breakfast on Saturday will be continental style (pastries, coffee, tea, juice, cocoa, etc) Sunday breakfast will be omelets in a bag. Sue -will head that up. If you have suggestions for breakfast, see/call Sue Hase (407) 857-5567. Sue's fund raiser will be a double sided fleece blanket showing many characters from the movie Cars. Sue will donate the blanket and the club can raffle or auction the prize off.

New Business— Spouse's Day Out will be January 16, 2010 at Old Town in Kissimmee. We will meet on the road outside and park the Hudsons when they allow us in at (about 3 pm) and eat about one half hour later (about 3:30 pm) in the Kool Kats Restaurant. An important meeting will follow.

Kevin Lathrop plans to have Sunvisor newsletter out about the end of December or early January. He will be trying E-mail. Kevin's E-mail address is [hornet195364@yahoo.com](mailto:hornet195364@yahoo.com) Please send him your e-mail address if you want to receive the newsletter by e-mail.

Lu Houff and Babe Lanning are still taking volunteers or nominations for officers for the next year. The 50/50 was won by Mary Louise's daughter in law Terri for \$34. Kevin moved to adjourn, motion was seconded and passed at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Houff, Secretary

# Winter Meet Information February

The Winter Meet has changed locations to:

Trimble Park  
5802 Trimble Park Road  
Mt. Dora, Fl. 32757  
(352)383-1993

February 12, 13,14, 2010

Make your reservations for camp site ASAP as there are only 15 sites available or take a chance of getting one upon arrival.

Directions— Going South on RT 441: From the overpass going from Mt. Dora (RT 46) go South 3.5 miles, turn right (West) on Sadler Rd. (Shell & Citgo stations here) Go 1.5 miles to Dora Dr. then turn right, Go 1.2 miles to Earlwood Dr. then turn left, Go .6 miles into Trimble Park.

Area hotels— at The Hampton Inn 19700 US Hwy 441 Mt. Dora, FL. 32757 and is North 5 miles on Rt. 441 also Crosby's Motor Inn 1440 W. Hwy 441 Apopka, Fl. 32712. Area RV Parks— Lake Saunders RV Resort 1175 Bay Road Mt. Dora, Fl. (352) 383-4003, Orange Blossom RV Resort 3800 W. Orange Blossom Trail Apopka, Fl. (407) 886-3260, Twelve Oaks RV Resort 6300 SR 46 West Sanford, Fl. (407)323-0880. ( All ladies, please bring two dishes to pass, one main dish for main meal and one desert. Also bring your lawn chairs.)

If you have any questions or need help getting to the park please call Ed Lathrop @(407) 461-4979 or Kevin Lathrop @ (321) 377-1200.

To pre- register: Send your \$25.00 per person to:

J.W. Lusk  
P.O. Box 916  
Inglis, Fl. 34449-0916

# Classified Ads

For Sale— 1946 Hudson Big Boy Pick Up Truck. Bar Harbor Blue, WWW, 262 cu in engine, 3 spd. W/OD, 4:11 rear axle, radio, heater, body off restoration 9 years ago. \$20,000.00 or best offer. Contact Everett Shoemaker @ 619-390-7096. (The Electric Hand)

For Sale— 1954 Hudson Hornet 4dr. Sedan, power brakes, twin H, 3 spd. W/OD, tinted windows, power steering has been removed, needs paint and upholstery, runs \$3,000 or best offer. Contact Richard Esparza @ 760-751-0590 (The Electric Hand)

To any interested club member, there are (2) 1946 Hudson 4dr. Sedans in the Homestead Race Track. They are condition 6 parts cars. They are both free. Contact Mike at (305) 230-5151.

For Sale— Have a 500 six cylinder with transmission and drivemaster it is all complete. Asking \$300.00. Do not know what kind of shape it is in, but appears that it is all there. Contact Kevin @ 321-377-1200

For Sale-- 1951 Hudson Hornet Hollywood with 308 automatic, 61,000 miles, all Hudson accessories including twin spotlights, exhaust extension, windshield visor. Color cream with green roof. Asking \$ 28,000. OBO . Contact Harry Methfessel @ 828-389-1278 (Dixie Chapter )

For Sale— Classic and Vintage Light Bulbs. 6/12 volt halogen bulbs for all our vintage cars up to 100% brighter with no modifications required.  
www.classiccars.com. Another bulb source: Bob Drake @ 1-800-221-3673 ( Dixie Chapter )

Dead lines for submission of classifieds and newsletter information February 27, 2010.

H.E.T. NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP  
(Please Print Clearly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home (W/Area Code) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

I OWN THE FOLLOWING HUDSON BUILT VEHICLES:  
YEAR MAKE BODY STYLE SERIAL NO. #CYL

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list additional cars on separate sheet.)  
New Member Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Dues: (Please Check One)  
 1 Yr. (U.S) Regular Mail.....\$33.00  
 1 Yr. (U.S.) 1st Class Mail.....\$43.00

Payable & Mail To:  
H.E.T. Club  
P.O. Box 8412  
Wichita, KS 67208-0412  
Attn: Charlotte Sargent

**ORANGE BLOSSOM CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP**

(Please Print Clearly) (Must be a member of the National to join a local club)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home (W/Area Code) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

I OWN THE FOLLOWING HUDSON BUILT VEHICLES:  
YEAR MAKE BODY STYLE SERIAL NO. #CYL

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Please list additional cars on separate sheet.)  
New Member Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Dues: **\$15.00**  
Payable to: **Orange Blossom Chapter HET**  
\$15.00-USA Members & Canadian Members  
\$22.00-International Members

Mail to:  
**Orange Blossom Chapter HET**  
Larry Romig  
6029 18th Avenue North  
St Petersburg, FL 33710-4910

(Dogwood Chapter 2/07)

# The Great Hudsonette's

## *THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW:*

Our Thoughts and Prayers go out to Ruth Harbrecht and Ruel Baldwin have been dealing with health issues. And Sam Mills has also been under the weather. We hope all three are doing better and that we will see them soon.

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## **Hudson Happenings & Upcoming Events**

January 16, 2010 Spouses Day Out @ Old Town in Kissimmee. Dinner will be @ Kool Katz restaurant.

February 12,13,&14, 2010 Winter Meet @ Trimble Park in Mt. Dora. See Winter Meet information on page 5.

March 6, 2010— Dade City hosted by Roy Marks and Char Crumb— 10:00 am. Park on the North side of the Court House just off of US 301. RV Camping: Grove Ridge Estates US 98, (352)523-2277

April— Haines City, Hosted by Norman Mathews.

May— Melbourne, Hosted by Dave and Joan Waddell. This will be our election of officers meet

# This Month's Feature Car



1941 Hudson Business Coupe 10c deluxe—

This model has both sun visors, wind wing windows and the deluxe interior. Price new was \$801.00 now valued at less than one million dollars. The coupe weighed 2840 lbs. and used the 175 cu in six cylinder rated at 92 hp and won the gas economy at 24.6 mpg. The 1941 Hudson's were the first vehicle to score a perfect 14 points in the safety and engineering excellence award. Hudson had one of there better profit years in 1941 \$3,756,408 on sales of \$66,627,146.

I've always like the looks of the early 40's coupes and was lucky to find this car at the Mar bough National two years ago. I purchased it from Ken Aman and Tom Fink returning to Florida with a empty trailer he brought it back for us. Ken found it in a barn in Alabama where it had set for 38 years.

It took a little bit to get it running, but needed no serious engine work after setting all this time. The coupe only shows 58,000 miles so its suspension is nice and tight. After driving it for a year with no major problems we decided to make it a little more presentable this included new white walls, interior, re chroming, and a pearl grey paint to replace the original green. We are having a lot of fun with it and a different keeper.



Dave & Babe Lanning's HET products



Jim & Patti Cropper's Modified  
'54 Hornet Coupe



Some of the cars and folks at the Car  
show outside of Englewood



Lathrop's '53's and Fink's '51 con-  
vertible



Just a few of the people enjoying our  
Christmas meal @ the Davis's



As you can see we had a great selection of  
Hudsons, Studebaker, and Ambassador.

The Orange Blossom members have stepped forward  
once again to remind us that we have the  
Finest People in our Hudson Club!

A BIG THANKS goes out to the following members who have contributed to the  
COMPUTER/SUNVISOR FUND— as of Dec. 19,2009

Frances Evans	Jim/Lu Houff	Al Saffrahn
Tom/Joan Fink	Ruel/Janice Baldwin	Sharon Denman
Dave/Margaret Nelson	Ted Crowe	Char Crumb
Bill/Nancy Pratt	Dave/Joan Waddell	Lawrence Shortz
Ed Lathrop	Bill Whitaker	Ray/Alicia Smith
Leo McGrath	Frances Abel	
Leonard/Joanne Hamel	Horace/Shirley Cochran	
Don DeGain	Roy/Linda Yach, Sr.	
Sid/Betty Sorbo	Walt/Margaret Mordenti	
Dan Salmasian	James/Nancy Johnson	
Leo/Cindy Seng	Robbie/Irene Williams	
Vernor Glenn	Christopher Reinman	
Gene/Polly Wright	Neale/Cathy Tomkinson	
Hans Johansson	William/Melanie Porter	
Milton/Jean Baker	Barron Evans	
Bob/Ruth Harbrecht	Deanna Lathrop	
Richard/Janet Cashion	Sam/Alma Mills	
Dave/Babe Lanning	Warren Lusk	
George/Georgia Matt	Roy Marks	
Dave/Sue Hase	Bill/Lillian Labud	
Carmen LaFlamme	Hal/Betty Waddell	
Glen Kellogg	Tom Thurman	
George Wagener	Don Labud	

The fund is an open fund for anyone who wishes to contribute in the future.

Thank you, your OBC officers.

## Treasures Detail Expense/ Income Report as of Dec. 16,2009

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Income		Expenses	
Meet Registration Fee—	77.00	Meet host fees-	100.00
50/50-	50.00	Buy Tumblers-	73.15
Products sold-	67.00	Postage (membership)-	76.00
Dues collected-	120.00	Fund raiser expense-	133.35
2010 Winter meet Reg.-	175.00	Computer-	1206.70
Computer Fund—	2043.00	Nat'l Dues Trans-	43.00
	=====	Sunvisor supplies-	103.70
	\$2532.00		=====
			-1735.90
Beginning Check book Bal.	+2304.12		
Money Mkt, interest 2009	35.96		
In overall total— not in checkbook	+2532.00		
	-1735.90		
	=====		
	\$3100.22		

# The Hudson Garage

J & M Stainless Steel Repair, 108 N. State Street, Bunnell, FL 32110. Phone: **386-445-7032** or Cell: **386-569-9631**. They also do show quality re-chrome and also pot metal. This shop stands behind their work.. If you would like to talk with someone who has had work done by them, contact Ed Lathrop, Kevin Lathrop, Dave Nelson, or Dave Correlus. They also stand behind what they do and only do show quality work.